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YOU can't vote at the city election on a county registration.

MONDAY next is the last day for city registration of voters.

REGISTER with the City Recorder if you will vote at the city election.

IT looks as though the Russian bear and the British lion were about to have a scrap.

THE "Kentucky Colony" is looking over the line of the Verde Canal and will locate a quantity of land under it, the HERALD is informed.

THOSE interested in the coming city election, especially the issuance of bonds which will be voted on, should see that they are registered.

PHOENIX is growing comparatively quiet these days though there will probably be more building done this summer than for several years.

IT is reported that certain Democrats are covertly running in all the Democratic registrations they can gather up for the city election. What does it mean?

THE longer the Cuban trouble continues the more feeble becomes the Spanish grip on that island. It is almost a certainty now that Cuba will never return to the enslaved condition she was in at the beginning of the present trouble.

LIEUT. AVERILL is a "tenderfoot" just out from West Point and innocently supposed that when he was sent after Indians it was meant that he should catch them. The next thing will probable be a court martial for the Lieutenant.

THE London *Globe* has come to the conclusion that the policy of the United States is "a determination to render American commerce paramount throughout the western hemisphere." That is good as far as it goes but if the *Globe* had examined the case yet further it might have descovered that there is also a determination that monarchic power shall have no further foothold on this continent or its islands and that what it has shall finally disappear entirely.

REP. BAKER, of New Hampshire, has offered a concurrent resolution providing for an investigation by a select Congressional committee of the recent purchase of seed by Secretary Morton. A preamble to the resolution sets forth the charges against Secretary Morton by a Chicago firm of seedsmen; also Secretary Morton's charge that Senators and Representatives often dispose of their quota of seeds for cash instead of having them sent to their constituents.

THE "cradle of liberty" seems to be a misnomer for old Boston these days; the people who now fill that city prefer that American citizens in the Territories shall be kept in a species of serfdom as long as possible because they are in those Territories. That broad liberality of a century ago that characterized the great east has vanished and and they do not hesitate to deprive large bodies of American citizens of the right of citizenship It is almost inconceivable that this should be true but it is a fact nevertheless.

IF Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, was given his just deserts, he would be expelled from the United States Senate for having insulted that body upon the two occasions he has delivered harangues on the floor of the Senate chamber, by a copious use of ungentlemanly language. Other Senators have criticised public men just as harshly as Tillman did, and it being their right to do so no objection has been made, but no other Senator has ever belched forth such a deluge of billingsgate as Tillman did, and the worst feature of it is that he claims all his blackguardism to be done in the name of the people and in the interests of reform. The reform of which Tillman is the apostle is truly to be pitied. How hollow it is may be judged from the fact that Tillman drew his salary as Senator for the period he was travelling in the west making blackguard speeches without a blush. Some of the ablest silver men in Congress believe that Tillman has done the cause of silver irreparable injury by his wild talk. It must be galling to South Carolinians to read of Tillman's boast that he has the electoral vote of that State completely under his control and can place it wherever he pleases. A more disgusting or disgraceful boast was never publicly made in this country. It is a little more than the boldest political boss has ever dared to do. The Senators' ambition is paramount to the principles he espouses and consequently the principles must go to the dogs.

THE City registration of voters closes May 18.

THERE is a split in the City democracy and the Bullard fellows seem to have things all their own way.

YOU can't vote at the city election unless you register in the Great Register of the city. County registration don't go.

THE braves of the Democratic party in the Territory are putting on their war paint. Already a new Federal and anti Federal alignment has been made and the battle royal will soon be on to stay.

IT is presumed from recent *Gazette* articles on local railroads that that journal is about to pull up the rails on the S. F. P. & P. and lend the M. & P. road to Mark Smith for campaign purposes.

THE amicable agreement between the Republican and Democratic city committees was an arrangement for the best interests of the city and should be honorably carried out by good Republicans and Democrats alike on the lines those committees selected.

SPAIN hesitates to butcher the crew of the Competitor. She has granted a new trial and it is fair to conclude that the verdict will not be death, this time. Uncle Sam is not "blowing around" much, but there is not a nation on earth that don't listen when he does speak. Even Salisbury heard him once.

THE National Association of Manufacturers of the United States will send a large delegation to South America this summer to look up the trade of that region of country and take measures to establish more complete trade relations between this country and the South American countries.

GOV. FRANKLIN of course discerns the difference between the attempt at slobbering flattery on the part of a designing morning colemporary and the sound, manly discussion of things political touching his office coming from the other. The people believe he "knows a hawk from a handsaw."

THE fruit business is at its height these days in this valley. Strawberries are in their prime and in quantities greater than ever before and one-third cheaper than they ever have been. Strangers coming among us from both east and west remark upon the remarkably fine flavor of the fruit. Apricots are now fully ripe, and the large orchards are the busy places of Arizona these days, where the crop is being secured and shipped east and west by the carload, and the cutters and pitters are busy as bees, in an attempt to secure the fruit that is too ripe for shipment.

THE democratic party of the Territory which has been refusing to countenance woman suffrage and its consequent powers and privileges, both in our constitutional convention and at the last three legislatures has at last gone back on its record with a vengeance. The Governor has appointed a lady as one of the Normal School board and his party is questioning his authority with very masculine indignation. The Governor evidently believes in woman exercising all the rights and priveleges of intelligent human beings especially in the matter of education, where, in this Territory, women exercise the right of suffrage and full citizenship, but some of our democratic friends appear to have not yet discovered that fact. Is it not about time a missionary be sent out among the political heathern of this section of the world?

THE *National Republican* is giving statehood a liberal support at Washington and is putting forth many cogent reasons why Arizona should be admitted to the Union. We make the following excerpt:

"Arizona today has more population than any Territory ever admitted into the Union since the adoption of the Constitution, with the exception of four out of a total of thirty-two. It has more wealth per capita, from thrice to six timer over, than any ever admitted. It has greater and more varied elements of wealth than any other section of the country. It has produced up to June 30, 1895, gold, silver and copper to the value of $113 000 000, and its production of these metals is rapidly increasing. It has millions of acres of arable land which produce not only the cereals, vegetables and fruits of the temperate, but those of the semitropical climates

This "beggarly populace" maintains a splendid school system. While New York spends for school purposes $2.60 per capita of its inhabitants, Arizona expends $2.50 per capita, and its proportion of children of school age to population is much smaller than the proportion in New York, making the expenditures larger. Its system is one of the best in the country and includes all grades from the Kindergarten to the normal school and the university.

But Arizona must not be admitted, because, forsooth, it advocates silver It has a larger percentage of population as to representation than was in twenty-two of the thirty-two Territories when admitted. It has six times the population and ten times the wealth that Illinois, now third in population and sixth in wealth of the forty-six states, had when admitted, and yet because its people believe in silver, these malignants declare it should not be made a state.

This is not the real reason, "Westward the star of empire takes its course." That is the trouble. These eastern men, who have governed the country so long, see power slipping from their grasp. If it were not silver, some other reason would be found upon which to base false assumptions and malignant abuse."

UNDER the law it takes seventy per cent. of the votes cast by legal voters of the city to issue bonds. Should the $10,000 in bonds now payable not be refunded the present property owners of the city will be obliged to raise the amount by assessment and pay off the bonds for that amount which as before noted are now about due.

THERE is another gold scare on. As will be seen from our despatches the yellow metal has been leaving the United States at the rate of nearly a million dollars per day and it will not take long to put it below the supposed low water mark. Cleveland and the Wall street gang are evidently working for another issue of bonds.

THE city of Phoenix is paying enough taxes to be on a cash basis. The fact that she has an outstanding warrant indebtedness of nearly $40,000 is certainly good cause for investigation by the committee of citizens now examining our public affairs. The people of this city would like to know whether that warrant indebtedness is the result of the present management of city affairs or of some former management. Now on the eve of an election at which it is intended to vote for a large bond issue the people of the city would like to know what it is all for; in other words they want to know where they are "at."

IT is now certain that Congress will not adjourn on the date, May 18th, set by the joint resolution which was adopted by the House last week, and not probable that adjournment will come until after June 1st, although the Senate could materially shorten the session if so disposed; but owing to no party having a majority in the Senate no man can say what it will or will not do with any degree of certainty of the correctness of his assertion. There have been vague rumors of a deliberate intention to prolong the session until after the national conventions have been held, by starting up a financial discussion, but none of the leaders on either side take any stock in such a scheme, and Senators as wide apart in their general ideas as Mr. Allison, of Iowa, and Mr. Gorman, of Maryland, agree in expressing the opinion that Congress will adjourn before the meeting of the St. Louis convention.

WEEKLY CROP BULETINE NO. 6

Week Ending May 11, 1896.

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 14, 1896

The week was cold and windy and all crops, except in the extreme southwest, made very slow growth. No rainfall, and this together with high winds, necessitated frequent irrigation. Fruits made slow growth, but the prospects were not materially changed. In the southern section early apricots and garden truck of every description are in the market and shipments of apricots will begin this week. Cattle have been shipped in great numbers to northern ranges and the result has been to keep feed in sufficient quantity on the ranges. Water is growing generally scarcer, but there is no complaint as yet. Citrus and deciduous fruits in Maricopa foothills, are looking well and making slow growth.

Apache County—A cold week. Wheat and barley planted, but not making much growth. Grass on the ranges is dry, and stock is doing fairly well. Rain is needly badly, as the water is low in the streams.

Cochise county—A cold week with high winds, which did some damage to growing grain. Nights cold; water is low and rain is needed badly; fruit injured by frost; cattle being shipped in large numbers; grass drying up.

Gila county—A cold week with high winds which dried up the grass on the ranges. Cattle are suffering, and heavy shipments are being made. All crops have made some growth.

Graham county—Weather cold with cooler nights; alfalfa and grain making tolerable growth; garden truck in the market in considerable quantities; water is scarce but cattle are holding their own; no rain and much is needed.

Maricopa county—A cold week with cooler nights and fresh winds. Wheat and barley crop bids fair to be fine, and heading has begun. Apricots are in the market, as well as new potatoes. Citrus fruits are making good growth, and deciduous fruits are promising. Cattle are looking well and heavy shipments are still going on. Water is fairly plentiful. Strawberries are at the hight of the season, very cheap and being shipped in large quantities. They are of very fine flavor.

Mojave county—Cold weather continues and all crops are backward; water is scarce, stock is not making much progress but heavy shipments are being made; all farmers are praying for rain.

Navajo county—The week was cold and windy with very cold nights; alfalfa is looking well, and sorgum and potatoes are planted.

Pima county—A cold week with cold nights; no rain, and water is getting scarce; all crops made slow growth; cattle are doing fairly well, and extensive shipments are being made.

Pinal county—Rain is needed badly and it is necessary to irrigate frequently on account of high winds; alfalfa is stacked and the quality is good; cattle are doing moderately, but the grass is drying up.

Yavapai county—The week has been cold and windy; grass on the ranges is drying up; all crops made slow growth; fruit has been damaged by the late frosts.

Yuma county—A cold week with high winds; the second cutting of alfalfa continues; early apricots are in the market; small fruits are making slow growth; sweet potatoes are planted; cattle are looking well.

ARTHUR L. WHITE,
Section Director.

A TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.

Deadly Flames Sape the Life of a Phoenix Lady.

This morning about a quarter past four Mr. B. F. Zoeckler, the butcher, was on his way to his butcher shop in his wagon and when opposite the office of the gas works on west Washington street he noticed flames in the window of the room adjoining that office. Stopping his horse he ran to the window and tearing down the screen which covered the window he broke the glass in the sash and with his hands threw water from the ditch on the flames. During this time he was calling for help and Mr. Sloan, the liveryman, responded with a bucket and in a few moments the flames in the window were extinguished. Mr. Con. Hurley drove by at this time and stopped and assisted Mr. Zoeckler. Mr. Hurley leaped through the window into the room but was obliged to return into the open air at once as the room was full of smoke and gas. The gentlemen then battered in the door of the office and passing through that room broke in the door leading into the inside room and entered. As soon as they had entered the room they saw a form lying on the floor in the middle of the room and as Mr. Zoeklers carried it into the other room Mr. Hurley extinguished another blaze which was growing larger at the time in the other corner of the room.

Dr. Tuttle who lives but a few doors from the office of the gas company was at once called. He found that the form on the floor was that of Mrs. Catherine Lacy, sister of the late Mr. J. B. Lacy and that she was fatally burned, not a single portion of her body having escaped the cruel flames. The hair was a mass of charred coal and the skin of the face had been burned so that it dropped off in large patches, presenting a horrible sight. The poor woman lived about an hour and a half after being found but did not become conscious and passed away without awakening to her sufferings.

Justice Johnstone who had been summoned empaneled a coroner's jury, who viewed the body and the surroundings. The room in which the body was found presented a horrible sight when to the minds of the jurors the manner in which the accident occurred and the terrible fight for life made by the poor woman became evident.

She had evidently risen about four o'clock and simply putting on her stockings and a lose wrapper over her knit undershirt had taken a small portable gas stove and placed it on a chair. Then connecting the stove with the gas burner overhead with a rubber hose had turned on the gas and lit the stove on which she had placed a small bucket of water. The match with which she had lighted the stove she had evidently placed upon the corner of the bureau at the edge of the window without extinguishing it. The match fell to the floor while still burning and she had gone into a rear room where the bath tub was and had turned the water on in the tub. Then turning to reenter the bed room she saw that the match had ignited the curtain and in her efforts to extinguish the blaze the loose wrapper which she wore became ignited and in a moment enveloped her form.

In her efforts to escape she had run to the door connecting her room with the office and had endeavored to open it, but being in terrible suffering, the flames from her clothing searing her flesh, she could not find the knob, and the marks of her hands on the door show that she had not reached quite far enough for it. Above and about the height of her head large black marks show where she had rubbed her head on the door in her efforts to retain consciousness long enough to escape from the room. The door leading into the bath-room show the same marks, though not so plain. In her struggles in the room she had knocked the rubber hose from the burner, which extinguished the stove but allowed the gas to escape into the room. The terrible sufferings and the escaping gas soon rendered the poor woman unconscious, and she sank to the floor where she was found by Mr. Zoeckler.

The testimony before the Corner's jury was to the effect that the unfortunate lady's name was Catherine Agnes Lacy, aged 36 years and a native of Canada, and that she came to her death through accident.

The room in which the accident occurred has been occupied by Miss Lacy for some time, and was the only room in the building which was occupied during the night, so that she was entirely alone. Miss Irene Kearney, a neice, had been in the habit of sleeping with her, but for some reason slept at home last night.

Mr. J. F. Kearney, a relative, who has been in the city for several days, but who left yesterday morning for Congress, where he is employed, was telegraphed to, and is expected to return this afternoon. The funeral will take place from the Catholic church tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

M. E. CONFERENCE.

Bishops Bowman and Forster to be Retired.

CLEVELAND, May 14.—Today's session of the Methodist Episcopal general conference was marked by the largest attendance of the session. The report of the committee on missions to increase the contingent fund from $25,000 to $50,000 was adopted. The committee also recommended the Hing Mua mission in China. It was adopted. The report of the committee on education which excuses the students from taking first examinations in branches in which they passed satisfactory examinations in some Methodist school, was adopted unanimously. The committee on church extension made a report against the extension of work in foreign lands. Dr. Buckley, the chairman made the report of the committee on Episcopacy. It stated that in the opinion of the committee Bishops Bowman and Foster are to old to stand the strain of the duties and recommended their retirement at the end of the conference as non-effective.

After a stormy debate of two hours the substitute of Bridgeman, of Minnesota, prevailed. It provides Bishop Bowman and Bishop Foster be relieved of active duties but continued in the board of Bishops and two new Bishops elected.

M. E. CONFERENCE.

Armenian Outrages and Massacres Denounced.

TIME OF MEETING CHANGED.

The Next Meeting of the Conference Will Occur on the first Wednesday in May 1900.

CLEVELAND, May 13.—The Methodist Conference opened today with Bishop Vincent in the chair.

A resolution was offered denouncing, in the strongest terms, the Armenian outrages and massacres, and referring to the apathy of the Christain governments of Europe and America. It closed by calling on Congress to pass joint resolutions authorizing the President to enter into negotiations with the European powers most directly interested with a view of interfering and preventing further massacres. The resolution also provided that a copy of the resolution be sent both houses of Congress. It was referred to the Committee on State of the church.

The proposition to change the time of holding the general conference from May 1st to first Wednesday in May aroused discussion on the point of constitutionality of the action. Three-fourths of the annual conferences approved it and it was approved by more than two thirds of the general conference. Dr. Leonard led the opposition. The vote stood 387 yeas and 19 nays. The next general conference will therefore meet on the first Wednesday in May, 1900

INTERNATIONAL COIN.

All Countries to Express Opinions on the Matter.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—The House Committees on coinage, weights and measures today decided by unanimous vote to authorize a favorable report on the resolutions introduced by Representative C W Stone, of Pennsylvania, providing that the President be authorized and requested to invite an expression of opinion from other principal commercial nations of the world as to the desirability and fessibility of the adoption of international coins to be current in all countries, the adoption of them at a uniform value and to be especially adapted for invoice purposes.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Isaac Ramero, burglary; plead not guilty and trial set for Monday next.

Jack Encinas, burglary; plead not guilty and trial set for Monday next.

Leandro Morens, assault with a deadly weapon; plead not guilty and trial set for Monday next.

Venire issued for forty-five trial jurors returnable next Monday morning.

L. W. Blinn Lumber Co., vs. Thos. Davis, et al; judgment for plaintiff.

W. A. Bulton, vs. Farmers' & Merchants' M. & T. Co.; judgment for plaintiff.

The Grand Jury came into court and reported that they had found true bills against Jose B. Mioza, rape; Fred Miller, grand larceny; Miguel Valenzuela, resisting an officer; Antone and Kisto Chu, grand larceny; and had ignored the charges against Fritz Jeffries, Ben Hall and Geo. Wilson.

Ben Hall and Geo. Wilson were brought into court and discharged.

J. W. Lacy, vs. John Newman, et al; judgment for plaintiff.

Livingston & Co., vs. A. M. Franklin; judgment for plaintiff.

Joseph Sloss, vs. Arizona Hardware Co.; judgment for plaintiff.

H. E. Kemp & Co., vs. Arizona Hardware Co.; judgment for plaintiff.

John S. Armstrong, vs. Otto Butzer; judgment for plaintiff.

Fred Miller, grand larceny; plead guilty and was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary.

Jose B. Moyza, rape; plead not guilty; trial set for Monday next.

Antone and Kisto, grand larceny; plead not guilty; trial set for Tuesday next.

Miguel Valenzuela, resisting an officer; plead not guilty; trial set for Tuesday next.

The grand jury returned true bills against David Warford and Wm. Smith, grand larceny; Carrie Wilson, assault with a deadly weapon; Anastas a Medina, assault with a deadly weapon; and ignored the case against J. S. Mosier, selling mortgaged property.

Rose vs Rose, decree of divorce decied.

Rosenbam & Co. vs M. Rosenburg; judgment for defendant.

E. Irvine vs H. Enlers et al; judgment for plaintiff.

L. W. Blinn Lumber Co vs The Agua Fria Construction Co; judgment for plaintiff.

David Warford, grand larceny; plead guilty.

Wm. Smith, grand larceny; plead not guilty and trial set for Monday.

Anestasia Medinis, assault with a deadly weapon; plead not guilty; set for trial Tuesday.

Carrie Wilson, assault with a deadly weapon; demurrer to indictment overruled and set for trial Tuesday.

Grand jury made their final report as follows:

To the Honorable Judge of the Third Judicial District of the Territory of Arizona, County of Maricopa:

We, the Grand Jury summoned for the May term, 1896, beg leave to submit the following as our final report:

We have examined into twenty-five cases, and found fourteen true bills of indictments, ignored nine cases and referred one case to the next Grand Jury, all of which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM S. PICKERELL,
Foreman.

Another report was also made in which it is understood four secret indictments were returned.

THE "Life of the flesh is the blood thereof;" pure blood means healthy functional activity and this bears with it the certainty of quick restoration from sickness or accident. Dr. J. H. McLean's Strengthening Cordial and Purifier gives pure rich blood, and vitalizes and strengthens the whole body. $1.00 per bottle. For sale at Keefer's Pharmacy.

THE DEATH PENALTY

Scott Jackson's Case Disposed Off by the Jury.

GUILTY OF MURDER

And the Jury Fix the Penalty at Death—Only Out Two Hours.

NEWPORT, May 14.—The Scott Jackson case went to the jury at 10 o'clock this morning at and 12:05 p. m. the jury returned and amid a deathlike stillness the foreman handed the verdict to the clerk who read as follows: "We the jury find the defendant Scott Jackson guilty of murder in the first degree and fix the penalty at death."

The judge had previously announced that no demonstration by the spectators would be permitted; consequently the verdict was heard with silence, but immediately upon the adjournment of court the spectators rushed to the jurors and shook hands heartily, Jackson showed no feeling except ashen paleness of the face. The father and brother of Pearl Bryan were present. The usual motion for a new trial was made and Jackson was taken away to jail.

COLORADO REPUBLICANS.

Wolcott and Teller Must be Endorsed.

PUEBLO, May. 14.—The delegates to the Republican state convention are split up into factions and unless a compromise can be effected the convention may split and two delegations to the national convention be elected. The Wolcott men threatened to bolt unless he as well as Teller be endorsed in the resolutions. Delegates from forty-one of the forty-two counties in the state had a caucus this forenoon and adopted the following, which will be incorporated in the platform: "We hereby endorse the course of our representative member of congress on the silver question, and heartily endorse Hon. Henry M. Teller in his stand and action in the United States senate on the tariff in maintaining that no tariff legislation should be passed by congress till silver is restored to its proper place in the currency of the country and there is free coinage of that metal at a ratio of gold at 16 to 1."

Chas. Brickaustein, of Cosjos, and C. G. Hart, of Pueblo, were elected delegates to the St. Louis convention from the second Colorado district by the Republican convention this afternoon. Senator Taylor was endorsed, and asked to lead the Colorado delegation. An effort to amend the resolutions so as to instruct the delegates not to bolt at St. Louis was defeated by a vote of 199 to 170. Bimetallism was declared paramount.

J. F. Sanders today received a telegram from Wolcott declining to permit his name to be considered in electing delegates. The Senator said: "I am too good a Republican to wish to create any division in my party in Colorado and too much concerned for the success of bimetalism and the great principles of the republican party to do so under any circumstances." This ends the prospects of serious trouble.

MAY FUSE.

National Prohibition and Populist Parties May Join.

CHICAGO, May 15.—Representatives of silver interests are making a strong effort to capture the forthcoming national Prohibition convention and secure the adoption of a radical free-coinage plank in its platform. This information comes from one of those directly concerned, and who says that the effort grows out of concerted action on the part of representatives of the silver interests in different parts of the country. Outside of the liquor issue the platform of the Prohibition and Populist parties have had nearly every thing in common, and it is believed by the silverites that if the Prohibitionists could be induced to come out squarely for free silver, the Populist convention to be held in St. Louis in July might be willing to put a prohibition plank in their platform, and perhaps endorse the nominees of the Pittsburg gathering for President and vice President. This would be practically a fusion of the two parties

FILLEY WINS.

Missouri Republicans Favor McKinley and Sound Money.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., May 13.—At 4:30 o'clock this morning the Republican State convention adjourned after resolving in favor of McKinley for President and sound money. The delegates at large are Chauncey R. Filley, ex-Congressman F. G. Niedringhaus, Major William Warner, J. H. Bothwell. The convention re-elected Chauncey I. Filley, chairman of the State central committee and adopted a resolution favoring him as a member of the national Republican committee to succeed R. C. Kerens.

A REMONSTRANCE.

England and Germany Object to Russia's Policy.

LONDON, May 13.—A special from Shanghai says the British and German ministers at Pekin protested against the action of Russia in occupying a part of the Foreshore at Chefoo contrary to treaty rights. The Russian squadron in Chinese waters will rendezvous at Chee Foo in readiness to occupy Port Arthur or Kiacho Bay on receipt of instructions from St. Petersburg.

GERMAN SUGAR.

The Bill Adopted by the Reichstag Today.

BERLIN, May 15.—The Reichstag today by a vote of 144 to 134 adopted the sugar bill, with various modifications and resolutions in favor of the early removal of export bounties.

THE NORTHERN PACIFIC.

Date for Sale Set for the First of August.

MILWAUKEE, May 13.—The date for the sale of the Northern Pacific property is set for August 1st. The real estate amounts to $10,000,000

IN THE SENATE.

Free Homestead Law for States and Territories.

MIXED BLOOD INDIANS.

Those That Have Maintained Tribal Relations are as Full Blooded Indians.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—The Senate committee on Indian affairs today considered the House bill providing for free homestead on public lands of Oklahoma for actual settlers and after amending so as to make it apply to all States and Territories agreed to report it with favorable recommendation. As amended it applies for homestead laws in all public lands states and as a matter of general importance the committee also agreed to a favorable report on the Senate bill defining the rights of mixed blood Indians. The bill declares that all persons who have Indian blood and have maintained tribal relations with any tribe of Indians, to be Indians and entitled to all the rights and privileges of full blood Indians.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—In the Senate today, Morgan of Alabama, presented a resolution concerning the Americans under condemnation at Havana. He said he would address the Senate on it tomorrow. The resolution directs the Committee on Foreign Treaties with Spain as to the trial of our citizens arrested in Cuba and now under sentence of death by Spanish military tribunal for alleged offenses, political or other character, and requests the Secretary of State for literal copies of the protocal signed by Caleb Cushing and the Spanish minister, and copies of the recent correspondence relative to the condemnation of Ams, at Havana.

Gallinger, of New Hampshire, offered the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, That the widespread business depression and the rapid increase of the public debt demonstrates that the existing tariff law does not produce sufficient revenue, and a revision of the law is imperatively demanded in the interest of the people of the United States."

Gallinger announced that he would address the Senate on this resolution in some measure before Congress adjourned. The resolution herstofore introduced by Mills directing that the Finance Committee investigate the effect on American products of the introduction of Oriental products was agreed to with an amendment by Allen of Nebraska, that the inquiry cover the relative labor cost in this country and the Orient.

PRETORIA REFORM PRISONERS

A Report that They Have Been Released.

LONDON, May 13.—It was reported on the Stock Exchange this afternoon that the Pretoria reform prisoners with the exception of the five leaders had been released subject to three years of banishment. There were fifty-nine, each sentenced to two years imprisonment with $10,000 fines or failing payment one year's imprisonment and three years banishment after the expiration of the term of imprisonment.

WANTS WAR.

Spanish Newspapers Urge That Hostilities Be Declared With the United States.

HAVANA, May 15.—*La Correspondencia Militair* in a leading article urges an immediate declaration of war by Spain against the United States. The writer says that the southern States should again withdraw from the Union and Mexico would invade the country to recover lost territory. Quick disembursement and a lasting humiliation would be the result, he says.

ELEVEN MILLIONS OF GOLD

Have Gone Out of the Country in the Past Twelve Days.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—Eleven million dollars worth of gold has been exported in the last twelve days. There is not the slightest indication of abatement in the foreign demand for the yellow metal and it is expected that Cleveland will take steps to secure legislation to check it.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT.

Reed the Choice of the Committee men.

CINCINNATI, May 14.—The *Commercial Gazette* has sent letters to all members of the Republican National Committee asking them their preference for vice-President provided McKinley was nominated for President. All but three had a preference for Thos. B. Reed.

MINERS FEDERATION.

Establishment of a House Under Discussion.

DENVER, May 12.—The Western Federation of miners convention in committee of the whole revised the constitution and discussed the establishment of a home for disabled miners.

DOCK ACCIDENT.

Heavy Loss of Marine Property and Possibly Life.

HULL, England, May 15.—A caisson of the extension of St. Andrews Fish Dock here broke suddenly today and the rush of water swept every vessel in the docks from its moorings, jamming them in a hopeless mass of wreckage Damage is estimated at $500,000. It is feared that there is serious loss of life.

IN A BODY.

Wholesale Desertions From the Spanish Army in Cuba.

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