

SITUATION AS RELATES TO CUBA.

Little Anxiety in Official Circles at Washington.

Consul-General Lee Reports Peace and Quiet at Havana City.

The Cuban Matter the Subject of Discussion at a Meeting of the Cabinet, the Members Professing to Feel Satisfied With the Present Situation—The Orders to the North Atlantic Squadron Made Public.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—The Cuban score has subsided entirely to-day, and little anxiety or interest was manifested in it in official circles.

Regarding reports that the rioting in Havana had caused apprehension among manufacturers, financiers and others, that business affairs might be unsettled by fears of foreign complications, and that they had wired the President asking him to withhold the sending of warships to Cuban waters, and to use his influence to prevent inflammatory speeches in Congress, it can be stated authoritatively that up to 11 o'clock to-day no dispatches on this subject had been received at the White House.

Assistant Secretary Day came over to the White House from the State Department before the Cabinet meeting, and left a telegram that had been received from Consul-General Lee.

The Senate resolution calling for information as to what had been done by the President to safeguard American interests in Havana during the period of rioting was also briefly talked over, with a view to determining the nature of the reply to be made.

The principal subject under discussion by the Cabinet, however, it is declared, was the prospects of the Hawaiian annexation treaty.

The North Atlantic squadron, which has been gathered at Hampton Roads, is to sail southward to-morrow. Let there should be a misunderstanding of the purpose of the cruise, which has already been described in the orders as one of evolution and drill planned many months ago, the orders under which the vessels will proceed have been made public, and taken in connection with the department's order to Admiral Sigsbee, the Navy Department says, show that the squadron's movements have no reference to Cuba.

These orders are made by Admiral Sigsbee and are issued in identical form to the commanders of the various ships making up the squadron. They are dated at Fort Monroe, January 11th, on board the flagship New York, and begin as follows:

"The squadron is to be prepared to sail from Hampton Roads, weather and circumstances permitting, with steam for ten knots at 10 a. m. on Saturday, January 15th, from the vicinity of the Dry Tortugas, off the coast of Florida. Vessels will unmoor in the morning water unless signal to the contrary. Squadron under sailing orders at 8 a. m. The order of ships will be: First division—(1) New York, (2) Iowa, making the first section; (3) Massachusetts; (4) Indiana, making the second section. Second division—(5) Texas, first section; (6) Florida, second section, sailing from Key West, unless otherwise directed.

"The New York, Iowa and Indiana will proceed from Hampton Roads to the first sea rendezvous off Curritto, North Carolina, latitude 35° 30' N., longitude 75° 20' W. in about 15 fathoms of water, and will remain in that vicinity, weather permitting, until noon Sunday, the 16th. They will then proceed to a second rendezvous off Cape Fear, N. C., in 18 fathoms of water, Friday, Jan. 17th, and remain in that vicinity until about 6 p. m. Tuesday, January 18th, when they will proceed to Dry Tortugas, communicating possibly by some light draft vessel with Key West in passing that port.

"It is expected that the Massachusetts will leave the navy yard on Friday, the 14th instant, and the Texas on Saturday, the 15th instant. The Massachusetts will endeavor to join the flag first on the Curritto (not Curritto) rendezvous, and if that is missed, then on the Cape Fear rendezvous. It is hardly expected that the Texas will be able to join the flag on the Curritto rendezvous; therefore, directly the Massachusetts joins there (prior to noon of the 16th instant) the squadron will not then await the Texas, but proceed to the Cape Fear rendezvous, and there it is expected that the Texas will be able to join the flag on the Curritto rendezvous, or should any ship be separated from the flag by weather or other contingencies, the next, third and final rendezvous will be the harbor of Dry Tortugas, where they will await the flag.

"While the squadron is in the Florida drill ground, which will include occasional anchorage in Dry Tortugas harbor, the post and telegraphic address will be Key West.

The above dates for sailing and rendezvousing are subject to change due to the completion of repairs to vessels at New York, or to heavy weather. Should the Brooklyn, Maine or other vessels participate in the drills in the Florida drill grounds, detailed orders will be given.

It is not intended that any of the battleships or armored cruisers (except the Maine) shall enter the harbor of Key West, except by special order of the commander-in-chief, or in case of emergency. (Signed) Sigsbee, Rear Admiral, Commanding United States Naval Force on the North Atlantic Station."

been directed against the United States or American citizens.

The Cabinet discussion showed that the President, while decided not to send a warship to Cuba at present, does purpose keeping one or more vessels within a reasonable distance of Havana, so that one of our ships may reach there within six hours, in the event of a sudden call for its presence from General Lee.

PERFECT CALM AT HAVANA. WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Perfect calm prevails in Havana, according to dispatches received by Senor De Lome, the Spanish Minister, last night and this morning. One of these dispatches, filed at 1 o'clock this morning by Secretary General Congo, says: "The tumult has not been continued. Calm is preserved throughout the city. I believe that the normal condition will be perfectly established. Fortunately there is not a single casualty that we have to regret."

The Minister has received a number of minor dispatches, all indicating an absence of disturbance, and that no apprehension is felt by the authorities. The Spanish Minister, who every development be communicated to him, and in view of this fact does not credit a report that there was another outbreak yesterday, saying that any such outbreak would have been communicated to him, and that the report doubtless rose either from a delayed cablegram, based on the outbreak previously reported, or else that there was some minor disturbance of such a trivial character that it did not get to the attention of the officials of the Cuban Government.

Later in the day Senor De Lome received a cablegram dated Havana, 10 a. m., stating that perfect tranquility prevailed at that hour, and that no further trouble was expected.

PRESS CENSORSHIP. HAVANA, Jan. 14.—A decree has been published prohibiting the publication in daily newspapers of cable dispatches without previous censorship and twelve hours' notice of their receipt. In addition, in future the Postoffice here will detain national and foreign newspapers not having been previously censored. Violators of the law are warned under military jurisdiction.

Another edict will be published shortly forbidding gathering in groups of more than four persons either in the streets or in the stores.

A Molina, the chief of staff of the insurgent General Majia Rodriguez, has, it is announced, surrendered to the Spanish authorities.

General Parrado has issued a manifesto announcing his willingness to do away with the rebellion, and bring about peace in the district of Sancti Spiritus, province of Santa Clara.

It is announced from Spanish sources that Lieutenant-Colonel Tigon of the insurgent army has been killed.

TAYLOR FAVORS RECOGNITION OF BELLIGERENCY. NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—The Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the Cuban-American League makes public a letter from Hannis Taylor, former United States Minister to Spain, in which he says:

"In every city of the United States a Cuban-American League should be instantly formed, whose primary purpose should be to arouse public opinion to demand the instant passage of the Senate's belligerency resolution, now pending in the House of Representatives. When that demand is opposed by the worn-out technical pretext that the insurgents are not entitled to such action until they have first established a complete de facto Government, the answer should be promptly made that the law of nations demands no such thing; that the result in question need only recognize the fact that there is now in Cuba a state of war.

"Who can deny the truth of that assertion, when he remembers that Spain has hurled in vain against the insurgent host over 200,000 men and has expended in vain over \$100,000,000. At the end of three years Spain's military power in Cuba is nearly at an end, while the army under Gomez is in actual possession of nearly the entire eastern portion of the island. And yet, in the face of these facts, the House of Representatives, muzzled by the press, and the administration, refuses to recognize the incontestable fact that a state of war actually exists in Cuba to-day. That refusal is now prolonging unnecessarily the present conflict, and those who are responsible for it should be held to account for the useless sacrifice of human life thus brought about. In the present desolate state of the cause of Spain there can be no doubt that the moral support that the passage of the belligerency resolution would give to the insurgents would so strengthen their hands that by the beginning of summer Cuban independence could be justly recognized."

The Cuban-American League has sent out a circular requesting the Mayor of every city in the United States and the Sheriff or ranking officer in every county to at once appoint a committee in every ward in the city and each township of the county to organize a local branch of the Cuban-American League.

CORBETT WILL NOT BE SEATED. His Claim Adversely Reported by the Senate Committee.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections to-day decided to make an adverse report upon H. W. Corbett's claim to a seat in the Senate from Oregon. The vote was 4 to 3 on partisan lines, except that Senator Burrows (R.), who was absent, was counted, upon his authority, in opposition to Corbett.

There were two votes, the first being upon a motion to declare Mr. Corbett entitled to his seat, which was supported by Messrs. Chandler, Hoar and Pritchard (R.), and opposed by Messrs. Caffery and Pettus (D.), Allen (R.) and Burrows (R.) of Michigan. Mr. Spooner was joined with Mr. Turley, the former for and the latter against the motion.

A motion was then made to declare that Mr. Corbett was not entitled to his seat and was carried by the above vote reversed. The voting proceeded by a quite general discussion based upon a report prepared by Senator Pettus, on behalf of the opposition.

This report took the position that the question involved is practically the same as that involved in the Mantle case, and that this case should be allowed to stand as a precedent.

Senator Pettus made an argument in favor of establishing a principle of action in such cases and allowing it to stand, taking the position that there was danger in not taking the case to the close of every time the political complexion of the Senate changes.

ROMANTIC MARRIAGE. Two San Diegans Wedded at Cleveland, Ohio. CLEVELAND (O.), Jan. 14.—The romantic marriage in this city of Vernon Van Norman to Miss Maud Thiene on January 1st has just been brought to light. The home of both is at San Diego, California, where they are well known. Van Norman paid attention

to Miss Thiene until his father, a wealthy physician of San Diego, objected and threatened to disinherit him. The young man later came here to study medicine. During the holidays Miss Thiene came East to visit relatives, and the wedding followed. The couple are spending their honeymoon in Minneapolis.

FOREIGN CORPORATIONS.

Notified to Make Report to the Tax Department of New York City.

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—The Department of Taxes and Assessments of this city has issued its requisition and notice of taxation on foreign corporations, requiring them to make a report to the tax department in accordance with the new law thereon.

A more energetic crusade against foreign corporations by the tax department seems to be carried on this year from the fact that not only are corporations taxed which are organized under the laws of other States, but the tax department has had an examination of the record of the Secretary of State's offices of many of the other States, especially of New Jersey, and every person named in the certificates filed therein as incorporator or director, whose residence or office is in this city, has been served with a notice of taxation, irrespective of whether his corporation had any business in New York or not. This action has caused considerable indignation, and has resulted in the withdrawal by out-of-town banks of their accounts.

DOLE'S VISIT TO AMERICA.

Ex-Minister Thurston Explains the Mission of Hawaii's President.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Lorin A. Thurston, formerly Hawaiian Minister to the United States and at present in this city as the island republic's representative in behalf of annexation, to-day made the following statement relative to President Dole's mission to the United States:

"The Hawaiian Legislature meets in regular session in February. If annexation is to take place, there will necessarily be some legislation to adapt the laws to the changed conditions. If it is not to take place, the refunding of the bonded debt will probably be taken up, which would not be done if annexation is to take place. The present bonds draw 6 per cent. interest, and can be taken up at any time. The entire debt can be refunded at from 4 to 4½ per cent. by the present Government. There being no cable communication, and the mails being so slow and so far apart, advice being at present very unsatisfactory, President Dole determined to come to Washington and observe the condition of himself in order to give him in making recommendations to the Legislature."

The State Department has received official notice from the United States Minister at Honolulu of the intention of President Dole to leave the islands on the 18th inst. for the United States. All that Minister Sewall has to say in explanation of the President's purpose in making the visit to Washington is that he is deeply interested in the annexation treaty.

TOOK HIS OWN LIFE. A Leading Washington Merchant Commits Suicide.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Seaton Perry, for many years one of the leading dry goods merchants of Washington, committed suicide this morning by shooting. He for some years has been a sufferer from insomnia, brought on by nervousness, the result of close application to business. Last summer he took a long vacation, and it seemed to improve his health considerably, but more recently the attacks of sleeplessness returned.

He was about 47 years of age. He had accumulated considerable money, and it was his intention to retire from business in a few years. His wife is also wealthy in her own name.

The establishment conducted by Mr. Perry was started by the owner's father in 1840. It was probably the only one of the old regime of business houses that lived on the 8th street, which had kept pace with the progress of the city, and had met the competition brought on by the establishment of department stores. His affairs are said to have been in excellent condition.

A Pennsylvania Citizen's Death. HARRISBURG (Pa.), Jan. 14.—Colonel Edwin K. Meyer, former State Printer, was found dead, and with his body bruised, in the stable yard at his home, three miles from this city. The supposition is that he was accidentally thrown from his carriage a short distance from his home and dragged to the stable yard. Mr. Meyer is one of the best-known men in the State.

A German Warship Disabled. PERIM, Jan. 14.—The British steamer Dunera, from Southampton on December 29th for Bombay, reports having been disabled by a German warship in a disabled condition. The German warships Deutschland and Gefion, under the command of Prince Henry of Prussia, are now on their way to China. They were last heard from at Port Said, where they arrived on January 5th last.

Students Denounce Zola. PARIS, Jan. 14.—A number of law students, after leaving a lecture to-day, marched in procession to the office of the "Aurore," shouting denunciations of Emile Zola. The students also made disorderly demonstrations in front of the office of the "Aurore," and were dispersed by the police.

Hon. C. P. Villiers Dying. LONDON, Jan. 14.—The Right Hon. Charles Pelham Villiers, member of Parliament for South Wolverhampton and known as "the father of the House of Commons," having sat continuously since 1835, is believed to be dying.

Jealousy Causes a Double Tragedy. CINCINNATI, Jan. 14.—Louis Alfred, a compositor at the "Enquirer" office, to-day shot his sweetheart, Minnie Packner, at her home, inflicting a fatal wound, and then killed himself. Jealousy is supposed to have been the cause.

Cricket at Adelaide. ADELAIDE (South Australia), Jan. 14.—The third test cricket match between the Australian and the visiting English eleven began to-day. At the close of play the Australians had scored 210 runs for two wickets.

Reinforce for Yukon Expedition. NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—Eleven reindeer arrived to-day on board the son Line steamer Martello from Hull, and will be shipped to the Klondike region.

She—I detest a man who is always talking shop.

He—And I dislike a woman who always talks shopping.—Chicago News.

The January Sale Strikes Overcoats and Millinery To-day.

TO-DAY AT 9:30 A. M. Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats, Plumes, Wings, Velvets, Ribbons, Baby Bonnets, Etc.

Overcoat and Mackintosh Sale TO-DAY.

A year ago in January we had a sale of the stock of Mrs. Kelly. Thanks to more prosperous times there are no stocks in the Sacramento market at present. But you who look to us for attractive millinery offerings are not to be disappointed. In lieu of a bankrupt stock we are going to offer a large part of our own stock and at as low prices as we have ever named. This is sure to prove as agreeable as the other, for our goods are this season's styles and not damaged or shoddy.

LOT 1—Over 50 Hats, newly trimmed since New Year's; just the thing for shopping and running about. Surprising values for the money and decidedly better than anything in the Kelly stock last year. Besides, these hats are not old styles, but new styles. You will scarcely credit the price.

To-day's Price, \$1

LOT 2—Our season's styles in Trimmed Hats, many of them marked earlier at \$5, \$6 and \$7 each, reduced to \$1 38, \$1 08 and \$2 50. This offering, too, surpasses anything in the Kelly stock last year.

LOT 3—Women's Felt Fedora Hats, in new blue, brown, red, green, gray, navy blue, etc. Trimmed with black bands and some with coque feathers on the side. Former prices as high as \$1 25 and \$1 50.

To-day's Prices, 19c and 47c

LOT 4—This season's styles in untrimmed Felt Hats and Turbans, in brown, cardinal and new blue, green and gray. Also Satin Felts and Chenille Hats, formerly selling as high as \$1, \$1 25 and \$1 50.

Reduced to 10c and 19c

LOT 5—Velvet and Chenille Trimmed Toques of fine silk velvet; ready to wear. Reduced to 27c.

LOT 6—Ostrich Plumes in colors, wide full fibers and 15 inches long. Reduced to 23c. Colored tips reduced to 5c.

LOT 7—All this season's fancy Wings and Birds in many colors. Stylish and desirable, but to go at 5c, 12c and 23c.

LOT 8—Assorted Tam O'Shanter's for children, quill trimming. Reduced to 15c.

Navy Blue or Brown Bengaline Silk Baby Bonnets, padded and warm.

To-day's Price, 5c

Velvets in many colors and lengths for millinery or dress trimming. 10c bundle.

Tinsel and Spangle Wings for evening toques. Reduced from 50c and 75c to 12c and 23c.

LOT 9—Two-toned Ribbons, 2½ inches wide, in navy blue, brown, green, cream and black. We have sold thousands of yards of it at 20c.

To-day's Price, 12c

EVENTS ON THE TURF.

ANOTHER BAD DAY FOR THE FAVORITES AT OAKLAND.

O'Fleeta the Only Horse Which Came to the Rescue of the Talent.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 14.—A few more days like the past two, and the bookmakers will be compelled to bet among themselves. Only one favorite, O'Fleeta, came to the rescue of the so-called talent to-day at Oakland, and even he was only a shade better than the second choice.

The Mystery of Sleep. There is a remarkable fact connected with sleep which must not be overlooked. The sleep of a human being, if we are not too busy to attend to the matter, always evokes a certain feeling of awe. Go into a room where a person is sleeping, and it is difficult to resist the sense that one is in the presence of the central mystery of existence. People who remember how constantly they see old Jones asleep in the club library will smile at this; but look quietly and alone at even old Jones, and the sense of mystery will soon develop. It is no good to say that sleep is only "moving" because it looks like death. The person who is breathing so loudly as to take away all thought of death causes the sense of awe quite as easily as the silent sleeper, who hardly seems to breathe.

We see death seldom, but were it more familiar we doubt if a corpse would inspire so much awe as the unconscious and sleeping figure—a smiling, irresponsible doll of flesh and blood, but a doll to whom in a second may be recalled a proud, active, controlling consciousness which will ride his bodily and his mental horse with a hand of iron, which will force that body to endure toil and misery, and will make that mind, now wandering in paths of fantastic folly, grapple with some great problem, or throw all its force into the ruling, the saving, or the destruction of mankind. The corpse is only so much bone, muscle and tissue. The sleeping body is the house which a quick and eager master has only left for an hour or so. Let any who think sleep is no mystery, try to observe in himself the process by which sleep comes, and to notice how and when and under what conditions he loses consciousness. He will, of course, utterly fail to put his finger on the moment of sleep coming, but in striving to get as close as he can to the phenomena of sleep, he will realize how great is the mystery which he is trying to fathom.—London Spectator.

MADE ME A MAN. AJAX TABLETS POSITIVELY CURE A compositor at the "Enquirer" office, to-day shot his sweetheart, Minnie Packner, at her home, inflicting a fatal wound, and then killed himself. Jealousy is supposed to have been the cause.

Insist on the Genuine GOLD DUST.

The best Washing Powder made. Best for all cleaning, does the work quickly, cheaply and thoroughly.

Largest package—greatest economy.

THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY, Chicago, St. Louis, New York, Boston, Philadelphia.

For the Best Laundry Work—GO TO THE—American Steam Laundry.

What is More Attractive? Than a pretty face with a fresh, bright complexion? For it, use Pozzoni's Powder.

Robes and Blankets. We are selling Buggy Robes at \$1, \$1 50, \$2, \$2 50 and higher ones. Horse Blankets, 90c, \$1, \$1 25, \$1 50, \$1 70 and \$1 75, and higher ones; all splendid value. We solicit country mail orders in Saddlery, Harness, Shoe Finding and Leather.

JOHN T. STOLL, SACRAMENTO - CALIFORNIA.

EXCLUSIVELY DRY GOODS. OUR ENTIRE STOCK. Is Offered at Radically Reduced Prices.

The general recognition of our annual clearance sale as the bargain time of the year, and the great crowds always present late in the clearance month, warrant us in urging that you come early. The regular prices are \$1 25 and \$2 50. CLEARANCE SALE PRICES, \$1 25 AND \$1 50.

Children's Mackintoshes. Our entire stock of Children's Mackintoshes, in checks and stripes, has one large cape, all sizes now in stock; these have received many orders. The regular price was \$2 and \$2 50. CLEARANCE SALE PRICES, \$1 25 AND \$1 50.

Ladies' Mackintoshes. Made of navy blue and black serge and diagonal cloths, some with plain, others with plaid linings; hats and large circular capes, out if the price will move them out. The former price was \$4. CLEARANCE SALE PRICE, \$2 50.

Ladies' Navy and Black Serge. Both Mackintoshes, have full circular double cape, plaid lined, all sizes; only about twenty-five in this lot, and the price will move them quickly. Regular prices are \$5 and \$6. CLEARANCE SALE PRICE, \$3 50.

Our Cloak Sale is Still On. 50 Children's Jackets will be sold to-day at one-half their value, sizes 6 to 12 years. Regular price \$3 and \$4. CLEARANCE SALE PRICES, \$1 50 to \$2 50.

MAIL ORDERS FILLED PROMPTLY AS USUAL.

B. WILSON & CO. Corner Sixth and J Sts., SACRAMENTO.

Robes and Blankets. We are selling Buggy Robes at \$1, \$1 50, \$2, \$2 50 and higher ones. Horse Blankets, 90c, \$1, \$1 25, \$1 50, \$1 70 and \$1 75, and higher ones; all splendid value. We solicit country mail orders in Saddlery, Harness, Shoe Finding and Leather.

JOHN T. STOLL, SACRAMENTO - CALIFORNIA.

Every man is old, but we can hit him.

SEE OUR WINDOW.

Our \$18, \$20, \$22 50 and \$25 fancy chevrot and English plaids, High-Art Suits, NOW ON SALE AT \$14 75.

Upp Plaza.

Robes and Blankets.

What is More Attractive? Than a pretty face with a fresh, bright complexion? For it, use Pozzoni's Powder.