

WILL VOTE ON TREATY TODAY

Senate for Once Exhibits Its Powers of Speechmaking.

NEW COMPACT WITH SPAIN BROUGHT UP

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SHOW BOUTELLE COURTESY

Senate Asks His Appointment as Captain on Retired List of the Navy.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—When the senate convened today some bills and resolutions prepared by the house were reported. Among them was a resolution authorizing the president to appoint Charles A. Boutelle of Maine captain on the retired list of the navy.

Mr. Boutelle for many years has been a member of the house and was re-elected to the next congress. His serious illness for a long time has been a matter of national concern.

HEARING ON THE OLEO BILL

Friends and Opponents Present Arguments to the Senate Committee.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The senate committee on agriculture today began the consideration of the oleomargarine bill by hearing persons interested in the measure which recently passed the house.

BEER NOT TO BE PROSCRIBED

Proposed Reorganization Bill's Canteen Provision Amended to Permit Sale of the German Nectar.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The subcommittee of the senate committee on military affairs has completed its work upon the proposed reorganization bill and will report the result of its labors to a special meeting of the full senate committee, which has been called for this afternoon.

GREAT BATTLE IN COLOMBIA

Government Wins Victory After Two Days' Fight in Which Six Hundred Are Killed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The state department has received a cablegram from the United States Charge D'Affaires at Bogota, stating that a great battle has been fought at Girardot Point, Magdalena river, Colombia, which lasted two days and resulted in a decisive victory for the government.

PENSIONS FOR WESTERN VETERANS

War Survivors Remembered by the General Government.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—The following pensions have been granted: Nebraska—Alexander R. Foster, Grand Island, \$10; Archibald Matthews, Plattsmouth, \$8; Original widows, etc.—Mary M. Farley, Fairbairn, \$8; Special award December 5; Caroline E. Ayers, Omaha, \$10; Original—George H. Roseman, Victor, \$4; Additions—William F. Connor, Boone, \$12; Increase—William Arterburn, Bedford, \$24; Original widows, etc.—Rosa and Elizabeth Harper, Shenandoah, \$12; Mary A. Burleson, Clarinda, \$8; Colorado—Original—Frederick Svensen, Breckenridge, \$8; Renewal and increase—Charles Amundson, Loveland, \$12; Increase—John E. Mitchell, Loveland, \$12; Montana—Original—Charles Young, Missoula, \$8; North Dakota—Original widows, etc.—Minors of James S. Goodwin, Larimore, \$11.

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GALVESTON TO GET BIG SUM

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THE REALTY MARKET.

INSTRUMENTS placed on record Wednesday, December 19, 1900.

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BANK NOTE SYSTEM WRONG. Secretary Gage Deprecates Wall Street Influence on General Business.

Increasing Consolidation of Capital May Tend to the Public Weal, but There Are Many Perils Which Must Not Be Overlooked.

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Reform in Bank Note System. Mr. Gage then addressed the assemblage. He reviewed briefly the history of the questions relating to public finance since the close of the civil war and called attention to the fact that many of these questions must yet be considered as unsettled. Particular attention was directed to the great intimacy now apparent between the affairs of the treasury and the general operations of business, which did not exist at the close of that war. He said: "We have a system of banknote currency which is not related to the needs of the community, which is a practically uncontrolled bank currency most economically secured by its enlarged contributions to the idle funds in the public treasury. Our independent treasury absorbs the circulating medium when active business ceases to flourish, only to re-accumulate it when falling revenues, the effect of the civil war and called attention to the fact that many of these questions must yet be considered as unsettled. 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