

# THE PRESS-VISITOR.

VOL. XXXVI.—NO. 63.

RALEIGH, N. C., TUESDAY EVENING, JANUARY 5, 1897.

\$3.00 PER YEAR.

## CUBA IN THE SENATE

### A Large Crowd Present in the Galleries.

### WEYLER GETS GAY.

Says the Rebellion will be Over in Two Weeks—Hall Says the Cameron Resolution will be Referred Back to Committee.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The report just before the session opened today is that the Cameron resolution will not be called up in the Senate today. Even if not called the Cuban question will likely come up in some way and if it does the indications point to a sensational debate. The Senate galleries are crowded and the hope is that the Cameron resolution, recognizing the independence of Cuba will give rise to an exciting debate. The friends and enemies of the bill among the Senators gathered early, and both sides are confident of victory. Senator Hale expressed confidence that he would be able to defeat the bill. He will move that it be referred back to the foreign relations committee. He declares that he has enough votes to carry such a motion.

HAYNES, Jan. 5.—Gen. Weyler in an interview says the rebellion will be over in a fortnight. The Spanish situation is exceptionally good. WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Senator Call has introduced a resolution calling for information regarding the imprisonment in Cuba of Julius Sangulilly, an American citizen. He will speak upon it tomorrow. He wants the president to demand that Sangulilly be released.

### Minister Willis May Die.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. VANCOUVER, Jan. 5.—Honolulu information of December twenty-eighth, says that United States Minister Willis has been suffering from pneumonia some time and is given up by his physicians. For three days previous to the dispatch the information is that death is hourly expected.

### The Trial of Lady Scott Resumed.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. LONDON, Jan. 5.—The trial of lady Scott has been resumed. George Santiano, instructor of the Harvard University, testified to cruising in the Earl's yacht and saw no improper conduct and heard no complaints.

### CITY LIGHT CONTRACT

Expires in May—It Costs the City \$5,000 Per Annum.

The contract for lighting the streets of the city, which has been held by the Raleigh gas company for five years, expires in May. The city pays now \$5,000 per year for lights. Now that the present contract is about to expire a good deal of talk is heard about a renewal. That the streets of Raleigh have been improperly lighted is a fact recognized by every one. There will be a number of applicants for the lighting contract and in view of this the question of the city establishing its own plant and placing a light on every corner in the city is being agitated. It is claimed that this can be done for less than the present cost.

At the last meeting of the Board of Aldermen, Alderman Drewry introduced the following resolution which was adopted: "Owing to the fact that our city last night sustained the grievous loss of having the electric power house burned, thereby preventing for at least a season the operating of our street car system, now therefore be it resolved by this board, that the mayor is hereby instructed to appoint a committee of three from this board with the mayor ex officio, as chairman to take into consideration the advisability of the city purchasing this plant or some other and operating it not only for street car purposes, but for purposes of lighting the city and supply its citizens with lights."

This committee is to report back to the board at a subsequent meeting for final action. A committee consisting of Mayor Russ, Aldermen Drewry, Mills and White was appointed.

## LEGISLATIVE EDITION.

The Press-Visitor's Special General Assembly Issue is Progressing.

Work on the Legislative Edition of the Press-Visitor, which will be issued at an early date, is progressing rapidly, and Mr. C. Beauregard Poland, who has the edition in charge is making vigorous efforts to make it the most complete edition ever published in the State. It will contain bright and interesting sketches of political life, with an up-to-date history of the present general assembly with biographical sketches of the prominent members thereof. Also, interesting sketches of the governor and the state officials of note.

This edition of the Press-Visitor will be gotten up in a manner that will make it interesting to everybody who takes an interest in the political workings of the state. Every State officer and member of the Assembly should see that he is represented in this edition.

Mr. Poland, who is an experienced journalist, will call on you and explain the matter thoroughly.

Thousands of copies of this edition will be printed and circulated throughout the State.

This paper will exert quite an influence in the political fields of the State, and each member of the General Assembly will find many attractive features therein.

The prominent political leaders of the State are taking an interest in this edition, and are helping to make it a success.

Advertisers in the city who desire choice space in this edition should engage same promptly so as to secure prominent position.

### A STRANGE TEST.

A Suspected Murderer Talks While Hypnotized.

It will be remembered that some months ago a mind reader and a hypnotist named Laska was in Raleigh and gave some interesting tests. A special from Galveston, Texas, gives account of a curious performance by Prof. Laska there a few days ago. The Galveston Dispatch says: William Hanson, who was arrested on suspicion of having murdered Samuel Martin, a labor leader, whose body was found in the bay with 100 pounds of iron tied about the neck, was hypnotized and questioned in detail about the crime. While in the lethargic state he confessed that Martin had reason to be jealous of him; that Mrs. Martin intended to get a divorce and become Mrs. Hanson, but he denied all knowledge of how the murder was committed, and repeated the story he told the police when arrested.

Hanson was hypnotized by Prof. Laska, a peripatetic lecturer, who came to Galveston a few days ago to give exhibitions of his proficiency in hypnotism. Laska was sent for by the chief of police this morning. He said he would be glad to try his hand on the "suspected man." Hanson was asked if he would agree to the arrangement. He expressed willingness to be put to any test.

The professor and the prisoner were then introduced. Laska said he would like to see what sort of a subject Hanson was. He began work on him, and in a few minutes Hanson seemed to be wholly under the professor's control. To prove the suspected man was not shamming, a woman's hatpin was jabbed into Hanson's cheek.

The subject did not flinch, and when the hatpin was pulled out of the flesh, no blood flowed from the wound. Then the man's arm was put in a cataleptic state, and the most powerful detective on the force was asked to bend it. He did not succeed. Then Laska awakened Hanson, told him he was a fine subject, and, after consulting Chief Jones and learning that the police wanted the test made at noon in the presence of more witnesses, the professor said: "Mr. Hanson, I'm going away; you will be asleep when I return at 12 o'clock."

The chief of police and half a dozen detectives and reporters remained in the room with the prisoner after the hypnotist departed. Shortly before noon Hanson seemed to become drowsy. He lay down, and apparently was in a deep slumber in a few moments. Laska returning, the detectives were told to awaken the prisoner. They tried to do so by shaking and slapping him, and by shouting in his ears, but without avail. The hypnotist rubbed the prisoner's face many times, instructed him to sleep soundly, and then said: "When you open your eyes

you will see Sam, the murdered man, standing before you. Open your eyes."

Hanson's eyes opened. Chief of Police Jones was standing directly in front of the subject.

"Do you remember the quarrel we had, William?" the chief asked. "We had no quarrel, Sam," Hanson replied. "Yes, we did." "No, Sam; we never had but one quarrel, and that did not amount to anything." "Didn't I tell you that if I caught you around my house I would kill you?" "No, Sam; you never told me anything of the kind." "Did we not have a quarrel?" "Yes; but you said you did not mean me when you said you would kill him." Who "him" is could not be ascertained.

Then the professor showed how he could make the subject believe the chief of police was Mrs. Martin. The chief, posing as Mrs. Martin, put a new set of questions to the recumbent man. Hanson addressed the chief familiarly as "Clara," and when asked to tell what he knew about the murder he repeated the story he had told the police when arrested.

For nearly an hour the prisoner was subject to every sort of question the spectators suggested. To the question as to whether he thought Martin was murdered he replied affirmatively, saying he believed the wound in the head was made with an ax.

When released from the hypnotic state, Hanson did not show any undue desire to learn what he had said. The police said they were fully satisfied with the test made, but later in the afternoon Hanson was again hypnotized in order that some further questions might be propounded to him. A spectator asked the privilege of interrogating the suspected man. Hanson was told the spectator was Mrs. Martin.

Again he addressed the supposed Mrs. Martin familiarly. "William," said the questioner. "I've turned state's evidence and confessed how we murdered Sam." "If you say I murdered Sam you lie," said Hanson. At this juncture Chief of Police Jones stopped the seance. He said he did not consider it fair to the prisoner to subject him to any further interrogation, and the professor awakened the subject.

### TODAY'S MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.

Market quotations furnished by E. B. Cuthbert & Co., 90 Broad street, New York, and 305 Wilmington street, Raleigh, N. C., over their special wire:

MONTHS.	OPEN- ING.	HIGH- EST.	LOW- EST.	CLOS- ING.
January,	6 78	6 81	6 76	6 80
February,	6 83	6 85	6 81	6 85
March,	6 90	6 93	6 87	6 92
April,	6 99	7 08	6 97	6 99
May,	7 03	7 08	7 02	7 06
June,	7 08	7 12	7 08	7 11
July,	7 13	7 14	7 13	7 15
August,	7 17	7 17	7 14	7 17
Sept'mb'r,	6 92	6 92	6 90	6 91
October,				6 92
November,				6 94
December,				6 94

Closed steady; sales 117,300 bales.

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

New York Stock Market.	
Sugar	1104
American Tobacco	774
Burlington and Quincy	704
Chicago Gas	744
Do. and Cas. Feed	394
General Electric	394
Louisville and Nashville	484
Manhattan	494
Rock Island	664
Southern Preferred	264
St. Paul	724
Tennessee Coal and Iron	254
Western Union	894

Chicago Grain and Provision Markets.

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

Wheat—May, 83¢; July, 78¢.
Corn—May, 55¢; July, 54¢.
Oats—May, 19¢; July, —
Port—January, 7.90; May, 7.85.
Lard—January, 3.80; May, 3.97.
Clear Ribs Sides—January 3.87; May 4.00.

The St. Luke circle of King's Daughters will meet at the residence of Mrs. Joe Blake tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. All members are cordially invited to attend. Mrs. M. E. Moore, Pres. Mrs. Kinano Jones, Sec.

## HILEMAN, THE SPEAKER

### Skinner Out Boldly for Senator Pritchard.

### ALL CAUCUS TONIGHT

Pritchard Sure of Election—Republicans Say that Butler is Whipped—Claude Dockery Candidate for Speaker—Pritchard Arrives.

Congressman Harry Skinner arrived in the city yesterday afternoon. The representative from the First district is taking as much interest in the election of a United States Senator as any other man on the ground. Indeed, it may be said that Mr. Skinner has come here to make open war on his party leader, Senator Butler, who is here directing the fight against Senator Pritchard. Mr. Skinner, in championing Senator Pritchard's cause, makes that gentleman's re-election almost sure, and by so doing defies the dominant wing of his party. From now on it will be a fight between Skinner and Butler for the mastery inside the Populist ranks.

Congressman Skinner made a declaration in favor of Senator Pritchard last night to a reporter of the Press-Visitor. Mr. Skinner said: "If Mr. Pritchard is for the free coinage of silver, which I believe him to be, then good faith should cause him to be voted for by the Populists."

"I think Senator Pritchard is as good a silver man as there is in the state of North Carolina. The indications are that he will be elected under caucus, legislative and personal assurances to support the people's party in its fight for financial reform."

Mr. Skinner was asked if he would support the caucus nominee of the Republicans, regardless. He replied emphatically that he would not. He further stated that the Senator elected would be for the free coinage of silver.

Mr. Skinner is quartered on the fourth floor of the Park and he has a constant stream of callers. Representative Morton, of Richmond county, is a Populist. He is as much wedded to the free silver cause as most people are to their wives. Mr. Morton was cussing out the "traitors" last night. He said:

"I want a free silver conference in which all parties can unite. I want a silver Senator elected, free and above board. I'll never touch any of Mark Hanna's money."

Ex-Senator Westmoreland is here. Mr. Westmoreland says a silver Senator should be elected by all means.

As the Press-Visitor indicated yesterday A. F. Hileman of Cabarrus will be speaker of the House of representatives, unless some unforeseen event intervenes. Mr. Hileman is almost assured of the nomination tonight in the Populist caucus. The report was spread today that J. B. Schulken had withdrawn from the race, but this is denied by his friends, though Mr. Schulken, says he is making no fight for the nomination for speaker. Senator Butler stated last evening that he was not working for Mr. Schulken or any particular person for the speakership, but that on the other hand he was keeping himself free from the contest. Republicans assert that Butler has been doing his utmost to defeat Hileman and to promote Schulken and that he signally failed. All the republican leaders allege that Butler was defeated in an effort to force Schulken down the throats of the populists and that his fall last night is only the beginning of his end. It is claimed that the same lines will be observed in the Senatorial fight as has been in the contest for the speakership. That is the republicans expect to see the supporters of Hileman and Skinner get in line for Pritchard.

Mr. A. F. Hileman in an interview to a Press-Visitor reporter said: "I am a candidate for the speakership, though I am not travelling around making any particular fight for it. I had not sought the place, until my friends pressed me to do so. I have been waited upon by most of the members of the populist delegation from the first district and assured of their support. Many

from the second and other districts have also voluntarily offered their support."

"I want to state that I have formed no combination with Senator Pritchard, nor have I declared myself in favor of any one for the Senate. I am under obligations to no one."

Mr. Claude Dockery, the republican representative from Richmond county will be a candidate for speaker, regardless of the disposition of the majority of the republicans to yield that honor to the populists. Mr. Dockery has assurances of support from several sources.

Senator J. C. Pritchard arrived here early this morning from his home in Marshall. He has taken apartments at the Park Hotel, and during the day a stream of callers have poured in his room. Mr. Pritchard has received many assurances that he will receive a re-election. We have been informed that several Populists called on the Senator and assured him of their support.

A Republican who is in touch with the Pritchard interest tells the Press-Visitor that sixteen Populist members of the legislature have pledged Senator Pritchard a friends that they will bolt the Populist caucus if Pritchard is not nominated.

Every indication points to Senator Pritchard's re-election. The Republicans have certainly broken into the Populist ranks, which thirty-six hours ago was intact. It would seem that Senator Pritchard's chances of defeat are very slim. We use the expression "chances of defeat" because it is more applicable than "chances of election."

Friends of Senator Butler say that the Republicans are manufacturing a lot of talk about the defection of Populists who will support Senator Pritchard, and they allege that there is no truth in them. Some of the Senator's friends say that there is no hope of Pritchard's election.

From developments of the past 24 hours it is apparent that the populist organization is split in two factions. Senator Butler, Congressman Shuford and others are taxing their powers to keep the populist line intact. Their object is to keep the populists from supporting Pritchard. Allied with the other faction, which is headed by Congressman Skinner is Hileman of Cabarrus, State Senator Barker, G. W. Kestler and many small fry. This wing of the populist organization is very favorable to Senator Pritchard.

When the two come together tonight in caucus there is going to be a high old time. Otho Wilson and Hal Ayer are said to be sitting on the fence. They are naturally in sympathy with Senator Butler, who has been their constant friend, but their hearts are in the Pritchard camp.

All three of the parties caucus tonight at half-past eight. The republican and populist caucuses will each appoint a committee to wait on the other and agree as to the organization of the two branches.

The Press-Visitor learns from several populist legislators that the Senatorship will be brought up in caucus tonight and that an effort will be made to definitely settle the matter. Others are opposed to taking up the Senatorial question.

L. C. Caldwell, of Statesville, arrived today. His name is being pushed along for the Populist nomination. Caldwell's support comes from Butler's friends.

This evening Congressman Skinner, Hileman, of Cabarrus, and their faction of the Populist party had a conference at Hileman's rooms.

There are several Democratic representatives who want to unite with the Populists on the election of a Senator. Mr. James M. Moody, ex-State Senator from Haywood and one of the cleverest and best liked republicans in the State is here. Mr. Moody has a host of friends in Raleigh and they are always glad to see him. By the way Mr. Moody is a candidate for district Attorney of the Western district. Mr. Moody was elected solicitor of the 12th district in '96, where the Democrats had the ascendancy, by a majority of 2,300. He was a candidate for Lt. Governor in '92 and made a brilliant canvass.

### Republican Caucus Tonight.

The Republican members of the General Assembly will meet in caucus in the Hall of the House of Representatives tonight Jan. 5th at 8 o'clock for the purpose of commencing the organization of the General Assembly with the view of co-operating with the Populists.

## THE INAUGURATION

It Will Occur the Twelfth—J. E. Alexander, Russell's Private Secretary.

The inauguration will occur the twelfth. This is definitely settled and a bill, which has already been drawn will be introduced in the legislature tomorrow probably fixing that as the date.

Judge Russell will reach here on the eleventh and will occupy rooms at the Park hotel. Later he and Mrs. Russell and their little niece will occupy the mansion. As has been before stated the inauguration will be very simple.

Mr. J. E. Alexander, of Winston, associated with Chairman Holton in the practice of law has accepted the private secretaryship to the governor elect, which has been tendered him by Judge Russell. Mr. Alexander is a graduate of the university and during the campaign he was connected with republican headquarters in this city. Mr. Alexander has attained success as a lawyer for one so young in years. He is pleasantly remembered here.

### COLDER TONIGHT.

Weather Prediction for Raleigh Today and Tomorrow.

The weather prediction for Raleigh and vicinity tomorrow is fair and colder. The same weather will prevail Wednesday. The thermometer registered 52 at eight a. m. this morning.

The storm has moved eastward to the St. Lawrence valley. Small amounts of precipitation occurred along the Atlantic States from Florida northward.

The weather is fair and colder in the central valley and westward as well as over all the Southern States. The temperature continues to fall in the northwest, where eight degrees below zero is reported from Bismarck, N. D.

### Y. W. C. T. U.

The gracious Saviour, who purchased for his people pardon and peace, with all the affection of a kind preceptor, yes, of a tender parent, counsels us to "hear and be wise, and to guide our hearts in His ways," and at the same time He is ready to assist us in obeying every one of His injunctions.

"Be not," says He, "amongst wine-bibbers, amongst riotous eaters of flesh, for the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty," and the "drowsiness," which such excess occasions, will clothe a man with rags." Mark, says He, and learn wisdom by the powerful experience of other men. Who has more misery and sorrow than his neighbors? Who is always engaged in riots, fighting, duels, or law suits? Who renders himself despised or hated by his babbling? Who is frequently covered with bruises, or laid up with dangerous wounds when neither called to defend himself, nor his friends, nor his country? Who carries the marks of his distempered body in the redness of his eyes, and in his bloated countenance? Do you not see that these are the wretched distinctions of those, "that tarry long at the wine, that go to seek mixed wine?" Do you envy their advantages, or do you wish to be exempted from such miseries? If you desire the latter, then beware of contracting the habit of drinking beyond the bounds of the strictest temperance.

The wine may sparkle in the glass, and appear beautiful to the eye and drunken poets may write very ingenious things in praise of it, it may also please the palate, and exhilarate the mind for a moment; but at the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder." Whatever exceeds exact sobriety, is poisoned; for it inflames the passions, and fits men for every hateful crime, it ruins a man's constitution and character, and tends to beggar his family; it lets loose the tongue to utter every thing impious and provoking; it leads a man without precaution, to run himself into unnumbered dangers; and yet it fascinates him into such a love for his cruel oppressor and his galling chains that he only sleeps to recruit himself, that when he awakes he may return to his destructive indulgence!

Who then, that has common sense would contract such a habit, or sell himself to an iniquity, which tends to such accumulated guilt and misery and exposes a man every day to the danger of dying intoxicated and awaking in eternal torment!

ANNABELLE MITCHELL.

The university glee club went to Henderson this morning.

## SHORT STATEMENTS.

### Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

### AROUND THE CITY.

Pot-Pouri of the News Pictured on Paper—Points and People Pertinently Poked and Pithily Par' in Print.

The little daughter of J. H. Marshall is quite ill.

That genial and clever traveling man, Mr. Sam Harper, was in the city yesterday.

Justice J. C. Marcom has moved his office to the Pace building, where he can be found at business hours.

Hon. C. M. Pace, clerk of the Superior court of Henderson county is at the Exchange hotel for a few days.

Mr. J. H. Lane, the advance agent of "Our Flat" that splendid comedy success, which appears at the Academy of Music January twelfth, is in the city.

Mr. H. S. Leard, the city passenger agent of the Seaboard Air Line, will move his office from the Yarbrough House to the Tucker building on Fayetteville street next to John Y. MacRae's.

We make our acknowledgements to Messrs. Bowen & Crow for one of the neatest and most useful memorandum calendars of the season. Arrangements postal card to them and get one.

Col. J. Williams, president, and Mr. J. B. Freeman, secretary, of the "Skyland Specific Company" of Henderson county, are in the city. Mr. Freeman is a member of the House.

Miss Birdie Harris left this afternoon on the Southern Vestibule for New York City, where she will enter "the Academy of Designs," to take a course in art for which she is naturally talented. Miss Harris has taken several premiums at our State Fairs and we bespeak great success for her.

It is probable that Col. John S. Cunningham, of Person, will be the nominee of the democratic caucus for speaker of the house. Col. Cunningham is one of the strongest and brainiest young democrats in the State and if he should be speaker of the house that body would be characterized by ability and conservatism.

The city school children are earnestly at work securing a library for each school. They have given about two hundred volumes, and after the children themselves have given all they can, they are going to ask their friends to help them. But they believe that self help is the best help at least to begin with. The teachers hope to raise in this way as many books as there are pupils. Tomorrow the children have been asked to make a special effort, and the teachers hope parents will encourage them in this.

One of the strongest comedy organizations now extant is Ryley's comedians, which includes some of the best known names in the realms of farce comedy. will be the attraction at the Academy of Music on next Tuesday, presenting the great London and New York success, "Our Flat," which takes place in a fashionable apartment house. "Our Flat" is very funny, legitimately presented with refined musical interpolations. From the reports of the excellent performances, as seen from criticisms elsewhere, this splendid company should have a packed house here.

### Robert Nourse Friday Night.

Perhaps the best of the season is in store for the people of Raleigh Friday night, Robert Nourse the great dramatic impersonator of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde will hold the boards. Carlisle has said of him "Half prophet; half play actor," while Bishop J. H. Vincent says: "He is great, full of sense and fun." The Empire Toronto says the following of him: "He proved himself a dramatist of no mean order. His impersonations; alternately, of the gentle, beloved philanthropist, and of the terror-striking man-fend, were exceedingly realistic. The transformation scene was wonderfully executed and startling in effect, while the death scene, which concluded the lecture, was too awfully real for description.—The Empire, Toronto.