

SPAIN TO CONCILIATE

Cabinet Council Decides for Reforms in Cuba.

TO ISSUE A DECREE.

Spain to Pursue a Lenient Policy—Probable that a Conspirator Against the Spanish Government Will Be Pardoned.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. LONDON, Jan. 15.—A dispatch to the Central News of Madrid says the cabinet council over which the Queen Regent presided decided to introduce reforms in Cuba.

SHERMAN WILL ACCEPT

The First Place in McKinley's Cabinet Disposed of.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. CANTON, O., Jan. 15.—A message received here from Washington today makes it reasonably certain that Senator Sherman's present intention is to accept the position of Secretary of state in Maj. McKinley's Cabinet.

Senator Sherman's inclinations were not in that direction originally and his first thought was, according to friends here, that he ought to remain in the Senate, but after careful consideration of the subject it seems to him that he can perhaps be of more service to the country and to his party at the head of the department of state.

MINISTER WILLIS DEAD

Expired at Honolulu January Sixth. After Several Months' Illness.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 15.—The steamer Manowai, which arrived this morning from Honolulu brought the news that United States Minister Albert S. Willis, died January 6th, after an illness covering several months resulting from an attack of pneumonia which he suffered while on his vacation to the United States.

At 1:30 o'clock this a. m., after a lingering illness, Mr. Seth Penny at the age of 67 years at his home near Mt. Mariah church in this county. Besides his wife he leaves seven children and a number of relatives and friends, who deeply mourn his loss.

THE GREAT VIOLINIST.

Edouard Remenyi, the violinist, had a very delightful experience recently. He was visiting in the home of Mr. H. H. Kohlsaat, of Chicago, proprietor of the Chicago Times-Herald and Chicago Evening Post, when after dinner it was suggested that it would be a pleasant thing to call up President-elect McKinley over the long distance telephone and have Remenyi play for him and his wife; so Canton, and the McKinley home was called up and the suggestion made, the reply came that Mrs. McKinley and the President-elect would be delighted.

COMMENDS SKINNER.

Congressman Goodwin of Alabama Says He is Right in Supporting Pritchard. Congressman Skinner this afternoon received a telegram from Congressman A. L. Goodwin of Alabama, one of the leading populist members of Congress. The telegram says: "I congratulate you on your bold stand in favor of Senator Pritchard, whom I know to be a friend of silver and an enemy of democratic election frauds. I trust that personal animosities will not be allowed to break up the successful co-operation of populists and republicans, for that means a return of democratic fraud and proscriptio and a bad precedent for us throughout the south."

THE NEW TARIFF BILL.

It Will Be Ready About the First of April.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 15.—The Ways and Means committee has gone to work in earnest on a tariff measure. The committee began its sittings last night. It proposes to finish its bill by the first of April. To do it it will be necessary to burn midnight oil and consume more or less enthusiasm. Oil is cheap and enthusiasm plenty among the younger politicians of the committee.

The measure, which will be ready to report to the House after April 1, will not be the McKinley tariff measure. It is the intention to take up schedule after schedule until the bill is finished. The committee will go on sitting after March 4. It will continue up to the meeting of the extra session. The day after the new Ways and Means committee is appointed the Dingley tariff bill will be presented.

The new bill will not startle the country by the sharpness of its protection of woolen industries. The McKinley bill did. The iron schedule may remain entirely unchanged. Farmers will get the protection given them in the McKinley bill. So it will go down through all the schedules. The people, the committee thinks, will be pleased.

ROOSEVELT IN A NEW ROLE.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. GENEVA, N. Y., Jan. 15.—The report that Theodore Roosevelt, of New York, has been offered the presidency of Hobart College is untrue. Dr. Potter's resignation has not yet been accepted by the board of trustees, which meets January 19.

A number of the alumni think that, as all of Hobart's eight presidents have been clergymen, the precedent should be broken and a layman elected this time. Mr. Roosevelt's name has been strongly considered by some of the trustees. Other likely candidates are Dr. Prall, of Detroit, and Rev. Alexander Mann, of Orange, N. J.

Does the United States Want It?

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Senator Morgan has introduced a resolution declaring that the Union Central Pacific railways become the property of the United States by reason of its defaulted bond payments, and directing the judiciary committee to investigate whether the allegation be true, whether said railways have not any right or title to their property. The resolution is to lie on the table until Mr. Morgan speaks on it.

THE STATE OF WILKES.

Wilkes is getting to be the land of "papers" as well as the "land of Tyre York and corn-licker." Besides this Cosmopolitan Weekly and the Hustler, (organ of the county commissioners), the Blue Ridge Times, the Baptist Banner, organ of Rev. Dr. R. B. Watts, colored, and the North Wilkesboro News which will be in operation again shortly. And, as we remember, there is another colored organ of North Wilkesboro colored Industrial school, which is published occasionally. —Wilkesboro News.

ELLEN YAW DEAD.

Expiring While Singing on the Stage in Binghamton, New York.

A special from Waterloo, Iowa, says: County Clerk H. D. Williams has received notice of the tragic death of Miss Ellen Beach Yaw at Binghamton, N. Y. She was singing before an audience, and, in reaching the high notes, for which her voice was famous, the jugular vein in her throat burst and she died to death on the stage before her hearers.

Miss Yaw was able to reach the highest note of any cantatrice in the world, which was due to a peculiar formation of her throat. In straining to reach this note muscles of her throat were pressed against the jugular vein and injured this by abrasion until the membrane was worn through, causing hemorrhage. She had been warned by the best vocal masters that the result would be so if she persisted in singing so high, but the warning was not heeded.

The fact that she was the greatest ranged vocalist the world has ever known was only a feature of which could consistently be claimed for her. She interpreted music. She did not set her vocal organs to juggle it. She sang naturally twenty-eight tones, from G below to E in the altissimo. Miss Yaw was born in Boston, Erie county, New York, and was 30 years of age.

SCOTTISH REFORMATION.

When it is remembered that the ladies of the Good Shepherd Church gave to the public such a splendid entertainment in the Lutheran Reformation last year, it will only need a little urging, for the most enthusiastic support, by the people of Raleigh, to be extended to these same ladies in their proposed effort to give the Scottish Reformation.

Mrs. Mears who trained for the first entertainment, will be here on Monday and will meet those who are willing to assist at Metropolitan Hall Monday 7:30 p. m.

The Scottish Reformation will be given on the 28th and 29th. The participants in the Lutheran Reformation and any others who will assist are asked to promptly attend the meeting Monday evening. News and Observer and Daily Tribune please copy.

THE COLONIAL AND STATE RECORDS.

The Wilmington Messenger of yesterday says: Many of the readers of the Messenger are interested in the North Carolina colonial and State records. Associate Justice Walter Clark, who has been compiling them for publication, since the death of Major W. L. Sanders, writes to Junius Davis, Esq., of this city, that he has issued volumes 11, 12, 13 and 14 of the State records and has volume 15 in press. The State records are numbered in continuation of the ten volumes of the colonial records. Judge Clark states that there will probably be four volumes more, that is, numbers 16, 17, 18 and 19, and the index volume, No. 20, which will cover the whole nineteen volumes. The index volume is being prepared, but, of course, cannot be completed till the very last volume is printed. And yet there has been no act of the general assembly as to the distribution of the State records, the present act of distribution applying only to the colonial records.

Denominational Seating of Legislators.

Secretary White, of the Baptist State board has completed a canvass of the legislators giving their religious belief. In the Senate there are 16 Baptists, 12 Methodists, 2 Lutherans, 6 Presbyterians, 2 Catholics, 2 Disciples, 9 no belief. In the House there are 32 Baptists, 30 Methodists, 13 Episcopalian, 13 Presbyterians, 1 Catholic, 1 Disciple, 1 Reformed church, 18 no belief.

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GONE TO CHASING GERMS

Legislature Abandons Law-Making.

At 4 p. m., and in the meantime the door keeper take up the carpet a thoroughly clean the Senate.

MANY BILLS PILED UP

Adams Introduces a Bill to Repeal the Act Providing Tax Collectors for Wake County.

At 11 o'clock Dr. Dixon, of Cleveland opened the house with prayer. There was quite a rush of bills. Among these were the following: By Cunningham, to require a duplicate of each bill introduced to be furnished. By Adams, to repeal the act providing tax collectors for each township in Wake County. By Dewese, to amend the school law so as to strike out "chairman of county commissioners" and insert "register of deeds." By Dewese, to allow Cherokee county to issue bonds. By Dockery, to allow Richmond county to levy a special tax. By Ensley, of Jackson, to amend the stock law so that the expense of changing boundary fence in the territory released be paid by property holders in such district or territory; but these not be liable for cost of repairs. By Sutton, of Cumberland, that R. P. Buxton, F. P. Williston, D. A. Bryant, Nicholas Branson and Jas. R. Deal be trustees of the Fayetteville colored normal school. By Sutton, to amend the homestead law so that whenever a homesteader with the assent of his wife shall convey the homestead allotted him he shall be entitled to have another allotted upon any lands he may have. By Sutton, to amend the law as to homicide. By Arrington, to amend the charter of the Raleigh & Gaston R. R., so its track may be straightened at curves. By Peace, to amend the law as to lynching, so as to allow damages to the amount of \$5,000. By Dixon, of Cleveland, to protect female clerks, by requiring that in stores, etc., where they are employed seats be provided for them for use when they are not at work. By Allen to amend the stock law so no election shall be ordered unless petitioned for by a majority of the qualified voters, instead of one-fifth. By Chapin to create a police board for Shelby, to consist of S. S. Marks, M. H. Winslow, W. P. Beam, J. H. McBryner and L. A. Gettings, to hold office two years and to have the appointment of all town officials. By Smith, of Johnston, requiring that every railway ticket sold shall have the amount of purchase money paid for it marked thereon. By Smith, to provide that the buyer and not the seller of cotton shall pay weighers' fees at Goldsboro.

ACCIDENTLY SHOT.

L. A. Pounds Placed in Jail—Held for Killing of J. D. Marshburn.

Jas. D. Marshburn, a well known young man of Marks Creek township was killed yesterday afternoon by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of L. A. Pound.

Pound, who is a young man about 25 years of age was placed in jail today. He was committed by Justice Tom Mial under a \$200 bond. From a statement by the dead man's brother as well as others who were present it appears that Mr. Pound has been treated wrongfully. It seems that young Mr. Marshburn, who was killed, his brother George, Walter Bunch, John Honeycutt and young Pound spent the afternoon hunting. They returned to Mr. Marshburn's home late in the evening and had supper. Pound remained with the boys about an hour, when he announced that he had to leave.

According to Pound's story, he and young Marshburn were playing with each other in the yard, throwing a reed back and forth.

Pound says he threw up his gun which he had under his arm, to find out the reed and that in so doing it accidentally discharged, the shot taking effect in Marshburn's forehead. Marshburn lived two hours, but was never conscious.

A BIG SCHEME

To Enable the Republicans to Control the Senate.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—A new scheme is being hatched by Republican Senators to enable their party to control the Senate after the 4th of March, that is as daring and audacious as anything ever attempted in this country in the political line. The first step in this scheme was taken this week, when Senator Chandler who is an adept in tricky politics, offered a petition in the Senate from Henry A. Du Pont and eleven members of the Delaware legislature, asking that the Senate reconsider the vote whereby it declared Mr. Du Pont not entitled to a seat in the Senate. This scheme never would have been sprung had it not become certain that the democrats would elect a Senator to fill the Delaware vacancy. Those who are behind it do not expect to seat Du Pont, but they hope by getting his claim before the Senate again to prevent the seating of the democrat who will be elected by the present Delaware legislature. With one vacancy in the Senate 45 will be a majority, but if that vacancy is filled by a democrat the republicans must have 46 votes to control the Senate. The petition was referred to the committee on Privileges and Elections, which consists of five republicans and four democrats, but as Senator Palmer, of Illinois, is one of the latter, the republicans may be said to have two-thirds of the committee.

POWELL TONIGHT

Powell the greatest magician will hold the boards at the Metropolitan Opera House. He will present a novel and startling programme of magic, mirth and mystery and including his famous cremation illusion "She" where a pretty young lady is consumed by fire in full view of the audience, and many other startling and realistic illusions.

MAY INVEST HERE.

A Norfolk Party Thinks of Putting up a Big Manufacturing Plant.

Mr. John W. Brown is in receipt of the following letter from G. C. Hicks, of Norfolk, Va., which the Chamber of Commerce would do well to inquire into:

Will you kindly advise me by return mail, if in your opinion, the citizens of your city would encourage a manufacturing plant, one that would pay 25 per cent. upon the capital invested annually. Do you think they would furnish a site, and take stock in a company, providing the promoter would invest fifty thousand dollars in the enterprise? Statistics show that your state consumes annually the product of such a plant contemplated; to the amount of three millions of dollars. There is no plant of the kind within the state of North Carolina. Inducements have been offered to locate the plant in Wilmington, it being a seaport town, but your city being the capital, and more centrally located, would suit me better, provided the same inducements were offered.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

New York, Jan. 15.

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 for January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December.

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.

OUR REGIMENT.

To Be Presented Here by the Portsmouth Dramatists.

The Portsmouth Dramatic club has accepted an invitation to present "Our Regiment" in this city for the benefit of the Rex Hospital operating room. Jim Anderson and John Faison two of Raleigh boys, and clever ones they are in the cast. The "Regiment" will appear here about January 22nd and Raleigh should give the Portsmouth dramatists a full house. The Portsmouth Star of yesterday says: "Our Regiment" was played here a few weeks ago by the same cast, and is a bright, breezy comedy, full of clear humor and amusing situations, and our Raleigh friends have a real treat in store for them. "Our Regiment" will be given in Raleigh, as here, under the management of Mr. George A. Curtis, which is guarantee enough to our people that Portsmouth will not suffer before a Raleigh audience. The cast will be made up of the following well known amateurs: Messrs. Roscoe Dodd, James M. Anderson, S. L. Carter, J. W. Faison, R. Raymond Wilson, J. H. Peters, Mrs. George H. Curtis, Misses Margaret E. Smith, Jennie E. Wilson and Virginia Griffin.

TO BE NARRATED BY THE SENATE.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

ALBANY, Jan. 15.—The republican caucus unanimously nominated Thomas C. Platt for the United States Senate.

SHORT STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

Secretary of State Thompson says Mr. W. P. Batchelor, the veteran chief clerk, will remain in office until after the legislature adjourns.

The Messrs. Berwanger always keep ahead of the season. They have just received a new line of hats. They are an elegant assortment of crush and stiff hats and are of the very latest style and pattern.

The funeral of Ex-Sheriff J. K. Nowell, formerly Sheriff of this county, who died at his home near Eagle Rock on Wednesday, took place this afternoon at his home and was largely attended.

Auditor Ayer finds that assistant clerks of the legislature have been drawing mileage. He refuses to issue them any mileage unless the legislature gives him special orders.

Mr. Henry Burge, formerly of Raleigh and lately with the Kimball House of Atlanta, has a position now with the Lexington Hotel of Chicago, one of the largest and finest of Chicago's hotels.

Dr. and Mrs. Faison announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Laura, to Mr. Fred Walters Wednesday evening, February 3rd, 1897, at 9 o'clock at the First Baptist church in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Walters will be at home after February 9th.

Messrs. Royall & Borden, our popular furniture dealers, are with you all the year round with the most attractive goods that can be had and at the lowest bargains. They have never yet in their business career here failed to please and satisfy their customers. Keep your eye on their advertisement.

The University Glee and Mandolin club have returned from an extensive trip through the eastern part of North Carolina and part of Virginia. They gave six concerts in each of the following towns: Raleigh, Henderson, Tabor, Norfolk, Suffolk and Warsaw. They met with success everywhere, and report a delightful time.

The great violinist, Edouard Remenyi, who is to visit here shortly, is planning a two years trip to South America, starting next April. He has had this try in mind for several years but his American contracts has never permitted it, so this will probably be the last chance the people will have of hearing this favorite artist, at least for a number of years.

Chas. J. Mebane, Superintendent of Public Instruction, says: Retiring Superintendent Scarborough has treated me very handsomely and I desire to specially acknowledge it. I am warmly in favor of four months common schools. A bill was drawn today by a committee of the State Teachers' Assembly providing for the creation of districts composed of one county or group of counties, each to have a district superintendent of education. I have no doubt as to the need of superintendents, and we must have them.

Mr. John T. Patrick has been appointed chief industrial agent of the railroads comprising the Seaboard Air Line. He will in such capacity have charge of, and in every way possible encourage and aid in the settlement of lands, on the railroads comprising this system, the securing of new industries, etc. Representatives of this company, wherever located, and all wishing information in regard to lands, or desirable locations for settlement, should address the chief industrial agent at Portsmouth, Va., or at Pinebluff, N. C., at either of which points he will have offices.

To Be Narrated by the Senate.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—On doubtful assumption the treaty of arbitration between this country and Great Britain will be ratified by the Senate. A great demonstration has been arranged for February 22nd.