

GOMEZ FORBIDS WORK

Days Planters Must Not Grind Their Cane.

HE REJECTS ALL REFORMS

SAYS THIS NATION DOES CUBA INJUSTICE.

War Bears Its Horrid Front All Over the Island-Spanish Losses Reported-Spanish Executes a Fourteen-Year-Old Boy in Old Cabanas-Oh, if Uncle Sam Would Only Say, "Up, Boys, and to 'em!"-Three Friends Again in Trouble-Other News of the Struggle For Liberty.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-A dispatch to the Sun from Havana says:

General Gomez has issued a proclamation to the sugar planters of the island, and especially to those of the provinces of Santa Clara and Matanzas, copies of which have been privately circulated in Havana. He recalls the earlier successes of the Cuban government and his military orders forbidding the grinding of sugar cane, and adds that it is resolved that these orders, and all the more rigorously now, should be strictly enforced.

ASHE IN THE TOILS.

AUSTRALIAN MURDERER IS ON TRIAL FOR EXTRADITION.

Objectives of Defense Overruled and Testimony Proceeded With-Ex-British Consul One of Those Examined-Recess Until Tomorrow.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.-The examination of Richard Ashe, better known as Frank Butler, the Australian murderer for extradition, was resumed before United States Commissioner Hancock this morning, a great crowd being present to see the prisoner.

ATTORNEY CORNAC, for the British government, said the complaint charged two offenses of murder, committed in New South Wales. The attorney read the complaint in which Ashe was charged with killing Lem M. Weller. The return on the warrant of arrest was also read.

ATTORNEY STONE for the prisoner interposed a general demurrer, based on the ground that the case was not extraditable, and that under the treaty between the United States and Great Britain, the case was not extraditable.

Further objection was made to the form of the procedure in that the warrant cited the marshal to bring the prisoner before United States District Judge Morrow, whereas he was being examined before Commissioner Hancock. The first point of the demurrer was overruled and Police Sergeant Brunner, as a deputy United States marshal, described the arrest of Butler. On cross-examination, the witness testified to the finding of a value in the prisoner's bunk aboard the Swanhilda that bore the name of Lee Weller. Marshal Baldwin brought the value into court, and the witness testified that the name of Lee Weller is not the name of the defendant's counsel.

Thomas McAllister, master of the ship Langdale, testified to having questioned Weller, who told him he was in Sydney; said the prisoner then goes by the name of Lee Weller is not the name of the defendant's counsel.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE DEFEATED.

Nebraska Not Yet Ahead of Utah in Civilization.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 8.-The bill in the lower house of the Nebraska legislature providing for a constitutional amendment to give women the rights of suffrage was today defeated by a vote of 15 to 12.

WANTED TO LYNCH HIM.

Nebraska Sheriff Outwits a Large Mob.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 8.-Sheriff Reynolds of Wayne county reached Lincoln tonight having in his custody C. K. Rash, who is charged with the murder of three children. At the time of the tragedy Rash was supposed to have been in Lincoln, but he had fled to Nebraska to evade the law.

THREE FRIENDS.

Ship Won a Victory in the United States Court.

New York, Feb. 8.-A World special from Jacksonville, Fla., says: After the Three Friends was seized Saturday night a litigation occurred between the officials of the United States court and Captain Kilgore, of the Boutwell, in which the Three Friends came out victorious.

FRANCE NOT FRETTING.

Government Says Its Egyptian Position Is All Right.

Paris, Feb. 8.-In the chamber of deputies today M. Hanotaux, minister of foreign affairs, replying to a question by M. Lods regarding the effect of the Franco-Russian memorandum on the Egyptian situation in Egypt by the international acts which it was impossible for any power to invalidate.

MILLS WILL RESUME.

Troy, N. Y., Feb. 8.-It is reported that the Victor knitting mills at Cohoes, which has been shut down several weeks, will resume operations this week, employing 300 hands.

LEXOW IS RELENTLESS

Questions Sugar Scaries Sharply and Successfully.

WITNESS' AWFUL ANSWERS

LEXOW DEMANDS ALL THE PAPERS OF THE TRUST.

New York Inquisitive Investigator Institutes an Inquiry of Intense Importance to Individuals Interested in Saccharine Matters-Says His Commission Will Make No Distinction Between the Millionaire and the Beggar-Sets Scaries Hedging.

New York, Feb. 8.-The joint commission appointed by the legislature to inquire into trusts and monopolies in the state of New York, resumed its investigation this morning. Secretary Scaries of the American Sugar Refining company was on hand early.

Before you take the stand, Mr. Scaries, would like you to explain why you did not appear before the committee on Friday and Saturday last when you were subpoenaed," said Senator Lexow.

"I was the way to catch a train to keep an out of town engagement, when I was served with the committee's subpoena. I asked Mr. Parsons to come before the committee and explain the reasons for my absence," said Mr. Scaries.

Senator Lexow looked angry at this statement.

"It seems to this committee," he said, "that it is your duty to appear before this committee. This committee makes no distinction between the millionaire and the beggar, and insists upon the same obedience from both. The committee will not pass upon the question of contempt until the end of your testimony, and see if it is helpful to this committee."

Mr. Scaries was then sworn, and related to the committee his various business connections.

Mr. Scaries was sharply questioned by Senator Lexow concerning the purchase of the North River Sugar refinery and the sugar trust, but the witness would make no admissions of the charges of stock watering, etc., contained in the senator's questions.

Chairman Lexow said, significantly, that the committee would have to get the books of the companies that were consolidated into the trust, no matter who held them, and that the American Sugar Refining company did not hold them.

Witness said the total consumption of refined sugar in the United States was 1,500,000, and that the American Sugar Refining company fixed the price because they held the market.

Chairman Lexow then called the attention of the witness to his testimony before the senate committee in Washington, when he said that the object of the consolidation was to control the output of sugar and shut off competition.

"How do you explain your testimony before the senate committee?"

"Oh, that must be read with context."

"It is not a fact that where you have competitors you cut down the price in their particular locality and force them to the wall?"

"No, sir, it is not."

"But you control the price of sugar."

"We only control the price of our own sugar, and I disagree with any other statement."

Chairman Lexow at this point grew grave and said: "We now note you formally to produce the minutes of the American Sugar Refining company directors meetings and also all data and memoranda in relation to the purchase of the four Philadelphia refineries in 1882. I will ask you now whether you require a subpoena duces tecum, or produce them without it?"

"The books of the company are not in my control and I have no right to produce them. I will submit your request to the directors."

"Are you personally willing to produce them?"

"Personally, I have no objection, but I have no right to produce them."

Chairman Lexow then put a number of questions to the witness regarding the market prices of refined and raw sugar. The witness said that three of the refineries absorbed in the consolidation were abandoned, because it was found that they could not be manufactured more economically, and the work was transferred.

Chairman Lexow then informed Mr. Scaries that he had finished with him for the present.

Chairman Lexow said that the whole board of directors would be summoned if necessary. In order to ascertain just what books were wanted, an adjournment was taken until Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

CIVIL SERVICE FIGURES.

Committee's Annual Report to the President.

Washington, Feb. 8.-The annual report of the civil service committee to the president shows that at the beginning of President Cleveland's administration there were about 43,000 places included in the classified service.

The total approximate number of positions in the civil branch of the government is now 178,717 of which 39,217 are in the classified and 139,500 in the unclassified service. Of those in the classified service, 84,229 are arrayed in classes by compensation and subject to examination or registration; 26 are appointed by the president alone; 781 are appointed by the president or registration and 2,061 are Indians in the unclassified service. Of those in the unclassified service, 5,570 are excluded from classification for reasons deemed best for the service, 4,815 are appointed by the president and confirmed by the senate, 8,854 are persons employed merely as laborers or workmen and 2,771 are considered as classifiable, but not yet classified. Of those not yet classified, 6,725 are postmasters of the fourth class. The classifiable, but still unclassified group will be transferred to the classified service by the action of the rules as, for instance, the customs service when the number of employees in a custom house becomes as many as five, and in the postoffice service when a postoffice becomes a free delivery office.

By the revision of the civil service rules practically all of the excepted positions were transferred to the com-

PETITIVE LIST.

The commission believes that the public service will result to the public service by this action, which transferred to the competitive list many important positions, including those of chiefs of divisions.

MAY SHUT MITCHELL OUT.

Oregon Legislature Has a Muddle on Its Hands.

Salem, Ore., Feb. 8.-The joint assembly met at 12 o'clock with 39 present, a gain of two votes for Mitchell from Saturday.

Bilkey and Lee, Democrats, answered roll call. Bilkey made a speech in which he denounced the whole proceedings and called upon the Republicans to come in and organize the house. He said the temporary organization was the only legal organization and demanded that members make a permanent organization.

Mitchell and his friends have been working hard since Saturday and this looks as though he had made a gain of two Democrats. The house took a recess until 7:30 p.m., and opened promptly at that hour. Roll call showed 39 members present. No vote was taken. The session must close on Friday, the 10th inst, and if Mitchell is not elected tomorrow and an organization should be effected afterwards, he cannot be elected this year under the constitutional limitation.

RAMPANT FANATICS.

BURNING RICH PLANTATION PROPERTY IN BAHIA.

Brazilian Government Has Six Thousand of Them to Subdue and Will at Once Set About It-Society of Spiritualists Urged to Submit to the Government.

New York, Feb. 8.-The Herald's special cable from Buenos Ayres says: Rio Janeiro advices state that the fanatical insurgents under Conselheiro have now 6,000 well armed men, organized and concentrated in Bahia.

The people in the rural towns are now helping the fanatics with arms and money. Where this help is not given, the vengeance of Conselheiro's band falls upon the settlers. In this manner more than 60 rich plantations have already been destroyed. The fanatics have been informed that several foreigners have joined the fanatics and are pushing forward a more scientific military organization among them.

Two small towns were pillaged and burned by the fanatics yesterday. In several skirmishes with the federal troops the latter were defeated. The fanatics have been seen in the mountains and now patrol the rivers and streams in the districts where they are strongest. In this way the range of the devastation committed by them is extended, and the utmost terror prevails in that region.

The press of Rio Janeiro now demands that the government immediately send a military force to Bahia to attempt to subdue the fanatics that it will be well for them to submit to the government in temporal matters.

It is again charged by the press of Brazil that the enemies of the republic are the instigators of the outbreak.

INCREASED PRODUCTION.

Spelter Output Will Grow Greatly in 1897.

Washington, Feb. 8.-A preliminary statement of the production of spelter for the year 1896 in the eastern and southern states and Illinois, Indiana, Kansas and Missouri shows a total number of short tons aggregating 81,000, or about 1,500 tons less than the greatest productive year 1895, when the aggregate for the same area of territory was 82,500. The geological survey estimates for the present year a production of spelter will go far beyond previous figures.

WAR RECORDS EXHAUSTED.

When You Want Them You Must Pay Cash.

Washington, Feb. 8.-To correct erroneous impressions as to the official records of the war of the rebellion, which have recently been published in regard to a general distribution of this valuable work to public libraries, the War Department has issued the following statement:

Under the act of congress approved Aug. 7, 1882, 11,000 copies of the war records were ordered printed and 8,300 copies of the same were ordered printed for free distribution to public libraries. The copies of the forty-seventh congress to be sent to such libraries, etc., as they should designate, 1,000 copies were directed to be distributed to the several executive departments of the government and 1,000 to officers of the army and contributors to the work. All these sets have been distributed. Members of the present congress have no copies for free distribution and the executive departments were long since disposed of. Seven hundred copies of the 11,000 printed were reserved for sale at about the cost of press work and paper and the only way the work can now be obtained is by purchase.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS.

San Francisco Making Great Preparations For the Event.

New York, Feb. 8.-J. S. Webster of San Francisco, who is vice-president of the committee in that city having charge of the details of international Christian Endeavor convention to be held there in July, is at present in this city.

"We came near having the convention two years ago," he said, "but could not then make satisfactory railroad rates. Now we have fixed a round trip rate that is the lowest that has ever been given. The convention of 1897 goes to San Francisco at the invitation of the state union of California."

"In San Francisco as in other cities many leading citizens were unacquainted with the Endeavor movement, but when it was explained to them they came forward with a ready response to raise \$25,000 to care properly for the convention."

"In the east, I find among business men a growing interest in the opportunity to visit the Pacific coast at a cost so nominal as \$31 from Chicago to San Francisco and back over any route, and one fare for the round trip to Chicago. This rate will not be for endeavors alone, but open to everybody."

Mr. Webster also said the endeavors should take warm clothing as in the month of July the mean temperature in San Francisco is 60 degrees and there is not a little fog. An hour's ride, however, takes visitors into a warmer climate.

HARRIS STILL VERY ILL.

Washington, Feb. 8.-Senator Harris passed a comfortable day, but does not gain strength very fast. He is still critically ill.

CORBETT TALKS FREELY

Needs No Training For That Sort of Work.

EN ROUTE FOR SALT LAKE

WILL SPAR TONIGHT WITH BILLY WOODS.

Says He'll Roll de Mug in de Dust, See!-Bob Spends Sunday in Quiet-Never Trains on the Sabbath-Day-Joe Grismer Will See the Fight-Much Talk About the Coming Event-Other Sporting News.

Denver, Colo., Feb. 8.-A large crowd gathered at the Union station this afternoon to greet James J. Corbett, whose arrival had been well advertised. With considerable difficulty Corbett's party forced their way through the crowd and entering the Grand Hotel were driven to the Brown Palace Hotel and after luncheon the champion, accompanied by his wife, was driven to the residence of Bert Masterson with whom he discussed at some length the preliminary arrangements of his proposed fight with Fitzsimmons.

To a reporter Corbett talked freely. "I suppose you want to know how I feel," he said. "Well I never felt better in my life. I am more confident of winning a fight. I shall always believe I can whip Bob Fitzsimmons until Fitz shows me that I cannot. I have been training for the past six weeks all in and out of doors. I am now in good outdoor work. My trainer will insist upon my taking regular runs and walks every day and I will not be backward in obeying his instructions."

"Where will the fight be held?" "I have not been fully decided, for we do not know yet where the battle will take place. Of course, I will train in Nevada and as near as possible to the scene of the fight."

"I don't know any more about that story of Bob's tearing up the articles of agreement than you do. All I know about it is what I have seen in the newspapers. I know that all my affairs and my end of the agreement were fixed up and signed before I left New York and I know Brady would not let me go this far if the articles were not in perfect shape. All Fitz has got to do is to saw wood and shut up. He can not get me into any dispute this night that might cause a fight being declared off. It is too late in the day."

"I propose to fight him this time, simply to do away with the report that I am trying to dodge him. If for no other reason. Whether I will win or he will win is a question which can only be decided by future events, but if confidence will help me to win, there is no doubt in my mind that I will be groveling in the dust after March 17."

Corbett left late this afternoon for Salt Lake where a sparring exhibition will be given, after which he will proceed direct to San Francisco.

Joseph Grismer the actor, writes to a friend in Carson that he is glad to see a law passed to regulate the sport of boxing and that he never felt being declared off. It is too late in the day.

Fitz spent the entire morning lounging about his apartments and in the afternoon, accompanied by his wife, paid several farewell visits. Today will mark Fitz's start on some real hard work. In addition to his 12-mile run, wrist machine, and dumb-bell work in the morning, he will box eight fast rounds with Dan Hickey, after which a 15-minute bout of pulling, hauling, and mauling with Ernest Roeder, the champion wrestler, will follow. Then the morning will be spent in boxing with Dan Hickey, after which a 15-minute bout of pulling, hauling, and mauling with Ernest Roeder, the champion wrestler, will follow. Then the morning will be spent in boxing with Dan Hickey, after which a 15-minute bout of pulling, hauling, and mauling with Ernest Roeder, the champion wrestler, will follow.

CORBETT AT CHEYENNE.

Is Sorry He Cannot Fight in Wyoming.

(Special to the Herald.)

Cheyenne, Wyo., Feb. 8.-James J. Corbett and party, consisting of Mrs. Corbett, Billy Woods, Joe Eagan and Jack McVeigh, passed through Cheyenne tonight en route to Salt Lake, where Corbett spends tonight. To the Herald correspondent Corbett said that he hoped to fight in Cheyenne, but Mrs. Corbett would go to San Francisco, where Mrs. Corbett will remain until after the fight. After a few days' visit in Reno and go into active training. Billy Woods and Eagan will drop off at Reno and select quarters which will be ready when Corbett returns. The champion said that he never felt being declared off. It is too late in the day.

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NO QUARTERS YET.

Corbett's Manager Hunting For a Training Ground.

Carson, Feb. 8.-There were few developments in the prize fight situation today. Dan Stuart was expected to arrive this morning, but failed to reach here, and it is now said he will be here tomorrow.

E. G. Cook, Corbett's advance agent, visited the Bowers "mansion" today, but was not very well satisfied with that place for training quarters owing to the large amount of work that would be required to put it in proper condition for the pugilist's uses.

It is thought that Shaw's Springs will be chosen for Corbett's quarters. It is taken for granted here that Carson will certainly get the fight and many telegrams are being received engaging rooms at the hotels and boarding houses.

This morning a telegram was received from Chicago asking the reservation of 1,000 seats for eastern sports who will arrive on the Silver-Hogan special.

THE RACES.

Oakland, Feb. 8.-Weather pleasant; track heavy. Mile, selling-Basquill won. Draught second, Don Clarence third. Time-1:50 1/4.

Five and one-half furlongs, purse-Palmerston won. Two cheers second, Sugar Foot third. Time-1:12.

Third race declared off. Mile and one-sixteenth, purse-Salisbury II won. David second, Torsine third. Time-1:37 1/2.

The San Leandro selling stakes, seven and one-half furlongs, \$700, to the winner-Moestro won. Rosebud second, California third. Time-1:40 1/4.

Five and one-half furlongs, purse-Casper won. Tea Rose second, Yemah third. Time-1:11.

Six furlongs, purse-Moylan won. Imp. Ivy second, Candor third. Time-1:39 1/2.

L. A. W. MEETING.

Delegates Will Begin to Arrive This Morning.

Albany, Feb. 8.-Delegates from all

PARTS OF THE COUNTRY WILL BEGIN TO ARRIVE HERE TOMORROW TO ATTEND THE SESSION OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE LEAGUE OF AMERICAN WHEELMEN, WHICH BEGINS ON WEDNESDAY. THE DATE OF THE BANQUET HAS BEEN CHANGED FROM WEDNESDAY TO THURSDAY TO FACILITATE THE CONVENIENCE OF GOVERNOR BLACK.

KENTUCKY DERBY.

Bad Weather Does Not Stop the Sports Betting.

Louisville, Feb. 8.-While the bad weather of the last two weeks has been sufficient to drive away any thought or speculation on the outcome of the Kentucky Derby, lovers of the thoroughbred have, nevertheless, indulged in a considerable backing of their particular favorites, as indicated by the odds posted the last of the week. In but one instance have the odds been bettered, and that was on Ornament, the favorite, whose price was lengthened from 2 to 3 to 1. Typhoon and Dr. Catlett have each been backed down a point, while Schedule has been backed from 20 to 25, Cash Bearer from 200 to 250, Blantyre from 200 to 250, Protus from 200 to 250, Maddalo from 150 to 250; Carniero from 15 to 10; Buckvidere from 20 to 15; Scottish Chieftain from 25 to 1; Arlington from 25 to 15; Dr. Shepard from 10 to 25; Donjon from 60 to 50; Meadowthorpe from 15 to 10, and Washburn from 25 to 15.

HE OBSERVES THE SABBATH.

Fitz Does Not Train on the First Day of the Week.

New York, Feb. 8.-"I always observe the Sabbath," said Robert Fitzsimmons yesterday in answer to a questioning look of surprise, when the big Cornishman was discovered seated in a large arm chair in the Barthelemy hotel, and presenting a picture of personified comfort. It has always been Fitz's custom.

"I do not wish to adopt a course that even has such a semblance of abandoning free silver that it will give an impression to our enemies."

"My plan is to go on with the fight so that we can win a victory in 1890 and thus bring partial relief to the struggling masses of the country. I do not have any fear that the Republicans will bring about an international agreement and thus leave the silver forces stranded as you speak about, and I do not propose to cease the fight in anticipation of such a result. It is just such a plan as the money power of this country would like to see the People's party adopt."

"You see there will be an informal conference at Memphis on Feb. 22. Is this in pursuance of the call made by Paul Vandervoort? You must realize that this is a manifest injustice to the Populists of the great northwest. It is almost impossible for them to reach Memphis at that time; and I beg to remind you that west of the Mississippi river our party has 17, of its 24 congressmen, and that it has state, county and municipal officers in almost every state in this whole territory, and that the Populist party was born in 1890, and that it has today in its greatest vigor; and the 'unofficial conference' will hardly be attended by a man from this whole vast region of the great northwest, a second conference. I did not, I do not assume the power of calling conferences as some other seem to have done, but inasmuch as there was talk of holding a conference at Memphis, I suggested to Chairman Butler that it be held at Kansas City, so that it could be attended by the Populists of the west as well as those of the south. I have no doubt that the Populist party will adopt almost any resolution that the middle of the road party may suggest. It will be entirely dominated by the Populists of the great northwest. I suggested to Chairman Butler that it be held at Kansas City, so that it could be attended by the Populists of the west as well as those of the south. I have no doubt that the Populist party will adopt almost any resolution that the middle of the road party may suggest. It will be entirely dominated by the Populists of the great northwest. I suggested to Chairman Butler that it be held at Kansas City, so that it could be attended by the Populists of the west as well as those of the south. 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