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ANNEXATION TALK.

The suggestion of the annexation of Cuba is not a new one, for it was discussed more or less before Cuba passed from under Spanish control...

Cuba is divided into classes, the more intelligent being of Spanish descent or birth, with little of the native mingling...

Whether this annexation sentiment has grown or not since the Spaniards have lost their hold upon the island we do not know...

This sentiment will be encouraged, too, by the capitalists of this country who secure concessions and become interested in the development of the island and its resources...

Native control would be an obstruction to enterprise, for those people have been reared under Spanish influences and methods...

PERPLEXING CONDITIONS. In another article we have referred to some of the perplexing conditions which present themselves in establishing a satisfactory system of government for Cuba...

When it does, what are we going to do about it? There are mixed races in Cuba, and the dark skinned race is sufficiently numerous to be a dominant factor...

MIXED RACE PROBLEM.

mixed race problem which kept Hawaii out, until the bold, resourceful white men who seized the Government...

But some way will doubtless be found to do it, and if the first step in annexation be effected, the rest will be comparatively easy...

ENCOURAGING WIDE TIRES.

We referred some time ago to a bill introduced in the Legislature to encourage the use of the wide-tire on heavy draft vehicles...

"Whereas, the use of wide-tire vehicles on the public roads of the State, as shown by experience, will both benefit and protect these roads by packing and something the surface of the same..."

Section 1. That every person in the State who, during the year ending December 31st, 1899, or each year thereafter, owns and uses on the public roads of the State any wagon or other draft vehicle with tires as wide as the standard wide-tire wheels described in section two of this act...

Section 2. For the purposes of this act the standard for wide tire wagons and other draft vehicles shall be as follows: For a one horse vehicle with four wheels...

Section 3. This act shall only apply to the following counties: Alamance, Buncombe, Edgecombe, Gaston, Guilford, Hoke, Johnston, Moore, Orange (for Chapel Hill township only), New Hanover, Rowan, Wilson and Durham.

There is nothing compulsory in this, and it will be seen that it applies to but a small number of counties, those, we presume, which desired to be embraced in its provisions...

Mount Olive Advertiser: Much interest is manifested by our people in the results obtained by Mr. B. W. Herring in his experiments in the cultivation of figs on a large scale...

Greensboro Record: Greensboro has been free from the deviltry kicked up by negro soldiers since the war...

CHINA APOLOGIZED.

A cable dispatch published yesterday says China has apologized for the manner in which the Tung Li Yamen rejected Italy's demand for a lease of San Man Bay...

It seems that about the best thing the Cuban people could do at once—would be to get rid of the ridiculous "assembly" which is making itself the laughing stock of everybody...

"When," says the Minneapolis Times, "the voting machine is so perfected that the business man can take his voting by pushing buttons at the side of his desk..."

TWINKLINGS.

"An' poor Moike prayed for a peaceful end." "He did that; an' he told me 't he prays two cops at 'i' wake every mornin'."

BOOK NOTICES.

The intelligent and literary reader will be interested in Self Culture for March, which presents a valuable list of contents, leading off with an interesting paper on "The Hawaiian Islands of the United States..."

ODD NUMBERS IN PRICES.

In speaking of special sales the other day and of the figures that seem to attract the public the most, as well as the class of customers who frequent these sales, an old and successful merchant said:

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

Luxington Dispatch: During the recent snow Mr. Isaiah Shoaf, of Tyrone, Wis., fearing that the rabbits would freeze to death, caught fourteen and confined them in a tobacco barn until after the snow and then turned them loose, so that he might have the pleasure of catching them again in the future...

Nothing Broken.

A recent bride in Washington, who received many handsome pieces of glassware as wedding presents, was once, in a concealingly proud of her treasures, and has a perfect level of a maid, who hasn't broken a single piece...

He Could Steer.

A member of the crew of the Yankee tells The Electrical Review of an incident that happened aboard that vessel during the recent cruise. Said he: "We were out at sea, and one of the boys was in the forenoon, and the vessel was passing through the water..."

CASBORO.

The kind you have always bought. Signature of Chas. H. Pickett.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—Surveys of an isthmian canal are getting to be an old story. People have been making them for half a century, and it was supposed that the Government commission sent to Central America had brought back all needed information...

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THE BOYS ON OUR WARSHIPS AND HOW THEY ARE TRAINED.

An Experience That Teaches Them Dignified, Self-Controlled Men, Well Qualified to Make Their Way Either Afloat or Ashore.

Apprenticeship in the United States navy is capable of making either a man or a profligate of a boy. He is given every inducement to become a good, solid man, whether for continuation on a man-of-war or a merchant-war's ship's company...

A MODERN SOLOMON.

The Dogs in an Arabian Family Made to Tell the Truth. A recent French judgment may be cited as an illustration of Arab manners and Gallic attitudes.

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Table with columns for various commodities like Flour, Sugar, Coffee, etc., and their prices.

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MARINE WINDS.

Far herald from the frozen north. The green of grasses bringing. With violets on the wags' wings...

By night the wild goose phalanx lope. To polar zone is flying. By day the killdeer plover thrills. The pasture with his crying...

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GUST WASHING POWDER. Sold by all grocers. Largest package—great economy. THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY, Chicago, St. Louis, New York, Boston, Philadelphia.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET. STAR OFFICE, March 9. SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing in the market...

RECEIPTS. Spirits Turpentine, Rosin, Crude Turpentine, etc.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red 83 1/2c; options after a steady opening eased off under soft selling...

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, March 9.—Money on call was steady at 3 1/2c per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3 1/4c to 3 1/2c...

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, March 9.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine steady. Turpentine turpentine steady...

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, March 9.—The opening of the cotton market was characterized by some irregularity; near months declined one to two points...

FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star. LIVERPOOL, March 9, P. M.—Cotton—Spot in fair demand; prices 1 1/2d lower...

MARINE.

ARRIVED. Steamship Geo W Clyde, 1,514 tons, Robinson, New York, H G Small-bone. 20c. Commerce To-morrow 20c. THAT'S A GOOD DAY. Corneau's Bed Bug Interseptic Does the work quickly, 20c. 20c. quietly and pleasantly. JAS. D. NUTT, Druggist.