DAY OF FREEDOM DAWNS FOR CUBA Senator Pritchard's Talk Being established throughout the state, which has necessarily resulted in an in-

Government Now in the Hands of Palma -- American Occupation at an End

upation is at an end. President inaugurated in the palace at and with his inauguration was formally launched.

a document, as president of the republic, after an exchange of distions, and the veteran General scended to the roof of the pal- April, 1902. he was accorded a great

Wood personally lowered the colors, which were saluted, his own hands hoisted the hig, as an act of the United General Gomez assisting. Gens steamed out of the harbor. time the transfer took place mel over his authority to his approved March 2, 1901. ressor and sailed away with nean cavalry, which had been there. The actual transfer sland was scheduled to oct ir noon. Havana time, which is Washington time, but those intited to witness the ceremony were reested to be at the palace at 11:30. Gen. Wood, was as follows: Ther included, besides the American and the members of President-Palma's cabinet, the members of Supreme count judges, the ternors of the provinces, the officers existing warships, the foreign con-

ness the ceremony began to rriages through a street kept All the naval officers in full uniform, resplen- an end. braid and plumed chapeaux. waistcoats and silk hats. They formed a distinguished looking as-sublage as they gathered in the audi-

ones and the members of the new They were escorted by the rannized Cuban artillery, war and political and civic organiza-The procession went to Central hence down Obispo street to the At every step cheer after cheer the president-elect, and time and again his carriage was stopped populace who surrounded the n an effort to shake the hand the new head of the government. The arms of enthusiasm was reached when the party arrived in front of the Here the crowds went frantic. flags were flung in the air, and fairly shook with the

proclaim the constitution and the amendments contained in the apends, and to undertake all obligations by the United States, with respect to Cuba, by the treaty of Paris.

General Wood Speaks,

Governor General Wood said in part: To the President and Congress of the Republic V Cuba:

direction of the resident of the United States I now ansfer to you as the duly elected the provisions of the constitution of the of Cuba, heretofore adopted by constitutional convention and this promulgated; and I hereby declare ipation of Cuba by the United sland to be ended.

This transfer of government and conis fipon the express condition, and covernment of the United States horribly mutilated. understand, that by the acceptance hereof you do now, pursuant to the provisions of the said constitution, assome and undertake, all and several, the obligations assumed by the United States with respect to Cuba by the treaty between the United States of America and her majesty the Queen Regent of

public civil funds received from the recovered. ferences of Cuba transferred to you this day, are transferred subject to such claims and obligations properly payable out of the revenues of the island as may temain. The sum of \$100,000 has been

to prevent a recurrence of epidemic and ginson commanding. ous diseases, to which the goverament of the United States understand that the provision of the constitution contained in the fifth article of the appendix applies, are as follows: "I. A plan for the paving and sewer-

of the district of .antiago, and approved treatment,

by the military government, providing for taking water from the wells of San Juan canon and pumping the same to reservoirs located on the heights to the

'3. A plan for sewering of the city of Santiago de Cuba, a contract for which was awarded to Michael J. Dady & Co., by the military governor of Cuba, and now under construction.

"4. The rules and regulations estab-May 20.-Cuba is now an lished by the President of the United dent republic and American mili- States on the 17th of January, 1899, for the appropriation of seventy thousand republic in the western hemi- vana, Matanzas, Cienfugos and Santiago de Cuba, and thereafter at other points tion at the meetings of the committee l'alma attached his signa- of the island, as extended and amended attended by Senator Simmons. He was and made applicable to future conditions, unable to be present at the last meetby the order of the military governor,

> "5. The sanitary rules and regulations in force in the city of Havana stored to the status given it in the (and in any other city having official House.

"It is understood by the United States his staff and the American Pines will continue as a defacto govbarked immediately after the ernment pending the settlement of the the Cuban flag and the Amer- title of the said island by treaty pursuant to the Cuban constitution and the na, General Whiteside, at San- act of Congress of the United States,

"I am further charged by the President to deliver to you the letter which I now hand you."

President Reosevolt's Letter The President's letter, submitted by

White House, Washington, May 10, 1902. To the President and Congress of the Republic of Cuba:

"Sirs-On May 20 the military gov-William Jennings Bryans the other ernor of Cuba will, by my direction, American statesmen, several of transfer to you the control and govern-contributing to many of the states the case. Exof the United States to hold the islands of Cohe to be who have achieved great success, and ment of the Island of Cuba, to be who have achieved great success, and Judge T. B. Womack, who represents of the United States to hold the islands other attempts to crush Filipino indethenceforth exercised under the pro- I am proud to say that New York has Astor Chanler, and a few other visions of the constitution adopted by within her borders North Carolinians the Governor, was on hand, but the atfore 11:30 o'clock those who that day promulgated; and he will to the disasters of the late civil war printed in the case, and until then the

and generally wore black frock press to you the sincere friendship and our most earnest hopes for the stability and success of your government, for supanying the president-elect on the blessings of peace, justice, prosdrive to the palace were General perity and ordered freedom among your people, and for enduring friendship between the republic of the United States and the republic of Cuba."

THEODORE ROOSEVELT, President of the United States.

Palma to Hoosevelt

Washington, May 20.-The following cablegram from President Palma was by President Roosevelt this

afternoon: The government of the island having been just transferred, I. as the chief magistrate of the republic, faithfully interpreting the sentiments of the people of Cuba, have the honor to send you cies have been inaugurated by those The ceremony itself was brief and and the American people the testimony of our profound gratitude and the assur- Our people are beginning to appreciate the fact that in order to secure submisches and prayers to the Almighty for the war department to immemisches and prosperity of the United must diversify our industries, and as a

BODIES RECOVERED

One Hundred Taken from the Fraterville Coal Mines

Coal Creek, Tenn., May 20 .- Superintendent Camp, of the Fraterville Monument Erected to the Col. John P. Thomas of Columbia, S. mine, where the explosion occurred of the people of-Cuba Monday, says he has check tags for 179 and control of the island, contract miners who were at work at the he'd and exercised by you, under the time of the explosion, and with the laborers and boys those in the mine will reach 250.

Rescue parties are at work. Almost 100 bodies have been taken from the he military government of mine. It will require days to secure all the bodies, and some of them may never be found. Some of those recovered are

LIGHT LIVES LOST

Cincinnati, May 20 .- At Lewisburg, Spain, signed at Paris on the 10th day near Covington, Ky., a water spout to-"All money obligations of the military occupants. The debris demolished other overnment down to this date have houses in its course. Eight lives are rebeen paid as far as practicable. The ported lost and two bodies have been

> Arrival of the Gaulois Washington, May 20 .- The Navy Department was informed today that the

reserved from the transfer of funds to French war ship Gaulois, bearing mem- sion was headed by the Mt. Holly band, defray anticipated expenses of account- bers of the French mission to the un- followed by five companies of militia. ing exporting and winding up the af- veiling of the Rochambeau statue. Next came the C. M. I. cadets, comfairs of the military government, after passed in the Chesapeake capes at 7 which any unexpended balance of said o'clock this morning and at once prosom will be paid into the treasury of ceeded to Annapolis. She is accom- ed guests and others. Among those in panied by the Kearsarge, Olympia and the carriages were Mrs. Wm. E. Shipp, The plans already devised for the Alabama of the North Atlantic squad- Fabius H. Busbee, Capt. W. F. For-

Chaplain Milburn Hurt

Washington, May 20 .- Just as Rev. W. H. Milburn, the blind chaplain of the Senate, was entering the capitol in the south of the monument, the militia suring of the city of Havana, for which Senate side shortly before noon today, round the monument and stacked a contract has been awarded by the monument and stacked municipality of the city to McGivney, Rokeby & Co.

Senate side snortly before noon today, round the monument and stacked pulled the cords and the veil fell from to the site of the American consulate arms. Col. A. L. Smith then advanced the monument, exposing a beautiful and ordered all hands to the boats. The mud, which swept over the Valles do la and called upon Rev. E. A. Osborne, chaplain of the First N. C. regiment in recognition of the honored dead. At a contract has been awarded by the a wagon drove past and one of the arms. Col. A. L. Smith then advanced

Durham Thrown Down On Public Building

fore the N. C. Society in New York--Ellis Will Sue Holton

Washington, May 20.-Special.-Durham was thrown down by the Senate committee on public buildings, to use the language of the day. When the Senate committee reported the bill to the House today it was discovered that explanation was obtainable. There was no opposition to the Durham proposiing by reason of the illness of Mrs. Simmons. When the bill comes before the Senate Senator Simmons will en-deavor to have the appropriation re-

The public building bill appropriates \$160,000 for the Winston public buildthat the present government of Isle of Treasury to sell the present public ing and directs the Secretary of the building site to the county for \$3,800. Elizabeth City gets \$125,000 for her public building and a new site is authorized, provision being made for the sale of the present site at either public or private sale. The limit of cost for the Greensboro public building is increased from \$58,457 to \$133,457. There is no change in the appropriation of \$35,000 for the Goldsboro public building.

Senator Pritchard left today for New York to attend the banguet of the North

York to attend the banquet of the North Carolina society tonight. He will remain over until tomorrow night to attend the banquet of the American and Asiatic society at which he will respond to a toast. This society has for its object the development of foreign trade. At the banquet of the North Carolina society tonight Senator Pritchard was thereupon declare the occupation of Cuba by the United States to be at an end.

"At the same time I desire to express to you the sincere friendship and good wishes of the United States, and North Carolina industry which is not in Pritchard has requested the Postmaster the inhabitants never could become citia better condition today than ever before in the history of the state. The merchant, the farmer, the lawyer, the doctor, the manufacturer, the laborer, and all other classes of our people share alike the feeling of hope and encouragement which pervades the atmosphere of

> "We have reached that period where we can point with pride to the financial made within our borders. An examination of the advance sheets of the recent census discloses a condition of affairs in our state that is gratifying in the extreme, and this condition is merely the future, if no calamity overtakes the American people. A new generation has taken charge of affairs, and new methods, and in some firstances new poliin command of the industrial forces.

creased demand for labor, and a consequent increase in wages, as well as a demand for the products of the farm-

"It is fitting that your society should commemorate the 20th day of May. The signors of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence were the advance guard of a movement which culminated in the establishment of a government whose principles of liberty and justice are such as to make our country a haven of refuge for the oppressed of all nations. The spirit of patriotism which characterized the sons of Meckthe maintenance of quarantine against dollars for the Durium dublic building lenburg is one which has sustained this epidemic diseases at the ports of Ha- had been reduced to nifty thousand. No country in every trying ordeal which we as a people have undergone, and it is that which has shaped our legislation so as to enable us to expand and grow as a nation, until today we occupy a position at the head of the great industrial and social movements of the

> District Attorney A. E. Holton will be the defendant in a libel suit for \$25,000 damages. W. B. Ellis of New York, who has been on Holton's trail for some time, announced today that he had instructed his attorney to bring suit. Another suit will be instituted against the former legal firm of Holton & Alexander to recover a sum of money about which there is a dispute by both

> Oscar J. Spjears will hold on to the assistant district attorneyship of the eastern district. The position does not require reappointment and there is no disposition on the part of the ruling powers to shove Oscar out of the pasture. There have been several applications for the appointment.

Counsel for the gold brick trio, now serving terms in the penitentiary at grant to them a government of their Raleigh, gave notice to the counsel for one of the speakers and he said in part: the State that a motion would be made other questions relating to the islands the conduct of the war would be rebutwho have won marked distinction in torneys for the other side failed to show sary; if we were not to retain them court will hardly entertain a motion for to hold the Philippines as a colonial de-

> General to send Mr. Eurton's name to the President. The statement is made by Senator Pritchard that Burton is in ther ogh accord with Republican principles' and policies. Senator Simmons could not go to New

York topight to attend the banquet of the North Carolina Society by reason and industrial progress that is being of the illness of Mrs. Simmons. He received several pressing telegrams from President Fuller, urging him to be outrages committed in the Philippines present. Senator Simmons was able to be at the Senate today for a short while beginning of what we may expect in the only. Mrs. Simmons showed slight improvement today, but she continues very

Mr. Arthur Pou of Bainbridge, Ga., a brother of the Congressman, is here accompanied by is wife, to attend a meeting of the Civil Engineers of Am-

tor at the capitol today.

Charlotte Pays Tribute to Lieutenant W. E. Shipp

Memory of the Young Hero--Col. Thomas the Orator of the Day

Charlotte, N. C., May 20.-Special .-The one hundred and twenty-seventh anniversary of the signing of the Meckwas celebrated here today by the entire city and between eight and ten thousand visitors. The event of the day was the unveiling of the handsome monument in memory of the late Lieut. Wm. day swept away a house with all the E. Shipp, killed July 1, 1898, at the battle of San Juan Hill during the war with Spain. .

At 9:30 the military present, including visitors and local companies, formed in line in front of the city hall under command of Capt. T. R. Robertson of Charlotte. The line of march to the monument in front of the federal building began one hour later. The procesrades of the late Lieut. Shipp. Last Charleston, Judge Armistend Burwell, Capt. W. H. Day, J. C. Buxton, Gen. J. S. Carr, Mrs. Stonewall Jackson, Mrs. Adelaide Worth Bagley and many

others. Upon reaching the speakers' stand the city of Santiago de Cuba, prepared by Capt. S. E. Reckenbach, in charge of the district of cantiago, and approved to suppose the district of cantiago, and approved to suppose the district of cantiago, and approved to suppose the suppose to suppose the property of the first N. C. regiment in this juncture a great shout went up the form thousands of throats as the crowd the remains of the United States constoned with bared heads witnessing the solemn yet grand scepe. This concluded to a boat. The American sands picked up a neavy methic juncture a great shout went up this juncture a great shout went up this juncture a great shout went up the form thousands of throats as the crowd the remains of the United States constoned it should be solemn yet grand scepe. This concluded to a boat. The American sands picked up a neavy methic juncture a great shout went up this juncture a great shout went up the form thousands of throats as the crowd the remains of the United States constant the first N. C. regiment in the first N. C. regiment i

C. Col. Thomas said in part: "We are assembled on this historic day to do honor to a heroic son of North Carolina, who on the field of battle in

the Spanish-American war gave up his life for his country. The 20th of May, heretofore dedicated to the immortal memories of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, is henceforth to be further linked with the gallant career and the touching sacrifice of the lamented soldier in honor of whom the monument is reared. Nor is this the only significance attaching to this occa-It was in this city that William lenburg Declaration of Independence Ewen Shipp began his military life and received his first military impress among the cadets of the Carolina Military Institute. Her's began the brilliant though comparatively brief career of Lieutenant Shipp as an officer of the United States army in which capacity he was to show his adherence even unto death to the motto—'duty, honor, country'—which West Point inscribes on its coat of

Colonel Thomas reviewed at considerable length the high tribute of Col. W. E. Hayes of the First Ohio cavalry who, in a letter to Mrs. William E. Shipp, described the last nine days service of Lieutenant Shipp in the island of Cuba. Colonel Thomas closed by saying: "On this spot are gathered North Car olina's robust manhood and graceful womanhood, including honored representatives of the patriots who responded to the call to arms, some in 1861 and others in 1898. Here are the city's Lieut. Benjamin B. McCormack, arpublic spirited organizations. Under these auspices amid these environments North Carolina, true to her spirit of sincere appreciation, pays her tribute Sanitation of the cities of the island and ron, with Rear Admiral Francis Hig-sythe, U. S. A., Mr. Earle Sloan of the cities of the island and ron, with Rear Admiral Francis Hig-sythe, U. S. A., Mr. Earle Sloan of the cities of the island and ron, with Rear Admiral Francis Hig-sythe, U. S. A., Mr. Earle Sloan of the cities of the island and ron, with Rear Admiral Francis Hig-sythe, U. S. A., Mr. Earle Sloan of the cities of the island and ron, with Rear Admiral Francis Hig-sythe, U. S. A., Mr. Earle Sloan of the cities of the island and ron, with Rear Admiral Francis Hig-sythe, U. S. A., Mr. Earle Sloan of the cities of the island and ron, with Rear Admiral Francis Hig-sythe, U. S. A., Mr. Earle Sloan of the cities of the island and ron, with Rear Admiral Francis Hig-sythe, U. S. A., Mr. Earle Sloan of the cities of the island and ron, with Rear Admiral Francis Hig-sythe, U. S. A., Mr. Earle Sloan of the cities of the island and ron, with Rear Admiral Francis Hig-sythe, U. S. A., Mr. Earle Sloan of the cities of the island and ron, with Rear Admiral Francis Hig-sythe, U. S. A., Mr. Earle Sloan of the cities of the island and ron, with Rear Admiral Francis Hig-sythe, U. S. A., Mr. Earle Sloan of the cities of the island and ron, with Rear Admiral Francis Hig-sythe, U. S. A., Mr. Earle Sloan of the cities of the island and ron, with Rear Admiral Francis Hig-sythe, U. S. A., Mr. Earle Sloan of the cities of th to his fame, thus glorifying Christian by Lieut. McCormack, went to the The volcanic mountain is apparently soldiership and showing how the Roman north end of the town to the spot where in greater activity, and the escape of sentiment that it is sweet and honorable to die for country may be joined the lieutenant could see Mont Pelee, shore party, was exceedingly narrow. thoughts of heaven and home."

At the conclusion of the speech William E. Shipp, Jr., and Fabius Shipp, crater in a manner similar to the erup. 2 o'clock this morning, swept away sons of the lamented Lieutenant Shipp. tion of May Sth. He thereupon rushed twenty houses. Fifty other buildings

Senator Bacon Tells Two Pathetic Stories

War Incidents Illustrating the Magnamity of Grant and Lee--Real Defenders of the Army

Washington, May 20 .- In the Senate this morning a resolution, offered by Spooner of Wisconsin, was adopted providing that O. H. Platt, Senator from Connecticut, designated by the president pro tem to perform his duties in his absence, should be empowered to sign enroiled bills and that the President be informed of this action.

Consideration of the Philippine government bill then was resumed, Mr. Bacon of Georgia addressing the Senate in opposition to the measure. He said that there was in part civil government now established in the Philippines un- thy der the war power, which was as full in all its powers as was conferred by the pending bill. Under the proposed measure, greater power in the exploitation of the islands could be exer

He read a paragraph in the bill to show that it contained a broad and unlimited grant to the Philippine commission to dispose, in unlimited fashion, of the public domain in the Philippines. He declared that an examination of the bill would show that a corporation could obtain a miliion acres of land as easily as it could get 5,000 acres. This, he declared, was an enormity.

"Is it," said he, "the purpose of the United States to retain the Philippine island in colonial, dependency, or to own?" That, he thought, was the that the prima facie evidence against then another kind of government would be necessary. If the United States were pendency, it was manifestly impossible for them ever to occupy any other relazens of the United States.

to act upon that purpose." Otherwise he believed there should be no legisla-

Who is the defender of the army, he ordered. inquired; the man who denounces the and declares they are unworthy of the army, or the man who defends the outrages and makes no distinction? Senators who denounce these outrages and the perpetration of them were, he thought, the real friends of the army; and the honor of the men in the army personally ,he declared, as it was to any Senator of the majority. This govern-Henry W. King of Raleigh was a visi- ment has afforded the opportunity for

> the north and south fought in the "Titaric" civil war, Mr. Bacon related two anecdotes showing the "magnanimity" fore General Grant. "What are those House and passed.
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> At 5:35 the House adjourned.

asked him. With the courtesy which now distinguishes the Senator, Col. Pettus said, "General, I must decline to answer your question." General Grant. looked at him in the eye a moment, and in a kindly tone said, "You are right sir," and turning to an officer he said: "Take this gentleman to the rear and treat him kindly."

The incident connected with General Lee took place as he was riding away from the field of Gettysburg, a field so fateful to the cause of which he was the great pillar and spirit. He came up to a young Federal soldier lying wounded, but who, as he recognized that a Confederate general was passing shouted out a cry for the Union. General Lee got down from his horse, went to the boy, laid his hand upon his head, and said: "My son I hope you are not much hurt."

As he closed the apecdote, Mr. Bacon had to pause till he had recovered from his sensation of tenderness and sympa-

Mr. Foraker of Chio defended General Bell for his reconcentration order and said that it was a wise and proper order for him to make under the circomstances, and that its object was solely to protect friendly Filipinos from assassination at the hands of insurgents. He denied that the reconcentration camps in the Philippine islands could be compared with those established by General Weyler in Cuba, a description of which he read to show their hor-

Mr. Hoar of Massachusetts said he did not know how far the investigation into the conduct of the war in the Philippines had gone. It has hardly crossed the threshold, and he did not think it quite fair to have impassioned and indignant chims made before the evidence was obtained. He hoped and believed tence, "Barbarity on the one side and on the other are the fruits of the tree you planted when you ratified the Spanish treaty."

The Senate then went into executive session, and when the doors were opened adjourned.

The Bouse Dispatches Business

"If," said he, "we have the high and noble purpose of giving the Filipines a free government, whether partial or absolute, now is the time for Congress the several departments of the govern-ment, and it was passed. The army ap-propriation bill, with Senate amend-ments, was called up and a conference

Prior to the announcement of the conference Mr. Cannon offered a resolution that the managers on the part of the House at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses, be instructed not to recommend an agreement or to submit to any modification of the amendment that will, under authority of the army appropriation bill, permit the expenditure of any sum for construction of permanent buildings and was as dear to the minority and to him established military posts except as authorized by the revised statutes.

This resolution has direct bearing upon the appropriation of \$400,000 for barracks and quarters which the Senate an army to another hemisphere upon a said the amendments provided for. Mr. Cannon said the amendments were subversive of the rules of the House. The committee on military affairs had usurped its functions and presumed to take away from the committee on appropriations

rights given it by the law.

Mr. Richardson of Tennessee said it of General Grant and General Lee. The was a most unusual thing that had been first occurred in front of Vicksburg done, and he hoped the House would when Senaror Pettus of Alabama (then see to it that such things should not be permitted to go on. Seventeen bills were reported to the

Mount Pelee Bursts Out with Fresh Vigor

A Violent Eruption Occurs While a Party of American Sailors Is on Shore-They Barely Escape

Fort de France, May 20 .- The expedi-American and British consuls at St. Pierre nearly resulted in a fearful horror. The vessels taking part in the ex-

fatigable. The Potomac, under the command of sailors were most noteworthy. and noticed that a huge column of A severe inundation at Basse Pointe

in imminent danger. In the meantime the Indefatigable had arrived off St. Pierre, but left the shore, heading for the sea, blowing her siren. At that time a huge stream of molten matter was pouring into the sea, raising columns of steam, and the whole sea was hideous, having turned a yellow green color, while what was apparently smoke was rushing from the mountain.

The detonations were continuous and were accompanied by a fearful storm tion sent to recover the bodies of the of lightning, thunder and rain. The flashes were of terrific violence, and during the storm new craters were opened in Monte Pelee. Fortunately the wind kept the clouds of smoke and gas pedition were the United States steamer from enveloping the American and Potomac and the British cruiser Inde- British ships or the working party. The coolness and courage of the American

The body of Mr. Prentis is now here. rived there first at 2 o'clock in the There will be a funeral service on board morning and landed working parties. the United States cruiser Cincinnati to-One parcy went to the site of the Am- day. The burial will take place ashore.

the British consulate stood, from where the war vessels, and particularly of the