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THE MESSAGE.

President Cleveland in his message to congress concerning the Cuban affair is of an amicable nature. He recommends a settlement upon Spain granting local self government under the sovereignty of Spain as the most feasible plan under present conditions.

This spirit of the Cubans the president recognizes to exist and that they are still determined to hold out. While such a state of affairs continues, neither party are able to maintain anything like a government, except on paper.

He does object, however, to the United States allowing any other power acquiring control over Cuba. The president is cautious and conservative. He seems disposed to allow congress to pursue its course in the matter without any executive recommendation.

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CONGRESSIONAL DOINGS.

SENATE PROCEEDINGS. WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The senate settled down to business today. When a letter from the secretary of the treasury was read answering the senate inquiry as to the number of aliens in the department of the treasury.

THE DAY IN THE HOUSE. WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The attendance of members was very large in the house today, but the galleries were almost deserted. After the journal had been read there was a hurried consultation between Dingley and other republican leaders.

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CLUB MEETING.

The Mental Culture Club of Roseburg held its first annual meeting, Saturday afternoon in the Firemen's Hall. Plans of work for the ensuing year were discussed and the annual election of officers took place resulting as follows: President, Mrs. G. R. Child; 1st vice president, Mrs. Flint; 2nd vice president, Mrs. Aiken; 3rd vice president, Mrs. Godfrey; secretary, Mrs. A. Sheridan; assistant secretary, Mrs. Wead; treasurer, Miss Howell.

ANNUAL REPORT. Our secretary's book gives, I think, December 21, 1895, as the birthday of our club. I prefer to think that the birthday was in November, and that that later date was the christening, the giving the appropriate name, "The '95 Mental Culture Club."

Before I begin my annual report, I do not think it out of place to dwell upon the appropriateness of this title, to dwell upon how much the word "culture" ought to mean to every one in general, to our club members in particular.

Load (Cal.), from the committee on postoffice and postroads, called up the bill to authorize the use of private mailing cards of the same weight and form as the postal cards when the one cent stamp is affixed.

The bill was passed. It takes effect July 1, 1897. Load also called up the bill to provide a limited indemnity for the loss of registered mail matter.

Load then called upon the bill of Sperry, (Conn.), to authorize the collection and delivery of mail in towns and villages where no letter-carrier service exists by the employment, under mutual arrangement, between citizens, of any person to perform the service at a cost not exceeding one cent for each letter or package, expense of the beneficiaries.

Treasury Department. The secretary of the treasury reports that during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1896, the receipts of the government from all sources amounted to \$409,475,408.76.

Value of our imported dutiable merchandise during the last fiscal year was \$99,757,770, and the value of free goods imported \$409,967,470, being an increase of \$6,523,675 in the value of dutiable goods and \$41,231,034 in the value of free goods over the preceding year.

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When most needed it is not unusual for your family physician to be away from home. Such was the experience of Mr. J. Y. Schenck, editor of the Caddo, Ind. Ter., Banner, when his little girl, two years of age was threatened with a severe attack of croup.

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