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ESTABLISHED 1820.

The late Antonio Maceo, leader of the Cuban insurgents, could hardly be blamed for the hatred he bore the Spanish government. He was the last of a family of ten to die at the hands of the Spaniards. He would have been more than an ordinary mortal to have forgotten the blood of his brethren.

The yield of corn in Illinois this year is the second largest in the history of the state. From 3,900,000 acres, 288,650,000 bushels were gathered, an average yield of 42 bushels to the acre. The largest yield in the state was in 1879 when 505,000,000 bushels were raised on 7,900,000 acres, and average of 38 bushels per acre.

The Loud bill to exclude all sample copies of newspapers and all serial publications, not newspapers, from the advantages of the pound postage rates was discussed in the House long enough to develop that it has an opposition stout enough to make its passage at this session a matter of doubt, although a test vote showed a small majority in its favor.

The Emperor of Austria, who is a great smoker, restricts himself to so-called "Virginia" cigars, manufactured of the kindest tobacco at Trieste, with a straw running through the middle of them, in order to make them "draw." They are so green and damp that they have to be held in a flame for several minutes before they can be persuaded to ignite.

In providing for its holiday recess congress took the limit, two weeks from Dec. 22, to Jan. 5. Some members may have voted for this long holiday, just from a grown up boyish feeling that holidays can never be too long, but there is more than a suspicion that others did so because it would reduce the probability of anything being done at this session except to pass the appropriation bills.

Much amusement was created in the senate recently when Senator Aldrich, an aptly named Senator Vest, who was making a tariff and financial speech to call his attention to his statements not being in accord with the position of his grand leader, Mr. Cleveland. Quick as a flash Mr. Vest turned upon the Rhode Island Senator and said: "My former leader," with marked accent on "former." His earnestness was greeted with shouts of laughter.

J. W. CONDER, of populist of Union county, writes to the Caucasian on the senatorial question saying: Of course we "Pops" would prefer Maj. Guthrie or W. R. Henry as we think they would best match Senator Butler. We do not under any circumstances want "Go lie Pritchard" returned. We think if the populist representatives vote for him it will be good bye party. But we do not anticipate that for we think a pop is too true to his country to do anything of the kind. Gentlemen, give us Maj. Guthrie or Mr. Henry if you please.

McCLURE'S MAGAZINE will begin in the January number a series of "Life Portraits of Great Americans" with reproductions of all the existing portraits of Benjamin Franklin known to have been made from life. There are fifteen such portraits, and some of them have never been published. Mr. Charles Henry Hart, probably the highest authority on early American portraits, is collecting and authenticating the material for the series, and will add introductions and give the history of the portraits and whatever is interesting in the circumstances of their production. There will also be an article on Franklin by Professor Treat, of the University of the South.

METHODISTS AND STATE AID.

Dr. Kingsbury, the able editor of the Wilmington Messenger, and also a leading Methodist, has the following to say in his paper in regard to the action of the Methodist conference on the higher education question: "The North Carolina Conference adopted resolutions, the result of which is two fold, to place the Methodist church in antagonism to the University of North Carolina now more than one hundred years old, and secondly to cripple its operations by the spirit and intent of the resolutions are successfully carried out. It is unfortunate for the state that the hostility has been so strongly and widely developed. The University is really the chiefest ornament and glory of North Carolina. It is a great thing for the people who love education and would serve North Carolina forging bravely to the front for higher and still higher education that they have so well equipped and progressive a school as that one located at Chapel Hill and to which 1,800,000 people vote a beggarly, miserly \$20,000. It ought to be \$50,000 so that the University might be pressed to the front without delay as the equal in all respects of Princeton and the University of Virginia or of any other foremost institution of learning in the South. It is perhaps unwise to give so little. Virginia sets a more liberal, a nobler example.

"The speech of Mr. L. L. Smith, of Hartford, was most timely, patriotic and broad, and we think wise and judicious. He is right in insisting that the church of Christ shall not be come a political affair engaging in a scramble with worldlyness for worldly ends. He said wisely and well as an able, conservative, prominent and loyal layman:

"The University ought to be the pride of the State. The church ought not to enter the domain of politics. There is no telling where it will end. John Wesley didn't stop and whine because tithes went to other churches and colleges. The great educational work of Randolph-Macon college, in Virginia, has not been impeded because the University of Virginia gives free tuition to every son of the state. We will make a mistake if we enter upon this line."

"Methodism has never been narrow, insular, intensely sectarian or hostile to education. Its founder was a very great and useful preacher, master of seven languages and one of the monumental men of Oxford University. He urged education from the very beginning of his most remarkable and protracted ministry. He was too great, too catholic too advanced to look with jealousy upon the great universities. In this country at the beginning of Methodism almost a college was started. Rev. B. R. Hall protested in well chosen words against the movement looking to the injury of the university. He said impressively: "We are in danger of making a serious mistake that will place us in a false light and damage our influence. This is a political question. As individuals, it is our privilege to do what we please. As a member of this conference, I do not wish my church put on record as being opposed to our state institutions."

December 25. Christmas, undoubtedly, is coming, but it never would be suspected from the weather. — Baltimore Herald. Do your Christmas shopping as an ear's first, or you may be crushed by a word in the final rush. — El Paso Call. A woman who wants to discover a genuine "Christmas jewel," should pick out a present that her husband will not have to pay for. — Cleveland Press.

WAR AND CHRISTMAS.

The Washington, (D. C.) correspondent of the Recorder says: "Whether it is because congress has got Christmas in its bones, or that the individuals who have been offering the war-like resolutions and making the we-are-ready-to-fight Cuban speeches in both House and Senate do not represent the existing sentiment in that body as a whole, you can guess for yourself, but it is very certain that none of the excitement reported by telegraph from various sections of the country as resulting in numerous volunteers to fight for Cuba has been exhibited in congress. Senator Morgan made a regular war speech on his very peaceable resolution, which was adopted by the senate, calling on the president for all the Cuban information in his possession, that in his judgment may properly be given, but it was made to empty seats and aroused nothing even approaching enthusiasm. Instead of preparing for war, the average Senator and Representative is preparing to enjoy his Christmas. Whatever may be done when congress reassembles, everybody can go ahead with their Christmas preparations with the certainty that their enjoyment will not be broken in upon by the harsh tocsin of war; but no such guarantee can be given against indigestion.

EXPOSE THE BLOT.

Senator Allen's resolution for the investigation of the use of money in the late presidential campaign has caused more commotion than appears on the surface. There are a great many people who would dislike very much to see such an investigation made, for one or another reason, but it is needless to say that they are not among the supporters of the recent presidential aspirations of Mr. Bryan. Mr. Allen says he intends to push his resolution and nearly all of the silver democratic senators and all of the populists have indicated their intention to support it. Senator Allen says of the resolution: "I framed the resolution so as to include all parties, and I do not refuse to pass it. The matter is attracting attention all over the country, and certainly if there is a blot on the election it should be exposed and wiped out, or at least, a wholesome warning given that the offense is not to be repeated."

Frank Leslie's for January.

The Order of the King's Daughters and Sons is described in an interesting and well illustrated article in Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly for January. The author is Louise Seymour Houghton, one of the leading spirits in the organization. It contains portraits of the principal officers and many attractive views. Another important paper in this number is one on Bryn Mawr College, by Madeline Vaughan Abbott, Secretary of that institution. It is the third article of the series on "American Universities and Colleges," and is profusely illustrated with interior and exterior views of the buildings. General Thomas L. Rosser contributes an able article on "Personal Traits of Robert E. Lee," and there are papers on "Canoeing Down the R. line," "The Egyptian Army," "The Philippine Islands," and "Among the Waikato Maoris," all splendidly illustrated. Frank Lee Farnell, the editor of the magazine, writes of "Books as Christmas Presents"; there is some interesting matter about plays and players; several excellent short stories are given, with an installment of Edith Sessions Tupper's fascinating serial, "Father John and the young folks" department is as attractive as ever. For sale by T. J. Gattis & Son.

NOT AGAINST STATE AID.

Writing to the Wilmington Messenger in reference to the resolutions passed by the Methodist conference Rev. N. M. Jurney, at one time pastor of Main Street church in this city says: "The intent and spirit of these resolutions are not antagonistic to the University. In full justice to the conference you should publish the resolutions entire. I never heard a man—preacher or layman—say one word against aid to the University. I make bold the statement, not ten who voted for the resolutions but would, if in the legislature, vote for an increase appropriation, to aid and help the University. All thoughtful men know our danger lies chiefly in ignorance, and when the church spoke out in behalf of the 600,000 boys and girls who can neither read nor write in the bounds of our state—then claim it is unjust for the church to be charged with a motive to cripple the University, rather than to aid the poor and ignorant children of the state. "If any man uses voice or pen to influence the legislature to decrease the aid the State gives to Chapel Hill, I wish to say here that he doesso without the advice, consent or wish of the North Carolina conference."

NOT HOT-HEADED FIRE EATERS.

The Middle South a journal published at Somerville, Tenn., says: "The old idea prevalent in the North that the Southern people are hot-headed fire eaters, extremists etc., is not nor never was true. The Southern climate is not tropical, but temperate—the climate which produces the best in form, features and character wherever it prevails throughout the world. In keeping with the happy medium of climate the Southern people, especially those of the Middle South are more or less conservative, the conservative spirit prevailing. They are never swept away by speculative, sentimental and demagogic issues and are almost universally open to argument. In a word they are tolerant of opposition within the limit of self-preservation."

WILL ESTABLISH FARMS.

The Charlotte Observer says: The statement that the Seaboard Air Line will establish a model farm every ten miles along its entire system, that intending settlers may see what can be done in farming on its line, deserves to be hailed with satisfaction. The idea is one which has been adopted by a number of the progressive railroad systems of the country, presumably with the expected results. This movement is another forward step for the Seaboard, which is under an aggressive and up-to-date management and is making itself well known in the business world.

Crime on the Increase.

Crime is increasing. Look at twelve murderers in one fine county either just tried or awaiting trial. Look at the great county of Mecklenburg. There are nearly 400 cases to be tried before Judge O. P. Meares of the Criminal court. It is the largest criminal docket the old county has ever had. There are more than 100 prisoners in the jail and no place for others. And yet Judge Russell is reported as aiming to retire Judge Meares who has done a great work for the State, and to do away with his court. He ought to think long and look at his bearings closely before he recommends disastrous changes. —Wilmington Messenger.

Do not allow your system to get weak and debilitated. It is easy to keep well and strong by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Seven Vessels Wrecked.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., Dec. 17.—The northeast gale of last night and today is probably the most violent since the great gale of April 8, 1887, when seven vessels were stranded here. Fortunately last night there was but a small fleet harbored here, but seven of these are now strewn along the shore at the head of the harbor. The New England Associated Press boat, which has collected marine news for that organization in this harbor during the past 16 years, broke from her moorings and drove against the steamboat wharf, where she went to pieces. The United States revenue boat, which is doing service in this harbor, was also driven ashore. Several other small craft were stranded last night.

Unmentionable.

Everybody knows, of course, that some bicycle girls wear bloomers, but there is general ignorance as to how they keep them up.—Somerville Journal. A story is going the rounds that the wind recently blew the bloomers off a woman in Kansas. Galveston News. The Alabama legislature will be asked to put its ban upon the wearing of bloomers. This means that the women of Alabama will proceed to put off bloomers.—New York Press.

Six Cents for Labor.

BROOKLYN, Dec. 17.—The libel suit of Father McDonald, the silenced priest, against the Brooklyn Eagle for \$50,000, was concluded today, the jury rendering a verdict for the plaintiff of 6 cents. The libel consisted of charges contained in an article published in the Eagle, accusing the clergyman of unpriestly conduct while sojourning in Washington in a clerical capacity.

It looks like the only way to get rid of that irrepressible red headed statesman from Georgia, Hon. Thomas E. Watson, is to declare him elected to the position for which he runs regardless of the votes or wishes of the people. Judge Black, democrat, defeated Watson at the regular congressional election in the 10th district of Georgia, by several thousand votes. Watson declared it was not fair, and to gratify him, his distinguished adversary ran the race over again at a special election, with the same result. Now Watson will contest Judge Black's seat on the floor of the House.—Asheville Citizen.

This life is made up of a large mixture of blasted hopes, disappointed expectations and misery, gloom, sorrow and regret, yet we cling to it with a surprising tenacity. Why desire to hold on to that which has so much of the sad and sorrowful when just across the dark river all is gladness, joy and peace? —Franklin Times.

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