

WASHINGTON NEWS.

SENATE JINGOISM SHOWS A DROOPING TENDENCY.

Senator Call and Representative Sulzer are among the few Senators who still show traces of jingoism, among them Mr. Call, of Florida, who this week made a speech on Cuba, in connection with his resolution calling on the State Department for all the correspondence in the case of Julio Sanguilly, a newspaper correspondent, sentenced to life imprisonment for alleged complicity in the Cuban rebellion.

Mr. Call was very bitter in some of his remarks, declaring among other things that the whole power of the United States was being used to protect and continue the present condition of affairs in Cuba. His speech might have attracted more attention had not everybody known that he is making a hard fight for re-election, and that many rich and influential Cubans are residents of his State. Representative Sulzer, of New York, had a mild attack of jingoism, but he seemed to be relieved after he had offered a resolution in the House giving Spain thirty days' notice that we should not only recognize the independence of Cuba but maintain that independence by force, if the fighting in Cuba was not hereafter conducted strictly in accordance with recognized rules of war among civilized nations. His resolution was sent to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, to die.

Secretary Herbert's report to Congress on his investigation of the cost of armor plates for naval vessels is commended as a very thorough piece of work, although it is not especially pleasing either to the two establishments which monopolize the making of armor plate or to those who advocate the establishment of a government plant for its manufacture. Secretary Herbert doesn't think it would be wise for the government to make its own armor, and he makes it plain that the Carnegie and Bethlehem companies have been charging the government extortionate prices as the result of an agreement between them to divide this work. His remedy is to pay \$400 a ton for the armor, instead of \$583, the present price, and he presents figures which show that this would allow the makers a profit of something like \$150 a ton. The investigation was made by direction of Congress.

Notwithstanding the enormous amount spent by the government to keep in safety the records of its business, it is every now and then demonstrated that such of these records as some people may wish to destroy often disappear without leaving a trace. Only this week Assistant Secretary Curtis, of the Treasury, in an official communication got the Senate that some of the papers showing the amount due the Pacific Railroad sinking fund on account of the subsidies paid the Pacific Mail Steamship Co., which had been called for by a Senate resolution, could not be found. Nothing could have made it plainer that there are two sides to the tariff question than the two opposing arguments presented to the Ways and Means committee this week in behalf of the farmers of Kansas. One insisted upon the retention of the present tariff on cattle, because the Kansas farmers could buy Mexican cattle and fatten them for market and make more money than they could by raising the cattle, and the other asked a restoration of the McKinley tariff on cattle, because the cattle raisers of the State were being ruined by the importation of Mexican cattle. Representative Curtis stood by the latter, and said that if Congress would restore the duty Kansas would see that the consumer paid no more for his beef than he does now.

Senator Chandler may have meant business when he gave notice of an amendment to the Legislative, Executive and Judicial appropriation bill, providing that for three years from the first of next July all salaries paid by the Government shall be reduced ten per cent, but the idea seems to be regarded both in and out of Congress as only a bit of banter on that gentleman's part.

The test vote in the House on the Lord bill depriving books and sample copies of newspapers of the advantages of being sent by second-class mail and otherwise according to the postal laws dealing with the second class was 144 for and 105 against. The bill was passed without a division.

This has been a busy week for the Eastington lobby and its members will know how the ball will be taken on the Pacific Railroad funding bill, now under discussion in the House, which will not be used the first of next week. It is a hard thing to say, but while the result is in doubt, the chances are believed to favor the bill.

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BUTLER GAINS.
Active Day in Senatorial Fight. Skinner Appears to Weaken.

Special.
RALEIGH, N. C., January 8.—Today was the most active and exciting one of all during this notable Senatorial contest.

It was given out that tonight's Populist caucus would settle the matter definitely.

It was reported that Senator Pritchard would be sent for to state his position to the caucus. This was denied this afternoon, and it was said that no one save Legislators would be admitted, not even Senator Butler.

Congressman Skinner this evening said he feared a deadlock between Pritchard and Butler, that he was fighting it, but that it might come. He declared he would do anything honorable to elect Pritchard, and this falling, he would vote for certain Populists or Democrats. In other words, he was determined that some one should be elected.

He says the proposition for a compromise was made to him by Butler today; that the latter would stand by Skinner if the latter could get the caucus nomination, but that he would do no such thing, and would rather be defeated as Pritchard's supporter than be named as Senator by Butler or any Populist caucus.

He declares Butler is forced to abandon his plan to name a Republican.

The tone of the popular comment tonight is that Skinner has weakened and Butler gained.

SENATORIAL SPARRING.
ATTEMPT TO FORCE A SHOWING OF HANDS.

Special.
RALEIGH, N. C., January 8.—It was thought that in the Populist caucus last night the members would be forced to show their hands, and it would be determined whether Pritchard would secure enough Populist votes to make his re-election to the United States Senate certain, but such was not the case.

Senator Butler was smart enough to delay matters, so the question is still an open one.

Butler and Skinner have clashed, and Skinner, Populist though he is said to be, is sticking close to Republican Pritchard, and last night in caucus said to Butler: "I am for Pritchard. Name your man."

Both Butler and Pritchard factions declare themselves as confident.

It is said Butler yesterday asked Republicans if they would support either J. J. Mott or Marshal Mott if the Populists named them, but they declined.

Dockery and Guthrie are both available timber and are on the spot.

The Legislature met at noon today. Private Secretary Telfair announced that the Governor's message was ready. In both House and Senate it was read, taking two and a half hours. It was an able message, and spoke highly of all the departments.

Fifteen hundred copies of the message were ordered printed.

There was little else done in the Legislature during the session except the appointment of the following committees in the House:

Privileges and Elections—Cook, Blackburn, Sutton, of New Hanover; Pender, Bryan, of Chatham; Brown, Person, of Wayne; Cunningham and Gallop.

Banking and Currency—Bryan, of Chatham; Hauser, Crumpler, Ormsby, Cox, Adams and McKenzie.

Rules—Sutton, of Cumberland; Brewer; Bryan, of Chatham; Schulken and Nelson.

Judiciary—Lusk, Sutton, of Cumberland; Cook, Young, Schulken, Price, Craven, Seales and Cunningham.

The strength of the three parties in the Legislature is Republicans 71, Populists 39 and Democrats 40. It will take 86 votes to elect a Senator, Senator Pritchard will want 15 votes outside of his party.

NEW ENACTMENTS.
To Repeat Assignment Laws 1895 and 1893. Cuban Resolutions.

Special.
RALEIGH, N. C., January 8.—In the Legislature today a resolution was adopted calling on our Senators and Representatives in Congress to secure the passage of an act acknowledging Cuban independence.

Bills were introduced to repeat the assignment laws of 1895; also to repeat the assignment law of 1893, which forbids preferences, and to provide for new jury lists in each county February 1st.

THE COTTON MARKETS.
LIVERPOOL sold 12,000 bales of spot cotton and futures were 2.64 higher.

New York opened at a fractional advance over yesterday and the market was very dull and featureless up to the noon hour. After this considerable activity was aroused and there was quite a large business done in futures. The closing was steady at 7.18 for March, a net gain for the day of 12-100.

Tax stocks at counted interior towns are moving off very rapidly, and the receipts from primal points continue very small when compared with the receipts a few weeks back.

A LITTLE more cheerful feeling seems to be getting into general business, and some expansion in the dry goods trade is promised.

Tax cotton market seems to be in a very healthy state at present and prices are likely to go some higher and especially so if the speculation becomes brisk.

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Yours truly,
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THE MARKETS.
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Jan. 6th, 1897.