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MACEO

He Is Still Reported on Earth

Thinks This Government Should Expel Spaniards From Cuba

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Public interest in the Cuban question was shown by a full attendance in the galleries of the senate to hear the speech of Senator Cullom, of which he has given notice. Before he was recognized for a speech, petitions for the recognition of the independence of Cuba were presented.

Cullom began by saying that while he was not disposed to criticize President Cleveland, he had hoped for a more positive expression of the true American continental policy from him. Cullom spoke of the record of Spain for cruelty and oppression: both in the home treatment of her own people at home up to the present century and in her policy toward the provinces on this continent.

Spain, continued to be, he said, what she has always been, a robber nation. The time had come, he declared, for this nation to announce the speedy termination of Spanish control of the island at the gateway of the Mexican gulf, necessary alike to the welfare of these islands and the people of the United States. The Cubans could never be conquered and the war of extermination must stop.

Cuba is already lost to Spain, Cullom claimed. The American people were coming to consider the Cuban situation as a great political continental question. It was the duty of the United States to use its powers to declare that no "charnel-house of ruin" shall be continued in West Indian waters.

"We shall not allow our sword to lie idle," said Cullom, "but free Cuba is the reward. Means must be found to settle the Cuban question speedily, and if other means fail we may consider properly the fair purchase of Cuba."

The senator received close attention throughout. He offered a resolution declaring that the "extinction of Spanish title and the termination of Spanish control of the islands at the gateway of the Gulf of Mexico are necessary."

Lives.

KEY WEST, Dec. 11.—It is learned positively that the report of the deaths of Maceo and Gomez are false. Both are believed to be near Maril, while Weyler is near San Cristobal, searching for Maceo. It is thought the latter will co-operate with Gomez, and then an advance on Havana is looked for.

Death Confirmed.

HAVANA, Dec. 11.—Dr. Maxim Zertuchau, the personal physician of Antonio Maceo, has surrendered to Colonel Lort, the Spanish commander at San Felipe, this province. The doctor confirms the announcement that Maceo was killed on December 7, near Punta Brava, in an engagement between the insurgents and the Spanish column commanded by Major Cirujeda.

Dr. Zertuchau was shot in the chin, the bullet breaking his jaw and passing out near the neck and shoulders. A second bullet wounded him in the abdomen.

Later.

ST LOUIS, Dec. 11.—A special to the Republic from Dallas, Tex., says: The head of the local committee received a dispatch from Key West making absolute denial of the Spanish reports from Havana of the alleged killing of Antonio Maceo.

The dispatch states that at 9 o'clock last night Maceo was again in Pinar del Rio province, and that his army was making successful operations against Weyler's forces; that since the turning of Weyler's left flank, December Maceo had captured more than 1500

stands of arms and immense quantities of ammunition, medicine and commissary supplies.

The dispatch also stated that within the next three days the Cubans are likely to turn Weyler's flank and win a decided victory.

The local committee says: "We know that sensational and glorious news of the patriots will come from Cuba on or about December 15."

The Truth Will Soon Be Known.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 11.—The Commercial-Tribune's Tampa special says: Every effort is being made to get news from Maceo's army, and within 24 hours the truth will be known. Men who have gone outside the city for information have been turned back with threats. No news has been received from any section of the Pinar del Rio country.

Last night, in an encounter five miles west of Havana, the Spanish troops got confused in the darkness and fired upon each other, five soldiers and one officer being killed.

UPRISING

In Blantyre Central Africa.

And Other Foreign Matters of Interest

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 11.—Advices from Blantyre, the chief town of British Central Africa, dated October 25, announced the dispatch of three British columns against 30,000 warriors under Chief Chikus H, who invaded South-west Nyassaland and burned the British missionary station besides massacring the inhabitants of a number of villages. The Portuguese at Tete have invited the co-operation number about 500.

Must Explain.

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—The Cologne Gazette says the German warship Condor is on the way from Port Natal to Lorenzo Marquez, where the German and Dutch consulates have been attacked and the British flag torn to shreds. The Dutch consul was wounded. Germany has demanded satisfaction of Portugal, Lorenzo Marquez being the principal town of the Portuguese in South Africa.

Were Drowned.

VIGO, Spain, Dec. 11.—The North German Loyd steamer Saller was totally lost off Corunna Celubedo. All hands were drowned. It is not known if she had any passengers.

Embezzlement.

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Ex-Alderman Frank C. Vierling, arrested on a charge of embezzlement, referred by W. E. Kleinsorge, of Sacramento, Cal., has made an assignment of his real estate interests. The Chicago Rubber and Mill Supply company, of which Vierling was president, also confessed judgment in his favor for \$11,025. Vierling's assets were given at \$100,000; liabilities, \$140,000. The assignment is said to have been necessitated by his arrest.

Wonderful Accident.

OAKLAND, Cal. Dec. 11.—Felix Gorsky, a laborer, had a piece of rock driven into his skull by a blast at Leona Heights quarry this morning, but was not even rendered unconscious. He was knocked by the blow and the fragment of rock pierced the bone of his skull, but he got up without help and took a car down to the receiving hospital, where he got surgical attention.

His case is pronounced one of the strangest ever treated at the hospital, for it was deemed almost impossible for a man to be hurt so without having raised a fracture or suffering concussion of the brain.

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CONGRESS.

Senate Pushes Immigration.

House Considers Alien Ownership of Land.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The senate got into the regular channel of business Thursday, taking up the immigration bill and partly perfecting it, and also hearing the first of the speeches on Cuba, those of Cullom and Calk. The disposition to put through the immigration bill was shown by the defeat of a motion by Gibson of Maryland to postpone the measure until after the holidays. Only thirteen votes, all Democrats, were given in favor of the postponement. The proposition served to involve Chandler, Lodge and Gibson in several spirited personal colloquies. The bill was not passed upon up to the time of adjournment, but the senate agreed to what is generally known as the Lodge bill, as a substitute to the house measure.

The substitute requires that all immigrants, over the age of 14 years, shall be able to read and write their native language and shall be required to read and write in the presence of an United States official certain lines of the United States constitution. The Cuban speeches of Cullom and Calk were listened to by crowded galleries, indicating the public interest felt in the subject. The senate adjourned over to Monday.

HOUSE PROCEEDINGS.

The house resumed the consideration of bills under the call of committees.

Boatner, from the fifth Louisiana district, whose seat was declared vacant at the last session, and who was sworn in immediately after the reading of the journal.

Scranton of Pennsylvania, from the committee on territories, then called up the bill to amend the act forbidding alien ownership of land in the territories. The bill sought to enable aliens to acquire title to real property under mortgage foreclosure. By the terms of the bill, they must dispose of such title within 10 years.

Hepburn caused something of a flurry by undertaking to arraign the supporters on the ground that they propose to go back on the plank of the platform on alien ownership. His remarks were particularly directed against the Populists, who he said, after declaiming against alien ownership, were now in favor of allowing aliens to acquire all they had hitherto declared should belong only to American citizens.

Catron of New Hampshire, the sponsor for the bill, declared that the bill did not permit alien ownership. It only permitted aliens in certain contingencies to control real property for ten years. Its purpose, he said, was to enable the people of the territories to get some of the benefits of capital. Capital was needed to develop the resources of the territory, and under the present law no alien could own a dollar's worth of real property, and no capital could be invested. He admitted that a combination of Populists and Democrats had carried New Mexico at the late election.

Hepburn declared that if that were the case, the people of New Mexico should have an object lesson. They should be taught to understand that their territory cannot grow under populism, and declared that unless, by the terms of the bill, it was restricted to the protection of foreign investments in mining claims which could not be developed by private capital, he would oppose it.

Murphy, delegate from Arizona, said no great national question was involved in the bill. Aliens should not acquire ownership under it. It was simply a question of whether the territories should be enabled to invite

foreign capital to develop their resources. It would be but simple justice to give the people of the territories this opportunity to obtain capital needed.

After some further good-natured bantering, the bill was defeated, 60 to 73.

MARKETS.

Wheat Is Again Advancing.

No Change in the Tone of the Local Markets.

Talkington's circular, Salem, Dec. 11: A telegram from Milwaukee says estimates recently made place the amount of wheat remaining in farmers' hands at 25 per cent of the crop of 1896. Deducting the quantity necessary to be used for seed, this leaves only 20 per cent of the crop to be marketed and shipped to distributing points. The statement of grain commission men and the record of receipts for the past two weeks tend to confirm this estimate.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Wheat for May opened at 78 3/4@79 1/2. Closed at 79 3/4@79 1/2. Cash wheat 76. Highest bid for May 90 1/2.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 11.—December wheat advanced 1c, January 1 1/2c.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKET.
Wool, Oregon choice 7 1/2@9; inferior 5 1/2@7 1/2, valley, 8 1/2@9.
Hops—Quotable at 8-1 1/2 for new.
Potatoes—40@75c per sack.
Oats—Milling, 1.05@1.20.

SALEM MARKET.
Wheat, 72c, per bu.,
Hay, haled, chest, 9.00; timothy 11.00.
Straw, 4.50 to 4.00.

Flour, in wholesale lots, 4.20; retail 4.60; bran, bulk 14.00 sacked, 15.00; shorts, 15.00@16.00; chop feed, 15.00, 16.00.
Poultry.—Hens 5c; Turkeys 8c
Veal—Dressed, 4.
Hogs—Dressed, 3 1/2@3 3/4.
Live Cattle, 1 1/2@2.
Sheep, Live, 1.50@2.00 cwt.
Wool, Best, 12c.
Hops, Best, 10c.
Eggs, Cash, 30c.
Farm Smoked Meats—Hacco, 6 1/2c; hams 9c; shoulders, 5c.
Potatoes, .50c per bu.
Onions—50c.
Dried Fruit—Apples, evaporated bleached, 7c—8c; unbleached 4c@5c.
Plums—4c.
Prunes—5c.
Beans—2c.
Lard—9 1/2c.
Butter, Oregon fancy creamery 20@25 1/2; fancy dairy, 18@20; fair to good, 16@18.
Cheese—Oregon full cream, 10.

PORTLAND MARKET.
Portland, Dec. 10. Wheat valley, 83@84 Walla Walla, 81.
Flour—Portland, Benton county, 4.40, 4.40; graham, 3.75; superfine, \$2.50 per bbl
Oats—White, 43@44c; grey, 41@42 rolled in bags, 44.25@45.25, barrels, 4.50@7.00; cases, 3.75.
Oregon, 60a75c per sack.
Hay—Good, 11@11.50 per ton.
Hops—9@10 1/2c.
Wool, Valley, 9@10c; Eastern Oregon 6@8c.
Molass, .15@20c.
Millstuffs—Bran, \$15.00; shorts \$16.50.
Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$2.50a3; ducks, 21; turkeys, live, 8.
Eggs—Oregon, 30c per doz.
Hides, green, salted 60 lb 7 1/2c; under 60 lb 6 1/2c; sheep pelts, 10@70c
Tallow—2 1/2c@3c.
Onions—85c per sack.
Wheat Bag—Calcutta 4.25@4.37 1/2.
Beans—small white, 1 1/2c@1 3/4c; lima 3 1/2c.
Hogs—Heavy, 3.00 to 3.35
Butter, Best dairy, 25@35c; fancy reamery 40a50c.
Cheese, 10@11c.
Dried Fruit—Apples, evaporated, bleached 6 1/2@7c; unbleached, 3 1/2c@4c; sundried, 4c@5 1/2c.
Pears—5c@6c.
Plums—pitless, 3c@4c.
Prunes—4 1/2c@6c.
Veal—small 5 to 5 1/2; large 4 1/2c per lb.
Mutton—Weathers 2.00; ewes 1.50; dressed mutton, 4c.
Beef—Steers 2.25; cows 1.75—12.00 dressed 3 1/2@4 1/2.
Cured Meats—Hams 10c—10 1/2c; bacon 6c.
Lard—in pails, 7c.

AT MARION'S CAPITOL.

At 10 a. m. today Sheriff F. T. Wrightman resumed the delinquent tax sale and before the noon hour had arrived a great many pieces of property had been disposed of. The sale was again resumed at 1:30 p. m.

CREAM COCONUT AND HONEY.

The rare new confectionery at A. D. Smith's, opera house block. 11-2d.

Shares.
NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The New York stock exchange has listed \$79,800,000 common and \$75,000,000 preferred stock of the Northern Pacific and trust receipts for \$3,000,000 of the Oregon Improvement Co's. first mortgage bonds.

FRAMES AND MIRRORS.—Low prices at A. D. Smith's, in the opera house block. 11-2d.
Mamma, Take Me.
Salem Jolly Lady Minstrels Friday Dec. 11th, at Reed's Opera House.

Why Forrest Was Not Posted.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—Harry Corbett presents the statement that his brother has failed to put up \$2,500 forfeit, and explains that the money is not to be deposited until the date set for the contest.

"If Fitzsimmons will agree to meet my brother before the Olympic Club of this city," said Corbett, "I will bet him from \$1,000 to \$10,000, and start putting up directly Fitzsimmons says the word."

Harry Corbett is in receipt of a long telegram from Jim Corbett authorizing him to make every effort to get on a match with Fitzsimmons, and Harry Corbett is out with the following definition: "Corbett will fight Fitzsimmons before the Olympic Club for from five to twenty rounds, and for a side bet of from \$1,000 to \$10,000 and for any purse offered."

A Strike.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—The employees of the Pacific rolling mills, numbering 325 men, are on a strike because of a reduction in wages. The business of the mills has been poor for some months, and not long ago the men were notified that a reduction must be made, either in the number of employees or in wages. The management decided to try the latter plan, but when wages were cut on piece-work 28 per cent, the employees struck, declaring the wages paid did not suffice for their support.

Don't Forget!

The date, Friday, December 11 at Reed's Opera House, the Jolly Lady Minstrels, composed entirely of Salem young ladies. Tickets now on sale for 25 and 50 cents at Patton's book store.

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