

**BILL IS NOW LAW**  
At 4:40 p. m. Pres. McKinley Signed the Defense Measure.  
\$50,000,000 NOW AVAILABLE.

self joined a committee in the general session of the House.  
Mr. Chamberlain, D. R., presented the bill for the purpose of providing for the defense of the United States.  
The bill was passed by the House on March 8, 1898.  
The bill was signed by the President on March 9, 1898.

**MONTEVIDEO AT HAVANA.**  
Left Key West Last Night, and in Night of More Cattle at Delight This Morning.  
Havana, March 8.—The United States cruiser Montevideo arrived here at 10:30 a. m.  
The cruiser, which left Key West yesterday evening, was in sight of More Cattle this morning.

**SPANISH HAD NOT PURCHASED.**  
U. S. Has Definite Information Regarding the Brazilian Cruisers.  
Washington, March 8.—The administration has definite information from a source which is regarded as beyond question to the effect that Spain has not purchased the two Brazilian cruisers, Barroso and Amazonas.

**TALK ON THE WAR SITUATION.**  
London Stock Market Feels, but Somewhat Improved.  
New York, March 8.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London is carrying the news that the stock market in London is feeling somewhat better, but is still in a state of uncertainty.  
The stock market in New York is also feeling better, but is still in a state of uncertainty.

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**A TIMES WARNING.**  
Charles H. Cramp Talks of the Clamor for Buying Warships.  
CONSPIRACY TO MAKE MONEY.

**WORKING TO GET BIG COMMISSIONS.**  
Delicate Attempt to Frigate the United States Into Buying Vessels It Does Not Need.  
Philadelphia, Pa., March 8.—Charles H. Cramp, head of the great ship building firm, says there is a deliberate attempt under way to frighten the United States into buying ships it does not need and to make a large profit.

**IN A STATE OF ANARCHY.**  
Terrific Outrage by Bands of Outlaw Numbers 5,000.  
Mule Family Ties of Their March of Murder and Last-Lamentable Condition on the Island of Hawaii.

**SPANISH WOULD FIGHT HARD.**  
What a British Member of Parliament Thinks of a Spanish-American War.  
Americans Would Win in the Long Run—Spain Would Lose in the Short Run.

**RIGHTS IN ROMANIA.**  
Serious Condition in British India—Several Deaths Reported.  
Bombay, March 8.—A plague epidemic has occurred in the native quarter. Several persons have been killed or wounded.

**DISCOURAGEMENT IN SPAIN.**  
Free Talk a Glimpse View of the Financial Situation.  
New York, March 8.—A dispatch to the World from Madrid says that the Spanish government is in a state of discouragement.

**WILL MAINTAIN AMERICAN LINE.**  
Inquiry Into Holding the British Flag at White Pass.  
Seattle, Wash., March 8.—J. N. Levy, collector of customs for the district of Alaska, has arrived in Seattle from a conference with the authorities at White Pass.