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Cubans Continue The Make Trouble in Hayana.

Insist on Spaniards Hoisting the Cuban Flag-City Dinned by Cuban Shouts

Havana, Dec. 26.-A proclamation was issued by the Americans today citing that an agreement had been reached regarding the transfer of authority and warning all people to comply strictly to the terms of agreement The consideration shown the Americans by the Spanish authorities is pointed out and the proclamation states: "Now that positions have been reversed we must see that they enjoy the same immunity and consideration.

"Representing all classes and interests," the proclamation continues, "we shall be governed by the strictest impartiality, with the sole purpose of promoting the rehabilitation of Cuba." CUBANS MAKING TROUBLE.

There has been considerable trouble today in parts of the city evacuated by the Spanish troops, the Cubans giving vent to patriotic cries. Castellanos has doubt of his ability to control the soldiers in the face of this continued provocation. The Cubans are attempting to compel the Spanish residents to hoist Cuban flags and American protection had to be given in the case of Marquis Montoro. A Spanish guerilla was stabbed fatally while passing by Genios street this afternoon and there has been considerable shooting all over the city.

RIFLES FOR CARLISTS.

London, Dec. 26.-A. dispatch from Madrid to the Exchange Telegraph company says that the Carlist agitation in the Basque provinces is daily becoming more active and is strongly supported by the inhabitants of the French Basque districts. Upward of 100,000 rifles landed at French ports have been smuggled over the Spanish frontier with cargoes of coal

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it falls to cure. 25 cents. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

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GREATLY INCREASED BIG SAGASTA'S FEVER

Council Meeting to Arrange for the Conduct of Public Affairs.

Madrid, Dec. 26.-The condition of Sagasta is somewhat worse today, his fever having greatly increased.

The council met tonight to arrange for the direction of public affairs during his illness.

THE GRIP IN NEW HAVEN.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 26.-Physicians here say that the present grip epidemic is the worst they ever experienced. Half of the doctors of the city have been attacked by it. The scarcity of medical help has compelled the professors of the Yale Medical school give up their recitations and lend their aid to relieving the grip sufferers. All the members of the senior class in the medical school have been pressed into service as assistants. Two thousand three days, and it is estimated there have been 10,000 cases of the disease the past week. Several deaths from it have been reported.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Covington, Ky., Dec. 26.-The wife of "Burglar Jim" Anderson was fatally wounded this morning by Joseph Johnson, who then killed himself. Mrs. Anderson and Johnson had been living together and the shooting followed aquarrel at the breakfast table, resiting from Mrs. Johnson refusing him money. Mrs. Anderson's ten-year-old daughter witnessed the tragedy. "Burglar Jim" is now serving a term in the peniten-

OREGON AND IOWA AT CALLAO.

Washington, Dec. 26 .- The battleships Oregon and Iowa arrived at Callao, Peru, today, where the supply ship Celtic arrived yesterday. The Celtic and Oregon will be ordered to proceed to Manila via Honolulu but the Iowa will go to San Francisco before starting ity of a run. across the Pacific.

DAY OF CRIMES IN DALLAS.

the bloodiest Christmas Dallas has known for years. There have been scores of drunken -brawls, a race riot, three killings and numerous stabbings. This evening Henry Hunt was killed by Thomas Purvis as he was standing ing the doorway of a saloba.

A MOTHER'S AWFUL DEED.

Oakfield, is., Dec. 26.-William Tauzer today found the bodies of his wife and six-months-old babe at his home. The child was killed by its mother, who then committed suicide. Mrs. Tauzer has been despondent for some time but no cause is given for her

I have more trundle beds, in oak, at Those who were too late to get one of the last lot have another opportunity. Mrs. L. A. Johnson, 27 North

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Winyah Hotel and Sanitarium Co.

National Institution at Lima, Ohio, Looted of \$25,000.

ers; Even the Vaults are Unscarred.

Bank Stands Directly Across the Street From Police Headquarters.

\$25,000 and Thus Prevents a Run.

Lima, Ohfo, Dec. 26.-The American National bank directly across a narstreet from the Central police office, was robbed last night of \$25,000, ascertain the amount of his loss, but lowa started for Hollo tonight on the robbers but no one knows how the crooks got into the despoiled vaults.

No explosives were used and there is only the faintest scratch to indicate the use of tools.

The time lock was set to open at 11 o'clock this mornin and the robbery might not have been discovered until then had not one of the outer vault doors been left open.

When the discovery was made the time locks were going and continued All the gold and paper money had

been taken. The First National bank tendered the

American a loan of \$25,000 which was accepted, thus preventing the possibil-

BURNED TO DEATH

Dalas, Tex., Dec. 26.—This has been Horrible Fate of an Inmate of County Poor House.

> A colored woman, an inmate of the poor house, was burned to death yes terday. She and another inmate were standing before the fire, when her dress caught and the flames extended entirely over the body before aid could be had. Dr. Fletcher was telephoned. Mrs. Pease arrived shortly after the accident to find the victim yet alive. The woman died in a short time after being discovered, though every effort was made to save her life. The body was burned badly. She suffered the most that she inhaled the flames judging from the appearance of the mouth.

TO TRY BANK CASES.

Judge W. P. Bynum, of Charlotte, ex-associate justice of the supreme court of the state, has been commissioned special attorney for the United States by Attorney General Griggs, to prosecute the First National Bank cases, which come up at a special term of the United States court in this city some ime in January. Judge Bynum will immediately begin the preparation of the cases for trial.

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THIEVES CUT THROUGH A WALL WUYE

Store on North Main Street Robbed of Clothing and Tewelry.

One of the most daring robberies which has been committed in this city in a long time, was perpetrated at the store of Harry Friedenburg on North Main street Sunday night. The thieves made an entrance to the interior of the store by cutting a hole through the brick wall at the rear of the building Not a Trace of Bank Break- sufficiently large to admit the body of a small sized man or a boy. The wall where the masonry was cut away was ten inches thick.

When Mr. Friedenburg opened his store yesterday morning he discovered the hole in the wall and made an examination to find what goods, if any, were missing. He first looked into a show case on the counter and found a plush fined tray which the night before contained ten watches completely empty. He also missed a bunch of finger new cases have been reported the last Another Bank Loans Its Neighbor rings, watch chains and other jewelry. An examination of his dry goods stock showed it to be disarranged and short of a \$15 overcoat, several suits of clothes and a large number of silk handkerchiefs.

Mr. Friedenburg is unable as yet to and there is not only no due to the thinks that it will be from \$100 to \$200. Up to a late hour last night there was no clue to the thieves.

TWO DANGEROUS CROOKS

Work a Slick Confidence Game of Storekeepers and Check Pursuit With Bullets.

Shortly after 10 o'clock Sunday morning two negroes entered the store of Josiah M. Jones near the Normal and Collegiate institute. They asked for change. Mr. Jones had only three dollas in change He laid this on the counter and commenced feeling his pockets. One of the negroes seized the money flung an old Confederate \$5 bill at Mr. Jones as he ran out. Mr. Jones started after him but the other negro pulled a revolver and fired twice. Then he ran after his companion. Both escaped.

The same two negroes did the same trick in Wolfe's meat market on Montford avenue Saturday night.

J. J. NOLAND'S SUDDEN ILLNESS.

Mr. J. J. Noland was taken suddenly ill about midnight last night and Dr. Karl V. Reynolds was summoned. He found his patient in a very serious condition and diagnosed his case as one of nervousness. The illness came most unexpectedly, Mr. Noland having been at his store all day yesterday and until late last night. Dr. Reynolds stated at excruciating pain, and it is thought an early hour this morning that although Mr. Noland's illness was of a grave nature hopes for his recovery were entertained.

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We Believe

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Snider's,

On the Square.

Battery and two Regiments Leave for the East.

Ifoilo, Next City in Importance to Manila in the Philippine Group.

Reported That Insurgents and Spaniards are Fight. ing There Now.

Iloilo is the Main City of Panay Island Has a Population of Over 10,000.

Manila, Dec. 26.-An expedition consisting of battery G, Sixth artillery; the Eighteenth regulars and Fifty-first transports Pennsylvania, Arizona and Newport, convoyed by the cruiser Baltimore. It is believed that the Spaniards will evacuate Iloilo.

This action is the first taken by the United States toward extending its authority over the Philippines beyond the city, harbor and bay of Manila, and is important as an indication of the government to place the archipelago under American control sooner than was originally intended. Iloilo is the only part of the Philippines remaining in pos session of the Spanish forces. For more than a month it has been threatened by a large force of insurgent troops, and at one time recently the Spanish commandant considered that further resistance to the insurgent attacks was useless. The dispatches from Madrid reporting that the Spanish troops at Iloilo had made a sortie and repulsed the insurgents with heavy loss has not been confirmed by Major General Otis or Rear Admiral Dewey.

According to reports made to the military information division of the adjutant general's office, Iloilo, the capital of the province of the same name, in the island of Panay, has a population of 10,380. Its distance from Manila is estimated in one report at 355 miles, but in others at 250 miles. It is the residence of the governor, the captain of the port, and officials of the treasury. justice, etc. It has a pretty cathedral, a seminary, casa real and court house. It is geographically attached to the Vizaya group. Among its industries are a machine shop, a foundry, a carriage factory and a hat factory. The town of Iloilo is protected by a fort. The number of Spanish troops at the capital is not given in the reports to the military information division.

NECRO BARN BURNER LYNCHED.

Harmony Grove, Ga., Dec. 26.-Jeff Bolton, colored, was lynched at Wood's Bridge Saturday night by a mob of unknown people. He was charged with having shot at a farmer and burned his The negro was on his way to jail in charge of officers when the mob seized him and hanged him to a tree. The news reached here today. No effort has been made to discover the lynchers.

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