



The carriage of a

buzz-saw doesn't move very fast, but if a man stays on it long enough he will presently be sawn asunder. The process of gradual bodily decline and

It is believed that every steamer which has attempted to enter Havana since the blockade began has been captured.

Rights of Search.

Madrid, April 26.—The Official Gazette published the instructions of the Spanish government respecting the right of search of neutral vessels. In brief, they set forth that war ships may detain merchantmen in any non-neutral waters, for the purpose of verifying the authenticity of the flag, and for examining the cargo, if the vessel is bound for a hostile port.

Torpedo-boat Somers.

London, April 26.—The officials of the United States embassy fear the United States torpedo-boat Somers now at Falmouth is destined to remain in England for some time to come, as the neutrality proclamation was issued today and no convoy for the little craft without which it is impossible for her to attempt to cross the Atlantic, has yet been secured.

The Censor Objects.

Havana, via Key West, April 26.—As the government of the United States will not allow Madrid and New York telegrams to come to Havana for the press, the Spanish censor here will not allow correspondents to telegraph to the New York press.—[The above message is from a correspondent and is the first news received direct by cable from Havana since Saturday.]

FLOWER OF THE BLUE GRASS.

Largest Regiment Ever Raised In Old Kentucky.

Harrodsburg, Ky., April 26.—Colonel E. H. Gaither of the Second regiment, has received orders to muster up to 1,200 men and be ready to move at an hour's notice. His regiment will be composed of the companies at Covington, Newport, Lexington, Frankfort, Cynthiana, Paris, Georgetown, Middlesboro, Winchester, Williamsburg and Lancaster. This will be the largest regiment ever raised in Kentucky, and will be composed of the flower of the Bluegrass country. Ex-Congressman W. C. Owens of Georgetown will command a battalion of the regiment.

Northern Indiana Regiment.

Valparaiso, Ind., April 26.—A call has been issued for a meeting tonight to organize a volunteer company for service against Spain, in case the government should issue another call. The company will form part of a regiment to be organized in northern Indiana by Charles F. Griffin of Hammond.

High School Building Burned.

Winchester, Ind., April 26.—The high school building here was totally destroyed by fire. The loss is 30,000. No one injured.

We obtain considerable wool from Russia, together with horsehair cloth, albumen of blood and Hebrew books, very little of liquors, but much flax, hemp, bristles, fish bladders and human hair. The Russian has a good deal of hair to spare.

The Netherlands, where the gem polishing industry flourishes, sends us but \$12,000 worth of diamonds and \$2,800,000 worth of Sumatra tobacco. The cigar smoker can figure what tribute he daily pays to the thrifty Hollander and his industrious colonists.

An American who visited Birmingham, England, not long ago, found that in constructing the street trolleys there the rails are made in Pittsburgh, the cars in Philadelphia, the boilers in Erie, the engines in Milwaukee and the general electric fittings in Schenectady.

Projectiles used by the United States army for its great modern guns cost as follows: Solid shot, 8 inch, \$69.80 each; 10 inch, \$144.50 each; 12 inch, \$212 each; 12 inch mortar shells weighing 800 pounds, \$114 each; 12 inch mortar shells weighing 1,000 pounds, \$195 each.

Some of the wooden churches of Norway are fully 700 years old and are still in an excellent state of preservation. Their timbers have successfully resisted the frosty and almost arctic winters because they have been repeatedly coated with tar. Norway pine thus treated seems to best resist decay.

If you should ever write to Miss Helen Gould for assistance, or, rather, to interest her in some deed of charity, because begging letters are never answered, you will receive after many days a little engraved slip on which it is stated in cold type that Miss Gould has so many calls on her charity that she regrets, etc., just as if it were a rejecting of MS. by a magazine editor.

The Astors and Vanderbilt's have like documents, which are mailed in response to demands upon their time and money. In this connection it may be pertinent to remark that Mrs. John Jacob Astor has recently bought a \$5,000 bulldog.

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QUIET WITH THE FLEET.

No Shots Have Been Fired Since Sunday on Either Side.

Flagship New York, off Havana, April 26.—The only vessel spoken yesterday was the British schooner Iolanthe of Windsor, N. S. She was allowed to proceed. She was just out of Matanzas. No shots have been fired since Sunday morning on either side.

The Dolphin and the converted yacht Eagle arrived from Key West yesterday. The Dolphin carried the officers and prize crews who had been placed on the steamer Pedro and the schooner Antonia. All were glad to get back, although they said they had had no trouble with their prizes.

The torpedo-boat Porter made a daring trip into the shore under cover of

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ARE CALLED TO ARMS

Indiana National Guard Ordered to Assemble at Indianapolis.

GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION.

McKinley Sends a Message to Congress and a Declaration of War Follows.

Sherman Resigns and Is Succeeded by Day—Cutting of Cables.

Other News of the War.

Indianapolis, April 26.—Governor Mount last night at 6:15 received a telegram from the war department calling upon him to furnish four regiments of infantry (1,000 men each) and two batteries. This morning the governor issued the following proclamation, mobilizing the Indiana National Guard:

To the People of Indiana:

Whereas, In the progress of events, war has been inaugurated between the government of the United States and the government of Spain, and

Whereas, The president of the United States, in pursuance of an act of congress, has issued a proclamation calling for 125,000 volunteers, of which number four regiments, approximating 1,000

each state and territory several cities where recruiting under the direction of army officers will be carried on. The Hull bill, which it is expected will become a law today, will provide for the increase of the regular army on a war footing to about 60,000 men. In addition to those recruiting stations it is expected the war department will designate boards of army officers who will go from place to place in the state engaged in recruiting duty.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Declaration That War Exists Passed by United States Congress.

Washington, April 26.—President McKinley yesterday sent a message to congress transmitting the correspondence he had with Spain through Minister Woodford since the adoption of the joint resolution declaring for intervention in Cuba, together with a copy of his proclamation blockading the ports of Cuba, and made the following recommendation:

In view of the measures so taken, and with a view to the adoption of such other measures as may be necessary to enable me to carry out the expressed will of the congress of the United States, in the premises, I now recommend to your honorable body the adoption of a joint resolution declaring that a state of war exists between the United States of America and the Kingdom of Spain, and I urge speedy action thereon to the end that the definition of the international statutes of the United States, as a belligerent power, may be made known and the assertion of all its rights and the maintenance of all its duties in the conduct of a public war may be assured.

Immediately after the reading of the message the following bill, which had been prepared, was reported by the house foreign committee which was passed by the house in less than two minutes after its introduction, and later in the day passed the senate.

1. That war be, and the same is hereby declared to exist and that war has existed since the 21st day of April, A. D., 1898, including said day, between the United States of America and the Kingdom of Spain.

2. That the President of the United States be, and he hereby is, directed and empowered to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States, and to call into the actual service of the United States the militia of the several states, to such an extent as may be necessary to carry this act into effect.

The bill reached the president after 6 o'clock last night, and after going over the phraseology with Attorney General Griggs, the only member of the cabinet present, the president signed and it became a law of the land.

CABLE CUTTING.

Navy Department Without Information on the Subject.

Washington, April 26.—Nothing is known at the navy department of the reported cutting of the cable connecting Cuba with Key West, by the Man Grove, 10 miles out at sea. There is a good deal of doubt as to the accuracy of the report and it is believed that the most that has been done in that direction has been the tapping of the cable for strategic purposes. The United States is a party to a convention which binds all the signatories, most of the marine powers of the world, to refrain from interfering with cables in the event of war.

A naval officer of high rank, when questioned on the subject, remarked that almost all agreements are suspended by war when they injure the interests of one of the combatants and favor the other. The cable connecting Cuba with Madrid would be a most powerful assistance to the Spanish cause just now and would work equal injury to us, wherefore, said the officer, a prudent naval commander doubtless would cut the cable first and let the diplomats talk about it afterward.

HAMPTON ROADS MINED.

Washington, Baltimore, Richmond and Newport News Protected.

Board the Flagship Brooklyn, off Fortress Monroe, April 25.—The entrance to Hampton Roads, the key to Washington, Norfolk, Baltimore, Richmond, Newport News and many other less important cities has been mined and a state of pacific blockade declared. The harbor is now in control of the United States army and beginning today no vessel will be allowed to enter Hampton Roads between the hours of sunset and sunrise. A patrol fleet has been organized and all vessels are stopped and detained outside the capes until daybreak. The patrol fleet will act as guides through the mine field. Commodore Schley's squadron is ready for orders and the hospital ship Solace was attached to the fleet today.

Lieutenant Colonel Roosevelt.

Washington, April 26.—It has been understood for some time past that Assistant Secretary Roosevelt of the navy department would soon retire in order to enter the military service in the Cuban campaign. This story can now be confirmed positively. The president yesterday named Mr. Roosevelt as lieutenant colonel of one of the regiments of mounted riflemen to be raised in the Rocky Mountains.

Graduate Today.

West Point, April 26.—Superintendent Orval H. Ernst of the Military academy, who on Saturday last recommended the immediate graduation of the class of '98, has received orders to graduate the class at the earliest possible moment. The academic board was accordingly assembled and the standing of the class in general merit roll was established. The ceremony will take place at 5 o'clock this evening.

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LEGAL ADVERTISING.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Henry Dauber, deceased, will offer for sale at public sale at the east door of the court house in the city of Decatur, Indiana, in accordance with the order of the Adams circuit court, of Adams county, Indiana, made at the February, 1898, term of said court, on

Tuesday, May 10, 1898, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. on the said day, in the county of Adams and the state of Indiana, to-wit: The south half of the north-west quarter of section 28, township 27 north, range 12 east, except twenty acres taken off of the said tract, the same of which heretofore were sold to Jacob Weidler.

TERMS OF SALE—One-third cash, one-third in nine months and one-third in eighteen months from the day of sale. The deferred payments to be secured by good freehold and personal property of the said tract.

The said tract will be sold in two parts, "Precinct A" and "Precinct B." "Precinct A" shall be all that part of the said ward laying east of Line street and north of Studabaker street and east of Chestnut street. "Precinct B" shall be the remainder of the said ward, except twenty acres taken off of the said tract, the same of which heretofore were sold to Jacob Weidler.

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