

SHELLS AND PROJECTILES TO BE BOUGHT IN OPEN MARKET

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Washington, May 10.—Shells and projectiles for the navy department will, after June 30, 1906, be purchased by the bureau of ordnance in the open market, instead of, as is now the pracin secret markets, from firms engaged in the manufacture of these articles. This change in existing condi-tions was brought about through the efforts of the chairman of the appro-priations' committee, Mr. Tawney of Minnesota, who offered an amendment to the naval appropriation bill, which the house had under consideration to-day, directing that the secretary of the havy should advertise for proposals for shells and projectiles so that all firms engaged in the business of their manufacture may have an opportunity compete

Much time was spent today in con-sidering the question of enlistments in the navy and the failure of recruiting officers to properly enforce the law as bulcers to properly enforce the law as to minors. An amendment offered by Mr. Kelther of Massachusetts was adopted prohibiting naval recruiting officers from enlisting seamen, or-dinary seamen or appointees unless their application is accompanied by a certificate of the birth and written evi-

to enlarge the Washington, D. C., vy yard and the yards in Pensacola, Fla., at 5:15 p. m. adjourned until moon tomorrow, having completed but a few pages of the naval appropriation bill.

CRIMINAL RECORDS LOST.

Men Held in S. F. Jail May be Put

On Probation.

San Francisco, May 10.—It is prob-able that the destruction of most of the criminal records and the present unsetted conditions will result in many of those now held in the county jail on various serious charges being placed on probation to work out their salva-tion. This is illustrated in the cases of Harry Sheehan and John Condon, who



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