

Congress has declared that the people of Cuba are, and of right ought to be, free and independent; that the United States have no disposition, or intention, to exercise sovereignty, jurisdiction or control over the island, and that the government of Cuba must be left exclusively to its inhabitants.

The Federal Supreme Court in deciding finally the Neely extradition case took occasion to refer to Cuba as a foreign country and one competent, accordingly, to exercise all the attributes of sovereignty toward the United States.

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The carefully arranged programme of intervention suggests at first glance the existence from the very outset of a deliberate purpose in official circles to prevent the realization of the terms of the Teller resolution.

Such is the ambitious and comprehensive schedule of duties which the Executive has been impelled to arrange for Federal performance in Cuba. The bars are down, the coordinate branches of the Government are complaisant, the military arm of the nation has been strengthened vastly and opportunely, and there is substantially nothing but the Constitution, the laws and a decent respect for the opinions of mankind to prevent or mitigate any series of assaults upon Cuban rights or autonomy which the proponents of Imperialism might initiate or undertake.

The New York Legislature has before it a measure proposing a tax of one per cent. on the surplus of savings banks—a novelty in tax legislation which seems destined to encounter strong opposition.

Cataract Cannot be Cured with local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Cataract is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Cataract Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces.

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National Capital Matters. From Our Regular Correspondent. WASHINGTON, Feb. 12, 1901. The latest scheme of the Republican leaders is to take advantage of the popularity of the Nicaragua Canal project to push the Ship Subsidy bill through the Senate—they have only to issue orders to have anything put through the House at short notice.

The scheme provides for combining the two by accepting the amendment to the Subsidy bill, offered by Senator Clay, of Ga., providing for the construction by this government of the Nicaragua Canal, and then to inform the democratic Senators that unless they vote for the two in one the Nicaragua Canal project will not be legislated upon at all.

Senator Teller made a short but vigorous speech just before the Senate adopted a resolution calling on the Secretary of War for a statement of the facts in the case of G. T. Rice, the American editor who was banished from the Philippines for commenting upon the rules and regulations concerning pilots and pilotage, as enforced at Manila.

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Representative Griggs, of Ga., made the Post Office appropriation bill the text for a speech full of common sense against the tendency on the part of Congress to increase the salaries of Federal employees.

Among those nominated to be brigadier generals in the regular army were two captains—J. Franklin Bell, now serving in the Philippines as a brigadier general of volunteers, whose promotion jumped him over 1,032 officers and Leonard Wood, now serving as a major general of volunteers and military governor of Cuba, whose promotion jumped him over 507 officers.

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Legally Married to Two Men. The court of cassation in Athens, Greece, will shortly have to deal with a case that has raised great interest in Athenian society. Some years ago a young man of that city married a girl of rich family, whose dowry of \$2,400 he squandered, as well as \$12,000 which she inherited.

A Handsome Gift. The City School Committee of Wilmington, on Thursday made public the fact that the trustees of the Hemenway estate, at Boston, had donated for the exclusive use and benefit of the education of the white race the fine Tileston High School property there.

Walked 25 Miles in His Sleep. Sound asleep, Kenneth Hughes, a student of the Lake Forest Academy, made his way Monday night from his room at the academy to his country home, near Loon Lake, Ill., 25 miles distant.

Club for Divorced Women. Thirty-eight advanced women have established a club in Berlin, Germany, for divorced wives. The first evening was spent in a discussion of objects to pursue.

Firemen Elect Officers. Goldsboro Fire Company No. 1, at their recent annual meeting elected the following officers: Lionel Weil, foreman; J. W. Gulick, Jr., assistant foreman; Herbert Weil, captain of the Hook and Ladder Company.

A Convincing Answer. "I hobbled into Mr. Blackman's drug store one evening," says Wesley Nelson, of Hamilton, Ga., "and he asked me to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism with which I had suffered for a long time. I told him I had no faith in any medicine as they all failed. He said: 'Well if Chamberlain's Pain Balm does not help you, you need not pay for it. I took a bottle of it home and used it according to the directions and in one week I was cured, and have not since been troubled with rheumatism.'"

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A Valuable Seed Book. Messrs. T. W. Wood & Sons, Seedsmen, Richmond, Va., send us copy of their new catalogue of seeds for the farm and garden. This firm has established for itself a high reputation throughout the South, which will be enhanced by the fact that it has been honored by the award of a gold medal at the Paris Exposition, recently closed.

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A person must have lost all confidence in his fellowmen who can read the following letter and not be convinced of the great benefit Paine's celery compound has done, is doing, and will continue to do for sick and nervous people wherever it finds them. When a sick man or woman finds that he or she has taken a remedy that has actually done for him or her all that is claimed for it—it can be safely predicted what will follow. Every acquaintance, sick or well, will be told about it.

Gen. Rodriguez has written down his experience in the hope of helping others who may be so afflicted. The General is to-day connected with the civil government of Havana. During the struggle for Cuban independence he rose from the ranks to the grade of brigadier-general, and in 1896 won a decisive victory over Gen. Campos.

Gen. Rodriguez was a very sick man. He was as near nervous prostration as one can be and live. After five years' suffering his first good night's sleep came immediately upon his taking Paine's celery compound. His letter reads:—"Dear Sirs: For five years I had not had a good night's rest. I had a serious case of nervous prostration, my strength seemed to be leaving me, and I felt tired and weak all the time. My blood was impure and I suffered from pains in the back, constipation, and an inactive liver. I had no appetite and no ambition. I was constantly consulting physicians, and it seemed as though I was nearly ready to die. Providence sent me a bottle of Paine's celery compound, and this great remedy cured me of all the irritable symptoms with which I was afflicted. I can frankly and sincerely say that had it not been for Paine's celery compound, I would to-day be either in the cemetery or in the insane asylum. Among the many prominent people who testify to the virtues of Paine's celery compound are Santiago Rodriguez, M. D.; J. M. Bracho, Edwardo de la Torre, Porfirio Masvidal, E. F. Gato, O. E. Pineda, Pedro Herrera y Hermanos A. Rincon, Andres Angulo, Aurelio de Varona Quesada. Very truly yours,

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