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Telegraphic News.

NEW YORK, March 24.—A special to the *Herald* from Washington says President McKinley gave Senator Bacon and others with whom he had conferred the impression that it is his purpose to follow up the submission of the "Maine" report to Congress with a message advising that the government supplement the work of feeding the starving in Cuba, now being done through the Red Cross and other agencies, with supplies furnished from private means. His idea is for the government to send supplies in ships of the navy or under naval escort, and see that they are landed and distributed, whether the Spanish government objects or not. If, as intimated from Madrid, Spain construes this aid to the starving as armed intervention and cause for declaration of war, she will have to commit the over act.

PERMISSION REFUSED.

MADRID, March 24.—A semi-official note says: At the cabinet meeting yesterday, Premier Senor Sagasta read a telegram from Captain General Blanco saying the captain of the "Maine" had requested permission to blow up the wreck with dynamite and permission to do so had been refused.

The cabinet empowered Minister of Foreign Affairs Gulion to watch the situation with a view to seeing justice done and defending the rights of Spain.

Minister of Finance Puigserver declared the resources sufficient for all war expenses until the new members meet.

MOVEMENTS OF SPAISH FLOTILLA.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—News reached the navy department today that the Spanish torpedo boat flotilla had left the Canary Islands for Porto Rico. No question has been asked Spain yet concerning this movement nor has it been decided what action the navy or state departments will take, if any, under the circumstances.

DUBLIN, March 24.—Two Spanish torpedo boat destroyers sailed from Kingstown for Falmouth, England, this morning, after coaling.

TO PUT IN A COUNTER CLAIM.

NEW YORK, March 24.—A dispatch to the *World* from Havana says: It is almost certain if the United States claims indemnity for the loss of the "Maine" Spain will put in a counter claim for $100,000,000 for damages through filibustering expeditions fitted out in America and permitted to sail from American ports.

SPAIN WANTS MONEY.

LONDON, March 24.—A dispatch from Madrid says the Spanish cabinet decided yesterday evening to create treasury bonds to the amount of 200,000,000 pesetas upon the guarantee of the bank of Spain. London agents of the Bank of Spain could not confirm the statement.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—The president, in conference with some of the house congressional leaders today, stated emphatically that he would avert war if possible and expressed a hope he could do so.

WASHINGTON, March 24 —An hour before the Senate convened today the galleries were crowded with people, as Thurston was to address the Senate upon the Cuban matter.

Allison (Iowa) moved when the Senate adjourn today it be to meet Monday next. The motion prevailed.

Mason (Ill.) moved the vote be re-considered. The motion was defeated, 52 to 9. Those voting in the negative were Cannon, Chandler, Foraker, Frye, Gallinger, Harris, Mason, Mills and Pettigrew.

At 12:30 Thurston was recognized for a speech on the Cuban situation. His first sentence, that he appeared by command of silent lips to present his views, once and for all, on the Cuban situation, containing a delicate reference to his recent terrible bereavment, commanded instant attention.

Thurston made the most thrilling statement of the conditions he found in Cuba, confirming all Proctor and Gallinger had said. He said the time for action had come. It was now too late to accord the insurgents belligerent rights or even to recognize the independence of the Island. The promise of the Republican platform to restore peace and independence to Cuba should be carried into effect at once.

The peroration of Thurston's speech was brilliant. He said he was ready to serve his country in the Senate or in the field, and expressed the hope that when death comes he would meet it "calmly and fearlessly, as did my beloved, in the cause of humanity under the American flag." Thurston sank into his seat and buried his face in his hands, while an overwhelming wave of applause swept through the galleries. Tears welled to many eyes.

LONDON, March 24.—Immmence of the Cuban crisis has prompted financiers to make efforts to avert a war. A movement to this end is on foot in Lombard street, and American bankers, who are leading it, are supposed to have the sympathy and perhaps cooperation of the Roth childs. American bankers tell the diplomats if the United States demands indemnity and Spain is willing to pay, the financiers will gladly furnish the funds. The best informed diplomats believe the Spanish cabinet dare not risk the wrath of the populace, which would inevitably follow an acquiescence with the demand of the United States for reparation for the loss of the "Maine."

LONDON, March 24.—The foreign office has issued a statement that there is no truth whatever in the statement made by the *Daily Chronicle* today that the cabinet council Monday was called to consider an intimation from the Marquis of Salisbury his desire, acting under medical advice to resign from the premiership and foreign secretaryship. The Marquis is in better health and starts for the Riviera Saturday.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 24.—George T. Nicholson was today, appointed general passenger and traffic manager of the Santa Fe railroad, to succeed W. F. White, deceased. The appointment takes effect May 1.

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 24.—A sudden fall in temperature checked the flow in the headwater streams this morning. After reaching thirty feet the water began to recede. The flood was the most destructive since the ever-memorable one of February, 1884. The financial loss will run into hundeeds of thousands, and thousands of workmen have been temporarily thrown out of employment. All the low lands of the two cities are under water. The greatest devastation is above Pittsburg, on the Allegheny river. All railroads are crippled.

BUSINESS SUSPENDED.

SHERRODSVILLE, Ohio, March 24.—Business is entirely suspended as there is three feet of water over the whole town. Great damage will result. The town is completely cut off from railroad communication.

HOSPITALS ARE CROWDED.

DAYTON, Ohio, March 24.—The hospitals and other public buildings are crowded with persons driven from their homes by the flood. Not a railroad train is running in or out of the city. At Middletown the Miami river is higher than in 1866 and is still rising.

SCIOTO RIVER FALLING.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 24.—The Scioto river rose higher than was ever before known, but is falling rapidly. The loss is estimated at $250,000. The National Guards are assisting in getting relief to families injured by the flood.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 24.—Captain Robley D. Evans, better known as "Fighting Bob" Evans, reached here this morning and was immediately ordered to take command of the "Iowa."

Captain Sampson, of the "Iowa," and also of the inquiry board, has been ordered to command the North Atlantic fleet, relieving Admiral Sicard, who is ill. Commodore W. S. Schley will probably be placed in command of the squadron at Hampton Roads.

Orders were issued today detaching Captain Sigsbee and all other officers, except Waynwright, from the battleship "Maine," and ordering them to proceed home and await orders. Lieutenant Commander Waynwright, executive officer of the vessel, is in special charge of the wrecking portions and will remain in Havana until they are concluded.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—Some senators and members of the house who visited the President today gathered the impression from his carefully guarded talks with them that he will not immediately make any important recommendation to Congress, but wants more time to conduct negotiations with Spain with the hope of securing peace by diplomatic means. He said he did not intend to be swerved a hair's breadth in his purpose by political considerations. No hasty action, without the wish of the President, will be taken by the Senate.

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ST. PAUL, Minn., March 24.—The bank of Merriam Park failed to open today on account of the time check fraud. The bank's capital is $50,000, of which $30,000 was invested in Southall government time checks.

There is talk of reviving the grade of Lieutenant-General for the benefit of General Miles. The Syracuse *Post* declares that it had to come, saying: All that extra gold lace and braid was not put on for nothing.

Japanese theaters have their boxes so arranged that the ladies can change their dresses, as it is not considered stylish for a lady to appear an entire evening in one dress and with the same ornaments.

A proverb found in one form or another in every European or Asiatic language having a literature is "familiarity breeds contempt." Its earliest form is believed to be of the Sanskrit.

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