

FOR ANNEXATION

Joint Resolution May be Introduced.

TEXAS WAS SO ANNEXED IN 1845

President Believed to be Friendly.

It is said Secretary Sherman is Not Opposed to Annexing Hawaii.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12.—The annexation of Hawaii by joint resolution, as in the case of Texas, in 1845, requiring only a majority vote instead of the two-thirds vote required to ratify annexation treaty, is the programme which prominent Republican Senators and Representatives expect to see adopted, with the approval of President McKinley, as soon as he is able to give consideration to the matter, as he told Senator Frye and ex-Secretary John W. Foster yesterday would be the case when he had completed the list of appointments imperatively demanded at the beginning of every Administration.

President McKinley will then receive the propositions of the Hawaiian representatives, who are here with an annexation treaty similar to that which Secretary Foster negotiated and President Harrison sent in at the close of his Administration, and which was afterwards withdrawn by President Cleveland, and he will also discuss the whole subject with members of the Committees on Foreign Relations and Foreign Affairs in the Senate and House.

Secretary Sherman is believed to be friendly to the general idea of annexing Hawaii, and he thoroughly appreciates the necessity for an early decision as to just what shall be done, and if annexation is to be carried out, the advisability of accomplishing it promptly.

Secretary Sherman is not expected to interfere. Indeed, he is said by his former colleagues in the Senate to be now favorable to the annexation of the islands, or at least not actively opposed to it.

TARIFF BILL SCARE.

Denial of Rumor That It Will be Retroactive.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12.—Senator Aldrich of Rhode Island, the Republican leader on tariff subjects, said today that he had heard of no plan to impose duties on certain classes of imported goods in advance of the passage of the Dingley Tariff bill. He is not disposed to believe that any joint resolution on the subject could become law much sooner than the principal bill itself. There is no official of the Treasury who knows of any practicable plan for putting duties in effect before they are enacted.

There is some question among the lawyers whether Congress has not the authority in theory to pass a retroactive tariff bill, but it is not believed that this will be attempted. The entire purpose of the purported interview with a member of the Ways and Means Committee threatening retroactive legislation and legal complications for importers who might withdraw goods under existing law was to cause a state of uncertainty which would diminish importations and withdrawals. This is the current interpretation of his action, and is undoubtedly the correct one.

INTERNATIONAL BIMETALISM.

Senator Wolcott to Arrive Visit European Financiers.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Senator Wolcott of Colorado will start for Europe again at an early date to further prosecute his efforts in behalf of an international monetary conference. Since his return he has had several long conferences with President McKinley, and a thorough understanding has been reached.

Mr. Wolcott will make his second trip to Europe armed with much stronger weapons than he had before. Although at that time he had seen Mr. McKinley at Canton and departed with a full knowledge of the President-elect's wishes, they were unofficial in character and lacked that exactness now secured by the action of Congress in passing the bill authorizing the conference. This bill was one of the last to receive the signature of President Cleveland.

NICARAGUA CANAL CONSTRUCTION

Minister Rodriguez Anxious to Negotiate a Treaty.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Senator Rodriguez, Minister of Greater Republic of Central America, comprising Nicaragua, Salvador and Guatemala, has been granted a leave of absence by his Government, but has remained here in the hopes of negotiating a new treaty with the United States for the construction of the Nicaragua canal.

CHEAP CORN MEANS CHEAP SUGAR.

Corn Glucose an Important Factor in Candy Manufacture.

The Louisiana Planter says that the enormous corn crop realized in the harvest, apart from its influence in various other directions, has had an indirect effect on sugar values that amounts to considerable in the course of the year.

It is well known among candy manufacturers that various sugars vary in their capacity to combine satisfactorily

with glucose. Glucose is used to an enormous extent in candy manufacture, its direct use in stick candy being to maintain the brightness of the candy by preventing the tendency to crystallize and resulting dullness of color always seen in pure sugar candies when kept for some time. Candy makers formerly used acid to invert cane sugar in order to preserve the brilliancy of their products, but as liquid and solid glucose came on the market, and at constantly reducing prices, the inversion of cane sugar was abandoned and corn glucose became the prominent factor it now is in candy manufacture. It can be bought at two-thirds the price of cane sugar, every candy maker will use all the corn glucose possible to reduce his average cost per pound. It was found out long ago by Western candy makers that for some cause not seen in the ordinary sugar analysis, pure white plantation Louisiana sugar was better for candy making than foreign refined. It would take, and, in fact, required a larger percentage of corn glucose to prevent crystallization in candy made from it. There could hardly be any better evidence of the superior merit of Louisiana white sugar.

The present low prices for corn have carried liquid glucose down to 70 cents per cwt., or less than three-quarters of a cent per pound. As liquid glucose is of heavy body and practically colorless, it is largely used as imitation molasses, some 10 per cent only of molasses being added to make some show of color and flavor. It is also utilized in various fruit syrups, taking the place of pure sugar syrup. Solid glucose, as hereinbefore stated, is used largely by candy makers, but has many other uses wherein it takes the place of sugar.

We may say that cheap corn means cheap sugar. The present annual production of glucose from corn reaches about 400,000 tons, or about one-half more in weight than the Louisiana sugar crop.

Will Spain Abandon Cuba?

NEW YORK, March 15.—A dispatch to the "Sun" from Havana says: The concentration of the Spanish forces at the Cuban seaports by order of General Weyler is but the beginning of the abandonment of the island. The interior towns will soon be left defenseless and will fall into the hands of the insurgents or be reduced to a state anarchy. General Weyler explains this strange measure by saying that it is only a precaution imposed by the coming rainy season in order to protect the Spanish soldiers as much as possible from the ravages of yellow fever. But the explanation is no way satisfactory, as yellow fever is far more formidable on the sea coasts than in the healthier parts of the island.

Hero of Balaklava.

PHOENIXVILLE, Pa., March 14.—Barney McKernan, who was probably the only survivor of the Light Brigade in this country, died last night, aged 70 years. Just before breathing his last he spoke to his daughter, "Bring me my medals, Annie," he said: "let me die with my medals on my breast. Quick, girl!" She brought the medals, both of silver, one given to him by the Queen of England and the other by the Sultan of Turkey. Taking the medals precisely in his hands, he laid them side by side on his breast, one hand holding them safely. In a few moments he was dead, with the honor pieces in the same places where they had been pinned years ago.

Secretary Long's Policy.

NEW YORK, March 11.—The Sun's Washington special says: The naval policy of Secretary Long will be to maintain a formidable fleet at all times on the North Atlantic and Pacific stations and to retain on the Asiatic station only those ships best adapted for work there. This plan means that small, light-draught ships which can anchor in shallow waters will be attached to those stations, while vessels of the Olympia and Boston class will serve in home waters.

Revival of Woolen Industry.

PITTSFIELD, Mass., March 21.—There is a great revival in the woolen business in this city and vicinity. All the mills are running on full time and have more orders than they have had any spring for a long time. The Pontonoc Woolen Company has leased the Pomeroy mill for the manufacture of dress goods. The mill will start in a few days and will employ about 100 hands.

To Suppress Duelling.

BERLIN, March 13.—There is a movement among the students of the Berlin University and other high schools against the continuance of the duelling nuisance, but it has been officially smothered, and the leaders of the movement have been forbidden to continue the agitation under pain of expulsion.

Session Once in Ten Years.

PHOENIX, A. T., March 12.—The upper house of the Legislature today passed a bill making legislative sessions hereafter to be at 10-year intervals. The House passed bills making the unauthorized use of the Grand Army button a misdemeanor and compelling railroads to carry bicycles as baggage.

Submitted to Arbitration.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Minister Barrett at Bangkok has cabled the Secretary of State that an agreement has been reached whereby the cause of controversy over the Cheek affair between Siam and the United States has been submitted to the arbitration of the British Chief Justice, Hannan, at Shanghai.

The Rev. W. H. Weaver, pastor of the U. B. Church, Dillsburg, Pa., recognizes the value of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and does not hesitate to tell others about it. "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," he says, "and find it an excellent medicine for colds, coughs and hoarseness." So does everyone who gives it a trial. Sold by all druggists and dealers; Benson, Smith & Co., wholesale agents for Hawaiian Islands.

OPIUM CAPTURED

John Raddin the Hackman Haled in.

BOX OF DOPE FOR STMR. CUMMINS

Mate Bennett Arrested for Complicity.

Raddin's Coachman Arrested Later. Quantity of the Stuff Found in Stable.

Shortly after 1:30 p. m. Tuesday John Riordan, the hack driver, known to everybody as John Raddin, was arrested on the charge of having opium unlawfully in his possession. Mate Bennett, of the J. A. Cummins, was arrested on the same charge and in connection with the same case that Riordan was interested in.

For a long while the Customs authorities have been watching a certain combination or "ring" of handlers of the "slippery stuff" here in Honolulu. One of these men was John Riordan, supposed to have been a storekeeper for the gang. A close watch was kept on his movements, and yesterday he was under the eye of some member of the Custom House force from the time he started out from his stables in the morning until he was arrested at the time mentioned above.

Shortly after 1 p. m. Riordan was seen to drive up and down Fort street two or three times and hover about in the vicinity of Allen & Robinson's lumber wharf, where the J. A. Cummins was discharging her cargo of sugar. From the general appearance of things, there was reason to believe that opium was stowed away in Riordan's hack, and, since he seemed to "fight shy" of the Oceanic wharf and vicinity, it was deemed best to coax the man on just a little. Accordingly, the guard at the big gate was changed, and before many minutes, Riordan drove past and over to where the J. A. Cummins was, evidently feeling very sure that there was nothing to fear.

Queer things were noticed just about this time. The hackman halted his horse, called to the mate, who walked up to the carriage, held a brief conversation with him, and then handed out a gunny sack that appeared to contain something heavy.

Custom House inspectors seemed suddenly to spring from every place. Bennett had started to go aboard with his gunny sack, but he was stopped short by a Customs officer, who gently took the sack, allowing him to proceed aboard. Cutting it open he found 46 half-pound tins of opium. Just then it was noticed that Riordan had turned his horse's head, as if to drive on up town. This move was noticed, and a Customs officer was soon at his horse's head. Everything came to a standstill at once.

Port Surveyor Stratmeyer was sent for, and arrived on the scene very shortly after the exciting time near the J. A. Cummins. He at once gave orders for one of the officers to jump into the hack with Riordan, and then, calling for Bennett, saw him into the hack with another officer. Arriving at the police station, the party awaited the arrival of the Port Surveyor, when the charge of unlawful possession of opium was entered against the names of Riordan and Bennett. The former went his own bail of \$500, and the same amount for Bennett was furnished by Engineer Kant, of the J. A. Cummins.

As soon as possible, the Port Surveyor had a warrant made out to search the premises of Riordan on South street. Riordan was found and taken out. He said that there was no opium whatever on the premises, but it was thought best to search the place, anyway.

After looking about the place and finding nothing, the cottage of one of the Chinese employes at Riordan's stables was reached. On a shelf outside was found an empty gasoline tin containing every appearance of having contained opium at one time. The door of the Chinaman's room was found locked, but it did not remain so long. A search of the place disclosed a sack under the bed, containing 30 tins of opium. The Chinaman was questioned later, but could give no satisfactory explanation as to the opium. He was accordingly arrested on the charge of unlawful possession of opium, as was also John Riordan, this making his second arrest inside of two hours.

In a bin, under a covering of hay, on John Riordan's premises, were found several empty tins that looked as if they might at one time have contained opium.

Mate Bennett went out on the J. A. Cummins, after he had been released on bail, so that the case will probably not come off until Friday or Saturday.

The greatest relief is due the Custom House boys, who have for many days been working in concert with their superiors, and who have had the satisfaction of seeing their efforts crowned with success.

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