

CUBAN POSITION

CONGRESSMAN COOPER OF WISCONSIN TELLS OF HIS VISIT TO THE ISLAND.

WOULD TRY INDEPENDENCE

Anxious to Show the World That They Are Not "Thieves, Bandits and Cutthroats" as Some American Newspapers Assert—Believes They Will Eventually Accept the Platt Amendment.

New York, March 27.—Representative Henry A. Cooper of Wisconsin, the chairman of the insular affairs committee of the house of representatives, who has just returned from Cuba, believes that the chief danger in the Cuban situation is the policy of depreciation of the islanders which has been pursued in some newspapers, says the Washington correspondent of The Times. He considers this as accounting for most of the misunderstanding and ill-feeling.

"I went everywhere and talked with everybody I could find," said Mr. Cooper. "Spaniards and Cubans, men and women. I found that the Spaniards are annexationists. The Cubans are almost unanimously in favor of independence, even those of them who believe that annexation is inevitable in the long run. They want to try it for a while anyway, because, as they said to me, 'We want to show the world that we are not thieves, bandits and cutthroats.' I visited at the house of a Cuban family who were all educated in the United States. They took three of the New York papers and one Philadelphia paper, and were perfectly informed on American matters. They showed me a collection of clippings from American newspapers stigmatizing the Cubans as a worthless lot and predicting anarchy as a result of independence."

I asked what their views were, and they replied that they were in favor of annexation, and believed it was sure to come ultimately, but they wanted at least a term of independence, and we want it," they said, "just to prove that we are civilized human beings."

"I believe that the Platt amendment will be accepted. The opposition to it was as much to the way it was presented to them as to what was in it. Its Cuban opponents thought it was presented somewhat as an ultimatum, and that it could better have been arranged by a joint committee of Cubans and Americans meeting in Washington. But I think it will be accepted, and I also think that annexation will be the final outcome."

"Many things have retarded it. The first on the list I would place the wholesale, indiscriminate denunciation of the Cubans, which has been so common in the United States."

"I went about all parts of Havana at all hours of the day and night, and I never saw such an orderly, peaceable city. It is one of the cleanest cities in the world. Washington is a clean city, and yet I believe you could gather up more dirt in Washington than you could in Havana."

SECURED ABOUT \$5,000.

Seven Bandits Rob the Somerset (O.) Bank and Escape.

Somerset, O., March 27.—Seven bandits partially wrecked the Bank of Somerset by exploding a heavy charge of nitroglycerin in the vault doors, secured \$5,000, appropriated two lively rigs, held a posse of citizens at bay and escaped in the face of a heavy fire. Bonds and securities to the amount of \$30,000 and \$5,000 in gold coin were overlooked by the bandits. The bank was fully insured and its business will not be interrupted.

A heavy explosion in the bank building shortly before 2 a. m. aroused citizens living in the vicinity of the Bank of Somerset and many persons began to appear in the darkened streets of the village. William Lovett opened fire on the bandits with a rifle, but his aim was not of the best and the shots only served to draw the fire of the robbers. Soon citizens came to the bank from all directions and the robbers evidently began to think of escape. At a signal from the four on guard, three others emerged from the debris of the bank, bearing several sacks into which they hurriedly placed their loot. The robbers were under good discipline and their leader gave his orders like a military leader. They hurriedly clambered into two rigs and drove in a northerly direction. Citizens took up the chase and at 4 a. m. found the rigs deserted along the roadside.

Reports of Suffering Unfounded.

Washington, March 27.—In connection with the statements lately published of great suffering in the construction of military telegraph lines in Alaska General Greely says that official advices show them to be unfounded. There has been no suffering beyond that entailed by ordinary winter travel in the valley of the Yukon and along the regularly traveled mail routes.

Given a Verdict of £200.

London, March 27.—Arthur Chamberlain, in his libel suit against The Star and Morning Leader, has been awarded £200 damages. After the verdict in the case of Arthur Chamberlain, Neville Chamberlain's libel suit against the same papers was settled for similar damages.

Russia Will Build More Railways.

St. Petersburg, March 27.—The railway department of the Russian ministry of finance has issued a notification to metal manufacturers that a supplementary supply of 10,000,000 pounds of rails for state railways will be required during the coming fiscal year.

Refuse New Zealand's Request.

London, March 26.—"The United States government," says the Washington correspondent of The Daily Express, "has refused New Zealand's request to reopen the question of permitting British steamers to trade between Honolulu and San Francisco."

Killed in an Explosion.

Janesville, Wis., March 26.—James Horn and Daniel Preller, employees of the Janesville barbed wire works were killed by the explosion of a large gasoline engine used to furnish motive power. No reason can be given for the explosion.

Miles Back in Washington.

Washington, March 27.—Lieutenant General Miles and his party have returned to Washington after a short tour of inspection in Cuba. He told Secretary Root that in his opinion the Cubans would accept the Platt amendment. General Miles was particularly impressed with the fine condition of the batteries in the forts around Havana.

BRIEF BITS OF NEWS.

The British first class cruiser Terrible has been ordered from Amoy to Taku.

Earl Cadogan, lord lieutenant of Ireland, authorizes the statement that he will retain office for another year.

James D. Elliott of South Dakota has been appointed attorney for the United States for the district of South Dakota.

Mr. Balfour announced in the house of commons that the house would adjourn April 3 and meet again April 15, when the budget would be introduced.

The president has issued a proclamation announcing the acquisition by purchase of the islands of Cebu and Cagayan, forming part of Jolo archipelago.

The president has sent for Mr. P. C. Knox, the Pittsburg attorney. He is expected at Washington Thursday when the attorney generalship will be offered him.

A terrific wind and rain storm passed over Atlanta, Ga., Tuesday. A thousand telephones were temporarily put out of use. Otherwise the damage was nominal.

A collision occurred in St. Petersburg Sunday afternoon between the military and a body of factory hands. There was much bloodshed and many arrests were made.

Hon. George Willard, former congressman from the Third Michigan district, is dead, aged 77 years. He was elected to congress in 1872 and served four years.

A railroad accident, caused by a spreading or broken rail, threw two engines off the track in the Mississippi street yards at St. Paul and seriously injured three men.

Mme. Selmbach may never sing in public again. Her physicians have advised the famous soprano to cancel all engagements and retire to her home in Dresden for a rest.

The Peking correspondent of the London Daily Mail declares that the alleged modification of the Manchurian convention regarding Mongolia and Turkestan is "absolutely illusory."

LATEST MARKET REPORT.

Duluth Grain.

DULUTH, March 26. WHEAT—Cash No. 1 hard 76c, No. 1 Northern 74c, No. 2 Northern 68c 72c, No. 3 spring 63c 68c. To Arrive—No. 1 hard 77c, No. 1 Northern 75c, May 76c, July 77c.

Minneapolis Wheat.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 26. WHEAT—Cash 73c, May 74c, July 75c. On Track—No. 1 hard 75c, No. 1 Northern 72c, No. 2 Northern 68c 70c.

Sioux City Live Stock.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., March 26. CATTLE—Sales ranged at \$4.00@4.75 for heaves, \$2.25@3.75 for cows, bulls and mixed, \$3.10@4.30 for stockers and feeders, \$3.00@4.10 for calves and yearlings. HOGS—Sales ranged at \$5.10@5.55.

St. Paul Union Stock Yards.

SOUTH ST. PAUL, March 26. HOGS—Sales ranged at \$5.55@5.90. CATTLE—Sales ranged at \$4.50@4.90 for good to choice butcher steers, \$3.40@4.00 for good to choice butcher cows and heifers, \$4.50@6.25 for choice veals, \$3.30@4.00 for choice feeders. SHEEP—Sales ranged at \$4.50@5.25 for choice butcher lambs, \$3.90@4.65 for choice fat wethers.

Chicago Union Stock Yards.

CHICAGO, March 26. CATTLE—Sales ranged at \$5.00@6.00 for good to prime steers, \$3.75@4.85 for poor to medium, \$2.75@4.65 for stockers and feeders, \$2.70@4.65 for cows and heifers, \$3.45@5.00 for Texas steers. HOGS—Sales ranged at \$5.90@6.15 for mixed and butchers, \$6.05@6.30 for good to choice heavy, \$5.90@6.05 for rough heavy, \$5.85@6.07 1/2 for light, \$5.85@5.95 for bulk of sales. SHEEP—Sales ranged at \$4.50@5.00 for choice butcher lambs, \$4.30@5.10 for sheep, \$4.90@5.10 for lambs.

Chicago Grain and Provisions.

CHICAGO, March 26. WHEAT—March 74c, April 74c, May 75c. CORN—March 40c, May 42c@42 1/2c. OATS—March 24c, May 25c. POULTRY—March \$15.55, May \$15.70, July \$15.12 1/2. FLAX—Cash new \$1.51, No. 1 \$1.51 1/2, May \$1.54 1/2. POULTRY—Dressed turkeys 8 1/2@1 1/4, chickens 10c. BUTTER—Creameries 15c@16c. EGGS—Fresh 12 1/2c.

Remarkable Cures for Rheumatism.

From the Vindicator, Hutherfordton, N. C. The editor of the Vindicator has had occasion to test the efficacy of Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice with the most remarkable results in each case. First, with rheumatism in the shoulder from which he suffered excruciating pain for ten days, which was relieved with two applications of Pain Balm, rubbing the parts afflicted and realizing instant benefit and entire relief in a short time. Second in rheumatism in the thigh joint almost paralyzing him with severe pain, which was relieved by two applications, rubbing with the liniments on retiring at night, and getting up free from pain. For sale by all druggists.

Eugene J. Hall, the poet and publisher, says that one dose of Foley's Honey and Tar restored his voice when hoarseness threatened to prevent his lecture at Central Music Hall, Chicago. Nothing else as good.

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Many a man has been insured against Bright's disease, diabetes, or other dangerous ailments by a fifty cent bottle of Foley's Kidney Cure.

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The stomach controls the situation. Those who are hearty and strong are those who can eat and digest plenty of food. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat and allows you to eat all the good food you want. If you suffer from indigestion, heartburn, belching or any other stomach trouble, this preparation can't help but do you good. The most sensitive stomachs can take it.

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Robert R. Watts, of Salem, Mo., writes: "I have been troubled with kidney disease for the last five years and have doctored with all the leading physicians and have tried all remedies suggested without any relief. Finally I tried Foley's Kidney Cure and less than two bottles completely cured me and I am sound and well."

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WITH ALL ON BOARD.

Overdue German Steamer Brutus Lost at Sea.

Kiel, March 26.—The overdue German steamer Brutus, from Scotland for Kiel, has been lost with all on board.

REACHED THE DANGER LINE.

Grand River at Grand Rapids, Mich., Doing Much Damage.

Grand Rapids, Mich., March 27.—Grand river has passed the high water mark and reached the danger limit here. It is 12 1/2 feet above its normal level. Basements of factories, business houses and residences are flooded.

A dozen large factories on the west bank of the stream are idle because the water has reached their fires and many men are idle. A number of houses and factories are completely surrounded by water and boats are used to go and from them. The river above and below the city is more than a mile wide in places. The railroads are having trouble north and west of here from washouts.

Going to North Dakota.

Pittsburg, March 27.—A party of over 100 Western Pennsylvanians left over the Port Wayne railway during the day bound for North Dakota, where they propose to settle. The party consists of about 30 Dunkard families and they are going to the far Northwest to establish one of the famous Dunkard communities. They will be joined by others at Chicago, and it is probable in all about 500 will settle in North Dakota this year.

Good Health

Is doubtless the highest human good. It is especially so to women, to whom it means the preservation of beauty, happiness in the home, and the enjoyment of social duties. There can be no good health for any woman who suffers from womanly diseases. Her complexion fails. Her flesh loses its firmness. Her eyes are dull. She has no home happiness, no social enjoyment.

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