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Knorking down old forts is occaplonally necessary, no doubt, but the news the public wants from Sampson hazn't come vet

### Scranton's Debt of Honor.

on Monday evening, at a mosting to which the public is confuily invited. the board of trade will consider the orgappention of rebet work for the benefit of the families who have been left in pinching circumstances by the departare of mole members to the war. It is believed that the number of such famthese in Scranton and the ability is suffiguret to insufe veganized beligful offort. That such bein is due to these families from the well-to-do milized who have remained at home will hardly be questioned. It is peculiarly a dein of honor.

There may be some who will say concerning these guardenten whose going to the front left want at home: "They should not have gone. The country and not require the perviseer of mon with families to support. Since this have chosen to make an unnecessary sactifree under a sustaken sense of honor. thereby depriving Just so many unincumbered men of the chance to young teer, by them take the concentences." Unfortunately the consequences do not fall on them alone, if they did there might not be much occasion for pub he action in the promises; but they fall issued on unprojected sales and children, upon aged parents or mon derendent relatives not otherwise provided for; and it is simply out of the ion to let there innovent victin

We cannot now call those mirguided guardsmen back. Viewed practically their shore of duties seems thrwise and mistaken. Yet it was a chivalrous error of judgment, a manifestation of unselfish patriotism for which the Amersean nation will be all the stronger. And since it has been extitled and may not you be undone, let us proceed in wholesouled, manly fashion to provide for the domestic emergency which it creates. There should be sufficient publie spirit in Stranton to solve this problem the moment a serious attempt is he ereward with substantial success.

It would not been the war department at Washington in the public estin ation if in communicating bereafter with governors who have done their best for the federal government if continerate.

### No European Dictation.

The appointment of General Merritt as military executive of the Philippine islands and the preparations to despatch a sufficient military force to those islands to evict the Spaniards. restore order and "hold the fort until the clouds roll by" effectively reply to the silly rumors that William of Germany and other European war lords are going to dictate to the United States how it shall dispose of its spoils of war. There probably has been no real foundation for any of these pumore beyond the natural anxiety of professional mischief makers to manufacture trouble.

But if at any future time interven tion should be contemplated in any European quarter without our consenit might be well to have it understood with unmistakable clearness that it will be resented and resisted in characteristic American fashion. As one representative of our state department says in a published interview: "If the United States navy or the land forces of this country should attack or take possession of the Canary Islands or begin a bombardment of Spanish coast eities, there might be some tangible ground upon which European powers might stand and raise an issue for intervention. So long as the forces of the United States do not set foot upon European soil this government will neknowledge no right of interference between the United States and Spain. It must be observable to superficial readers of current events that the T'nited States is growing stronger daily and hourly. This fact will not be overleeked by European courts. What the designs of the powers may be in the the progress of events in that part of the world, nor will we brook interfer-

we are avowedly at war."

let go. The sooner this purpose is comrehended abroad the better will be the European peace of mind.

The Democratic pewspapers about the state are finding great consolution, apparently, in the shafts or oratorical vituperation that Candidate Wannmaker is hurling at almost everybody in sight in Pennsylvania politics.

### News from Gomez.

for our war department. Major Smith tury calls us. was lately reported killed by the Spaniards but has disproved this report by turning up at Tampa, slive and well.

Major Smith says the Cubans, from Gomez down to the lowest private could he is, almost shed tears, and in a voice | tions. choked with emotion thanked God for the aid. The Cuban force, he adds. is

turn is his emphatic denial that seri. of the Florida Keys. ous danger is to be apprehended from vellow fever, "I have never seen," says he, "a yellow fever case in any of the camps, and in the three years I have dozen cases, all told. We have fine water all through the island, thousands sort of Pennsylvania. of clear, cool water springs gushing out of the ground, while the water in scores of rivers is as good and healthful as in Florida. I have been in the field there for nearly three years, and I have had scarcely a sick day."

This view of the fever scare is shared by most of the medical experts who have examined the problem carefully and it ought to allay much of the prevalent apprehension.

When we read that Porto Rico raises snakes eight feet long, the bravery of the Wilkes-Parce regiment in hurrying to the front can be better appre-

### Let It Come.

Some exceedingly ugly rumors are affort touching the methods employed in Select council to load down the new telephone ordinance with strangling amendments. The hints at bribery untered on the floor of the counci chamber Thursday night are hourly becoming more specific. Names and sums are being mentioned in street corner discussion. It is evident that mportant disclosures are impending. Let them come. The new telephone people offer a good service at less than half the rate now charged, and profess to be willing under bond to submit to the same restrictions and conditions as have been placed by councils around the old company. This proposition seems fair. We can see no reason founded in equity why such a proposition should not be accepted by counells. Certainly there is no reason in why conneils should lay down ertain terms for one telephone company charging high rates and certain other terms, vastly more exacting, for another company which offers to guaranted a service as good as or better than the old service, at materially reduced rates. This on its face looks like discrimination, and if it is diserimination which has been effected by means of bribery the public should

Of course Dewey is not to blame for the efforts of the Manila battle poets, but if they keep on his name will soon made. Let Monday evening's meeting be liable to provoke unpleasunt emotions.

### America's Duty.

From the Independent.

.The virile nations of the earth are five, the grown, strong nations, the should be moderately respectful and nations that are trying to develop civilization. They are the United States, Great Britain, Germany, Russia and France. The development of the world is in their hands; and the best of them, the two that have the highest othical ideas with their civilization, that can do most and best for the world, are Great Britain and the United States. These two nations, if they will only work together, can put their veto on the rest of the world. They are the hest of friends, they make no entang-Bing alliances and do not need to: but if they can only understand each other they can control the world's history. They ought to do it.

Our nation is now to be a world power. We arejto be felt, and we will be felt only for good, in the world's polities. We cannot escape our destiny, and we do not want to. We have a mission, and must accomplish it for liberty and humanity. Our institutions our freedom have been a lesson to the world, and such liberty is the world's only hope. It is our duty to help the world to such liberty; not to stand behind a safe rampart and give them our worthless moral sympathy, but to take part in bestowing human rights on human beings. This we are doing for Cuba and for the Philippine islands Spain cannot govern a colony. This war ought not to stop till Spain is stripped of every possession out of the peninsula that would be free of her tyranny. God has put this task on us. and we should see that it is completely

But what shall we do with the Philippine Islands? One thing we must not, cannot do, deliver them back to Spain. We may have to keep and rule them for a while. We can do it well enough. It is not a task too hard for us. New conditions impose new duties. Maturity compels responsibil-Orient this country cares nothing ity. Away with the faithlessness, the about. We have never interfered with infantile cowardice that refuses to accept the obligations that strength implice. Congress ought to accept Hawah ence in our own policies, military and at once. If Hawaii wants our free international, so long as we do not rule, why should we be too selfish to even remotely trench upon the rights give it? We do not want Cuba, and of any state except that with which have said so; but Cuba must be free; and if free Cuba wants our free rule, What American prowess has taken why should we fear? Is our mission Yankee grit will hold until it gets done when we have served ourselves?

Shall we make the excuse of Cain, "Am I my brother's keeper?"

Then let our nation, grown to man's state, take man's duties. Let us not hesitate to join Great Britain, with or nermission-for our sake, and for China's sake, and for the world's sake, Interesting news is brought from The twentleth century needs us, and Cuba by W. D. Smith, the American let us be ready for the larger, the less who served for three years on Gomez's selfielt, less narrow and provincial, the staff as major and lately undertook to more Christian statesmanship to which, communicate with the Cuban general in behalf of all humanity, the next cen-

The Philadelphia Press in its issue of yesterday publishes a dispatch from Altoona specifically charging, with the names and dates, that postmastership hardly contain themselves when he appointments harm been auctioned off rought the news of the army gather- in that congressional district to the ing at Tampa for the proposed inva- highest bidders. This would seem to ion of Cuba. Gomez, stern sid man as open a new opportunity for explana-

The war with Spain has had the efrapidly recruiting, and as soon as an feet of making students momentarily American army can be landed Gomez turn from the contemplation of octahecon get all the men he wants. He dral forms and the ratiocination of stands ready at a moment's notice to theories of pantheism and occultism, co-operate with the American army of and get out their geographies and settle the question whether Cape Verda Another interesting feature of his re- is on the coast of New Jersey or one

Montrose now has electric lights. The pressing of the button was celebrated by a banquet the other night. Monbeen in the island I have not seen a trose only lacke a proper system of sewerage to be the ideal summer re-

> It is said that ninety per cent, of the cigarette smokers fail to pass physical examinations for the army. Mental examination ought to be unnecessary in the case of the cigarette fiend.

> The Spanish announcement that a strong force is to be sent to the Philippines to annihilate Admiral Dewey looks more and more like a very highly inflated bluff.

The weather at Tampa is probably varm enough by this time to properly cake the raw recruits.

War poets are overabundant, but rood song writers are deplorably few.

### Conditions Within Besieged Havana

AVANA, May 7.—The situation in Havana continues anchanged as far as warships and battles are concerned, but the effects of the blockede are so pressing as to make it next to impossible to live within the walls. Familie is near for the rich pestaurant; are guarded by armed voluncers, and only customers are permitted o saler. Cheap restaurants and chopuses have been closed to save them in certain places food is only served to those in dress uniform. Non-combatants the value of armor place have, so far, only succeeded in checking the supply only succeeded in checking the supply join us?" If you satisfy them you are a ling that it cannot be made at the maxi-foreigner they let you go, remarking, mum price that congress allows. "Keep quiet," If you are a Cuban or a Spaniard you are led to the nearest pubic safety committee station, where your

Violence has not yet begun, but it is unsafe for a civilian to go through the streets, especially at night, as there are no street lights, and any one is likely to be shot down on the spot if he fulls to reply to the challenge. Friends are already missing, and you cannot inquire after them for fear of being arrested. Dr. C. E. Finlay, a Cuban-American well known iere and in New York, has been missing for several days. Your correspondent, fearing for him, as he had seen his name blacklisted by the volunteers, called at he British consulate for information He then applied to the chief of police Colonel Pagervy, who warned him from dabbling in "politics," adding: "We will not molest you at present, but cannot be responsible for the volunteers, who are in full power under martial law."

fate is decided.

The few ships leaving Havana since the dockade have all been packed full of refsees, who were compelled to pay fancy on the Italian cruiser Glovanna Bausan were obliged to tip somebody at the con-sulate \$60 anjece. Those on board the Danish schooner Roll, without any passenger accommodations whatever, paid high as \$300 each for a trip which heretofore would have cost only \$10. The speculators in Cuba's disgrace are coin for their heartlessness. The Luciene and Lafayette are the only ships not it creasing their rates. The Lafavette will carry over 1,700 passengers, and there have been 5,000 nonlicunts for fickets, but the majority will have to remain. The French schoolship Fuiton carried piso a number of wealthy passengers.

Traffic in Havana streets has been topped, as no business is transacted. Exselfed by the government to carry mateand stages run no larger; their horses and mules have been turned loose into the streets, as there is no fodder. The ew remaining bags of corn sell for to a quintal. Havana harkor is lacking in Spanish warships, for there are only two useless ones. The Alforso XII has her tollers destroyed and her guns have been removed to the western fortillea-tions at the Vadado. Etc is as helpless as a baby. The Conde de Venadito is at the arsenal under repairs, having suffered considerably some time ago from running aground at the Colorado shoals. There are two other small gunboats, the Nunez Pinzon and Marques de la Ensenada, which, of course, dare not not to sea to meet the American squadron.

Nevertheless, the dailies here boldly anounced that they had gone out prepared to lick Sampson's fleet and that he duted not meet them. The Quixotism of he Spaniards is reaching the crazy limit t is semi-officially announced that Weywill land in Mexico with 20,000 me and incade the states through Texas. The Spaniards are clated over the alleged empathy of Porticio Diaz with Spain and expect him to aid them in their proposes vasion of the United States. The reporthat General Lee has been promoted to major general, and that he will assume charge of the United States invasion army, has considerably enraged the Spaniards, who hate him cordially. The walls are placarded with abscene sketches and phrases about his appointment. One says: "We will soon be infested by an army of pigs, headed by Hog Lee. Let us prepare to roast them." The govern-ment is also proceeding against Lee and American interests here. All Lee's be-longings and the food for the reconentrades have been seized by the govern ment, and the confiscation of American "eady in its own time and manner to. Have we no mission to serve others? victim is Sener Mariano C. Artis, pro-

prietor of the big sugar plantation, Navcisa Caiba Rien, which is under the man-agement of a Wall street syndicate,

The Vento water works, Havana's only hesitate to join Great Britain, with or water supply, bave been attacked by the without the aid of other powers, in rebel insurgent coloret, Mario Diaz, withpolicing the world. There will be a troops guarding the water works. Water congress of powers one of these days. and in it we shall be represented. China and hard to get at \$2 a pand. A cup of must not be dismembered without our coffee and milk costs 25 conts. Eggs are no longer obtainable. Bread, although few places.

### THE IRREPRESSIBLE YANKEE. Braved the Anger of General Comez and Got a Good Ment.

Tampa Letter in the World. W. D. Smith, the Cuban leader, who skillfully riloted the commission to Gomez's camp, i s been in close consul-tation here today with General Shafter, Wade and Ludlow. Major Smith has been fighting the battles of Cuba for three years. He is a Vermonter by birth and as brave as he is massuming.

He tells a characteristic story of John Lynn, the young Jacksonville insurance clerk, who a year ago went with a filibustering expedition and joined the Cu-ban army, where he achieved fame and a name as the captain of the Cuban batteries and the manager of the pacumatic gun that did such execution.

"I was lying in my tent one day," said Major Smith today, "when some of the guard officers came over and told me thet an American had buttonholed General Gomez and that I must go over and get him away. I went over, found young Lynn in the general's tent attempting to talk with him in the most unconcerned manner. I quickly took him away, much o the general's relief, or Gomez is great stickler for eliquetic and wants proper introductions.

"it reems that Lynn entered whole Go mez was eating his dinner, alone, as n his custom and proference. Lynn caum-ly walked in, so, ted himself by the gen-eral, and, extending his hand, said, 'How do you do, general? I am glad to see you. The general glaved at him and hardly reglied, as he did not inderstand what was recant. Lyan, nothing dannad, began reaching over and helping himself and eating rapidly. Gomez watched him for a few moments, and then rose and walked off in a rage. Lynn unconernedly continued eating, and after fir ral and thanked him, saying that he had

He kept on talking to the general, and the old man got rather wraths. If I had not caught him in time he would have ordered him under arrest. I took Lynn out to my tent and told him he must be

ore circumspect. 'He is an irrepressible young fellow and is the life of the camo. Gomez knows alm and ean't help liking him, as he is brave and energetic in fighting, and that always makes a friend of the chief, Lyn s now in charge of the shops there and oversees all the repairs of the guns and artillery. He is a skilled workman and invaluable to the Cubans."

### VALUE OF ARMOR PLATE.

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put a limit upon the cost of armor plate that is made by American manufacturers from being attacked by the hungry mob. for our navy. Those theoretical states-in certain places food is only served to men who claim an expert knowledge of portant husiness interests has been that outlders of armor plate in this country have their yards busy in the construction r such material to foreign order. Meantime American war ships, the construction of which has been authorized by congress, are delayed in completion at a time when they might have been most our national legislators believed that they were better informed as to the cost and value of armor plate than those manufacturers who have made a special study of the business. It is significant that our manufacturers of this material are makng armor plate for Russia, a country that has found, in at least one of its warships, that European armor plate was composed of rubbish and blow holes,

### COST OF A BATTLE.

From the St. Louis Republic. It is estimated that a one-hour fight between two modern first-class battleships vill cost a million and a half dollars. If this is correct. Spain can afford to fight about two minutes,

### TOLD BY THE STARS. Daily Horoscope D:awn by Ajacchus

The Tribune Astrologer. Astrolabe Cast: 4.10 a. m., for Saturday,

A child born on this day will notice that the councils have not yet been arrested for failing to repute the streets. Many persons who are not Spanish

think the Cuban flag looks better when Some people so around with the pertance of a searchlight, when the Lord aly intended them for inflow dips. Belietin-May 12, 11.40 p. m. (on beard agable). The Scranton Rowing associaion fleet is still at Lake Ariel.

The man who does not display red, white and blue these days deserves to saffer from janualice for the balance of the weason. The Speum Plats kid says that in anpointing a governor general for Manila

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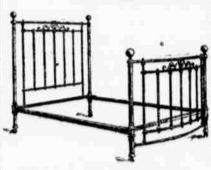


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