

# The Kidneys and Blood

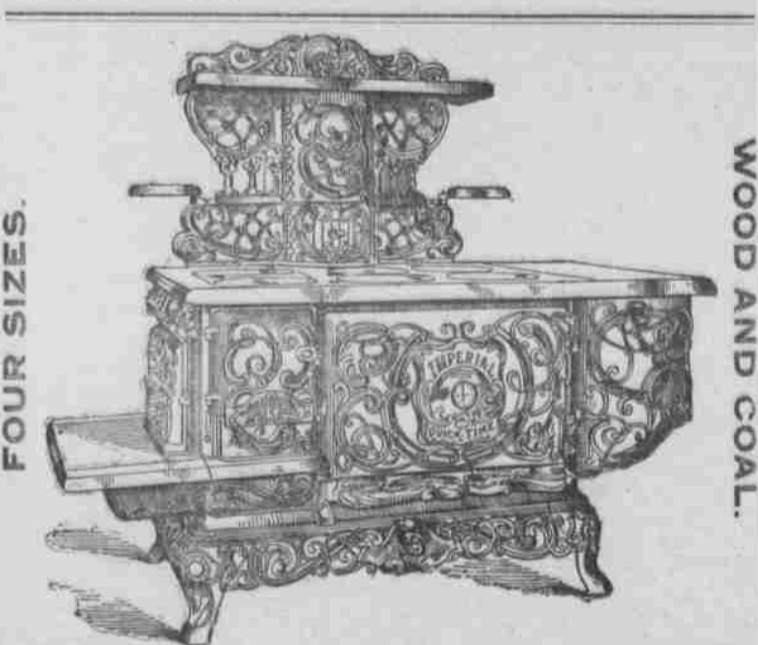
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Just at this time when interest in our navy and army has been much aroused a few facts concerning the vessels of our navy will probably prove interesting to many of our readers. In the past fifty years a great change has been made in the construction of vessels used for war and commerce. Formerly they were built of wood, but now steel or iron is used for the building of all men-of-war and also for a large majority of the merchant ships. The vessels of a navy can be divided into two classes—those used for attacking purposes and those for defensive. Battle-ships are to give and take heavy blows. They are large, heavily armored with iron from ten to twenty inches thick. There are now eight, the Maine (which was one of our smaller ones) made nine. A large gun on the Maine could throw shot weighing 2,800 lbs., so the force of a throw from one of our larger battleships may be imagined.

Cruisers often called "Commerce destroyers" as in war perhaps their greatest value consists in destroying the enemy's merchant vessels, are built of steel, not armored, thus they are lighter though not much smaller than the battle-ships. We have sixteen cruisers. The Baltimore and Chicago are in this class and they have a speed of from twenty to twenty-six miles an hour.

Armored cruisers of which the New York and Brooklyn are the only ones in our navy, have some of the qualities of both the battle-ships and cruisers. They have the speed of the cruisers and also an armor from three to five inches. The defensive vessels are much more numerous in our navy. They are planned to prevent the landing of foreign armies, to protect us from attack and to destroy vessels sent to attack us. The general name given to these vessels is Monitor taken from the first vessel of this type which was used to overcome the Merrimack. They consist of an iron float upon which is one, sometimes two, revolving turrets containing two large guns each. As the turret is circular, shot is likely to glance from it and a it revolves, guns may be fired in any direction. These vessels are intended for coast defense and not for long trips as they are slow and heavy. Our navy has six large double-turret ones. Gun-boats are much smaller vessels, of these we have a number useful mainly to help the larger vessels of war and to patrol the coasts.

Next come the torpedo-boats still smaller but the fastest of all, able to make twenty-six to twenty-eight miles an hour, not armored but fixed with tubes through which they can discharge torpedoes. Their torpedoes will destroy the largest battle-ships afloat if they can get near enough before they are hit. They are dangerous opponents, owing to the power of their torpedoes and their speed which enables them to escape from larger vessels.

The Agriculture Department will this season, conduct two special investigations in Alaska, one to ascertain by practical experiments what vegetables and cereals can be grown in Alaska soil, and one, under the auspices of the Weather Bureau, to obtain information as to general climatic conditions. These experiments will be more likely to determine whether Alaska is to become thickly populated, than the discoveries of the gold hunters.

Representative Foss, of Ill., paid a splendid and deserved tribute to American sailors, in a speech in the House, from which the following is extracted: "The brilliant achievements of the American sailor in the war of our National Independence, when our Navy consisted of only a small fleet of eight vessels, in command of Commodore Essex Hopkins, early inspired a feeling of pride in our Navy. The names of Biddle and Barry, and Nichols, and Whipple and of others I might mention, recall the daring and bravery of that period. If war should come and we were obliged to protect the honor of this country upon the sea, the American people would soon discover that the men in the Navy today are fully as brave, daring and eager to meet the foe, as the American sailors of the past, whose faith and truth on war's red touchstone rang true metal."

Nothing more significant of the drift of everything towards war has occurred than the order of Secretary Long that all of our warships should at once be painted a less conspicuous color than white, which makes too good a target.

If there is to be war, this government has no idea of confining it to Cuba and the adjacent waters. No plan has been or will be made public, but all the same there is a plan, which will be promptly carried out, to carry the war right into Spain itself.

This government has not sought and is not seeking war, but if war comes, it intends to utilize all of its enormous resources of men and money to fight it to a speedy and victorious end.

A War Department official says that if present plans are not changed, the breaking out of war with Spain will be immediately followed by the mustering into the U. S. Army, by regiments, of the entire organized militia of the country. As there are more than 100,000 men in the militia, it is believed that they will

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## WASHINGTON LETTER.

**THE SPANISH MATTER. PRESIDENT MASTER OF THE DIPLOMACY. THE SITUATION IN CONGRESS. INVESTIGATIONS IN ALASKA. A TRIBUTE TO AMERICAN SAILORS. NOTES ON THE ARMY.**

WASHINGTON, March 28, 1898.

President McKinley is master of the diplomatic game that Spain wanted to play. He has sent the report of the Naval Court of Inquiry that the Maine was treacherously blown up from the outside, to Congress, where it has been referred to committees, and merely forwarded a copy of the report to Spain, without accompanying it with any specific demand. He has thus defeated the intention of Spain to play its own alleged report, that the explosion was internal, against the report of our Court and to ask that an international Court be selected to determine which report should be accepted by both countries. Spain now hoped to gain more time by that dispute, but no dispute is to be recognized by this government. The report of our court is final. Spain now has an opportunity to offer to do the right thing, but no matter what it does, President McKinley intends, as all the world will see in a very few days, that peace shall reign in Cuba, and starvation cease to stalk over the island.

The Congressional leaders of all parties have been taken into the confidence of President McKinley as to his plans, and in return on the Maine report, but would allow the matter to rest until the President diplomatically informs Spain of his intentions as to Cuba, and ascertains whether these intentions will be peacefully acquiesced in, or met by war. Meanwhile the President accepts the hint of the Spanish government that the fleet of torpedo boats and torpedo destroyers have been sent to Porto Rico for effect upon the elections in Spain, and not with hostile intentions towards the United States.

Should that fleet, however, be started from Porto Rico to Cuba, it will be considered a hostile move against this country and will be treated accordingly. In short, Spain must choose whether it will retire from Cuba peacefully, or be driven out. That is just about where the matter stands. President McKinley is prepared for either contingency, but wishes to give Spain a last chance to avoid trouble.

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