

## AT HOME AND ABROAD.

MADRID, May 26.—It is understood that Senor Sagasta, the liberal leader, will soon publish an important political statement in which he will announce his unalterable opposition to the sale of Cuba and his unyielding support of the maintenance of the integrity of Spanish territory. Premier Castillo denies the existence of a cabinet crisis and says he has resolved to remain in office in spite of his opposition to taking part in the sessions of the Cortes. The budget committee has reported favorably on the projected loan with the Almaden quicksilver mines as security, also on the financial measures proposed to meet the expense of the war.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., May 26.—J. Dietrick, a desert prospector, was arrived at Banner, this county, almost insane from having been without food for three and a half days. From the story which he tells it is quite possible that two men who were with him on the desert are now dead. Dietrick and James Kerr had been prospecting for over a year on the desert. At Picacho they picked up an old Arizona prospector named Anderson. The three arrived at Salton on the 17th instant. From there they set out for the San Jacinto mountains. Last Thursday, Dietrick went on ahead of his companions but they failed to follow him. He went back and found their trail which led out on the desert toward Yuma. He followed the trail for 80 miles and then turning back made his way nearly dead to Banner. A searching party will go out from here.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 26.—Little Florence Brush, 6 years old, has been hovering between life and death for nearly a week from the effects of a blow by a school mate, Rose Havrill. The blow was struck in the school room last Thursday. Havrill teased the little girl and took her pencil away. When she tried to recover it he hit her with his fist in the side just below the lower ribs. Internal inflammation set in and much of the time since the child has been delirious. She is not yet out of danger.

BERLIN, May 26.—The local Anzeiger of Aix-La-Chapelle today published a dispatch from St. Petersburg saying a young artisan has been arrested in the park of Tsarskoe-Selo, seventeen miles south of St. Petersburg, where the summer residence of the emperor is located, with a dagger and a revolver in his possession. The prisoner said he wanted to murder the czar, become famous and be hanged like other "heroes."

LONDON, May 26.—A dispatch from Athens says Great Britain has declared her intention to abandon the concert of the powers if it be determined that the occupation of Thessaly by Turkish troops be prolonged until Greece shall have paid the war indemnity demanded by Turkey.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—Senator Cannon of Utah today offered the following as an amendment to the tariff bill:

"From and after sixty days from the passage of this act there shall be paid out of any moneys in the treasury, not otherwise apportioned, to any ex-

porter of wheat or wheat flour, rye or rye flour, corn, ground or unground, cotton, hops, or tobacco, produced wholly in the United States and exported by sea from any port in the United States to any port of any other country, the following export bounty, by way of an equalization to agriculture of the benefits of this act to encourage the industries of the United States, to-wit:

"Ten cents per bushel on wheat, 50 cents per bushel on wheat flour, 10 cents per bushel on rye, 50 cents per bushel on rye flour, 5 cents per bushel on corn, 10 cents per cental on corn, ground, 1 cent per pound on cotton, 2 cents per pound on hops, 2 cents per pound on tobacco.

"And all payments of bounty under this act shall be made upon negotiable vouchers, issued by the collector of customs at the port of clearance, upon presentation at the treasury or any sub-treasury of the United States, and the secretary of the treasury is hereby charged with making and enforcing such regulations as may be necessary for the full protection of the exporters and of the government, according to the true intent and meaning of this law."

This amendment is the result of a conference of Silver Republicans, Populists and some Democrats, and may be said to represent the sentiments of the element in the Senate which put silver above all other subjects of legislation.

SMITH CENTER, Kans., May 26.—A car loaded with corn, contributed by the citizens of this county for the starving in India, has been shipped from here. Each side of the car was decorated with a banner inscribed "Carload of corn for the starving of India—Mohammedan or Atheist; we can feed the world."

ST. LOUIS, May 26.—May Campbell, a variety actress, who came here from Cincinnati, hid in a closet in Maud Devere's rooms today. She listened while her husband made violent love to the Devere woman and heard him arrange for an elopement. Then Mrs. Campbell emerged with a revolver and put five bullets into her husband and one into Maud Devere. She then walked to Four courts and gave herself up.

Campbell was taken to a dying condition to the city hospital.

The woman's wound is slight.

DALLAS, Tex., May 26.—A special to the News from El Paso, Tex., says: At 1 o'clock this morning the fire alarm aroused the people to the lower part of the city. The levee had broken and the flood waters of the Rio Grande were rushing through the city. The levee that broke was on the bank of the canal on Stanton street. The river has reached its highest point since 1891. In a few minutes a large force of men was at work trying to check the rushing waters with sacks filled with sand, but a second break above backed up the water on the workmen and they had to retire. The Texas & Pacific officials, realizing that hundreds of families were being flooded from their homes, backed in a large number of empty freight cars

for the accommodation of the homeless. Not less than 120 houses were swept away, and tonight several men are at work on a new levee. The splash of the walls of falling houses is mingled with the cries of affrighted women and children who are driven from their homes. People residing in the lower part of the city are leaving their homes and moving to the foothills of Mount Franklin. Several families are now housed in freight cars standing in the sea of water.

Should the improvised levee on Stanton street break tonight, the water will flood the business portion of the city.

HAVANA, May 27.—El Diario de La Marina, in a leading editorial, says:

We see in the American newspapers evidence that there are certain social classes in the United States not sufficient alive to the importance of the advice, "Don't monkey with the lion's tail." These classes are remarkable for the eagerness with which to evade jurisdiction in affairs, which, like the Cuban war, are exclusively the affairs of Spain.

The persistence with which they recognize the belligerency of the insurgents is crazy and ridiculous. The important conservative interests of the United States should not forget that the patience of Spain may soon become exhausted. The Spanish government has given abundant proofs of its good will by ignoring the many inconveniences that have been caused by resolutions in Congress. Those interests ought to be thankful to us for our abnegation. We have suffered. But in case the sword should be unsheathed, Spain would certainly not be the heaviest loser in the fight.

Spain has sent 200,000 men to Cuba to settle a domestic difficulty. What would she do in the event of a foreign war with the nation which for a century has abused our patience by ignoring Spanish honor and chivalry? President McKinley should consider this carefully, and, if he is to deal with us as enemies, let him take the advice of an enemy and no longer trifle with us.

ATHENS, May 27.—The Greek government has sent a memorandum to the powers protesting against the indemnity demanded by Turkey, and also against the proposed rectification of the Greek frontier.

It is reported that the Turks have confiscated 12,500 bushels of wheat at Volo and the Turkish commander has issued a proclamation calling upon the peasants to return and gather the harvest, or their crops would be confiscated.

ATHENS, May 27.—Advices from Damia today say a fresh panic prevails there. People are fleeing from the city and deserting their children.

NEW YORK, May 26.—The jury in the case of Captain Edward J. Reed, tried in the United States circuit court on a charge of having failed to provide proper food for the crew of the ship T. F. Oakes on a voyage from Hong Kong to this port, brought in a verdict today of "not guilty." Oakes arrived March 23, 238 days from Hong Kong. Six of the crew, including the chief officer, died on the passage. Twelve were removed to the marine hospital suffering from scurvy.