Varez will sail at midnight, escorted by the armored cruisers Marco Polo and El Ettorie, conveying the family of Signor Crispi and the government representatives.

A CHILD DROWNED.

LITTLE ONE FELL INTO DITCH AT BEULAH.

(Correspondence of the Chieftain.)

Beulah, Colo., August 14.—Lena, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walt. Davis, was drowned in the Pioneer irrigating ditch here this morning. The child was not quite two years old, and while playing in the front yard, through which the ditch runs, fell into the water and was drowned before being missed. When found unavailing effort was made for several hours to resuscitate the little one. The water in the ditch was not more than a foot in depth, but the banks were steep and the child evidently strangled very quickly, as she had not been long missed before the body was found. It was a most distressing accident and almost unaccountable, occurring as it did so near quite a number of people.

The stricken family have the sympathy of the community.

This is the third death by drowning in this small community this season.

CONTRACT LABOR.

Washington, August 14.—Assistant Secretary Taylor of the treasury department has directed Milton Smiley, the immigrant inspector stationed at Columbus, Ohio, to investigate reports that have received that the steel trust is preparing to import foreign iron workmen to take the places of strikers. A number of communications have been received from various sources to this effect. The suggestion is that the steel company proposes to find expert workmen in Europe and bring them to this country in such a manner as to secure their admission. If any can be found in Canada it is claimed the same thing will be done.

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