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THE LEGISLATURE OF 1901.

The legislature of 1901 will soon assemble in the capitol to grapple with the questions that are up for settlement. A large number of the citizens of this State are curious to know just what the oncoming general assembly will undertake to do, and just how much of it they will get accomplished. It would be profitless to try to forecast the actions of this rather remarkable body; and we shall not try our hand as a prophet at this time. For the honor of the State, we hope the legislature of the year 1901 may be more creditable than was that of 1899.

While we shall not venture any predictions as to what this Democratic legislature may do; we want to point out some things that they will be compelled to face whether they want to face them or not.

There will be the irrepressible conflict between the corporation wing and the anti corporation wing of the Democratic party. How these two factions are going to keep a peaceful house together does not appear to an ordinary observer. The fusionists in North Carolina will have whole "gobs" of fun, as they stand off and watch the displays of unity and beautiful brotherly kindness evinced between the followers of the News and Observer on the one hand, and the gallant cohorts of the Charlotte Observer on the other. It is known that those who—to use, in a slightly modified form Governor Russell's now famous saying—voted for Bryan and prayed for McKinley, do love the News and Observer faction for all the world just like a cat does hot soap; and we make no doubt at all that there will be enough of that peculiar sort of affection exhibited in the forthcoming session of the legislature to make the sixty days following the ninth of next month to be red letter days in the lives of all fun loving fusionists in this old State We congratulate you, one and all, old fusionist brethren, and advise you to get your buttons sown on tight

Then the question of providing such numerous and such efficient public common schools as will enable all the white people in the State to educate their children so that they can read any section in the Constitution by the year 1908 will have to be confronted, and will have to be settled. This is a most interesting question. Just what means will be used to settle it one does not know. Several ways have already been suggested, but no one of them seems to be quite satisfactory. For example. It has been said that a large and altogether adequate public, common school fund might be gotten into the Treasury by a tax upon the gross earnings of all the railroads within the State.

No doubt this might be done. And no doubt Democratic statesmen might be found who would make an affidavit, if required so to do, that such a tax upon gross earnings would be equitable, but it is not believed, to any considerable extent, that the railroad corporations now doing business within the State would be enabled to enjoy such a scheme of taxation very much. And, if numerous and efficient public common schools should be provided for by the next legislature in such a way as to be unenjoyable to the great carrying corporations of the State, they might not be willing to help the Democratic party to carry the State in the year 1902. Upon somewhat mature consideration, we do not think the gross earnings tax will be resorted to in the pending emergency.

The common public schools, so desirable in the immediate future, if no white child is to be allowed to be ignorant of the State's constitution after 1908, might be provided for by raising the valuation of property for taxation within the State. It is reported that quite a number of real good Democrats have lately sworn before Judge Shepherd that there is now, and has been for many years past, a uniform rule amongst assessors and list takers in North Carolina by which they have put down all property for taxation within the State at about two-thirds of its actual value. If this sworn testimony be true, or, if it be not true, the legislature might direct a large increase in the valuation of taxable property, and thus make sufficient provision for the public, common schools. Certainly, this might be done. And, maybe it ought to do done. But, if the next legislature should order this thing to be done; and, if their agents should take them at their word, and actually do this thing, it is believed that not even the magnificent counting powers of the Democratic party would save them from utter ruin in the election of 1902. We are not at all sanguine as to what the coming legislature will do; but we are fully pursuaded that they will not raise the valuation upon the taxable property of the State.

Our sanguine and rosey-minded son of the Old North State has pointed out in a recent issue of that most statesman like and altogether veracious and able journal, which has several times saved the State, that, practically, the State has no debt; that the State could sell her stock in the North Carolina Railroad for enough of cash in hand to pay her public debt; and that, therefore, the coming legislature can very well afford to issue bonds of the State, or sell her credit in the open market for enough of cash to endow the public common schools. This scheme is brilliant; it is even Napoleonic But, like several other brilliant schemes that have come into the politics of North Carolina, it has two or three things the matter with it. If we remember aright, and we think we do, about $3,000,000.00 of the State's debt, carrying a six per cent. rate of interest is not due until 1919 In nineteen years from this writing the State's stock in the North Carolina Railroad may not be worth half enough to pay the mortgage which now covers it over; and, if the bonds suggested should be issued to meet the current expenses of the common public schools of the State, it might end in another period of bankruptcy and disgraceful repudiation. No! This scheme of borrowing money for public education is brilliant—a worthy of the great journal that published it; but it is risky, and we think will not be adopted.

We think of only one other scheme that can be used to prepare all white children to read the constitution in 1908. And that scheme is, in all respects, worthy of the great Democratic party in North Carolina. It was announced on the stump in the campaign preceding the election in August last by one of the Democratic speakers. It was to the effect, that the first Democratic legislature after the ratification of the suffrage amendment then pending would pass a law dividing the public common school fund, in such way, as to give the negroes only the public school money paid into the State Treasury by them, and turn over the money paid by the white people, to be used alone for the education of the white children of the State. It may be that this plan will be adopted by the next legislature. We cannot tell.

We could suggest several things to the legislature soon to meet in Raleigh. But we have not been specially asked to make suggestions to that body, and we forbear; premising only that if the measures taken shall be wise, and fair, and patriotic we shall be glad to give them our approval without hesitation or reservation of any sort soever.

The much talked of libel case against the Sampson County Populists, which came up for trial at Kenansville, at the Duplin Superior Court ended quite tamely, and was no doubt, disappointing to the public Not that the public was anxious for the prosecution, but because the public was anxious for the facts which would have been made public by a full investigation at the trial. This prosecution was brought against the Sampson County Populists for exposing the election methods in the August election, through the columns of THE CAUCASIAN, and of course, a write up of the fraud, force and intimidation which characterized that election, was necessarily libellous As it always takes strong and forcible language to expose crime, and while this write up by the Sampson County Populists, was in strong language, yet an investigation would have easily vindicated them, for the truth is always a valid defense and ample justification. THE CAUCASIAN regrets that the case came to such an untimely ending.

Since the prosecution had chosen to bring the suit, and had taken the defendants with at least one hundred and seventy-five witnesses to a county where none of the parties or their witnesses reside, and since all that mass of evidence as to election frauds in North Carolina was on the verge of being made public. We repeat that the CAUCASIAN as well as all other lovers of truth and honesty in North Carolina are somewhat disappointed that this notable case should have closed before the evidence was given to the public. It would have made interesting reading and served to enlighten the world on the ample methods of force fraud and theft of ballots resorted to by the Democratic machine in North Carolina to carry the August election. We are not surprised that the prosecution plead for a continuance of the case when it came up for trial, they were no doubt advised to that course, and the fact that the suit is now ended and finally disposed of, will no doubt give relief to some of the beneficiaries of that election.

Notwithstanding that Chicago hasn't a very enviable name, there is one man in it who is doing a great deal of good; but, strange to say, he is against free advertising. He has authorized the police to draw on him from week to week for a large amount of money to relieve the deserving poor people in that city; but says that if his name is divulged, he will stop the allowance at once.

We are in receipt of a copy of the Southern Labor Union, a new paper published in this city. It is published by the Union Publishing Co. Mr. W. C. Terry is business manager. Labor is well organized in the State, and as its representative the paper should meet with success.

NEGRO LYNCHED IN INDIANA.

A Mob Batters in Jail Doors and Drags Victim Out to Die.

Booneville, Ind., Dec. 17.—John Rolla, the third of the colored men implicated in the murder of Hollie Simons was hung to a tree in the court house yard by a mob of about 100 men from Rockport this evening. Two of his companions were lynched at Rockport last night for the same crime

Not a shot was fired and everything was conducted as quietly as if the execution had been one under the sanction of the law.

Rolla was brought to this place this afternoon about 3 o'clock in charge of Sheriff Anderson, of Rockport. Upon his arrival he was placed in a cell on the second floor of the jail and his presence was known only to a few citizens

A few minutes after 6 o'clock a body of 100 men marched through the principal street to the jail and demanded that the prisoner be turned over to them. Deputy Sheriff Raymond Cherry was in charge of the jail He declined to give up the keys and the mob at once began to batter in the wall of the jail with a telegraph pole Six members of the mob crawled through the hole, and with sledge hammers broke down the door of Rolla's cell, and soon the thoroughly terrified negro was in the hands of the men, who placed a rope around his neck All left, crawling again through the hole by which they had entered, dragging the negro after them

A few minutes was consumed in the march to the court house yard, the rope was thrown over the limb of a tree and a hundred hands sent his body flying into the air. The loose end of the rope was tied to a tree, and as soon as the mob was sure its work had been completed it left in as orderly a manner as it had entered the town.

None of the mob wore masks and the men apparently from every station in life, took part in the lynching Except for the excited groups of men standing on the street corners, a stranger would have known nothing of the tragedy that had just been enacted.

THE MAN FROM HAWAII SWORN IN.

Protest Against Seating Him in Congress Not Effective.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Robert W. Wilcox was sworn in today as delegate in Congress from Hawaii. The protect against the seating of Wilcox, lodged with the Committee on Elections No. 1, was not effective. Chairman Taylor said today that it charged only in general terms that the election in Hawaii was invalid, but presented no specifications. No protest was made on the count of alleged bigamy committed by Wilcox in marrying his present wife.

Mr. Wilcox says that before the date of the present marriage he was notified by the Italian consul at Honolulu and by the archbishop of the Catholic Church that a divorce had been granted by the courts of Italy to his first wife, a native of that country. She did not appear before the committee, as it had been reported she would do. Chairman Taylor said that it would have made no difference; that a controversy over the regularity or validity of divorce proceedings could not be made sufficient grounds for refusing to seat a man.

SQUEEZED HER MOTHER TO DEATH.

Girl Burning to Death Throws her Arms Around Her Mother.

News was received here Saturday of the horrible death of the wife and daughter of Allen Fuller, near Fayetteville. His daughter discovered an outhouse on fire and ran to put it out, and in doing so her clothing caught fire. Her mother, attracted by her screams, ran to the aid of the young woman, who was in a mass of flames. She then threw her arms around her mother in her death agony, and despite the furious struggles of the old woman, literally squeezed her to death

The doctor says the mother was killed before she was hurt by the flames.

MATTIE HOLLAND MARRIES.

She is the Young Lady Who Recently Eloped With a Crazy Young Man.

Special to Atlanta Constitution.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 15th.—Miss Mattie E. Holland, a pretty Suffolk girl, whose former lover is said to have gone crazy because she refused to marry him after eloping to North Carolina some months ago, wedded Eddie C. Small last night. Miss Holland's parents objected to her now demented suitor, but under persuasion she agreed to fly with him. The young man, temporarily elated, got almost drunk and the girl changed her mind, passed the night with a friend, and returned home next day.

Atlanta's Mayor Locked up on a Charge of Being Drunk.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 17.—Mayor Jas. G. Wooward, of this city, has been arrested and locked up in the police barracks tonight, on the charge of being drunk Some time ago, for the same cause, the city council and board of aldermen threatened impeachment proceedings against Mayor Woodward, but, upon promises that he would abstain from further intoxication, no action was taken.

The mayor tendered his resignation to the body and it was placed in the hands of councilman Rawson, who holds it, on condition that if the mayor becomes intoxicated it shall be tendered for acceptance. The registration was submitted this afternoon at a meeting of that body, but action was postponed until Friday.

Hog Had Regular Jury Trial.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 14.—City Attorney Walter H. Taylor, assisted by John G. Tilton, today failed to convict a dog, owned by Mrs. Ella D Winn, a prominent society woman, of the crime of being vicious, for which the canine had been sentenced to death.

The animal was released on good behavior, after being confined at the police station for some time, and promptly bit a man. This reopened the case in the Corporation Court hearing more to the argument of Walcott, Walcott & Gage, a prominent firm of attorneys, who appeared as counsel for the dog, than to that of the city attorney, and the dog goes free.

Twenty-one hundred telegraph operators on the Santa Fe system struck. They were paid off and discharged and their places supplied with others. There was no question of compromise or agreement.

BRITISH DEFEATED AGAIN.

Another Detachment of British Soldiers Captured by the Boers

Allwal, North Cape Colony Dec. 17.—A party of Brabant's Horse, consisting mainly of recruits, engaged a force of Boers Dec. 13, near Zastron, Orange Free State, losing four killed 16 wounded and 120 taken prisoners. The English say the Boer force was superior in number.

London, Dec. 17.—General Kitchener, in a dispatch received by the War Office confirms the Associated Press dispatches from Allwal North, Cape Colony, of last night, announcing the capture by the Boers of a detachment of Brabant's Horse, December 13th, near Zastron, Orange River Colony, and says 107 men were made prisoners on that occasion.

Masern, Dec. 16 —Dewet's force was twice repulsed before it broke through the British lines in the neighborhood of Thabanchu In the third attack Dewet led in prison. With a few determined men he charged and broke the British lines, the rest of the commando following. He was forced, however, to leave in the hands of the British a fifteen pounder and fifteen wagons with ammunition and stores.

A Threatening Condition.

Vineland, N. J., Independent.]

Strange things have happened when the toiling millions became maddened by poverty and misery. Conditions in France during the closing years of the last century were not materially different from those existing in America today. It was a greedy and impudent aristocracy against a patient, long-suffering people, and when the latter could endure their privations no longer the former went to the wall and there was little left of the once proud and aristocratic France, The curse of greed and thirst for power blinds men to danger and drives them to their doom. There is a half century of hard word behind me; one half of this time has been spent in trying to convince the American people of the existing danger of this Republic being wrecked by the systems of government dictated by the money power. I am not inciting a revolution, or fostering a spirit of unrest, as has been charged; I am simply calling the attention of the capitalists of this country to the law of cause and effect, that they may stand from under the avalanche. I have no desire to see an upheaval of the fires of hell, or to inspire a reign of terror. Nor do I want to see the men who toil become so poor that they are unable to fish a nickel out of their trousers pocket to buy a paper. Just so sure as death and taxes, there's trouble ahead for the millionaire, and unless the pressure is relieved, the oppressed are liable to do what they ought not to do.

When coal miners dig in their dusky caverns for 60 to 70 cents per day, and are employed only about half the time; when skilled factory operatives receive only 50 to 60 cents; when experienced clerks can be hired for $5 a week; when farmers must put their wives and daughters in the field because unable to hire help; when there are a million men unable to find employment at any price, relief must come if we would keep the smell of sulphur out of the atmosphere. "God help the rich; the poor can beg!"

GRAND JURY FOUND TRUE BILLS AGAINST W. F. MOODY.

For Refusing to Allow Voters to Register For August and November Elections.

Special to Raleigh Times.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 18.—District court grand jury today found a true bill against W. F. Moody, who is president of two leading Democratic clubs here, and has been recently appointed principal clerk in the State Treasurer's office. There are five or six counts in the indictments, all of which alleges that Moody as registrar in Ward No. 1, refused to allow negroes to register for August and November elections.

The Western Insane Asylum.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Western State Hospital for the Insane, at Morganton, last week, Dr. R. L. Murphy, superintendent, read a report which reveals some interestsng facts. The institution was built to accommodate only 400 patients, while it has now within its walls 745. Hundreds of applications are on file for admittance of patients. The new building, which is now being erected on the west side of the hospital. can accommodate but 300 more, and that cannot possibly be finished before next winter.

The report of Mr. Murphy showed that while the hospital as it stands cost the State $350,000, it can be duplicated, without the administration building, and give accommodation for 400 more patients, for $150,000, less than one-half the cost of the present building.

THE CAUCASIAN, following its custom, will give holiday to its printers next week; therefore, no issue will appear on Thursday, Dec. 27th.

If you wish to start the New Year aright, send in your subscription to THE CAUCASIAN by January 1st.

There are extensive beds of mica in the western portion of the state. Mica mining showed an increase in 1899, there being fifty-three mines. What was pronounced to be the finest deposit of magnetic iron ore in the southern states exists in Ashe county, and in November, 1899, a tract of 10,000 acres was leased by two Pennsylvania steel companies, and railroad extensions to the seat of operations were ordered.

The State Auditor reports the assessed value of property of whites in North Carolina at $242,000,000 and property of negroes at $9,500,000. The latter shows an increase of half a million in the year.

The Mormans held their annual conference in Goldsboro yesterday.

The U. S. Census Report of Catarrh

COMPILED BY THE GREATEST LIVING AUTHORITY ON CATARRHAL DISEASES.

MRS. BELVA A. LOCKWOOD.

Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood, late candidate for the Presidency, writes: "I have used your Peruna and I find it an invaluable remedy for cold, catarrh and kindred diseases; also a good tonic for feeble and old people, or those run down and with nerves unstrung. I desire, also, to say that it has no evil effects." Mrs. Lockwood's residence is Washington, D. C.

CONGRESSMAN CUMMINGS, OF NEW YORK CITY.

Hon. Amos J. Cummings, of New York, says: "Peruna is good for catarrh. I have tried it and know it. It relieved me immensely on my trip to Cuba, and I always have a bottle in reserve. Since my return I have not suffered from catarrh, but if I do I shall use Peruna again. Meantime you might send me another bottle."

GENERAL JOE WHEELER.

Major General Joseph Wheeler, commanding the cavalry forces in front of Santiago, and the author of "The Santiago Campaign," is speaking of the great catarrh remedy, Peruna, says: "I join with Senators Sullivan, Roach and McEnery in their good opinion of Peruna. It is recommended to me by those who have used it as an excellent tonic and particularly effective as a cure for catarrh."

Catarrh has already become a national curse. Its ravages extend from ocean to ocean. More than one-half of the people are affected by it. Catarrh is a systemic disease. Peruna is a systemic remedy. Peruna cures catarrh by removing the cause. Address The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, O., for free book.

OVER TEN MILLIONS.

Government's Estimate of the Cotton Crop of the United States.

Washington. Dec. 19—The Statistician of the Agricultural Department reports 10,100,000 bales as the probable cotton production of the United States for 1900-1901. In the making of this estimate, the same methods and agencies have been used that were employed last year. Many thousands of ginners, however, made reports for the first time. The estimated yield, in pounds of lint cotton per acre, is as follows:

Virginia 180; North Carolina 199; South Carolina 167; Georgia 172; Florida 133; Alabama 151; Mississippi 159; Louisiana 234; Texas 26; Arkansas 223; Tennessee 177; Missouri 275; Oklahoma 318; Indian Territory, 289.

The acreage, after eliminating all land from which no crop whatever will be gathered, is estimated at 25,034,734.

Pretty Woman Sentenced to Jail.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 14 —The police justice of Richmond today sentenced Annie Wyatt, a refined looking young woman to serve 3 months in jail for the larceny of $500 worth of goods from the store of Julius Myers & Sons where she had been employed several years. Her sweetheart stood by her in her trouble and begged the judge to make her sentence a fine, saying he would pay it and marry her.

Texas a Great State.

The census returns not only show that Texas is by far the largest state of the Union being large enough to have a great empire of its own within its borders, but is one of the most peculiar ones also For example, the returns show Baily county has but four residents, Cockran has twenty-five, Andrews has thirty-seven, Lynn seventeen and Dawson thirty-six. Twenty-five other counties have a population of less than five hundred. Some counties have no running streams within their boundaries, some are hundreds of miles from any railroad, and others are almost wholly inhabited by prarrie dogs, jack rabbits and rattlesneaks. Tom Green county, the largest in the State, is larger than the whole State of Ohio and has 6,804 inhabitants.

Divorces in Canada.

An Ottawa, Ont., dispatch says that during the last year only 17 divorces were granted in the Dominion of Canada.

In the thirty-two years since confederation there have been granted by Parliament and the courts 271 divorces in the whole Dominion of Canada. In Ontario, population 2,114,321, there have been granted 45 divorces; in Quebec, population 1,488,335, 16 divorces; in Manitoba, population 152,500, 1 divorce; in Nova Scotia, population 450,000, 91 divorces; in New Brunswick, population 321,3000, 73 divorces; in British Columbia, population 80,200, 43 divorces.

There has not been a divorce in Prince Edward Island, population 100,000, in thirty years.

Two Thousand Telegraph Operators go on a Strike.

Chicago, Dec. 8th.—Two thousand telegraph operators on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe went out on a strike at 4:20 this afternoon. The lines are all inactive from Chicago almost to Los Angeles, it is said. This is reported to mean a big tie up of all kinds of traffic.

Old subscribers who pay up back dues and send in money for renewal to the CAUCASIAN we will send them Turner's North Carolina Almanac for the year 1901 free, providing the subscription is sent in before January 1st 1901.

The price of Turner's North Carolina Almanac is ten cents, but we will send it to you free if you will send us a new subscription or if you are behind with your subscription and pay up back dues and renew we will send you the Almanac free.

Wife Beaters Organize.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Special to Philadelphia North American.

A secret society, "The Home Makers," which has a large membership in the mining districts of the State, advocates wife-beating.

The purpose of the organization is to provide and maintain pleasant homes for its members and those dependent upon them, and as gossipy, careless wives and mothers are held by them to be the cause of a majority of the unhappy, ill-kept homes and neglected children, the society believes its members have a right to use every possible means to see that their homes are not neglected.

A member who corrects his wife by beating must do so only after all other means to induce her to do her duty have failed.

The society pays for the defense of its members when arrested for wife-beating, and in case of conviction pays the fine.

Porto Ricans Refuse to go to Hawaii.

San Francisco, Dec. 15.—Of 130 Porto Ricans brought across the continent to take shop for Hawaii to work on the island's sugar plantations, only seventy sailed on the steamer late yesterday afternoon. The remainder rebelled at Port Costa and refused to go on a small steamer to take them to the Rio Other malcontents went on the steamer, but when they came to the big ocean liner their courage failed them and they declined to go further, declaring they would stay in Sanfrancisco. What the Porto Ricans will do here is uncertain, as they will have difficulty in finding work.

A Familiar Calendar.

The 1901 edition of the Columbia desk calendar is being distributed by the American Bicycle Co., Columbia Sales Department, Hartford, Conn. It will be sent to any address upon receipt of five 2-cent stamps. This unique and useful compilation has been issued annually for the last sixteen years and it has come to be regarded as an indispensable article in many business offices and homes.

Express Messenger Gets $5,000 Worth of Diamonds.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 14.—Five thousand dollars' worth of unset diamonds, the property of the jewelery firm of Scribner & Loehr, were stolen from the Adams Express Company, about a month ago. They were not discovered until a few days ago Detective Doran has arrested Rosco Hoffman on a charge of grand larceny He is charged with having stolen the diamonds, and he admitted having taken them.

Ten Million Bales.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The Agricultural Department's cotton report today estimates the crop at 10,000,000 bales, and the acreage at 25½ millions.

Highest in the World.

London, Dec. 14.—A dispatch to the Times from Rangoon says that the Pennsylvania Steel Company has successfully completed the Gokteik Viaduct in the Shan Hill, the highest railway bridge in the world.

FIRE IN A SCHOOL.

Three Girls and the Janitor Supposed to Have Perished.

Fredonia, N. Y., Dec. 14.—Fire was discovered early this morning in the room of Phineas Morris, janitor of the Fredonia State Normal School, and before it could be stopped the building with its contents was destroyed, entailing a loss of $400,000. Before the fire was discovered it had attained such a headway that it could not be stopped.

The two spiral stair cases formed a flue up which the fire leaped quickly to the third floor where slept 75 women teachers and students. The ringing of the alarm bell on the building aroused them and when they rushed into the hall they found their escape cut off, so in their night robes they were taken down the ladders and fire escapes. All escaped except three.

The janitor perished in his room in the basement.

His Hair Sprouted by Electricity.

A Cleveland, Ohio paper says: "Bald-headed men need despair no longer. Timothy J. Mulchay, an engineer in a Cleveland tannery, has at last discovered a remedy that grows hair on bald heads. For several years he was in the front-seat theatre class, but now he has a fine head of hair. A few weeks ago Mulchay's hair began to grow. At first a tiny fuzz came out and it was not long before a well-developed head of hair was in evidence.

Mulchay asked a doctor to explain the new growth. The physician asked him what he had been doing. He said he had been working under a belt. He was told his hair had been sprouted by electricity.

Cannot Interfere in Porto Rico's Claims Against Cuba.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The State Department has rendered an opinion to the effect that the United States government cannot intervene in favor of Porto Rico in the matter of her claims against Cuba for $2,500,000. The Spanish government raised a loan to this amount from the Porto Ricans, to help prosecute military operations in Cuba, basing the loan upon the revenues of the latter island.

In substance the decision of the United States government is to the effect that leaving aside the question of equity in this case to sanction the collection of this claim against Cuba now would be to open the door to numberless other and larger claims which would exhaust the financial resources of the island.

Five Bids for the Removal of the Maine.

Havada, Dec. 15 —Captain of the Port Young has received five bids for the removal of the wreck of the United States warship Maine. The bids have not been made public, but the removal of the wreck is assured.

Orders have been received at the recruiting office at Greensboro to enlist recruits for Cuba and Porto Rico.

The howl of the full dinner pail voter is now heard in the land. The Ohio steel trust has reduced wages 33 per cent.—Southern Mercury.

Chronic Diseases

It is on this class of diseases that sufferers experiment, and not only the sufferers themselves but doctors as well. All sorts of drugs and patent medicines and "family remedies" are tried; medical "Institutes" and "Companies" are resorted to but the condition becomes worse rather than better.

It is the nature of the disease itself, together with all its complications, which must be studied before any system of treatment can be prescribed. It is an individual personal treatment which is needed in every chronic case, whether it be Loss of Manly Vigor, Varicocele, Stricture, Blood Poisoning, or any form of Genital or Urinary Complaint It is such treatment that Dr. Hathaway gives his patients, and such treatment only.

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