

PREPARING FOR WAR

Significant Sights at Brooklyn Navy Yard.

A CRISIS IN CUBA.

Spain is Getting Restless and the Wise Men Say a Revolution or War with the United States is Inevitable.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—The situation in Cuba is at a crisis. Those familiar with the condition of affairs on the island say the time is at hand when some definite action should be taken and that in eight weeks the war will be either at an end or one side or the other will practically be defeated.

This tension is recognized by the foreign powers and already England has come forward hoping to mediate between the two countries to bring about an amicable settlement.

It is not believed this can be done, unless a check can be put on the revolutionary spirit that has taken seed in Spain. The feeling of the Spanish people against the United States is bitter. While war may not be expected by officials they do not deny that everything is in readiness. The navy is being put in position and condition to move on short notice.

New York, Nov. 14.—Unusual activity prevails at present in the Brooklyn navy yard. The vessels in the North Atlantic squadron being placed on a war footing. Work is being hurried as fast as possible, several vessels are now ready for any emergency. There are three significant facts: the men have been working all hands during the past few weeks; another is an unusual amount of ammunition is being placed on the boats; third, orders have been issued by the navy department to have some vessels ready within two weeks.

WANT TO CONTROL IT.

Republican Organization Wants the A. & N. C.—Another Synagogue Mentioned.

It now develops that the injunction proceedings against the Stockholders of the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad, in which the cunning hand of Mr. Thos. R. Funnell was evident, were instigated at the instance of the republican organization in this State. Mr. Robt. Hancock, a leading republican, happened to be a stockholder and he took the responsibility of having the injunction brought. Governor-elect, Russell, Maj. Grant and other well known republicans are as much interested as Mr. Hancock.

Maj. Grant made the matter clear this morning when he stated that the democrats were trying to take the road from under the control of the state in order to keep the republicans from getting possession of the property. "But," continued the Major, "a good republican will manage the road for the next four years."

Attorney Funnell stated today that the democratic party had used the A. & N. C. railroad as a powerful political lever in eastern Carolina. A republican of standing said this evening that another syndicate had offered to make a higher bid than the present one but that those in authority would not listen to it. He further said that it was the object of the persons who instituted the injunction proceedings to give the new syndicate an opportunity to put in their bid.

All tax-payers should read and heed the notice of sheriff M. W. Page elsewhere to settle up their taxes with him. It is important to close up the tax account for 1896 before the first of December. The chrysanthemum show closed last night and the ladies desire to thank the public for their liberal patronage which made the show a success. It was a beautiful display and the exhibits made by Mrs. F. H. Butler and Mrs. V. E. Turner were never surpassed in Raleigh. The ladies are also very appreciative of the contribution of flowers by the old veterans of the Soldiers' Home.

WILL KNOW MONDAY.

The Vote of the Bryan Electors to be Canvassed Then.

Monday the vote received by the presidential electors in North Carolina will be officially canvassed by the Secretary of State and the result made public. Monday morning a number of clerks will be put to work tabulating the vote and by evening it is possible that the result will be known.

The law requires that the vote for electors in each county shall be in the office of the Secretary of State within twelve days after the election. So far every county has complied with the law with the exception of Union. The vote of the Bryan electors is variously estimated at from ten to eighteen thousand majority. It is very likely that there will be considerable difference in the vote of the Democratic and Populist electors, as there was a good deal of scratching done.

The vote of the State officers will not be canvassed until Thanksgiving day.

The Republicans sent out blanks from headquarters, three days after the election to their precinct chairmen for the purpose of getting the official vote. The vote of McKinley, Bryan, Russell, Watson, Reynolds and Mason was asked for. Over half of the precincts in the State have reported. The Republicans say their poll will give beyond a doubt the relative strength of the three parties in the State.

The returns received so far show that Reynolds's vote is larger than Russell's.

White Goes to Baltimore.

Detective Al Gault, of Baltimore has arrived in Norfolk says the Norfolk Pilot armed with a requisition for Edward Gay White wanted at Baltimore for embezzling \$6,000 from H. Dalton Ne vomb.

White, during his stay in Norfolk, has been very nonchalant, and has showed no anxiety over his case. He has written a number of letters and sent many telegrams from his prison cell. He will be taken there today.

Texas Structural Weakness.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—The inquiry which is proceeding at the New York Navy-yard behind closed doors into the circumstances under which the Texas sank at her dock recently, it is reported here, has brought to light a further startling structural weakness in the ship.

PERSONAL.

Col. Benehan Cameron is in the city today.

Mr. H. B. Miller, of Nashville, is at the Park.

Mr. C. C. Hackney, of Durham, is in the city.

Dr. Jas. McKee, went to Goldsboro, this morning.

Mr. W. W. Holding, of Wake Forest, is here.

Mr. S. E. Strother, is ill at his home, on Davis street.

Judge MacRae went to Fayetteville today to attend Cumberland court next week.

Mrs. J. A. Bailey has gone to Durham to spend a few days with her daughter, Mrs. J. M. Wyatt.

Mr. W. Duke, the head of the great firm of W. Duke, Sons & Co., of Durham, was in the city today.

Mayor W. M. Russ, went to Greenville today to accompany home his little daughter Bessie, who has been visiting there.

Dr. J. W. Carter and Prof. C. W. Scarborough, of Murfreesboro, returned from Morganton today where they have been attending the Baptist State convention.

Mr. P. J. Conlon, special organizer of the International Association of Machinists, was in the city last night and addressed the Machinists Union of this city.

To Raise the Price on Beer.

There is a movement on foot among the brewers in every city and town in the west and northwest where beer is selling at \$5 per barrel to raise the price to \$6 and place the brewing interests of Chicago, Milwaukee and other large beer producing places upon a paying footing. The brewers have perfected an agreement that when the price is advanced to \$6 outside breweries will not interfere, nearly all of them having already entered into a tacit compact to stand by each other for mutual protection.

WATSON AND BUTLER.

A Fight for Control of the People's Party Between the Two.

The Washington Star of yesterday says:

The publication of Tom Watson's letter of acceptance in his own paper causes no surprise in political circles. The populist leaders have been expecting Mr. Watson to publish the letter, accompanied by an "I-told-you-so" view of the situation. They were confident that Watson would take advantage of the defeat of Bryan to exploit his own wisdom and the folly of Senator Butler in managing the campaign that is over.

The effect of Mr. Watson's attack on Senator Butler, however, is to widen the breach that exists between the two men and to make warfare from now on a certainty.

When Mr. Watson's letter reached Senator Butler after the delay in the post office, the Senator went over it carefully with Secretary Edgerton of the populist national committee. They saw nothing in the first part of the epistle to which they could make serious objection. The letter, it is stated, was an adroit piece of work, typical of Watson. It was characterized by intense prejudice against the democrats. Toward the last part there was a page devoted to an attack on Sewall, who was said to be a tool of Wall street and put on the ticket to catch the Cleveland democrats. Watson viewed the election of Sewall with alarm, saying that if Bryan should be elected and die the country would be in the hands of another Cleveland.

From now on there will be a hard fight for mastery in the people's party between Butler and Watson. They will both play for four years from now. Senator Butler is believed in this city to have the best of the beginning of the contest. The dispute between the two men is to be settled over the policy each adopted in the campaign. It is claimed that in every state in which Senator Butler's policy was fully carried out the populists profited in more ways than ever before; that they secured more Congressmen, governors and state officers than ever in their history. This was by means of a close fusion in the close states. Watson's policy was against fusion, and the consequence was, it is claimed, that his party was laid in a grave in Georgia, Texas, Tennessee, Alabama and all states where his advice was taken.

Watson will keep up the fight, and will leave nothing undone to cripple Butler. The war will get merrier as the time approaches for the next campaign.

Killing Frost.

The high area has advanced eastward and now dominates the weather in the eastern States, where it is generally fair and cold. Light killing frosts were reported from Charleston to Norfolk. A decided fall in temperature occurred over the south Atlantic states, the greatest being 23 degrees at Augusta and 20 degrees at Jacksonville. Some high wind velocities were reported on the north Atlantic coast and on the coast of Florida; highest were 36 miles an hour at New York and 36 at Jupiter, Fla. Rain occurred over southern Florida.

A moderate storm center has appeared in the northwest, causing southerly winds and a rapid rise in temperature west of the Mississippi river.

Woodward's Toast.

Mr. H. Guy Woodward, the genius of the Woodward-Warren Company, can do and say lots of neat and funny things, but the verdict of the many people who have heard his excellent company during the past week is that his toast to the ladies the other night is the most graceful of all his clever speeches. It runs as follows:

"Here's to the ladies, God bless them, In silks and in satins we'll dress them, We'll give them the best to feather their nests, And then to our breasts we'll press them, God bless them."

We've Seen Him Before.

The tallest man Salisbury has had within her borders for many days was here yesterday. His name is Ferguson, his home is in Raleigh and he stands exactly 7 feet 1 inch in his stocking feet. Mr. Ferguson is travelling for a shoe house.—Salisbury World.

A DAY OF THANKSGIVING

Improvements in Telephone Exchange—Danville to be Connected.

Mr. D. I. Carson, of New York the general superintendent of the Bell telephone company and Mr. C. E. Melene, of Richmond, the district superintendent are in the city. The object of the visit of these gentlemen to our city is of interest to all citizens of Raleigh. The Bell company has decided to spend from \$5,000 to \$5,000, in enlarging and re-equipping their telephone plant in Raleigh and Messrs. Carson and Melene have come here to consult with manager Glass in regard to the improvements which are to be made. Under the successful management of Mr. Glass the system has reached its capacity and the entire plant will be overhauled in order to accommodate new patrons. The improvements will be inaugurated at an early date. The unsightly wires which form a net work above Fayetteville street will be replaced by a cable of 50 wire capacity. The cable will extend down Fayetteville street. The company now has in use poles 40 and 45 feet in height. These will be replaced by 50 and 65 feet poles, the tallest ever put up in the city.

REASON TO BE GLAD.

People of the State Have Much For Which to be Thankful and Have Escaped Dire Calamities Which Have Befallen Some States.

Gov. Carr has issued a Thanksgiving proclamation, designating the 25th of November as the day to be set apart for public thanksgiving to God.

The politician who sees a big hunk of fat ahead of him has the more reason to be joyful. But the rest of the State will be thankful just the same, for we all have reason to be glad, glad that the campaign is at an end, and glad that there will not be another for four more years.

The festive robber and Thanksgiving Day go hand in hand, and why should we not rejoice? Below is the Governor's proclamation:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR.

The observance of one day in the year as an occasion of "solemn and public thanksgiving to Almighty God for past blessings and of supplication for His continued kindness and care over us as a State and Nation" is a beautiful and time-honored custom of a Christian people and should be perpetuated among us and observed in a dignified and religious manner.

The people of North Carolina have much for which to be thankful to the "Giver of every good and perfect gift." Although the past year has not brought so great prosperity or the land yielded so abundantly, still our people have enjoyed a proportionate measure of these blessings and have escaped the dire calamities which have befallen some less favored commonwealths.

Therefore, in accordance with the laws of this state, I, Elias Carr, governor of the state of North Carolina, do hereby designate and appoint Thursday, the 25th day of November, 1896, as a day to be set apart by our people for public thanksgiving to God for the many blessings vouchsafed to us. To this end let our people assemble in their usual places of worship or around their firesides and give thanks in prayer and praise.

On that day let us remember in our prayers and with substantial offerings, the poor and needy, the widow and orphan, the noble charitable institutions of the state and the disabled soldier who more than ever needs, in his declining years, the strong arm of the state and the assistance of her patriotic citizens to protect him from want.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the state of North Carolina to be affixed. Done at the city of Raleigh, this 12th day of November, in the year of Our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and ninety-six, and of the independence of the United States of America the one hundredth and twenty-first.

ELIAS CARR, By the Governor: S. F. TELFAIR, Private Sec'y.

The Woodward-Warren Company.

The Woodward-Warren Company gives its final performance here at Metropolitan Opera House tonight, and they will close their engagement here with the assurance that they have succeeded in winning the universal favor and good will of the Raleigh public. Everybody who has seen them will be glad to welcome them back to Raleigh most cordially at some future day. It is very seldom that such an inimitable couple as the mirth-provoking Woodward and his gifted wife come along together. They are fully able to entertain an audience by their own cleverness alone and their burlesque on Wang last night was especially pleasing and brought down the house, which was crowded. It may be truthfully said that there is not a stick in the entire company and that everybody did good and clever work. All should avail themselves of the opportunity to see this excellent company tonight and every one who holds a numbered ticket should go and see if he is the winner of the twenty-five dollar prize.

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TODAY'S MARKETS.

New York, Nov. 14. Market quotations furnished by E. B. Cuthbert & Co., Bankers and Brokers, 30 Broad street, New York.

[By Private Wire.]

Table with columns: MONTHS, OPENING, HIGH, LOW, CLOSING. Rows for January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, Sept, October, November, December.

New York Stock Market.

The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange today:

Table with columns: Item, Price. Rows for Sugar, American Tobacco, Burlington and Quincy, Chicago Gas, Des. and Cst. Feed, General Electric, Louisville and Nashville, Manhattan, Rock Island, Southern Preferred, St. Paul, Tennessee Coal and Iron, Western Union.

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today:

Table with columns: Item, Price. Rows for Wheat, Corn, Oats, Pork, Lard, Clear Rib Sides.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

Table with columns: Item, Price. Rows for November-December, December-January, January-February, February-March, March-April, April-May.

Chicago continued feverish and irregular, today with active and mixed trading. Prices fluctuated up and down a scale of five points from last night's closing and left off steady at an advance of about 1 point with January 7.79. During the first hour the market was weaker under continued liquidation by weak holders and continued heavy. New Orleans selling. The bulk of the weak long interest has been liquidated and the market is now in a better position to respond to legitimate conditions surrounding it. Liverpool sales since election day are estimated at upwards of 500,000 bales with most of the sales against holdings of cotton at Liverpool and recent purchase in the South. All of this must be covered sooner or later and likewise the heavy sales made for short account by New Orleans. There has been no material change in the cotton situation for the better during the week, in fact every chance there was of any top crop development are eliminated by the general killing frosts which the Chronicle in its issue today confirms.

SOUTHERN COMMERCE.

Mr. Spencer's Plan to Develop It by Regular Ocean Lines.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 14.—Mr. Samuel Spencer, president of the Southern railway company, has made public a plan to develop Southern commerce and direct Southern export traffic. The scheme, which was arranged when Mr. Spencer was in England last summer, is that certain Southern ports where the principal railways have their terminals shall have regular lines of steamers to run to the chief European ports. The Johnston Line, owned by William Johnston & Co., limited, of Liverpool, will furnish the bottoms. "Johnston & Co., limited," Mr. Spencer is quoted as saying, "are among the strongest people on the North Atlantic in regard to cargo or freight boats. Three lines will be established, one from Norfolk, another from Savannah and a third from Brunswick.

WILL GO HALVES.

The Southern and Louisville and Nashville to Own the S. A. L.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—An evening paper publishes the following in its railroad gossip: The closing of the option for the purchase of the Seaboard Air Line by Thomas F. Ryan, of New York, and his associates has been postponed until December 1. It is regarded, however, as absolutely certain that the deal will go through before the close of the present month and that when the history of the transaction comes to be written, it is ever made public, it will be found that the Louisville & Nashville and the Southern Railway Companies have agreed upon joint ownership of the Seaboard, although the new corporation will be headed and ostensibly managed by Mr. Ryan and those selected by him.

SHORT STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

Box sheet for Swedish Quartette opens on Monday morning promptly at 9 o'clock. Get in line.

The local cotton receipts since September 1st are 15,803 against 8,000 to this date last season.

The Y. W. C. T. U. will meet Monday at 4 p. m., at the W. C. T. U. headquarters. A full attendance is desired.

AROUND THE CITY.

Senator Pritchard has expressed himself as confident of election.

Secretary Overton was at Wake Forest yesterday conferring with Prof. Lannau who lectures for the association next month on the X rays.

That live and up-to-date firm of Sherwood Higgs & Co., give you some plain talk, plainly stated in their new advertisement today. Don't fail to read it.

The men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. tomorrow will be conducted by a young man, and young men will take part in the service which begins at 4 o'clock.

Senator Atwater, of Chatham county, is another Populist who has gone on record. He says he will not support Pritchard under any circumstances and speaks very favorably of Mr. Lee Overman.

Messrs. Thomas & Campbell will hereafter keep open at night. They have again cut the rate on their beautiful line of furniture and you will find some unsurpassed bargains at their place of business.

As the cold and wintry weather advances call in at James McKimmon & Co's popular drug store and have a delicious hot drink which will make you feel comfortable. Keep your eye on their new advertisement.

The Presbyterian Synod of North Carolina at Newbern adjourned yesterday. Many of the delegates passed through here today on their way home. Rev. Dr. Daniel has returned and Dr. Graham of Davidson College returned with him and will occupy Dr. Daniel's pulpit tomorrow.

Last evening burglars made their appearance at Latta university in Oberlin and ran a number of pupils out of the building. The President, Dr. Latta got his gun and made it interesting for the intruders. He shot four times and thinks he hit one of them.

The cold season is setting in and Messrs. Eberhardt & Baker are doing business at their regular stand to supply you with all the coal and wood you need at the lowest figures. Watch their advertising space in these columns and call on them when needing any thing in their line.

Mr. G. Bent Alford, the independent gold candidate for Congress filed his statement of election expenditures with Clerk of the Court Dan H. Young. The mistake was corrected and the statement turned over to the Secretary of State. Mr. Alford spent \$80 in his campaign. He received 22 votes.