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MONCURE ROBINSON DEAD.

He was a Director of the Seaboard Air Line and Well known in Virginia.

Colon, Colombia, Dec. 18.—The Colombian Line steamship Finance, Captain Daily, from New York on December 10, has arrived here, bringing the body of Moncure Robinson, of Philadelphia, a passenger on board that vessel, who died suddenly when the vessel was two days out.

Philadelphia, Dec. 18.—Moncure Robinson, who died suddenly while en route to Colon, was well known in this city, where he had been actively identified with railway and steamship lines for a number of years. He was director of the Seaboard Air Line, and also of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac railroad. He had been pretty well run down, and was on his way to Colon for the benefit of his health.

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IT MAY MEAN WAR

INDEPENDENCE OF CUBA TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED.

Senate Committee on Foreign Relations Adopts Resolutions Which Will be Reported Monday—It is Thought the President Will Veto the Measure, but There Will be Votes Enough to Override His Objections.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The meeting of the Senate committee on foreign relations to-day was important in two respects. It resulted in an agreement to report the Cameron resolution for the recognition of Cuban independence and it devolved through the statement of Secretary Olney the administration's policy in regard to the insurrection in Cuba.

The Secretary occupied the greater part of the time of meeting in answering questions and suggestions made by members of the committee. He and Senator Morgan engaged in general spirited colloquies. Mr. Olney made two points against the Cameron resolution:

1. That the Cuban insurgents have established no government.

2. That the right to recognize a new state rests with the President independent of Congressional action.

He contended in elaboration of the first point that the pretended government of the island was without habitation.

"Suppose you recognize the independence of the island," he said, "what are you going to do with it?"

"I for one," replied Senator Morgan, "while advocating this recognition want it understood that I am opposed to annexation."

"How then, would you maintain its independence?" asked the Secretary, himself becoming interlocutor. "How would you, for instance, prevent Spanish domination over the island?"

"I would," replied the Alabama Senator, "establish, if need be, a protectorate. I would follow much the same policy that we are pursuing with regard to Hawaii and I would send an army of occupation to the island, if necessary, as we did in the case of Mexico."

The Secretary made the impression upon some of the members of the committee by the way he pursued this line of inquiry that while he was disposed to hold out strongly for the President's prerogative, he was not nearly so strongly opposed to Cuban independence as he had been a year ago. He did not dissent strongly from a point made that his own report showed a sufficient cause for action and he admitted that a state of affairs which permits the killing of American citizens and the destruction of American property was deplorable.

"They are, however," he added, "the incidents of war."

"Not of war properly conducted, but of anarchy," was the response of Senator Morgan.

The Secretary set at rest the story which has been very industriously circulated that Consul General Lee had provided the State Department with an elaborate report on the condition of affairs in Cuba.

"It is not true," he said. "General Lee has made no general written report at all. He has made reports on several special cases, but not on the situation as a whole."

It also developed during the examination that the Government had made no demand in the case of the Competitor and in other cases of a similar character beyond requests for information.

The agreement to report the Cameron resolution was reached immediately after Mr. Olney left the committee room, a quarter past 12 o'clock, and was arrived at without division or expressed difference of opinion. The only division was as to the time the resolution should be reported to the Senate. Senator Cameron moved its report on Monday next. Senator Sherman suggested that the report should not be put in until after the holidays. When the question was put to the committee the Cameron motion prevailed by unanimous vote. "The resolution was slightly amended first, however, and now reads:

"Joint resolution acknowledging the independence of the republic of Cuba.

"Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the independence of the republic of Cuba be and the same is hereby acknowledged by the United States of America.

Section 2. That the United States will use its friendly offices with the government of Spain to bring to a close the war between Spain and Cuba."

Senator Cameron's report in support of the resolution deals at length with the question of precedents in the matter of the recognition of independence and in intervention of whatever nature by the United States, beginning with the Greek revolution and coming down to the present time. Senators who heard the report

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WILL BE MODERATE. The Manufacturers Will Ask Only for Fair Protection.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 18.—The executive committee of the National Association of Manufacturers met this afternoon at the Manufacturers' Club to discuss the arrangements for the annual convention, which will be held in Philadelphia January 26, 27 and 28. The unanimously expressed sentiment of the committee was that the manufacturers of the United States ought to be reasonable and conservative in their requests for tariff legislation by the next Congress, and to dispel the impression that extravagant tariff rates would be demanded, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this executive committee that the tariff laws should be revised at the earliest possible moment in order that uncertainty may be removed, confidence restored and business permitted to revive.

Resolved, That rates of duties should be made as low as possible consistent with the fair protection of our industries and the labor they employ.

PRIVATE BILL DAY.

The Session of the House Was Devoted to Passage of Pension Bills.

Washington, Dec. 18.—This was private bill day in the House, but most of the session was devoted to the passage of the thirty-seven pension and relief bills favorably acted upon by the committee of the whole last Friday.

The bill to pay Flora A. Darling, the wife of a Confederate general, \$5,681 for Tennessee and Louisiana bank notes, taken from her in 1864, while under a flag of truce, which was attacked by Mr. Dalzell last Friday, was laid on the table. Only five bills were favorably acted upon to-day.

One of them, a bill to refer a claim of Thomas B. Reed, a Pennsylvania soldier, during the war, an unpaid balance of salary to the court of claims, created some merriment, owing to the fact that his name was identical with that of the speaker of the House.

The other bills were to pay the officers and crews of the United States gunboats Kines and Choera \$12,471 prize money; to pay William B. Isaac & Co. \$16,987, the finding of the court of claims; to pay George McAlpin, the sutler of the 118th Pennsylvania Cavalry, \$6,906, illegally collected from him, and to repay Mathias Pederson, of Spring Valley, Wis., \$300 paid by him for a substitute during the war, Pederson not at that time being a citizen of the United States.

A night session was held for private pension legislation.

At the evening session of the House, fourteen private pension bills were favorably passed upon. Of these one grants a pension of \$100 per month to the widow of the late Gen. John Gibbon, and another, \$50 per month to the widow of the late Gen. W. A. Nichols. A large part of the evening was devoted to an effort to defeat the consideration of a bill giving a pensionable status to the supervisors of Gray's battalion of Arkansas volunteers of the Mexican war. The bill was opposed by Chairman Pickler, of the pension committee, and others on the ground that it was a general rather than a private bill. It was, however, voted upon and laid aside by the committee with a favorable recommendation. The House adjourned at 11 p. m.

MANY PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The House committee on public buildings voted to-day to report and place on the House calendar a large number of public building bills which it had practically agreed last session to report. The bills provide for buildings in Norfolk, Va.; Charleston, S. C.; Winston, N. C., and thirty-one other cities North and West.

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Do you ride horseback? You can see the finest line of saddles ever brought to this city at Farmers' Supply Company.

THE NEGRO BARRED OUT.

Adelaide, South Australia, Dec. 18.—The bill to restrict the immigration of the colored races has passed the executive council.

Van Lear Bros. have a nice line of Christmas goods, and will sell you presents at reasonable prices.

We call attention to the ad. of the E. H. Stewart Furniture Company on page two.

Don't fail to examine our line of buggy robes. Best in the city. Prices the very lowest. Farmers' Supply Company.

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BARGAIN. Slightly used Stieff piano, walnut case at J. E. ROGERS.

SHARKEY GOT \$8,500.

His Check Was Cashed and Now He Wants to Fight Maher.

San Francisco, Dec. 18.—Tom Sharkey, the pugilist, is to-day jingling \$8,500, the proceeds of the purse awarded him after he was knocked out by Fitzsimmons. Sharkey and his backer, Dan Lynch, went to the Anglo-California Bank to-day with a certificate of deposit for \$10,000. He was informed that attachments aggregating \$1,500 had been filed against his certificate.

"All right," said Sharkey, "give me the balance," which he received. Sharkey says he now wants another fight, preferably with Maher. The grand jury has decided to bring no indictments against Sharkey, Fitzsimmons, or their backers for the infringement of the State law against prize fighting, believing no convictions could be obtained.

COFFEE WILL BE CHEAPER.

The Arbuckles and the Trust Commence the Cutting of Price.

Toledo, Dec. 18.—The first effect of the Woolson purchase at Toledo was evidenced to-day, when the Woolson Company sent out announcements to dealers all over the country that they had decided to reduce the price of their coffee half cent a pound, and this has been followed by an announcement from the Arbuckles that the price of their coffee to their Ohio consumers had been similarly reduced half a cent a pound, which means that the first guns have been fired, and that the fight is already on for supremacy in the coffee trade.

At present the Arbuckles control one-fifth of the roasted trade in the United States, the product of their mills aggregating 1,000,000 bags a year. The Woolson mills have a capacity of 150,000 bags a year, but it is said that their plant will soon be added to, so that they can put on the market about 500,000 bags of roasted coffee annually.

As the Arbuckles and the Woolson Company receive their coffee direct from South America, the 350,000 additional bags that will be contracted for by the Woolson Company from that source will, it is said, take just so much business out of the hands of the jobbers in the trade here who sell to the smaller concerns.

"From all that I learn from the reports current in the trade," said a prominent coffee broker, "it seems to be the general opinion that the fight now on will be continued to the bitter end."

ABSORBED BY THE TRUST.

The Baltimore Sugar Refinery Gobbled Up by the Big Monopoly.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 18.—The Baltimore Sugar Refinery Company passed into the hands of the American Sugar Refinery Company, otherwise known as the "sugar trust," to-day as a result of a deal made through the Mercantile Trust Company, of Baltimore.

By the terms of the deal the local holders of preferred stock in the Baltimore company received cash for their holdings.

The local refinery has not been in operation for several months, and it is understood that there is no present intention to resume work, but that to-day's deal was made for the purpose of placating certain stockholders who objected to the continued idleness of the plant.

GIVEN UP AS LOST.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 18.—In maritime circles here the schooner Governor Hall is given up as lost. She left Philadelphia on November 23, in command of Captain Willis, with a crew of eight. Nothing has since been heard of her, and it is generally conceded that her loss is strongly probable.

A STEAMSHIP ASHORE.

Colon, Colombia, Dec. 18.—The Earn Line steamship Earnwell, Captain Hicks, is ashore off Venta Frio.

WILL BUY OUR WHEAT.

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 18.—The government statistician estimates that the wheat yield for New South Wales is 7,435,000 bushels, which is 1,250,000 bushels below the local wants.

New line of cheap 12 mo. looks at J. E. ROGERS.

You need good coal to keep you warm while indoors, and a good buggy robe to keep you warm while out for a drive. Both these articles you will find at the Farmers' Supply Company, market square.

For buggy, surry and wagon harness, bridles, blankets, etc., go to Farmer's Supply Company.

Pipes in cases, pipes without cases, French briar with genuine amber tips, mounted in gold or plain. Suitable for a Xmas present.

Massie's Pharmacy.

Have you been to see the Xmas goods at J. E. ROGERS, No. 11 Jefferson street.

EXPEDITION A SUCCESS.

The Three Friends Lands Her Cargo on Cuban Soil.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 18.—A special to the Citizen from Tampa says: Roberto Solar, who spent seventeen months in the insurgent camp of Col. Raoul Arango, in the provinces of Havana and Matanzas, arrived on the steamship Olivette last night.

Mr. Solar brought the interesting information that the Three Friends had landed its expedition.

"I was told before leaving Havana," he said, "that the last expedition of the Three Friends had been successfully landed on Tuesday night. I believe the report to be true as official circles in Havana were greatly agitated that night."

Speaking of the condition of affairs on the island Mr. Solar said: "There can no longer be any doubt that Maceo is dead. I saw a letter which should now be in the hands of the junta at New York from Brigadier Adolfo Castillo, who is fighting in Havana province, stating positively that Maceo had been killed by Spanish treachery. He did not give any particulars, saying that he would forward them in a few days, or as soon as he was satisfied that he had obtained the true story. I also saw the accredited agent in Havana, and he told me that Maceo was dead, but that his death was surrounded with mystery. I cannot doubt this proof."

"The conditions in Cuba are such that the Spaniards have dominion only over that part of the island on which they stand; this is principally the cities. The entire country is in possession of the insurgents, even that part immediately surrounding Havana. The talk of the insurgents being starved out and will always have so long as the soil of Cuba is productive as it is now; and then, too, they attack cities and villages, getting nearly anything they want."

"The world may not believe it, but the Spanish authorities are drowning some of their prisoners at Playa del Chivo (beach of the Goat), near Havana. Those whom they drown they declare belong to a secret negro society called 'Nanigos,' but as a fact they class anyone as Nanigos if they wish to drown them. The victims are taken out in boats, their hands tied up to their necks, and a weight fastened to them, so that when they are thrown overboard they plunge head downward into the water, which is alive with sharks."

KILLED WHILE HUNTING.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 18.—Carrington Mosby, a member of the firm of Pierce, Acres & Mosby, of Lynchburg, and a prominent young man there, while hunting with a party of friends near Durham Thursday, fell from his horse and received a kick, from the effects of which he died this afternoon. His wife and Dr. Preston were summoned from Lynchburg. They will return with his remains to-morrow morning.

FOR PERNICIOUS ACTIVITY.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Daniel F. Bourke, the custodian of the federal building at Worcester, Mass., and Julius A. McMartin, deputy collector and entry clerk in the customs service at Port Huron, Mich., have been removed from office for implication in political assessments during the recent campaign. Both men were in the jurisdiction of the Treasury Department, which has just notified the civil service commission of its action in dismissing them. They supported Bryan.

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