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WASHINGTON NEWS.

Senate Likely to Butcher the Tariff Bill.

Speaker Reed's Move on Appropriation Bills. The Homestead Bill. Two Kinds of Tariff Democrats. Rumor Maker Kept Busy.

JOURNAL BUREAU, WASHINGTON, D. C., March 22.

The Senators do not propose to wait until the House passes the new tariff bill upon which the debate was opened today to last until the 31st inst., when it will be voted upon and passed. The Senate Committee on finance has decided to take the bill up at once and to "perfect" it. That may mean an almost entirely new bill by the time the Senators get through their perfecting process. The Finance committee has two vacancies caused by the retirement of Sherman and Voorhees, which are not likely to be filled at the present session. Assuming that Senator Jones, of Nevada, will vote with them,—he has said that he would—the Committee will be controlled by protectionists, and therefore friendly to the underlying principles of the Dingley tariff bill. But, although none of them will agree to be quoted to that extent, it is understood that members of the committee do not like the bill itself and intend to go over it item by item and amend it until it meets their ideas. This isn't a bit pleasing to the gentlemen who have been working for months to prepare the Dingley bill, but they can hardly be surprised. The constitution gives the House the exclusive right to originate bills dealing with the revenue, but the Senate has used its right to amend to such an extent, of late years, that the McKinley and the present tariff law were both practically Senate-made.

Those who thought that the failure of four of the regular appropriation bills at the last session would make it necessary for Speaker Reed to at least appoint the Committee in the present House to handle those bills, must feel a little bit dazed. Speaker Reed has shown them that he knows a lightning legislative trick or two. He has rushed all of those bills through the House just as they stood when passed by the last Congress, and that without the aid of a single Committee, except that on Rules, of which he is the Chairman. It is daily becoming more evident that so far as the House is concerned, there is no general legislation upon Speaker Reed's programme for the extra session. The House has allowed itself mileage for the extra session.

The Senate committee on Indian affairs has favorably reported the Free Homestead bill in practically the same shape it was passed by the Senate and hung up in the House at the last session. It is hinted that some of the Senators are in favor of using the tariff bill to compel the Republican leaders of the House to allow the Free Homestead bill to pass that body.

There are two kinds of tariff Democrats, as well as of money Democrats, and it is by no means certain that the minority of the House will act as a unit in opposing the Republican tariff bill. So far as the bill itself is concerned, it makes no difference whether the Democrats vote against it or split up for and against parts of it, but it may have a very important bearing upon the future of the Democratic party and incidentally of the Populists. Although denied by men of prominence, it is none the less true that Mr. Bryan is being made a figure in the squabble among the Democrats in the House to a certain extent. That Representative Bailey, of Texas, the new leader of the Democrats, is not partial to Mr. Bryan, is well known.

President McKinley after investigating the connection of Land Commissioner Lamoreux with the Chicago lake front case, concluded that there had been nothing illegal or improper done by him and directed Secretary Bliss to accept his resignation, which was tendered before the new administration came in. Mr. Lamoreux is now sick at his home in Wisconsin, but his friends say that soon as he gets well enough, he is coming to Washington to make things lively for those who mixed him up with the land claim scandal. It was in connection with this case that the new administration met the first Cabinet resignation rumor in its career. Secretary Bliss was the man to resign by rumor, because of his resentment at the order issued by the President. So far as known in Washington, this rumor had no better foundation than that Secretary Bliss went over to New York to attend to some private business. He has been doing this every Saturday since he entered office and remaining with his family, who have not yet moved to Washington, until Monday morning. But this time he went over Friday and the rumor-maker at once jump to the conclusion that he had resigned on account of the Lamoreux case.

Senor Rodriguez, Minister of the Greater Republic of Central America, the gentleman who upset the Nicaragua Canal bill in the Senate at the last session of Congress, makes no secret of his hope of negotiating a treaty with the United States for the building of the Nicaragua Canal by this Government.

Southern Cotton Mills.

FALL RIVER, Mass.—The agitation over the proposed reduction in hours of labor for cotton mill employes is strong here at present, both for and against the movement.

A statement by Secretary Howard, of the Spinners Union, that the competition of the Southern manufacturers would not be increased by the adoption of a shorter working day in this section is met by a declaration by one of the most prominent manufacturers that in spite of the strong efforts made in New England to improve trade conditions by a reduction of stock the curtailed production has been more than made up by the new [illegible] production of the South. It is pointed out that in about three [illegible] years the mills of Fall River have been [illegible] six months on an average.

For this [illegible] corresponding [illegible] Southern competitors have run [illegible] and filled up the vacuum which Northern manufacturers have been trying to create. Fall River [illegible] that it can be proven beyond question that Southern mills producing the same fabrics as those made in this city are realizing satisfactory profits at present market prices. Their taxes are nominal [illegible] in many cases, is less than [illegible] the hours of work range from 66 to 72 hours weekly and labor will average [illegible] per cent less in price.

Cisneros Reported Dead.

HAVANA.—It is reported from Camaguey that Salvador Cisneros, president of the Cuban republic is dead; that Vice-President Bartolome Masso succeeds him as president, and that Dr. Capot, ex-professor of Havana University, will be appointed vice president. [illegible] Camaguey.

A large body of insurgents is concentrated near Sancti Spiritus, and a combined movement of Spanish troops [illegible] is expected.

For the last few days Captain-General Weyler has been greatly annoyed by a serious affection of the throat with supuration of the glands of the esophagus. On Wednesday [illegible] a consultation [illegible] it was decided that for a time [illegible] absolute repose. As he suffered severely from [illegible] when last in the field, his medical advisers would not allow him to return there for some time on that account also.

In [illegible] with [illegible] Wilson, several other American [illegible] have arrived at Havana within the last few days with the intention of joining the insurgent army, but the advice given them is to return to the United States. The boy Robert Emmet Sully, of Somerville, N. J., who came to join the insurgents, was probably be shipped back to New York at the [illegible] of his family and of the American State Department.

STATE CAPITAL.

New Public School Law. N. C. Directors to be Named Next Week. Fertilizer Sales are Large. Items of Interest.

JOURNAL BUREAU, RALEIGH, N. C., March 20, '97.

The superintendent of public instruction is sending out the new public school law, which is certainly a great improvement on the very defective one of 1895.

Miss Edna Robertson, the executive clerk, will retire from that place April [illegible]. It seems that her appointment was only temporary; during the legislative session.

By the middle of next week the Governor will, it is now intimated, make public the names of the new directors of the North Carolina railway. The statement is made that the Governor has had to make changes in these, as some owned no stock in the road and as a director is required to own at least 5 shares. The statement also is that the Governor has been endeavoring to buy some stock for the new men and possibly has secured some.

Work on the Moore County and Western railway has begun at the Concord end. The outlook for railway construction in the State is more promising than in seven or eight years.

The total amount of the direct land tax which was unclaimed was $62,000, of this $25,000 was used in making the state exhibit at the World's Fair and the remainder was ordered into the Treasury.

Thomas Burch, the negro burglar who was shot here, was on trial yesterday afternoon and was duly committed to jail.

This city will receive in handsome style the editors from the New England and Middle States who are to arrive on a special excursion over the Seaboard Air-line, April 3.

The sales of commercial fertilizers this season are expected to equal or near [illegible] season which broke [illegible] crop will be [illegible] tax tags [illegible] were sold in 1896.

[illegible]

The funeral of [illegible] Burkhead [illegible] Edenton [illegible] his father [illegible].

[illegible]

Treasurer Worth today notified the heads of the various State Institutions, charitable and educational—that owing to the large appropriations made by the [illegible] and the decrease in value of property [illegible] this year or until he finds there is a surplus after paying the interest on the four per cent bonds, and the necessary running expenses of the State government.

THE TRADE SITUATION.

Wholesalers Report Business As Continuing Good.

Prices Firmer on Seasonable Goods. Notes on Farm Produce. Lumber Prices Better. Features of Security Market.

BOSTON, March 19.—[illegible] business continues [illegible] wholesalers and contrasted with the [illegible] part of the present year, shows [illegible] improvement. Better times are gradually coming on and the outlook for trade this spring is much [illegible] than it has been for years.

IN DRY GOODS.

Retail dealers who [illegible] in their stock are already beginning to see that prices are gradually growing firmer on seasonable goods. It is a prudent [illegible] when goods are cheapest [illegible] wait to see which way the cat jumps.

The demand for cotton goods is increasing. Prints are in good demand and as we predicted there has been an advance in prices on some grades, like American blacks and whites. Organdies seem to be very popular this season, to judge from the orders now are coming in.

Dress goods are very active. Drapery [illegible] well [illegible] rush for them. [illegible] the most popular [illegible] this summer, storm serge [illegible] up in price.

Men's clothing [illegible] going to [illegible] the [illegible] looking after a good [illegible]. [illegible] pushing [illegible] worsteds [illegible] quality [illegible] Next fall [illegible] selling at least 5 per cent higher.

Now is [illegible] Rio coffee and all grades of sugar.

FOR FARMERS.

It is evident now that there will be a fight in congress over the proposition to take the tax from American-made alcohol that is used in manufacturing processes. If the farmers insist, through their Congressmen, upon this, inasmuch as it means a new market for 40,000,000 bushels of American corn, it might be supposed that the proposition would be adopted, but the liquor interests are going to put up a strong fight against the proposition, and unless farmers insist upon it, the proposition may be defeated. If every person who is interested in getting better prices on corn should write to his Congressman and Senators on this matter, the repeal provision would still be adopted but the chances are that most of them will let the matter go until it is too late.

This has been a quiet week in Eastern markets. Good hay is still in demand. Good butter also sells well, but poor grades are very cheap. Trade is dull in cheese, but prices hold up well. Just at present prices on poultry are a trifle better. Egg prices have gone down. Hides are strong, No. 1 selling at 8c and seconds at 7c.

IN OTHER BUSINESS.

We are going to see better lumber prices this spring, as we predicted a few weeks ago. Certainly lumber prices in '97 will be better than in 1896. Western hardwoods are getting more in demand all the time.

Those who bought wire nails when we advised are now in a position to sell at a good profit as the price is now $1.50 at mill.

IN SECURITIES.

The stock market holds its own and [illegible] of advance underlying conditions the trading lapses into a dullness that [illegible] trying to the nerves, while the tenacity with which prices hold up is the strongest possible argument for a future appreciation.

The Vanderbilts are still the centre of interest and the advance in [illegible] is especially noticeable. [illegible] market price has risen [illegible] and those who followed our judgment must have made money.

The position [illegible] an increase [illegible] common stock [illegible] further advance in prices to over [illegible].

The practical coalition of the most important interests in the anthracite coal carrying business makes it imperative that the market value of such stocks as Jersey Central, Lehigh Valley and Reading must advance from the low level conclusion [illegible].

Jersey Central and Lehigh especially at present prices are good speculative purchases.

The industrial shares are still out of favor and although the dismissal of the case in New Jersey courts against the [illegible] company and rumors [illegible] the scrip [illegible] influence for better prices in this stock, the effect soon wore itself out.

Sugar is suffering from anticipation of a higher duty that shall encourage serious competition from [illegible] sugar industry and the fluctuations are irregular.

The market as a whole is very strong and bound to go higher whenever the impetus shall come from the right direction.

Property worth $70,000 was destroyed by fire at Huron, S. D., including the Alliance building, valued at $25,000, insured for $10,000. It was occupied by the government land office, which saved most of its records. The United States Weather Bureau lost all instruments and most of the records for the past seventeen years.

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THE STATE CAPITAL.

Annex to Experiment Station. Harrell Reappointed Quartermaster-General. News & Observer Russell's Official Organ.

JOURNAL BUREAU, RALEIGH, N. C., March 22, 1897.

State Treasurer Worth has issued the following letter to the heads of the educational institutions and to the State departments to which special appropriations were made by the General Assembly. The appropriations run up to nearly a million dollars:

"I am sorry to inform you that, owing to the large appropriations made by the late General Assembly and the decreased valuations of property in the State, I must advise you that I cannot pay any such appropriations during this year or until I find that I will have a surplus after paying the interest on the four per cent bonds and the necessary running expenses of the State government. I advise you of the situation at this time so that you may avoid making contracts that might embarass you."

The handsome annex to the experiment station will be completed by April 1st. The work was done by the North Carolina Car Company and cost $6,000.

Governor Russell will reappoint Col. Eugene Harrell Quartermaster General.

To-morrow night the "Karnival of Kommerce" will be given here for the benefit of St. Luke's Home for old ladies that is kept up by a circle of King's Daughters.

Governor Russell will have to fill one vacancy on the Board of Agriculture. It is the place offered Mr. B. [illegible] and which he declined.

Mrs. Lizzie Darby of Wilmington is to be Governor Russell's executive clerk.

There are very strong indications that there will be a large cotton crop planted this year.

The Supreme court has reached the 5th district and this week will hear arguments from that district.

Quartermaster General Harrell has been to Washington to see the Secretary of War regarding a battery of 4 breech loading howitzers. There are plans for organizing a battery here.

Governor Russell on Saturday afternoon named the new directors of the North Carolina Railroad, but only gave the news to the News & Observer, here all other newspaper people being shut out. The News & Observer seems to be the mouthpiece of the Republican Governor although there is a Republican paper here while the News & Observer professes to be a Democratic paper. The directors are as follows:

R. M. Norment, of Robeson; N. S. Rusk, Buncombe; Wm. Gilchrist, New Hanover; H. U. Butters, Columbus; C. A. Cook, Warren; J. S. Armstrong, New Hanover; A. W. Graham, Granville; Jno. Graham, of Warren.

THE COTTON MARKETS.

March 23.

THE New York cotton market was dull and uninteresting, closing at 7.06 for May.

Yours truly,
J. E. LATHAM.

NEW YORK, March 19, 1897.

J. E. Latham,

DEAR SIR—The retrospect of the week discloses a moderate business as well as narrow fluctuations in price, but maintaining tolerable steadiness and exhibiting some signs of working up to a higher plan of values.

The retarding influences have been, the disturbed political situation in Europe, menacing war of uncertain magnitude, yet of which the news today affords hope of a peaceful solution. The changes in our tariff and discussion consequent thereon causes hesitancy in this country keeping up procrastination in the dry goods market and restraining mills from stocking beyound immediate wants.

On the other hand, and notwithstanding the adverse circumstances named, consumption has been proceeding so that the visible supply of cotton now in the world is but little in excess of that at the same date last year, and it promises soon to be less, as there is every reason to suppose that spinners' requirements will considerably exceed those of the extreme depression of 1896. Other favorable signs are that the movement of the crop shows near approaching exhaustion from plantations and that stocks in hand are well held; and last but not least may be mentioned the certainty of wide spread overflows in the southwest precluding the possibility of an early crop in regions affected. Respectfully,

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THE MARKETS.

CHICAGO, March 23.

	OPENING.	CLOSE.
May Wheat............	72½	73½
May Ribs............	70	4.65

The Louisville Chair Company assigned to Lytle Buchanan. The liabilities are $60,000; assets slightly in excess of this sum. The failure was caused by dull times and threatened suits.

CHANGING POSITIONS.

New State Officials Getting their Appointments.

Governor Russell Wants Only the Governorship. Who Gave Out Restraining Order for A. & N. C. R R.

Special.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 23.—The board of Agriculture will tomorrow elect J. M. Mewborne, commissioner, and J. L. Ramsey, Editor of the Progressive Farmer, clerk.

Ramsey resigned as a member of the Board today.

Loge Harris who had resigned from the Board of Interior Improvements, is appointed to fill the Ramsey vacancy.

J. R. Chamberlain is appointed to succeed Benjamin R. Lacy as director of the Agricultural and Mechanical college here.

Governor Russell says positively he wants no office save the one he now holds.

It is learned that Judge McIver first issued the restraining order against the new directors of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad, but reversed it and then application was made to Judge Allen, who granted the order.

It was conjectured at the capital that today's action was taken before the notice of the order was received.

The "Karnival of Kommerce" which was given last night for the benefit of St. Luke's circle of King's Daughters was one of the most successful entertainments in every respect ever given in the city. All the prominent places of business were well represented by girls dressed to personate the things they represented. Only one person [illegible] name, and that is Mr. Stanley [illegible] son who took the part of the negro [illegible] when ever one was needed, and it [illegible] "do" [illegible] part that he need never fear he cannot make a good support in that role.

The plans for the new dormitory for the Blind Institution have been accepted and bids were to be advertised for the work but the letter of Treasurer Worth regarding the low condition of the Treasury makes it necessary to wait until money can be drawn to meet the bills.

The stealing of flowers from the cemetery has for the past few years been a source of great annoyance, and this year the cemetery has been put under police supervision. The outcome of this is the spotting of a young man here, who was seen stealing the flowers.

The Agricultural board meets this afternoon and the new commissioner of agriculture will be appointed. Dr. D. Reid Parker, of Randolph has hoped to get the place, but the chances now are that J. M. Mewborne (Pop.), of Lenoir will be the man.

The new board of directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College will meet here on Thursday. They will only inspect the college and attend to routine business. It will be a great trouble to the faculty if they are any of them removed, for nearly every one have built their homes around the college grounds, expecting to be at that work for years to come. It is said that Governor Russell's plan is possibly to put Prof. M. C. S. Noble superintendent of the Wilmington graded schools, in as President of the college.

The board of trustees of the colored Insane Asylum at Goldsboro meet today to elect the superintendent. Then will be seen if the negroes are given places there as they were promised in the legislature.

The following are the trustees for St. St. Mary's school: Rt Rev J B Cheshire, Jr., D D., and Rt Rev A A Watson, D D., ex-officio; Rev J F Murdock, S T D., of Salisbury; Rev McNeely DuBose, of Asheville; Rev Churchill Satterlee, of Morganton; Rev J E Ingle, of Henderson; Rev Junius Horner, of Oxford; Rev Robt Strange, of Wilmington; Rev T M N George, of New Berne; Col Wharton J Green, of Fayetteville; Col F F Davidson, of Asheville; Mr [illegible] McRee, of Lincolnton; Mr Laurence S Holt, of Burlington; Mr W A Erwin, of Durham; Mr D Y Cooper, of Henderson; Col J Wilder Atkinson, of Wilmington; Dr R H Lewis and Mr C E Johnson, of Raleigh.

Military commissioners as follows were issued today: E. G. Harrell, Raleigh, quartermaster; Howard Alsten, Littleton, Judge Adjutant General; E M Danforth, 2nd assistant Engineer, Wilmington Division Naval Reserves; H H Mil[illegible], Ensign; H H McIlhenny, 1st Lt. and James [illegible] Graham, 2nd Lt. [illegible]; R S Primrose, Lt., T C Daniels, 2nd Lt. and W T Hill, Ensign of the New Berne Division of Naval Reserves.

For a New State.

ALBANY, N. Y.—What has been feared and suggested by the Republican leaders from the interior and up-country section of the State, has come to pass. They argued that the creation of the Greater City of New York was the first step toward making a separate State out of territory adjacent to New York harbor. Assemblyman Trainor introduced two bills looking toward the creation of a new State out of the counties of New York, Kings, Richmond, Queens, Suffolk, West Chester and Putnam.

Will Not Recognize Populists.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Speaker Reed is not disposed to regard the Populists in the House as a separate organization. About ten days ago the Populists representatives presented a petition to Speaker Reed reciting the fact that at the last election they had cast about two million votes; elected Governors in five States; elected twenty-seven members of the present House; and requesting therefore, that they have a representation on the Committee on Ways and Means, Judiciary, Appropriations, Banking, Coinage, Elections and others. Mr. Reed has just replied that he preferred to recognize the Populists as a part of the Democratic organization and that decision will stand for this Congress at least.

FOUR CUBAN PATRIOTS

A Brave Captain Who Fought in Many Wars Has a Scheme of His Own.

[illegible] this [illegible] Cuba [illegible] Philadelphia [illegible] New York [illegible] to Washington [illegible].

They are not putting up at [illegible] hotels or traveling by Pullman [illegible] their lives at present are [illegible] places, and they are living examples of the theory that the way of the Cuban patriot is hard. At the same time, Captain [illegible] that respect which is given to the world's most fearless man [illegible].

That describes the [illegible] Captain exactly. He [illegible] been fighting ever since [illegible] enough to carry a gun. [illegible] passports, orders and other documents, showing that he was in the Franco-Prussian war in 1870, with the French in Madagascar; in the Abyssinian infantry; with the Armenians against the Turks; in Jerusalem, Egypt, Algeria, and Genoa, from which port he sailed to New York, arriving here on July 4, 1896.

The truth of his statements are only partially supported, but bear the evidence of veracity. He went to Cuba on the Dauntless, and was put ashore with arms and ammunition at Nuevitas. He left the island some months later upon the Three Friends, and upon the detention of that vessel, shipped on the ill-fated Commodore, having been in the first boat, [illegible] she sunk. He has clippings from the Charleston (S. C.) papers, describing his meeting in that city with C. B. Montgomery, who is well remembered as having been on the Commodore [illegible] for Cuba.

[illegible] the sinking of [illegible] the work of a Spanish spy, who removed the sea cocks, and [illegible] the Spanish consul at Jacksonville practically admitted this, and deplored it, saying that it was unnecessary, as he had already notified the Spanish authorities of the expedition and its character, and they would have inevitably captured the filibuster. Metz's account of the sinking of the vessel is graphic, and the general conversation reveals an intimate knowledge of Cuba and the situation there.

Of his mission to Philadelphia, he is extremely reticent, but had no hesitation in saying that the most important expedition yet planned for the relief of the Cubans was [illegible] there, and would sail Monday next under the British flag. As to his own part in it, he intimated that he had planned a special [illegible] for [illegible] his Spanish friends, but would not reveal it. He says he will be left on the island, and his plans consummated; when the war is over, he will settle down.

Trouble With Workmen at Panama.

COLON, Colombia.—There is a serious strike among the negro [illegible] employes on the canal works at Culebra. Many of the strikers [illegible]. The men are under [illegible] authorities will attempt to compel them to return to Culebra. It is feared trouble will result when the attempt is made, as the negroes are apparently determined not to go back [illegible]. Large numbers of the canal laborers, especially those brought from Jamaica, are [illegible] seeking to return to their homes. They claim that the canal company is not observing the terms of the contract, and that they, therefore, have a perfect right to quit work. The situation is so critical that the police here are kept under arms.

Telegraphic Items.

Fire, supposed to be of incendiary origin, has destroyed the American House in South Manchester, Conn., and adjacent property, the loss aggregating $30,000.

William R. Mott, freight clerk, and William R. Jones, telegraph operator, were struck by lightning on the street at Lima, Ohio and both fatally injured.

The Baltimore and Ohio express Sunday night ran into an open switch at Niles, Ohio, and collided with a train of box cars. The switch had been opened by unknown persons, for what purpose is unknown.

War against Chicago beer has been declared by the Chicago Federation of Labor at its regular weekly meeting. A gigantic boycott, in which all organized labor will be urged to unite, has been launched against the product of all breweries that are members of the Chicago Brewers' Association, and will take effect April 1.

Two tons of nitro-glycerine in the Rock Glycerine Company's Works, two and a half miles from Wellsville, N. Y., exploded. H. H. Young, one of the company's employes, who was engaged in loading a wagon with the explosive, was blown to atoms, and two men working in a field a few rods away were badly injured.

Martin, Wise & Fitzhugh, the biggest firm of cotton buyers in Texas, conveyed all of its real estate in deeds of trust to J. M. McMurray, cashier of the Farmers and Merchant's Bank, of Paris, Tex., to protect the bank and other creditors in various towns and cities in Texas, England, and France to the amount of $98,820.

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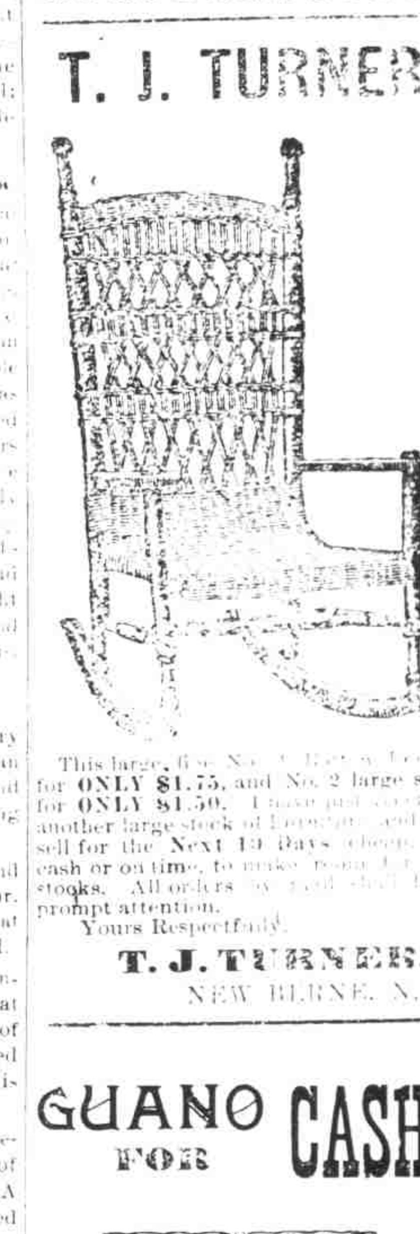

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