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TOLD BY PROCTOR

SENATORS INFORMED OF THE CONDITIONS IN CUBA.

Carefully Prepared Statement Without an Element of Sensationalism—Only the Restoration of Peace Will Save the Dying Reconcentrados.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—Senator Proctor of Vermont, who returned last Sunday from an extended trip to and through the island of Cuba, made a statement during the afternoon to the senate of his observations on the island.

From many view points the statement was remarkable. It had evidently been most carefully prepared. Every element of sensationalism had been studiously eliminated from it, and, except so far as the facts recited were sensational, it bore not the slightest evidence of an effort to arouse the public mind to the condition of affairs on the island. Every statement was made by Senator Proctor with that clearness and precision which characterize the accurate demonstration of a problem in mathematics. Calm and dispassionate to a notable degree, the utterances of the senator aroused a breathless interest.

Senator Proctor began his statement by saying that more importance had been attached to his visit than necessary, but he thought a public statement would be beneficial. The only thing, he said, that he had said about that matter to the president was that he was going, and asked if there was any objection to it, and was told there was none. He had letters from Assistant Secretary of State Day and business men of the United States. He said that General Lee and other United States representatives in Cuba, afforded him opportunity to secure observations. He denied that he had made the statement that the Maine was blown up from the outside, but might have said that that was the opinion in Havana. Outside of Havana there was desolation and misery. People were surrounded by trenches and controlled by forts or block houses.

His observations, he said, were in the four western provinces. Outside the trenches and forts there were no habitations or people living.

Only Where Their Army Sit.
The Spaniards, he said, hold in the four provinces only what their army sits on.

Senator Proctor described at some length the condition of the reconcentrados, saying one half of them had died, owing to the manner in which they had been kept in the small houses and had sanitation. It was no wonder one half had died, he added.

He went into Cuba, he said, thinking the condition of the people had been overdrawn, but found their condition terrible. What he saw he could not tell so others could see. In one place in Havana, the senator said, he saw 400 emaciated people lying on stone floors, with little clothing. The children had no clothing. American people may be amazed, he continued, that their boys will reach the destitute, and he added:

Feeds Only Will Change Conditions.
"The condition of the reconcentrados will not be changed until peace comes. General Blanco's order of Nov. 18 is of little practical use. No beneficial results had followed. For this he did not blame General Blanco, as Blanco looked at the matter from a military point of view."

He inquired as to autonomy of men of wealth, business and professional men. Without exception their reply was that it was too late for autonomy. It was, they said, too late for peace under Spanish rule. Some favored annexation by the United States.

Senator Proctor said he was not in favor of annexation. The conditions for self government in Cuba were favorable and not much danger of revolution. He could not make any recommendations as to what should be done. He thought the matter might be safely left to an American president and American people.

SPAIN'S LOSSES IN CUBA.

Seventy Thousand Troops Killed, Wounded or Otherwise Incapacitated.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—Seventy thousand men is the number of Spanish soldiers who have been killed, wounded and otherwise incapacitated for duty during the present war in Cuba. These figures have been received in this city recently from reliable sources and are said to be nearly authentic as it is possible to obtain them without recourse to the records kept by the Spanish government. From the same source considerable other information bearing on the military strength of Spain and her dependencies is obtained. The present force of Spanish regulars in Cuba is 135,000 men. Of this number it is estimated that 80,000 of them are effective for military service. In addition there are about 20,000 members in what is known as the volunteer army. These are mostly in the province of Havana and are largely in the nature of home guards, corresponding to our state militia.

The strength of the Spanish army at home, including nearby possessions, is 85,000 men, which may be increased as follows: 100,000 men, all instructed in military tactics, and a third reserve, not instructed, of 300,000 men, making in all a grand total of 610,000 men. In the Philippine islands Spain has an army of 32,000 men, which includes about 15,000 native troops. In Porto Rico there are 5,000 Spanish troops, which, in the event of hostilities, could be supplemented by 4,000 volunteers.

Seven Dead, Sixteen Missing.
CHICAGO, March 21.—Seven killed and sixteen missing is the latest report from the fire at 210-221 Wabash avenue Wednesday.

VERDICT OF \$7,500.

Jury Finds the Kingdom Publishing Company Guilty of Libel.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 17.—The jury in the civil libel suit of the American Book company against the Kingdom Publishing company to recover \$100,000 damages for injury alleged to have been caused by the publication of a pamphlet entitled "A Foe to American Schools" returned a verdict awarding the plaintiff \$7,500 damages. Judge Lochron instructed the jury to the effect that it must award a certain amount of damages as the statements made by the defendant had not been proven by the testimony.

SEIZED BY ROWDIES.

Rough Element Said to Be Holding Bennett Road, Leading to White Pass.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Information has reached the war department that the rowdy element of Alaska have seized Bennett road, leading to and over White Pass, and have placed the country in a state of terror. Instructions were telegraphed to General Merriam, commanding the Department of the Columbia, at Vancouver, Wash., to order the infantry garrison at Skagway to take proper steps for the protection of persons and property in the disturbed region, regardless of the expense attending such a movement of troops.

FUNERAL OF BLANCHE K. BRUCE.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The funeral of Blanche K. Bruce, ex-slave, ex-senator and twice regent of the treasury, was held here during the day. The Metropolitan African Methodist Episcopal church was crowded with the representative colored population of the city.

LATEST MARKET REPORT.

Duluth Grain.
DULUTH, March 22
WHEAT—Cash No. 1 hard, 95½c; No. 1 Northern, 95c; No. 2 Northern, 94c; No. 3 spring, 86c. To Arrive No. 1 hard, 95c; No. 1 Northern, 95½c; No. 2 Northern, 94½c; No. 3 spring, 87c.

Minneapolis Grain.
MINNEAPOLIS, March 21
WHEAT—March closed at 95½c; 95c; July, 93½c. On Tr. No. 1 hard, 95c; No. 1 Northern 95½c.

Poultry, Hides and Eggs.
CHICAGO, March 22
POULTRY—Live, dull; turkeys, 9@10c; chickens, 8@8½c; ducks, 7@8c.
BUTTER—Steady; creameries, 13@14c; dairies, 10½@11c.
EGGS—Steady; fresh, 9c.

St. Paul Union Stock Yards.
ST. PAUL, March 22
HOGS—Market active, steady. Range of prices, \$3.55@4.50.
CATTLE—Market active on best, common selected.
Sales ranged at \$2.50@3.00 for cows; \$4.45@4.75 for stokers and feeders; \$3.60@4.00 for heifers; \$3.75@4.75 for yearlings.
SHEEP—In demand, \$2.50@4.25.

St. Paul Union Stock Yards.
SOUTH ST. PAUL, March 22
HOGS—Market active and 5c higher. Range of prices, \$3.75@4.25.
CATTLE—Strong and active, common dragging.
Sales ranged at \$4.00@4.50 for stokers; \$3.40@3.50 for cows; \$3.85@3.95 for heifers; \$1.40@1.50 for steers.
SHEEP—Market steady. Good demand for good sheep.
Sales ranged at \$3.50@4.00 for muttons; \$4.00 for bucks; \$4.85 for lambs.

Chicago Union Stock Yards.
CHICAGO, March 22
HOGS—Market active, generally 2½@3c higher.
Sales ranged at \$3.90@4.00 for light; \$3.90@4.00 for heavy; \$3.90@4.00 for heavy; \$3.90@4.00 for heavy.
CATTLE—Market strong to 10c higher. Sales ranged at \$3.50@3.50 for cows and feeders; \$3.50@3.50 for stokers and feeders.
SHEEP—Market firm to 10c higher. Sales ranged at \$3.40@3.70 for natives; \$3.00@3.50 for westerns; \$1.40@1.55 for lambs.

Chicago Grain and Provisions.
CHICAGO, March 22
WHEAT—May, \$1.04½; July, 85½@85c; September, 78c; December, 78½c.
CORN—March, 33½c; May, 32c; July, 30½@30¾c; September, 31½c.
OATS—March, 25½c; May, 25c; July, 24c.
POPK—March, \$9.80; May, \$9.25@9.27; July, \$9.22.

WAITING FOR CUBA

SENATORS POSTPONING IMPORTANT LEGISLATION.

Belief Quite Decided That the Administration Is Prepared to Act—President Will Send the Main Report to Congress Soon After It Arrives—Senator Thurston Declares the Time For Intervention Is at Hand.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The short session of the senate was quite unusual for the early part of the week. That no one was prepared to go on with any pending measure was given as the explanation, but privately the opinion was stated by some of the senators that while the Cuban question remained in such suspense there was no desire to take up important legislation. The outlook as to Cuba was discussed among senators almost to the exclusion of other topics and the belief was quite decided that the administration is preparing to take a positive position within the next week. Several senators made the prediction that the United States would intervene. Being pressed for a reason they stated that they had reached this conclusion after more or less conference with executive officers, but at the same time saying quite emphatically that they had no positive information on this point. Other senators thought the recognition of Cuban independence more probable than intervention. Almost all expressed the view that some action surely will follow the report of the Maine court of inquiry regardless of its purport.

NO DELAY INTENDED.

President Will Send the Maine Report to Congress as Soon as It Arrives.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The procedure in connection with the submission of the report of the Maine court of inquiry by the president to congress is now clearly outlined and a cabinet officer explained the general line of action at present intended to be pursued upon receipt of the report, which is expected to reach Washington next Thursday. A copy of it will be laid before the Spanish government very early, and, as soon as it can be consistently done, the report will be sent to congress and made public at the same time. The report to congress will be accompanied by a message from the president stating that, after receiving the report, the conclusions were laid before the Spanish government and appropriate action from that quarter asked. It is stated positively that no part of the report and

No Intimation of the Findings

has reached the executive authorities in Washington as yet. At the same time it is a noticeable fact that the current of official opinion is beginning to follow that of the unofficial opinion expressed so positively and persistently at Havana and Key West that the cause of the explosion was external to the battleship. Officials high in the administration state that while they were wholly without exact information as to the findings of the court of inquiry they found themselves sharing in the apparently intangible conviction that the cause of the explosion was not accidental. Opinion expressed by the Maine survivors who reached here last Saturday doubtless contributed largely to this view in official circles. In this connection it is understood that one of the officers who arrived on Saturday stated, not as opinion but as his personal observation on the night of the disaster, that

There Were Two Distinct Explosions.

The tendency of this is to support the theory of external cause, as this is based on the idea that the first external explosion was followed by a second internal explosion. Intense interest in the report was manifested during the day at the White House and at the state, war and navy departments. The president received a number of congressional leaders, among them being Speaker Reed and Chairman Hitt of the house committee on foreign affairs. The visit of Mr. Reed naturally attracted much attention, as he seldom leaves the congressional sphere to make calls on the executive branch, and it was naturally inferred that the purpose of his visit was to confer upon the Cuban situation and its future before congress, though neither he nor Mr. Hitt was communicative. Secretary Long also had an extended conference with the president.

THE TIME IS AT HAND.

Senator Thurston believes the United States should intervene at once. OMAHA, March 22.—"If the time for the intervention of the United States in the affairs of Cuba is not here now it never will come," said Senator Thurston. "I wired Senator Allen to announce that I would speak on the Cuban question in the senate next Thursday." The senator says that the only solution of the trouble is such intervention unless the people of the United States are willing to look on and see the work of starvation, already so far advanced, completed. The reconcentrados are absolutely without hope and if the death lists in any parts of the island are decreasing it is only because the material for starvation to work upon is giving out.

CHANDLER IS AUTHORITY.

Says the President Will Soon Issue a Proclamation. CONCORD, N. H., March 22.—Senator William E. Chandler, in an editorial in the Concord Monitor, says that President McKinley is about to take action in the name of the United States to relieve the famine and sickness in Cuba. "Food and medicine and clothing," he says, "given by the generous people of the United States will be sent with the approval of Spain if she consents, or will be carried by American steamers and soldiers without that approval, if she does not consent." "The end of the starvation and tor-

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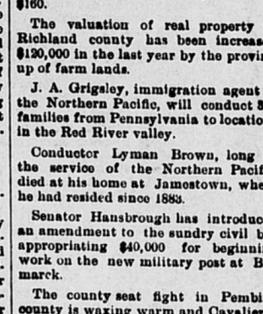
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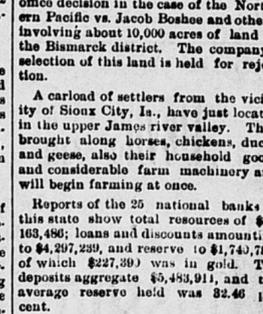
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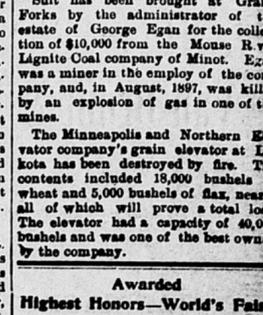
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