

PLATT ON EXPANSION

Nutmeg State Senator Will Speak in Reply to Senator Vest.

HIS SPEECH IS SCHEDULED FOR TODAY

Likely to Precipitate a More or Less General Debate.

SEVERAL TALKS DUE AFTER CHRISTMAS

Peace Treaty Will Come Up for Consideration Early in January.

INDICATIONS THAT IT WILL BE RATIFIED

Fewer Than Two Thousand Signatures Attached to the Anti-Ratification Petitions Already Forwarded to the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The week in the senate will be opened with a speech by Senator Platt of Connecticut on the question of expansion. He has given notice of an address to begin immediately after the conclusion of the routine morning business Monday.

It is hoped that the treaty will be taken up for discussion early in January. Already there is talk of the probability of disposing of the treaty during the present session and the impression favorable to this is growing.

Over One Hundred Chicago Girls Make an Oculatory Charge Upon "Merrimac" Hobson.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Lieutenant Richmond Pearson Hobson was heavily bombarded by a large fleet of kissing girls at the Auditorium tonight, but as no distress signal was hoisted after the engagement it is not believed that he was seriously injured.

HE BELIEVES IN EXPANSION

Congressman Lewis of Washington Favors the Policy of Annexing the Philippines.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—The democratic party of a progressive party and not a party of mere obstructionism, the confidence of the people of this country," said Congressman James Hamilton Lewis of Washington at the Auditorium Annex today.

ARRESTED FOR WIFE MURDER

Austrian Held in Chicago on Charge of Doing Away with His Better Half.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Michael Emil Rollinger, a native of Austria, is under arrest charged with the murder of his wife, Theresa. The charred body of Mrs. Rollinger was found Friday night in a clothes closet of her home and her death was at first supposed to be the result of an accident.

Boys Convicted of Murder.

CHILLICOTHE, O., Dec. 18.—Three mere boys, Elmer and George Butler, aged respectively 20 and 13, were today found guilty of manslaughter and will serve a term in the penitentiary for the murder of Daisy Browner, a young girl. The crime was a heinous one and on the trial it was proven that the girls had been shot in ambush for no other reason than to get money for an attempt to prove that insanity ran in the Butler family.

EMBRACES IN PUBLIC PLACE

Maine Artilleryman Hugs a Woman on the Street and is Now on the Chaining Gang.

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TOO MANY POLITICAL PARTIES

Judge Neville Urges Amalgamation of Silver Forces Into One.

CAUSES FOR DEFEAT OF SENATOR ALLEN

Lack of Harmony in Tripartite Alliance and Failure to Correct Injustice to Western Part of State in the Apportionment.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 18.—A wreck occurred on the Indiana, Decatur & Western railroad at 2:30 o'clock this morning. Fifty-two miles west of Indianapolis, near Guilin station. The Indianapolis express, east-bound, due to arrive at this city at 3:55 a. m., left the track west of a high trestle and passed over the trestle, which was sixty feet long, with seven coaches off the rails and bumping along the ties. The trestle was fifty feet high and it is considered phenomenal that the train was not hurled off into the creek, in which the slaughter of life would have been awful.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The political leaders are still endeavoring to figure out just what struck them at the late election. There have been various reasons advanced and about all the leading lights of the party have furnished their views. The latest contribution to this literature is by Judge William Neville of North Platte, who was the candidate for supreme judge two years ago and has been a prominent figure in the political world for several years. The communication is as follows:

Much has been said as to the cause of Senator Allen's defeat and the stay-at-home vote in Nebraska. In addition to the causes which always operate in these elections, I believe that the defeat of the legislative ticket and the almost defeat of the state ticket.

Second.—The issues in which the people voted have been partially abandoned for issues about which the people have no quarrel.

One Platform, One Ticket.

THE REMEDY IS TO UNITE ON PRINCIPLES. Suppose that at our next state convention we unite the three silver parties upon an explicit basis of strong principle, one platform and nominate a ticket. If we can agree on principles we will unite south as well as north; if this state takes the lead others will follow.

It is not to unite on principle then it is the duty of each person to remain loyal to the particular party which he represents in the interest of one of the other parties, opposes the wish of his own he will lose strength in his own party.

So long as three different parties were contributing to the prospective majority in the legislature each had a right to assume that it would be the majority.

Switching the Issues.

Knowing that such is the drift of the populists were announced that just when the republicans had taken off their mask and declared for the gold standard, the populists were to be taken off their mask and to give up their previous pretensions of friendship for silver to be fraudulent, our forces should abandon silver and give up the fight entirely upon personal claims of candidates.

Stay-at-Home Vote.

The third cause is a potent one. By examining the tabulated returns of the election it will be discovered that the stay-at-home vote was in considerable numbers.

Fatal Coasting Accident.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 18.—As a result of a coasting accident at Turtle creek, eight miles from Pittsburg, Joseph West, aged 30, is dead and eleven others injured, two seriously. The sled collapsed at the bottom of a steep hill and hurled the party with great force in every direction. Two were seriously injured and Joseph West, left leg broken and injured badly about the head.

SPAIN UP TO ITS OLD TRICKS

Bells Mangers and Ammunition to Relic Hunters in Havana.

DONS MAKE HAY WHILE THE SUN SHINES

Cubans Celebrate the Evacuation of Havana with a Parade and Profuse Udaying Friendship for the Americans.

(Copyright, 1898, by Press Publishing Co.) HAVANA, Dec. 18.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—The Spanish authorities are secretly selling large quantities of Mausers and ammunition, curiosity hunters being the principal buyers. A contract was made yesterday for delivering 1,000 rifles and 20,000 cartridges.

The Cubans celebrated today the evacuation of Havana on invitation of the alcalde, Senor Gomez de Lamaza. Every street was decorated with American and Cuban flags intertwined and at several points were erected triumphal arches bearing suitable inscriptions. Menocal's troops, 400 cavalrymen, paraded the town in the morning. In this parade were General Menocal, Lauro Morio, Julio Sangulany and Mayra Rodriguez. A breakfast was given at noon in the hotel El Oriente. General Lee was invited to it, but being unable to be present he was represented by Colonel Armbrist, commander of the First brigade, second division, and Captain R. E. Paxton, brigade adjutant. The Cubans were most enthusiastic. Among the speeches was one by Jose Sangulany, who declared that Cubans look upon Americans as brothers, but whatever might be the consequences of the evacuation must insist on absolute independence.

The Spanish authorities have taken strict measures tonight to prevent any disturbance. Strong guards are stationed in every quarter, while special precautions have been taken around the cathedral and Hotel Inglaterra. The engineer corps at Marianao probably will go next week to Matanzas to prepare the way for the American troops.

Sewer Contract Swindle.

HAVANA, Dec. 18.—General Claus called on General Castellanos by appointment to bring to the latter's notice the action of the Havana municipality in attempting to negotiate a sewer contract involving the city in indebtedness of millions of dollars. The project underlying the contract was approved by the municipality last Friday without sufficient examination and the contract was to be executed at the next day.

Monument Unveiled.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 18.—The Russian Grand Duke Nicholas, who arrived here on Friday on board a Russian steamer, unveiled today at Galatana, near San Stefano, where, on March 3, 1878, was signed the treaty of peace that terminated the Russo-Turkish war, a monument to the Russian soldiers who fell in that conflict. The unveiling was accompanied with much ceremony and a military parade. The Turkish newspapers were excessively irritated at the ceremonies.

Anarchist Conference.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The Rome correspondent of the Times says: "I have reason to believe that the international anarchist conference, which has been in session here for several weeks, has proved a success. Great secrecy is maintained regarding the proceedings and conclusions, but the delegates seem satisfied that they have laid a splendid foundation for a uniform system of dealing with anarchists. The conference declines to recognize anarchist outrages as political crimes."

Danger Exaggerated.

VENICE, Dec. 18.—In consequence of a recent report that the palace of the Doge had become endangered owing to the decay of the walls adjacent to the Bridge of Sighs, and the decay of the timbers supporting St. Mark's library, the government ordered Signor Botto, the eminent architect, to examine and report with a view of restoring the palace. Signor Botto and other architects declare that the stories of danger are greatly exaggerated.

To Lay a Cornerstone.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The Rome correspondent of the Daily Mail says he learns that the duke of Connaught will go to Khartoum as the representative of the queen, to lay the foundation stone of the Gordon Memorial college to be erected there under the direction of Lord Kitchener for the instruction of Sudanese youth.

Russian Railroadings.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times says the first train from Merv, Russian Turkestan, 300 miles from Khartoum, arrived on Friday last at Kurk, in the Jambhil province of Afghanistan, the line thus being completed to within ninety-five miles of Herat.

Condition of Bank of Spain.

MADRID, Dec. 18.—The Bank of Spain's statement for the week ending December 17 is: Gold in hand, unchanged; silver, 1,235,000 pesetas; notes in circulation, 1,235,000 pesetas; deposits, 1,235,000 pesetas. The bank closed yesterday at 97.75; gold, 34.90.

CINCINNATI STUCK ON A ROCK

Cruiser Has Bad Luck When Trying to Enter the Harbor of Santiago.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Dec. 18.—While the United States cruiser Cincinnati was leaving port about sunset yesterday, it ran full speed upon a rock clearly defined in the charts, but not buoyed. Last September General Leonard Wood, considering that the absence of a buoy there might lead to some accident, anchored a small one, the first ever placed there, but the Bessie, on entering the harbor one night, carried it away and since then there has been no buoy in that place.

The Cincinnati probably will not be seriously damaged, as it is not taking water. For the last twenty-four hours the government coiler Southern and the Mayflower have been engaged in an effort to pull it off. This far they have been unsuccessful, but it is hoped they will have better luck tonight at high tide. The principal risk now is of tearing a hole in the cruiser's bottom while pulling it off.

It now turns out that the man who was shot in the chest by the Cuban negro, after landing from a schooner, hailing from Baracoa, was not, as was at first supposed, Celeste Rodriguez, the guerrilla, but a merchant from Baracoa who had come here to purchase supplies. The assumption is that the crime was committed for the sake of the money.

From Firmin's, a newspaper which is virtually the property of the Jurgens Iron company, comes a report that the alcade has been attacked and stabbed with a machete and there has been another stabbing at night at Firmin's. Although the police probably will not be able to police these places, which heretofore has been unnecessary, owing to the fact that the majority of the workmen were Spanish soldiers and under military discipline.

The arrival of the news that the United States senate had confirmed the nomination of General Wood as a major general was the occasion for universal rejoicing here. General Wood was at El Morro examining the improvements and got his first intimation when the Punta Gorda battery fired a salute on good terms. Mrs. Facenella joined them this morning, when the alleged offense on the part of Petero was committed. Facenella at once gave himself up and is in custody. His victim was a miner.

REPORT ON STATE LANDS.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—J. Facenella, a wealthy saloon man of Rock Springs, shot and killed George Petero this morning because of alleged over-familiarity with Mrs. Facenella. Petero and Facenella spent nearly all of last night drinking in the latter's saloon. Petero was on a spree and in front of the cathedral and churches were rung, the civic band played for several hours and in the crowded cafes and clubs there were toasts and cheers in honor of the military governor. A round of receptions has been arranged and a public banquet planned.

SHOT DEAD BY SALOON MAN

Wyoming Miner Fills Up with Fire Water and Throws Forfeits His Life.

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Public Conference at London Declares in Favor of International Disarmament.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The venerable William McDougal Sinclair, archdeacon of London and canon of St. Paul's cathedral, presided at a public conference at St. James' hall convened by the lords of the various religious denominations in favor of an international demonstration on behalf of the czar's disarmament proposals.

Fish Commissioners' Report.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—State Fish Commissioner Gustave Schnitzer has filed an interesting report with Governor Richards, which is, in part, as follows:

The young trout delivered to the various counties of the state during 1898 numbered 717,500. The estimated supply for the coming year which will be available for distribution is 1,080,000. The commissioner is of the opinion that it is cheaper to buy the eggs than to keep breeders at the hatchery. Eastern hatcheries will now sell eggs at the rate of \$35 per 100,000, which is a much lower price than the cost of production at the state hatchery.

Fatally Burned.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., Dec. 18.—Thomas Jones, living near Greer, attempted to light a fire with crude oil. An explosion occurred, wrecking the room and the dress of his twin daughters, aged 4 years, ignited. He was so badly burned to assist them and they were so badly burned that both of them died shortly afterwards.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska—Snow; North Winds. Yesterday's temperature at Omaha:

Table with 4 columns: Hour, Deg., Hour, Deg. Rows for 5 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 8 p.m., 11 p.m.

helm of Nassau. From this union there are four sons—Gustav, duke of Wernland, born in 1858, now heir apparent to the throne; Oscar, duke of Gotland, born in November, 1859, and who married the Princess Erika, daughter of Colonel Munck, renouncing at the time of his marriage all right to succeed to the throne; Carl, duke of Westergotland, born in February, 1861, and Eugene, duke of Nerike, born in August, 1865.

PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO THE SOUTH DID IT

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SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 18.—The visit of the president and his party to Savannah yesterday, after a week of remarkable displays of enthusiasm. Although today was supposed to be a day of rest, the president attended two public functions and received ovations. But far above the importance of the receptions today and the object of the president's visit is the fact that the original purpose of President McKinley's visit has been entirely lost sight of. The unprecedented outburst of loyalty to the union have completely overshadowed the rejoicing over the peace with Spain, though participation in the latter was the avowed object of the president's southern trip. To thoroughly explain what is going on in the south today it is necessary not only to record the continuous enthusiasm and hospitable receptions, but also to recount the causes that have made the trip so remarkable.

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Political influences seem to play no part in the reception of President McKinley. On all sides there is an eagerness to publicly express the loyalty of the southern states and to admit that the war with Spain not only helped to weld the compact of the people, but gave to the nation the opportunity to express sentiments of loyalty that have long been but which have lacked opportunity of expression and this has been done chiefly by the democrats, many of whom fought for the stars and bars and to all of whom the name of Davis is a sacred memory. The fact that the president's visit to Atlanta, Tuskegee, Montgomery and Savannah, there has been the tacit admission that the war with Spain has been the great factor in achieving the result. But it is to the result and not to the factor that the chief trend of speechmaking and of enthusiasm has lent itself.

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North and South Vie with Each Other in Doing Honor to Old Glory.

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