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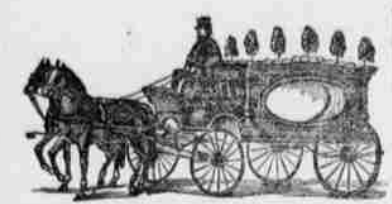
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All standard make wheels, that you will run with risk. Bring your old wheel in and we will over-haul and repair it now. Have it ready for you to ride the first fine day.

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WE HAVE TOO MANY CANNED GOODS.

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Fresh Stock California and Jamaica Oranges.

NEW CARPETS. FLOOR OIL CLOTHS AND LINOLEUM. AND PATTERNS.

Do you want a good Tapestry Brussels at 60 cent worth 75 cents.

At KEITER'S.

COUNTRY NEARER WAR ACCORDING TO ADVICES

Danger is Growing Out of the Havana Troubles.

SPAIN ADHERES TO PREVIOUS DECISIONS.

Advices From Madrid This Morning Says the Spanish Cabinet Passed Resolutions Adhering to Previous Decisions, Without Modifications.

WASHINGTON, April 7.

The President's message, when it is presented to Congress on Monday, will place Spain in the position of being compelled to yield every point in controversy absolutely, or else there will be forcible intervention on our part. That means war. The President gives no advice as to the course Congress should pursue. His language will leave no doubt, however, as to what he would do if he were the legislative part of the government.

The message is rather long, but it is emphatic, patriotic and conclusive. There will be no question of the response which Congress will make to it. A resolution for forcible intervention will at once be reported from the Senate and House Committees on Foreign Affairs.

Despatches from Madrid late last evening conveyed the astonishing and entirely unconfirmed statement that Spain had conceded in principle everything the United States have demanded, including permission to the Cubans to govern themselves as they like.

But later advices do not verify the above. On the other hand, a despatch received here at noon to-day from Madrid, says: "Semi-official note says that the Cabinet meeting resolutions were adopted saying that the Spanish government would adhere to all of its previous decisions, without modification."

Washington, April 7.—Swift as a cannon's flash changed the Cuban situation yesterday. The galleries of congress were crowded, senators and representatives were anxious and agitated and even the diplomatic corps was in a ferment awaiting a message from the president that might mean war, when, with excitement at the very highest, like an electric flash, the word passed that there would be no message. Its suddenness stunned the public, which heard the news in distorted forms, and amazed veteran members of congress. Ultimately it became known that there would be no message this week, and that it was at least a possibility that the message written and approved might never go to congress at all. The first reason for the delay was that the administration received advices from General Lee, at Havana, indicating that all Americans could not be gotten off the island at once, and would be in grave peril if the message preceded their departure. The second reason, and perhaps equally satisfactory with the other, slowly drifted into public comprehension late in the day, chiefly through the medium of published press dispatches from Madrid, for extreme reticence was maintained on the subject by the few in Washington who knew the facts, and even cabinet officers were unadvised on the subject. This important news was that the Spanish government, after what had plainly been most exciting times in inner circles at Madrid, had decided to reopen the case closed, so far as this government was concerned, by the refusal of Spain to make satisfactory response to the representations made by the United States last week, and in order to avert impending war had decided to make concessions heretofore refused.

THE SPANIARD'S PROPOSED ARMISTICE.

It is Believed the Queen Will Accept Our Terms.

WASHINGTON, April 7.

The proposed armistice by Spain injected another feature into the discussion of the situation, and while some were very hopeful that a satisfactory solution of the problem might eventuate from it the general feeling was that the conditions in Cuba, the determination of the insurgents to continue fighting until independence was recognized, and the sentiment of this country in favor of Cuba's independence of Spain, positively made overtures on this line too late. A generally quieter feeling was evident at the war and navy departments, where, in contrast to the feverish excitement of the past week, the tone was almost apathetic. While there was the usual amount of routine attendant upon the recent work of preparation things settled down at most to the normal. No more contracts for new vessels were closed by the navy department, and no changes in the stations of ships announced. The day was also noticeable for the absence of the conferences of high officials, and the great tide of visitors, congressmen, public men and contractors almost entirely disappeared. Assistant Secretary McKillop, of the war department, made public a statement showing that up to this time there has been allotted to the department \$9,279,167 from the emergency fund of \$50,000,000 appropriated by congress. The different bureaus receiving this money are: Ordnance, \$4,233,767; engineers, \$1,425,000; quartermaster's, \$500,000; signal office, \$120,400. Of the entire amount allotted \$927,805 has been expended, but as much of the work begun and the munitions of war bought is by the contract system the government is liable for considerable of the remainder.

of the president in a solution of the Cuban question satisfactory to the American people and achieved without bloodshed. This armistice, it is said, would be worked out, but it is expected that between now and Monday a clearer light will be thrown on the future by action at Madrid, of which one important feature, at least, is the declaration of an armistice by the queen regent of Spain. This armistice, it is said, would be to the ultimate independence of Cuba from Spanish rule, but by what intermediary steps perhaps even the governing powers do not at this time know. Much, it is supposed, will depend upon the Cuban insurgents and the people of the United States and Spain. The powers of Europe, material and moral, it is known, brought to bear all their influence on the government of Spain, and still are actively at work seeking by the wisest and most politic course necessary. In view of the circumstances, and the interests of two great nations involved, to bring peace out of the gathering war clouds. All the capitals of Europe have been in communication to this end, a fact evidenced by the assemblage at the British embassy in this city Tuesday of the representatives of the six great powers of Europe, and then and there were made mutually acquainted with what had been done abroad, and with the desire of those who accredited them to Washington that they would work in accord here. This concert, however, is not to go beyond a mild tender of good offices to secure peace and delay a definite declaration of war if hostilities finally became inevitable. Some of the representatives assembled at Sir Julian Pauncefote's may have wished to offer mediation, but if so were warned against it by others in the conference, who understood more clearly that such a procedure would be resisted and work to hostile and not to peaceful ends.

Rothechilds For Spain.

Madrid, April 7.—A Paris correspondent telegraphs his paper here that he had interviewed with Baron Rothechild, who informed the correspondent that he was purchasing a cruiser to present to Spain, that country having his warmest love and sympathy.

After a cabinet meeting to-day and the issue of a semi-official note there was great excitement here. A rumor is current that the United States has sent an ultimatum to Spain, demanding that the latter, within six hours, modify the note Spain presented as the result of the last conference.

Americans Leave Cuba.

Washington, April 7.—A cablegram from Consul General Lee this morning announced that two hundred Americans have taken their departure from Cuba. All is quiet in Havana.

After a conference with President McKinley this morning Representative Grosvenor stated that there would be no change of any importance in the President's message, unless there be a change of facts, which is not at all likely.

Lee to Leave Saturday.

Washington, April 7.—Assistant Secretary Day, after a conference with President McKinley this afternoon, stated that it is expected that Consul General Lee will leave Cuba on Saturday. All the Americans will be taken from the island by that time.

No Trouble at Havana.

Washington, April 7.—The Spanish minister here has received a telegraphic message from the Governor-General of Cuba saying that all rumors of impending trouble in Havana are absolutely false.

INTERVENTION BY THE POWERS.

Representatives of Six Foreign Countries Visit the President This Afternoon. Washington, April 7, 2:35 p. m.—The representatives of six European powers seeking to avert a war between the United States and Spain called on President McKinley at noon. England, France, Germany, Austria, Russia and Italy were represented. Subsequently the representatives called upon Secretary Sherman and Assistant Secretary Day at the state department and are now closed with them behind closed doors.

The Senate's Adjournment. Washington, April 7, 2:55 p. m.—The Senate has decided not to meet again until next Monday, after adjournment to-day.

Queen in Queen. London, April 7.—It is reported here this afternoon that the Queen Regent of Spain has again appeared to exert her influence to avert a war between the United States and Spain.

Birth at Madrid. Madrid, April 7.—At midnight a birth occurred in the peace negotiations and the Cuban armistice proclamation will not be issued to-day.

Woodford's Departure. Madrid, April 7.—This morning's papers announce that United States Minister Woodford will take his departure from this place to-morrow.

Banker Killed. Lancaster, April 7.—David B. Landis, president of the Chesapeake National Bank, was shot and killed this morning by Ralph Wiveback.

Funeral of James Morris. The funeral of James Morris took place from the family residence on South Bowers street this afternoon. The body reposed in a pink plush casket in the parlor which it was viewed by a large number of friends. At the head rested a beautiful floral emblem with the inscription, "Our James," presented by the family. The remains were taken to the P. M. church, where services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. James Moore, Major Jennings Council No. 307, J. O. U. A. M., of which the deceased was a member, attended the funeral in a holy Interment was made in the Odd Fellows cemetery by J. P. Williams & Son, who had charge of the obsequies. The pall bearers were: E. D. Reese, C. T. Straight, E. A. Doherty, William Reeves, S. W. Davis and Robert Lawson.

Furniture Spilled. While the team of the Columbia Rose Company was hauling a wagon loaded with the household effects of Martin Slesler along Centre street at noon today the horses ran away. The team was started by a falling chair striking one of the team. John Campbell, of Turkey Run, grabbed the bridle of one of the horses and stopped them in front of Muldoon's saloon. The household effects were strewn in the mud from Main to West streets and several pieces were broken.

Received Their Pastor. Rev. J. T. Swindells, recently appointed pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church in this town, arrived here with his family late yesterday afternoon and was tendered a reception by the members of the congregation. The members of the Ladies Aid Society had prepared the parsonage for their reception, and Rev. Swindells and his family were pleased with the cordiality of their reception.

Accident at Knickerbocker. The Knickerbocker colliery was compelled to suspend operations yesterday morning, owing to the breaking of the cross-head of the breaker engine.

Postoffice Hours for Good Friday. To-morrow being a legal holiday, the postoffice will close at 11:30 a. m. There will be no money orders issued or paid. The following places will be served with the first delivery: Yatesville, Ellingowan, Maple Hill, Turkey Run and Irons-ville.

Drug Store Sold. Paul W. Houck, who has been managing clerk of the Shenandoah Drug store on South Main street since the opening of the establishment, yesterday purchased the business from the proprietor, Michael J. Muldoon, and will assume charge to-morrow morning.

Children Like It, it saves their lives. We mean One Minute Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, croup, and all throat and lung troubles. C. H. Hagelback.

Mine Accidents. John Pionki, of the East Centre street, was bruised about the hips by being struck by falling coal at Boston Hill colliery yesterday. George Moratta, of South Chestnut street, received cuts about the head and back by falling coal at the Shenandoah City colliery yesterday.

Ask your grocer for the "Royal Patent" flour, and take no other brand. It is the best flour made.

President's Acknowledgment. Daniel Duffy, president of the Irish Catholic Benevolent Union, has received a reply to the letter mailed to the President, in which the latter expresses his appreciation of the Union's cordial expression of confidence and approval.

Leola Mann Has Removed. His notion and gent's furnishing store from No. 17 to 33 West Centre street. Mr. Mann solicits the patronage of his patrons at his new stand. 4-4-98

HARKINS CHARGED.

Former Policeman Harkins Prosecuted the Fifth Ward Councilman.

HEARING WAIVED AND BAIL GIVEN. Harkins' Alleges That the councilman Promised Him a Position on the Police Force in Consideration of His Vote at the Primary and Election.

Two suits of no little importance came up before Justice Toomey last night. They were, however, known to but comparatively few people, which accounted for the slight attendance of spectators at the Justice's office. One of the suits was postponed and the other given upon the caucuses of the Board of Aldermen's office with bail entered on terms of a hearing.

The hearing was held for seven o'clock, but just before that hour Councilman Harkins appeared with his counsel before Justice Toomey, waived a hearing and entered \$200 bail for trial to-morrow.

The witness subpoenaed in the case by Harkins were P. P. Williams, an independent of the P. M. church, and whose brother was elected a School Director in the Park ward at the last election. Frank Harkins, secretary of the school board, Martin Payne and George Uhlir, two of the new police men; Patrick Higgins and John Ryan. As Harkins waived a hearing an opportunity was not given to hear what these witnesses have to say.

The institution of the suit was a surprise. It had been expected that since the reorganization of the Council, but for some reason apparently known only to himself, Harkins postponed action from time to time. The day after the reorganization of Council he went to Potomac and employed George J. Wadlinger, Esq., for the purpose, it is said, of pressing the case against Harkins and other charges which will involve other parties. Nothing that the explanation has shed his case into the arena was, interesting developments will be looked for.

CONSPIRACY CHARGED.

Hon. Joseph Wyatt Alleged to Have Conspired With John Matthews.

The second suit Justice Toomey took up last night was that of the Commonwealth against Hon. Joseph Wyatt. As in the case of Councilman Harkins the information tells what the proceeding is. The justice made it known to personally appeared John P. Carden, who deposes and says that on or about the 1st day of March, 1898, one Joseph Wyatt, of the borough of Shenandoah, and county, did, in said borough and county, enter into a scheme with one John Matthews, also a resident of said borough and county, by which the said John Matthews, then and for some time previous a debtor of the defendant, Joseph Carden, W. P. Williams and others, was to transfer and convey, and did so, on or about the 1st day of March, 1898, the said John Matthews, located at the southeast corner of Mill and Chestnut streets in said borough, which conveyance was then and there made by the said Matthews in the name of the said Wyatt for the purpose of defrauding the said Matthews, and the said Matthews, and the said Wyatt was to be held liable for the same.

The witnesses in this case are W. O. Gregory, John Matthews, T. J. Joyce, M. J. Haughney, C. T. Straight and T. F. Bruggins. The complainant is represented by M. M. Burke, Esq. Mr. Wyatt appeared in person and without counsel.

Constantine Giblin stated that he had visited Mahanoy City to subpoena Messrs. Harkins and Joyce but failed in his mission. Mr. Harkins said that the case could not proceed in the absence of these two witnesses and it was agreed to defer the hearing until the Councilmen should be subpoenaed. It was also agreed that the Justice will file a hearing and notify all parties concerned. Efforts will be made to get the case by tonight, or to-morrow. Mr. Wyatt made no plea last night, in fact he made no remark other than to evade to the postponement.

Church Notice. Last evening at the Calvary Baptist church a large and attentive audience was in attendance. Miss Morgan gave a very nice address, followed by Rev. E. G. Goxey, of Girardville. At the close of the meeting three Sunday school children asked for the prayers of God's people. Miss Morgan will preach this evening. Services at 7:30. All are welcome.

At Keppehinski's Arcade Cafe. Cream of tomato, free, to-night. Hot lunch to-morrow morning.

New Store Enterprise. The empty store room in the Newhouse building, at 120 North Main street, is now being tenanted by Charles Dietz, of Mt. Carmel. He has opened a shoe store and carries a beautiful line of footwear. Economical prices and reliable goods is his business motto. Mr. Dietz is no stranger to our people, as he has been a former resident of town. 4-3-98

Kendrick House Free Lunch. Cream of tomato soup will be served, free, to all patrons to-night.

HATS TRIMMED FREE

AT THE BON TON, 29 N. Main St., Shenandoah.

We give the tip of hats, when we say that one millinery parlour are the largest, hand-picked and well equipped in the country; and that we sell more hats, more flowers, more ornaments, more stylish leaders, in fact more of everything in the millinery line than any of our competitors. The reason we do it is because our styles are always new and attractive and our prices are the lowest.

Our Display of Easter Millinery

Completed and will well repay an inspection. We have got trimmed hats for you to select from. Patterns and styles, being trimmed and finished in the latest fashion. Come and see for yourself and you will say what we describe is to be expected upon.

THE BON TON LEADS THEM ALL. Special for This Week.

One Hundred Dozen Confirmation Beaths at 19 Cents, Worth 40 Cents. BON TON 29 N. Main St., Shenandoah, Pa.

Plain Words About Baby Coaches.

Spring will soon be here and we are anxiously awaiting its happy days. Why? Because we are already prepared to have every wife call on us and see our new and extensive line of

Baby Coaches

Which we have selected for the season of '98. When it comes down to prices we can sell you wonders of makes at \$5.00 and upward.

M. O'NEILL, 105 South Main Street, Shenandoah, Pa.

SWELLEST Of The SWELL.

This term fully answers the description of our spring line of gent's clothing which we are now showing for the early season in the way of Easter novelties we stand alone, barring all competitors.

A Word on Our Winter Stock

Which still remains on our shelves. It must and will be closed out regardless of cost to enable us to display our spring goods. We are not in the habit of stocking away any goods for future seasons.

MAX LEVIT, 15 E. Centre St. Up-to-Date Hat Store and Shenandoah's Greatest Gent's Furnishing Store.

Looks Attractive.

When you find greater attractiveness than you had expected you are pleased. If you find less, you are disappointed. When we give you more than you expected you are pleased. Those who give you less disappoint you. We always please our customers, for they find the goods more than we claim for them. Come and see what we give with

One Pound of Baking Powder. The largest articles in the market.

T. J. BROUGHALL, 25 South Main Street.

