

MAY BE CUBA LIBRE DAY

Interest Centered in Action of Congress Today.

IN BEHALF OF CUBA.

A Resolution Introduced by Howard of Alabama Deploring Maceo's Death and Recognizing Cuba's Independence.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 14.—It is claimed by friends of the Cuban cause that more than 1,000 names have been enrolled to fight for Cuba.

New York, Dec. 14.—The dominating factor in today's market will be the news from Washington in regard to the probable action proposed in both houses on the Cuban question.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—The Cuban agitators in the Senate will oppose the taking of a recess on December 22nd, but will not be able to prevent the resolution going through.

Senator Call introduced a resolution in the Senate today demanding the release of all American prisoners in Havana and denouncing the assassination of Maceo.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—No further news regarding the assassination of Maceo has been received by the Cuban junta in this city today.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Mr. Howard, of Alabama, has introduced a resolution in the House deploring the manner of Maceo's death and recognizing the independence of Cuba.

Justice Beasley Ill.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

TAMMUN, N. J., Dec. 14.—The condition of Chief Justice Beasley is much improved this morning. The judge was stricken with heart failure yesterday morning.

Vacancy in Inter State Commission.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Wheelock G. Veasey, of Vermont resigned his position on the inter-state commerce commission today.

Cotton Firm Assigns.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—J. Collins & Sons, members of the cotton exchange, assigned this morning.

Congressional Holiday.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—The holiday recess of Congress begins Dec. 22. The Supreme Court then takes a recess till the first Monday of January.

A Gold Find on Long Island.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—It is asserted that gold has been discovered at Flushing, L. I., ten miles from this city.

Mr. Claudius Dockery is in the city today.

FOUR SCHOOL MONTHS.

Forty-Five Members of the Legislature Favor Increasing the Appropriation.

The legislature will certainly increase the appropriation to the public schools in order to increase the length of the school teaching period.

The members of the General Assembly have been queried on the subject of increasing the school terms to four months and the Press-Visitor learns that expressions have been obtained from forty-five members who are on record as favoring it.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

The Press-Visitor Will Be 35 Cents Per Month After January 1st.

The Press-Visitor has now for nearly a year and a half been greeting its readers every afternoon, replete with all the news of the day, both at home and at a distance, and throughout all that time the universal verdict of its readers has been and is that it is the best daily paper ever published in Raleigh.

The time has now been reached when it is felt by the management that in view of the superior quality of the newspaper which we give to our readers and the fact that other similar journals, whose news columns are not so pretentious and so comprehensive as ours, charge at a higher rate, and realizing that the class of newspaper which we give is worth more than the price we charge, we feel justified in asking our patrons for a small increase in the subscription price of the Press-Visitor.

During the approaching session of the legislature we propose to give our readers complete accounts of the deliberations of that body and our expenses for that time will be considerably increased.

As we have been broadening and widening our scope our expenses have been otherwise increased and in the past year we have also borne the expense of equipping this office with a complete new outfit of the most modern and attractive type, an investment which has materially cut down that legitimate, though modest profit, to which we feel we are justly entitled.

Accordingly on January 1st, the subscription price of the Press-Visitor, will be raised from 25 cents to 35 cents per month, or from \$3.00 to \$4.00 per year if paid in advance.

We take this step feeling sure that our patrons will agree with us that the Press-Visitor is fully worth even this small price and that we are fully entitled to the small increase asked, and that they will continue their patronage where they have heretofore deemed it worthily bestowed.

A Pennsylvania Bank Suspends.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

HOLLIDAYSBURG, Pa., Dec. 14.—The First National Bank suspended this morning owing to a heavy run of depositors.

The failure of the First National Bank precipitated the failure of the Martinsburg deposit bank and the Williamsburg bank, both of this county. These two banks were unincorporated and were controlled by the First National of Hollidaysburg. The failure caused great excitement.

The Christ Church chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will hold its monthly meeting in the chapel at Christ Church Wednesday night at 8 o'clock instead of the Mission chapel as previously announced.

CARRIES 56 PEOPLE

Evangelize the Musical Extravaganza at the Academy Wednesday.

"Evangeline" the beautiful, "Evangeline" the musical, "Evangeline" the record breaker for wit, humor and every good thing in the way of entertainment, is to beat the Academy of Music on next Wednesday evening, December 16.

There never was so much interest shown in the engagement of a theatrical production as their is in "Evangeline." Letters have been received from people more than 100 miles from Raleigh asking that seats be reserved.

The management of the Academy gained a signal victory by inducing Mr. Rice to place all seats down stairs on sale at \$1. The company has appeared no where at less than \$2 and \$1.50 prices. The seats up stairs will be fifty cents. This will enable all persons to attend.

Raleigh was particularly fortunate in getting this attraction but as every one is aware a handsome guarantee had to be put up. The company is making its way to New Orleans and the large Texas towns where the guarantee is \$1,000 a night. It costs Mr. Rice \$400 to produce Evangeline at a single performance. There are 56 artists in the cast and three cars are required to transport them, including one car for scenery.

The sale of reserved seats began Saturday night. Those persons who do not purchase seats before Wednesday may be disappointed.

Tomorrow Evening—The Clique Dramatique.

This evening the last rehearsal of "Our Boys" will be given at the Academy of Music before a select audience of critically inclined friends of the players. The stage will be furnished as it will be on tomorrow night when the regular production will be given, and the amateurs will play for the last time in practice in all the point and stagey trimmings that will be used when the "Clique Dramatique" bows formally to the public.

Saturday evening's rehearsal was the best yet held. The ground work of parts having been built to perfection, the entire evening was given to a study of those minor points that go to make a play successful and are indispensable to that success. Tonight these points of stage position, of quick-timed care-taking of effective tableaux will be still further looked after—and remembered for the delight of tomorrow evening's audience.

The performance will furnish to those who attend an evening of unalloyed pleasure, and if the response from the public to the efforts of the club is as hearty as it should be will contribute quite a neat sum to the cause for which it is given—an operating room at Rex Hospital.

Reserved seats are on sale at King's drug store at a price of fifty cents. The gallery is half of that.

Death of Mrs. William G. Allen.

Mrs. W. G. Allen, the beloved wife of the Superintendent of the county Institutions died last evening at the residence of her husband five miles from the city. Mrs. Allen had been ill for some time, but her death was a great blow to her husband and friends.

It was only last May that Mr. Allen and Miss Nannie Lyons of Granville were married. Mrs. Allen was a member of the Methodist church and a sweet Christian woman. Her sad demise is mourned by many sorrowing friends and acquaintances.

To Prevent Ocean Collisions.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Secretary Olney has received a cable dispatch from the United States legation at Petropolis, Brazil, that Brazil has accepted rules for the prevention of collisions at sea framed at the Maritime conference held at Washington. The chief Maritime nations now having accepted the new rule, it will go into effect the first of July of next year.

The Tariff Tinker.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The ways and means committee of the House has decided to begin hearings on the tariff December 28th, and continue for two weeks. Charles A. Prouty, of Vermont, has been nominated interstate commerce commissioner.

EXPERIMENTAL FARMS

S. A. L. Proposes to Establish 100 Along Its System.

FARM EVERY 10 MILES.

The Object is to Show the World What Southern Soil Can Be Made to Do in the Way of Growing Diversified Products.

The Norfolk Virginian of yesterday gives the following piece of interesting news:

Several of the railroads of the South, recognizing the importance of the agricultural development of the country through which their lines run, have established experimental stations and immigration and industrial departments with a view of encouraging the settlement of farmers from the north and west. The Seaboard Air-Line, however, has taken a step looking to the development of the country tributary to it that is considerably in advance of either an experiment station or simple immigration departments.

Allusion is made to the organization of plans to establish 100 experimental farms along the road, one farm to every ten miles of its system. The management proposes to purchase 100 small tracts of land along the road, and under the direction of expert, practical, agriculturists show what Southern lands are capable of. The company also proposes to endeavor to bring about the greater diversification of Southern crops, and for the introduction of crops not grown in the South. By recent experiments the Seaboard has proved that other products, notably hops, not grown in territory tributary to its road, can be grown successfully, and these experiments have led the management to undertake experiments on a larger scale. These experiment farms, or experiment stations will not be large enough to be a financial burden to the railroad, but at the same time will be large enough to amply demonstrate the best methods of crop-growing and the best crops adapted to the various sections of the country.

It is proposed to experiment with a large number of crops not now produced in that territory, such as hops, broom corn, New England beans, celery, sugar beets, and other products which may be made to profitably diversify the agricultural interests of the region between Norfolk and Atlanta.

The South annually spends immense sums for products of this kind, which are brought from other sections, and which could be raised at home to even better advantage than elsewhere. In taking the lead in this kind of educational work, the Seaboard deserves the heartiest commendation of everyone interested in Southern advancement. These experimental stations will not only prove of immense value to all farmers now located along the line of the road, but will be the means of showing to thousands of prospective settlers from other sections what can be done in the South, and will thus be the means of greatly increasing immigration to that region.

This, however, is only a part of the plans of the Seaboard looking to the development of the territory along its line. It is proposed to organize a department, which will not only have charge of the experimental stations, but which will also give careful attention to the study of the best markets, to which such products should be shipped, thus aiding the farmers in securing the greatest returns. Included in this general work will also be special efforts to improve the grade of the live stock on adjacent farms.

In connection with these plans, there will also be established an industrial department, in charge of Mr. John T. Patrick, of Pine Bluff, N. C., who for some years was State immigration agent of North Carolina, and who has of recent years been identified with extensive immigration and development work at Southern Pines and other points along the line of this road.

The feature of the work will take in the question of making known the industrial resources and capabilities of the country, and of aiding to the utmost extent in the development of manufacturing interests.

It is said that it was to the success of the experimental farm of the Georgia Southern and Florida railroad that much of the immigration

along the country reached by that road was due.

But this was only one extensive farm and could not be seen by every body. The Seaboard, on the contrary, in having 100 smaller farms, carries the work to a much greater extent and with promise of large results.

R. O. PATTERSON DEAD.

Passed Away Suddenly in Asheville Yesterday Received Sorrowfully in Raleigh.

Mr. R. O. Patterson, Clerk of the Federal Court under Judge Dick died at his home in Asheville yesterday very suddenly.

The intelligence of Mr. Patterson's death reached Raleigh yesterday and with it came sadness. Mr. Patterson was chairman of the republican campaign committee and during the four months campaign he was located in Raleigh at republican headquarters. He was a most pleasant and agreeable gentleman and during his residence in this city made many friends.

Mr. Patterson was mindful of the fact that he only had a short time in which to live and while here he frequently spoke of the fact to friends. But he was not despondent and rather of a happy disposition.

Mr. Patterson died of heart failure. Upon his return from his country place he ate a light supper and had a bath made ready for him, and told his wife that after it he would give her an account of his trip. Mrs. Patterson observing that her husband remained longer than usual at his bath went into the room where she found him in the bath tub dead and his body cold.

Mr. Patterson was about 43 years of age.

He had the confidence of Senator Pritchard as few men had and would undoubtedly have been appointed collector of the western district.

Mr. Patterson had a son at school at Wake Forest who passed through the city yesterday en route to Asheville.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14. Market quotations furnished by E. B. Cuthbert & Co., 30 Broad street, New York, and 305 Wilmington street, Raleigh, N. C., over their special wire:

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

Closed steady; sales 31,200 bales.

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

Table with columns: 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: Wheat—December, 78 1/2; May, 82 1/2. Corn—December, 25 1/2; May, 26. Oats—December 17 1/2; May, 20 1/2. Pork—January, 7 1/2; May, 8. Lard—January 3.90; May, 4.10. Clear Rib Sides—January 3.90; May 4.05.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

Table with columns: December, December-January, January-February, February-March, March-April, April-May.

Closed steady, sales 10,000 bales

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Cotton is rallying on heavy buying for New Orleans and Liverpool, through Sondheim and Heintz and Selzer and Rich. The market is closing better; neither Rountree and Co., or John Collins' failure will be more than temporary. The contracts of both have been liquidated.

Mrs. F. A. Olds and son Douglass, who have been on a two months visit to relatives and friends in Memphis, Tenn., and vicinity returned to the city today.

FIVE MURDERERS

From Richmond County on Their Way to the Penitentiary.

Five prisoners sentenced to various terms in the penitentiary for committing murder. The five prisoners were tried last week, but three more capital cases remain untried. They will however come up at the February term of Richmond court.

John Leek, colored, one of the prisoners comes to serve a twenty year sentence. Leek claimed that he killed his man by the accidental discharge of his gun, but the facts were against him.

Will Pate, Peter Pate, Robert Gibson and Alex Gibson, all white men, are sentenced to various terms of imprisonment. The former the leader of a gang, gets thirty years, the next gets eight years and the Gibson brothers are sentenced to 6 and 3 year terms respectively.

The Pate brothers and the Gibsons got on a spree several months ago and Will Pate took a notion that Scott Curry, a white man, had thrashed him the week previous. So off he and his gang went in pursuit of Curry and shot him. Will Pate had received a whipping but some one else besides Curry administered it. They killed the wrong man. Many persons thought the whole gang should have been hung.

Robson-Jauneschek.

A woman whose amorous past is of worth to her rather than one open to censure, or one to be hidden under the seven folds of oblivion, is rather a novelty, either in real life or fiction.

But such is the "past" in the comedy entitled "Mrs. Ponderbury's Past" which role Madame Jauneschek assumes in this clever comedy, which Stuart Robson will produce at the Academy of Music on Thursday. With her "past" and a small moment of it, in the shape of a knife, the lady rules husband and household for twenty years, but like all autocracies it has its fall. In conjunction with this comedy will be introduced a modernized one-act farce of Buckstone's decidedly humorous and a fitting preface to the three-act play. It is entitled "Mr. Gilman's Wedding."

The Big Block at Greensboro.

The Greensboro Record says: Supt. O'Brien was also here for a day or two engaged in the same work—getting out freight trains. Never has there been such a rush and crush. Mr. Ryder said they moved over a thousand cars out of Greensboro; this relieving things greatly, but they keep coming in. Yesterday's Salem train, due here at 11:45 a. m., reached the junction on time, but was blocked out and never got into the station until after 2 p. m. Returning it was unable to get away until 3:45. Freight trains lined the tracks far beyond Pomona and it was out of the question to move in any direction. Only one thing is required—more sidings and a double track to Salisbury if not to Charlotte. Business is business and it is imperative. The matter is becoming serious, affecting the running of the passenger trains.

Attention! Centre Lodge, K. of P.

The regular meeting of Centre Lodge, No. 3, Knights of Pythias, will be held tonight at 8 o'clock. All members are urgently requested to be present, as business of much importance will be transacted. All visiting brethren will meet with a cordial welcome.

R. C. RIVERS, C. C.

W. W. WILSON, K. of R. and S.

"Raleigh in Luck."

Col. F. A. Olds says in the Charlotte Observer and his other correspondence: "Evangeline," Rice's tuneful opera will appear here on the 16th. Raleigh is in luck. The company appears no where else in the state.

Rountree Falls.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—W. D. Rountree announced the failure of his firm this afternoon.

James Bryan was fined \$25 in Justice Nichols' court for assaulting Mrs. Hales, who runs a boarding house on Martin street.

Messrs. Sowers & Harding, the up-to-date laundrymen, have had unlooked for success and encouragement in their past two weeks business, and desire to express their hearty thanks and appreciation to their patrons: See their new ad and send in your blankets and lace curtains.

SHORT STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

Pot-Pouri of the News Pictured on Paper—Points and People Permeantly Picked and Pithily Put in Print.

"The best pair in the deck"—"Our Boys."

Subscribers to the telephone will please give to their list 225 D. Alt. Jones, oil dealer.

The stores are all thronged with Xmas shoppers. Merchants all say that business was never better.

The new annex to the agricultural building is nearly completed. The painters are putting on finishing touches.

The Y. M. C. A., gymnasium class will be held tonight at 8:30 o'clock instead of tomorrow. After class basket ball will be played.

Tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the first Baptist church, Mr. John E. Ray will give a talk on Hellen Keller. All are invited to be present and hear him.

A special meeting of the board of directors will be held at St. Luke's Home Tuesday December 15th at 11 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

Mr. Addie Still, of St. Matthews township died yesterday of pneumonia in the 45th year of his age. Mr. Still was one of the most esteemed citizens in his community. The funeral will occur this afternoon.

Messrs. Royall and Borden offer you a tempting bill of fare from which to select your holiday presents. Read their new ad. today and call and see them when doing your Christmas shopping.

Miss Mildred Cameron, of Hillsboro, daughter of the late Paul C. Cameron, will be united in marriage to Mr. Wm. B. Shepherd, of Edenton, tomorrow in Hillsboro.

There never has been such a large advance sale of seats so early in the week as there has been for Evangeline. There will hardly be a vacant seat in the house Wednesday. Al Field's crowd bids fair to be eclipsed.

Full measure for fifty cents tomorrow evening—"Our Boys" and a contribution to a much needed department of the Hospital. Let the amateurs face a sea of faces when the curtain rings up. Seats at King's, remember.

The Hospital needs an operating room; you need to see "Our Boys;" its a mutual benefit opportunity the bright home amateurs offer you at the Academy Tuesday evening. Fifty cents for a reserved seat and an evening of cackle-warming mirth is the go-between. Call at King's for your seat.

Judge H. G. Ewart told the Press-Visitor when in the city that the public printing would be done in Raleigh in the future. He stated that it was not in the understanding of the legislature in letting the contract for the printing two years ago that the work should be done by Virginia printers. It is almost assured that if the republicans get the printing contract it will be awarded to the new daily, The Tribune.

Mr. E. Wilkes McClave, the live and up-to-date advance representative of Evangeline, which is the attraction for Wednesday night at the Academy, was in the city Saturday and yesterday and left this morning for Savannah, where the company will go from here. Mr. McClave, in addition to being a thorough-going business man, is one of those clever and gifted gentlemen whom it is always a pleasure to meet. He knows the piano like a book and with his powers of song and piano execution could alone delight any audience for an hour single handed. He is the author of that beautiful and popular song, "White Wings." He afforded great pleasure and entertainment to many friends whom he met while here and he will always have a cordial welcome whenever he returns to Raleigh. If we may judge of the excellence of the Evangeline Company by its genial and gifted advance agent, its favor and success with the Raleigh public is already guaranteed.