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WASHINGTON NEWS.

CONTINUED FEELING OVER CUBAN SITUATION.

As to Secretary Olney's Position Various Opinions on It. More Conversation Shown. Senator Morgan's Previous Attitude.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23.—Though Congressional debates have not been forthcoming to stimulate and keep actively in discussion the interest brought out by the latest phases of the Cuban situation, the manifestations of feeling on that topic have not lessened in any degree.

The positions assumed by Secretary Olney have been the main features of discussions in private and public, and as far as the opinions of members of Congress go in the matter it is evident that the burden of the general declaration is antagonistic to the views declared by the Secretary of State.

At the same time it is felt that the many instances wherein distinguished gentlemen, prominent in public life, in international law, and in business, have given open expressions of views, fully indorsing the position of the Administration on the Cuban situation, have not been without a tendency to sensibly temper what some regard a too hastily formed judgment as to the immediate necessity of ignoring Mr. Olney's views.

In all the discussions held by Mr. Morgan, of the Committee on Foreign Relations, he has taken no backward step in his original position, that Mr. Olney's attitude is beyond all proper precedent, and an assertion of power for the Executive that has never been delegated to that branch of the government by any decision of the Supreme Court in a consideration of the country's Constitution.

Mr. Sherman, the chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, holds as well that the position of Mr. Olney in the present particular is untenable under the Constitution. Mr. Morgan says in conversation that if the President can recognize the Cuban republic independently of Congress he could displace Mr. de Lome of his rights to represent the Spanish monarchy here.

New England Congressmen generally, with perhaps one or two exceptions, notably Mr. Chandler, who vigorously adheres to his heretofore expressed opinion that it would be preposterous for an Executive to notify Spain not to expect until our next administration comes into power, any action on the Cuban question, are disposed to be more conservative.

Senator Hawley, of Connecticut, does not hesitate to say point blank that he disapproves of the Cameron resolutions. He looks at it as rather unreasonable to expect the administration to take action under the circumstances when there will be a new administration in charge of the government in less than three months.

The two Maine Senators differ, though very slightly, in respect to the Olney position. Senator Hale does not doubt the correctness of the stand taken by the Secretary of State, and his colleague, Mr. Frye, who is a member of the Committee on Foreign Relations, while he has been inclined to think Mr. Olney is right, has not freely determined what the effect would be if the Cameron resolution should pass.

Their colleague in the other house of Congress, Mr. Dingley, in a conservative opinion on the situation, thinks serious errors are liable to occur when the legislative branch of the Government interferes with the diplomatic.

The Secretary of State himself is not content to rest quietly in the face of the repeated dissensions to his statement. He has not been slow to refer to the position of Senator Morgan as a clearly inconsistent one, and referring last evening to the answer made by Mr. Morgan in the Senate yesterday to a question by Senator Hill that it was preposterous to question the right of Congress to recognize the independence of Cuba, said Mr. Morgan took an almost entirely different view of the matter last February, when the concurrent resolution, expressing the sympathy of Congress for the insurgents and urging the President to use his good offices with Spain to bring about a termination of the struggle on the island was under discussion in the Senate.

The Spanish Cabinet.
Madrid.—The cabinet meeting was presided over by Senor Canovas del Castillo, president of the council. It is believed that the cabinet considered President Cleveland's message as far as it dealt with the Cuban question, and also measures for the coast defense and an increase of the fleet.

The cabinet decided at its session not to make any reply to President Cleveland's message through diplomatic channels.

The newspapers here praise the activity shown by General Anscarra, the minister of war, which, according to reports included the distribution of pamphlets among leading Spanish army officers denouncing the military condition in the United States. The newspapers, on the other hand, condemn the delays by the minister of marine.

The Galician colony of Cuba has begged its congratulations to the Queen Regent on the death of Antonio Maceo.

THE CUBAN COLONY AT SEA.
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Highest of all in Leavening Strength.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

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UNNECESSARY COMMENT?

Regarding the Condition of E. B. Cuthbert & Co., of New York.

Special.
New York, December 23.—In regard to the newspaper comment which has been given the firm of E. B. Cuthbert & Co., the firm has authorized the following statement:

"We would respectfully state that a great deal of unnecessary comment has been caused by the retirement of one of the members of our firm.

"This action has been in contemplation for some time past and the original partnership agreement entered into by our firm having expired, we decided not to renew the same. Our present firm remains the same as formerly with this exception, and our business will continue as usual, all contracts entrusted to our care will be filled upon the various exchanges as formerly."

Stockholders Meeting.

Special.
RALPHIGH, N. C., December 23.—A meeting of the Stockholders of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad has been called for December 31, to change its by-laws.

Republicans think it a scheme to fix the Lease.

Republican Support.

Special.
RALPHIGH, N. C., December 23.—John R. Smith, Republican of Goldsboro, has the support of the Republicans for the position of Superintendent of the State Penitentiary.

Premier Canovas Praised in Cuba.

HAVANA.—An editorial in La Lucha praises the stand taken by Senor Canovas, the Spanish premier.

"He neither desires nor fears war with the United States," says La Lucha.

"Such a conflict is far off and will surely not arrive. The legislators in the United States who are favorable to the rebels do not represent American opinion. Senor Canovas is ready to repel any aggression and to show those who believe themselves mighty that Spain will stop any unreasonable and illegal pretenses, firm in her adage of 'honor above life and riches.'"

Favor Tariff on Lumber.

SAVANNAH, Ga.—A meeting of the manufacturers of yellow pine lumber of this section was held here for the purpose of taking steps to present the views of the lumbermen to Congress on the subject of the tariff on lumber. The meeting was very strongly in favor of the restoration of the tariff of 1884 of 22 per thousand.

Telegrams Items.

There were no fatalities in the Baltimore mine explosion at Wilkesbarre, Pa., all the imprisoned miners having escaped. Those in the hospital will recover.

The stockholders of the Commercial Cable Company and the Postal Telegraph Company have ratified the agreement made between the companies December 1st.

A couple who registered at the Hampton House, Boston, as Donald Donovan and wife, were found asphyxiated by gas in their room. The woman was dead and the man unconscious.

Two small children of Mrs. Christine Carlisle, at Wakefield, Ohio, were burned to death. The mother had locked them in the house and gone to a neighbor's, and the house caught fire in her absence.

A delegation of Sioux Indians from Crow Creek Agency, with White Ghost, their head chief, as chairman, have left Chamberlain, S. D., for Washington, to collect a bill of about \$300,000 from the government.

John Henry Barker, colored, was convicted in the Westchester County Court, New York, of murdering his wife last year, in Harrison. Barker was sentenced to be executed in the electric chair in Sing Sing Prison the first week in February.

Andrew D. Rogers, Chamberlain of the city of Johnstown, N. Y., is short in his accounts \$4,000. The City Chamberlain admits the shortage, but says he cannot explain what has become of the money. Rogers decided to his bondsmen property sufficient to cover the shortage, and will not be arrested.

In the Franzt murder trial, at Dayton, Ohio, Miss Mollie Carte testified that the prisoner wrote her love letters, which were then read in court. He offered to marry her. Miss Carte received a love letter, renewing this offer on the very day Miss Little was murdered. The State then rested its case.

At Littleton, Wetzel County, W. Va., a wire suspension bridge over a creek broke down while crowded with people returning home from a church entertainment, and about thirty or forty people were precipitated into the bed of the stream. Wilbert Hammond was killed, and Miss Aris Brown and Harry Anderson were seriously wounded. Eight or ten others were slightly burned.

LATEST STATE NEWS.

PRITCHARD TO ESTABLISH HEADQUARTERS.

Last Democratic Judge of State Supreme Court Goes Out. Items of Interest.

Special.
RALPHIGH, N. C., Dec. 23.—Senator Pritchard is to establish his headquarters here next week for his Senatorial contest. Hyams is to be in charge.

The Supreme Court adjourns to-day, and thus ends Justice Avery's term, the only Democratic Judge on the bench. He will be succeeded by R. M. Douglass of Guilford county, who is to take the oath of office in February.

The executive committee of the Department of Agriculture orders a complete heating plant for its department and annex building.

In the Broughton-Young Legislative contest, the clerk of the court refused to produce the ballots for the recount. A mandamus was asked for to cause compliance.

THE COTTON MARKETS.

December 23.

LIVERPOOL news was very encouraging today.

The spot sales were 14,000 and spot cotton 1-1/4 higher.

Export this impetus New York opened 7 or 8 points higher and has been very steady till near the close when there was some decline from the highest.

JANUARY closes at 6.82 which is a net gain of 2-100 for the day.

The port receipts continue large, and the one thing that seems to keep the market steady is that there is a belief in some quarters that these large receipts are at the expense of stocks already counted in interior towns.

New BERNE market has been quiet and steady at 5 1/2 to 6 1/2.

Yours truly,
J. E. LATHAM.

THE MARKETS.

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