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The Message and Cuba.

In a message which, on the whole, is essentially business-like and sensi ble, the President has adopted in attitude toward the Cuban question which is neither husiness-like nor

Before the war with Spain the Sanate adopted a resolution tying the hands of the United States with regard to the disposition of whatever fruits victory might bring it.

In that resolution, devised by Senntor Teller, the Senate undertook, on for a license to do wrong, but the behalf of the country, "to leave the money goes into the peckets of prigovernment and control of the island to its people."

The President informs us that the time has come when Cuba is able to assume that control.

To those of us who had no oppor tunity to pronounce upon the advisability of that resolution, it is a matter of regret that the President should not only have promised Cuba its independence, but have undertaken to grant it reciprocal advantages possessed by no other foreign Independent State.

The war with Spain, by means of which Cuba was freed from the yoke of the Spaniard, cost us, in a single year, six thousand six hundred and nineteen lives and four hundred mil-Hons of dollars in money. In return for that we have had the mighty triumph of vanquishing Spain, a nation paid army.

To many of us it must appear that the expenditure in life and wealth which the United States underwent in the endeavor to free Cuba was not unworthy of recompense in territory. The Teller resolution stood in the way, and as a nation more eager of its honor than of its business reputation, we have allowed Cuba to prepare for its independence.

So far there is little to be guid in has gone further. He has recom- body have a little peace? mended a reduction in the tariff dutles with Cuba. That is to say, he has permitted Cuba to assume a position of independence, independent alike of has relieved the island of the burden acquaintance afterward. of independence. It is to be given all the trade privileges of a United States Territory, but is to share none of the responsibility, none of the national

This, in a business sense, is absurd. this year is said to break the record. possessions. It belongs of geograph- Salt River. ical right to the United States, and it is to life interest to attachitself to the Perhaps nothing would better United States. If, however, we grant please Mr. Croker for Christmas than but the social organs would not respond, it all the privileges of citizenship a new Tiger, without any of the burdens, we ereate a false position. We place Cuba in a favored class all by itself. We neutralize the effects of a deadly and bloody war. We grant Cuba privileges it has done nothing to deserve.

The Speaker of the House,

present session of Congress is likely to be a oniet subtle, but more or less important trial of strength between the House and the Speaker. Theoret-House is simply the presiding officer, without autocratic or authoritative powers to any great extent. Practically, in the time of Reed, it was quite different. Nobody any more thought of disputing the power of that leviathan than of having an argument with a cable car.

Speaker Henderson's authority has been exerted in a much more quiet manner, but the reactionary movement has begun, and there are some people in the House and out of it who think that even he has more power than he ought to have. It may be that before many years the gen- to be a rallroad magnate, but Mr. James eral conditions of things in the House will so change that it will never again. be possible for a man to wield the personal influence exerted by the "Czar."

There has been a more or less unconscious but very real alteration in methods of national legislation in the last fifty years, and the power of personal presence and magnetism has been growing steadily less and less, while the ability of the diplomat, the silent, persistent, able worker, has been more and more felt. It is now and then possible even at the present day for some brilliant and magnetic orator to overthrow in a single speech
the work which has been done in coms
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an ornament to banquets and a maker of
international "follies." mittee rooms, but not often.

In the course of its evolution from a body of talkers to a body of business men, the House is likely to reduce the authority of its Speaker to the vanishing point, and it is about time for the final development to be Mr. Henderson may have strength and tact enough to push it a little further away, but eventually

In a Nutshell.

There is a liquor problem in Maine, and a other liquor problem in New York, but the two problems belong to the same genus. They grow out of the embodiment into law of the desire of a few good people to improve the habits of all. That is, they assume that their own habits are absolutely correct, and then endcayor to compel all others to conform to them. In Maine, the total abstainers have their way wholly; in New York, they have it to a modified degree.

The result is that in most of the cities of Maine the law officers openly violate the really unpopular law by imposing one fine a year on a liquorselling lawbrenker; in cities where the officers themselves are not law- is to be spent,

mulcers, the drankards are numer ses, and the evasions of the law by indicers of free government

in New York, the Sunday closing w has thus fur served little purpose acept to give to the police an opportunity to blackmail the saloon sepers. In Maine, the fine imposed in reality, a license tax, not recemized as such by the law, but it ses into the public treasury. In New York, the police blackmail pays

vate citizens who are public bosses. This is the practical side of the linor question in a nutshell.

The British War Office has instructd its general commanding in South Africa that allegations of miseonduct Africa that allegations of misconduct hoys and girls. Our State has done something the Boers, unless fully substantiation in this line, but the General Government is better able to give the desired , are to be deprecated. In this the authorities have taken a stand which it would have been better to have adopted sooner. Much grave harm and much hearthurning among Boer ympathizers has been caused by false reports of Boer atrocities.

As a matter of fact, no war has ever een carried out in a more gentle, good-natured, easy-going way than the war between Mr. Chamberlain and

It would be convenient if some men could wear a mental and moral ragwith an antiquated navy and an un- lan to conceal the absence of the things that they do not know

Reciprocity resembles charity in Still in Business. that many people would like to have it begin at home, and stay there.

The trouble about some politicians' getting together on a matter is that when they do, they take too many

Some people are trying to boom-General Joseph Wheeler for the Senadverse comment, but the President are. Cannot they let that venerable A small army of bills has already

been introduced in the House; but it should be remembered that introduc-Spain and of the United States, but he tion does not always mean a speaking

It looks as if Captain Diamond, of New York, might turn out to be a

Cuba, after the war, should have been There is also an expedition organized arided to the sum of the United States in New York to discover the source of

ns Czolgosz.

Massachusetts has elected ten Republican mayors. New England eviically, of course, the Speaker of the | dently was highly pleased with the

CURRENT PRESS COMMENT.

Cheering Assurance. Atlanta Journal-Secretary Root gives is the cheering assurance that the war

Chleaga News-From present prospects the appropriation bills to be introduced at this session will have to be handled

Cincinnati Enquirer-It is a great thing

Hill has discovered that the Governor f a State is something more than a brass

The Secret of Civilization. Buffalo Express-The bow and arrow ve been officially discarded as a weapon for the Chinese army. The Chinese have

learned that the secret of civilization is

Decadence of Diplomacy. Anneonda Standard-Diplomacy as a fine art of decelt is simply a traffition of dead centuries. The telegraph wrote its epitaph. The Amhassador of today has little opportunity to exercise the old craft. In constant communication with his chief, he is simply the mouthpiece of his superior.

Fitness for the Tropics. New York Mail and Express-It is not the smallest part of our triumph to these tropical islands that, after the ghazily record of Spanish decimation in Cobs and of the forcing of the British troops in Jamaica to the high mountain levels, our soldiers have a better health record on the sea level in Cuba and Porto Rico than they have in the United States. The fact proclaims a fitness in our race for

New York World-President Roosevel larity that defeats the craft of machines than by his present course of conducting the public business in a public room and in an audible voice. He will offend an ocasional "gum shoe statesman." But he will disarm even him by making him ridle-ulous. And he will win confidence and respect and support from the masses, Such stories of his open-and-above-ard way of doing business will condone many a blunder and will confound many a

conspiracy.

Buffalo Express-The Chinese propo to raise a big fund with which to fight against the re-enactment of the exclusion law. It would be interesting to learn the Chinese idea of the way this money

FERSO AL.

North Carolina Red Men.

"Among my constituents are about 3,-000 Indians, the origin of whose residence n North Carolina is enveloped in much mystery," said Hon. John D. Bellamy, of that State, at the Normandie

"They are known as the Croatans or Hatteras Indians, and there is almost certain evidence that they are the destendants of English colonists who, under the auspices of Sir Walter Ralsigh, were left on Reanoke Island in 1357. It was on this island, in August of that year, that Virginia Dare, the first white child born n America, saw the light of day. To this bunted for them in vain. acts murdered by the savages is toler obly certain, and that the women were mly theory on which we can account for he lost proteges of Raleigh.

"These indians have traditions of ances-tors who married white women, and though they have the copper color and high check bones of their race, they never had the nomadic habit of the red man. In many ways they are a remark-able people and have always preserved a separate racial existence. They are honest, brave, intensely religious, true friends and implacable enemies. I am go-ing to try to get a bill through this Congress to provide for the education of their

Proud Pennsylvanians.

"If there is one thing we are proud of in Pennsylvania it is our volunteer sol-diery," remarked Col. W. F. Richardson, Miss Lillian Nach rays of Harrisburg, keeper of the State ar enal, to a Times reporter at the Shorenam. Though we are well to the front numerically, having 150 infantry com-onnies, four cavalry troops, and three patteries, yet it is in the personnel of the guard and its effectiveness that we re-pose the greatest confidence. Our, boys are for the most part seasoned timber, and a better lot of fighting material can't be found on this continent. They have gone through the order of the flercest strikes known to modern times, and their legalty and devotion to acty have been proved by the severest tests."

"I belong to a tobacco firm that is doing business despite the efforts of the trust to crush it, and consequently was deeply interested in that part of the President's message that related to the combines." said Mr. John Landstreet, of Richmond. Va., at the Ebbitt. The Sherman anti-trust law was as rank a failure as was ever put on the statutes, and I never heard of a single conviction that was had for a violation of that measure. If the Republicans are sincere in wanting to clip the wings of these huge industrial com-binations that try to squeeze the life out of Independent concerns, they have forlous opportunity of doing good to the

"What would have been a very embarrassing situation for me was converted nto a pleasant incident, with a ludicrous side of it," said Hon. Joseph Lawless, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Virginia, at the Metropolitan.

The number of Pour expeditions and only a faint gurgling noise came forth. No one who has not been through a like painful ordeal can well appreciate the feeling of mortification that comes to

"An interesting history could be written "An interesting history could be written Green, Mrs. F. L. Browne, Mrs. J. B. on the rise and fall of the cattle kings of Church, Mrs. Alex. Briton, Mrs. Victor Texas," said Mr. C. D. Burns, of that Kauffman; in charge of tables, Mrs. E. J. State, at the Riggs House, "It hear't been McKee, Mrs. F. G. Berger, Mrs. S. I. so many years are since these barons of Kimball, Mrs. S. R. Bond, Mrs. S. N. so many years ago since these barons of the ranch and pasture were at the zenith of power and prosperity. There were bought diamonds for their wives. hemes, bought diamonds for their wives, drank champagne, and gambled recklessly. Today scarcely any of them has a cash balance equivalent to a month's extravagant squandering in the days when they lived like lerds and could overdraw their bank accounts for many thousands. "In passing through Kausas City the other day I met one of the old-time cattle kings. The big herds he used to have are gone, and though he could at one time. and though he could at one time ensily have cashed in for \$1,000,000, today he is working as a clerk at a salary of \$100 a month. There are some wealthy cattle men still left down our way, but of the spendthrift barops of thirty

FOREIGN TOPICS.

London's New 'Buses.

One result of the competition of the 2enny tube and other electric railways has been a new form of bus, which is the comy and higher, the seats are arranged in corridor facilities, with a gaugesty down the center, so that passengers are now shie to make a journey without having their knees interiocked with those oppo-

Japan as a Teacher. Japan is not only in line herself with he progress of the world, but is doing er best to spread the light of practical sylligation among the Oriental peoples, in the Imperial University at Tokyo are gistered eighteon foreign students, o hom ten are Chinese, one a Kerean, sis indus and one Filipino. Two Hindus are tudying mechanical engineering in Tokyo Chinese are studying in the military

Airship Inventor's Exhibition

The conquest of the air is new becoming in everyday phrase, and the name of the nventors is legion who have come into the arena with apparatus for soaring above things terresirial. The Pare des Princes, Paris, is just now the scene of a display of the most remarkable con-trivances for searing sloft, and some at-tempts would have been made but for the atrocious weather. Some interesting ex-periments may be looked for, and if all the plying men succeed the air will be full of grotesque, Gargantuan birds, bats, fly-ing foxes and other winged creatures, all much heavier than air.

M. Santos-Dumont's triumph was great, but the man who managed to defy the storm wind and cross the Channel, say, in the teeth of a gale, while ships roll at its mercy, will put the brave Brazilian and all balloculats in the shade. In hopes of stationed at Port Morgan, Ala, was soldes at the Parc des Princes and "Nous stationed at Port Morgan, Ala, was soldes at the Parc des Princes and "Nous stationed at Port Morgan, Ala, was soldes at the Parc des Princes and "Nous stationed at Port Morgan, Ala, was soldes at St. Margaret's Church.

IN SOCIETY.

Miss Fannle Loring Andrews and Mr. Edward F. Caverly, both of this city, were married at noon yesterday at St. Andrew'

Church, Rev. J. B. Perry officiating. Mr. L. Whiting Estes escorted the bride up the alsle and gave her away in marriage. They were preceded by the unbers Mr. B. I. Sapton, Mr. R. K. Goddard, Mr. T. B. Gardner and Mr. W. O'Bannon, Dr.

Frank E. Gibson acted as best man. The bride wore a stylish gown of em broidered fawn crepe de chine over taffeta of the same color. The walst was trimmed with blue panne velvet, touches of lace and chiffon. A large hat of fawn and

white panne veivet was worn and a bou-quet of white roses was carried. The bridal party and the immediate rel-atives were entertained after the cereny at a wedding breakfast at the hom of Mrs. L. Whiting Estes, sister of the bride, at her home on Kenesaw Avenue. When Mr. and Mrs. Caverly return fron their wedding trip they will reside at 1310 Columbia Road.

Mrs. Thomas Wilson entertained at luncheon yesterday, when her guests were Mrs. Hill, Madame Takahira, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Talmage, Mrs. Hamlin, Mrs. Evans, Miss Scidmore, Miss Morris, Miss Sedgeley, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Rudolph Kauffmann, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Corc, Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. Wight, Mrs. John Wilson Mrs. Raymond, Mrs. R. I. Fleming, Mrs. Warner, Mrs. Haiford, Mrs. Blount, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Wilkins Mrs. Dalzell, Mrs. Richards and Mrs. Huff. The floral decorations were of pink roses and carrations.

Owing to the recent death of Senator McMillan's brother, Mrs. McMillan will

Miss Lillian Nash gave a birthday party Tuesday night and the evening was spent in games. A special feature was the performing on the plane, violins and cornet by the Misses Lillian Nash, Marian Williamson and Bertha Moot, and the Messrs. Donovan and Alexander. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. George J. Nash, Mrs. Coggins, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nash, Misses Kathryne, Mattie and Ada Lears, Belle Chadwell, Lena and Lillian Matthews, Carlisie, Gunning, Howell, Fo-ley, Moot, Noyes, Ethel and Alice Nash. and the Messrs, Beach, Bright, Murray Hand, Noyes, Griggs, Ochman

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin G. Paul have been gain summoned to Pennsylvania by the illness of the former's father, and will not be at home for the present at their apartments, 3626 U Street.

The Presbyterian revision committee will be entertained at a card reception to be given tomorrow night at 9 o'clock by Mr. and Mrs. John W. Foster at their new home, 1323 Eighteenth Street.

The ladies of the Peirce Guild, auxiliary o the Washington Hospital for Foundlings, commenced their series of annual uncheens and sale of useful and fancy articles at the Masonic Temple yesterday at noon. These luncheons and sales will continue throughouf the week at the same place from 12 until 2 o'clock. As usual, there were a number of daintily appointed and flower-bedecked tables scattered about the hall, and the attractive waitat the Metropolitan.

"It was during the late campaign in our State, and I was making a tour in most prominent maids and matrons of the company with Mr. Swanson, in whose behalf I was putting forth all my energies. We remebed Newport News, and a splendid audience was assembled. It came my turn to speak, but in a few moments I found my utterance so badly checked by a sudden box arcanged as to please alike the business men and women who have only a short time to dispose of their my utterance so badly checked by a sudden box arcanges that I couldn't articulate. pers who like to chat over their slowly

sipped chocolate or tea. The ladies in charge of the sale and luncheon are as follows: General chair-Mr. Low does not find it necessary to advertise for assistance in the prospective work of reforming the metropolis.

With the profusion of measures against the cowardly disciples of violence, it looks as though anarchy in this country would soon be as dead as Crelerosz.

Texas Cattle Purchers.

forth. No one who has not been through a like painful ordeal can well appreciate the prospective work of reforming the feeling of mortification that comes to mittee Mrs. W. H. Bayly, Mrs. J. C. Penna, Mrs. G. B. Welch; reception committee, Mrs. G. E. Emmons, Mrs. W. H. Hoeke; refreshment committee, Mrs. J. Lightfoot, Mrs. F. W. Pilling, Mrs. J. L. Briton, Mrs. E. H. A. Hall, Mrs. M. V. Losover, Mrs. L. M. Keelins, Mrs. A. B. Browne, Mrs. V. Losover, Mrs. L. M. Keelins, Mrs. A. B. Browne, Mrs. V. Losover, Mrs. L. M. Keelins, Mrs. R. W. Hall, Mrs. M. V. Losover, Mrs. L. M. Keelins, Mrs. A. Browne, Mrs. V. Losover, Mrs. L. M. Keelins, Mrs. A. B. Browne, Mrs. V. Losover, Mrs. L. M. Keelins, Mrs. A. Jones, Mrs. R. W. Hall, Mrs. M. V. Losover, Mrs. L. M. Keelins, Mrs. A. B. Browne, Mrs. V. Losover, Mrs. L. M. Keelins, Mrs. A. rois, Mrs. L. B. Platt, Mrs. C. E. Bran-

That Mrs. W. H. Bayly, the president of the guild, and her associates have done spended work throughout the past year is evidenced by the annual report show the expenditure of nearly \$1,500 for the comfort of the little ones whose welfare they have in charge.

Lieut, James Regan, jr., and his bride, with her mother and brother, Mrs. Yznaga and Mr. Alexis Yznaga, were recent guests | the Philippine Islands shall pay the rates of Mr. and Mrs. Valentin Clad, of Devon, Pa. Licutement and Mrs. Yznaga will shortly leave for the former's post at Fort Snelling, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Pentland bave issued invitations for their golden wedding Wednesday. to 11, at 1330 Eighteenth Street

er visit to Mrs. Thomas C. Foster, of

Mr. and Mrs. Justus Hollander announce the engagement of their daughter, Bersic Mac, to Mr. Arthur D. Marks, formerly of New York City. At home, 10 H street northeast, from 8 to 10 o'clock, next Sunday evening.

Miss Hildegarde McKenna, who has been staying at Chestnut Hill, near Phil adelphia, as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Grove, is now making a short visit o Miss Constance Devereux, of Philadelphia. Among the many social affairs ar ranged by Mrs. Grove for Miss lickenin was a very large dinner, at which the guests were made up of the leading so-ciety people of Philadelphia's younger set.

Mr. George Cochran and Miss Elizabeth Aston Cochran, of Walnut Street, Philadelphia, have dinner invitations out for Miss Helen Patten, of this city.

The annual election of officers of the Butterfly Girls was held at the residence of Miss Josephine Prott, with the follow ing result: President, M. Fox, re-elected; Vice President, F. Miller; Secretary, M Oimstead; Trensurer, A. Pittman, re elected, Corresponding Secretary, L. Nau. After the business of the evening had been transacted the members and their were delightfully entertained with at 11 o'clock. The Misses J. Prott, B Levy, and L. Nac' aldy served as enter tainment committee for the evening. The club wid give a bal imasque February 5, 1907, at ational Rifles hall. Admiscion by card only.

Miss Elizabeth Hall Mess left yester day to join a party of Baltimore friends on her way to Richmond, where they will be house guests at the Moss-Evans wed-ding, which will occur in that city the last of the week.

The marriage of Miss Mary Prince Davis and Capt. Ruthven Smith, U. S. A., now

MISSOURI FACTIONAL FIGHT.

Mudwater State Republicans Eager for President's Decision.

Close observers are just a bit puzzled a know what is deferring the decision of he President in the contest for the control of the Republican party in Missour between R. C. Kerens, national committeetman, and Ethan Allen Hitchcock, Sec. retary of the Interior. It is now som ime since the hostile factions first began to press their claims before the President. The Hitchcock people claim that they have won, that Kerens and his political friends will be turned down, and that their overthrow will be signalized by the appointment in short order of W. G Boyd as surveyor of the port of St. Leuis in prace of H. C. Smith, a Kerens man. On the other hand the Kerens people, elthough somewhat loath to talk, assert vehemently that the President has as yet ome to no decision in the matter, and that the worst that can happen to them is the appointment of a compromise can-

To all appearances the political evidence, the endorsements pro and con, was all in a week ago. But yesterday, the Missourians descended on the White House again. With the situation thus opened up again, it is hard to predict when the President will give the word which will throw one side into political supremacy and cast the other to the ground. It is practically certain that this word is not far off, but it is difficult to say exactly when it will come

Half a dozen prominent Republicans om Missouri, representing the younger element of the party in that State, called by appointment on the President yesterday, and expressed the wish that Mr Kerens be left at the helm of the Republican party. They presented this request In written form, with their signatures attached. Walter Deckey, leader of the Republican party in Kansas City and Jackson County, who is a valiant Kerens worker, headed the party. It consisted of Louis P. Aloe, a prominent merebant of St. Louis, who was for three years-1898-1901-President of the St. Louis Merchants' League Republican Club, with a membership of 8,000, and who is a member-at-large of the State Republican the Missouri Republican Club, of Kansas City; W. K. Amick, ex-cit; attorney of St. Joseph, and a member of the Missouri State Assembly when the obnoxious Nesbit election law was passed; Ralph D. Stauber, of St. Joseph, member of the executive committee of the State Republican committee; C. D. Morris, proprietor of the "Trenton Tribune," and President of the Association of Young Republicans of Missouri, an annual dinner association, and a member-at-large of the State com-

The delegation reported a cordial reception by the President. Mr. Alce otested against the statement of Hitchcock faction that the situation at all settled and that Mr. Boyd was be appointed surveyor; that the Kerens supporters had the word of the Presi-dent that the appointment had not been determined upon. Said Mr. Aloe: "The worst that can happen to us is that the President will not appoint a man in either

The statement is made by friends of Mr. Kerens that of the fifteen Congressional nominees ten are on record as suprepresentatives Joy and Bartholdt, are opposed to him; one is absent from home on a bunting frip, and his sentiments are not known with the other leaves and his sentiments are ot known, while the other is neutral. Theodore Kalbfelt, chairman of the ity central committee of St. Louis, his rrived in Washington. He carries with im an endorsement of Mr. Kerens, signed

by twenty-five of the twenty-eight ; John B. Ivens, chairman of the Twelfth Congressional district committee, is said

to be similarly authorized to endorse Mr. talked with the President, and departed with expressed confidence that the Presi-dent would decide the context in their Secretary Hitchcock was at the had taken on a tinge satisfactory to him.

TARIFF FOR THE PHILIPPINES. Senator Lodge Offers a Bill Confirm-

ing Present Dutles.

In accordance with the decision of the Supreme Court that only Congress has Philippine Islands and the United States. Senator Lodge yesterday introduced a bill confirming the tariff duties fixed by the Philippine Commission on merchandise imported into these islands.

The bill also provides that merchandisc coming into the United States from prescribed by the Dingley tariff act on goods coming from foreign countries. Another section of the bill states that

until otherwise provided by law the statutory laws of the United States shall not be in force in the Philippine Islands except as adopted by military order or by the Philippine Commission. The bill also provides that all duties and taxes heretofore collected in the Philippines or to be collected hereafter shall not be covered into the Treasury of the United States but shall be used and expended by the government of those Islands.

SPECIAL BANK TAXES.

Capital, Surplus, Undivided Profits, and Horrowed Money Included.

John W. Yerkes, Commissioner of In nal Revenue, held yesterday that for purposes of special tax bankers must return for taxation capital, surplus, undivided profits, and borrowed money used in the business of banking.
Mr. Yerkes said that "capital and surplus include all funds employed by the

bank in the business of banking, and that apararily used by the bank, are of no comity withdrawn from the banking busi-ness through the parment of dividends, taxes, ascertained losses, or fixed charges of whatever character.

THE TURKISH INDEMNITY.

tributed by State Department. The Secretary of State has determined indemnity, amounting to about \$90,000, recaived from Turkey for Indignities sufered by American citizens and their roperty during the Armenian disturbances in 1801. Forty-one claims were dis allowed and twenty-nine granted. Th State Department will not disclose th individual amounts to be distributed.

Documentary Stamp Ruling,

The much-discussed question of refundng documentary internal revenue stamps has been decided by the Comptroller of the Treasury.

Mr. Tracewell, in reviewing the ques tion, said that "the provisions in the act of Congress of May 12, 1980, prohibit the allowance of any claim for the redemption of documentary internal revenue stamps unless presented within two years after the purchase of said stamps from the Government."

Republicans in Congress Not All Pleased With the Message.

Since members of both houses have had | tion does not go far beyond the sprinkn opportunity to mentally digest the ling pot and the garden hose, do not look President's message they are disposed to with favor upon the suggestion of spend-

That the message has caused a division n the ranks of the Republican members away at this proposition, but the memhere appears to be no doubt.

The President's stand on the subject unit in endorsing the project. They are, ition than anything else in the docu- recommendation in this respect have opposed the proposed trade treaties mendation for the subsidizing of ships, with foreign countries. They do not look and others are not entirely satisfied with with favor upon the proposition to extend the reference to the trusts. pecial advantages to Cuba.

advising modification are delighted with ness exclusion, still there are others who the President's attitude. The Eastern will work against the recommendationleaders are the ones who are most dis- in the interests of the corporations which picased with the reciprocity recommenda- wish to import coolie labor, and upon be-

But there is division upon other mat-

altion. The former, whose idea of irriga-

RULING TO BE REVIEWED. Liability of Reimported American Goods Involved.

A peculiar case involving apparent inensistent rulings of the customs officials New York will be brought up in that city today, before the Board of General

imported to this country from Bremen. The leaf was purchased there at a cost of to present these articles to Harvard Uni-314 cents per pound, and he was obliged to pay 55 cents per pound duty. Previously sixty hogsheads of the same tobacco in two consignments had been admitted duty free. Stokes was not even permitted to mittee; Harry D. Train, President of relinquish claim on the tobacco and permit the Government to seize it, but was obliged to pay the duty outright. The rate of duty under the assessment made was nearly 1,500 per cent.

Reimported From Bremen.

The tobacco involved was shipped to remen about two years ago from Petersburg, Va. It was there stored in a warehouse. About a year ago Stokes, who is an agent of the American Tobacco Company, purchased ten hogsheads at Bremen and had it freighted to this country. It was admitted duty free and consigned to a cigar factory in Virginia, made into eigars, and placed on the market.

Shortly afterward Stokes purchased fifty hogsheads more. When this reached port at New York it was admitted dut; free, but the internal revenue officers tried to assess an internal revenue tax. It was decided, however, inasmuch as the totac-co was to be consigned to a manufacturer, that it could be released, as it would nat-urally be taxed after being converted into cigars or other smoking supplies.
Once again Stokes, under the impression that the tobacco would be admitted free, as it was before, purchased ten horshends

more. This was held at the port and as-nessed for duty at the rate of 55 cents per pound, about fifteen times its real value. The Bremen purchase price had been 246

Paid Under Protest. Stokes told the customs officials that they could seize the tobacco. They said that he could be held to pay the duty. This he did under protest. The amount of the entire dut- was \$7,000. This comof the entire dut was \$1,000. This com-pletely wiped out all his previous profits. Representative Otey of Virginia intro-duced a bill at the last session of Con-gress calling for the relief of Mr. Stokes. The bill has already been introduced again. The Secretary of the Treasury has whell the customa officials. held the customs official

The case involves the delicate -oint whether or not American goods exported from this country and then reimported from this country and then reimported are liable to duty, especially if they are raw material intended to be supplied to facturers, as in the case of the to-

PICTURESQUE MR. LITTLER.

Interesting Episode in His Political Career Recalled. A picturesque and prominent figure nowadays in the corridors of the Riggs House is that of Mr. David T. Littler, of Springfield, III. His Falstaffian figure and white locks at once attract attention. He is one of the "regulars" who turn

longress, and is known to most statesnen of both wings of the Capitel. An incident in Mr. Littler's career will be recalled by more than one member of the Illinois Congressional delegation. In 1887 President Cleveland appointed him Republican member of the United States the Railway Investigating Committee the other and majority members of which were Mr. E. Ellery Anderson, of New York, and ex-Governor Pattison of Penn-

Mr. Littler's appointment was made on the recommendation of Senator Culion, whose stanch personal and political friend he has always been. Mr. Littler came to he has always been. Mr. Littler came to Washington for a conference with Presi-dent Cleveland and to get his commission, then hied himself back to Springheld to resign his reat in the Legislature and itrmanship of the appropriations com-

In the course of his resignation speech, which was replete with Pacific aristics, Mr. Littler eulogized Cleveland. The Democratic side of the House was in sestacles, and the other side in a state of

The stenographer turned over a ver-atin report of the speech to "the riends"—prominent Republicans then in Springfield—who carefully expurgated the Pleveland laudation and gave it to the press. When it was printed sans the taffy for Grover," as the Republicans named it, the Democrats were flercely agilated, and went a-gunning for the shorthand youth, who had meanwhile been fied the common council and the public etired for a space by "the friends."
The episode blew over, but it is said leveland, gained during the conference

Mr. Littler does not permit the strife of politics, his profession of the law the cares attached to his mises, m farms and land holdings to step bets him and the enjoyment of the leisure ease which have come to him with ripe years and a comfortable fortune

FOR NAVAL OBSERVATORY.

United States Purchases Real Estate In Georgetown.

The United States yesterday purchased additional land for the use of the Naval Observatory. The property is known as parts of lots 225, in square 1229, and lot 54 in Beatty & Hawkins' addition to Georgetown. The purchase price named

The deed was made and placed on file Cross-accusations and hints to Theodore A. Barnes and his wife, are able to make serious disclosure. Sarah A. Barnes.

Members do not make adverse comment The Eastern and the Western members on the message openly, but the fact that are wide apart upon the irrigation propo-

That University. When the auxiliary cruiser Harvard (formerly and now the American liner New York) sailed away for the West Indies to act as a scout boat against the Spuniards she carried a Nordenfeldt gun, R. C. Stokes, Lynchburg, Va., wants to a silver loving cup and some brand new ecover \$7,000, which he was compelled to flags presented by Harvard graduates. pay as duty on Virginia-grown tobacco re- The Secretary of the Navy has sent to the Senate the draft of a bill authorizing him

The army "canteen" was arraigned last night by Gen. A. S. Dagget in an address before the sixth annual national convention of the Anti-Saloon League, now in progress at the First Congregational

Government and if the exchange was fitted up with gymnasium apparatus, the men would be perfectly satisfied without

the intoxicants. ers the enlisted men of the army would

follow their lead.

sale of intoxicating liquors in the post The afternoon session of the convention

the delegates might attend the reception

Helmick, Mrs. Clinton Smith, Mrs. Grandfield, Mrs. Harvey Murray, Mrs. A. T. Stuar! Miss E. F. Pierce, Mrs. George

Knowles Miss Zehring and Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis FUNERAL OF A. D. HAZEN.

The funeral ceremonies over the remains many years occupied the position of Assistant Postmaster General, and who died at his residence, 1221 L Street northwest,

mains to Mount Bethel, Pa., where interment will be made Friday afternoon.

Pa., sixty years ago. After graduating from Lafayette College, in Easton, Pa., he taught school. He went into the service New at the outbreak of the civil war, and held a position in the commissary department He received an appointment in the Postmice Department at the close of the war, and served under fifteen Postmasters General. After four years he had reached

Elwood Steel Workers Protest Against Accepting a Library.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 4.—The members of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers, at Elwood, have notilibrary directors that they are not satisfied with the acceptance of Andrew Carnegie's gift, even though the library is not to bear the name of the donor, and that neither they nor any members of their families will patronize the library

if the gift is accepted.

A committee from McKinley Lodge was ppointed to carry the information to the plance of Carnegie's money under any committee also notified the mem

ers of the council that the Amalgamated Association would vote against any councilman who favored the gift. DREYFUS SCANDALS REVIVED.

Parties to the Affair. n the Dreyfus affair are attracting no-

The persons interested on either side appear to be seeking to call attention to their personalities.
Cross-accusations and hints that they

pass more than perfunctory comment ing a large sum of money to water the vast arid plains of the West

The strict constructionists also look

bers from beyond the Mirstsalppi are a of reciprocity meets with greater oppo- in fact, enthusiastic over the President's It is regarded as a body blow to | Many members believe that the Presithe high protectionists and to those who dent should have made a specific recom-

While there is believed to be a large On the other hand, those who have been | majority in both houses in favor of Chi-

half of the missionaries who oppose ex-

not all of the recommendations are approved by the Republicars is apparent.

NAVAL GIFTS FOR HARVARD. Scout Boat Trophies to Be Given to

to present those arctices to markers cut-versity to be preserved there as relics.

Another bill which Secretary Long has prepared authorizes the construction of a steel ship-rigged steam practice vessel for the use of mayal caleta, to cost 267,000.

THE CANTEEN DISCUSSED.

General Dagget Addresses the Anti-Saloon League Convention.

Church. General Dagget thought if the authorities would supply comfortable quarters for the men; that if table luxuries heretofore supplied by, the proceeds from the canteen were paid for by the

He made the assertion that if the 3,000 mmissioned officers were total abstain-

The Rev. David J. Burrell, paster of the Marble Collegiate Reformed Church, of New York City; the Rev. E. C. Dinwiddie, legislative superintendent of the erican Anti-Saloon League; Hon. C. E. Littlefield, of Maine, and J. D. Bowersock, of Kansas, all made addresses on the canteen, expressing the view that there would be no argument in Congress this session as to the restoration of the

was very short and only a few questions were decided. The meeting adjourned early, so that

tendered to them by ex-Senator and Mrs. J. B. Henderson, at their home at the head of Sixteenth Strees, yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Henderson was assisted in receiv-

eral to Be Interred in Pa.

Tuesday night, will be held at the house at 4 o'clock this afternoon Rev. Mr. Chaplain will officiate at the up at the beginning of each seasion of pervices. The body will remain in the house until tomorrow morning, when the friends and family will accompany the re-

Mr. Hazen was born in Mount Bethel,

the highest clerical position. He was designated as a member of the board of examiners by the Postmaster General in 1872, and ross steadily from one position to a higher one. He was nally appointed Assistant Postmaster eneral, and retired from office in 1893. Mr. Hazen is survived by his widow and lopted daughter, Mrs. H. C. Duffy. Five orothers and one of his sisters are living. Ors. William P. C. and David H. Hagen

OPPOSE CARNEGIE'S GIFT.

Hints and Accusations Made PARIS, Dec. 4.—The latest developments