resident McKinley Reviews Our War With Spain.

PRAISES ARMY AND NAVY.

Also Urges The Establishment of a Lager Army and Navy.

POSSESSIONS. OUR

Their Future Government Will Await the Ratification of the Peace Treaty-The Government of the Philippines is Left to Congress to Settle-Military Rule is Urged in all Possessions Until Legislation has been Carried Through-It is Suggested that the Cubans be Aided After Treaty is Ratifed With a View to Giving Them Free Government-100,000 Standing Army.

Washington, D. C. (Special) .- President McKinley's second annual message, a document of unusual length, was read to the two Houses of Congress immediately after they assembled for the third and closing session of the Fifty-fifth Congress:

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

Notwithstanding the added burdens rendered necessary by the war, our people re-Joice in a very satisfactory and steadily increasing degree of prosperity, evidenced by the largest volume of business ever recorded. Manufacture has been productive, agricultural pursuits have yielded abundant returns, labor in all fields of industry is better rewarded, revenue legislation passed by the present Congress has increased the Treasreceipts to the amount estimated by its authors, the finances of the Government have been successfully administered and its credit advanced to the first rank, while its currency has been maintained at the world's highest stap-Military service under a common flag and for a righteous cause has strength ened the national spirit and served to cement more closely than ever the fraternal bonds between every section of the coun-try. A review of the relation of the United States to other powers, always appropri-ate, is this year of primary importance, in view of the momentous issues which have arisen, demanding in one instance the ulti-mate determination by arms and involving far-reaching consequences which will require the earnest attention of the Congress.

Spanish Misrule in Cuba.

In my last annual message very full consideration was given to the question of the duty of the Government of the United States toward Spain and the Cuban insurrection as being by far the most important problem with which we were then called upon to deal. The considerations then advanced, and the exposition of the views therein expressed, disclosed my sense of the extreme gravity of the situation. Setting aside, as logically unfounded or practically inadmissible, the recognition of the independence of Cuba, neutral intervention to end the war by imposing a retional comromise between the contestants, intervenpromise between the contestants, interven-tion in favor of one or the other party, and foreible annexation of the island, I con-cluded it was honestly due to our friendly relations with Spain that she should be given a reasonable chance to realize her expectations of reform, to which she had become irrevocably committed. Within a few weeks previously she had announced comprehensive plans, which it was confidently asserted would be efficacious to remedy the evils so deeply affecting our own country, so injurious to the true interests of the mother country as well as to those of Cuba, and so repugnant to the universal sent ment of humanity.

The ensuing month brought little sign of

progress toward the pacification of a. The autonomous administrations set up in the capital and some of the principal cities appeared not to gain the favor of the inhabitants nor to be able to extend their influence to the large extent of territory held by the insurgents, while the military arm, obviously unable to cope with the still active rebellion, continued many of the most objectionable and offensive alleies of the Government that had preponcies of the Government that had pre-ceded it. No tangible relief was afforded the fast numbers of unhappy recon-centrados, despite the reiterated profes-sions made in that regard and the amount appropriated by Spain to that end. offered expedient of zones of cultivation proved illusory; indeed, no less practical nor more delusive promises of succor could well have been tendered to the exhausted and destitute people, stripped of what made life and home dear and herded in a strange region among unsympathetic strangers hardly less necessitous than

themselves.
By the end of December the mortality among them had trightfully increased. Conservative estimates from Spanish sources placed the deaths among these distressed people at over forty per cent, from the time General Weyler's decree of recon-centration was enforced. With he acquiescence of the Spanish authorities, a reheme was adopted for relief by charitable coatributions raised in this country and distrip uted, under the direction of the Consul- 10. General and the several Consuls, by noble and earnest individual effort through the organized agencies of the American Red Cross. Thousands of lives were thus saved, many thousands more were inacces-

sible to such forms of aid.

The war continued on the old footing without comprehensive plan, developing only the same spasmodic encounters, parren of strategic result, that had marked the course of the earlier ten years' rebellion as well as the present insurrection from its

Destruction truction of the ast, occurred t hip Maine while rightfully lying in bor of Havana on a mission of in-lonal courtesy and good will—a cahe, the suspicious nature and horhich stirred the nation's heart pro-

poise and sturdy good sense distinguishing our national character that this shocking blow, failing upon a generous people, already deeply touched by preceding events in Cubs, did not move them to an instant. desperate resolve to tolerate the existence f a condition of danger and disorder at our doors that made possible such a deed, by whomsoever wrought. Yet the instine of justice prevailed, and the nation anxiously waited the result of the searching investigation at once set on foot. The finding of the Naval Board of Inquiry established that the origin of the explosion was externat by a submarine mine, and only halted, through lack of positive testimony, to fix the responsibility of its authorship.

Preparations For War.

All these things carried conviction to the most thoughtful, even before the finding of the raval court, that a crisis in our reactions with Spain and toward Cuba was at hand. So strong was this belief that it needed but a brief executive suggestion to the Congress to receive immediate answer to the duty of making instant provision for the possible and perhaps speedily probable emergency of war, and the remarkable, almost unique, spectacle was presented of a unanimous vote of both houses, on the 9th of March, appropriating \$50,000,000 for the national defense, and for each and every purpose connected therewith, "to be expended at the discretion of the President.

The President then reviews at length the rarious attempts to bring about a peaceful solution of the question, and says that he was grieved and disappointed at the barren outcome of his sincere endeavors to reach a practicable solution. He then relates how he placed the matter in the

hands of Congress.

Congress Takes Quick Action. The response of the Congress, he con-tinues, after nine days of earnest deliberaquring which the almost unanimous sentiment of your body was developed on every point save as to the expediency of coupling the proposed action with a formal recognition of the republic of Cuba as the true and lawful Government of that islanc -a proposition watch failed of adoption-the Congress, after conference, on the 19th of April, by a vote of 42 to 35 in the Senate and 311 to 6 in the House of Representa-tives, passed their memorable joint resolu-

The message continues by saying that a copy of the resolutions was at once com-municated to the Spanish Minister at Washington, who immediately demanded his passports. They were given to him, and the Spanish interests were left in the protection of the French Ambassador and the

Austrian-Hungarian Minister.

Simultaneously with the notice of the resolutions to file Spanish Minister, its text was cabled to General Stewart L. Woodford, the American Minister at Madrid. who was to communicate it to the Spanish Government. Before he could do so the Spanish Minister of State notified him that, upon the President's approval of the joint resolution, the Madrid Government, regarding the act as "equivalent to an evident declaration of war," had or-dered its Minister in Washington to withdraw, thereby breaking off diplomatic relations between the two countries and ceasing all official communication between Woodford thereupon demanded his passports and quitted Madrid the same day.

The President reviews the preparations
to the beginning of hostilities. Spain having initiated the war, a blockade of the

north coast of Cuba was proclaimed, and the call for volunteers was issued. The various Governments were notified of the existence of war, in order that their neutrailty might be assured. The response to the initial call for 125,000 troops was instant and complete, and a second call for 75,000 additional volunteers was issued.

The navy is referred to, showing its condition when war was declared, as well as the means employed to protect the Atlantic seaboard and the cities lying along the coast from any possible attack. The coast Signal Service was organized and an auxilmanned by the naval militia of the several Mines were also laid in the various harbors.

The work of the Signal Corps is referred to, it being of an important character. Electrical connections of all coast fortifications were established, as well as telephonic and telegraphic facilities for the camps at Manila, Santiago and Porto Rico. Field telegraph lines were established and maintained under the enemy's fire at Man-A cable ship was placed in Cuban waters, which rendered service that was invaluable to the Executive in conducting the operations of the army and navy. The expenditure of the \$50,000,009 defense fund is dwelt upon. It helped the Government to strengthen the defenses of the country and to make the defends of the country and to man adequate preparations for war. The popular lean of \$200,000,000, which was subscribed to so promptly, is mentioned as showing the vast resources of the nation and the determination of the people to uphold the country's honor.

The President states that it is not within the province of the message to nar-

rate the history of the extraordinary war with Spain, and mentions the first engagement, which took place April 27, when a detachment of the blockading squadron off Cuba shelled the harbor fort and demolished several new works which were being constructed at Matanzas. The mes-sage obttinues as follows:

Dewey's Glorious Victory at Manila. The next engagement was destined to

mark a memorable epoch im maritime war-fare. The Pacific fleet, under Commodore wey, had lain for some weeks at Upon the colonial proclamation of neutrality being issued and the cushours' notice being tomary repaired to Mirs Bay, near Hong given, it Kong, whence it proceeded to the Philippine Islands under telegraphed orders to capture or destroy the formidable Spanish ssembled at Manila. At day-1st of May the American force entered Manila Bay, and after a few hours' engagement effected a total destruction of the Spanish fleet, consisting of ten wara transport, besides capturing tation and forts at Cavite, thus g the Spanish naval power in annihlat Ocean and completely controlling the bay of Manila, with the ability to take the city at will. Not a life was lost on our slipe, the wounded only numbering seven while not a vessel was materially in-jured. For this gallant achievement the jured. For this gallant achievement the Congress, upon my recommendation, fitly bestowed upon the actors preferment and

substantial reward.

The effect of this remarkable victory upon the spirit of our people and upon the fortures of the war was instant. A prestice of in incibility thereby attached to our arms, which continued throughout the struggle. Reinforcements were hurried to Manils, under the command of Major-Genderick and the struggle of eral Morritt, and firmly established within sight of the capital, which lay helpless be-

guns. 7th day of May the Government On the was alvised officially of the victory of Manils, and at once inquired of the com-Manils, ander of our fleet what troops would b l'ie information was re eived

ith day of May, and the first army on sailed May 25, and arrived off 30. Other expeditions soon total force consisting of 641 5,058 enlisted men. Only reers and 15.058 enlisted men. cause needless loss of life and

The insurgents n sumed the active hostilities the uncompleted truce of December, Their forces invested Manila from the r ern and eastern sides, but were constrai by Admiral Dewey and General Merry from attempting an assault. It was fitting that whatever was to be done in the way of decisive operations in that quarter should be accomplished by the strong erm of the United States alone. Obeying he stern recept of war which enjoins the evercom ing of the adversary and the extinction of his power wherever assailable as the speedy and sure means to win a peace, divided victory was not permissible, for no partition of the rights and responsibilities at tending the enforcement of a just and ad-

vantageous peace could be thought of. The message continues with a review of the entire land and naval operations. He does not treat them at length, but refers the public to the departmental reports for details. He states that with the destruction of Cervera's fleet Spain's efforts on the cean virtually ceased, and ends this part of the document by relating how the cene of the war was enacted at Manila, the place where it started. He closed his references to military and naval matters by a tribute to the fighters.

Praise For All Our Fighters. It is fitting that I should bear testimony to the patriotism and devotion of that large portion of our army which, although eager to be ordered to the post of greatest exposure, fortunately was not required outside of the United States. They did their whole duty, and like their comrades at the front have earned the gratitude of the nation. In like manner, the officers and men of the army and of the navy who remained in their departments and stations faithfully performing most important du-ties connected with the war, and whose requests for assignment in the field and at sen I was compelled to refuse because their services were indispensable here, are en-titled to the highest commendation. It is my regret that there seems to be no provision for their suitable recognition.

In tracing these events we are constantly reminded of our obligations to the Divine Master for His watchful care over us and His safe guidance, for which the nation verent acknowledgment and offers humble prayers for the continuance of His favor.

Spain Sues For Paace.

Spair, having realized that she had lost President states, now sued for e. The signing of the protocol is repeace. ferred to, and then the Message relates the details of the negotations which ended in a suspension of hostilities, the appointment of the military commissions to superintend the evacuation of Cuba, Porto Rico and the adjacent islands and the peace commission. Continuing, he says:

Peace Commission's Work. Pursuant to the fifth article of the proto-I appointed William R. Day, lately etary of State; Cushman K. Davis, Secretary William P. Frye and George Gray, Senators of the United States, and Whitelaw Reid to be the Peace Commissioners on the part of the United States. Proceeding in due season to Paris, they there met on the 1st of October five Commissioners similarly appointed on the part of Spain. Their negotiations have made hopeful progress. so that I trust soon to be able to fay a definite treaty of peace before the Senate with a review of the steps leading to its signature.

Government of New Possessions.

I do not discuss at this time the government or the future of the new possessions which will come to us as a result of the war with Spain. Such discussion will be appropriate after the treaty of peace shall be ratified. In the meantime, and until Congress has legislated otherwise, it will be my duty to continue the military Governments which have existed since our occupation, and give to the people security in life and property and encouragement under a just and beneficient rule.

Independence Alone For Cuba. As soon as we are in possession of Cuba and have pacified the island, it will be necgive aid and direction to its essary to people to form a government for themselves. This should be undertaken at the earliest moment consistent with safety and assured success. It is important that relations with this people shall be of the most friendly character and our commercial relations close and reciprocal. should be our duty to assist in every proper way to build up the waste places of the rupture between Italy and Colombia is no island, encourage the industry of the peo- longer in an acute state, thanks to efforts ple, and assist them to form a government which shall be free and independent, thus realizing the best aspirations of the Cuban people. Spanish rule must be replaced by a just benevolent, and humane Government, created by the people of Cuba, capable of performing all international obligations, and which shall encourage thrift, industry and prosperity, and promote peace and good will among all of the inhabitants, whatever may have been their relations in the past. Neither revenge nor passion should have a place in the new Government. Until there is a complete tran-quillity in the island and a stable Government inaugurated military occupation will be continued.

Friendly Relations With All Nations. With the one exception of the rupture with Spain, the intercourse of the United States with the great family of nations has been marked with cordiality, and the close of the eventful year finds most of the is-sues that necessarily arise in the complex relations of sovereign States adjusted or presenting no serious obstacle to a just and honorable solution by amicable agreement.

The President dwells at some length on the long unsettled boundary dispute bethe long unsettled boundary dispute between the Argentine Republic and Chile, and expresses pleasure that his efforts to induce them to resort to arbitration have been successful. He also refers to the strong hope he has that the rates charged on the cables of American corporations in the transmission between Buenos Avres and the cities of Uruguay, Brazil and the Atlantic cities of South America may be freed from an almost prohibitory discrimin-He favors an international agreeation. ment for an interchange of messages over

connecting cables.

Then taking up home topics he says: Austria and the Lattimer Strike.

On the 10th day of September, 1897, a conflict took place at Lattimer, Penn., beween a body of striking miners and the Sheriff of Luzerne County and his deputies, in which twenty-two miners were killed and forty-four wounded, of whom ten of the killed and twelve of the wounded, were Austrian and Hungarian subjects. The deplorable event naturally aroused the solicitude o. the Austro-Hungarian Government, which, on the assumption that the killing and wounding involved the unjustifiable misuse of authority, claimed reparation for the sufferers. from the searching investigation Apart peremptory action of the authorities of Pennsylvania, the Federal Executive took appropriate steps to learn the merits of the case, in order to be in a position to meet the urgent complaint of a friendly power. The Sheriff and his deputies, having been indicted for murder, were tried and acquitted after protracted proceedings and the hearing of hundreds of witnesses on the ground that the killing was in the line of their official duty to uphold law and preserve public order in the State. A representative of the Department of Justice attended the trial and reported its course With all the facts in its possession, this Government expects to reach a harmonious understanding on the subject with that of Austria-Hungary, notwithstanding the renewed claim of the latter after learning the result of the trial, for indemnity for its injured subjects.

After an extended reference to the year's

events in Central America, he de tes the following paragraph to the h aragua Canal: Nicaragua Canal a Necessity. The Nicaragua Canal Commission, under the Chairmanship of Rear-Admiral John C.

that year, has nearly comle 4 of e inquiry into the proper route, the y and the cost of construction of ceanic canal by a Nicaraguan formance of its task the commission re-ceived all the possible courtesy and assistance from the Governments of Nicaragua and Costa Rica, which thus testified their appreciation of the importance of giving a speedy and practical outcome to the great has for so many years grossed the attention of the respective countries.

As the scope of the recent inquiry em

braced the whole subject, with the aim of making plans and surveys for a canal by the most convenient route, it necessarily included a review of the results of previous surveys and plans, and in particular those adopted by the Maritime Canal Company under its existing concessions from Nica-ragua and Costa Rica, so that to this extent those grants necessarily hold as essential a part in the deliberations and conclusions of the Canal Commission as they have held and must of need hold in the discussion of the matter by the Congress. Under these circumstances, and in view of overtures made to the Governments of Nicaragua and Costa Rica by other parties for a new canal concession, predicated on the as-sumed approaching lapse of the contracts of the Maritime Canal Company with those States. I have not hesitated to express my conviction that considerations of expediency and international policy as between the several Governments interested in the construction and control of an interoceanie capal by this route require the maintenance of the status quo until the Canal Commis sion shall have reported and the United States Congress shall have had the opportunity to pass financially upon the whole matter during the present session without prejudice by reason of any change in the existing conditions.

Nevertheless, it appears that the Government of Nicaragua, as one of its last sovereign acts before merging its powers in those of the newly formed United States of Central America, has granted an optional concession to another association, to be-come effective on the expiration of the present grant. It does not appear what surveys have been made or what route is proposed under this contingent grant; so that an examination of the feasibility of its plans is necessarily not embraced in the report of the Canal Commission. All these circumstances suggest the urgency of some definite action by the Congress at this session, if the labors of the past are to be utilized and the linking of the Atlantic and Pacific oceans by a practical waterway is to be realized. That the construction of such a maritime highway is now more than ever indispensable to that intimate and ready intercommunication between our eastern and western seaboards demanded v the appexation of the Hawaiian Islands and the prospective expansion of our in-fluence and commerce in the Pacific, and that our national policy now more impera-tively than ever calls for its control by this Government, are propositions which, I doubt not, the Congress will duly appreciate and wisely act upon.

Open Door in China.

The United States has not been an indifferent spectator of the extraordinary events transpiring in the Chinese empire, the President remarks, whereby portions of its maritime provinces are passing under the control of various European powers; but the prospect that the vast commerce which the energy of our citizens and the necessity of our staple productions for Chinese uses has built up in those regions may not be prejudiced through any exclusive treatment by the new occupants, has obvinted the need of our country becoming an actor in the scene. Our position among nations, having a large Pacific coast, and a constantly expanding direct trade with the farther Orient, gives us the equitable claim to consideration and friendly treatment in this sideration and friendly treatment in this sideration and friendly treatment in this regard and it will be my aim to subserve our large interests in that quarter by all means appropriate to the constant policy of our Government. Warships have been stationed at Tien-Tsin for more ready observation of the disorders which have invaded even the Chinese capital, so as to be in a position to act should need arise, while a guard of marines has been sent to Pekin to afford the Minister the same measure of authoritative protection as the representa tives of other nations have been constrained

to employ.

The message states that the diplomatic

Paris Exposition in 1900.

There is now every prospect, continues the President, that the passicipation of the United States in the Universial Exposition, to be held held in Paris in 1990, will be on a scale commensurate with the advanced position held by our products and industries position held by our products and industried in the world's chief marts. By a provision in the Sundry Civil Appropriation act of July 1, 1898, a sum not to exceed \$650,600 was allotted for the organization of a commission to care for the proper preparation and installation of American exhibits. I appointed Mr. Fardinand W. Poels of Chief. pointed Mr. Ferdinand W. Peck, of Chi-cago, Commissioner-General. Mr. Peck's report will be laid before you. In my udgment its recommendations will call for your early consideration, especially as regards an increase of the appropriation to at least \$1,000,000 in all, so that not only may the assigned space be fully taken up by the best possible exhibits in every class, but the preparation and installation be on so perfect a scale as to rank among the first in that unparalleled competition of artistic and inventive production, and thus counterbalance the disadvantage with we start as compared with other countries whose appropriations are on a more generous scale, and whose prepara tions are in a state of much greater for-

wardness than our own.

The document next refers to our frade agreements with the European nations and the efforts that are being made to remove the embargoes on our products, and then devotes a paragraph to our relations with Great Britain:

England's Cordiality.'

Our relations with Great Britain have continued on the most friendly footing. Assenting to our request, the protection of Americans and their interests in Spanish jurisdiction was assured by the diplomatic and consular representatives of Great Britain, who fulfilled their delicate and arduous trust with tact and zeal, eliciting high commendation. I may be allowed to make fitting allusion to the instance of Mr. Ramsden, Her Majesty's Consul at San-tiago de Cuba, whose untimely death after distinguished service and untiring during the siege of that city was sincerely lamente i.

Mention is then made of the consent of the Canadian Government to allow four United States revenue cutters to pass from the great lakes to the Atlantic Coast by way of the Canadian canals and the St way of the Canadian canas and the St. Lawrence River. It will give the President much pleasure in communicating to Congress a favorable conclusion of the pendic negotiations with Great Britain in respect to the Dominion of Canada.

Hawaii.

The annexation of Hawaii is referred to. Pursuant to the terms of the joint resolu-tion adopted by Congress July 7, 1838, accepting the offered cession and accepting the offered cession at incorporating the ceded territo into the Union, the Preside territory "directed that the civil, judicial and minitary powers theretofore exercised by the officers of the Republic of Hawaii should continue to be exercised by those officers until Congress shall provide a governmen for the incorporated territory sub-jet to my power to remove such officers and to fill vacancies." A officers and to fill vacancies." A commission was appointed, consisting of the Hons. Shelby M. Cullom of Illinois, John T. Morgan of Alabama, Robert H. R. litt of Illinois, Stanford B. Dole of Hawaii d Walter F. Frear of Hawaii, to and recommend to Congress such legisla-tion concerning the Hawaiian Islands as start. No alternative save physical exhaus-tion of ither combatant and therewithal source of the city, and therewith the ab-tion of ither combatant and therewithal

The report of the Commission, which is completed and will be laid before Congress at an early date. The difference between Hawaii and Japan arising out of alleged mistreatment of Japanese immigrants, was amicably adjusted by the pay-

ment of a reasonable indemnity to the Government of Japan. The message then states the action of the Mexican Government in givin, notice on January 24, 1898 (to take effect a year from that date), of the termination of the Extradition Convention of December 11, 1861, agreed to by the Governments of the United States and Canada. In connection therewith the President asks for an amend-ment of the existing extradition statute.

The suggestion is then made that Congress authorize a conference of represent-atives of the United States and Mexico to Consider the problem of the Mexican free zone, it being provocative of smuggling into this country along an extensive and thinly guarded land border.

The Government of Peru has given notice of its intention to abrogate the treaty of friendship, commerce and navigation concluded with this country, August 31,

The proposal of the Czar for a conference The proposal of the CZETTOT a conference to discuss the general reduction of the vast military establishments of the world is referred to. His Majesty was at once in-formed of the sympathy of our Government and of the readiness of the United States to take part in the conference. It is also stated that the claims of owners of American sealing vessels for seizure by Russian cruisers in Bering Sea are being pressed to a settlement.

Venezuelan Boundary Arbitration.

The arbitral tribunal appointed under the treaty of February 2, 1897, between Great Britain and Venezuela to determine the boundary line between the latter and the colony of British Guiana is to convene at Paris during the present month, and the President expresses much gratification hereat. He also says that the experiences of the last year having brought forcibly home to us a sense of the burdens and the waste of war we desire, in common with civilized nations, to reduce to the lowest possible point the damage sustained in time of war by peaceable trade and com-merce. He therefore urges the calling of an anti-privateering conference.

National Finances.

On the subject of national finances the message details the Government's receipts and expenditures, and then says that the provisions made for strengthening the resources of the Treasury in connection with the war have given increased confidence in the purpose and power of the Government to maintain the present standard, and have established more firmly than ever the national credit at home and abroad. A marked evidence of this is found in the inflow of gold to the Treasury.'

The President renews his recommenda-tion of December, 1897, as follows: That when any of the United States notes are presented for redemption in gold. notes shall be kept and set apart and only paid out in exchange for gold. This is an obvious duty. If the holder of the United States note prefers the gold and gets it from the Government he should not re-ceive back from the Government a United States note without paying gold in ex-change for it. The reason for this is made all the more apparent when the Government issues an interest-bearing debt to provide gold for the redemption of United States notes-a non-interest bearing debt. Surely it should not pay them out again except on demand and for gold. If they are put out in any other way, they may return again, to be followed by another bond issue to redeem them-another interest-bearing debt to redeem a non-interest-

On the Reissue of Greenbacks. This recommendation was made in the be-lief that such provisions of law would insure to a greater degree the safety of the present standard, and better protect our currency from the dangers to which it is subjected from a disturbance in the general business conditions of the country: In my judgment, present condition of the Treasury amply justifies the immediate enact-ment of the legislation recommended one year azo, under which a portion of the gold holdings should be placed in a trust fond from which greerbacks should be re-deemed upon presentation, but when once redeemed should not thereafter be paid out that other legislation relating to our cur-rency is not required; on the contrary, there is an obvious demand for it. except for gold. It is not to be inferred

Trade With Our New Islands.

The annexation of Hawaii and changed relations of the United States to Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines resulting from the war compel the prompt adoping from the war compet the prompt adop-tion of a maritime policy by the United States. There should be established regu-lar and frequent steamship communication, encouraged by the United States, under the American flag, with the newly acquired islands. Spain furnished its colonies, at an annual cost of about two millons of do! ars, steamship lines communicating with a portion of the world's market as with a portion of the world's market as well as with trade centres of the home Government. The United State will not undertake to do this. It is our duty to furnish the people of Hawaii with facilities, under national control, for their export and import trade. It will be consided that the present situation salis for ceded that the present situation calls for legislation which shall be prompt, durable and liberal. The part which American merchant vessels and their seamen per-formed in the war with Spain demonstrates that this service, furnishing both pickets and the second line of defense, is a na-tional necessity, and should be encouraged in every constitutional way.

The President renews his recommendation that suitable appropriation be made to provide for a commission of experts to be appointed to investigate the cause and prevention of yellow fever:

A Larger Army Wanted.

An increase of the army is urged, the President declaring that there can be no question that at this time, and probably for some time in the future, 100,000 men will be none too many to meet the necessities of the situation.

Then follow paragraphs relating to the Union Pacific Railway, a new building for the Department of Justice, the inadequate accommodations provided for the suprema straightful the packal sarving of Court in the Capitol, the postal service of the country and its labors during the war, as well as the postoffices which established in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines.

The President approves the recommendations of the Secretary of the Navy rela-tive to the increase of the Navy and also urges that the grades of Admir d and Visco-Admiral be temporarily revived, to be filted by officers who have specially distinguished themselves in the war with Spatu.

The message then refers briefly to the twelfth census, the increase in the pension roll, the condition of the public canals, the operations of the Department of Agriculture, the Pillager Indian outbreak and the

experiments with sugar beets.

The me-sage, continuing, says that in the year 1940 will occur the centennial anniversary of the founding of the city of washington for the permanent capital of the Government of the United States. The resident asks an appropriation for a suitade national celebration of the event.

Alien Labor Law.

In conclusion the message says: The erience to need some amendmen . easure providing better protection for eamen is proposed; the rightful applica-on of the eight-hour law for the sensit labor and of the principle of arbitration re suggested for consideration; and I o amend these subjects to the careful atntion of the Congress.

The several departmental reports will be aid before you. They give in great detail be conduct of the affairs of the Governent during the past year and discuss any questions upon which the Congress

william Mckinley. Executive Mansion, December 5, 1898.

Beauty Is Blood Deep. Clean blood means a clean ski beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Ca tie clean your blood and keep it clean stirring up the lazy liver and driving all purities from the body. Begin to-da banish pimples, boils, biotches, blackh and that sickly billous complexion by t Begin to-day

'ascarets.-beauty for ten cents.

gists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c Detroit merchants want trading abolished.

To Cure A Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c. The steamship Lord Charlement recently loaded 2,500 tons of steel rails at Canton, Md., for use on a railway in Ireland.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Tour Life Away. To quit tobacco easily and foreyer, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaran-Booklet and sample free. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York

About twenty new books are published daily in Great Britain.

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Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10e or 254. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money. Both of the silk factories at Watertown,

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Darting from one point to another, stiff and swollen joints, inflammation, intense suffering, are characteristics of rheumatism. All these painful symptoms are cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla which purifies the blood and neutralizes the acid which is the

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