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HOLIDAY GOODS. BRYAN SPEAKS OF HIS TRIP

The Christmas shopping and buying is now the order of the day. Very little time left for decision, but there is no need for hesitation about where to buy, because our's is the store to visit for the nicest goods, and last, but not least—bargain prices.

Holiday Specialties are Here in Great Profusion:

Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, regular holiday styles; Metal Smoking Tables, Metal Picture Frames, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Metal and Dresden Toilet sets, Easel and Hand Mirrors, Fancy Garters, Perfumery, "Alexandre" French Kid Gloves, Shaving sets, Manicure sets, Artistic Fancy China and Dresden Ware, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Jewelry, Etc.—that's always the last word.

OESTREICHER & CO.
28 South Main Street.



Christmas is Here

and now is a good time to get that sideboard. It will be a fine present for your wife, and at such low figures too.

W. A. BLAIR.

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SUDDEN DEATH

Of Miss Irene M. Suggs Yesterday Morning.

Miss Irene M. Suggs, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John K. Suggs, died suddenly yesterday morning at 3 o'clock at her home, number 200 South Main street. She was thirteen years of age and had been ill with pneumonia for only a few days. Her death was very unexpected.

There will be a short service at the house at 3 o'clock today, to be concluded at the Catholic church at 4 o'clock.

The interment will take place at Riverside cemetery, Father Marion conducting the services. The following are the pall bearers: John O'Donnell, Hugh Morrison, Patrick McIntyre, Frank O'Connell, C. B. McIntyre and Michael Kelly.

What he Learned in His Visit in Mexico.

Progressive Government With a Wise President.

No Parallel Can be Drawn With This Country.

Bryan Says He Will Preach Silver With New Vigor.

Will Make Known His Conclusions About Mexico Soon and Will Answer Charges of Gold Men That She is a Victim to Her Financial System.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 1.—William J. Bryan accompanied by Mrs. Bryan and ex-Governor Crittenden of Missouri was in this city today enroute for his home from Mexico. Bryan has met in his journey from the Mexican capital a series of ovations. A public reception was tendered the party this morning at the home of ex-Governor Hagg.

Regarding the trip Bryan said: "I found Mexico a land of sunshine and surprising verdure. The government of Mexico is controlled by men of more progressive ideas than we generally suppose in this country. Its president is an administrative officer of rare sagacity. My reflections on the economic conditions in



WILLIAM J. BRYAN.

Mexico will be for the public at a later date, probably in lectures and essays. I went to Mexico to analyze for myself the cause of its progressiveness. I have done this to my satisfaction and shall be prepared before long to answer the charges of the gold men, that our sister republic is a victim of her system of finance. In the fullness of time they shall know the truth. I want to say to them now, however, that no parallel can be drawn between that country and ours under similar monetary policies, and the like that beset Mexico may be traceable to other elements in her internal organism. I shall speak with new vigor the silver cause in the future, and hope to see the day when the people will think and act independent of international agreement."

CUBAN AUTONOMY

FIRST COLONIAL CABINET TAKES OATH OF OFFICE.

Blanco Makes an Address that Elicits Applause—The Cabinet will Need Restraint.

Washington, Jan. 1.—The following cablegram from Secretary General Osgood, at Havana, was received this afternoon at the Spanish legation. "The first colonial cabinet has just taken the oath of office with great solemnity, in the presence of all foreign consuls and members of all political parties. The ceremony was very impressive. Gen. Blanco delivered an address at the conclusion of which it was received with vivas for Spain and for Cuba with a Spanish fervor. His sentiments were received and re-echoed with enthusiasm. At this moment the first council of the cabinet is being held. There is great enthusiasm which will increase every day."

Much significance is attached in official circles of Washington to the composition of the new cabinet, and the opinion is freely expressed that unless it is restrained

in some manner not now apparent, the movement in Havana will ere many months have elapsed, eventuate in the practical, if not the formal, independence of Cuba.

ENGLAND AND CHINA.

London, Jan. 1.—The admiralty has issued an official statement showing that according to the latest advice seven of the warships attached to the British China Squadron are at Obemulpo, Port of Soong, Korea, and two at Port Arthur, on Regent's Sword Peninsula, China. The statement added that the report that the mercantile cruisers or naval reserves on the China station are being brought into active service is absolutely untrue.

THIRTY-FIVE MINERS DROWNED.

Guana Junato, Mex., Jan. 1.—At the Lahuira coal mine situated near here, in one of the lower workings, a river of water was suddenly struck in the mine and before the miners could escape the whole mine was flooded. Thirty-five miners drowned like rats.

WISHES TO COME HERE

OFFER OF A NEW ENGLAND COTTON MILL OWNER.

Would Bring 2,000 Workmen to Asheville—\$100,000 of Bonds to be Taken up in this City.

A Savannah, Ga., attorney has written to a firm of lawyers here that he has a client, a New England cotton mill owner, who wants to bring his plant to Asheville and establish a large cotton mill here.

He says that he will bring about two thousand people with him if he comes.

His plan is to capitalize his plant at \$150,000, and take the stock himself. He will then place a first mortgage on the plant and issue six percent, twenty year bonds for \$150,000, and thereby raise enough money to complete the plant. He will take \$50,000 of the bonds himself and wants the people of Asheville to take \$100,000 of the bonds. All the money raised on the bonds is to be used on the plant.

THE POULTRY SHOW

TO OPEN IN THIS CITY ON TUESDAY.

Asheville to Have One of the Finest Exhibits Ever Seen in the South.

Beginning on Tuesday, the fourth, and closing on Friday, Asheville is to have the largest and most pretentious poultry show ever given in the state. It is under the management of F. E. Hedge, secretary of the "Inter-state Poultry, Pigeon and Pet Stock Association," and is to be quite an extensive affair. It will be conducted in the old shoe factory building on Patton avenue, just beyond the Ballpark Hotel grounds, and the admission fee will be fifteen and twenty-five cents.

There are already a large number of entries from the most prominent breeders of all the surrounding states, and several of the largest exhibitors have their birds here. "Chic" Darlington, the manager of the "Assurance Farm," is here with an express car, containing about 700 birds from the farms of L. Banks Holt.

He has an unusually fine display of white Plymouth Rocks, pit game, bantams, pigeons and ducks. This exhibit took 120 prizes at the recent show in Spartanburg. The car load is valued at \$5,000.

B. Reid Harding, who represents Julian Carr's Oconeeches farm at Hillsboro, is here with a car of about 250 birds.

Five coops are already in from Delaware, and a number more are expected. A car load will arrive from Baltimore tomorrow, from the Upland Poultry Farm.

Mr. Holt will exhibit a pair of "Blue Leghorns," said to be the only pair in the United States.

Mr. F. E. Hedge of Raleigh, who has the show in charge, is here now, and will do all in his power to make the exhibit a grand success.

BREVARD BANK CLOSED

Its Assets and Good Will Sold to the Hendersonville Bank.

Special to the Gazette. Hendersonville, N. C., Jan. 1.—The Bank of Brevard, Brevard, N. C., closed its doors today having sold its assets and good will to the State Bank of Commerce of this place. Depositors and stockholders will be paid in full as fast as the claims are presented. The bank has found business unprofitable and has decided to retire.

TWENTY-FIVE MILE BICYCLE RACE.

New York, Jan. 1.—Jimmy Mitchell defeated the French champion Taylor at Madison square garden tonight in a 25 mile race, before 7,000 spectators. The time was 51 minutes, 54 1/2 seconds. Mitchell won by 12 laps.

ALMOST A RIOT AT FALL RIVER

When Reduced Wage Scale Was Accepted.

A Stormy Scene in the Union Labor Hall.

Operatives' Vote on the Proposed Cut was a Close One.

The Reduction Goes into Effect Tomorrow.

There Will be no Strike But all Hands Will go to Work in the Cotton Mills Under the Lowered Wages.

Fall River, Mass., Jan. 1.—All danger of strike at cotton mills removed tonight when given out that operatives association upon which everything depended had voted to accept the reduction. Vote was 243 to 208.

The announcement was followed by the stormiest scenes witnessed in a labor hall in this city in years.

The minority of enraged men that favored a strike denounced the others in the strongest terms and some went so far as to allege a false vote had been prepared. Secretary O'Donnell was upbraided and was obliged to take himself into his office.

The attitude of the minority became menacing and the few policemen about the hall could do nothing with them. A big force of police had to clear the hall, and they made two arrests. The crowd surged about the patrol box threatening the officers and even women stood in the streets and took part.

The reduction goes into effect Monday when all hands will be at work.

KILLED BY DRUNKEN HUSBAND.

Pittsburg, Jan. 1.—Anthony McGowan of Rankinborough killed his wife last night. Neighbors heard shots and gathered about the door. Constable Hearck found the doors locked and crawled through a window, arrested McGowan who was in bed fully dressed and laughing heartily. His wife was shot through the head and died an hour later. McGowan was drunk. He is the owner of twenty houses.

CULBERSON A CANDIDATE.

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 1.—Gov. Culbertson announces his candidacy for the United States senatorship to succeed Mills. He favors free coinage, free trade, an income tax, Cuba, belligerency, law against speculation in cotton futures, election of senators by the people and is against Hawaiian annexation. He also denounces the pension extravagance and fraud.

ASHEVILLE CLUB

ANNUAL MEETING HELD LAST EVENING.

Excellent Financial Statement—New Officers Elected for the Present Year.

The annual meeting of the Asheville Club, the second anniversary of the establishment of the organization in its elegant quarters in the Drummer building, was held last night. Many visitors were present, and the evening was a festively social one, after the business session of the club at which officers were elected and the reports for the year were read. Of the latter the most satisfactory was the financial statement and the promise it affords that the club may soon be able to build and own a home of its own.

The business meeting of the club was held in the handsome and spacious parlors. D. C. Waddell, Jr., was chairman and E. I. Holmes secretary.

Mr. Holmes read his report which showed the organization to be entirely free from all indebtedness and besides having a good balance in the bank, there was a good sinking fund which was drawing interest. Mr. Holmes was instructed to increase the loans.

The report showed there were 83 resident members, 11 non resident members and 4 temporary members.

A. T. Sumner was elected a honorary life member.

The following resolutions offered by Gen. Theodore F. Davidson were unanimously

adopted. "That the executive committee be authorized to permit the use of the club rooms for dancing, at such times as the committee may designate, to which all ladies and members of the club are invited and to which any non-resident of the club may be invited.

The officers were then elected as follows: President—Duff Merrick. Vice-president—J. M. Westall. Secretary and Treasury—E. I. Holmes. Executive Committee—Capt. George T. Davis, S. T. Dorsett, T. E. Clayton and Houston Merrimon.

A vote of thanks was extended to the retiring board composed as follows: President Dr. George A. Mebane; Vice-president, D. C. Waddell, Jr.; Secretary and Treasurer, E. I. Holmes; Executive committee, J. D. Carrier, F. A. Hull, T. E. Clayton, Duff Merrick.

Among those present were: Messrs. White G. Smith, Herbert Childs, Nolan, J. H. Law, T. W. Patton, Pope Lee, J. H. Osborne, T. E. Clayton, Frank Chapman, J. Guy Rankin, Will Rankin, Eugene Way, Hickey, E. I. Holmes, W. W. West, J. D. Carrier, D. C. Waddell, Jr., W. J. Fitzgerald, L. P. McLeod, E. C. Jones, J. Y. Jordan, S. T. Dorsett, Drs. Charles S. Jordan, Chesbrorough, Pearson, George A. Mebane, Carl Reynolds, Merrick, Messrs. W. Patton, O. Coston, Arthur Rankin.

A delightful musical program consisting of solos and popular songs with choruses in which all joined, closed one of the most enjoyable entertainments ever given by the club.

VAN WYCK IN OFFICE

TAMMANY IN CHARGE OF GREATER NEW YORK.

Removal of Mayor Strong's Appointees and Installation of Tammany Men His First Act.

New York, Jan. 1.—Robert A. Van Wyck, first mayor of Greater New York, the second city of the world, took possession of the office in the city hall today, without much ceremony of any kind. He does not like fuss and feathers. He made a speech containing exactly sixteen words, after which he turned from Mayor Strong, to whom his words were addressed, and began to shake hands with a throng of people who had gathered around.

At the end of fifty-five minutes Mayor Van Wyck retired to his private office and began his duties as mayor by removing from office every man in the five boroughs which now constitute the city, who held office by virtue of appointment from Mayor Wurstler and Mayor Gleason, of Long Island City. In their places were installed a good many men selected at the conference between Richard Croker and other Tammany leaders. Other appointments will come later. All appointments made today are to places with fat salaries.

There was a big throng at the city hall to greet Van Wyck and his installation. Mayor Wurstler of Brooklyn and Mayor Gleason of Long Island City congratulated the new mayor, who in reply to Mayor Strong's words of greeting said simply: "I receive this honor from the people. I accept it and will answer to the people." The new elected county borough officials of the boroughs of New York, Brooklyn, Queens, and Richmond and Bronx also assumed their new duties so the management of the public affairs of over three million people are now in the hands of the Tammany Hall organization.

BAD DAY FOR HANNA.

Columbus, O., Jan. 1.—The result of the legislative caucuses held tonight for speaker of the house, was far from reassuring to the Hanna forces, who found themselves short three votes in the house and one in the senate. The outlook for Hanna's senatorial aspirations judging by the vote tonight is decidedly unassuring.

RISMARCK NOT DEAD.

Berlin, Jan. 1.—The report of the death of Bismarck is untrue. The prince is recovering from gout and rheumatism from which he has been suffering. His sons and Herr Schwabacher are at present visiting him at Friedrichsruhe.

Malva Grapes 20c, Raisins 5c and 12c, Currants 10c, Citrus 15c, Dates and Mixed Nuts 12c, Bananas per dozen—5c, Chocolate 22c, Patton 27c.

GEN. WEYLER WILL BE TRIED

His Utterances to be Considered by Court Martial.

The Ex-Autoocrat at Cuba has Talked too Much.

Criticism of McKinley's Message Gets Him into Trouble.

Cabinet Takes His Case Under Consideration.

An Event not Calculated to Lessen the Factional Differences in Spain—A Sop to the United States.

Madrid, Jan. 1.—The cabinet has decided that the trial of Gen. Weyler by court martial is imperative. This action of the ministry is grounded upon the fact that Weyler's breaches of law in having furnished for publication a protest against the references made by Spain and the Cuban question by McKinley in his message to congress.

Weyler admits having given to the protest against McKinley's references to Spain and Cuba and particularly those that were spoken against his own administration and the government of Cuba, but he denies the language of some of the utterances attributed to him.

The utterances for which Weyler will be tried were delivered December 13. He asserted that in this message the president had insulted Sagasta's cabinet and slandered the army of Spain.

AGED NEGRO LYNCHED

When Caught in the Act of Stealing a Hog.

Little Rock, Ark., Jan. 1.—An aged negro was lynched by a mob of whites near Sherrill, Cleveland county. When discovered yesterday the body of the negro was lying across the dead carcass of a hog he stole. Hanged to the dead man's clothing was a card: "You will never tell who told you to steal this hog."

The negro was an old man who lived in a cabin. The hog was worth about \$2. Suspicion led to the negro. He was watched and caught in the act of stealing it. He was strung up to his cabin door, shot to death and the body afterwards cut down and the warning placard affixed.

MAYBRY ARRESTED.

The \$16,000 of Stolen Money Found in His Valise.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 1.—H. S. Mabry, who was lynched by a mob of whites near Sherrill, Cleveland county, was arrested yesterday afternoon near Savannah. Superintendent Myers of the express company was with the detective when they made the capture. The missing money was found in a valise which Mabry had with him.

DURRANT'S LAST HOPE GONE.

San Francisco, Jan. 1.—Theodore Durrant's last hope of securing a writ of supersedeas last evening, but today a denial was filed. This removes the last chance of staying the execution. Durrant shows extreme nervousness. He will be hanged at 10:30 o'clock next Friday. Durrant is now in the death cell awaiting the hour of his execution.

We feel very sure everybody had a very merry Christmas from the number of presents we sold. We desire to wish everybody a very happy New Year, and express thanks to our patrons for making a success of an institution that has been admired and complimented by our resident patrons, and the visitors to the city, especially from large places.

We have endeavored in every way, in selection of design, in quality of goods, and by giving very low prices, to please, and hope we have succeeded far beyond the usual requirements of the busy season.

Again allow us to thank you for your kindness and wish you the compliments of the season.

ARTHUR M. FIELD,
Cor. Church St. and Patton Ave.,
Asheville, N. C.