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### ENTRE-NOUS CLUB.

The Entre-Nous club met last evening at the home of Miss Crawford, Grove street. In the absence of the president, Mr. T. D. Green, the business meeting was presided over by the vice-president, Miss Grace Rankin, who was a charming executive officer. Two new members were admitted, Miss Crawford and Mrs. Robinson. Delightful refreshments were served and a most pleasant evening was spent by those present.

The next meeting will be held at Miss Sawyer's, Haywood street.

Fred Bias, son of James Bias, living on Woodin street, met with a serious accident at the noon recess of Orange street graded school yesterday. Young Bias, who is about thirteen years of age, while engaged in a rough play with school mates, fell from the steps and had his left arm broken near the elbow and the limb otherwise badly injured. The young man was taken to his home and received the needed medical attention at the hands of Dr. D. E. Sevier, and at last accounts was resting well.

Treasurer Payne wears a happy countenance since his recent marriage and moves about in the discharge of his official duties with more alacrity than heretofore. Mr. Payne is a good citizen, a faithful officer and will make a worthy husband. He and his bride have the best wishes of the Gazette.

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## THE IMPENDING CRISIS IN CUBA

### Temporary Restoration of Order at Havana.

### The Situation Discussed at a Cabinet Meeting.

### No Warship Likely to be Sent Until Lee Requests it.

### The Cruiser Detroit Available on Short Notice.

### The Current Demonstrations in the Cuban Capital Thought to Have Been Based on Orders Sent to the Marblehead.

Washington, Jan. 14.—Three telegrams from Consul General Lee gave assurance to the president today that the tumult in Havana had quieted, but did not change the feeling that a crisis is imminent in Cuban affairs. Only one telegram had been received from General Lee when the cabinet met. This was dated midnight and told of crowds parading the streets, shouting "Down with autonomy." Nothing serious had occurred however and General Lee was not apprehensive of any immediate renewal of rioting. Early in the afternoon a second despatch came, telling of the temporary restoration of order, and just before the state department closed for the day, a third message was received. This last telegram was timed noon, and said that everything was quiet in Havana at that hour.

It is apparent from the discussion at the cabinet meeting that the president and his advisers think it best to wait developments before taking any steps to protect American interests in the Cuban capital. They decided it to be inadvisable to send a warship there until Lee requests it.

The president and his executive officers have no means of knowing, but they are satisfied that the current demonstrations are based on some orders issued yesterday to Commander McCalla of the cruiser Marblehead not to start from Key West for Navassa Island, where he will make an investigation of the condition of American laborers engaged in the work on the guano deposits until the cruiser Detroit arrives. The Detroit left Port Haytien Tuesday and was expected yesterday. This afternoon Captain Sigbee, of the battleship Maine, senior officer at Key West, telegraphed that the Detroit had been signaled. Secretary Long sent a telegram immediately, directing the Marblehead to sail.

If Lee asks for a warship the Detroit, and not the Maine, will probably be sent. She is a cruiser and can make better time than a heavy armored liner. The Detroit is the vessel which, under the command of Commander Bronson, fired shot into the insurgent ships at Rio De Janeiro during the Brazilian revolution and practically ended the attempt to restore monarchial government.

Later to-night an official telegram was received from Havana practically in relation to Gen. Lee's noon despatch. It said that everything was practically quiet, although the excitement continues. Neither despatch made reference to any recurrence of rioting.

The cruiser Montgomery arrived at Key West from Havana this afternoon, returning the already formidable array of vessels there.

Key West, Jan. 14.—The warships here are ready to put to sea immediately on notice from Washington should occasion call for such action. They finished coaling and taking on provisions today. The greatest interest prevails here in the news from Havana and the further developments are watched anxiously.

The Marblehead called for Navassa Island this afternoon. There are now anchored at this place the second-class battleship Maine, the Detroit, which arrived to-day, and the torpedo boat Albatross, now in the dynamic cruiser Ventura; and the Kila is the Annapolis, and at Guadalupe the Wilmington.

## RIOTING LAST NIGHT

### SCENES OF TURBULANCE IN SOME SECTIONS OF HAVANA.

### A Mob Seize a House in Central Park in Spite of the Strong Guard and Fire into a Newspaper Office

Havana, Via Key West, Jan. 14.—The situation continues grave, with a great deal more fighting than yesterday and more serious results. Since last night the rioters are better armed, and have given hard work to the troops of Gen. Arolas, military commander of Havana.

Last night Gen. Arolas heavily re-

forced the artillery and cavalry commands in Central park. Strong detachments of civil guards and military police also occupied the main streets overlooking the park. In spite of the presence of troops the rioters, strongly armed, gathered in great numbers in front of the Galician club and Campo Marte, the largest park in the city.

About midnight so threatening had the mob become that two cavalry detachments were ordered to charge upon them. The rioters, after some resistance, dispersed.

They gathered again near the house of Jose Brunon, the new autonomist governor, shouting "Death to autonomists," "Death to traitors," and making an effort to invade the house and attack Brunon's family. The military police protected the house and again scattered the crowds. The fighting here was more serious, several rioters being wounded. The autonomist leaders are in great peril. Threats are openly made against them, especially Senor Galvz, president of the council of ministers, and Senor Prudencio, and the Marquis of Rabell, president of the autonomist party. Senor Rabell is a Spaniard by birth and a wealthy cigar manufacturer. His big factory was guarded by strong detachments of cavalry.

The feeling against Rabell is more intense, because, as a Spaniard, he is considered a traitor by the rioters.

To-night the rioters got to Central park again, notwithstanding the heavy military forces there, and several of them took possession of a large one-story house, which occupies the whole block, called the Manzana Gomez. From the top of this house they fired several shots into Central park, especially at the office of Estanbe La Marina, wounding several.

A fierce attack was made by the troops on the Manzana Gomez and the rioters finally were dislodged.

Martial law is practically in force. The rioters parade the streets in defiance of troops, arms in hand, shouting generally "Long live Wepler."

The American consulate, as at first reported, is strongly guarded, and so is the hotel De Inglaterra, where Consul General Lee lives.

## STRIKE UNAVOIDABLE

### NEW BEDFORD WEAVERS LIST THEIR DEMANDS.

### Three Thousand Will Quit Work Monday—Appeal to Manufacturers by City Council.

New Bedford, Mass., Jan. 14.—The mass meeting of weavers tonight, attended by over 2,000, voted to strike Monday on three issues. First, against the ten per cent reduction; second, against the weavers' fine system; third, to remain out until a schedule of wages is adopted. This will cause a strike among 3,000 weavers, even if the notice of the reduction are taken down Monday.

After this action no arbitration or any recommendation of any kind can prevent a general strike in the nine weaving mills of this city.

A mass meeting of 300 carders in the South End mills tonight voted to strike. A meeting of mill foremen is to be held Saturday and doubtless they will vote to strike. So on Monday it is likely there will be no workmen on hand to attend to the looms. The board of trade committee on arbitration and the city council committee passed resolutions today earnestly requesting the manufacturers to postpone the cut down for another week in the hope of some adjustment. This resolution can have no effect on the action of the weavers. Tomorrow at noon about 3,000 operatives will leave work.

## HIS STOMACH REMOVED

### Operation in St. Louis Similar to the one in Zurich

St. Louis, Jan. 14.—The entire stomach of Conrad Beck, machinist, was removed at Bechank hospital last Wednesday. In several ways the operation was more complicated than the similar undertaking at Zurich, Switzerland, on September 6, of Dr. Carl Reubler, who removed the entire stomach of Anna Lande. Each operation was inspected by a cautious growth that necessitated the patient's life. The local operation on Beck took two hours. The patient is doing well.

## CONDITION OF TRADE

### Bradstreet's Report for the Past Week.

### Distributive Trade Continues to be Quiet.

### Unprecedented Activity in Production of Pig Iron.

### Large Orders for Steel Rails From Western Roads.

### Export Trade Continues Large—Bank Clearances Indicate a Heavy Volume of General Business Throughout the Country.

New York, Jan. 14.—Bradstreet's to-morrow will say: The distributive trade remains rather quiet, mild weather throughout the country tending to check the distribution of winter goods. Prices generally remain steady or tend upward, except for some grades of iron, and orders for the spring trade, where received, are encouraging. The industrial activity is most manifest at the west, where the demand for iron is large.

The feature of the week was the placing of an order by one railroad for 1,000,000 tons of steel rails, with smaller orders aggregating in the neighborhood of 35,000 tons more. Pig iron production is new at an unprecedented rate, the furnace capacity being estimated at a million tons a month. Prices, and stocks begin to show the influence of this immense production.

At the south manufacturing activity is the feature, sales of iron being very heavy. A good export demand for cotton and grain at steady prices is also a feature.

At the east a number of strikes against wage reductions are reported or expected in the cotton industry. Some woolen mills, working on heavy men's goods, are refusing orders, their capacity being fully booked.

The anthracite coal production, it is hoped, will be restricted sufficiently to allow of an advance of 20 to 40 cents a ton being maintained.

The weather has been disappointing at the northwest. Improvement in demand developed at some centres as the week advanced.

The rush to Alaska has already begun on the Pacific coast. Freight charters are reported lower.

The export trade continues large, a gain of 8 per cent on the total export of breadstuffs, cotton, mineral oils, cattle, hops and provisions, being shown both for December and the calendar year.

Bank clearings indicate a heavy volume of general business throughout the country, aggregating for the week \$1,448,000,000, a gain over this time a year ago of 37 per cent. The weekly failures were slightly smaller, amounting to 323, against 333 last week, and 478 in 1897.

## GOLDEN CROSS

### Annual Officers Elected at a Meeting Held Last Evening.

Asheville Commandery, No. 638, of the United Order of the Golden Cross, at a meeting last evening elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Noble Commandery—R. B. Roberts.  
Vice-Noble Commandery—Mrs. Rosa E. Morgan.  
Keeper of Records—J. S. Dickey.  
Financial Keeper of Records—T. J. Revell.  
Treasurer—N. W. Fain.  
Worthy Prelate—W. J. Hough.  
Worthy Herald—J. F. Beck.  
W. I. G.—R. M. Wells.  
W. O. G.—Harry A. Dunham.

The officers will be installed at the next regular meeting, the second Friday night next month.

The Golden Cross is a fraternal order for both males and gentlemen. The society is one of the oldest organizations in America, and is in its twenty-second year.

The Asheville chapter of the lodge has been established here several years, and is progressing very rapidly. A number of candidates for membership will be initiated at the next meeting. The place of meeting is the J. O. U. A. M. hall.

## AT THE ASHEVILLE COLLEGE

### A Charming Recital Given Last Evening by the Pupils of Miss Bing.

The song recital given at the Asheville college last night by the pupils of Miss Bing was a very delightful affair.

There were present a household of appreciative listeners and the program announced in the Gazette yesterday was carried out in full. Misses Hutchinson, Detweiler, Anthony, Graham and Mrs. Jones were representatives of the college and Miss Sawyer and Miss Louise Smith were on the program to sustain Asheville's reputation, which they did to the utmost credit. Miss Williams and Miss Chaffee playing the accompaniment.

Songs were in the majority and so well

were they rendered and so thoroughly appreciated that for every one there was a hearty encore. The singing of "O, Mio Fernando," by Miss Graham, was the subject of much favorable comment, and the selections of Miss Detweiler, who has a rich, contralto voice, were especially charming. Both of the quartettes and the chorus were good.

The entertainment not being complete without a song from Miss Bing, the audience expressed a desire to hear her, and she delighted the company with "Too Young For Love."

## CLERK'S UNION

### New Officers Elected at Last Night's Meeting.

The Clerks' Union met last evening with a very large attendance. The following officers were unanimously elected:

President—J. M. Stoner.  
Vice-president—E. C. Featherston.  
Second vice-president—Samuel Kennedy.  
Recording and Corresponding secretary—Miss Clement Buckner.  
Financial secretary—Mrs. Lolan Bradford.  
Guardian—J. A. Reynolds.  
Guard—Charles Nichols.  
Trustees—J. M. Stoner, U. S. Miller and C. R. Dennis.

The following committee was appointed to meet with the Central Labor union next Monday night: J. M. Stoner, A. D. Stoner, J. P. Goodson, J. A. Reynolds, C. R. Dennis, M. Hirsch, U. S. Miller, E. C. Featherston, H. M. Moody and Samuel Kennedy.

It is proposed to have a series of meetings, where clubs will have an opportunity to compare notes and experiences, and it is expected that they will be both interesting and profitable.

## BIRMINGHAM ASKS AID

### TO SUPPRESS THE SMALL POX EPIDEMIC.

### The Expense too Great For the City to Bear—Marine Hospital Service Invoked.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The authorities at Birmingham, Ala., having expended all available funds for preventing small pox, have asked the United States marine hospital service to take entire charge of the infected district and bear the expense of such measures as are necessary. General Magruder, passed assistant surgeon, recently detailed there, has reported to Surgeon General Wyman that he has reached the city and made a preliminary inspection of the conditions existing. He recommends, in case the federal authorities take charge, a house-to-house inspection of the city to be made. All cases of smallpox, he says, should be moved to the quarantine hospital or kept under guard, and persons exposed to infection, who have not been vaccinated successfully be removed to a smallpox camp or left under daily observation.

Dr. Magruder gives in detail plans which he believes should be carried out in case the hospital service should take exclusive charge of the work. In Jefferson county, where Birmingham is situated, 145 cases of smallpox have been reported for December. In Birmingham alone thirty-eight cases were reported during the month.

## BUYING WITNESSES TICKETS

### Alleged Scheme of Speculation in This County.

Complaint is being made that a practice is in vogue in this county of speculating in witness tickets, which if true, is a great injustice to witnesses who have their claims allowed by the county commissioners.

The manner in which this practice is carried on, it is said, is that the speculator as soon as claims are allowed, examines the book upon which the entry of such allowances are made. He then hunts up the claimant and proposes to buy his claim at a price much below its real value. When a trade is made the claimant gives the speculator an order to the register of deeds, who issues the script upon which the holder immediately draws the money from the treasurer.

Witnesses and others who have claims allowed should know that they are equal to cash, dollar for dollar, and that any one who proposes to buy a claim that has been allowed is making an effort to deprive the claimant of what is due him without adequate consideration. It is a violation of the law for county officers to speculate in county claims.

## TOBACCO MARKET

### Good Breaks Yesterday at the Various Warehouses.

The influx of tobacco to the Asheville market continues. Both warehouses had good breaks yesterday with some very good offerings. Mr. J. A. Drummond, formerly one of the leading buyers here, was on the market yesterday for the first time in several years and his appearance was greeted with delight by the farmers who knew him of old, and were acquainted with his lively way of bidding. We give a few sales made at the Banner: One lot of 613 pounds sold for \$124.61, 451 for \$94.53, 1,353 for \$114.94, 701 for \$92.53, 749 for \$72.55, 515 for \$33.52, 325 for \$41.52.

There is a sufficient quantity of tobacco on the floors to offer good breaks for today.

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## YESTERDAY IN CONGRESS

### A Big War Claim Before the House

### From Agents of Methodist Church South.

### The Agricultural Appropriation Bill Passed.

### A Proposed Amendment to the Constitution.

### To Make the President's Term End on April 30—Resolution of Inquiry into the Burning of the Seminole Indians.

Washington, Jan. 14.—This was a private bill day under the rules of the house, and after the agricultural appropriation bill, which was the unfinished business when the session opened, had been passed, bills on the private calendar were taken up in committee of the whole. Two were favorably acted on, and the rest of the day spent in fruitless attempt to secure action upon a bill appropriating \$238,000 to pay the book agents of the Methodist church, south, at Nashville, for losses caused by the Union army during the war. The bill was championed among others by Governor of Ohio, Mahon of Pennsylvania, and Sayers of Texas, the latter of whom, although a southern democrat, is recognized as an uncompromising foe of the average war claim. Dingley of Maine, and Dabell of Pennsylvania, opposed the bill, urging that the claim be sent to the court of claims for adjudication.

The house at 5 o'clock adjourned without action on the claim. The senate joint resolution was agreed to with amendments, accepting an invitation for the United States to participate in the exposition of fish and fisheries at Bergen, Norway, during the coming summer.

Washington, Jan. 14.—In the senate today Senator Hoar of Massachusetts, presented the following resolution: Proposing an amendment to the constitution: "That the following be proposed to the Legislatures of the several states as an amendment to the constitution of the United States: The term of office of the president and the sixty-sixth congress shall continue until the 30th day of April, 1899, upon which date the term of office of the president and the sixty-sixth congress shall terminate, and the 30th day of April, at noon, shall thereafter be substituted for the 4th of March as the commencement and termination of the official term of the president, vice-president, senators, and representatives in congress."

The resolution was referred to the committee on privileges and election.

Senator Quay, Pennsylvania, offered the following resolution, which was referred to the committee on Indian affairs: "Resolved, That the secretary of the interior shall be, and hereby is, instructed to investigate the facts attending the alleged atrocious burning to death of two Seminole Indians by a mob in Oklahoma Territory, and make a report thereon to congress. That \$25,000, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated for investigation, apprehension and punishment of the guilty persons."

## NORTH CAROLINA GEMS.

The rare beauties of nature, so well represented in Western North Carolina, are becoming better known every day as people who are better educated in the formation and utility of minerals have from time to time shown their appreciation of these Gems by using them in all kinds of adornment.

We have decided to close out some of these gems and offer them at prices that should make them all sell in a very few days.

## WE OFFER:

- One lot of 41 gems at 50 cents each.
- One lot of 40 gems at 50 cents each.
- One lot of 169 gems at 75 cents each.
- One lot of 40 gems at \$1.00 each.
- One lot of 25 gems at \$1.25 each.
- One lot of 5 gems at \$1.50 each.
- One lot of 3 gems at \$2.00 each.
- One lot of 5 gems at \$2.50 each.
- One lot of 3 gems at \$4.00 each.
- One gem for \$5.00.

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