

BLUNDERING IN CUBA

Senator Proctor, of Vermont, and Senator Cockrell, of Missouri, are now in Cuba where they are said to have gone at the request of President McKinley to study the situation and see if some way cannot be devised to let go of the animal's tail without sacrificing the vantage ground we hoped to secure because of our relations with the island growing out of the war with Spain. It has been announced that the Platt propositions as a whole have been rejected by the convention, although there is no objection to some of them. Governor Wood is still hopeful that the convention will yet come to terms and accept all, because many Cubans believe that this is the best thing and about the only thing they can do, for impoverished and exhausted by the war with Spain they are in no condition to enter into a contest with a powerful nation near by as the United States.

LIMIT THE ACREAGE

The President of the Southern Cotton Growers' Protection Association has made a call for meetings of the cotton growers in every county in the cotton belt for April 6th to take steps to limit the cotton acreage for the coming crop which he in common with many others deems absolutely necessary, if the cotton planters hope to be remunerated for the expense and labor of making the next crop. He predicts that with anything like a material increase of acreage, the next crop will not bring more than six cents a pound and every cotton grower knows what that means, for there are very few who can produce it for much less than that. Six cent cotton simply means a year of labor thrown away, with contracted debts that the farmer cannot pay.

THE TELLER'S RESOLUTION

The demands will be granted in some shape, however, because Cuba can't help it, but they will be granted with the same feeling that a waylaid victim surrenders his purse to an armed highwayman.

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It was the result of his splendid health. Indomitable will and tremendous energy are not found where Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and Bowels are out of order. If you want these qualities and the success they bring, use Dr. King's New Life Pills. They develop every power of brain and body. Only 25c at E. R. BELLAMY, drug store.

CASTORIA

THE KIND YOU HAVE ALWAYS DOUGHT OF

AN EXPLANATION THAT DOES NOT EXPLAIN.

More than ten years ago when the McKinley tariff was under discussion, and the point was made by its opponents that our manufacturers did not need the protection it provided, because they were then shipping manufactures to foreign markets in competition with manufacturers in other nations, and selling their goods for from 25 to 50 per cent less than they were demanding from home purchasers. This was admitted, for the documents—printed price currents—were produced to prove it, and it could not be denied, but it was "explained" on the ground that it was only the surplus or out of date goods that were thus sent and sold abroad, because the manufacturers were glad to get rid of them at any price.

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FOR CHILDREN

Nothing that comes in a bottle, is more important for children than Scott's emulsion of cod-liver oil. And "important" means that it keeps them in even health, on the highest plane of physical life.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE

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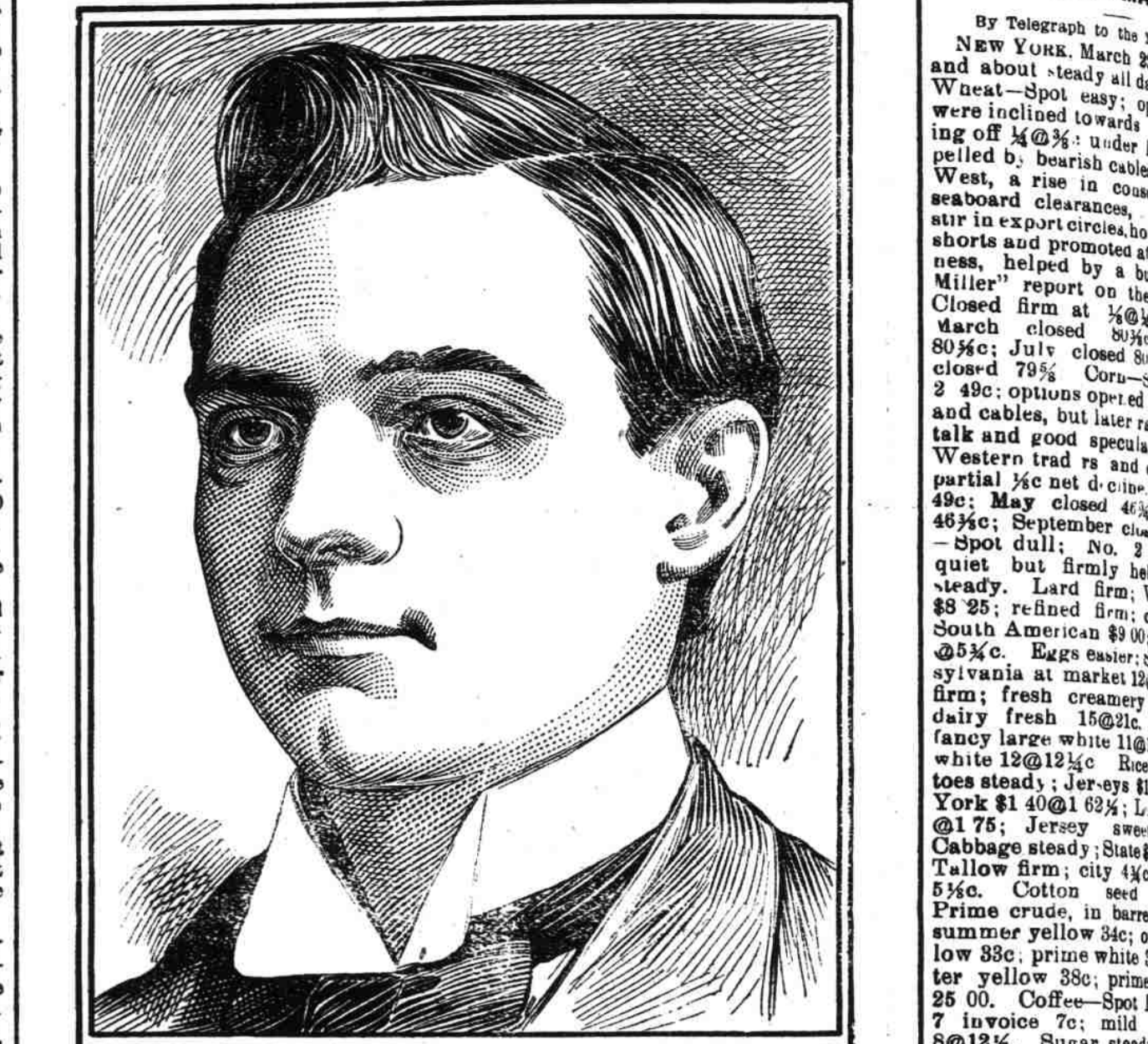
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CLERGY MINISTER TO THE SICK.

From Many Parsonages Come Words of Praise for Paine's Celery Compound.



More practical work and shorter doctrinal sermons distinguish the pulpit of to-day. Bishops and plain ministers of the gospel are putting tremendous energy into the cause of good government and public health. The injunction "Minister to the sick suffering" is being literally obeyed. Clergymen are investigating remedies as they have never done before, taking, then, themselves and family, frankly recommending the valuable ones and condemning the worthless. Rev. W. E. Aldridge of Birmingham, Ala., says he considers it his duty to let his people know about Paine's celery compound, as he speaks from personal knowledge. Heavy: Gentlemen—I had been afflicted for ten years with the what I thought to be heart disease, but having the physician examine me, I learned that I was almost dead with indigestion. They told me that they could give me medicine that would relieve me, but there was no permanent cure. Then I began using Paine's celery compound, which gave me immediate relief, and now I am well and enjoying good health. I can recommend Paine's celery compound to be the best remedy for all ailments I ever used, and furthermore, I tell my people if they will use the compound freely, they will have no more heart trouble. REV. W. E. ALDRIDGE, Clergymen in every denomination are recommending to their parishioners these March days the great spring remedy that makes people well, earnestly endorsing the work of Dartmouth College, a good physician, and frankly lending their influence to that of the best physicians—advising the use of Paine's celery compound now spring has come. As soon as one has fairly begun to use Paine's celery compound, every day a step toward assured health. Nervous, unhappy, and feeble persons find their flesh becomes more solid, a more healthy color takes the place of the waxy, sallow look, and there comes an increase in the volume of the blood and an improved normal appetite, because of this rapid feeding of the entire nervous system. Clerks, employers, lawyers, doctors, mothers of families, hard working men and women in every state and country, and hosts of others of every community—are to-day taking Paine's celery compound with the happiest results to relieve themselves of rheumatism, neuralgia, nervous exhaustion, dyspepsia, sleeplessness, and low spirits. Get rid of languor, clear the muddy, unhealthy skin, plump out the body, and get back to normal, vigorous condition with Paine's celery compound—and begin now. March is the month when it is easiest to begin health.

COMMERCIAL

WILMINGTON MARKET. (Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.) STAR OFFICE, March 22. SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady at 83 1/2¢ per gallon for domestic machine made casks and 83 cents per gallon for country casks. CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market quiet at \$1.10 per barrel for hard, \$1.07 for dip and for virgin. Quotations same for rest of year. Spirit turpentine, nothing doing; spirit nothing doing; tar steady at \$1.20; crude turpentine quiet at \$2.00 @ 85¢.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegram to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, March 22.—Rosen steady. Spirit turpentine easy at 87 3/4¢. BALTIMORE, March 22.—Spirit turpentine quiet at 87 1/2¢. Spirit turpentine quiet at 87 1/2¢. BALTIMORE, March 22.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 13 1/4¢; do, preferred 32 3/8¢. Bonds—4 7/8¢ @ 79 1/2¢.

COTTON MARKETS

By Telegram to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, March 22.—The cotton market, after opening at an advance of eleven and twenty points, finally improved a little. May sold up from 8 03 to 8 10; July from 8 05 to 8 09 and October from 7 39 to 7 42. The general market conditions are a net advance of twelve to twenty points. The improvement was largely based on an advance of four to nine points on futures at Liverpool. For a time the trade here had been looking for such a turn in the foreign market until many had become discouraged; so that the trade was hardly prepared for the uplift that Liverpool furnished. The response, however, was immediate. All classes of traders bought, chiefly the shorts, with New Orleans a leading factor. The buying included orders from the South for covering short contracts rather than on investment orders were generally of a better class than here for a long time past. During the forenoon, the bear contingent resorted to their hitherto profitable practice of selling out, but they failed to cause a reaction. Later the local shorts covered industriously. Local sentiment remained more bullish than bearish much depending on the fact that cables during the after part of the session, therefore, trading was of a conservative order.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegram to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, March 22.—Money on call steady at 3 1/2¢ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3 1/4¢ @ 4 1/4¢ per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 48 7/8¢ for demand and 48 1/2¢ for sixty days. Posted rates 48 1/2¢ and 48 1/4¢. Commercial bills 48 1/2¢ @ 48 1/4¢. Silver certificates 62 1/2¢ @ 63 Bar silver 60 1/2¢. Mexican dollars 49. Government bonds steady. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refunding 3 1/2¢ reg'd, 10 1/2¢ U. S. 4 1/2¢ reg'd, 10 1/2¢ U. S. 5 1/2% reg'd, 11 1/4¢ do, coupon, 11 1/4¢ U. S. 4 1/2% new reg'd, 10 1/2¢ U. S. 4 1/2% old reg'd, 11 1/2¢ do, coupon, 11 1/4¢ U. S. 5 1/2% new reg'd, 11 1/4¢ do, coupon, 11 1/4¢ Southern Ry 117. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio, 9 1/4¢; Chesapeake & Ohio 4 1/2¢; Manhattan L—; N. Y.

PRODUCE MARKETS

By Telegram to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, March 22.—Wheat—Spot easy; May 80 1/2¢; July 80 1/2¢; August 80 1/2¢; September 80 1/2¢; October 80 1/2¢; November 80 1/2¢; December 80 1/2¢. Corn—Spot steady; May 34 1/2¢; July 34 1/2¢; August 34 1/2¢; September 34 1/2¢; October 34 1/2¢; November 34 1/2¢; December 34 1/2¢. Cotton—Spot steady; March 5 1/4¢; April 5 1/4¢; May 5 1/4¢; June 5 1/4¢; July 5 1/4¢; August 5 1/4¢; September 5 1/4¢; October 5 1/4¢; November 5 1/4¢; December 5 1/4¢. Sugar—Spot steady; March 11 1/2¢; April 11 1/2¢; May 11 1/2¢; June 11 1/2¢; July 11 1/2¢; August 11 1/2¢; September 11 1/2¢; October 11 1/2¢; November 11 1/2¢; December 11 1/2¢. Coffee—Spot steady; March 22 1/2¢; April 22 1/2¢; May 22 1/2¢; June 22 1/2¢; July 22 1/2¢; August 22 1/2¢; September 22 1/2¢; October 22 1/2¢; November 22 1/2¢; December 22 1/2¢. Rice—Spot steady; March 10 1/2¢; April 10 1/2¢; May 10 1/2¢; June 10 1/2¢; July 10 1/2¢; August 10 1/2¢; September 10 1/2¢; October 10 1/2¢; November 10 1/2¢; December 10 1/2¢. Beans—Spot steady; March 15 1/2¢; April 15 1/2¢; May 15 1/2¢; June 15 1/2¢; July 15 1/2¢; August 15 1/2¢; September 15 1/2¢; October 15 1/2¢; November 15 1/2¢; December 15 1/2¢. Peas—Spot steady; March 12 1/2¢; April 12 1/2¢; May 12 1/2¢; June 12 1/2¢; July 12 1/2¢; August 12 1/2¢; September 12 1/2¢; October 12 1/2¢; November 12 1/2¢; December 12 1/2¢. Lentils—Spot steady; March 13 1/2¢; April 13 1/2¢; May 13 1/2¢; June 13 1/2¢; July 13 1/2¢; August 13 1/2¢; September 13 1/2¢; October 13 1/2¢; November 13 1/2¢; December 13 1/2¢. Oats—Spot steady; March 11 1/2¢; April 11 1/2¢; May 11 1/2¢; June 11 1/2¢; July 11 1/2¢; August 11 1/2¢; September 11 1/2¢; October 11 1/2¢; November 11 1/2¢; December 11 1/2¢. Barley—Spot steady; March 14 1/2¢; April 14 1/2¢; May 14 1/2¢; June 14 1/2¢; July 14 1/2¢; August 14 1/2¢; September 14 1/2¢; October 14 1/2¢; November 14 1/2¢; December 14 1/2¢. Potatoes—Spot steady; March 16 1/2¢; April 16 1/2¢; May 16 1/2¢; June 16 1/2¢; July 16 1/2¢; August 16 1/2¢; September 16 1/2¢; October 16 1/2¢; November 16 1/2¢; December 16 1/2¢. Apples—Spot steady; March 17 1/2¢; April 17 1/2¢; May 17 1/2¢; June 17 1/2¢; July 17 1/2¢; August 17 1/2¢; September 17 1/2¢; October 17 1/2¢; November 17 1/2¢; December 17 1/2¢. Pears—Spot steady; March 18 1/2¢; April 18 1/2¢; May 18 1/2¢; June 18 1/2¢; July 18 1/2¢; August 18 1/2¢; September 18 1/2¢; October 18 1/2¢; November 18 1/2¢; December 18 1/2¢. Oranges—Spot steady; March 19 1/2¢; April 19 1/2¢; May 19 1/2¢; June 19 1/2¢; July 19 1/2¢; August 19 1/2¢; September 19 1/2¢; October 19 1/2¢; November 19 1/2¢; December 19 1/2¢. Lemons—Spot steady; March 20 1/2¢; April 20 1/2¢; May 20 1/2¢; June 20 1/2¢; July 20 1/2¢; August 20 1/2¢; September 20 1/2¢; October 20 1/2¢; November 20 1/2¢; December 20 1/2¢. Raisins—Spot steady; March 21 1/2¢; April 21 1/2¢; May 21 1/2¢; June 21 1/2¢; July 21 1/2¢; August 21 1/2¢; September 21 1/2¢; October 21 1/2¢; November 21 1/2¢; December 21 1/2¢. Dates—Spot steady; March 22 1/2¢; April 22 1/2¢; May 22 1/2¢; June 22 1/2¢; July 22 1/2¢; August 22 1/2¢; September 22 1/2¢; October 22 1/2¢; November 22 1/2¢; December 22 1/2¢. Figs—Spot steady; March 23 1/2¢; April 23 1/2¢; May 23 1/2¢; June 23 1/2¢; July 23 1/2¢; August 23 1/2¢; September 23 1/2¢; October 23 1/2¢; November 23 1/2¢; December 23 1/2¢. Walnuts—Spot steady; March 24 1/2¢; April 24 1/2¢; May 24 1/2¢; June 24 1/2¢; July 24 1/2¢; August 24 1/2¢; September 24 1/2¢; October 24 1/2¢; November 24 1/2¢; December 24 1/2¢. Pecans—Spot steady; March 25 1/2¢; April 25 1/2¢; May 25 1/2¢; June 25 1/2¢; July 25 1/2¢; August 25 1/2¢; September 25 1/2¢; October 25 1/2¢; November 25 1/2¢; December 25 1/2¢. Almonds—Spot steady; March 26 1/2¢; April 26 1/2¢; May 26 1/2¢; June 26 1/2¢; July 26 1/2¢; August 26 1/2¢; September 26 1/2¢; October 26 1/2¢; November 26 1/2¢; December 26 1/2¢. Cashews—Spot steady