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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent

Congress is again in session and democrats and republicans appear eager to grapple with the knotty problems with which they are confronted. The news that the Panama Canal Company's property can be bought for \$40,000,000, which, by the way, bears out the predictions I made some time ago in these letters, that the prompt action of the canal committee in both the Senate and House was taken with a view to bringing the French company to reasonable terms, was extensively discussed by the members in the lobbies but it seems probable that the leaders will press for action on the Hepburn bill in the House and leave to the Senate the final discussion and decision. There is an evident growing inclination, always discernible when the republicans are in control of Congress, to treat the House of Representatives as a more or less irresponsible body which must be given its own way like a spoiled child and with reliance on the fact that the Senate has power to reverse all its decisions and render futile its actions.

The persistence of Senator Cullom, who has the moral support of the Junior Senator from Illinois, in his intention to drag to light the reciprocity treaties negotiated by Commissioner Kasson and which were supposed to be safely buried in the Committee on Foreign Relations, is causing no little annoyance to the leaders of his party. As chairman of the committee, Senator Cullom has power to report the treaties and Senator Mason has spent his holiday recess in preparing a brilliant, oratorical digest on the subject of reciprocity, but there is no harmony among the republicans on the subject and the members of Cullom's party are deploring his persistence in a course which they regard as bound to reveal the fact to the country.

Senator Cullom's attitude is that these treaties should be thoroughly discussed their objectionable features emphasized, if necessary, and that they should be either amended or disposed of so as to make room for others and this is precisely what the high protection wing objects to. So long as the present treaties remain with the Senate committee the plea can be made that the Senate is considering the subject and the way is blocked to all similar legislation. By this means the republicans had hoped to hoodwink the advocates of reciprocity without forfeiting the support of the trusts, whose interests would suffer from any reciprocity treaty worthy of the name. Senator Cullom refuses to see the logic of this argument and his colleagues are at a loss to attribute his density to a guilelessness that is childlike and bland, or to a wily attempt to curry favor with the advo-

cates of tariff reduction in the west.

Illinois promises to contribute her full quota to the difficulties of the party this season. Senator Mason, who is prone to be a little unruly, told me yesterday that he was heartily in favor of reciprocity with Cuba. "To what extent is necessary to insure Cuba's prosperity," he replied: "I voted against the Platt amendment" he continued "and I warned the Senate that by its adoption we were laying ourselves open to embarrassments which would surely follow. We adopted the amendment and now we are face to face with the results I predicted. We have tied Cuba hand and foot and by so doing we have made ourselves responsible for her prosperity. That is what I propose to tell my friends in the Senate as soon as the opportunity presents itself and I further intend to vote and work for reciprocity with Cuba." That the position taken by Mr. Mason is logical no one can deny, but it is not at all the one favored by the leaders of his party who would even be glad to vote for any kind of a junkie that would take the Illinois Senators off their hands.

So greatly interested is the President in the success of his policy of reciprocal relations with Cuba, that, notwithstanding the multitudinous duties of his office, he is continually accumulating facts and statistics in support of his contentions and whenever a member of Congress who is opposed to him calls at the White House Mr. Roosevelt has some new data on the subjects which he hands to his caller with the injunction "Read that while I speak to Mr. So and so," and off he goes, leaving his guest to peruse the facts until he returns in the course of five or ten minutes.

The President's latest ammunition is made up from some figures on Cuban imports. A caller who was just leaving the White House permitted me to copy some figures, of which he had made a note, and which are as follows: During the last fiscal year Cuba bought of the United States cotton goods to the amount of \$164,000 and from other countries cotton to the amount of \$5,600,000. She imported a total of 8,300,000 worth of live stock and live stock products of which but \$2,000,000 worth was sold her by the United States. She imported \$686,000 worth of woollen goods of which but \$22,000 worth came from the United States. Out of a total importation of nearly \$3,500,000 worth of rice and less than

\$9,000 came from the United States. These are but a few of the figures given but they are sufficient to illustrate what the high protectionist wing of the republican party would sacrifice in order to retain the favor of Mr. Oxnard and his confederates.

In its treatment of Cuban independence the administration is making what is known in theatrical parlance as "a play to the gallery." It has announced that as soon as General Wood receives the official count of the election which made General Palma president, he will announce the date on which the government is to be handed over to the elect of the people. While the President and Secretary Root profess to have every confidence in Senor Palma, General Wood has received his instructions and they are to do nothing to facilitate the time when the full returns from the elections shall be made and even after they are received to act "with no precipitancy." Knowing the dilatoriness of the Cuban character the administration is counting on a prolonged delay.

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Boer and Filipino.

Times-Democrat.

Through the West and parts of the North sympathy for the Boer is daily finding expression in mass meetings which are addressed by men of prominence and which deplore the war in South Africa and urge some active interference by Congress. At a meeting in Cleveland county yesterday the four thousand people gathered to express their sympathy for the hunted in this war of extermination that is being carried on in South Africa were agreeably surprised in being addressed by Hon. William Jennings Bryan. Mr. Bryan struck a ringing note when he exclaimed in the course of his speech:

"Sad will be that day, fallen will be the star of our destiny, if the time ever comes when struggling freemen feel that they cannot look upon the people of these States for sympathy."

But, this declaration cannot be accepted in the light of prophecy. It is the statement of conditions actually existing in the United States to day. The present administration in its attitude of monarchical subjugation of the Filipinos has made the term "freemen" when applied to our citizens in our newly acquired territory an ironical misnomer. It were perhaps more appropriate to term them the unprivileged subject of Republicanism and Monopoly.

While the sympathy of the American is with the struggling son of the veldt, fighting as we once fought, but under the most discouraging circumstances, any attempt of Congress to better their condition could not be else than an imperious overstepping of national bounds to check Great Britain's conduct of a war that is, in every respect similar to our own.

What right have we, who are trodding upon a people fighting for an independent government to say to England: "Thou shalt not?" Before we can consistently condemn England we shall have to purge the conscience of the American Government of the weight of a course of oppression which we have assumed in the Philippines and which has been prosecuted in South Africa so long.

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Editor Democrat:

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School is in session again after a very enjoyable time Christmas. It is at its best now, and if we were boasting characters, we would have plenty of room to boast of it. There are ten boarders at the Mission House, and more are expected, among whom are Miss Astoria McConnell, of Jefferson, Miss Blanch Campbell of Beaver Creek, Miss Cynthia Blackburn, of Todd, and others. There are also pupils boarding with families near the school.

We have a debating society which meets every Thursday evening. The boys debate and the girls select pieces to read. We also have music, both vocal and instrumental. The school buildings, which already look nice and new, will soon be improved by paint that is good at the depot. We have as good instructors as the county affords, and we see no reason why this will not be one of the best schools in Western North Carolina.

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