

There is a suspicion that amounts almost to certainty that Maceo was assassinated.

The death of Maceo brings distress to the Cuban cause. But the darkest hour is just before the dawn. The very extremity of Cuba will raise up friends to her relief. It was after the dire experience at Valley Forge that help came to the feeble American cause.

The N. O. States very properly points out that the Cuban patriot and general, Maceo, was a mulatto, who really deserves the admiration of both races for inherent greatness, but seems to receive very little from his colored brother, while Frederick Douglass, who was prominent rather from circumstances than natural ability, is revered as a hero.

The sensation of the hour is the disclosure of the fact that Lionel Adams accepted the offer to act as assistant to District Attorney Marr in the prosecution of Maurice J. Hart, when the latter claims that Adams has been for months in his employ and has mapped out the line of defence. Hart substantiates his assertions by notes from Adams, and receipts of money, amounting to \$3,000. Such professional treachery on the part of Adams is being denounced on every side, and there is a strong talk of a demand for his disbarment.

**The Fate of Triplets in China.**

In the southern provinces of China there is a superstition that if triplets are born one of the three children will eventually become a noted rebel. In order to avoid that direst of Chinese curses, a bad son, a "wise man" is sent for in order to decide which of the three children is the destined black sheep. The three infants having been conveyed into a perfectly dark room, the "wise man" takes three pieces of twine, each of a brilliant color, as white, red and black, and entering the room ties one of these pieces of string around the wrist of each baby. The one which, when brought out into the light, is found to have the red string on its wrist, is drowned like a puppy.—From "Chinese Superstitions," in Demorest Magazine for January.

That section of the President's message which relates to Cuba, strikingly illustrates saying "little in much," though it is shown, that Mr. Cleveland undoubtedly leans towards keeping Cuba a dependency of Spain. If there had been a Grover Cleveland in the days of 1776-83 to show England, mildly but forcibly, what she should do, the thirteen colonies might have been pacified with home rule, and have been subject, even now, to the mother country. This would have gratified England's pride of power, but it is to be doubted whether it would have satisfied those proud patriot spirits that live in every age, who scorn to creep rather than walk, to cringe rather than act boldly, to pay tribute rather than be free. Chatham failed with the same plan that Grover Cleveland has in mind to day, but this does not deter the latter from entertaining it nevertheless. But Cuba wants freedom, not representation in the Spanish cortes. Mr. Cleveland's ideas are doomed to the same failure in execution that befell those of the elder Pitt. Free Cuba forever!

Don't be persuaded into buying Chamberlain's Pain Balm without reputation of merit—Chamberlain's Pain Balm costs no more, and its merits have been proven by a list of many years. Such letters as the following, from L. G. Bagley, Hueneme, Cal., are constantly being received: "The best remedy for pain I have ever used is Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and I say so after having used it in my family for several years." It cures rheumatism, lame back, sprains and swellings. For sale by L. P. Kilbourne, Druggist.

**For Cuba Libre!**

"The Cuban League of the United States" was formally organized in New York on Monday night. Many of the most prominent men of the city are members, among who may be mentioned Depew, Dana, Roosevelt, Flower, Hadley, Astor, Grant, etc. irrespective of party. It is a good omen that Col. Ethan Allen is the President. His name is already famous in revolutionary annals. The object of the league is given in the call:

"To secure for Cuba by all lawful, peaceful and honorable means the political independence which her patriots are now endeavoring by tremendous sacrifice of treasure and life to gain, to encourage them with our sympathy and moral support and to arouse the whole nation to demand an end of the campaign of murder and destruction in that island.

Mindful of the help which our fathers received in a similar struggle we are constrained by a sense of gratitude to return to Cuba the kindness which was so effectively given to us.

It is apparent to all thoughtful observers that Spain has not the power to crush the Cuban patriots, and therefore, the continuance of the cruel struggle can only serve to prolong a sense of abasement and humiliation in the minds of all men who are confident that this republic has the power to end it and is in honor called to do so for the highest good of all parties directly concerned."

In assuming the Presidency Col. Allen called particular attention to the heroic struggle that the Cubans had made against their mother country and he added that now the Spaniards had departed from the path of honorable war and had become murderers and assassins if the reports of Gen. Maceo's horrible death were true.

"We want to inflame the patriotism and honor of the people," said Col. Allen, "into a torch that will kindle the honest effort of every liberty-loving American so that this horrible butchery shall cease and the independence of the island of Cuba be an established fact."

The time is indeed at hand when the people of the United States can no longer stand aside, without blood-guiltiness, and say "Am I my brother's keeper?" Cuba must have help and at once. Either by national intervention, or by men and arms in the field.

Let the Cuban League of the United States grow from city to city, and state to state. Let the watch fires blaze on every mountain until the news of help for Cuba shall pass from peak to peak, and the entire nation be aroused to demand freedom for the weaker country at its doors.

Horace Greeley once said: "The way to resume is to resume," speaking of again getting gold into circulation after the war. But you may say "resume" any number of times to that torpid live of yours and it won't budge until you take Simmons' Liver Regulator. Many people seem to forget that constipation, Biliousness and Sick Headache are all caused by a sluggish liver. Keep your liver active.

The January number of the Delineator is called the winter holiday number, and presentment of cold weather dress modes and millinery is supplemented by the group of lithograph, half-tone and oleograph colored plates which are now a feature of every issue. "Those who have not yet made choice of their holiday gifts will find helpful its record of what the shops have to offer in this line, as well as the review of new books, calendars, juvenile literature suitable for presentation. With the new year is begun a feature of personal interest to woman in the series of "Talks on Beauty," by Dr. Grace Peckham-Murry a recognized authority on this subject. Miss Mary Cadwalader Jones gives a comprehensive glance at "Social Life in America," treating of the big cities. At the Bayou, by T. C. DeLeon, is a short story of the south, by one of its best known writers, and the Division of the Income is a suggestive consideration of how to make both ends meet financially. Mrs. A. B. Longstreet furnishes a readable biographical sketch of Miss Stimson, the noted Maine mill owner and lumber dealer. In the Six Important Days in a Woman's Life, Mand C. Murry-Miller describes the debutante in Society. Emma Haywood tells how to embroider fancy screens, and there is an illustrated article on the Mountmellick work now so popular. Mrs. Wither spoon's January Tea-Table Chat, Mr. Vick's Flower Garden, and the page devoted to seasonable cookery will found entertaining and the department of Knitting, Tatting, etc.

It is known that pneumonia have been killing many people. Hood's Cough Remedy is known to be the best remedy for pneumonia. It is known to be the best remedy for pneumonia. Hood's Cough Remedy is known to be the best remedy for pneumonia.



**JAMES LEAKE, M. D.**

"God's ordinance Of death, is blown in every wind, But that is not a common chance That takes from earth a noble mind."

His memory long will live alone In all our hearts, as mournful light That broods above the fallen sun, And dwells in heaven half the night."

**Thoughts on Death of Dr. Jas. Leake.**

The irony of fate has decreed that when a life has gained its zenith of usefulness or power, it is but one degree from its hour of going down. When the blossom has reached its sweetest bloom, the time of decay is at hand and its leaves are shattered. So it was with the perfect life that earth yielded to heaven. Never since the world began has death been other than death, but it is hardest when it calls upon us to give up one, who was such a friend of all. Beyond the expression of words was the sorrow inflicted by his death in the hearts of all who knew him. There were his elders, who stand in the golden light of life's evening, aged men and women, wearing the honored crown of white hair, who had held him in their arms, chidden the faults of his boyhood, loved him. There were his companions from youth to maturity, who had known his weaknesses as well as his virtues. There were the friends of later years, who had been drawn to him by his repartee his endearing manners. And as all stood by his coffin, one could not lend condolence to another for each was trying to master his own sorrow; had come to bid farewell to him who had given each one cause to mourn his going. Gazing on his lifeless form, was it not sad to know that he who once moved among us, sharing so closely our sorrows and our joys, will be with us no more? It is a sorrow that will never sleep.

Dr. Leake was a man without an enemy. Must not a nature be complete, to gain the love and esteem of all? He could do what no other might and not offend, for his very faults were endearing. He understood that secret of alleviating sorrow, relieving want, of doing good, without humiliating those he benefited. The glow of his presence cheered an oppressed heart to fresh life. He stretched forth a gentle hand, and helped them up the hill of sickness, sorrow or of care, with a smile and word, so sweet and comforting, that one forgot the burden and thought his lot the brightest. In the death room and in the brilliant hall, he cast an influence that none other could. This personal fascination was something akin to genius. His delicately organized nature, could be touched by fire, imagination and feeling, and was capable of descending to the lowest depths of sorrow, or of rising to the highest summits of enthusiasm. His was an eminently beautiful character, and one which never failed to awaken interest and love. He was a brilliant and successful man, who gathered friends and admirers innumerable about him and would lend both professionally and socially. Besides a fund of sympathy, he possessed those solid and patient mental gifts which readily master the facts of physical science. He had that peculiar faculty which may be called scientific imagination. His every deed sprang from a noble thought, and every thought was born of a noble instinct. His word was his bond. His smile was his magnet. Not in vacancy not into nothingness, not into forgetfulness has he gone. God wanted him. God has taken him. Shall not the Lord of all the earth do right?

S. E.

**How to Prevent Pneumonia.**

At this time of the year a cold is very easily contracted, and if left to run its course without the aid of some reliable cough medicine is liable to result in that disease, pneumonia. We know of a remedy to cure a cough, Hood's Cough Remedy. We have used it extensively, and it has always proved to be the best. It is known to be the best remedy for pneumonia. Hood's Cough Remedy is known to be the best remedy for pneumonia.

**Resolutions of Respect.**

Feliciana Lodge, F. & A. M. No. 31.

Whereas, It has pleased the Worshipful Master of the universe in His infinite wisdom to remove from our midst and his sphere of earthly usefulness, our late brother, James Leake, M. D., and while bowing in humble submission to "Him who doeth all things well," we desire to record the grief we feel; therefore be it

Resolved, That in the death of our deceased brother we have sustained a personal loss; the profession which he followed a brilliant and useful member whose future promised much in alleviating distress and relieving the stricken; this Lodge an exemplary Mason; the community in which he lived an upright citizen; his family a devoted son and brother. Be it further

Resolved, That a page of the minute book of this Lodge be inscribed with this tribute to his memory, that the lodge room be draped in mourning, and that the usual badge of mourning be worn by the members of this lodge, and that a copy of these resolutions be transmitted his family under the seal of the lodge.

R. A. Harrison,  
E. J. Buck,  
L. P. Kilbourne,  
Committee.

**JACKSON NOTES.**

Crowded out last week. The board met at the Insane Asylum Monday for the purpose of letting out the contract for beef. Mr. Frank Norsworthy and Ben Klein were the successful parties.

Dr. Gayden has resigned his position as Supt. of the Insane Asylum, and intends leaving Jan. 1st. The attendants of that institution regret losing Dr. and Mrs. Gayden as they have been very kind to every body there.

Mrs. Zack Lee and daughters, Miss Ida and Mary, spent Monday in Jackson as the guest of Mrs. M. Worthy.

Mr. Shaw the Presbyterian minister preached at Centerville on Sunday morning and evening.

Miss Ida Lea will leave on the Thursday's train for Cheneyville to visit her sister, Mrs. Johnson.

Mrs. Shaw has been on the sick list for several weeks. Her many friends hope she will soon recover.

Miss Mary Carney who was quite ill last week is now convalescing.

**Notes from Poplar Springs.**

Miss Lula Wright is visiting her sister, Mrs. Robt. Graves of Norwood.

Miss Rosa Beckham is spending several days with relatives at Whitestown, Miss.

Mr. Warren Palmer and sister were in Norwood Saturday.

Mr. Palmer Smith spent last Friday with Mr. Burton who is seriously ill.

Eddie Beckham went to Wilson Saturday.

White Wright returned Sunday from a week's visit to relatives and friends near Norwood.

Misses Idola and Marion Ryder had as guests during the past week Misses Katie Gorr, Anna Potty and Odille Smith.

Mr. Frank McGraw of Woodville spent Wednesday night and Thursday with Mr. Wiley McGraw.

The patrons and friends of the school will meet next Friday morning, at the school house to have an "all day working." A nice dinner is promised.

Mr. A. J. Thoms and Jimmie Thoms made a business trip to St. Francisville Thursday.

A certain young lady is very fond of reading, consequently a certain young man is borrowing books.

Mrs. Ryder and Mr. Ollie Smith were visitors last Friday evening at the school house.

Mattie Smith of Pisgah neighborhood was a pleasant caller Saturday evening at Mr. J. Smith's.

**Notes From Star Hill.**

Mrs. Eva Hamilton, Miss Mary McKnight and Miss Ella Ball are spending the week in the Crescent city.

Misses Edna and Mamie Daniels were visitors to town last Thursday.

Mrs. Cheston Folks accompanied by her pretty little children went to town on Friday.

Mr. E. Greene Davis one of West Feliciana's most promising young men is expected home for the holidays.

Mr. Calvin Goodman and daughter, Miss Dollie, anticipate attending the wedding of Mr. Harry Goodman which will take place on the 23rd inst.

Messrs. John and Monroe Daniel, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Daniel and Mr. J. W. McQueen were visitors to town on Tuesday.

Did you attend the sociable Tuesday night?

Much interesting matter has been crowded out of our columns each week for some time past, notwithstanding that the greater part of the paper has been set in brevier type, which is nearly half the size of the type in which these lines are set. Persons unacquainted with the types, can hardly realize how much reading matter we are now giving. It not only speaks well for our enterprise in getting the parish news, but shows that the people are alive and up to date in many things.

Rev. J. P. Hamri has received the appointment to this circuit from the La. Conference of the M. E. Church South. Rev. Mr. Van Valkenburgh goes to Pineville. We regret losing him, but the printer "finds in loss a gain to match" as Tennyson says, because there will be no further need to struggle with the spelling of that long, hard name.

Miss Jane Argue has been appointed Postmaster at Laurel Hill, and we are glad to note that this old established Post Office will soon be re-instated.

Several prominent Pythians presented their lodge with a large picture of Rathbone, the founder of the order. Resolutions of thanks to them were passed Tuesday night.

The civil term of District Court convened Monday and is still in session.

**Notice.**

Pursuant to resolution of Parish School Board of Dec. 5, 1896, a written examination of applicants for the position of first assistant (lady) in the St. Francisville white school will be held Tuesday, Dec. 29, 1896, at 9 a. m. at the office of the board. 1st grade required. Previous experience of applicants will be taken into consideration, and the right is reserved by the Board to reject any and all applications. Applications should be filed with the undersigned not later than Monday, Dec. 28, 1896.

G. W. NEWMAN,  
Supt.

**Notice.**

According to resolution of the Parish Board, the public schools of the parish will be closed for the holidays on Wednesday Dec. 23, 1896, and will reopen Monday January 4, 1897.

G. W. NEWMAN,  
Supt.

**DO YOU DRINK?**  
Then Drink the best  
**HIGH SPORT WHISKEY**  
AT  
**L. MARKS.**

**RONALDSON AND PUCKETT,**  
**BATON ROUGE, LA.**  
**CARRIAGES & SURREYS.**  
Have Just Received Two Car Loads of Carriages, Surreys, Buggies and Road Carts. One Car Load of Wagons.  
**THE LARGEST AND GRAND-EST DISPLAY EVER SEEN OUTSIDE OF ST. LOUIS.**  
Which they are going to sell at  
**St. Louis Prices.**  
**Come and See.**  
**RESPOSITORY, JONES AND WHITAKER'S OLD STAND MAIN STREET.**

**Trespass Notice.**  
Hunting and fishing of any kind on the Afton Villa and Layson Plantations are hereby prohibited under penalty of trespass.  
**MRS. V. Z. HOWELL.**  
**SHINGLES.**  
Best of shingles, Chas. Leet Bayou Sara, La.

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**A. W. HAWKS,**



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**A CHANCE TO WIN THIS Solid Gold Watch**



**ROUMAIN BROS.**

Offer to all who wish to enter the contest a chance to win a Solid Gold Watch. Any boy or girl who will devote a few minutes for a few evenings at home to become the proud possessor of this beautiful gift. Now see who can make the most words from the letters that are found in the sentence

**ROUMAIN BROS. The Jewelers.**

Rules to govern contest:

1st. Only English words to be used (no slang, botanical, medical or technical terms considered.)

2nd. No repetition of letters except often as they may occur in the above sentence.

3rd. When as many as six words are found repeated in the whole manuscript it will be thrown out of contest.

4th. Manuscript must be alphabetical arranged and written only on one side.

5th. Name and address to be signed last page.

Contest to close Dec. 20th, 1896. Impartial judges to consider the number of words. This is a delightful story search for words, and with the help of elder members of the family will find much amusement and knowledge.

Address all communications plainly  
**ROUMAIN BROS.**  
The Jewelers, Baton Rouge, La.

**Trespass Notice.**

Hunting with firearms or dogs on Oakley and Ogden plantations is positively prohibited under penalty of trespass. Any one found on these places without permission will be considered trespassing and prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

MRS. I. L. MATTHEWA

**Trespass Notice.**

From and after this date all hunting and fishing on the Cottage plantation is positively prohibited under penalty of trespassing. Any one found on this plantation without permission will be considered trespassing, and prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

RICHARD BUTLER

**Trespass Notice.**

From and after this date all hunting of any kind on Greenwood plantation, likewise fishing, is positively prohibited under penalty of trespass. Any one found on this plantation without permission will be considered trespassing, and prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

S. D. BARROW

**Trespass Notice.**

From and after this date all hunting of any kind on the Greenwood plantation is positively prohibited under penalty of trespassing. Any one found on this plantation without permission will be considered trespassing, and prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Mrs. P. MATTHEWA

**Notice.**

I hereby give public notice as required by law that I will apply to the Board of Pardons of the State of Louisiana for recommendation to his excellency the Governor, Governor of the State of Louisiana to commute the sentence passed upon me at the late October term of the 13th Judicial District Court, in and for the parish of West Feliciana, from death to imprisonment for life, for the murder of James Dunbar.

WILLIE LEE

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