

Spain's Humiliation.

BUFFALO, April 3.—A special to the Enquirer from Washington says: "Spain has decided at last to cease offensive military operations in Cuba at the beginning of the wet season, now only a few weeks away. She is preparing to withdraw all her active forces from the interior, and to send back to Spain large numbers of men. Their occupation of the ports and of strategic positions will be of a tentative character. The three trochas will be practically abandoned. This is the downfall of Spain in Cuba, but even in her humiliation and bankruptcy she assumes the role of a conqueror, bestowing favours on the conquered. It has been given out by the Spanish Legation that the meeting of the Cortes, which was regularly set for Easter Monday, has been postponed until some time in July. This is because the Ministerial Council in Madrid dare not attempt their Cuban retreat with the Cortes in session. Action is imperative, and when the Cortes does meet, a bill of indemnity will be asked for. The date set for the cessation of hostilities is not to be later than April 15th. General Weyler has been instructed to return to Havana within the week, if possible, but certainly before April 15th. He will find awaiting him a Royal edict prepared at Madrid to be promulgated, setting forth that the war is over."

IN SEEING THE EDITOR.

The major was not very busy. In fact time dragged on his hands, and so it chanced that, passing a newspaper office, he resolved to go in and have a chat with an old friend that occupied some office or other in the mysterious realm known to him in a vague sort of way as the editorial department.

The major stepped into the elevator and a moment later was within the sacred portals of the sanctum, shaking hands with his old friend. Then he removed his hat and coat and, making himself comfortable, proceeded to talk politics and things, to the unlimited disgust and horror of the newspaper man, who had a choice aggregation of details that needed attending to and who could not afford to lose the time that the major was monopolizing. He hated to make known this fact to his distinguished guest, and, not knowing what else to do, he excused himself and left the room, telling Domo to make himself at home in his absence.

"What a snap these newspaper men have," sighed the major as he threw himself back in his chair. "I think—"

Just then a tall, thin, dark man with a suspicious and dangerous gleam in his eye strolled in. He walked around the room a moment and then, turning to the major, suddenly accosted him.

"I demand a retraction," he said fiercely. "I have been wronged, sir, cruelly wronged. I demand justice now."

"I am not the editor," responded the major uneasily. "I am just a visitor, and I—"

"Ah, good, very clever, sir. You are almost as good at dodging the responsibility as you were at blackening my reputation. You who have ruined my life forever, driven my wife and family from my side, called me an anarchist—you who have—"

"I swear I never did anything of the kind," murmured the major in abject terror for his visitor, who was now giving a first-class representation of a classic tragedy. "The editor will be in shortly and then you can speak to him."

"Never! Never! You shall hear me, and beware, beware, lest in my anger I lose my self-control."

"Honestly, now, I never saw you in my life before. I'm not a newspaper man. I am Major Domo."

"Ha, ha! Ha, ha! The very name. You shall die, Editor Domo. Before the hand of any mortal man can intervene, you shall have passed through the valley of mysteries. You and I together, for as you have called me an anarchist, I shall give you reason to know it full well, and to realize what it means to incur the hatred of a member of our devoted band. In a moment a bomb—Ha, ha! This deadly bomb I now hold will tear the building from its foundations, and in the ruin you have brought about you shall be buried—you and I and all your minions."

The major saw naught before him but the gleaming eyes of his persecutor and the frightful, uplifted bomb, about which sputtered a horrible, ghastly light. Everything swam before him for a moment—then, with the strength of desperation, he jumped past the fellow and fled.

Then the star reporter turned down his coat collar again, smoothed his hair and returned his iron paper weight to its accustomed place, and the editor returned to his labors.

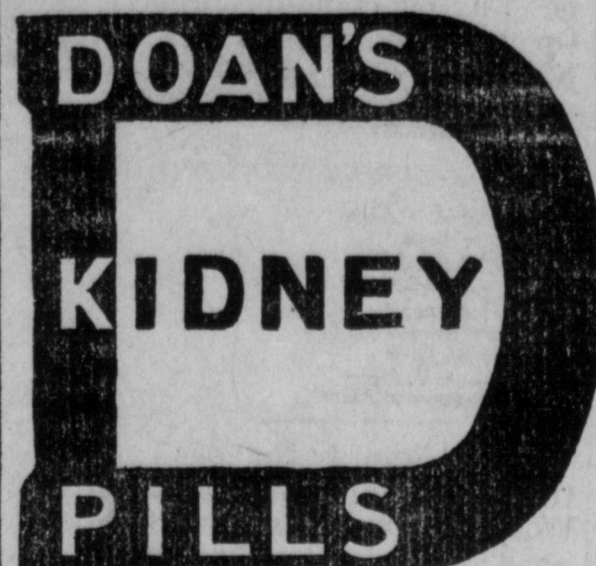
And the major did not "tumble" until he got home, and spent two hours thinking it over.

Another Railway Accident.

PITTSBURG, April 5.—At about 6.15 o'clock this morning a Pennsylvania Road freight train crossing the Ohio River Connecting Bridge, broke through the trestle at Hanover street, near McClure avenue, lower Allegheny City, and fell to the street below. The train consisted of an engine and fifteen cars, loaded with coal and iron. The cars fell on top of the engine, completely blocking the street.

The fireman was taken out dead, and the engine was so badly hurt that he died shortly after reaching the hospital. It was rumored that several pedestrians were caught under the falling cars and killed, but the report has not been confirmed. The remainder of the train crew had not been accounted for at 9 o'clock, but it is thought they escaped. The wrecked train was piled across the street in a great heap of broken timber, twisted iron and tons of coal. Telephone and telegraph lines were carried down.

The names of the killed and injured are: Charles Haggerty, fireman, instantly killed, Wm. E. Graham, engineer, was scalded by escaping steam, etc., taken to St. John's Hospital, where he died. About 150 feet of the trestle was destroyed. The responsibility for the accident has not yet been fixed.



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A Bicycle Bill.

OTTAWA, April 5.—(Special)—Mr. G. E. Casey, M. P., will give notice to-day of a bill, which is being promoted by the Canadian Wheelmen's Association, and is of interest to the bicycle fraternity throughout the Dominion. The bill is one to oblige railway companies to carry bicycles as personal baggage. Wheelmen regard it as a grievance that while the ordinary traveller is entitled to the free transportation of 150 pounds of baggage and the commercial traveller to 300 pounds the bicyclist is charged freight upon his 25 pound wheel. The C. W. A. urged that there is nothing in argument of the railway companies for the charge, on the ground of extra trouble as bicycles can be suspended by hooks from the ceiling and sides of the car, so as to be out of the way of ordinary baggage. Similar legislation to that which Mr. Casey proposes is in force in several states of the neighboring union.

A Sussex Man Attempts Suicide.

MALDEN, Mass., April 4.—James Drummond, 26 years old, of Sussex, N. B., attempted suicide in the police station this morning by cutting his throat. Drummond applied for lodgings last night, and this morning was discovered nearly dead with a bloody penknife in his hand and an ugly wound in the throat. Despondency he claimed, was the cause of his act. He was out of work and his money was all gone.

Three Men Dead.

MONTREAL, April 5.—Shortly before noon to-day Joseph Webb, an employee of Dow's brewery on Chaboillez Square, went into an empty tun for the purpose of cleaning it out. He neglected to take the proper precaution and the carbolic gas which is present in these newly emptied tanks overcame him. John Murphy, who went to the rescue of his fellow-workman, was also overcome by noxious gas, which soon rendered the two men lifeless. A third employee named Hannigan in attempting to rescue his two fellows lost his life. Still another employee named McCabby rushed into the dangerous receptacle and almost lost his life before he was rescued. He was, however, taken out before the deadly gas got its full force upon him. The other three men, however, could not be resuscitated, and all are dead.

Joseph Webb, who first lost his life, had been engaged in this work of cleaning out the tuns for years and it is inconceivable how he neglected to take the precautions which usually surround the dangerous task, without first ascertaining whether or not there was gas in it.

Reading Notes.

As I have not noticed any notes from here lately, I shall endeavour to write a few.

We are having lovely weather since the month of April came in, the streets are getting so dry that the dust is beginning to fly.

It is very heartsome to see the bicycles out again. Be careful this summer, Fred, and not run into a butcher cart.

Mr. Thomas Cail, of Pine Ridge, intends having his family move here in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cail have moved to 99 High Street.

Miss Grace Warman has moved from the corner of Woburn and Linden to Berkley Street.

Miss Tena McNevin who has been very ill with measles, is recovering.

Our enterprising merchant of Boston, was seen in Reading last week. Be careful, Will, measles are catching.

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BUTTERFLY.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1896.

NOTICE—is hereby given that the Board of License Commissioners for the District of the County of Kent, under the Liquor License Act, 1896, at a meeting held by them on the first day of April, instant, fixed THURSDAY, THE TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF APRIL, instant, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon at the Office of the Undersigned Chief Inspector, in the Village of Buctouche, in the said County of Kent, as the time well place the Board of Commissioners will meet for considering applications for licenses in said District under sub-section four of section eleven of said Liquor License Act 1896, and also for considering any objections which may be made to the granting of any license within any of the parishes within the said District under the said Liquor License Act 1896.

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