

MAINE'S COURT REPORT

TO GO TO FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE

THE CONSERVATIVE SENATORS

Hope to Avoid Immediate Debate on the Matter—War Preparations All Along the Line

Associated Press Special Wire

WASHINGTON, March 26.—It is practically settled that when the report of the Maine disaster reaches the Senate it will be referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, which claims jurisdiction because of the international character of the question.

The hope is expressed by all the more conservative senators that the president's message and the accompanying papers will be allowed to go to committee without debate or comment whatever in the Senate.

NAVAL ORDERS ISSUED

WASHINGTON, March 26.—The Navy Department issued orders today placing officers in command of a number of the single-turreted monitors, which have recently been taken to Portland.

These naval officers will be assisted by officers and men from the Naval Militia of Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey and elsewhere.

The monitors are still at the League Navy Yard, being outfitted as rapidly as possible, and reports are that the Navy Department will have them ready to proceed in from ten days to three weeks.

Another order issued by the Navy Department today assigns Lieutenant V. Noell to command of the Neacote, a fine new tug, lying at New York, which will proceed to Key West to augment the fleet there.

Secretary Long had an early conference today with Senator Hale, chairman of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee. The secretary then had a talk with Lieutenant-Commander Marix, Judge-Advocate of the Maine Court of Inquiry.

Mr. Marix spent most of the morning at the Navy Department, conferring with the Judge-Advocate General and with Captain Crowninshield, Chief of the Bureau of Navigation.

PAINTING THE SQUADRON WASHINGTON, March 26.—Secretary Long has deferred to the judgment of Assistant Secretary Roosevelt as to the color which the vessels of the navy are to be painted.

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be held ready for immediate duty. Twenty cases of Lee magazine rifles, 40 in all, were delivered to the Chicago battalion last night, and the quarters presented a busy scene as the arms were unboxed, wiped, oiled and put into the racks. Ammunition is expected today, and three Hotchkiss one-pounder guns are looked for early next week.

ON WAITING ORDERS BUFFALO, March 26.—Brig-General P. C. Doyle last night received the following telegram dated Albany, N. Y., from Brig-General Patrick Doyle, Fourth Brigade N. G., Buffalo: "Hold your officers within call. None should absent themselves without approval of proper authority."

Immediately upon receiving this message General Doyle notified the commanders of the Seventy-fourth and Sixty-fifth Regiments in this city, the first separate company at Rochester, the second at Auburn, the eighth at Rochester, the thirtieth at Jamestown, the twenty-fifth at Tonawanda, the Twenty-ninth at Medina, the thirtieth at Elmira, the thirty-fourth at Geneva, the forty-second at Syracuse, the forty-first at Syracuse, the forty-second at Niagara Falls, the forty-third at Olean, the forty-seventh at Gettysburg, the forty-eighth at Oswego and the Signal Corps at Buffalo.

NEW YORK HARBOR NEW YORK, March 26.—The United States Government has just awarded a contract for the purchase of 100 miles of telegraph cables, the largest order ever placed by the government, to the Safety Insulated Wire and Cable Company of this city.

There has been hurry and confusion around this counter all last week, but 'twas worth the while, to get such values. Probably 'twill be easier to get within reach tomorrow, though we expect a crowd.

NEW YORK, March 26.—The carnival of sports given at Madison Square Garden in aid of the fund for the erection of a monument to the victims of the battleship Maine was a brilliant success in every sense of the word.

Among the galaxy of prominent champions who helped to make the affair a success were Jimmy Michael, Bob Fitzsimmons, Ernest Roeder, John L. Sullivan, Jimmie King, Tom Lison, Gougault and Lamberjack, Ismail Youssouf and Major Taylor.

SPANISH ALARM MADRID, March 26.—El Liberal, the organ of the Premier, Senor Sagasta, has published a paragraph which is attracting much attention. It says: "The anarchist impression continued late yesterday evening, affecting even official centers. The Ministers saw nothing to relieve the situation of things."

Senor Dupuy de Lome, the former Spanish Minister to the United States, has arrived at Valencia. He refused to be interviewed.

Senor Castellar, former Minister and Republican leader, editor of El Globo, said: "I do not believe war will come. I do not see how a nation like the United States could declare war against Spain. I do not believe the pending question will furnish sufficient motive."

HAVANA NOT EXCITED HAVANA, March 26.—Captain Sigbee received a large flower ship when he sailed north on the Olivette, with the other officers of the Maine. The flowers were from Consul-General Lee and newspaper correspondents.

All is quiet here. Neither the information from the Court of Inquiry nor the war rumors have been able to produce any sentiment among the Volunteers or other Spanish soldiers. They take everything coolly, awaiting developments.

They do not believe peace will be interrupted by the report of the American Court and they seem to feel certain that arbitration will declare that the explosion occurred inside and not outside the Maine.

Women Steal Meerschaums The French have produced the most remarkable kleptomaniac on record. This is an old woman named Bide, whose passion for smoking has impelled her to pilfer pipes from Parisian shops with such industry that no fewer than 2000 were found in her lodgings. All were meerschaums, and thirty-nine were colored.

Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair, Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair.

DR. FINE'S BAKING POWDER

A Pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. 40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

COME MORNINGS FOR PROMPT SERVICE 100 Cents Worth of Value THESE ARE MONEY-SAVING TIMES, ESPECIALLY SO HERE 50 Cents Worth of Coin

Great Fashion Stock Sale

Where we are disposing of at 50 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR that bright, new, clean stock of Dry Goods, Fancy Goods, Ladies' and Children's fine wearing apparel, etc. There have been many "Sales" in Los Angeles, but without doubt or fear of contradiction this sale, for actual value-giving has exceeded them all.

Second Week of Tumbling, Telling Values

And we believe these quotations are the lowest ever made you on similar goods. The Fashion carried the best stock of laces in the city and no one owned laces as cheap as Newman-Levison Company.

Fashion Sale of Laces Fashion's 1/2c Normande Val. Laces, now .4c Fashion's 1/2c Platt Val. Laces, now .83c Fashion's 1/2c French Val. Laces, 6 in., now .7c

Fashion Sale of Ribbons LONG counter space and plenty of salespeople make it pleasant trading at this busy section during these crowded days.

Fashion Sale of Corsets This is where the price cutting machine does deadly work. Odd lines of finest and most popular makes go for a song.

Fashion Sale of Neckwear Ladies' Fine Oriental Lace Collarets, \$1.00; reduced to .60c Ladies' Fine Chiffon Lace Collarets, \$1.00; reduced to .60c

Fashion Sale of Hosiery Child's heavy weight, narrow ribbed, Cotton Hose, fast colors, double heels and soles. Fashion Price, 16 1/2c. Sale Price .10c

Fashion Sale of Silk Petticoats Here are rustlers for you, and this sale has put such prices on them which add a new element of desirability.

Fashion Sale of Table Linens 62 inch Bleached Linen Damask, 60c grade .49c 56 inch Bleached Linen Damask, 60c grade .50c

Fashion Sale of Bed Linens Extra fine 10-4 Sheets, the 65c ones now .50c Extra fine 8-4 Sheets, the 55c ones now .41c

Fashion Sale of Wash Goods 6c quality beautiful Irish Lawns, sale, yd. .4c 8 1/2-c quality Corded Dimities, sale, yd. .5c

Domestic Cut to Pieces AT A THIRD LESS The coming week will be a time "looked back on" in days to come, when this or that article was bought at Hale's "Great Fashion Sale."

Dress Goods and Silks Likewise a HALF AND MORE A mark-down in seasonal dress stuffs that has no parallel. This will be the greatest opportunity of the greatest sale on record.

Colored Dress Goods 50 pieces Plain Serges, Henrietta, Granada, Whipcord, Bengaline, Foulard, in browns, modes, blues, tans, greens, garnet, gray, etc., 46 to 48 in. wide, all wool, 60c and 75c yard. To close out .37c

Every Department Shares in the Great Price Cutting

Fashion Sale of Embroidery 5000 yds fine new Embroideries came to us from the Fashion stock, and the dearest patterns we have ever seen, all with the fast edges, they are so serviceable; nearly three hundred designs.

Fashion Sale of Veilings 25c quality Russian and Tuxedo Veilings, yd. 16c 15c quality fancy colored Veilings, yd. 5c 85c qual. fancy silk chemise dot Veilings, yd. 50c

Fashion Sale of Ostrich Boas Real Ostrich Boas Was Now 25c quality Ostrich Boas, heavy, 4.50 \$2.35 17-inch Ostrich Feather Boas, 10.25 7.25

Gentlemen's Wear "The Fashion" carried a very handsome line of Gents' Goods—Hosiery, Gloves, Sweaters, Handkerchiefs, Ties, etc.

Fashion Sale of Art Covers Stamped Linen and Art Cushion Covers, 40c, 50c, 75c. Reduced to .23c Hemstitched Center Piece, 36 in. square, linen, very fine. Reduced from 30c to .19c

Fashion Sale of Cloak and Suit Department Giving any thought to a new Spring Suit or Wrap? We can help you to a quick and satisfactory conclusion.

Fashion Sale of Silk Waists We make this assertion with no fear of contradiction. Our assortment is the best in the city.

Fashion Sale of Silk Waists China Silk Waists, all colors, full front, plaited back, detachable collars; now \$3.00 Checked Taffeta Silk Waists, assorted colors, trimmed with plain silk, laundered collars; now \$7.50

Fashion Sale of Silk Waists Checked and Dotted Silk Waists, light-fitting, trimmed with knife pleating, full front; now \$10.00 Roman Striped Taffeta Silk Waists, bas yoke, back blouse, chiffon front, velvet trimming; now \$15.00

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