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HEAVY COTTON GAIN. STATE DEPARTMENT MAKES 112 PER CENT. INCREASE,

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r Four Hundred Thouse nd Bale Pritchard Next Week. Populiat for Speaker. Democrat

SIN Must Go. RALMON, N. C., December 20 .- This da cotton crop in North Carolina found by the State Agricultural depart ment to be a little over four hundre and bales, which is a gain 112 pe cent over last year's. ator Pritchard will not come her

until next week. Several Republican legislators today

say, that the speaker of the House will be a Populiat and that every Democratic office holder will be removed. A lift

The Pope Very Feeble.

LONDON .--- The Standard publishes dispatch from Rome, saying that the Pope was much exhausted after his reeption of the Cardinals on Wednesday st, on which occasion he made speech, in which he deplored the situa tion of the Papacy in Italy, and states that his intentions in making overtures to King Menelik of Abyssinia to secure the release of the Italian prisoners held by him have been misrepresented. The Standard's correspondent add

that it is not likely that his Holiness will be able to hold his New Year's re ceptions on successive days, in accord-suce with his custom. Arrangements are being made to have the receptions as brief as possible.

owing day.

for this reason have registered a solemn

The hundreds of Americans in the

canks of the insurgents, Perdue says, are

ated among the best fighters on the

isiand. They are mostly from the South

ern and Western States, and, being ex-

pert marksmen, repeating rifles are given aem when possible, and they are put

orward as sharpshooters. Many Spanish

ordiers have bit the dust owing to the

merring aim of the riflemen hidden in

courth Brigade are armed with heavy

elescopic rifles, which will kill nearly

seeps a record of the Spanish officers ne has shot. He claims to have killed

aineteen already, not to mention pri-

bath not to be taken alive,"

men and structures. ',

Disabled Vessel Sighted.

NEW YORK .- The steamship Brookly City, which arrived from Bristol, Engnd, reported that on December 12, i latitude 51 degrees, 25 minutes, longi tude 14 degrees, 13 minutes, she passed close under the storn of a disabled steam ship, which she hailed. The reply gave the vessel's name, which sounded like the vessel's name, which sounded like the ddy," bound from New Orleans for Liverpool. The steamer was under for, and aft canvas, and was making about 1 knots an hour. When asked if she need-ed any assistance, she replied, "No," and that she was making repairs to her n achinery. She may have been the Cabra from New Orleans, Dec. 5.

The Brooklyn City on December 20 hted a double-peaked iceberg, 280 feet gh and 800 feet long, in latitude 45 egrees 41 minutes, lougitude 47 degrees minutes. It was evidently the same berg seen by the Friesland on Dec. 12, sixty miles to the north, but must of the esterly Winter track of steamships hen seen by the Friesland, but it is ow south of the easterly track, the Brooklyn City having taken a southerly

Puring the month loe has been report-ed within a radius of 100 miles of the alsh Cap by the steamships Corcan, Halifas City, St. Helens, Delaware, Catalonia, and Majestic.



WINSTON, N. C .-- Judge Simonton, of Prisoners Are Invariably the United States Circuit Court, has no-Milled When Taken.

WASHINGTON .- Marion T. Perdue, a North State Improvement Company, and sident of Richmond, Va., who claims his attorneys, Watson & Buxton, of this to have been a soldier in Gomez's Cuban city, to appear before him, in Wilmington, on January 14th, next, when 1 rmy, and to have made his way out of will issue a decree regarding the sale of the island through the efforts of Consul the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Rail. Jeneral Lee, has been in the city for a Jay or two on his way home, where he road. It is understood that the judge's goes to recuperate from wounds received order will be for a sale of the road as a n that service. He talked freely of his whole and not by sections, as some of experiences and observations in the the interested parties asked for.

urmy, and some of his statements shed TO CUREA COLD 'IN ONE DAY new light on the conditions of warfare Fake Laxative Bromo Quinine Tabletse a the island, and of the situation. "In reading 'accounts of battles in All druggists refund the money of it tail

uba," said the young . Virginian, "you to care. 25c lave noticed, no doubt, that the reports read so many Cubans were killed and so A FEW DON'TS.

siany wounded, but you rarely ever see "Don't let your heels get 'slanty' a stated that such a number were taken prisoners. There are two awful reasons if you wish to keep your trowsers or this. The Spaniards do not take in good shape."

prisoners. They have practically hoisted "Don't strap your vest in tight if the black flag, and any Cuban patriot you want it to be smooth in front." who is unlucky enough to be taken "Don't be eccentric in the matter uive, never sees the sun rise on the folof dress." "He is shot down very soon after he is "Don't pin the ends of your scarf aken, and his body added to the number to your skirt bosom. Use a regular or the enemy killed in battle. The other

eason is that Cuban soldiers know very ient." well the fate wh.ca is in store for them, "Don't wear loud buttons." And and they prefer to die fighting rather above all, Don't forget to try Howann be assassinated in the ranks of them oes. Many of Gomez's and Maceo's men ard for Clothing, Hats and Shocs.

J. M. HOWARD.

54TH DIVIDEND.

The National Bank of New Berne North Carolina. December 29th, 1856.

The Board of Directors of this Black, have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent, free of tax, payable me thickets. Other Americans are in on and after January 12th, 1897. G. H. ROBERTS, Cashier,



If you want a useful present, call

and examine our line of two miles away. They call themselves "the Lone Star Riflemen," the solitary Cut Glass, Fancy Queensware, star being the emblem of both Cuba and l'exas. One of the squad, named Ryan, Carlsbad and Havilands



ACTIVITY IN IGON AND STEEL.

Additional [Evidences of Reawaken ing Prosperity in the Trade. Naw Yong, December 29-Although ufacturers of iron and steel are ering some difficulties in the ar of agreeing on output and prices. appears to a gradual improvement the general trade conditions. The de-nd for the manufactured products is ly increasing! A letter from Sheleld, Ala., announces that the Sheffield, Coal, Iron and Steel Company bas con-tracted for the sale of 400,000 tons of pig at an advanct of 50 cents a ton over as October prices. This same compling as also arranged for the rebuilding of

Two twenty ton open-hearth wird fur-need blast as seen as completed. m Clark's Son & Co. of Pitmburg. is mill is now almost under full head-Arrangements have been made by owners of the Addiston Pipe and el Company of Newport, Ky., to start the plant at once. It has been idle out eight months, sud its resumpall give employment to about 125 The Schoenberger Steel Company ittsburg has ordered from William olicek & Ge. of Youngstown, Ohio, arials for several new furnaces ve improvements are being mad-lant of the Midland Steel Comof Muncie, Ind. The New Castle) Engineering works has about leted a furnace which it has been ing for the Girard Iron Company at Ohio

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Perdue described a machete drill by slored Cubans in camp. These negro stoops, he said, are desperate fighters with that keen-edged weapon. The machote of peace, which is used for cut-Better ing sugarcane, is different from the machete of war. The former has a point which is curved backward on the order of a cimeter. Those employed in oattle are perfectly straight and go off to a point like an officer's sword.

Queen Lil in a Nielgh.

Bosros-Liliuokalani, the Hawalian ax-Queen, took the first sleigh ride of her tife through Brooklyn. When she came buck she said she had been perfectly mfortable, and had enjoyed every minute, A covered sleigh, with glass front, was provided so that she could see everything and still not feel the wind. Her friends supplied piles of extra wraps, and one was so thoughful as to procure a ootstove, which, placed beneath the obes, gave out an agreeable warmth. Her Majesty's attendants, Naholelas and Heleluhe, suffered a great deal more from the cold than their mistress did, as they were in an open sleigh and not as right. warmly wrapped. They know as little of snow and cold weather as Liliuokolani loes, and everything interested them.

THE COTTON MARKETS.

December 29 Tur Liverpool advices showed a good demand for spot cotton. The sales were 12,000 bales, though prices were 1-16 lower.

New YORK has been fairly steady today and the close is 6.82 for January, a net gain of the 14-100 for the day. Estate in New Berne ?

gain of the 14-100 for the day. Think seems to be no end to the receip The market is in shape for a good call but if receipts continue large the effer-will not be favorably far higher price Naw Harra market has been steady of \$1 to \$1. No sales. the city on case payments, or very low for cash]

J. E. LATHAN. THE MARKETS.

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