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A BANQUET TO BRYAN.

Says His Party "still Contents For Restoration of Bimetalsm"

Lincoln, Jan. 5.—Bryan was the guest of honor tonight at the annual banquet of the Nebraska traveling men's club. Governor Poynter responded to the toast "Trusts" and Governor Thomas of Colorado to "Currency Bill." Bryan responded to the toast "The Outlook," said: "We are now near enough to the national convention to feel assured that there will be no considerable opposition to the reaffirmation of the Chicago platform. The republican party has been driven under the lash to the espousal of the gold standard. The democratic party still contends for the restoration of bimetalism."

PLANNING TO CAPTURE THE POPULIST CONVENTION.

Lincoln, Jan. 5.—Plans were made today to capture, by Bryan and his friends in the populist party, the next national convention of the populists, at a secret meeting held here today. Bryan was not present. The conference was called by Chairman Edmiston of the State committee, who hopes to succeed Senator Butler. Its primary object was to see that the national populist convention will not be called before that of the democrats. The conference advised that various state committees express their opinion as to whether the national populist convention to be held at the same time and place as the democrats and free silver republicans.

BRYAN TO VISIT NEW YORK.

New York, Jan. 5.—Bryan telegraphed from Lincoln today to Belmont that he would arrive in New York on January 22 or 23. Bryan expects to be accompanied by ex-Governor Hogg and Mayor Harrison of Chicago. On his arrival in New York Bryan will be entertained at dinner by Belmont, and it is expected ex-Senator Murphy and Elliott F. Bland will be among the guests.

EXCITEMENT OVER SEIZURES

Another German Steamship Believed to Have Been Intercepted.

Portugal Reported to Have Protested.

Terrible Losses in the Sortie From Mafeking.

Half of the British Force Engaged Killed or Wounded.

WILL GERMANY PREVENT THE SHIPMENT OF KRUPP SHELLS TO ENGLAND—REASON FOR PITCHER'S EVACUATION OF DOUGLASS—REINFORCEMENTS SAVE HIM FROM ATTACK BY CRONJE.

Berlin, Jan. 5.—Popular excitement over the seizure of German steamships by the British continues. The absence of news of the steamer Herzog, due to arrive at Lorenzo Marquez on January 2 causes a belief that she has been intercepted, while reports are in circulation that the steamer Kanzier with doctors and nurses of the Red Cross on board is also in trouble or is being way-laid.

The newspapers here ascribe to the Portuguese minister a statement that immediately after the seizure of the German steamship Bundesrath by the British Portugal sent a protest to all the powers strongly protesting against the seizure of neutral ships in Portuguese waters and denying that negotiations are afoot for the sale of Delagoa bay.

A DANGEROUS PRECEDENT.

New Haven, Jan. 5.—Professor Woolsey of the International law school of Yale, discussing the seizure of America flour by the British in Delagoa bay, said that England had no right to seize it as contraband even on English vessels. Inasmuch as England is dependent upon imported food stuffs for daily bread, and as the United States is largely dependent upon the exportation of food stuffs for its prosperity, neither country can afford to permit any such principle as this, which England in its extremity is clenching at, England is laying down a terribly dangerous precedent for herself.

THE SEIZURE OF AMERICAN GOODS.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Nothing is known here officially of the negotiations to secure an engagement between the nations for the protection of neutral trade with neutral ports in South Africa. The United States it is asserted, will act alone in its efforts to secure assurances from England that American goods that are not contraband of war and that shall be carried from the United States to neutral ports in South Africa, in neutral bottoms, shall not be molested by British warships.

No overtures have been made to this government by the men who met at Brussels yesterday, and determined to appeal to the neutral nations to end the South African war. The United States will not become a party to any arrangement between the nations to offer to mediate between England and the Transvaal.

LEIDS HOPES FOR INTERVENTION.

Amsterdam, Jan. 5.—Agent Leyds of the Transvaal, in an interview today, said that the German steamer Bundesrath which was seized by the British did not carry contraband of war for the Transvaal. He knew nothing, he said, about the German artilleriemenn on board. He expressed the belief that the United States would possibly be induced to intervene under the influence of American public opinion.

THE MAFFKING SORTIE.

London, Jan. 5.—A large number of telegrams have been received by newspapers and press associations from South Africa, but they do not convey any news of importance. The latest result of the constant skirmishing in French's sphere seems to have been to the advantage of the British, but no definite gain was achieved. The loss of the garrison at Mafeking sustained

through its unsuccessful sortie, details of which reached here today from British sources, seriously weakens the defenders, who already were considerably worn down by casualties and sickness. About half the British force engaged in the sortie were killed or wounded.

PITCHER'S RAID.

London, Jan. 5.—The latest news of Pitcher's raid shows that some of the first accounts considerably exaggerated its effect on the Boers and their sympathizers. While it is true he successfully drove a couple of hundred of rebels from Sunnyside, killing or wounding 30 and capturing 43. Colonel Pitcher's immediate evacuation of Douglass seems to prove that he had information that there was a sufficient number of Boers in the neighborhood to make the position unsafe. Indeed, there is reason to believe that only the dispatch of a cavalry brigade from Modder River prevented the force of six hundred men sent by General Cronje from attacking Pitcher's camp, and as soon as the cavalry returned to Modder river Cronje's troops reoccupied Sunnyside.

According to advices from Storkostoem the Boers have completely retired from the neighborhood of Molteno and Gatare does not appear to have pursued them, as reinforcements from Storkostoem have returned there.

A dispatch from Capetown dated today says the prize court released the British gunboat Partridge early in December, with American flour, said to be intended for Boers, but ordered her cargo to be warehoused pending a trial of the case.

TYPHOID ON A TRANSPORT.

Halifax, Jan. 5.—Seven cases of typhoid fever have been discovered among the crew of the transport engaged to take the second contingent of Canadians to South Africa.

WILL GERMANY INTERFERE?

London, Jan. 5.—The Daily Mail's Berlin correspondent says it is believed that Germany will prevent the shipment of 45,000 shells that Krupp is making for Great Britain.

A DASH FOR LIBERTY ON WAY TO SCAFFOLD

Murders Made a Desperate Effort to Escape.

El Paso, Jan. 5.—Antonio Flores and Genaimo Para, murderers, were hanged this afternoon in the county jail. When the jail doors were opened to lead them to the scaffold Para made a dash for liberty, and both men steeled themselves with heavy pieces of steel wire filed to a sharp point at the deputies and a party of Texas rangers that surrounded them. They were subdued, but they, however, until one of the rangers was dangerously stabbed in the stomach. The men were hanged separately.

Charleston, Jan. 5.—Charles Wilson and Zachariah Singleton, both colored, were hanged here today. Wilson killed a soldier here Singleton shot a man in a row, and last night he too tried to commit suicide. The murderers were received into the Baptist church and baptized in the bath tub in the jail yesterday.

LIBERTY, MO., JAN. 5.—Ernest Clevenger who killed George Allen and Della Clevenger at a revival meeting near Missouri City was hanged today.

Clevenger, who was in love with Della Clevenger's sister, Jennie, and was jealous of Allen's attention to her, went to a school house near Missouri City where a prayer meeting was in progress to kill Allen and Miss Jennie Clevenger. He had been drinking. He sat quietly through the service and after the benediction he walked up to Allen, said "I'll show you," and shot him. Allen was shot in the back of the head and died at once. Clevenger then shot Miss Della Clevenger in the head and aimed again at her sister. The girls' father knocked the revolver up and the bullet went wild. Clevenger was captured next day.

FEDERATION COLORED WOMEN.

An Association With Excellent Objects Organized.

Montgomery, Jan. 5.—An association has been organized here, under the name of the southern federation of colored women, which has in view the elevation of negro women of the south. The scheme originated with the wife of Booker T. Washington. The objects of the association are the encouragement of kindergarten schools among negro citizens, of causing mothers' meetings to be held, of organizing day nurseries, reformatory schools, orphan homes and other institutions to protect the moral habits and health of negro children of the south.

A GRAVE SITUATION IN NEW-FOUNDLAND

France Insists on Immediate Enactment on Shore Question.

St. Johns, N. E., Jan. 5.—France has refused to wait until April when the colonial legislature meets, to renew the debate on the French shore question. She insists on an immediate enactment of the measure. Colonial Secretary Chamberlain fearing to provoke more continental bitterness against England, wired the governor of Newfoundland yesterday to call the legislature together without delay and secure the passage of the proposed measure. An effort will be made to have the legislature meet on the 29th. The governor makes any attempt to disguise the gravity of the situation. He said Germany's hostility over the seizure of the vessels in Delagoa bay will intensify the desire of the part of France and Russia to thwart England in the Transvaal.

REVOLUTION IN CUBA WAS IMMINENT.

Had Brooke Remained, Eastern Part of the Island Would Have Rebelled Says Sanguilly

Havana, Jan. 5.—The fruit of the reforms suggested by Governor Wood will soon materialize. Meanwhile the country is waiting patiently. There is no question concerning the hopefulness of all classes, except the annexationists, who see in the policy no probability of attaining their desires. General Sanguilly who was the most persistent agitator in western Cuba during General Brooke's administration, declares in an interview, his complete confidence in Governor Wood. He says Wood's appointment was well timed, as a revolution in the eastern part of the island was imminent, had Brooke remained.

A report regarding the prisoners in jail is expected to be submitted tomorrow. There are fifteen hundred in jail, who have been tried. Prisoners who have been incarcerated long enough to cover their probable sentences, will be released, and those against whom there is no evidence will be released. Excessive sentences of prisoners will also be scaled down.

Another fraud was discovered in the custom house yesterday. Barrels supposed to contain potatoes were found to contain tobacco. The tobacco was confiscated. The guilty firm will be prosecuted.

REBEL PAPER SAYS BRYAN WILL GIVE INDEPENDENCE

If He is Elected and Congress Acts Favorably to Cause.

Manilla, Jan. 5.—The insurgent paper Volante, printed at Capas, reproduced from the Manilla El Comercio, the story of Gen. Lawton's death and funeral, and urges the rebels to keep on fighting. It says the American congress will probably take some action favorable to the cause of the rebels, and if Bryan is elected they will secure independence.

General Schwan with two regiments of infantry and a force of cavalry and machine guns is moving from Pasig along the west shore of Pasig Lake.

The thirty-ninth and half of the thirty-sixth volunteer regiments have reached Calamba; without sighting any insurgents. It is supposed that they retired on account of their heavy losses at Cabuyan, and Binang. Santos Thomas is reported strongly fortified.

It is reported from Vigan that Lieutenant Colonel Howze, who has been following the insurgents in the north, has succeeded in releasing all of the American prisoners.

PROPOSED QUALIFICATION FOR VOTERS IN VIRGINIA

Educational Test Except For Ex-Soldiers and Sailors.

Richmond, Jan. 5.—In the senate today, Senator Friddy presented this bill: To amend the constitution by providing an educational qualification for voters, except in the case of soldiers and sailors, who served prior to 1870, either in any one state or in the United States, and their sons born prior to that date, and persons who hold in their name real estate to the extent of \$400, assessed valuation.

LIPTON TO TRY AGAIN.

London, Jan. 6.—The Daily Mail this morning says that Lipton has sent another challenge for the America's cup. It adds that Watson will design the new yacht with which Lipton will attempt to lift the cup. She will be the best that the British can produce.

EX-SURGEON GEN. HAMMOND DEAD

Washington, Jan. 5.—Former Surgeon General Hammond died at his residence tonight. The cause of his death has not been determined.

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A MOTHER IS VERY PARTICULAR

about her boy's health—about the way he is protected from severe cold—but she sometimes forgets about his eyes. She somehow fails to realize that the headache he complains of is the result of defective eyes.

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THE ANTI-AMENDMENT SENATE RESOLUTION

Senator Pritchard Will Probably Speak on it Next Week

The resolution introduced by Senator Pritchard relative to the democratic attempt to restrict the privileges of suffrage in North Carolina in a way that violates the constitution of the United States, will be called up in the Senate next Monday for the purpose of giving Senator Morgan of Alabama an opportunity of addressing the Senate in opposition to the resolution. Senator Pritchard expects to speak in support of his resolution during next week. As the resolution is merely an attempt to uphold the constitution of the United States the opposing speech of the Senator from Alabama is awaited with interest.

A few days ago Lucy Mason, an aged negress, was taken to the Providence Hospital supposedly in a dying condition. The attention of the public was called to the woman by J. W. Douglass, agent of the Board of Children's Guardians, whose attention was directed towards a nine years old white boy who since his birth has been under the woman's care. The little fellow was left in the negro woman's care by his mother, who exacted a solemn promise from her that his name should never be revealed. He was given the name of Leroy. When the Mason woman was taken to the hospital, the boy was placed in the care of Mrs. Graves, of the Calvary Baptist church. Mrs. Graves, who is the wife of D. H. Graves, and who came to Washington from Henderson county, N. C., several years ago, became interested in the child by meeting him at Sunday school. Because of the illness of his former protector the name of the child's mother and place of residence has been told to Mrs. Graves under a promise of secrecy. It is said that the boy's mother at one time lived in Buffalo, N. Y., and is of well known family.

Senator Pritchard will make every effort to bring the Appalachian Park movement to success. As telegraphed the Gazette he has introduced the memorial, which was a most creditable one, and is now conferring with Senator Butler regarding the Park bill which will be introduced very soon.

Ex-Senator Mashburn has arrived from Surrey county and will probably spend the remainder of the week here. Mr. Mashburn, who is interested in the tobacco business, says that he believes half the crop has already been placed on the market at Winston and that in doing this the planters are standing in their own light, as the market will be open for several months with prospects for good prices. Mr. Mashburn realizes that something is wrong with the tobacco industry, but does not know what remedial steps should be taken. He doubts the correctness of the oft repeated assertion that the American Tobacco company is responsible for the general slump in prices for tobacco and fears that little of practical good will be accomplished by the planters who are to hold a meeting at the state capital. Mr. Mashburn feels that one thing is certain, however, and that is that a lighter crop will be grown in North Carolina next year. Even a short crop may affect prices very little, as other states will probably produce about the same amount and it is almost certain that large quantities of the weed will be exported from Manilla. A large quantity of tobacco, it is reported, is now on the island and will be shipped as soon as the ports are declared open. Common grades continue to find a good market everywhere.

In referring to political matters Mr. Mashburn said that the people of Surrey and adjoining counties were going to vote on the side of liberty on the amendment question. He knew a number of democrats who were opposed to the amendment.

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AMERICAN FLAG OVER SIBUTU

Which is Outside the Limits of Ceded Philippine Island Territory.

Belief That Watson Was Satisfied as to Our Rights.

Not Unlikely That England May Lay Claim to the Island.

Question as to Whether it Was Under Spanish Jurisdiction.

OFFICIALS AT WASHINGTON WILL LOOK INTO THE MATTER—ALL FORMER SPANISH POSSESSIONS ADJACENT TO PHILIPPINES REVERTED TO UNITED STATES.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Admiral Watson's dispatch today stating that Ensign Wurtzbaugh of the gunboat Albany had hoisted the American flag on Sibutu Island, somewhat surprised the naval official, as Sibutu is clearly outside the limit of the Philippine territory prescribed by the peace treaty, reverted to the United States on the ratification of the treaty.

Sibutu is near British Borneo. It will create no surprise here if England lays claim to it. Casual mention only is made at the cabinet meeting today of Watson's dispatch. Officials concerned will look into the boundary matter, and ascertain whether Sibutu was formerly under Spanish jurisdiction.

CLARK SENATE CONTEST.

Hearings in the Senatorial Case Begins Before Committee.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The formal inquiry by the committee of privileges and elections to contest over the seat of Senator-elect Clark of Montana began today and promises to eclipse anything else in interest for the first two weeks of congress. It is said that nearly a hundred witnesses on both sides are summoned to appear before the committee. Counsel for both sides are present and the indications are that the hearing will consume considerable time. Among those asked to attend are a number of members of the legislature whose names have been mentioned in connection with the charges of bribery in the case. The first point taken up for the inquiry is the charge that thirty bills of \$1,000 each were paid to one man to secure his support of Mr. Clark. The decision of the Supreme court of Montana disbaring Attorney Wellington upon the charge of using money to bribe members of the Montana legislature will also be submitted to the committee as one of the documents in the case. While the committee is no way bound by this decision, it gives the remonstrance a standing before the senate as representing the highest judicial authority of the state. The decision deals very broadly with the charge of bribery of the legislature, and disputes the counter-charge made by Clark's friends that the attempt to unseat him is a conspiracy. It is said that testimony even more sensational than has yet been indicated will be presented to the committee.

The contest brings into especial prominence at this time the two men who have been fighting so long for the ascendancy in the democratic party of Montana—William A. Clark and Mat-cus Daly. W. A. Clark, Senator-elect, is a Pennsylvanian by birth and came west in the early fifties. He is over sixty years old, well preserved, and vigorous. He is one of the richest if not the richest man in the United States, and probably has more ready cash than any man in the world. Many stories are told of the fight between Clark and Daly and of the thousands of dollars these men have spent at elections. It is said that Daly now has a half dozen agents traveling over the state for evidence that will be used in the contest. The committee will also take up the Quay contest.

INFORMAL DANCE.

Pleasant Affair at Swannanoa Casino Last Evening.
The dance at the Swannanoa Casino last evening although informal was a very select and thoroughly enjoyable affair. The Swannanoa orchestra added greatly to the pleasure of the evening, with its excellent music. Among those present were Misses Mason, Barker, Smith, Bryant, Fitch, Mrs. Fitch, Mr. and Mrs. Finkney, Messrs. Bear-son, Hester, Ray, Sawyer, Jeffries, Holmes, Morris, Yates, Roach, Roberts, Love and Dr. Faucett.
These young people expect to have an informal dance at the casino every Friday evening. There will also be another dance one other evening of the week regularly.