

CONGRESS IS WARMING UP Spain Accused of Being Responsible for Maine Explosion.

SET SPEECHES ARE MADE Vigorous Treatment of the Question in the Senate.

No Attempt is Made to Force Consideration to a Resolution Regarding Cuban Situation in the House.

Washington, April 4.—It was frankly and openly charged in the senate today by Mr. Perkins (Cal.) in a set speech that Spain was responsible for the Maine disaster as it has been brought about by Spanish ruffians and Spanish treachery.

IN THE HOUSE.

While there was no attempt to force consideration for a resolution regarding the Cuban situation in the house today, there was a brief outbreak in the course of which the war-like temper of the crowded galleries was so manifested that Speaker Reed threatened to clear them if it was repeated.

THIS PREACHER WILL FIGHT.

With His Two Sons He Will Enter in Event of War. New Castle, Del., April 4.—Captain F. Munson, of the National Guards of Delaware, and rector of Immanuel Episcopal church, of this city, was questioned in regard to what he would do in case of a declaration of war between the United States and Spain.

ENGLAND DESIRES PEACE.

Significant Remarks of Mr. Balfour, Acting Secretary of State. London, April 4.—In the house of commons, replying to John Morley, Liberal member of the district of Montrose, who asked whether the government could furnish any information in regard to the situation of affairs between Spain and the United States, Mr. Balfour, the acting secretary of state, said:

WOULD NOT TALK THE DECKS.

Duluth Sails in a Frigate Ships From Shot and Shell. Duluth, Minn., April 4.—A Washington dispatch says an ingenious sailor in Duluth has sent to Congressman Morris a drawing of a plan to arm ordinary vessels in such a manner as to make them formidable fighting ships.



Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.

RECTOR'S HAND AGAINST POKER.

Declares That the Game Must Stop in Palmyra. Palmyra, N. J., April 4.—The young men of Palmyra who occasionally indulge in the seductive game of draw poker are on the anxious bench for the reason that Rev. G. H. Hamilton, rector of the Episcopal church, has publicly announced that he intends to break up all such games, regardless of consequences.

SAYS NEW ORLEANS IS SAFE.

General Graham Expresses Satisfaction With the Fortifications. New Orleans, April 4.—General Graham, commander of the department of the Gulf, has returned from a visit to Forts St. Philip and Jackson, about seventy miles down the river, which are to be the chief protection of New Orleans against a hostile attack.

BURGLARS LIKE MILK PUNCHES.

Midnight Raid on a Former Philadelphia Pastors. New York, April 4.—Rev. Madison C. Peck, of the Bloomhills Reformed church, notified the police yesterday that his house had been entered by burglars during the night and silverware valued at \$500 stolen.

MEN TO RAID ILLEGAL STILL.

An Examination for the New Internal Revenue Deputies. Philadelphia, April 4.—A large number of able-bodied men invaded the office of Collector of Internal Revenue McCall, yesterday for the purpose of undergoing an examination for the position of "rating deputies."

UNION OF NORTH AND SOUTH.

A Confederate Captain to Fight for a United Country. Kansas City, Mo., April 4.—Dr. Thaddeus Fitzhugh, 61 years old, former postmaster of Kansas City, Kan., a cousin of General Fitzhugh Lee, has offered his services to President McKinley, expressing a willingness, if need be, to sacrifice his life in support of the principles of the firmly united country.

Dauphin Democrats.

Harrisburg, April 4.—The Dauphin county Democratic committee organized this afternoon for the ensuing year.

Dr. Swallow's Challenge.

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SUBMARINE MINES MADE IN LONDON

Evidence That a Number Were Procured for Havana Harbor.

THEY CAN BE IDENTIFIED

The Infernal Machines Were Manufactured Under Direction of J. P. Gibbons Who Claims to Be Able to Identify Them if Any Part of Cables Can Be Secured.

London, April 4.—Details have been obtained by the Associated Press of the manufacture of submarine mines in London for Spain, which was first brought to the attention of the United States embassy and called to the Associated Press on March 5.

The manager of the Westminster Engineering company, which is the successor of the aforementioned firm, and with which Gibbons is connected, confirms the latter's statement as to the manufacture of mines for Spain.

BOOMING AN ALASKA TOWN.

A New rival to the Nushoon Villages at the Klondike. Wrangell, Alaska, April 4.—This town, on the road to the Klondike, is speedily becoming a place of commercial importance. Wrangell is booming on the strength of the railroad which is projected to run from Glenora, at the mouth of Telegraph Creek, the head of navigation of the Stikine river, about 175 miles, over a mountain, through swamps and tablelands, to Lake Teslin.

NEGROES ARE READY FOR WAR.

Colored Methodist Conference at Terre Haute Urges Intervention. Terre Haute, Ind., April 4.—At the conference of the Methodist church, which covers Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana and Eastern Illinois, colored Bishop Fowler presiding, a resolution was adopted saying that intervention in Cuba is plainly the duty of our country, even if the sacrifice of money and lives is necessary, and that in case of war the American negroes will not be lagards.

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LOST OVERBOARD AT SEA.

State of Schooner James A. Brown Drowned Off Highland Light. Boston, April 4.—The schooner James A. Brown, Captain Simmons, which has arrived here from the Hartian river, lost her first mate, Alfred Moore, when off Highland Light Saturday. The mate went out to fuel the outer light. He was not afterward seen. No injury was heard, and when it was discovered that a man was missing there was no sign of him.

LOAN ASSOCIATION RECEIVER NAMED.

Harrisburg, April 4.—Deputy Attorney General Reeder filed a suggestion in the Dauphin county court this afternoon for an order on the Suburban Building and Loan association, of Reading, to show cause why it should not be dissolved and a receiver appointed. The order was made returnable April 11.



Hood's Pills. Best to take after dinner; prevent distress, constipation, biliousness, headache, dizziness, indigestion, etc.

EASTER, 1898



NEW SPRING CHILDREN'S SUITS

For Easter the little fellows want to look just as well as their papas. Our stock is now complete, the new designs in the Double-Breasted Vestee effect finished with combination shades, in shields and inlaid collars, braided and finished with finest Swiss Silk Soutaches and bullion braid, made of the highest grade materials and regularly sold at a higher price.



\$2.25, \$3, \$3.50, \$4 and \$5.

Boys' Double-Breasted

Two garment Suits in ages from 9 to 15 years, of such trustworthy materials as the Hanover & Sawyer Mills' Cassimeres, double and twist yarns, the very latest spring colorings, in club checks and overplaid, finished with the best Italian lining. Samters' prices, \$3, \$3.50, \$4, \$4.50 and \$6.50

Confirmation Suits

For boys in ages from 14 to 19 years, long pants, in black or blue, fine twill all wool "Condore" cloth, single or double-breasted styles. Just the thing for a good serviceable dress suit, and the price is far below that of last Easter for the same quality. Samters' price, \$5, \$6.50, \$7, \$8, \$10 and \$12.

Boys' Fine Blouses

Made in ruffled and plain, Fauntleroy style, finished with all over embroidered collars of fine white Cambric. Special price for Easter—50c, 75c, \$1.50 and \$2.00

The First Unfolding

Of all that is freshest in style and all that is newest in the fashionable world recognized and followed by all swell dressers and the prices much lower than last season for the same materials.

We Are Ready.

NEW SPRING MEN'S SUITS.

It is surely time you were buying your new Spring Suit, the most stylish and best qualities are here awaiting your choice. They come in the popular three and four button Cutaway Sack, in silk mixtures of that overplaid neat effect, and rough cheviot tweeds. Trimmed throughout with best Italian cloth and twill serge. Some are double faced and finished with silk pipings and hand-made button holes. The product of the best American workshops. All the styles and shades that fashion has created can be found here. The prices are lower than you would even expect unless you fully realize the fact that this store is usually one-fourth to one-third lower \$8, \$10, \$12, \$15 and \$18 in price than any store in Scranton.



New Spring Top Coats.

The finest assortment of New Spring Top Coats ever brought to this city are now awaiting your inspection and approval. You cannot afford to be without one at the low prices we quote. These cool nights will certainly cost you more for doctor bills. They come in the rough surface, Imported English Vicuna, in the stylish mode, brown, black, steel and oxford mixed shades, beautifully cut and made, full box back and the broad strapped seams, lined throughout with best high grade Mohair twills. Some with silk to the edge. Garments that no custom tailor can put up for less than double the price asked at this store.

\$8, \$10, \$12, \$15 and \$18

You will want a new hat for Easter. Just look at our corner window. All the latest Spring shapes are there for well-dressed men. Hand made. Hand blocked, and silk tipped. Our prices far below exclusive hat stores. 98c, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50



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Samter Bros.

Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers.



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FIRE SALE OF CARPETS

Doubtless you remember the great fire in Philadelphia a short time ago, during which the magnificent Carpet stock of John and James Dobson, valued at \$700,000, was injured by Fire, Smoke and Water. This magnificent stock was recently sold and we have purchased some \$4,000 worth of the Most Desirable Goods. These goods we place on sale MONDAY, APRIL 14th. Stock comprises:

- Royal Wiltons, Velvets, Axminsters, Body and Tapestry Brussels, Ingrains, Hall and Stair Carpets.

These goods we have placed on sale in our Basement, and they will be sold at 25c. On the Dollar.

We wish it distinctly understood that these goods are entirely separate from our regular stock, on which we have made Special Reductions for this Great Sale.

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