

## CUBAN HOME RULE

Herald Correspondent at Havana  
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Also Stated That Secretary Olney  
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Contents.

Cubans Will Not Accept It With-  
out the Guarantee of This  
Government.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—A dispatch to The Herald from Havana says: Your correspondent has seen an absolutely authentic draft of the home rule measure which Spain is about to concede to Cuba. The act provides for a legislative assembly, wholly elective, by an enlarged suffrage, and composed of a senate and lower house. Besides having the sole power to vote an especial budget of the island, this chamber has full power to draw up and control the budget of what may be termed the imperial expenses, or expenses of the army and navy of Spain, in so far as they are legitimately to be shared by Cuba.

This budget of material expenses will be sent to Madrid for the approval of the cortes.

With the governor general is vested the power to appoint all officials in the Cuban government with the exception of the directors general or collectors of the port, and members of the secretaries general of the government and civil governors of the province, who are to be selected by popular vote.

All of those who shall be appointed by the governor general must be confirmed by the assembly created by the reform measure in the same way that federal appointments require confirmation by the senate in the United States. This "deputado unico" as the Cuban assembly will be called, will have full and exclusive power to initiate all money and tariff bills, and no bill of this nature can be presented or considered by the Madrid government, until it has been approved by the Cuban assembly.

Was Approved by Olney.  
The reform measure was read to Mr. Olney in Washington last December by Minister De Lome and met his unqualified approval. Some slight changes have been made by the colonial minister, and council of state at Madrid, since Secretary Olney gave his approval. It is stated, however, that they are unimportant, more of the language than of provisions.

Liberal as these concessions seem, it is said that the Cubans will not accept any agreement to which the United States is not either directly or indirectly a party. This guarantee of arrangement is now being sought in the commercial agreement being negotiated at Washington. In this agreement, Spain clearly recognizes the new autonomy system in Cuba, and any failure to carry out the agreement now or to abrogate in future would be a breach of good faith with the United States sufficient to justify serious remonstrance and eventually, if necessary, actual interference.

Ground of Acceptance.  
If the terms of this pledge, given by Spain to the United States are sufficiently explicit and unmistakable, under this indirect guarantee, the Cubans will accept the reform bill. Otherwise neither this nor any other agreement, however made, will be accepted. This has been said many times during the last few days by the most authoritative leaders in the civil councils of the insurgents, and may be regarded as final.

### INTO A DEATH TRAP.

Spaniards Decoyed to Slaughter by the Insurgents.

KEY WEST, Fla., Jan. 29.—A Cuban who arrived on the steamer Olivette last night says that the Spanish guerrilla leader, Colonel Rotger, was terribly beaten Friday near Rosarios in the southern part of Havana province. He was induced to march to Rosarios with 200 men, by false information that 50 insurgents were near there wounded and ill. One of Maceo's men lay in wait with 250 men, one mile from Melena. Here the road was under a high, rocky hill. The men were hidden at the top. As Rotger's men marched into the death trap, they were saluted with a deadly fire of musketry. As the panic-stricken Spaniards attempted to escape, boulders were rolled down among them, preventing any regular order of battle. Colonel Rotger was wounded. Cubans say over 180 dead bodies were counted, including the wounded guerrillas, who were killed. Only 10 Cubans were lost.

### SHOT AT WEYLER.

Spanish Commander Narrowly Escapes Death by Cuban Bullets.

KEY WEST, Fla., Jan. 29.—According to advices just received from Havana, Captain General Weyler came within an inch of being killed by a hidden foe. Weyler and his staff were reconnoitering near Guinea. They reached the Gaudela hill when Cubans concealed in the bush opened fire with rifles, and four of Weyler's staff were wounded, including a lieutenant, who was riding by the general's side. The Spaniards fled. Weyler leading his staff. It is said that the four wounded officers were deserted. So enraged was Weyler by the attack that it is reported he has ordered the Spanish troops to desolate the district about Guinea.

Fatally Injured by a Tree.  
PERHAM, Minn., Jan. 29.—Nicholas W. Luce was fatally injured while

cutting down a tree, which fell upon him, breaking his back.

### MUST OBEY THE LAWS.

San Francisco's Chief of Police Gives a Warning to Chinese.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29.—Chief of Police Crowley is determined that if the Chinese residents in this city will not regard the laws of the state they shall forfeit all the privileges heretofore granted them, and over which he has discretionary control. In a curt letter to the Chinese consul general, forbidding the explosion of firecrackers during the Chinese new year season, he gives notice to all the local subjects of his celestial highness, the emperor of China, that they may not in the future hope for the least toleration from the San Francisco police department.

That the Chinese may know the full import of this letter to the consul, the chief declares that if he cannot prevent the explosion of firecrackers in Chinatown by the detail of men he expects to place there, he will march the entire police department into the Chinese quarter and compel, by force of numbers, the observance of the law.

### MOTOR AND MACHINE TOOLS.

Second Exhibition to Be Held at Munich, June 10 to Oct. 10.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—A second exhibition of motors and machine tools is to be held in Munich June 10 to Oct. 10, 1897, to which all manufacturers are invited. The exhibition of 1888 was of the same character, but the invention of new machines and the increase of motive powers within the last 10 years has been so great that the two expositions will offer opportunity for contrast. The General Industrial association of Munich celebrates by this exposition its 50th jubilee.

### BUYING AN ISLAND.

Harbor Project of the Valley Navigation Company.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Application was made during the day at the general land office by the Valley Navigation company of Wabasha, Minn., to purchase an island in the Mississippi river below La Cresent, known as Island No. 126. Representative Tawney appeared on behalf of the petitioners. The government owns all the islands and the secretary of war will be called on to pass on the question of sale. It is the purpose of the Valley company, if it can purchase the island, to improve it for harbor purposes.

### THE ARBITRATION TREATY.

Foreign Relations Committee Hopes to Come to Some Conclusion Saturday.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The senate committee on foreign relations again had the arbitration treaty under consideration for an hour and a half, but failed to reach a conclusion. The committee adjourned to meet again Saturday, when it is hoped that the senate will not be in session, and the committee can give the entire day to the treaty. There is a growing feeling in the senate that the treaty should be reported either favorably or otherwise, as a whole, or with amendment, and the committee is disposed to yield to the pressure to the extent of giving all time possible to the subject. The meeting was attended by all the members of the committee, and the discussion was very earnest. The necessity of guarding the treaty so as to prevent encroachment under the Monroe doctrine, was again the principal topic, the special point of controversy being the feasibility of preventing such encroachment by an amendment. The point was unsettled when the committee adjourned, but the belief was expressed that a conclusion might be reached at the Saturday meeting.

### THE OREGON DEADLOCK.

Half of the Session Gone With No Business Whatever Transacted.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 28.—With the end of the present week, one-half of the legislative session will have passed, and no business whatever has yet been done. There now seems little probability of an agreement between the senate and the Benson house, and while the present chaotic conditions prevail, no legislation can be enacted.

Mizner, a Democrat, who has been answering roll call in the Benson house, is expected to withdraw and leave the Benson again without a majority. It is now stated that it is the intention of the Mitchell men in the house to get together and vote for United States senator next Tuesday.

### PINGREE'S TWO JOBS.

Right to Be Governor of Michigan and Mayor of Detroit to Be Tested.

DETROIT, Jan. 28.—Attorney Fred A. Baker said he would bring the question of Governor Pingree's right to hold the offices of both governor and mayor before the state supreme court, on next Tuesday. The method of procedure not outlined, but it is believed that it will be in the form of an application for mandamus to compel the common council of Detroit to order a special election for mayor.

### Get Mail by Train.

PERLEY, Minn., Jan. 28.—The Moorhead Northern, the railway line running from Moorhead to Crookston, a branch of the Great Northern, which was put through last fall, has been equipped with a new mail coach and henceforth the mail will be carried by train instead of by the stage which has served faithfully for years.

### Dividend on Common Stock.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—The directors of the St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha railway have declared a dividend of 2 percent on the common stock. This is the first dividend ever declared on the common stock. A dividend of 3 1/2 percent was declared on the preferred stock. The dividends are payable Feb. 20.

## CABINET GROWS

Two More Members Are Added  
to McKinley's Official  
Household.

General Alger of Michigan Will  
Be Next Secretary of  
War.

Lyman J. Gage of Chicago Has  
Accepted the Treasury  
Portfolio.

CANTON, O., Jan. 30.—General R. J. Alger of Michigan, accompanied by Judge Thompson of Portsmouth, O., arrived on the Valley train from Cleve-



RUSSELL L. ALGER.

land. They were met at the depot by the McKinley carriage. It is believed that General Alger will be the next secretary of war.

### Alger Accepts It.

CANTON, O., Jan. 30.—"I have been tendered and have accepted the war portfolio," said General Alger to the Associated Press at the McKinley home at 8:11 p. m.

### GAGE GETS THE PLACE.

Was Offered and Has Accepted the Treasury Portfolio Under McKinley.

CANTON, O., Jan. 30.—Lyman J. Gage, president of the First National bank of Chicago, has been tendered and accepted the treasury portfolio. The announcement was made during the evening as Mr. Gage emerged from "Mr. McKinley offered me the treasury portfolio. I told him I would accept the high honor and fill the position to the best of my ability," said Mr. Gage.

Beyond this statement Mr. Gage had little to say. He declined to discuss any feature of the policy of the incoming administration, or to discuss any matter other than that relating to himself. He said there was no ground for the publication that he was a gold Democrat during the campaign, and that his only affiliation with the Democratic party was in 1884, when he voted for Cleveland. He also said that he and Major McKinley substantially agree on the tariff question.

### REYNOLDS FOR COMPTROLLER

An Iowa Banker "Mentioned" as Successor to Keisels.

CANTON, O., Jan. 30.—F. M. Reynolds of Des Moines, Ia., is in the city and called at the McKinley home. He was en route east and stopped here to talk over matters in Iowa, and the connection of that state with the cabinet. He said the people of the Hawkeye state would feel highly honored with the selection of ex-Congressman Wilson as secretary of agriculture.

Mr. Reynolds, is president of the Des Moines National bank, and is a personal friend of Lyman J. Gage. Mr. Reynolds' name has been frequently coupled with the office of comptroller of the treasury, and his friends have been urging him for that place. He says, however, that he personally is making no effort to get the office, but would of course take it if it were offered him.

### May Let Huntington Out.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29.—The annual meeting of the Southern Pacific company will be held in April, and it is rumored in railroad circles that the event will be marked by several important changes in the general officers of the company. Rumor has it that there will be a change in the complexion of the board of directors of the company, and that C. P. Huntington will be succeeded by Thomas H. Hubbard, in the important office of president.

### Felt Twenty-five Miles.

TOLEDO, O., Jan. 29.—A tremendous explosion of nitro-glycerine in a storehouse belonging to the Ohio and Michigan Torpedo company of this city occurred near Bradner, 25 miles south of here. The explosion was so tremendous that it was plainly heard here, and it rattled windows in the southern part of this city. William Mayerson of Toledo and Edward Dunnison of Rising Sun were blown to atoms.

### To Allow Pettigrew to Speak.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—In the senate the international monetary conference bill went over to allow Mr. Pettigrew to speak. The senate at 2:10 went into executive session, presumably to take up the nomination of W. S. Foran, to be commissioner of internal revenue.

### Earle Formally Elected.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 29.—The legislature met in joint session and formally elected Joseph Earle United States senator.

## PINAR DEL RIO BATTLE.

Spaniards Lose One Hundred Killed in the "Pacific" Province.

KEY WEST, Fla., Jan. 28.—News from Havana reports a hot battle was waged at Las Mangas, Pinar del Rio province, on Thursday, between one of Colonel San Martin's detachments and two troops of insurgents commanded by the brothers Delgado. The place has a Spanish garrison of 200 men. The Delgados marched to attack it and word was sent by the Spaniards to San Martin for aid. The insurgents prepared a reception for San Martin's band. The fight which resulted was a hot and bloody one. Major Andres, the Spanish officer, was killed with two of his lieutenants. The troops suffered terribly, the Cubans hewing their way through them with machetes. The Spanish loss is reported at over 100, while the Cubans did not lose over 15 men.

### No Clash of Authority.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 28.—The probability of a clash between the state and national authorities over the receivership of the First National bank of Newport seems now to be remote. Judge Helm is away in Washington, as are also Receiver Wilshire and Commissioner Hodge, who was to have been appointed receiver by Judge Helm. It now appears that the course proposed by Judge Helm will not be followed, and that there will be no interference with the appointment of Wilshire made by Comptroller Eckels.

### Army Barracks For Shelter.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 28.—Mayor Jewett has received a telegram from Commander Booth-Tucker of the Salvation Army, Chicago, offering the use of the army barracks and shelters in this city for homeless men and women during the present cold season. His honor has replied, gratefully accepting the proffered aid.

### Charitable Organizations Swamped.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 28.—Sixty-six destitute families have applied to the police for aid. No systematic attempt to relieve the suffering caused by the intense cold has been made. The two charitable organizations—the Provident association and the St. Vincent de Paul association—are swamped.

### Can Fight in Nevada Now.

CARSON, Nev., Jan. 28.—The glove contest bill, introduced to permit the fight between Corbett and Fitzsimmons to take place in Nevada, has passed the assembly by a vote of 20 to 9, the license being increased to \$1,000.

### Jones of Nevada Re-Elected.

CARSON, Nev., Jan. 28.—Hon. John P. Jones has been re-elected United States senator. In the senate the vote was: Jones (Silverite) 12, Fitzgerald (Silverite) 1, McMillan (Rep.) 2. The vote in the assembly stood: Jones 28, McMillan 2.

### BRIEF BITS OF NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone have left Hawarden on their way to the Riviera. Fitzsimmons has begun light training at New York for his battle with Corbett.

The First Nation bank of Olympia, Wash., has suspended because of heavy withdrawals.

Senator Wolcott of Colorado, who is visiting Europe in the interests of bimetalism, has left London for Paris.

By the explosion of gas in the Smock coal mine at Uniontown, Pa., two men were killed and seven injured, several fatally.

The Ohio Valley railroad, 180 miles long, running from Evansville, Ind., to Hopkinsville, Ky., will be sold at Henderson, Ky., June 1. The upset price will be \$1,050,000.

### THREE SPECIAL TRAINS.

Arrangements For the Pennsylvania Delegation to the Frisco C. E. Convention.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29.—W. A. Gillespie is here to secure hotel accommodations for the Pennsylvania delegates to the Christian Endeavor convention which meets here in July, and to arrange all the details of the itinerary of his party. He has traveled from Philadelphia west over the route to be traveled by the Pennsylvania delegation and made arrangements for their accommodations at places where short stops are to be made. The delegation will number not less than 350 people, exclusive of the many friends of the delegates and others, who will take advantage of the occasion to make a trip to California. They will travel by three special trains. Returning East they will come by way of Yellowstone National park, Minneapolis and St. Paul. The trip will occupy about four weeks.

### No Connection With the League.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 30.—D. D. Woodmansee, president of the National Republican League, while in Washington this week was advised that U. S. Glick, who had formerly been connected with the Republican League, was now traveling about the country soliciting funds and representing himself to be financial agent of the league, as well as the personal envoy of McKinley, Hanna, Woodmansee and others. President Woodmansee has had several inquiries about Glick, and has replied that Glick had no connection with the league.

### School Girls Duel.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Jan. 29.—Hattie Fletcher and Addie Foster, school girls, both colored, fought with pocket knives, returning home from school. Hattie, who was badly gashed, laid open the jugular vein in Addie's neck, causing death soon afterwards.

### An Elevator Destroyed.

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