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THE Congressional leaders of all parties have been taken into the confidence of President McKinley, as to his plans, and in return they have promised that Congress would not take any precipitate action on the Maine report, but would allow the matter to rest until the President diplomatically informs Spain of his intentions as to Cuba, and ascertains whether those intentions will be peaceably acquiesced in, or be met by war. Meanwhile, the President accepts the hint of the Spanish Government that the fleet of torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers have been sent to Porto Rico for effect upon the elections in Spain, and not with hostile intentions towards the United States. Should that fleet, however, be started from Porto Rico to Cuba, it will be considered a hostile move against this country and will be treated accordingly. In short, Spain must choose whether it will retire peaceably, or be driven out. That is just about where the matter stands. President McKinley is prepared for either contingency, but wishes to give Spain a last chance to avoid trouble,

A WAR DEPARTMENT official says that if present plans are not changed, the breaking out of war with Spain will be immediately followed by the mustering into the U. S. Army, by regiments, of the entire organized militia of the country. As there are more than 100,000 men in the militia, it is believed that they will be all the soldiers that will be used. It would be possible to mass the entire militia force of the country at any given point well inside of ten days. There appears to be some doubt in some quarters as to the President's authority to thus utilize the state militia, but there is none among officials in Washington, who have made a study of the subject.

ONE of the results of the recent activity on the part of the government in preparing for exigencies is that every port on our coast in which any considerable damage could be done by warships of an enemy, is so well defended that experts declare that it would be an absolute impossibility for the entire naval force of Spain to enter a single one of them, and that for Spanish warships to even attempt to do so would result in their almost certain destruction. An alert President and a patriotic Congress have made our sea-coast cities now practically safe from either invasion or serious damage from a foreign enemy.

THE Agricultural Department will, this season, conduct two special investigations in Alaska, one to ascertain by practical experiments what vegetables and cereals can be grown in Alaskan soil, and one under the auspices of the Weather Bureau, to obtain information as to general climate conditions. These experiments will be more likely to determine whether Alaska is to become thickly populated, than the discoveries of the gold hunters.

AN undergrade critic, in reprinting a line or two from the GAZETTE containing typographical errors, flourishes his erudition in this grammatical fling:"

"Ain't we having a fine time."

In another place the same critic speaking of his own Church says:

——"will preach and administer the right of confirmation."


All previous records will be broken to-day (Saturday). Our high standard of Artistic Millinery will be excelled. Don't fail to see our Grand Display.

T. H. HOLLINGSWORTH & Co.


WIDE spread attention is now being given to the revival of the curfew bell and all the good that will follow its readoption in the towns and villages of our country.

That it has done a world of good where it has been revived as a custom, there is not the slightest doubt, and thinking people, even though they have not children, recognize its full worth in the protection of both sexes. Many children with pleasant homes and the best of associations about them, readily drop into the often pernicious habit of habit of parading the streets at night.

Intended merely as a harmless pleasure at first, to see and be seen this habit is apt to drift into loafing among the boys, and renders the young girls too often bold and boisterous, as well as indifferent to the fact that their faces seen nightly on the streets become common—not to speak of the unkind comments made upon them, even though they may be just entering their teens

This certainly should not be; but where parents at first see no harm in their children going out after nightfall without protection, or every day frequenting the most public thoroughfares, with no motive to take them there save the excitement, and morbid desire to see people and let the people see them, the realization of the evil tendency it has to demoralize comes later. The young people, having taken the bit in their teeth, are hard to manage.

The adoption of a curfew ordinance in cities and towns as a means of keeping children off the street at night is thus advocated by Superintendent Charles R. Skinner of the State Department of Public Instruction; of New York:

"Over 300 cities and towns in the West have adopted a curfew ordinance, which requires all children under 15 years of age, unless accompanied by parents or guardians, or absent with leave, to be at home at 9 o'clock in the evening in the summer and at 8 o'clock in winter. The result has been a decrease of from 50 to 75 per cent. in the number of arrests of children for crime. Teachers report that boys who formerly were behind in their studies by reason of late hours on the street are more punctual and regular, and keep up with school work. There has been a reduction of from 50 to 109 per cent in commitments of youths to reform schools. The curfew is opposed by those who consider it an infringement upon personal liberty, but it may well be asked whether society and the State should not have the power to protect themselves against vicious tendencies in street education."

"Statistics tell us that last year there were 179,000 arrests of children under 16 years of age. There may be no sentiment in favor of a street curfew ordinance, but there should be a remedy for reducing juvenile crime. May not the State properly supplement the efforts of philanthropic and order loving citizens in the organization of local associations to provide elevating amusement and reasonable instruction to those who naturally drift toward the streets for excitement and change? In many communities this plan is followed with excellent results. It is urged that the curfew may well apply to others than children who make the streets at night the scenes of evil operations.

The report recommends that after 1899 the school census be taken every four years instead of every two years and calls attention to attempts made by unprincipled parties to use the public schools for the purpose of distributing vile literature among the young."

The above makes most impressive and significant reading for all parents who have the good of their children at heart, and there is little doubt that, once the right kind of boys and girls realize the evils as they are, they will themselves feel that their future welfare is what their elders have at heart and govern themselves accordingly.

IF there is to be war, this government has no idea of confining it to Cuba and the ajacent waters. No plan has been or will be made public, but all the same there is a plan which will be promptly carried out, to carry the war right into Spain itself. This government has not sought and is not seeking war, but if war comes, it intends to utilize all of its enormous resoufces of men and money to fight it to a speedy and victorious end.

NOTHING more significant of the drift of everything towards war has occurred than the order of Secretary Long that all of our warships should at once be painted a less conspicious color than white, which makes too good a target.


Educate Your Bowels with Cascarets.

Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c., 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money. 11 13-tf



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PHILADELPHIA, Monday, March 28, 1898.

PROFOUNDLY IMPORTANT TO BICYCLERS

## Humber Bicycles Reduced

Last summer we contracted for the control of the Philadelphia, New York and Atlantic Coast territory for the sale of Humbers. In December last we approved of the '98 models, and the works at Westboro, Mass., have ever since been steadily turning out by hand-work the admittedly best bicycle built in any country. The price and the lowest that can be afforded for such high quality of carriage work was fixed at $100. We contracted to pay $500 as liquidation damages for every machine sold for less than $100. We have now delivered to us all contracted for of these splendid carriage-made and finished bicycles, save two or three hundred, all made to be sold at $100 and equal in all respects to the $115 standard of last year.



**And Now This Has Happened**

FIRST—The world is bigger and stronger than any two men who make contracts. It has knocked down the plans of bicycle makers and their prices. This year is not a $100 bicycle year.

SECOND—We kept the price to $100 until the other day, when we persuaded the makers to let us drop the profits this year. For three reasons:

(a) That they might keep the works going steadily.

(b) That the public might not lose confidence in safety of bicycles from the numberless machines on the market this season which have been made to fit a reduced selling price rather than match the old standard of quality.

(c) The Humber Company have discovered that the doing away of expensive stores, offices, advertising and traveling salesmen reduces the cost of producing the wheel and they can make just as much profit as formerly by selling through our houses at even lower prices.

THIRD—We were willing ourselves to drop almost all the profit this year to make a wider constituency for what is undoubtedly the finest wheel extant.

FOURTH—We now settle upon this new scale of prices for Humbers made to our order to fetch us $100. The price from now on of the

## Humber Roadster is $73

An extra charge of $2 each will be made for brake, mud guard and chain guard.

FIFTH—Whoever has purchased a Humber of us at $100, please come back and get the refund of $27 on each Humber purchased at either of our stores.

SIXTH—This advertisement may be preserved as our agreement to protect our buyers on the prices the entire season, say to July 1.

SEVENTH—Our stock on hand, while it embraces all the sizes, will soon be scattered in New York and this city, and in a very short time those who want Humbers will not be able to get them without waiting.

EIGHTH—Telegraphic orders and orders by letters will be promptly filled in the order received, by setting aside the wheels, quality and finish being guaranteed in every particular.

The full list of prices follows:

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| HUMBER ROADSTER, | $73 | HUMBER CHAINLESS, | $125 |
| HUMBER TOURIST, | $75 | HUMBER RACER, | $125 |
| LADY HUMBER, | $79 | DIAMOND FRAME TANDEMS, | $160 |

HUMBER COMBINATION TANDEM, $169

## Falcon Bicyles at $22.50

Falcon Bicycles were sold by us, in Philadelphia and New York last August, at $26.50—the women's at $27.50.

The selling was very large. It was considered as an introduction sale—to popularize this long-known wheel that vast business this year would follow. And negotiations were looked forward to for making us exclusive handlers of the 1898 Falcons.

So promising was the outlook that, late in the fall, the company made us a thousand wheels with which to open the new year's selling.

It is these wheels that we offer now—though at much lower price than we or the company intended—because our completed plans for 1898 did not include the new model Falcons, which our experts reported were changed, though not improved.

These 1897 wheels were built of the very best materials—materials gathered for use when the Falcons were $75 wheels.

FALCONS, FOR MEN, 22, 24 AND 26 IN. FRAMES
FALCONS, FOR WOMEN, 20 AND 22 IN. FRAMES } $22.50

Enameled in black, maroon and green.

The wheels are sold under our usual broad guarantee.

JOHN WANAMAKER



**Farmers and Merchants National Bank.**

EASTON, MD., April 2, 1898.

This Bank will be closed on Friday, the 8th inst., Good Friday being a legal holiday Bills maturing on that day must be paid on Thursday, the 7th inst.

F. C. GOLDSBOROUGH, Cashier.

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# ENGINES and THRESHERS,

## McCormick Binders and Mowers.

With Customary promptness we are in the field, with a line of machinery not excelled by anyone. The far-famed

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are well known in this community as machinery of the high class. They have been running in Eastern Maryland and Deleware, (over which territory we are the general agents) for many years with great satisfaction, and still the demand comes for them. These Engines are built for great power, while the Threshers are perfect grain cleaners and grains savers. We have some handsome samples, of these Engines and Threshers just recieved from the factory, and now on exhibition in our Warehouse. Any one who contemplate buying a Steam Rig, we specially invite to come and see us or write us, and we are prepared to furnish some information that may prove valuable to the buyer of steam machinery. It is useless for us to dwell upon the great merit of

## THE McCORMICK BINDER AND MOWER.

The Right Hand Open Elevator, now on hand, is the finest Binder we ever saw. It is up to date in every respect and will save you both time and money, and we want you to keep in mind the Binder and Mower when in need. Send for Catalogue with full particulars.

In the matter

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## THE AUBURN FARM WAGON

gives the broadest guarantee of any that runs on the road. We have just received a carload of these Wagons, and they are the finest we ever had and they are cheap.

## BUCKEYE AND TIGER CULTIVATORS.

No implement on the farm saves more time than the sulky Cultivator, and none does better work than the Butkeye and Tiger. Call and look at our samples. We also have now in stock a full line of

## Drags, Spring Tooth Harrows, Field Rollers, Disc Harrows, Hay Rakes and Farm Carts.

Our New Carriages or capturing the attention of buyers, and it is because the quality and price is the attraction. We have also a heavy stock of

## CARRIAGE AND WAGON HARNESS,

just from the Factory and we can sell you a fine set at any price to suit your purse.

Do you intend to paint? If so, see us. We have the largest line of Paints in town, manufactured by Lucas, known the Country over as the best. We can supply at a small cost.

We are the pioneer dealers in Bicycles, and carry the largest and finest line on the Peninsula. We have furnished the great throng with wheels, and they are today proudly riding over the highways of this and the adjoining counties and are mounted on the

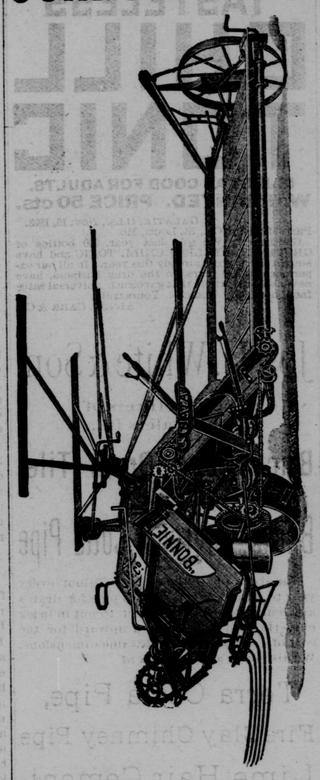
## Rambler, Crescent, Ideal and Stormer.

Don't put any money in a doubtful wheel, but come and see us. Price low and terms easy.

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## Shannahan & Wrightson Hardware Co.

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I have the agency for the above machines, which are of the very best manufactures and will give perfect satisfaction, being light and easy running. Also Cultivators and Disc Harrows

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None superior and the machines are giving the best satisfaction.

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Can be erected cheaply, all steel and galvanized, and the best machines for power purposes.

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The finest and best gaslight on the market. See it, and you will have it. Great gas saver. Adopted by Johns Hopkins Hospital.

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