

Administration in Cuba Held Extravagant. McLELLAN MAKES CHARGE

House Again Considers the Reciprocity Measure. DEBATE IS WARMING UP

Republican Member From Minnesota Speaks in Opposition to the Bill—Missouri Democrat Grows Facetious.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—The House today resumed consideration of the Cuban bill. The only notable incidents of the day were the speeches of Mr. Stevens, a Republican member from Minnesota, who spoke in opposition to the bill, and the speech of Mayor-elect McClellan, of New York.

Stevens opposed the measure for reciprocity with Cuba at the last session. Today he argued the bill was a "crucial blow" at one of the most important agricultural industries in this country, and that the measure will imperil our vast foreign trade.

McClellan delivered his valedictory to the House, making an argument in favor of the bill, during the course of which he criticized the administration of General Wood in Cuba, and charged the Republicans with responsibility for what is lacking in the fulfillment of the duty of the United States to Cuba. Four hours were devoted today to debate on the measure, ten members speaking. Under the rule two days more are given for speeches.

New Members Sworn In. When the House convened Fowler (N. J.) and Brundage (Iowa, Ark.) were sworn in, after which the House went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the Cuban bill.

Knapp (N. Y.) was the first speaker today. Stevens (Minnesota), who followed, spoke for 30 minutes in opposition to the bill. He said that while a firm protectionist, he believed the time had come when some reduction in the present tariff schedules must be made.

"I believe the measure is a cruel blow to one of the most promising agricultural industries of this country," said Stevens, adding that there would be a greater reduction in revenues than estimated by advocates of the bill.

Clark (Dem., Mo.), speaking of the rule cutting off amendments to the bill, said the probability is that the Democrats will control the next House and elect the next President, adding:

"The more of these ironclad rules you ram down our throats, the more you will have rammed down yours."

Turning his attention to the Cuban bill, Mr. Clark declared with emphasis that the Republicans could not pass the bill without the Democratic vote in the House, adding, "And you know it."

Clark then got back to politics, and quoted what he termed Republican battle-cries:

"Your Uncle Mark invented 'Let well enough alone.' He afterward converted this into 'Stand pat,' and then the able chairman of the ways and means committee (Payne) added a little 'Keep on letting well enough alone,' and then when your Uncle Mark was being punished over the ropes out in Cuba by General Theodore Roosevelt and Senator Foraker he added, 'For God's sake, let's keep on letting well enough alone.'"

McClellan (N. Y., Dem.), who will soon resign from Congress to assume the duties of Mayor of Greater New York, followed. He said there was an argument in favor of the enactment of the bill which rose above party lines and invoked the duty and honor of the United States.

"As we make it impossible for Cuba," said Mr. McClellan, "to seek alliances elsewhere, it is a duty we cannot shirk to permit her to appoint a minister to our political and commercial relations with us."

IN A NEW DRESS EILERS PIANO HOUSE ON DRESS PARADE THIS WEEK. Everything in the Extensive Establishment Bright and New—A Showing That Will Do Credit to the Most Metropolitan City in the Country.

For the past two months there has been a whole swarm of carpenters, decorators, painters, electricians and plumbers all over Eilers Piano House busy remodeling and re-decorating the interior. The efforts have been moved and enlarged to accommodate the greatly increased clerical force; new floors laid, the organ loft extended, show-window space increased and fitted with a handsome inlaid floor, and Recital Hall that has been the scene of so many delightful musicales, has been refitted with the finest of materials, which now fills half the block between Seventh and Park streets, a new and beautiful building about it is bright and handsome and modern, and in thorough good taste. The establishment would do credit to any city in the country.

The most important and interesting feature of the store is the instruments. The floors are filled with the very choicest pianos and organs this age produces, these in various styles, many of them now to be seen here is something amazing. No less than twenty-three different makes of choice pianos and dozens of styles of each make are here displayed.

Most prominent, of course, are the Chickering masterpieces such as have never heretofore been seen in the West. A beautiful, largest size Chickering in prima vera mahogany deserves special mention. A carload of the now famous Chickering quarter-grand, especially selected for this store, will arrive in the next few days. The choice of Weber art pianos are to be found in this collection. The famous Louis XIV style (patented design) is represented by two most exquisite masterpieces, as is also the beautiful Renaissance, and the Colonial upright. Many choice samples of the modern Weber baby and factor grand are to be seen here, together with a large and varied assortment of Webers of regular catalogue styles.

Do not fail to examine and hear the beautiful Orchestral grand uprights of the now famous Kimball make. These are the styles that so completely captivated and received the highest commendations as to the beautiful singing and sustaining quality of tone, and the general excellence of the Kimball Pianos. Each year the Kimball has proven a marked advance and impossible though it may seem, this season's Kimball pianos are again superior to those of the past, and probably more evenly and correctly voiced than ever before. The most beautiful are expected before the end of the month.

Then these masterpieces of the renowned Voice of Boston. These are the finest and most thorough construction, combined with most artistic and chaste designs of cases, than any finer American piano than the Voice.

Another piano deserving of special mention is the Lester of Philadelphia. Coming to us first a little over a year ago, the Lester has quickly won favor in the highest musical circles. The late arrival of Lester pianos are marvels of highest-class piano construction, and will please the most fastidious. The famous Payne pianos are here today in exceptionally fine assortment and variety. Some of the most beautiful large Colonial uprights, plain and heavily decorated cases, of rich and beautiful tone, quality the highest musical requirements.

In addition there are such other well-known and popular makes as the Hubert M. Cable, Bush & Gertz, Weser Orchestral, Haddorf, Pease, Schumann, Milton, and many others. These instruments are also displayed.

The entire store is on dress parade this week and the public is cordially invited for its inspection. To anyone interested in fine piano or organ, or in the growth of Portland both commercially and in musical interests, as evidenced by the phenomenal expansion of this, a visit to Eilers Piano House will be full of interest and entertainment. Remember the address—quarter block of fine pianos—321 Washington street, corner Park.

spoke on the Republican side in favor of the bill, and Mason (Ark.), Thomas (N. C.), Hughes (N. J.) and McDermott (N. J.), on the Democratic side, also spoke in favor of the bill.

At 4 P. M. the House adjourned.

Senate Puts in a Short Day. WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—When the Senate met today, a number of bills and petitions were presented. Most of the bills were referred to the appropriate committees, and the Senate then went into executive session and ten minutes later adjourned.

The "Different Store" Olds, Writman & Co. Olds, Writman & Co. Olds, Writman & Co. Fifth and Washington Sts. THOUSANDS OF FORTUNATE FOLK Will Tread a Well-Beaten Path to This Store Today

NEW DRESS STUFFS and SUPERB RELIABLE SILKS Last Day of These Prices

38 and 46-inch all-wool Henriettes, with beautiful silk finish, very desirable for house goods. All staple colors, our regular 75c a yard goods; special for today only..... 59c

46-inch all-wool French Henriettes, very highly finished, good weight and durable, nicely suited for making the children's plaited dresses and house gowns, all staple wanted colors; our regular \$1.00 a yard goods. Special for today only, per yard..... 71c

52-in. Scotch mixed Yam Suitings, in plain and two-tone color combinations, fashion's latest fave for the smart street suits. Grays, tans, browns, navy and Oxford mixtures, absolutely all wool and grand values at our regular price of \$1.50 a yard; for today, on special sale at, the yard..... 89c

Reliable Black Silks at Special Sale Prices Today only on special sale Silks that have no equal at the regular price in Portland.

600 yards 19-inch Black Taffeta, very heavy and pure dye, with rich, high finish, unequal at our regular price of 85c a yard; special for today only..... 69c

596 yards 23-inch Black Taffeta, high finish and very heavy, all pure dyes, excellent wearing quality, for linings, suits and drop skirts, unequal at our regular prices of \$1.15 per yard; special for today only..... 89c

565 yards 36-inch all pure yarn dyed Black Silk Taffeta, the best silk made in America, with beautiful high rich finish, and warranted to give good wear; splendid value at our regular price of \$1.65; for today, special at..... \$1.37

19-inch very heavy pure Silk Peau de Soie, splendid for waists or gowns, and exceptional value at \$1.25 a yard; for today only at..... 98c

21-inch very heavy pure dye all-silk Peau de Soie; our regular \$1.35 a yard quality, special for today at, the yard..... \$1.06

23-inch warranted to wear Peau de Soie, no better to be found for durability at any price; our regular \$1.50 a yard number; special for today only..... \$1.23

The Great Annual Sale of Thanksgiving Table Linens is now in full sway. Big Sale of Laces. Special Sale of \$1 Ribbons for 48c today. Rousing Sale of Decorated China, Kitchenware and Silverware keeps 'em hustling on 3d floor. Unparalleled Sale of Superb Antique Oriental Rugs is at its height---4th floor. Sale of Women's Wear and Corsets continues. Monster Sale of Fashionable Winter Shoes keeps up A grand series of sales positively unmatched in Portland is on all week at this reliable old store.

UNDERWEAR vs. THE DOCTOR One scribbling scribe, who writes to people every day about what his store is doing, said a bright time the other day when he suggested that if everybody were right underwear at right time there'd be fewer doctor's bills to pay—then he wondered if physicians wouldn't take offense at the suggestion and think he was trying to put 'em out of business. That's certainly funny. If we had some magic sort of underwear that would keep everyone well, we'd guarantee the doctors would all be falling over themselves writing prescriptions for underwear, to be filled at this store, instead of for drugs at the pharmacies. This, however, is out of the question—but what we can and do do is to advise what sort of underwear to wear—and we'll only advise absolutely the best makes and most perfectly shaped, at the lowest possible prices—and some seemingly impossible—and to show you at all times the biggest assortments to select from. In order to do this we search the mills of the world, at home and abroad—buying in immense quantities at lowest possible price concessions—more than this store can do, except to accept some such similar lucky chance as brought to us the examples we print below under the title head of "SPECIALS." In regular lines none are quite so good.

For Women's Wear For Women

As the famous Swiss Imported Zimmerli Undergarments, of silk and wool, ribbed fabrics, separate vests and pants, in a price range running from, the garment..... \$1.75 TO \$3.50 Or the Merode, perhaps the most perfect in material, make and fit of any domestic undergarments for women's wear; the sizes are absolutely standard, graded throughout the garment to fit the form perfectly at every point—for instance, a 32 bust measure vest or a 28 waist measure pants fits as perfectly at every point as at the one from which its size is marked; these garments are hand-finished throughout and shown in full lines in our stocks, either in the Combination Suits or separate pieces—The Suit..... \$1.00 TO \$4.50

The Stuttgart Undergarments are of selected worsted yarns, famous for splendid wearing, sanitary qualities and recommended for wear by all who need warm wool underwear. Single garments..... \$3.00 Union Suits..... \$6.00 Splendid, well-made, Merino Undergarments for cold weather wear; up from..... 50c Boys' or Girls' sizes in a full range of sizes and qualities, up from..... 25c TO \$2.25 Warm Cotton Fleeced or Worsted Hosiery for Women and Children, the biggest line and best qualities in Portland—Pair..... 25c TO \$1.00

For Men's Wear The Famous Staley Undergarments—In 24 styles for choosing, either in the flat or ribbed fabrics—The garment..... \$1.00 TO \$4.50 The Stuttgart in four weights to suit all grades of body temperature at a price to suit the most modest purse. The Lewis Underwear in all sizes and also Dr. Deimel's Linen Mesh; all the lower and medium-price grades in either flat or form-fitting ribbed fabrics, in a grand choosing now up from, the garment..... 50c

SPECIALS Men's Natural Wool Mixed Shirts or Drawers, a warm heavy garment for the cold days now surely here—A splendid \$1 value this week at..... 73c Men's Heavy Derby Ribbed Cotton Undervests or Drawers, splendid for those who find wool uncomfortable, the best dollar garments of this make ever shown here; this week only..... 79c Men's Sweaters in a large variety of colors, plain or fancy, wool or worsted; just the needed garments now for out-of-door workers and exercisers at the lowest prices in the city—a special value for the week is a line of Men's honey-combed knit Sweaters in fancy colors; regular \$2.50 values for..... \$1.59

Warm Gloves for Women and Children Big assortments, pretty new fashionable selections of every best sort, all prudently priced; Ladies' Golf Gloves of silk and wool and merized fabrics; colors black, red, navy, white, mode and fancy Scotch mixed; up from..... 35c TO \$1.25 Ladies' and Children's Warm Mittens, in silk or wool and all leading, pretty colorings; also black; pretty Scotch mixed patterns in the choosing—Pair..... 25c TO \$2.25 Ladies' Mocha and Suede Gloves, lined or unlined, very fashionable, black or wanted colors, combine style with warmth..... \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00

DIDN'T YOU THINK OF Warmer Bedding LAST NIGHT? We knew this cold weather was on the way, 'twas no surprise to us—that's why we're so well prepared in all lines, none better, however, than in WINTER BED COVERINGS. Our "Downline" Comforts are the finest made, every one an extra large size, covered with plain silkoline, each..... \$2.50 Covered with fancy figured silkoline, each..... \$3.50, \$3.25 AND \$2.75 Covered with fancy figured sateen, each..... \$4.50 Laminated Cotton Batting Comforts, covered with figured silkoline, at, each..... \$1.75, \$1.50, \$1.35, \$1.25

OUR BLANKET SECTION Is unsurpassed in all the West in its showings— Full size white wool Blankets, with fancy pink, blue or scarlet borders— for, per pair..... \$6, \$5 AND \$4.50 We also show them up from, per pair..... \$11 TO \$25 A full, splendid line of Indian Robes, from, each..... \$6, \$5.75, \$5.50, \$5 TO \$4 Also plain Robe Blankets, for bath robes, at, each..... \$6.50 TO \$3.75 Choice silver gray Blankets, with white, blue or pink borders, per pair..... \$4.00 Finer grades also up to, pair..... \$11.00 Mottled and plain gray Blankets for, pair..... \$6, \$4, \$3.50, \$3 TO \$2.75 Scarlet Blankets for, pair..... \$9, \$7, \$4.50 TO \$3.75 Brown or Vienna Blankets for, pair..... \$7.25 TO \$4.50

EVERYTHING NEEDED FOR MAN'S COMFORT in the Men's Haberdashery. First Floor. Men's Winter Gloves Mocha, lined with silk or unlined, splendid fitting, warm and dressy; browns in all the sought-for shades or in popular grays..... \$1.50 The Men's Monarch in either kid or Mocha..... \$2.50 The Men's Derby in kid for..... \$2.00 English Cape Stock—Heavy, dressy stock in fashionable Craven tan colors, a favorite glove for light driving during the Winter season..... \$1.50, \$2.00 Dent's in either heavy or medium-weight stock, a splendid glove for fastidious men..... \$2.00 Silk Lined Kid Gloves..... \$1.50 Golf Gloves and Mittens in a pretty assortment of plain and fancy knit worsteds—Pair..... 35c TO 75c Boys' Gloves and Mittens—Pair..... 25c, 35c AND 50c

Men's Heavy Winter Hosiery In every wanted weight of cotton, merinos or cashmeres, and every popular color. Special This Week—Men's Hosiery with natural gray cashmere foot and black cotton top; a grand value at 40c—Special at, pair..... 25c Men's \$1.25 Flannellette Night Robes—Special this week for..... 89c Other regular grades up from..... 50c TO \$1.50 Men's Bath or Lounging Robes in big variety..... \$4.50 TO \$15 Men's House Jackets, the full holiday lines now ready..... \$4.50 TO \$20

Grand Hosiery Specials A record-breaker special for the boys. A first-class Maco yarn Hose, with finished foot, double knee, heels and toes, a fine brilliant black, doubled ribbed and elastic. Regular prices, 6 to 7 1/2, 25c; special..... 18c Regular prices, 8 to 8 1/2, 30c; special..... 22c Regular prices, 9, 9 1/2, 10, 35c; spec..... 25c

Democrats Fill Vacancies. Teller Will Leave Finance Committee for Judiciary. WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—The Democratic steering committee spent three hours today in filling minority vacancies

on committees. No definite agreement has been reached, though it is known several changes have been made in important committee assignments. It has been decided that Senator Teller shall retire from the committee on finance to resume his old place on the judiciary committee. This will leave three Democratic vacancies on the finance committee, and they will be filled by the appointment of Senators Dubois, Gorman and Bailey. Republicans Go Over Committees. WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—The Senate committee appointed by the Republican caucus to fill vacancies on standing committees held its first meeting today. Senator Hawley, ranking Republican member of the inter-oceanic canal committee, has asked to be relieved from duty on the committee because of ill-health. The report that Senator Morgan will withdraw from the committee when he is deposed

from the chairmanship, which it has been decided shall go to Senator Hanna, is not credited by either Republicans or Democrats. LABOR WAGES FIGHT ON SMOOT Fears if He Gets on Emigration Committee Mormons Will Be Favored. WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—The American Federation of Labor is endeavoring to prevent the election of Senator Smoot to a position on the emigration committee. The association has not protested against the Senator holding his seat, but is opposing vigorously his application for a committee appointment, which they allege would give him an opportunity to promote the emigration of Mormons from Europe. Albert Schulte, as a member of the legislation committee of the American Federation of Labor, is making a canvass of Republican Senators. He asserts that Senator Smoot, as a Mormon apostle, was a member of a committee which, a number of years ago, visited Europe in order to enlist aliens to come to this country and become members of the Mormon faith. Lacks Official Sanction. BOSTON, Nov. 17.—President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, and James Duncan, first vice-president, said this afternoon, relative to the dispatch that the federation was endeavoring to prevent the appointment of Senator Smoot, of Utah, on the immigration committee, that if such an emigration was being made it was without the official sanction of the federation. Puts Trust Articles on Free List. WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Representative Richardson, of Tennessee, introduced a bill today to place all trust-made articles on the free list, and to reduce the rate of duty on all articles manufactured in the United States and sold more cheaply abroad than in this country. Texas Elects Successor to Ball. HOUSTON, Tex., Nov. 17.—John M. Sinclair, of Hemenway, a Democrat, was today elected to Congress to succeed T. H. Ball, resigned. Many in the Humbert Scandal. PARIS, Nov. 17.—Maitre Labort, who was leading counsel for the Humberts, has issued a statement, saying it would be easy to create a scandal if the names of all those who had been intimate with the Humberts were published. He classes as infamous the alleged action of the government in making public only some of the papers in the case.