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SEATTLE, April 1.—Mayor W. D. Wood arrived here to-day from Lower Yukon River, having made a trip of over 1,300 miles over ice and snow with a dog team.

November 17th Mr. Wood and H. W. Carr started up the Yukon from the mouth of the Tanana River.

Everything was quiet at Dawson. Mr. Wood estimates the spring clean up in the Klondike district will run between \$10,000,000 and \$15,000,000.

The greatest sensation of the winter at Dawson has been the discovery of coarse gold from the hillsides between Bonanza and El Dorado.

The latest stamped paper from Dawson was one that occurred February 14th to Swede Creek, six miles above Dawson.

While en route from Tanana River to Dawson, Mr. Wood paid particular attention to the mineral district on the American side of the line.

STOLEN ARTICLES RECOVERED

Had Been Shipped From Stockton by Water to Merced.

STOCKTON, April 1.—Sheriff Cunningham returned from Merced to-day with a wagon load of articles stolen in this city and shipped to Merced by a water front character named Jack Breen.

The Sheriff is working on the belief that this man is a Bar set fire to the Farmers' Union warehouse a few months ago in which the loss was very heavy.

EFFECTS OF THE EARTHQUAKE

A Big Force at Work Clearing Up the Debris at Mare Island.

VALLEJO, April 1.—All the laborers and many bricklayers and carpenters are at work removing the debris caused by the earthquake.

Six furlongs, Clinton Park won, Montedonic second, Valid third. Time—1:19.

Four furlongs, Fagan's S. won, Exit second, D. L. third. Time—0:53 1/2.

Six furlongs, Kirk won, Deer Foot second, Volsette third. Time—1:19 1/4.

Six furlongs, Eleanor Holmes won, Minnie Weldon second, Krna third. Time—1:17 3/4.

Special Administrator Removed.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—Judge Coffey to-day made an order removing ex-Judge A. L. Fitzgerald as special administrator of the will of the late John S. Capron, the capitalist.

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SPANISH STILL TALK OF PEACE.

Have Hopes of Intervention By European Powers

To Prevent Hostilities With the United States Over Cuban Question.

France and Russia Said to be Seeking Knowledge of What Concession Spain is Willing to Make to Cuba and the United States to Enable Them to Exercise Pressure at Washington for Preservation of Peace.

LONDON, April 2.—The Madrid correspondent of the "Standard" says: Both United States Minister Woodford and the Spanish Ministers show pointedly to the English the content of the Spanish memorandum, but it is said to be a remarkably strong restatement of the Spanish case on all the points raised by the United States, and especially in regard to the pacification of Cuba and the settlement of the Cuban question from the Spanish point of view.

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"El Liberal" says that Spain must trust solely to her own energies. I understand this paper re-echoes the impression that is dominant in diplomatic circles and among Spanish statesmen. On the other hand, the Ministers and their supporters seem still to entertain some hope that President McKinley may hesitate, and again attempt to stem the war currents prevailing in his Parliament and country, now that the Spanish reply leaves no doubt that the Queen and her Ministers will not surrender Cuba without a struggle, however costly and unequal it may prove to be.

The "United States" correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" says: "There is still some hope that the postponement of the ultimatum until Monday will give time for the Powers to mediate and find a solution. The difficulty consists in finding an acceptable formula for Spain to accept in the inevitable independence of Cuba. The hurry of the American war party is inexplicable here, since it is to America's advantage to gain time to complete her preparations. It is believed, however, that Spain will fail to gain any victory in the event of a battle off Cuba."

The news of the arrival of the Spanish torpedo flotilla at Porto Rico reached London too late to appear in the morning papers.

The Washington correspondent of the "Daily Chronicle" asserts that (Friday's) Cabinet "discussed" the division of sentiment in the Cabinet, the minority strenuously urging peace on the ground that the country would not justify war.

WOODFORD GETTING READY TO LEAVE MADRID. LONDON, April 2.—A dispatch from Madrid says that United States Minister Woodford is making the necessary preparations to leave Madrid immediately in the event of a diplomatic rupture.

NC THOUGHT OF INDEPENDENCE WITH INDEMNITY. MADRID, April 1.—A semi-official statement has been issued which says: One of the most important devices which is being employed at the present moment to injure Spain and mislead opinion in the United States is that of opposing the independence of Cuba in return for the payment of indemnity.

Already, on the basis of Zionist fancies, the people have been led to believe that President McKinley based his proposals on this idea. This impression has been utilized in Wall street by various means to attract speculators and to compel them unconsciously to aid in spreading unpopularity.

It is our duty to declare in the most authoritative manner that this is untrue; that no proposition containing the slightest allusion to the independence of Cuba, either with or without indemnity, has been made to the Spanish Government. The Government would straightway reject any such proposition, and there is no party or statesman in Spain disposed to listen to such a solution.

Serious Outbreak in Hungary. LONDON, April 2.—A dispatch to the "Times" from Vienna says: A serious agrarian riot has broken out in the Hatzfeldt District, Hungary. There has been a conflict between the rioters and the gendarmes. The gendarmes fired upon the mob, and three laborers were killed and several severely wounded. The mob thereupon charged the gendarmes and several were wounded.

Arbitration Urged. PARIS, April 1.—The French International Arbitration Society has sent letters to the Spanish Minister for Foreign Affairs, Senor Gullon, and to the American Secretary of State, John Sherman, urging the advisability of the arbitration of the differences between Spain and the United States.

A Negro Executed. ROCKINGHAM (N. C.), April 1.—John Evans, colored, was executed here today for assaulting Little Cole October 22d last.

Bismarck's Birthday. FRIEDRICHSHOFEN, April 1.—Prince Otto Von Bismarck to-day celebrated the eighty-third anniversary of his birth, giving a banquet to twenty-two guests.

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