

TO DEMAND RELEASE

Of Julio Sanquilly Confined in Cuba.

ALLEN FAVORS FORCE

Introduces a Resolution to Send a Battleship to Cuba—Correspondence of the Secretary of State Asked For.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Senator Allan introduced a resolution declaring it the sense of the senate that effective steps be taken to protect the lives of Americans in Cuba, and that a United States battleship be sent there.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 24.—A large party of Cubans left early this morning for some point on the Gulf coast, possibly Pensacola, from which place, it is rumored, they will endeavor to join the steamship Bermuda in an expedition to Cuba.

TWO LARGE FIRES.

Monster Buildings in Chicago in Flames—Merchants' Exchange Ablaze.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 24.—A great fire is raging in the Merchants' Exchange. All the engines have responded to a general alarm. The building will be gutted.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—The Park Gate Hotel, one of the largest of the World's Fair structures, is burning. The building occupies an entire block and is filled with guests.

CEDES CRETE TO GREECE

Foreign Vice Consuls Announce that Turkey will Accept Annexation.

CANBA, Feb. 24.—Foreign vice-consuls announce that the Turks declare they will accept the annexation of the island of Crete to Greece.

A COTTON FACTORY

For the Colored Race Projected—Stockholders Meet.

Professor C. S. Meserve, Rev. R. H. W. Leak and E. A. Johnson have returned from Concord where they attended a meeting of the stockholders of the cotton factory which is to be managed and directed by the colored race.

A large number of representative colored men from various portions of the state were present. An organization was perfected and \$3,000 raised. Over 70,000 has been subscribed so far.

It will take \$20,000 to put the factory in operation and a united effort is being made to secure this amount.

A number of leading white citizens in the state have subscribed to the factory which is to be located in Concord. The following officers were elected at the stockholders' meeting:

President, R. B. Fitzgerald, of Durham; vice president, E. A. Johnson, of Raleigh; secretary and treasurer, Warren Coleman, of Concord.

The directors elected were: L. P. Berry, J. C. Daney, Prof. Friede, Prof. Meserve, E. A. Johnson, Robert Mose, W. O. Coleman and R. B. Fitzgerald.

LITTLE DONE TODAY

No Bills to be Introduced in the House After March First.

The following bills were introduced: By Ward to reduce the pay of legislators to \$3 a day.

By Burgess, to repeal chapter 291, public laws 1895.

By Dookery to amend the charter of the Moore county and Western railway, so as to require the commissioners of any county which subscribe to the road to issue bonds.

A bill to provide a cotton seed weeder for Goldsboro came up and passed its readings.

A bill passed to change the court house of Gaston county from Dallas to Gastonia.

The following bills passed: To amend the charter of the Moore county railway by allowing townships which voted aid to the road to issue 5 per cent bonds, running 30 years and payable at Raleigh, the county commissioners to levy a tax to meet the interest on the bonds.

To allow Lomberton to issue \$20,000 in bonds for water works, street improvements, etc.

Those of you who go to Metropolitan Hall tonight will pass the most thoroughly enjoyable evening of the winter.

Both as a wit and an orator the universal verdict of the public is that the imitator Sam Jones has no superior on either side of the Atlantic ocean, and the Raleigh public is to be congratulated upon the opportunity presented them to hear him in his best lecture tonight.

The large prices of admission in the large cities to the Jones lectures are from \$1.00 up, but the ladies of the Walf Saving Circle of the King's Daughters, under whose management the lecture here is to be delivered, desire to give every one an opportunity to hear this gifted man, and have therefore adopted the following cheap rates of admission:

reserved at King's drugstore or the box office tonight) 75 cents only; parquette seats 50 cents; to the gallery only 35 cents. These rates give no one an excuse for missing the treat in store for all who attend tonight.

If you desire to hear eloquence of the grand variety from the rugged intellectual giant of the American pulpit, listen to Sam Jones' lecture at Metropolitan Hall tonight. Costs only 35, 50 or 75 cents, according to location of seat. Go!

Mr. R. L. Prempert arrived in the city today fresh from Florida where he has been living on strawberries, oranges and tropical fruits, and where the alligators, the mosquitoes and the natives have been living on him.

Mr. Prempert is well known in Jacksonville and Florida generally. He is a travelling man, and has been a member of that nomadic tribe for more years than he would care to acknowledge. But he is young yet—so far as vitality and energy count in age—and can always give a reliable diagnosis of the condition of business.

Said Mr. Prempert yesterday in his characteristic style: "What are you people in Florida kicking about, anyway? You have good towns and good credit. If we don't sell the goods it is simply because the late financial disturbance has lessened the demand, but so long as the merchants are able to meet obligations, it shows a prosperity that is sadly lacking in many other sections of the country. My territory covers many states, and I have been over them all during the past few months. In Florida I see the greatest evidence of prosperity, and I firmly believe that this state holds the key to the south, both in its own productions and in being the logical center for the exportation of products from the west, both agricultural and manufactured."

A DAMNABLE DISGRACE.

That is the Sentence the Caucasian People on the Legislature.

The Caucasian says in this week's issue: "About ten more days remain of the legislative session. Unless there shall be, within this time, an almost miraculous change, the record of the legislature will be nothing—absolutely nothing. All it will have done, when it resigns, will be the spending of sixty or seventy thousand dollars of the public funds, for which nothing will be returned.

"Even the populists seem to be unusually apathetic. Perhaps the populists feel the impossibility of accomplishing anything while the disreputable 'combine' of repeals and bolters is in the saddle, and feel somewhat hopeless and dull; but this, in our opinion, cannot excuse them from trying to 'do something.' Up to this date, the legislature is a damnable disgrace to the state.

"Democratic papers and one or two hiring hoboes who issue what they call a republican paper here, have named a certain little gang the 'minority populists,' but these fellows are nothing less than deepyed republicans of the most radical stripe. They are more republican in point of pie grabbing and general cussedness than those who call themselves republicans.

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BILLS HELD UP TODAY

Person Says the Negro Must Be Recognized.

TIRED OF PROMISES.

Backed up by Senator Henderson—Demands the Eastern Asylum and Part of the Penitentiary—Thinks Republicans are Flaying Double.

The Hon. Lee Person, the colored Senator from the county of Edgecombe, donned his fighting toga this morning and from this time he will make it interesting in the upper body.

"The negro must be recognized," said the ebony-hued representative from Edgecombe this morning. "I stopped the bills providing for a change in the management of the charitable institutions this morning, and I shall hold up every bill from now on until we get assurances that that the negro is to be recognized."

Senator Person was asked if the republican caucus had not agreed to give the Eastern Asylum and part of the penitentiary to the colored republicans.

"Yes," he replied, "but we have reason to suspect that this pledge will be broken. We must be absolutely assured that the negro is to be protected or legislation will be blocked."

"What do the negroes ask from the republicans," the senator was asked.

"We must have the eastern asylum and we demand that we be given a part of the penitentiary patronage. We are entitled to it."

The Edgecombe senator is backed up by the other colored member of the senate, W. B. Henderson of Vance. He expressed himself on the same line as did Senator Person.

Senator Person recognizes the belligerent rights of "Judge" Walter R. Henry as against Governor Russell. The Senator thinks that Mr. Henry is entitled to the appointment.

Senator Person has tackled the pie counter question in a business-like way. His movements are all above board and open to inspection.

The Floy Crowell Company Next Week. That most winsome and talented of all repertoire stars, Floy Crowell, opens a week's engagement at Metropolitan Hall, Monday evening presenting a round of carefully selected comedies and dramas at the always popular prices of 10, 20 and 30 cents.

"The Floy Crowell D amatic company began an engagement at the Academy of Music last night at popular prices.

This is a gilt edged show for the money. They presented last night "Molly Bawn" and made a tremendous hit.

"Molly Bawn" has many pleasant and exciting situations which were brought out naturally and with dramatic strength. Miss Crowell is a little actress of much fire and go, and as "Molly Bawn," assisted by Mr. Edwin Emory as Teny Desmond quite won the hearts of the people.

An innovation was introduced in the way of specialties between the acts, and mighty clever specialties they were, too. Especially good was the work of Mr Mark Bennett and Mr. Edwin Emory. These specialties prevent the usual tedious waits between acts."

The Lease. In common with everybody else, I suppose I have been reading with considerable interest the accounts of the war being waged against the Southern Railroad and its officers on account of the "lease," and equally in common with many others who presume to think for themselves.

The Carnival Next Week. "The Carnival" will be presented by the Clique Dramatique at the Academy of Music on next Tuesday evening, March 2nd. Those who saw this amateur organization in "Our Boys" last December will know that something good is in store for them.

PASSED THE HOUSE

Bill to Macadamize Streets Around Capital Square.

The bill providing for the macadamization of the streets around capital square passed the House of Representatives.

The bill provides that penitentiary convicts do the work, and no cost is imposed upon the state. The bill has the endorsement of Governor Russell, and was introduced by Representative Young of Wake.

The streets around the capital are notoriously worse than others adjacent thereto. The improvement of these streets should be a matter of state pride.

The bill now goes before the senate and as soon as it is passed the macadamization of the streets will begin. Representative Young is to be commended on the successful passage of the bill through the house.

TODAY'S MARKETS.

The Movements in New York and Liverpool Markets.

New York, Feb. 24. Market quotations furnished by E. B. Cuthbert & Co., 30 Broad street, New York, and 305 Wilmington street, Raleigh, N. C., over their special wire.

The following are the opening, highest, lowest and closing quotations of the New York cotton market today:

Table with 4 columns: MONTHS, OPENING, HIGH EST., LOW EST., CLOSING. Rows include January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December.

Cotton Movement. The following shows the semi-weekly movement of cotton at 13 leading interior towns this week compared with that of last week, last year and 1895:

Table with 3 columns: RECAPS, SHIPMENTS, STOCKS. Rows include This week, Last week, Last year, In 1895.

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

Table with 2 columns: SUGAR, AMERICAN TOBACCO, BURLINGTON AND QUINCY, CHICAGO GAS, AMERICAN SPIRITS, GENERAL ELECTRIC, LOUISVILLE AND NASHVILLE, MANHATTAN, ROCK ISLAND, SOUTHERN PREFERRED, ST. PAUL, TENNESSEE COAL AND IRON, WESTERN UNION.

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

Table with 2 columns: WHEAT—MAY, CORN—MAY, OATS—MAY, PORK—MAY, LARD—MAY, CLEAR RIB SIDES—MAY.

Liverpool Cotton Market. The following were the closing quotations of the Liverpool cotton market today:

Table with 2 columns: FEBRUARY-MARCH, MARCH-APRIL, APRIL-MAY, MAY-JUNE, JUNE-JULY, JULY-AUGUST, AUGUST-SEPTEMBER, SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER.

Col. Marshall Mott. Mr. Marshall L. Mott is with the past. Col. Marshall L. Mott, with stress on the "Colonel," when you address the handsomest republican in the state, Marshall has been appointed adie de camp on General Cowles' staff.

General Cowles and members of the staff yesterday took measurement for their uniforms. Oehm & Co., of Baltimore is the firm that gets the contract. The uniforms will be delivered to the staff at Washington in time for the inauguration.

Judge Bryan a Candidate. Mr. Shepard Bryan, the rising young lawyer of Atlanta, has gone to Washington in the interest of the candidacy of his father, Judge Henry R. Bryan, of Newbern, who is an applicant for the judgeship of the eastern district left vacant by the death of Judge Seymour.

Boyd Will Get a Good Slice. Capt Chas. Price, who visited President McKinley last week had an extended and very pleasant talk with the president. As stated in yesterday's World, he went in the interest of Col. Jim Boyd, and we hear that the colonel will get a good slice of pie—some foreign appointment perhaps.—Sallyburg World.

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SHORT STATEMENTS.

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

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Mrs. Arthur Nowell, of Weldon, is in the city, visiting her mother, Mrs. John Nichols.

Messrs. J. E. Buxton and R. F. Gray, of Winston, arrived in the city today.

"The Carnival" next Tuesday night. Seats 50c; on sale at W. H. King & Co's tomorrow morning.

Dr. Ayer returned today from Durham where he attended the Haywood-Riggsbee marriage.

Lent begins next Wednesday. The dramatic club will present "The Carnival" on Tuesday evening, Go.

St. Luke's Circle of King's Daughters will meet at The Home at 4 o'clock tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon.

Mr. J. N. McBry and son, Vernon, who have been spending a day or two at the Newbern Fair, returned this afternoon.

The Charlotte Observers says "There is another circus coming. Barnum & Bailey will be here with fifty-eight cars in the course of a month."

The legislature contained many vacant chairs today. A majority of the members went to Newbern today to attend the fair. Barely a quorum was present in either house. The legislative party will return to the city at 9:35 in the morning.

Rev Alvin Betts, father of Rev A L Betts, died at his home near Varrina in this county Monday. The funeral took place at the home yesterday. Mr. A L Betts has returned to the city and will hold services as usual tonight.

The bill to change the charter of Newberne passed the house last night. While the people of Newberne will have to withstand such an act, the Democratic party moves forward several leagues in the state.

Federal court adjourned yesterday evening in respect to the memory of Judge Seymour. At a meeting of the bar afterwards a committee was appointed to draft resolutions in respect to the memory of Judge Seymour. The committee will report in the morning.

For the benefit of the public who wish to attend the oratorical contest at the A & M college on Friday night Feb. 26th, the Pullen literary society has arranged with Mr W A Upchurch to run a stage line between the capital and the college beginning at 7 o'clock p m. The fare will be 10 cents each way.

William Cooper, of Raleigh, who went out to Clemmonsville a few days ago to see his grandmother, Mrs. Michael, returned to Winston yesterday, and left this morning for Raleigh. His grandmother, who is a sister to Mr. Eli Rominger, who died last night, is not expected to live many days. She is about 84 years old.—Winston Sentinel.

The Boston Stars.

From the looks of the box sheet at King's drug store, the Boston Stars will have a crowded house at the Academy of Music Monday night. The company is an excellent one, and the programme will be entirely new and varied. Miss Rose Garretz is a brilliant violinist, and has wonderful technique. Her playing from the master pieces has won for her rounds of applause everywhere. The comedian and singing humorist is a star of the first magnitude. Any person with the blues can easily rid themselves of them by hearing this man's humorous humorosities. The soprano and reader and pianist are A J, too. Go to King's early and get good seats.

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