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RIVER AND TRADERSFREIGHT—Reliable service. Delivered
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Gold Spectacles, Eye Glasses and Chain Reading Glasses.
We have the finest china glasses at the price of poor
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H. CLAY EVERSOLE, Optician, 720 First Ave., Seattle.TO BUILD JAPAN'S
WARSHIPS HERE.Uncle Sam's Superior Con-
struction Appreciated.

PROMISE FOR SEATTLE.

Commander Mori Predicts Close
Future Relations With Orient.

The Naval Officer Expresses Intense
 Admiration for Everything Amer-
 ican—Says Japanese Favor U. S.
 Control of Philippines—Legiti-
 mate Fruits of War—Present
 Navy of the Mikado and Enlarge-
 ment Contemplated—Future Con-
 tracts for Vessels to Be Let to
 American Firms—Seattle Shipping

The standard of excellence of American
 ship building, which was established years
 ago and has been maintained ever since, is
 likely to have the effect of giving this coun-
 try many contracts to construct warships
 for the Japanese government. There have
 been but two naval vessels built here for
 that nation, but the government looks
 upon these as among the most valuable in
 its squadron.

This subject and other naval matters con-
 cerning the interests of Japan and the
 United States were discussed at consider-
 able length yesterday afternoon by Com-
 mander Ichibi Mori, who arrived on the
 Kinsu Maru last week on his way to
 San Francisco, where he will take charge
 of the cruiser Chitose. The commander
 has an intense admiration for all things
 American. He has been a close student of
 affairs this side of the Pacific ever since
 Japan won in the war with China and be-
 gan to develop her fighting resources, and
 says that the same sentiment prevails
 among all his people. The result will be
 the cementing of closer relations, and the
 increasing of commerce between the two
 countries.

Japan Favors Expansion.
 According to this naval man, the policy
 of expansion, which has been adopted by
 the United States, receives the most cor-
 dial moral support of the Japanese. They
 had long looked with sympathetic eyes
 at the oppressions heaped upon the natives
 of the Philippines by Spain, and were glad
 when the strong arm of Commodore Dewey
 put an end to them. Another cause of
 their favor is that the islands will now
 probably be opened to commerce, furnish-
 ing a new and important field for traf-
 fic of all nations, one of the most impor-
 tant of which, on account of the accessi-
 bility of the Malayan markets, will be
 Japan.

Capt. Mori does not know Admiral Dewey
 personally, but he has seen the develop-
 ment of his works, having arrived at
 Manila in command of the cruiser Naniwa,
 soon after the great victory of last May,
 to look out for the Japanese interests there.
 The work of rehabilitation and reconstruc-
 tion of the American admiral received his
 wondering admiration, and in the words
 he expressed it yesterday, he places him
 in the same category with the great Ad-
 miral Ito, of China-Japanese war fame, and
 Admiral Nelson, the famous Englishman.
 "He is not only a great naval officer,"
 says the commander, "but a general and a
 statesman."

Keep the Islands.
 The officer believes that the United
 States is entitled to the islands, not only
 for reasons of humanity, but as the legiti-
 mate fruits of a victorious war. It would
 be preposterous, he says, to seriously think
 for a moment of returning them to Spain.
 The American methods of warfare were
 critically studied during the recent conflict,
 and Japan will adopt many of the
 improvements which were demonstrated to
 be feasible. In the meantime, the build-
 ing of the new navy will go on as planned
 at the end of the war with China, and a
 considerable portion of future contracts for
 warships will be let to American firms.
 One of the principal reasons of this, aside
 from the superior workmanship, will be
 because the United States is nearer to the
 home country, so that the vessels can be
 taken across the Pacific without the long
 voyage through the Suez canal or around
 the cape of Good Hope.

Old Navy and the New.

Japan went into her trouble with China
 with a navy consisting of four battleships,
 the Fushu, Chinyen, and Fuso; twenty-seven
 cruisers, fourteen gunboats and twenty-
 eight torpedo boats. But within the next
 two years it will have fifty-four more war-
 ships. These are the vessels under con-
 struction. Four battleships, being built in
 Europe; six cruisers, in Europe, besides
 the cruiser Kasagi, recently launched in
 Philadelphia, and Chitose, being finished
 in San Francisco, and two cruisers in Ja-
 pan; twelve torpedo boats under construc-
 tion in Europe, twenty in Japan, and ten
 torpedo boat destroyers, which are being
 made by European builders.

Another feature of naval development in
 the Mikado's domain is that two new
 naval stations are being established, one
 at Maizuru and one at Ominato. These
 will be fitted with drydocks capable of
 holding the largest warships, and all the
 latest appliances for work. The naval sta-
 tions now owned by Japan are three in
 number, and located at Yokosuka, Kure
 and Sasebo. The new stations will be fin-
 ished sometime in 1900.

His First Visit Here.

This is Commander Mori's first visit to
 the United States and he is just becoming
 acquainted with American customs. His
 first impressions are that Seattle people
 are the finest in the world. The cordi-
 ality of his reception has been a mar-
 vel to him, and he can scarcely find words
 to express his esteem. He believes that

Seattle is destined to become one of the
 most important shipping ports in the world,
 and will in a few years exceed San Fran-
 cisco. The location of Puget sound in the
 natural commercial belt connecting with
 the Orient, its being 400 miles nearer to
 Japan than the California metropolis, and
 backed with a wealth of the products
 that trans-Pacific people need, will in the
 officer's opinion, make the future of this
 place one of the most prosperous on earth.
 Seattle, being the chief point on the sound,
 in the best location and having the best
 shipping facilities, will naturally get the
 bulk of the northwestern traffic.

Capt. Mori's Career.

This naval man was born at Kagoshima
 forty years ago. His father was captain
 of Japanese merchantmen for several
 years, a soldier in the imperial army, and
 later a prominent civil officer. Mori, the
 only son, was sent to the naval academy
 at Tokyo, and graduated with honors eight-
 teen years ago, when he was twenty-two.
 He was named a lieutenant as soon as he
 finished his naval course, and spent the
 succeeding several years in cruising.

When the war with China broke out,
 Lieut. Mori was assigned to duty on the
 cruiser Itsukushima. He participated in
 all the engagements on the Yellow sea,
 and for especial bravery and naval skill
 shown at the battle of Weihaiwei, was a
 year ago promoted to commander. He is
 married and has three children, two
 daughters and a son of twelve years, the
 latter of whom will enter the naval academy
 as soon as he is old enough, and follow
 the life of his father.

Capt. Mori speaks English but little, but
 he shows a keen observance of customs
 and life new to him and is always glad to
 meet and converse, through an interpreter,
 with Americans. He will leave with his
 command for San Francisco on the steam-
 er Centennial next Friday, where he will
 take charge of the Chitose, and, as soon
 as it is launched, late in January, take it
 to Japan to receive its armament.

The Shitose will be the largest and most
 modern warship Commander Mori has ever
 been in charge of and it is safe to say he
 will be extremely proud of his new
 charge.



The CRUISER CINCINNATI.

NICARAGUA CANAL
STRONGLY FORTIFIED
BY UNITED STATES.

New York World Says That Satis-
 factory Arrangements Have Been
 Made Regarding Bulwer-Clayton
 Treaty—Powerful Force Needed.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer.
 NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—A special to the
 World from Washington says:

A week ago the World announced the
 administration's plan for building the Nic-
 aragua canal. To that outline these addi-
 tional facts can now be added:

With a full understanding that satisfac-
 tory arrangements would be made with
 Great Britain, in conformity with the Clay-
 ton-Bulwer treaty, the administration has
 reached the determination that the canal
 shall be fortified. Military works of the
 strongest character will be built. Both en-
 trances would be guarded by a powerful
 force. All precautions will be taken to
 preserve the entire length of the waterway
 from danger in case of war with a foreign
 power.

For this a large number of troops will
 be necessary. This would prevent the land-
 ing of a hostile force at a distance from
 the mouth of the waterway and march-
 ing them overland to attack an unguarded
 point. Each of the locks will be defended
 by an adequate force of soldiers.

LAST WEEK FOR DONATIONS TO THE
POST-INTELLIGENCER'S CHRISTMAS FUND.

IN one week more Christmas will be a memory, and that it may be a pleasant
 memory to every child in Seattle depends upon the generosity of the contribut-
 ors to the Post-Intelligencer Christmas fund, which will be expended in supply-
 ing every child whom Santa Claus may overlook with a suitable present. The
 method to be used in the distribution has not yet been resolved upon, but will be
 announced within a few days.

The cash contributions to the fund now amount to \$213.81, and in addition to
 cash a large amount of toys, etc., have been donated. It is a fact which speaks well
 for the little folk of Seattle that they are showing a far more generous spirit in their
 contributions than their elders. Possibly this is explained by the fact that Christ-
 mas to the mind of a child is the event of all events of the year, and for this reason
 the "grown ups" should see to it that the children are not overlooked next Sunday.

Even those who cannot spare the money to aid the good Saint in finding the
 homes of the poor can assist. The Post-Intelligencer will receive donations of all
 kinds of toys, books, clothing, in fact, everything that will gladden the hearts of the
 little people.

CINCINNATI AGROUND
IN SANTIAGO BAY.Strikes a Rock While Going
at Full Speed.

NO DANGER OF SINKING.

Absence of Buoy the Cause of
the Accident.

At Last Accounts She Was Still Fast

—Collier Southern and the May-
 flower Try to Pull Her Off But
 Without Success—Fears Expressed
 That a Hole Will Be Torn in
 Her Hull in the Endeavor to Get
 Off—Urgent Need of Pilots, as the
 Harbor Is a Difficult One, and
 Land Marks Are in Wrong Places.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Dec. 18.—While
 the United States cruiser Cincinnati was
 leaving port about sunset yesterday she
 ran full speed upon a rock clearly defined
 in the charts, but not buoyed.

Last September Gen. Leonard Wood,
 considering that the absence of a buoy
 there might lead to some accident, an-
 chored a small one, the first ever placed

tract involving the city in an indebtedness
 of millions of dollars.

The project underlying the contract was
 approved by the municipality last Friday,
 without sufficient examination and the con-
 tract was to be executed at the next meet-
 ing of the council tomorrow morning.

Gen. Castellanos expressed his surprise,
 asserting that he had received no previous
 intimation of the contemplated action, and
 thanked Gen. Claus for informing him re-
 garding a proposal which was entirely
 without his sanction and opposed to his di-
 rections and desires.

He promptly announced that his secretary
 would inform the civil governor and the
 municipal authorities that no contracts of
 this nature must be entered upon and that
 whatever had been done in this line must
 be annulled.

LOCOMOTIVES FOR CHINA.

Baldwin Works Busy Day and Night
 on Large Orders.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18.—The Bald-
 win Locomotive Works has, within the
 last few days, received orders for fifty-
 six locomotives, of which sixteen are for
 the Imperial railway of China, making the
 second order received from that country
 within ten months.

A contract with the Reading Railway
 Company calls for twenty-five freight en-
 gines and five switching engines of the
 heaviest type ever operated on the system.
 They are to be specially adapted for use
 in the subway. The Chicago & Western
 has also ordered ten large freight engines,
 while numerous small orders have been
 received from railroads all over the coun-
 try.

In addition to working day and night, it
 has recently been found necessary to in-
 crease the force of men at the works.

Russian Line Through to Kusk.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The St. Petersburg
 correspondent of the Times says that the
 first train from Mery, Russian Turkistan,
 200 miles southeast of Leningrad, arrived on
 Friday last at Kusk in the Jamshid prov-
 ince of Afghanistan, the line thus being
 completed to within ninety-five miles of
 Herat.

PRES. MCKINLEY
IN DIXIE LAND.One Continuous Outburst of
Enthusiasm.

SUNDAY FAR FROM QUIET.

Church in the Morning—Ad-
dresses in the Afternoon.

Mrs. McKinley Unable to Attend

Divine Services Because of Slight
 Indisposition—En Route to Geor-
 gia Agricultural and Medical Col-
 lege, the Chief Executive In-
 spects the Camp of the Seventh
 Army Corps, Speaking Words of
 Cheer to the Soldiers—Shafter
 and Alger Also Visit the Camp.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 18.—Notwith-
 standing this was supposed to be a day
 of rest with the presidential party, it was,
 as a matter of fact, filled with interest and
 activity. The day was an ideal one.

Though they had sat late to the banquet
 last night—it was nearly 2 o'clock when
 Gen. Wheeler delivered his delightful
 petoration to "Woman"—the president and
 accompanying members of his cabinet
 arose to breakfast at about the usual hour,
 and later they separated to attend divine
 services.

President McKinley attended church at
 the Wesley Memorial Methodist church.
 Mrs. McKinley did not accompany him.
 She is suffering from a slight cold and re-
 mained in the hotel. Her indisposition,
 however, does not amount to real illness,
 and this afternoon she was able to take
 a carriage ride about the city.

The president was met at the door of
 the church by members of the congrega-
 tion, who escorted him to the pew re-
 served for him. As he entered the con-
 gregation arose and remained standing
 until he had taken his seat. The sermon
 was by Rev. John A. Thompson, D. D.
 There was no reference to the distinguished
 presence during the service beyond an
 invocation by the preacher for divine guid-
 ance for the president during the crisis
 which now confronted the country. Sec-
 retary Alger and Gen. Shafter attended
 the First Presbyterian church, and after
 the service held an informal levee in the
 aisles, many people crowding around them
 to shake hands and bid them welcome.

Gen. Joseph Wheeler and Secretary Wil-
 son worshipped at the First Baptist church.
 After the service they shook hands with
 several hundred persons.

Secretary Long attended St. John's
 Episcopal church and Secretary Smith the
 Independent Presbyterian. They also
 were greeted by many members of the con-
 gregation.

Address to Colored Students.
 After dinner the president visited the
 Georgia agricultural and medical college
 (colored), where he delivered the follow-
 ing address:

"Fellow Citizens: I have been profound-
 ly impressed with this scene, and I have
 been deeply touched with the eloquent
 words and exalted sentiments which have
 been uttered by the gentlemen whom you
 delegated to speak in your behalf. It
 gives me peculiar pleasure to meet you,
 and to greet you in this institution of
 learning, presided over by one whom I have
 known for more than twenty years, and
 whom I have come to admire and respect
 as one of the splendid leaders of your race.
 I congratulate him and all associated with
 him in the good work done here, and the
 exaltation of your race. I congratulate
 all of you upon the splendid advance made
 by you in the last third of a century. You
 are all entitled to praise and to high com-
 mendation, which I am sure God will
 from your white fellow citizens in this
 and every part of the country. I con-
 gratulate you upon your acquirement of
 property. Many of your race have large
 properties on the tax lists in the several
 states, and in that way contribute prop-
 erly to the support of the govern-
 ment. I congratulate you upon what you
 have done in learning and the acquirement
 of useful knowledge, and I am sure that
 there is not a foot of ground beneath the
 flag of Stars and Stripes where every boy
 and girl, white or black, cannot have an
 education to fit them for the battle of life.
 Keep on in the work, and I would leave with
 you today. Keep on in the effort, and re-
 member that in acquiring knowledge
 there is one thing as important as that,
 and that is character. Nothing in the
 whole wide world is worth so much, will
 last so long and serve its purpose as well
 as good character. It is something that
 no one can take from you, that no one
 can give to you. You must acquire it for
 yourself.

"There is another thing. Do not forget
 the home. The home is the foundation of
 good individual life and organized govern-
 ment. Cultivate good homes, make them
 pure and sweet, elevate them, and other
 good things will follow. I encourage
 that institution is not only looking
 after the head, but after the hand. I con-
 gratulate that it is not only making good
 orators, but good mechanics. It is better
 to be a skillful mechanic than a poor or-
 ator or an indifferent preacher. (Great ap-
 plause.)

"In a word, each of you wants to be
 best in whatever you undertake. Nothing
 in the world commands more respect than
 skill and industry. Every avenue is open
 to it.

"I congratulate you upon the splendid
 valor of your race. The president of the
 United States has made an allusion in his speech
 to what many years ago I said in a public
 address. I told of a white colonel who had
 delivered the flag of our country to his
 black color sergeant and said to him:
 'Sergeant, place in your hands this sac-
 red flag. Fight for it; yes, die for it, but
 never surrender it to the hands of an en-
 emy.' That black soldier, with love of
 country and pride in his heart, answered,
 'I will bring the flag back, colonel, in
 honor, or report to God the reason why.'
 In one battle, in carrying that flag of free-
 dom, he was stricken down. He fell with
 the folds of the flag wrapped about him,
 bathed in his blood. He did not bring it
 back, but God knew the reason why. He