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FOUND CUBANS ORDERLY

CONGRESSMAN MOODY RETURNS FROM THE ISLAND.

He Thinks the People Are Equal to Self-Government-Effect of the Platt Amendment.

"The Cubans are a bright, clever people, and I believe they are capable of administering for themselves a steady, capable government," is the view expressed yesterday by Representative Malcolm A. Moody, who returned from a short visit to Cuba. After the close of the Congressional session Mr. Moody went to Florida and crossed over from there to Havana, where he remained two days. "I went over to Havana," said Mr. "on the same steamer with Genbeginning to recognize, however, that we are acting for their best interests, and their national assembly is bound to actheir national assembly is bound to accept it sooner or later. As a young republic Cuba is hardly capable of dealing successfully in diplomatic matters, and the Platt amendment simply protects the interests of the United States and Cuba in making it impossible for a Euro-The office of the receiver has been over-

is the national beverage instead of rum is the national beverage instead of rum or beer. The city is neat and clean since the American rule, and the yellow fever epidemics have been rooted out. In talking with a Cuban gentieman, they always ing with a Cuban gentieman, they always that the disgraceful of property, which must bring a certain or order to cover a claim against it.

able by the Cubana.

"The people are industrious. I didn't see an idle man on the streets and there are none hanging about the cafes. The streets of the city are lined with cabdrivers, but they never hall you after the custom of American drivers, but wait until engaged by passengers and then their terms are moderate. This is just one instance of the quiet, orderly manner in which things go in Havana. The Cubans have been painted as excitable and erratic. I found them just the reverse.

"On the whole, the people are satisfied with American rule, and the monney of the streets and there is a content of the property of the streets." fied with American rule, and the mon-eyed interests all favor annexation to the United States. The Spainsh merchants, bankers, and citizens all say that the Cubans are incapable of self-government, and that if the United States relenquishes its control they will take their belongings and go to Spain. During the Spanish occupation of Cuba the people were treated like slaves, and the Spaniards fear, when the Cubans are in full control, that their retaliation will make the country uncomfortable for a Spaniard to live in. The Germans and

the British also favor American rule, as do many of the Cubans. "If the Cuban Assembly accepts the Platt amendment, I believe it will eventriatt amendment, I believe it will event-ually result in American annexation if the United States favors it. There is a very strong feeling in favor of it among the people. This is combatted, however, the politicians, who have agitated independence for so long that it is very dear to them. I found also in Congress a feeling among the Southern represen-tatives against annexation because of the ition to which Southern products

ight be subjected.
"The Cuban soil is as fertile as it could suibly be, and the climate favorable. There is, however, a great contrast be-tween the modern citles and the country districts, as well as between the educity Cubans and the country peas-We drove out into the country, and near a modern sugar mill with a capacity of 120 tons a day we saw a poor . tainment.

peasant plowing the soil with a rude plow made of a couple of sticks, driven by a yoke of oxen. Sugar cane is car-ried to the mills on rude carts, evidently manufactured by the peasants, and stacked up like cordwood. Agriculture is backward, especially in the use of mod-

ern implements.
"At Havana I met Major Edward C. Brooks, an Oregonian, son of Quincy A. Brooks, appointed to West Point by Judge M. C. George, while in Congress. I also met Captain Medorem Crawford, of the regulay army, another Oregon man, and an Oregon ploneer. I went to the theater at Havana with Major Brooks and saw as representative a gathering as ever you would see in any American

Mr. Moody returned via Fort Tampa, New Orleans, and Los Angeles.

SALE BEGINS TODAY.

Assets of the Portland Savings Bank to the Highest Bidders.

Moody, "on the same steamer with General Nelson A. Miles, and I met the river and harbors committee just returning heart of the Portland Savings Bank will from Havana when I started at Miami.

Representative Cooper of the insular commondant Taylor streets. The sale has hear districted to the last has hear districted to the last has hear districted to the last has hear districted. n sale of the remaining as Representative Cooper of the insular committee was in Havana when I arrived. The impression which I received from the Cubans I interviewed while in Havana, was that they could have cheerfully accepted the Piatt amendment at the outset, if they could have had it submitted before Congress adjourned and have had a conference on the subject. The Cubana as a receive love their lib. The Cubans, as a people, love their liberty, and resent anything which they consider a summary action. They are the sale will be adjourned to at 10 o'clock

run the last few weeks by attorneys and obtaining information concerning the agents and obtaining and beating rain did not, however inter-Cuba in making it impossible for a European nation to gain a foothold there.

"I believe the Cubans are capable, however, of conducting a good, stable, home government. They are a bright, clever people, and I never saw a more orderly, sober, and temperate race. Havana is a city of over 200,000 people and you can't see a drunken man on its streets. Coffee is the national beverage instead of rum

conditions previous to the war were due simply to the ocupation of Cuba by the Spanish soldiers, and the inefficiency of the Spanish Government. The Spanish the amount bid at the time the bid is accepted, the balance of the purchase price the help of the spanish soon as a deed can be executed to the spanish soon as a deed can be executed. cuted. In the case of bills receivable and other personalty, cash will be demanded

HOUSE-WARMING TONIGHT.

Young Women's Christian Associa tion Now at Home.

The formal opening of the home of the Young Women's Christian Association tonight is being looked forward to with unusual interest, and will no doubt attract a large gathering. The rooms are situated over Woodard, Clarke & Co.'s, in the Macleay building, fifth floor, where the Oregon Telephone Company used to have a flowery play by pretending to find a \$10 its headquarters. They are sunny, complete in it, but the crowd jeered him modious rooms, charmingly fresh and artistic in decoration, and thoroughly home-like. There are seven rooms altogether; the walls are a delicate apple-green, blending very harmoniously with the light-colored natural wood. Large windows look out on Washington street and

The largest room of the group is, of course, the assembly room, which, every day at noon, will be converted into a lunchroom. There is an attractive parlor a reading-room where the latest maga-zines may be found, and a cozy "rest-room." furnished with couches, where headaches and blue devils will speedily take wings and fly away. The kitchen is fresh and new, furnished with modern appliances; and near at hand is a pleasant bathroom, where for a triffing fee any member may take cold or hot bath. The secretary, Miss Hunt, has a tiny office, in which she is to be found on week days from 9 A. M. to 9:39 P. M. The hours for

Sunday will be announced later, All in all, this is an ideal home for Portland young women, who are to be congratulated upon the many thoughtful contrivances for their comfort and enterWindow Shades made to Order Lace Curtains and Portieres Made Here. Regular Prices. to Order Here.

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Yesterday was one of the stormiest and most disagreeable days of the year, not-withstanding that it was All Fools' day. The clerk of the weather appeared to have slipped a cog and to be under the impression that he was ushering in the fere with the usual first of April ceremonles. The headquarters for fooling people were located at the corner of Front and Morrison streets, by the Esmond Hotel, and for several hours the streets in that vicinity echoed with the vells and uproarious laughter of crowds llected on three corners of the inter-On the other corner a rather section. plethroic-looking purse had been nailed to the sidewalk, and only a few feet away an umbrella had been made fast in the same manner. In view of the fact that the other three corners were crowded with deeply interested spectators, and that windows of the Esmond were also crowded, it was astonishing how many

persons stopped and endeavored to gather in that purse and umbrella. Men and women, old and young, tried to secure first the purse and next the umbrella; men and boys would go off their bicycles and grab for them, and at each successive failure the crowds would yell and shout. The fun went on for a long time, and the street in front was littered with umbrella covers, ribs and handles. for once in a while some victim would get mad, and, taking hold of the umbrella with both hands, yank it loose and pro-ceed to break and tear it to pieces. There are, however, lots of old umbrellas in this

country, and in a moment another would be spiked to the sidewalk. One man tore the purse loose and made piece in it, but the crowd jeered him worse than the other victims. People got tired of laughing and went away, but others filled the ranks. Every time the draw of the Morrison-street bridge would open there would be a hall, but when it closed a new procession of victims came trooping on to create more fun till everywas satisfied.

LABORERS IN BIG DEMAND Prospects for Increased Inquiry as

the Season Advances.

Portland employment agents report a good demand for laboring men in the log-ging camps and on the construction of logging railroads. Farm and dairy hands are also needed, but the wages paid are not so high as in the timber, where men are paid from \$1 25 to \$2 a day and board. se who are engaged in employing men predict lively times in the Northwest this mmer, as these men are in touch with contractors and others whose business it is to watch for the indications for werk. The present activity of surveying parties along the lower Columbia is considered a

forerunner of plenty of railroad work in that region.

"There is no excuse for men going idle now," a leading agent said yesterday. "as we could send out 150 men today, if we could get them. There is considerable work in the city, in the way of street grading, but there are men enough in town to fill all vacancies. Laborers, howcountry, if they think they stand any show for city jobs."

ALL BUY SMITH PREMIER TYPEWRITERS.

The following have purchased from L. & M. Alexander & Co., 245 Stark street, during the month of March, new Smith Premier Typewriters, many of whom exchanged as part payment other standard

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