WILL AGCEPT THE OFFER

Spain Willing for Olney to Settle Cuba's Trouble.

HAS ASKED NO AID. board Air Line system.

No Other Powers Queried by Spaln So Premier Canovas States...Other News Relating to the Bloody War in Cuba.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. London, Dec. 29.—The announcement comes from Washington that the Spanish minister has agreed the tender to accept the good offices of the United States in the settlement of the troubles of Cuba. It is generally accepted here as satis-

factory, and was not unexpected. MADRID, Dec. 29. Premier Canovas says he has asked no aid of other powers respecting Cuba.

BELIEVE MACEO ALIVE.

Some Cubans Cling to the Hope that he Will Meet Spain's Armies Again

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor NEW YORK, Dec. 29 .- An officer of the steamer-Vigilancia, which ar rived from Havana, this morning, said that while the vessel lay at Havana he learned from several Cubans, in that city, that the belief prevailed there among the adherents to the Cuban cause that Maceo was not only not murdered, but was never slain at all and is now planning a coup d'etat in Matanzas. They base their belief on a story told by a passenger on a train which skirts the boundary of the province of Matanzas, who declared that he saw General Maceo passing near by at the head of his troops as the train noved slowly along.

The officers of the steamship had seen nothing of the filibuster. Three Friends, and were surprised and greatly interested at being informed of the libelling of the little craft, and that she is alleged to bave taken part in landing arms and men on the Cuban coast recently

TWENTY DROWNED.

spanish Steamship Goes Down and Only
Two Were Saved. they say, have already been engaged.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. SANTANDER, Dec. 29.—The Spanish steamship Carranza, Capt. Martinez, foundered off the Bay of Biscay of twenty-two, twenty of whom were drowned

Roanoke Bank Goes Under

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Comptrol Eckels received a telegram from Roanoke, Va., announcing the fail ure of the Commercial national bank. Examiner Sands was sent to take charge of the institution. The deposits are \$75,000 and other liabilities \$35,000. Failure due to speculation and boom tendencies of the

This is Well Said.

Editor PRESS-VISITOR: Now while the weather is dry it would be a good time to look for that crossing that got lost in the mud on Blount and Morgan streets some Pedestrian.

White Caps Kill Hasband and Wife.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Dec. Masked men, believed to be white caps, shot William Whaley and wife to death in Sevire county early this

Gets Thirty Six Years.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. New York, Dec. 29.—Isaac Zuker, convicted of incendiarism was sentenced to the State prison for thirty six years by Justice Fursman of the Supreme court.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., on 42nd street was blown open by nitro glycerine and \$2,000 secured

Heading Towards Cuba.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

TAMPA, Fla., Dec. 29.—Assistant Secretary of the Scott Wike passed through the city en route to Key

The January term of Wake Superior court for the trial of criminal together in the holy bonds of matricases begins Monday next.

A VERY OLD TIMER,

S. A. L. Magundi for November publishes a portrait of the venerable 'Tornado,' supposed to be the first tractile engine that ran to Raleigh N. C., over the Raleigh and Gaston railway, an integral part of the Sea-

A model of the old engine is now at the Seaboard shops in this city, and is certainly singular enough in appearance to to have been the first engine ever run, says the Portsmouth Star. Recently, however, the company received a communication from a civil engineer in England which throws some doubt on the Tornado's claim to priority.

The writer states that in looking over some old charts of the Vulcan foundry, at Leicester, he found drawings of two locomotives built over 60 years ago for the Raleigh and Gaston, one of which was the Raleigh, the plans of which he sent, thinking they would prove valuable relics. These are now in the possession of the superintendent of motive power and machinery.

The drawings of the Raleigh prov her to be a less primitive machine, at least in appearance, than the Tor aado, which is one of the most singular-looking freaks imaginable compared with the modern locomo tive. Its genesis is thus given in S. A. L. Magundi:

The Raleigh and Gaston Railroad company purchased about September, 1839, four engines from D J. Burr & Co., of Richmond, Va. which were respectively named Tor-nado, Volcano, Whirlwind and Spitfire. The three last succumbed in course of time to hard usage, though faithful to their prescribed duties to the last. The Tornado, the fittest survived all the rest and continued in active service from 1839 to 1869.

TO MOVE THE CAPITOL,

A Member of the Legislature from Burn combe Says that Will be the Frist Bill Introduced.

The Asheville Citizen is informed by prominent local Republicans who contemplate being in Raleigh during the Senatorial contest that it is very difficult to secure accommodations at the capital. All desirable places.

One of the complainants will represent the western part of the State in the Senate. He says the first bill he will introduce will be for the reoff this port. She carried a crew moval of the capital to some town where adequate hotel accommodations may be secured.

Weather Conditions.

The barometer has fallen over the entire country and the weather has become cloudy and threatening nearly everywhere. Light rains have fallen at scattered stations in the central valley from northern Texas northeast to the Lake region, and on the south Atlantic coast. The storm is still central in the northwest and is causing warm southerly winds in the Mississippi and Ohio valleys. The temperature has risen considerably in the east.

Judge Simonton, of the United States circuit court, has notified Mr. J W Fries, receiver of the North State Improvement company, and his attorneys, Watson & Buxton, of Winston, to appear before him, in Wilmington, on January 14th, next, when he will issue a decree regard ing the sale of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad. It is under-stood that the judge's order will be for a sale of the road as a whole and not by sections, as some of the interested parties asked for.

Romantic Marriage at Durham.

The Durham Sun of yesterday

Yesterday morning while services were in progress at the Presbyterian church, there was a little romance being transacted which the congregation knew nothing of, not New York, Dec. 29.—The safe of even relatives and intimate friends. Miss Winnie Brock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Brock, was sitting in the congregation. Just about the time the services began she arose and passed out of the church, ostensibly for a drink of water. On the outside she met Mr. Moran Watts. They got into a carriage and were driven to the residence of 'Squire D. L. Belvin, near Bragtown, where they were made man and wife. 'Squire Belvin pronounced the words that joined them

The Georgian is Caustle in His Criticisms

Tom Watson makes a severe at week's People's Party paper.

It is signed by Mr. Watson's ini tials, and is headed:

"Mary Ann Butler Grows Profane Also and Calls Mr. Watson a A Damned Fool, Fit says: 'And now'it is an

nounced that Hon. Thomas E. Watson will contest the seat of Black from the tenth Georgia district. We have strained ourselves right much to be loyal to Watson since his nomination for the vicepresidency, but our strength is now exhausted, and we give up the job of loyalty to him with a conviction that he is more sorts of a damned fool than Elliot F. Shepard

"We clip the above from the editorial page of the Caucasian, Mr. Butler's paper.

"The paragraph is, in many respects a most remarkable one. In the first place, it is curious that a United States Senator cannot use a pen to any better purpose than to fresco his editorial page with profanity. Any vulgarian could do that, One would suppose that Senatorial anger would clothe itself with Senatorial dignity, and that a tirade coming from that lofty source would at least avoid the atmosphere of the gutter. To call a man "a damned fool" is a performance so essentially commonplace that it has well nigh lost the right to be classed as ridiculous.

The idea is that Butler has been standing to Watson like a brother, all along, and still yearned for friend ship and loyal relations, but that Watson has gone and done something very wicked indeed-and Butler just couldn't stand any more. "We have strained ourrelves, "says Mary Ann-omitting to state whether in the aukle or back-'right much to be loyal to Watson since his nomination for the vice-presidency, but our strength is now exhausted. We give

up the jab after straining horocle right much?'

Because Watson now contests

And yet if this contest be a sin, it was committed in November, 1895, long before the vice presidential nomination was dreamed of.

'But there is yet another feature the paragraph we have quoted which is more illustrative of Butler than any we have yet touched.

"He states that 'it is now announced' that Hon, T. E. Watson will contest the seat of Black, as if this was the first he ever heard of it, and then he proceeds to condemn said Watson for his wicked purpose, and to say that 'he is more sorts of a damned fool than Elliott F. Shepard ever was!'-all that because 'it is now announced that Hon. Thomas E. Watson will contest the seat of

"The thing which is most remarkable about this juvenile puerility is that Mr. Butler knew when this contest was filed and knows that Mr. Watson tried his best to have it heard before the summer adjournment, was in correspondence with Mr. Watson about the case, expressed his sympathy with said Watson in said contest, assured said Watson of his willingness and readiness to do all he could in favor of said contest, and exerted himself to impress said Watson with the belief that he, Butler, was heart and soul with him, Watson, in said contest

"For Butler now to announce that he abandons and repudiates said Watson because of this same contest. and to call Watson 'a damned fool for bringing it, is a very wonderful somersault, indeed-even for Butler

"If Mary Ann is not specially ab sorbed with his high sensatorial duties and his Democratic intrigues we would like to see him take his pen in hand and make reply to these ew and humble remarks of ours.

"Perhaps he can get out of the scrape without 'having strained ourselves right much. "At least we have a mild curios

Physicians Elect Officers. officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. H. Bobbitt, President; A. ter, Secretary.

the Porcelain dental art.

WATSON AFTER BUTLER STEWARTS COME HIGH

tack on Marion Butler in this They Cost the State a Bonus

GREAT INCREASE

of \$8,400.

In the Expenses of the Public Printing for the Past Two Years, Over the Years of 1893

There has been much speculation for some time as to the amount of money the State has paid the Messrs. Stewart for the public printing. It has been stated repeatedly on well grounded authority that the printing for the past two years under the Stewart contract cost more than itdid the preceeding two years when done by Messrs. Uzzell and Edwards and Broughton. This statement has been denied repeatedly by republicans and populists.
During the campaign the Messrs. Stewart gave an interview, which was subsequently used on the stump, in which they stated that the public printing under their contract cost the state much less than in previous

The facts are the Messrs. Stewart have made 'an enormous profit and the public printing under their contract has cost the state over eight thousand dollars more than it did for the two previous years when done by two Raleigh firms. And this is not all. Additional increase of expense to the state under the Stewart contract will be made known in a few days. Of course there were costs incurred in transmission of matter to Winston which is not

The cost of the printing for the past four years are given herewith from figures taken from the records on file in the Auditor's office. They are facts that cannot be disputed.

The cost of the public printing for the fiscal years of '95 and '96 when done by two Raleigh firms was for for the fiscal year ending North 30th, 1893, \$17,085.57; for fiscal year ending Nov. 30th, '94, \$9,747.59. The total cost of the public printing for the two years under the contract of the Raleigh firms was \$26,833.16.

The cost of the state printing for the fiscal years of '93 and '94 when done by the Messrs. Stewart was the fiscal year ending November 30th, '95, \$20,676.58; for the fiscal year ending November 30th, '96, \$12,798.78. This gives a total cost of the printing under the Messrs. Stewart's contract of\$33,475,36. But this is not all. The Messrs. Stewart rendered no bill of work done during November until after the end of the fiscal year. This bill was som \$1,800 and it makes the amount received by the Stewarts for work done during the past two years \$35,275,36. All this is exclusive of printing done for the Railway

Commission and other institutions, for which the Stewarts were paid seperately.

As will be seen the public printing cost the State nearly \$8,500 more under the Stewart contract than it did during the two preceeding years.

The winning card which drew the bicycle offered by Messrs. Berwanger Bros., and which was drawn from the box on Christmas evenight, bore the name of Ernest Pittman. Nobody knew who Ernest Pittman was till yesterday Mr. L. F. Alford, a gentleman living at Kenly, Johnston county, was here and informed the Messrs. Berwanger that the lucky lad was a young eight year old orphan residing near Kenly, Some days ago Mr. Alford went to Berwanger's store to purchase for Ernest and his brother, Austin, a bune, the new republican daily. lad of twelve years, a suit of clothes each, preparing them for admittance into an orphanage, their application Mr. Alford took advantage of the offer made by Messrs. Berwanger and put six tickets in the box for Ernest and seven for Austin, thirteen dollars being the total amount of the bill, and Ernest drew the bicycle. Mr. Alford was buying the clothes At a recent meeting of the Raleigh | snugly clad in warm clothing by the | ranged for the event, and a large Academy of Medicine the following generous donor and the wheel of fortune, which was presided over by the dainty hand of little Emily W. Goodwin, Treasurer; H. A. Roys | Smith, laid a hundred dollar Christ | guished visitors will Dr. Ayer left yesterday for Phila- phans. The Messrs. Berwanger Dr. J. L. M. Curry, president of will be trans-mitted to the legisla- dially invited to attend. delphia to take a special course in will at once send the bicycle to Er- the board of trustees of the Pea- ture when it meets here Wednesday nest Pittman.

PAY \$3.00 IN ADVANCE.

The Price of the Press-Visitor will be \$4 Mr. Phillips Aged 48 and Miss Morris

Nearly a month ago notice was given that the price of the PRESS-Visitor after January 1st, 1897, would be 35 cents per month instead of 25 cents per month. Accordingly all bills presented after that date will be at that figure. Those who do not wish to pay at that rate have the privilege of paying up and discontinuing their subscription between now and January 1st. Those who let their subscription run over into the month of January will be expected to pay at the increased rate of 35 cents per month when bill is presented. Any one will have the privilege of paying \$3.00 for one year in advance any time between now and January 1st, and any one will have the privilege of paying in advance for any number of months at 25 cents per month, provided payment is made before January 1st.

It is gratifying to us to note that the Press-Visitor has not lost a dozen subscribers up to date in consequence of the raise in price and these have been replaced by new subscribers. This convinces us that our subscribers think that we are entitled to and are willing to pay the increased yet modest price we ask, because they feel that the Press-Visitor is worth it.

THE RALEIGH TRIBUNE.

Office Selected-Paper Will Not Appear

Before Assembling of Legislature The new Republican daily, The Tribune, will not appear before the legislature assembles and probably not until a few days afterwards. Editor Haywood stated to a PRESS-Visitor reporter that it was his intention to have the Tribune appear several days prior to the assembling of the legislature, but he found that it would be impossible. The Tri bune has secured the red front store on Fayetteville street, opposite Tucker & Co., which was formerly occupied by the Progressive Farmer for their offices. This building was found to be most suitable for news-

Mr. Kenyon, the business manager of the paper, has gone to New York to look after the equipment of the office and to hurry the construction of the Mergenthalers. The Babcock press recently ordered is expected this week.

The force that will make the Tribune has not yet been entirely selected. Mr. Willis Briggs wil be the city editor. Mr. Briggs is young man of rare intelligence and literary ability. He is splendidly fitted for rewspaper work. As has heretofore been stated, Mr. Haywood will be the editor and Mr. Kenyon, business manager.

THE STATE PRINTING.

Stewart Bros. Receive a New Press and Office Equipment.

Messrs. Stewart Brothers of Win ston will establish their branch printing office here within the next ten days. A very large printing press, a large quantity of type and a complete outfit for a printing office have arrived from the manufacturers.

Mr. M. I. Stewart, who has been here several times in the interest of the Raleigh branch of the firm has not as yet selected an office. The Messrs. Stewart will do the state printing in this city, provided the firm can re-new its contract with the legislature.

The knowing ones among the republicans do not talk as if the Messrs. Stewart will be given the printing contract again. They hint very strongly that if the printing goes to a republican, which none doubt, it will be given to the Tri

Dr. Alderman has been in charge having been passed on favorably. of the State University since Au guest 15th, but his formal inaugu ration as president will not take place until January 27th, when that occasion will be made a function of more than ordinary interest and nor, the Hon. Daniel L Russell, who as a gift to the little boys. Thus it is a University alumnus, will inwill be seen that a double good deed | duet the new president into office. The orphan boys were An elaborate program will be arattendance of the alumni and friends be present. Among the distin- death. mas gift in the shape of an elegant | nent Dr. William R. Harper, presi dent of the Chicago university, and

HAPPY-WELL YES

Aged 18 Married this Morning.

Tired of single bliss Mr. W H Phillips of Johnston county, aged 48, threw off the cares of batcherlordom and took unto himself a wife. The bride, Miss Bettie Morris is 18

years of age. The courtship of the lovesick couple, the disparity of whose ages is only a trifle, is of recent date. It may for the sake of convenience be dated by hours instead of days. weeks or months. But what of that; it was a case of love. The old remark of the danger of delays appealed very strongly to the happy couple and this morning Mr. Phillips and his bride presented them-selves in the office of the Register of Deeds, where license was secured.

When Clerk Williams had attached his signature to the document, which was to make the two as one, the groom looked upon the bride, he smiled rather fetchingly, and then such an embrace—the groom was overcome with enjoy. He fairly raised the bride from the floor.

Over to the clerk's office the couple went where Mr. Phillips was told the transaction could be legally clinched, There sat clerk A. W. Moye, who is also a magistrate. The groom bashfully made known his desire, and Mr. Moye, who is a most accommodating gentleman, did the

The groom and his bride tarried only momentarily-just long enough to get their belongings in hand.

No mention of the union of these two happy lives would be complete without the attendants. Mr. John B. Kenny witnessed the entire ceremony from the time of the purchase of the license. The other attendant was Mr. J. A. Duncan.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

Market quotations furnished by E. B. Cuthbert & Co., 30 Broad street, New York, and 305 Wilmington street, Raleigh, N. C., over their

7	MONTHS.	OPEN- ING.	HIGH- EST.	LOW- EST.	CLOS- ING
f -	January,	6 71	6 82	6 68	6 81-
9	February, March,	6 79 6 89	6 90 6 98	6 77 6 86	6 90- 6 97-
3	April, May,	6 96 7 06	7 04 7 12	6 96 7 03	7 04- 7 12~
9	June, July,	7 10 7 16	7 18 7 16	7 07 7 10	7 12- 7 13
7	August, Sept'mb'r,				
1	October, Novemb'r,				
l	December,	6 78	6 78	6 68	6 78-

Closed firm; sales 173,500 bales

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

New York Stock Market

Sugar	110
American Tobacco	80
Burlington and Quincy	70
Chicago Gas	73
Des. and Cet. Feed	
General Electric	32
Louisville and Nashville	48
Manhattan	89
Rock Island	66
Southern Preferred	26
St. Paul	73
Tennessee Coal and Iron	25
Western Union	83
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The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today: Wheat-May, 83%; July 79% Corn-May, 25%; July, 26%.

Oats—May 20; July —.
Pork—January, 7.52; May, 7.82.
Lard—January3.77; May, 3.97. Clear Rib Sides-January 3.75;

December-January ... 3.56 January-February 3.55 February-March March-April..... May-June Closed steady, sales 12,000 bales.

Killed on His Way Home.

A serious accident occurred two or three nights since near Roxboro. A number of men were in a wagon returning home from town. Several of them were under the influence of whiskey. In going down a rocky ened and ran or were driven down the hill at a rapid rate. A man by the name of Ingram was thrown out or fell out of the wagon, striking his of the University are expected to head against a rock, producing

> Governor Carr is very basy preparing his biennial message which

STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

Pot-Pourri of the News Pletured on Pa per-Poluts and People Pertineutly Picked and Pithlip Put in Print.

The Christmas entertainment of the First Baptist Sunday School will occur tonight at the church at 7:30 p. m.

Messrs. Thos. H. Briggs & Sons have something of interest to say in their new advertisement today Don't fail to read it.

There have been but few cases before the mayor since Christmas. Those few were mostly drunks. Chief Heartt says the city was never

more orderly on a Xmas occasion. There was a rumor that the Yarborough would open but it was without foundation. To the discredit of Raleigh the hotel will remain closed throughout the legisla-

C. B. Moore will, in all probabil ity, succeed Mr. R. O. Patterson as clerk of the Federal court of the Western district, so the Asheville Citizen states. Mr. Moore is a re-

The Babbitt party, representing the Babbitt soap, are again in the city and are stopping at 316 Jones street. The party includes W. L. Katzenberger and wife and child, Seegrand Selig and S. Green.

The noon trains from the south and west, the Seaboard and South ern, kept up their records of the past two weeks today. The Southern was an hour and forty minutes late and the Seaboard about half an hour.

Mr Joseph Terry, who lives two miles west of the city cantured a large o possum in his chicken coop a few nights ago. The o'possum, which weighed nine pounds when dressed, was in the act of devouring a good fat hen.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Raney have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Lallie Kittrell, to Mr. C. B. Cheatham, on Wednesday, Jan, 6th, at St. James church, Kittrell, N. J. Reception Tuesday evening, Jan. 5th, from 9 to 11 o'clock. No cards.

The heads of the departments of the S. A. L. presented Vice-President St. John with a handsome leather chair as a Christmas re membrance. Vice-President St. John favored all the officials of the system with a personal letter expressing appreciation of their loy alty and efforts in behalf of the S: A L. and also extending to all a merry Christmas.

Mr. J. D. Riggan congratulates our readers on the happy Christmas they have enjoyed and tells them that he will be doing business at the old stand next year with a complete and varied stock of standard goods in his line at lowest prices. Riggan will be with you all the year round and ready to supply your wants. Watch his advertisement.

By reading the new advertisment of the North Side Drug Store today you will see that they keep abreast of the times. When the procession moves on at a little faster pace they move with it and consequently do not get left. They will be ready to fill your prescriptions with the best and purest drugs during the coming year and will be pleased to have you call. Watch their advertising space.

For a Dispensary.

The Prohibitionists of Buncombe are going to make an effort to se cure the dispensary system for that hope of getting prohibition straightout. Petitions were started out Sat urday for signatures and will be dis tributed in every township in the county. The canvassers are asked to make a speedy house to house can vass.

Seaton Gales Lodge, No. 64, I. O. O. F. Regular meeting of Seaton Gales Lodge No. 64, I. O. O. F., Thursday night at 7 o'clock. It is earnestly de sired that every member be present. Members of sister lodges are cor

A. M. POWELL, N. G !' HEM, Sec.