

# THE MAINE REPORT

Will Doubtless Be Given to the Public This Week.

## THE PRESIDENT'S POSITION.

Senators Expect a Positive Declaration Within a Few Days.

## FRIDAY SUNDAY AT THE CAPITAL.

President McKinley Remained From Church in Order to Discuss War Measures With His Advisers—The Relief Growing in Official Circles That the Great Disaster Was External—Warlike Preparations Continue and Preparations for the Defense of the National Capital Are Completed—Warships Purchased From Brazil Have Been Named New Orleans and Albany.

Washington, March 22.—The short session of the senate yesterday was unusual for the first working day of the week. That no one was prepared to go on with the pending measure given as the explanation, but the opinion was stated by the senators that while the question remained in such suspense there was no desire to take up important legislation. The outlook as Cuba was discussed among senators led to the exclusion of other topics, the belief was quite decided that administration is preparing to take positive position within the next week. Several senators made the prediction that the United States would intervene. Being pressed for a reason they stated that they had reached this conclusion after more or less conference with executive officers, but at the same time saying quite emphatically that they had no positive opinion on this point. Other senators thought the recognition of Cuban independence more probable than intervention. Almost all expressed the belief that some action surely will follow the report of the Maine court of inquiry regardless of its purport. A press dispatch from Key West is in considerable credence in official circles. This dispatch states that Judge



LIEUT. COMMANDER MARIX.

Lieutenant Marix, of the Maine court of inquiry, came ashore at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon accompanied by an orderly from the Iowa, who carried a bulky package of official documents, which was handed over to Rear Admiral Sigsbee. It is believed the documents are the full findings of the court of inquiry and that Lieutenant Commander Marix will be sent to Washington with them at once.

The procedure in connection with the submission of the report of the court of inquiry by the president to congress is now clearly outlined, and a cabinet order yesterday explained the general line of action at present intended to be pursued. A copy of the report will be laid before the Spanish government very soon, and as soon as can be consistently done the report will be sent to congress and made public at the same time. The report to congress will be accompanied by a message from the president stating that, after receiving the report, the conclusions were laid before the Spanish government and appropriate action from that quarter is stated positively that no part of the report and no intimation of the findings has reached the executive authorities at Washington as yet. At the same time, it is a noticeable fact that the current of official opinion is being to follow that of the unofficial opinion expressed so positively and insistently at Havana and Key West as to the cause of the explosion was vital to the battleship. Opinion expressed by the Maine survivors who had been here last Saturday doubtless contributed largely to this view in official circles.

The army and navy preparations are proceeding without interruption, although they have now become so regular as to lapse into routine on a daily scale. No further purchases of warships were concluded yesterday, the negotiations are not assuming a promising aspect, except in showing that the United States can command the market against Spain.

The enlistment branch of the navy department yesterday issued a large order advertising for men for the United States navy. Enlistments will be made at the navy yards at Boston, Brooklyn, League Island, Washington, New York city; United States ships Michigan, at Erie, Pa.; Custer, at New Orleans, and the Custer, at Gloucester, Mass. The following classes of men are wanted: men, 18 to 35 years of age, at \$24 per month; ordinary seamen, 18 to 30, at \$20 per month; chief machinists, 18 to 30, at \$30 per month; machinists, first class, 18 to 35, at \$25 per month; second class, 18 to 35, at \$20 per month. The requirements for enlistment provide that all candidates must pass a physical examination, and sea and ordinary seamen and machinists must pass a technical examination as well.

Our New Cruisers Renamed. Washington, March 22.—Secretary Long issued an order yesterday that the Amazonas, the cruiser recently purchased at the New Castle-on-Tyne from the Brazilian government, hereafter would bear the name of New Orleans, in honor of the principal city of Louisiana. Secretary Long has also rechristened the cruiser Abreul, and hereafter she will be known as the Albany, in honor of the capital of the Empire state.

A Brutal Husband's Crime. Geneva, O., March 22.—James McStockard last evening shot and probably fatally wounded his wife's sister, Mrs. Gains Trunkey. After firing two shots McStockard started to run, but was pulled down by two large hounds owned by Mrs. Trunkey. He succeeded in releasing himself, however, and escaped. McStockard had been drinking heavily of late, and had become so abusive that his wife had fled with her little girl to her sister's residence.

# FROM SLEEP TO DEATH.

Terrible Experience of Hotel Lodgers at Butte, Mont.

## PROBABLY TWENTY-TWO DEAD.

While the Death List May Be Increased by the Loss of Unknown Lodgers—Several Severely Injured in the Rush For Life.

Butte, Mont., March 22.—The Hale House, a large three story brick building on East Broadway, used as a lodging and boarding house by miners in the employ of the Anaconda company, was entirely destroyed by fire which broke out shortly after 3 o'clock in the morning. So far as known two men are dead from injuries received by jumping from the windows, another is dying and 20 are missing, while a search of the ruins may disclose the fact that many transient lodgers also lost their lives. The dead are: Matt Doyle, aged 45, miner, jumped from third story window; Frank Rohdy, aged 40, lately from Portland, Ore., jumped from the third story window. Dying: Hugh Boyle, aged 30, miner, strated to lower himself from the third story by means of improvised rope, which parted 50 feet from the ground. He was just recovering from the effects of a broken leg through an accident a month ago.

Injured: Pat Galligan, went down with third floor when it collapsed and was rescued by firemen, badly burned. John T. Carter, badly burned and cut by glass; J. J. Conroy, burned on hands and bones fractured; Barney Reynolds, fractured right leg; Mike Judge, right arm broken; John Irwin, burned about the neck and face and cut by glass before jumping from the third floor. There were 250 men and women in the building when the fire broke out. Of these, it is believed, about 200 escaped without injury. The fire started in the bakery house in the center of the building, and had a good start before it was discovered. When the firemen arrived men in their underclothing, and others half dressed, were clamoring down the fire escapes in the rear. The servant girls and others were at the windows in the front of the building, frantically calling for help. They were cut off from the rear of the building by the dense smoke. The ladders were run up, but not before many of the frightened people had jumped. All the female help were gotten out by the firemen. On the side of the building many had made ropes of their bed clothes and sought to escape in that way. Some of them succeeded, but in other cases the ropes broke and the men dropped many feet to the ground. No one saved anything but what they had on at the time of the fire.

The night was bitterly cold, the thermometer registering 5 below zero. As long as there appeared any chance of anyone being in the building the firemen devoted themselves to saving human life. It was only after there was no further chance to do this that they began work on the fire. The flames had gained such headway that two hours after the fire began the walls had fallen in. The financial loss is \$100,000.

## THE SUBMARINE FIGHTER.

Another Successful Trial Trip of Holland's Marvelous Invention. Perth Amboy, N. J., March 22.—The Holland submarine boat made another trip from here yesterday. At a depth of 15 feet under water she showed good speed, and was handled with ease. After she came to the surface the boat grounded in the soft mud and was hauled off by the tug Erie, which acted as a tender. The boat's conning tower will be filled with electric lights before another trip is made. The trial of the Holland in deeper water will probably occur during the latter portion of the week. Both the guns are in need of repairs, as the breeches now admit air, and there are other details aboard that need attention. When this has been done the Holland will start for a long trip in deep water in the lower bay, and probably will remain submerged for two miles. Her guns will then be fired for the first time. It is probable that the Holland will be taken to Washington next week. She will be tested in fresh water at the capital.

## Outlawry in the Klondike.

Washington, March 22.—Information has reached the war department that the rowdy element of Alaska have seized Bennett's road, leading to and over the White Pass, and have placed the country in a state of terror. Instructions were telegraphed to General Merriam, commanding the department of the Columbia, at Vancouver, Wash., to order the infantry garrison to Skaguay to take proper steps for the protection of persons and property in the disturbed region, regardless of the expense attending such a movement of troops.

## Murdered and Thrown From a Bridge.

Shamokin, Pa., March 22.—The body of Francis Tarento, of this city, was found yesterday morning across the tracks of the Northern Central railroad, underneath the trolley bridge. There were two deep wounds in his face, and it is thought he was murdered and thrown from the trolley bridge. He was employed at the Pennsylvania colliery, and drew his wages Saturday night. There was no money found on his body.

## Crooked Bank Cashier Sentenced.

Covington, Ky., March 22.—Judge Taft, of the United States court, yesterday sentenced ex-cashier T. B. Youtzy, of the First National bank, of Newport, Ky., to six years in the penitentiary. Execution of the sentence was suspended for 30 days to enable the defendant's counsel to prepare a bill of exceptions. Youtzy was found guilty of violation of the United States banking laws.

## Jilted Lover's Double Crime.

Wellsville, O., March 22.—While returning home from church Sunday night Oliver Reed asked Sarah Walton to marry him, and upon her refusal he drew a revolver and shot her through the heart. He then blew out his brains. An examination of papers found on his body shows that the deed was premeditated.

# BELLIGERENT SPANIARD

Is Given an Opportunity to Fight an American Citizen.

## IN DEFENSE OF SENATOR MASON

Dr. George E. Powell, a Former Western Scout, Scores the "Haughty Spaniard" in a Manner Which Should Arouse His "Castilian Blood."

Winona, Minn., March 21.—In response to the challenge of Baron Elcardo, Marquis of Alta Villa, Madrid, Spain, to fight a duel with Senator Mason, of Illinois, for the latter's utterances in the senate, Dr. George Powell, of La Crosse, has cabled the following acceptance of the challenge in Mason's stead: "Through the press dispatches I am informed that you have challenged Senator Mason to mortal combat for words spoken in defense of his position as the champion of the patriotism and principles of his country and its people, with usual Spanish generosity selecting your own weapon. "Now, as Senator Mason has spent a lifetime in the pursuit of a more humane calling, and in the walks of civilization which has but poorly fitted him to meet a bully at arms, as one who has admired and now endorses the objectionable words and patriotism of Senator Mason, I, a plainsman, a westerner, one of a class known as typical because it holds principle as patriotism, above price, because it believes that murder in the first degree cannot be paid for with gold, hereby accept your challenge and name the army pistol, the organ of civilization, the instrument with which the American pioneer measured justice to assassins. And while earnestly assuring you and all your kind that thousands of men of my type stand ready to step in my tracks and pick up my pistol if it should fall, I sincerely thank the representative of a thousand years of barbarism for the opportunity to fire the shot in revenge for the Yankee sailors who fed the sharks in the bottom of Havana bay."

The above cable was sent March 17, but was not made public until yesterday. Dr. George E. Powell is a noted western plainsman and Indian fighter, who followed the fortunes of the army for 20 years in the capacity of scout and guide in the numerous Indian wars, serving with distinction under every general of the army west of the Mississippi river during his term of service. So valuable had been the services rendered by him to the army that he has been the recipient of many mementoes from his commanders, notable among them being a magnificent silver mounted revolver costing \$150 and presented by the late General George A. Custer.

Dr. Powell is about 50 years of age, and a well known physician at La Crosse. He is a boon companion of such frontiersmen as Buffalo Bill, Wild Bill, Texas Jack and others of equal note.

## CLEMMER'S TRIAL POSTPONED.

Jury Commissioners Had Illegally Drawn the Panel.

Norristown, Pa., March 22.—The trial of James A. Clemmer, charged with the murder of Mrs. Emma Kaiser, on Oct. 28, 1896, which began yesterday, came to a sudden stop before any of the jury had been selected and was postponed until the June term of court. This unexpected turn of affairs was the result of a petition by the defense that the panel of jurors be quashed on the charge that Jury Commissioners Troy and McDowell had irregularly drawn the panel and for various other technical reasons. It was alleged that the commissioners had drawn the entire panel for personal and political reasons. Jury Commissioner Troy admitted sending out a circular letter to the Democratic county committee asking for the names of men who could act as jurors. Commissioner Troy said that as he was elected on the Democratic ticket he thought he had to get Democrats for the jury.

## Bold Escape of Prisoners.

Dedham, Mass., March 22.—Two prisoners at the Dedham House of Correction, having sawed their way out of their cell, overpowered a guard, and after binding him seized his keys and opened the safe, from which they took about \$2,500 in money belonging to the officials and prisoners, and three revolvers, and then escaped. They were Patrick Gill, of Hyde Park, who had served but a few months of a two years' sentence for larceny, and Charles Cook, of Wampole, who was awaiting a hearing charged with breaking and entering.

## Killed a Mississippi Sheriff.

Senatobia, Miss., March 22.—In a shooting affray here yesterday Sheriff J. W. Bray was killed and Deputy Sheriff Homer Gilmore dangerously wounded. The row began between Ashley Cocke and Homer Gilmore. Cocke emptied his pistol at Gilmore, three shots taking effect, while Gilmore missed his assailant. Cocke then walked across the street, meantime reloading his pistol. Sheriff Bray, hearing the shooting, hastened to the scene, ordered Cocke to surrender, and was shot through the heart.

## Japan's Powerful Navy.

Vienna, March 22.—The newspapers announce that Japan, between 1895 and 1905, will have devoted 193,000,000 yen to the building of warships. Forty-seven have already been ordered, with short terms of delivery, in England, France, Germany and the United States.

## India's Viceroy May Resign.

London, March 22.—The Standard says it has reason to believe that the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, viceroy of India since 1893, desires to resign his post, and that the government is considering the appointment of a new viceroy.

## Duke of Talleyrand Dead.

Berlin, March 22.—The Duke of Talleyrand and Sagin is dead. He was born in Paris in 1811. His second wife was a daughter of the late Marshal Soult, Count de Castellane.

# A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED.

Wednesday, March 16.

Sir Henry Bessemer, the inventor of Bessemer steel, died in London last night. During February the exports of the United States increased \$15,500,000 and the imports decreased \$6,000,000 compared with February, 1897. The ashes of William Appleby, a Liverpool, L. I., farmer, were scattered to the winds by his wife, in accordance with Appleby's wishes. Five in a cheap lodging house on the Bowery, New York, resulted in the death of 11 sleeping inmates, while several escaped in a nude condition.

Thursday, March 17.

The senate confirmed Hon. T. V. Powderly as commissioner of immigration. Mme. Dreyfus has been refused permission to share her husband's imprisonment on Devil's Island. Fire destroyed a big manufacturing and office building on Wabash avenue, Chicago, and 20 lives were lost. The price paid Brazil for the warships Amazonas and Almirante Abroual is said to be something over \$2,500,000. Unless the government modifies the quarantine law, it is said, 100,000 head of cattle will starve to death in California this year.

Friday, March 18.

The United States court at Galveston, Tex., ordered the deportation of five Chinamen under the Geary act. Two negroes who have been repeatedly arrested at Glasgow, Ky., for vagrancy will be sold into bondage on Monday. Burglars broke into the summer home of Mitchell Wentworth, at Trumbull, Conn., and stole a wagon load of costly bric-a-brac. Hon. Blanche K. Bruce, register of the treasury, died in Washington yesterday. He was born a slave in Virginia 57 years ago.

In a speech in the national senate Mr. Proctor, of Vermont, corroborated the stories of destitution in Cuba, and urged speedy relief.

Saturday, March 19.

In the Missouri lunatic asylum is a man whose skin absorbed gold dust in the Klondike. The Pennsylvania Democratic state convention is likely to be held at Harrisburg on June 29. Two Indian sealers have reached Crescent City, Cal., after great hardships in an open boat. The winter's output of the Klondike is estimated at \$9,000,000 in dust, which will be sent down by the first steamer. The house committee on coinage will report favorably on the proposition to change the designs and materials for the minor coins.

Monday, March 21.

The British government has 30 to 40 war vessels in Chinese waters. William M. Taggart, of Taggart's Times, Philadelphia, died Saturday night, aged 46. Mrs. Burnett, author of "Little Lord Fauntleroy," has sued her husband, Dr. Swan M. Burnett, for divorce. The Diamond Match company has been sued by Lewis Riedinger, at Marquette, Mich., who claims \$30,000 for breach of contract. At Waybark, I. T., Ed Chalmers (colored) and his white wife were killed by regulators, one of whom was killed by Chalmers in defending his home. Six arrests have been made.

Tuesday, March 22.

Naugatuck, Conn., is alarmed over the appearance of a wild man who looks like a beast. The government has not relaxed its efforts to capture the murderers of colored Postmaster Baker in South Carolina. Frank E. Yullie, who was known on the New York Bowery as the "Old Man Bountiful," was found dead in his lodgings. Black Jack's band of Mexican outlaws was almost exterminated by a vigilance committee of the Mormon colony, near Casas Grandes. The Pennsylvania railroad depot at Jersey City, was damaged to the extent of \$100,000 by fire yesterday. Several firemen and others were slightly injured.

## THE PRODUCE MARKETS

As Reflected by Dealings in Philadelphia and Baltimore.

Philadelphia, March 21.—Flour steady; rye flour, \$4.25; Pennsylvania roller, clear, \$4.20; city mills, extra, \$3.25; Rye flour quiet and steady at \$2.90 per barrel for choice Pennsylvania. Wheat strong; No. 2 red, March, 99¢; No. 2 white, clipped, 33¢; Hay market fairly well supplied; choice timothy, \$12 per ton for large bales. Beef firm; city extra India meso, \$15.50; Pork dull; family, \$12.50; Lard steady; western steamed, \$5.25; Butter firm; western creamery, 15¢; do. factory, 12¢; Eggs, 19¢; imitation creamery, 14¢; New York dairy, 14¢; do. creamery, 15¢; Fancy Pennsylvania prints, jobbing at 22¢; do. wholesale, 21¢. Cheese and large, white and colored, September, 8¢; small do., do., September, 8¢; light skims, 5¢; part skims, 4¢; full skims, 24¢. Eggs firm; New York and Pennsylvania, 10¢; western, fresh, 10¢; southern, 10¢.

Baltimore, March 21.—Flour quiet; western superfine, \$2.70; do. extra, \$3.50; do. family, \$4.00; winter wheat, patent, \$4.75; spring do., \$5.20; 40; spring wheat, straight, \$5.15. Wheat unsettled; spot and month, 99¢; April, 99¢; May, 99¢; steamer No. 2 red, 95¢; southern, by sample, 95¢; do. on grade, 95¢; Corn steady; spot and month, 33¢; April, 33¢; May, 33¢; steamers mixed, 32¢; southern, white, 33¢; do. yellow, 32¢; Oats quiet; No. 2 white, western, 34¢; No. 2 mixed do., 31¢; Rye dull; No. 2 nearby, 55¢; No. 2 western, 55¢. Hay steady; choice timothy, \$12.50; Grain freights demand very flat and rates appear to be easy; steam to Liverpool, per bushel, 34¢; May; Cork, for orders, per quarter, 30¢; March; 34¢; 6d. April. Sugar strong; granulated, 5.20¢; Butter steady; fancy creamery, 24¢; Best Liberty, Pa., March 21.—Cattle active, strong; prime, \$5.50; 15; choice, \$4.50; common, \$3.00; 10; bulls, steers and cows, \$2.40. Hogs steady; prime medium weights, \$4.15; do. heavy hogs, \$4.10; 15; common to fair Yorkers, \$4.05; pigs, as to quality, \$3.00; 30; good roughs, \$2.40; 15; common to fair, \$2.00; 30. Sheep about steady; choice, \$4.50; common, \$3.50. 40. Cholera lambs, \$7.50; common to good, \$4.50. 70. Veal calves, \$2.50.

# WANAMAKER ON WAR.

He Declares For Peace, But Insists Upon Reparation.

Lancaster, Pa., March 19.—Hon. John Wanamaker continued his campaign in this county, when he addressed a big mass meeting in the borough of Ephrata last night. Mr. Wanamaker, accompanied by Rudolph Blankenburg, G. Harry Davis and J. A. Van Valkenburg, arrived in Ephrata at 6:45, and the party was received by a local committee. The hall in which the meeting was held was jammed to the doors, and hundreds were turned away. George L. Bard, of Hinkleton, was temporary chairman and W. K. Seltzer, of Ephrata, permanent chairman. Each made a brief address filled with anti-Quay sentiment. When the chairman introduced Mr. Wanamaker there was great enthusiasm. The candidate in his opening remarks dissected the Quay circular distributed at the close of the Wanamaker meeting in this city last Wednesday night, in which he was designated as a member of the importers' syndicate. He said he employed 7,700 workmen, and if anyone should show that circular to any of these such person would be in danger of being mobbed. He continued: "Two wars threaten the American people today—Spain and Quay. One is a national question, in which Pennsylvania is interested. The other is a Pennsylvania question, in which the nation is interested. The United States cannot embark in war without involving Pennsylvania, and the Republican party of Pennsylvania cannot engage in battle upon fundamental principles without involving the Republican party wherever it exists. "Do we demand war? Never! Since Lee's surrender at Appomattox the birds have built their nests in the cannon's mouth and the swords have been beaten into pruning hooks and plowshares or shoved in museums to illustrate the history of emancipation for millions of blacks. But we do, unceasingly, insist upon all possible reparation for the sinking of the Maine, and, above all, for honors due to the flag of a peaceful nation."

## ITEMS OF STATE NEWS.

Shenandoah, Pa., March 21.—Charles Sandusky, aged 21, and Charles Ringheiser, aged 24, quarreled over an old clay pipe. They met again later, when the quarrel was renewed. Sandusky pulled a revolver and shot Ringheiser in the head, the bullet penetrating the brain, which caused the victim's death 20 minutes later. Sandusky escaped to the mountains. Lebanon, Pa., March 21.—William J. Hemperly, driver of the Lebanon chemical engine, died Saturday from injuries received Friday night while responding to an alarm of fire. He was employed only a week ago and drove the engine three times, having an accident each time. Friday night he was pitched from the engine, the wheels of which passed over his abdomen. Hollidaysburg, Pa., March 21.—At the Republican primaries held in Blair county Saturday Matthew S. Quay was unanimously endorsed for United States senator, William C. Arnold of Clearfield county for congressman-at-large and John P. Elkin of Indiana county for state chairman. Five delegates pledged to support John Wanamaker for governor in the state convention were elected.

Warren, Pa., March 22.—The Republican county convention here yesterday afternoon adopted resolutions referring to Hon. C. W. Stone, who because of his long and faithful public service is eminently qualified for the office of governor, and instructed delegates to the state convention to use all honorable means to promote his nomination. Venango county's Republican convention took similar action.

Honesdale, Pa., March 19.—Mrs. John McKee, of White Mills, was arrested yesterday by the United States marshal and taken to Easton for a hearing on the charge of having received a pension fraudulently. She was the widow of a veteran named Boyle, and on Oct. 29, 1887, was married to John McKee, but continued to draw her pension to date. Two other women were taken with her, being implicated in the transaction.

Philadelphia, March 21.—Theodore H. Davis, aged 27 years, was probably fatally stabbed last night by his brother Simeon. The latter twice plunged a knife into Theodore's back and slashed him several times across the face. Theodore is not expected to live. The brothers had gone to the home of their brother-in-law, William Dougherty, with the intention of assaulting him. Theodore, however, relented, and Simeon became enraged and turned upon him. Sharon, Pa., March 21.—The day men of the Sharon Iron company, numbering 350, held a meeting Saturday evening, when it was decided to ask the manufacturers an advance in their wages of 10 and 20 cents. If their request is not granted a strike will be declared. Another consignment of foreigners from Pittsburgh arrived here Saturday and were put to work in the strikers' places at Buhl Steel mill, which is a part of the Sharon Iron company's works.

Philadelphia, March 22.—Peter E. Smith, the Twenty-ninth ward Republican politician who was charged by Councilman Stevenson with having attempted to bribe him to vote for the Schuylkill Water company's bill, then surrendering in common council, yesterday surrendered himself to District Attorney Graham and entered \$10,000 bail for a hearing tomorrow. Smith's appearance yesterday is said to have been the result of an agreement between his counsel and the district attorney.

Lancaster, Pa., March 21.—The Quay sweep at Saturday's Republican primary election has developed in magnitude with the belated returns that came in during yesterday. Every candidate on the county ticket favored by the friends of the senior United States senator has been chosen, as have also the Quay candidates for assembly, six in number, and for the state convention, of whom there are a round dozen. The victory of J. Al Stober over Senator C. C. Kaufman, who was a candidate for renomination, is a most decisive one and a subject of general surprise. His majority will reach 1,150 if a conservative estimate.