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THE DAY IN CONGRESS

Cuban Affairs Receive Lots of Attention.

MONEY IN ELECTIONS, QUESTIONS

A Settlement of the Pacific Railroad Funding Bill Will be Accomplished Soon.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Rev. T. De Witt Talmage delivered a prayer in the senate today. Frye occupied the chair. Hale of Maine reported the pension appropriation bill without amendments, and gave notice that he would call it up tomorrow. The house concurrent resolution for a holiday adjournment from December 23 to January 5, was agreed to.

Morgan of Alabama presented the credentials of Edmund Winston Pettus as senator from Alabama for the term beginning March 4 next.

Allen of Nebraska offered a resolution for a committee of nine senators "on the use of money in elections." The resolution directs the committee to thoroughly investigate the extent to which money was used in connection with the recent presidential election, either in promoting nominations or influencing the choice of presidential electors, and to inquire whether such expenditures were excessive, illegitimate, corrupt or unlawful, and to especially inquire and ascertain to what extent for such purposes, the owners of silver mines, gold mines, bankers, manufacturers, railroads or other incorporations and millionaires of all classes made contributions, and if contributions were made by any persons or corporations residing abroad. The resolution empowers the proposed committee to send for persons and papers and directs that a report be made by the first Monday of December, 1897.

Allen sent to the clerk's desk and had read several newspaper clippings containing charges of irregularity in connection with the recent election. The resolution was referred to the committee on contingent expenses, Allen remarking that he earnestly desired a speedy report.

The bill validating some New Mexican bonds, passed and now goes to the president.

Morgan of Alabama took the floor to make a pre-Cuban speech, taking the ground that as the president had made no recommendations and gave no indication of his intentions, congress must assume responsibility on the matter of most serious gravity. Morgan used very strong language concerning the conduct of the Spaniards in Cuba, characterizing them as "robbers, cutthroats, assassins, ravishers and pirates."

Morgan closed at 2:10 p. m. The senate then agreed to his resolution calling for information on the Competitor and other cases.

The Day in the House.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Representative Woodman, of Illinois, today introduced a joint resolution directing the president to intervene in Cuban affairs.

The resolution, after reciting Maceo's assassination and Spanish cruelties in Cuba, says the president having failed to carry out the wishes of the people, the honor of the United States is at stake, and history gives no precedent on which to base a hope that the Spaniards will consent to compliance with civilized warfare.

The president is directed to express severe condemnation of Spanish methods of warfare, especially the murder of Maceo; recognize the independence of

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Cuba and demand of Spain the withdrawal of all troops from Cuban soil. He is also directed to take proper steps to see that this demand is carried out.

ITS IMPORTANCE IS RECOGNIZED

Venezuelans Generally Accept the Boundary Protocol.

CARACAS, Dec. 15.—Many persons of education and position in the republic have begun to realize the importance of the protocol arranged between the governments of the United States and Great Britain for the settlement of the boundary dispute in Guiana. This statement is given on the authority of politicians of prominence.

It may be added, on authority, that President Crespo will not yield to any popular demand, but will hold firm to his purpose to accept the proposed Anglo-Venezuelan treaty. Serious people, in fact, according to the best information, are beginning to understand that it might be unwise to reject the protocol, and they are fortified in their belief by the attitude of the government. The more the protocol is studied, politicians say, the more certain becomes the prospect that the sentiment of the people will uphold the efforts of the United States in their behalf.

In order to foster this sentiment it is semi-officially announced that statesmen of prominence will publish articles on the protocol, and the proposed treaty, emphasizing their efficacy in the determination of the question, and advisability of acquiescing in the terms.

THE PACIFIC RAILWAYS. Movement Toward Securing Early Action by Congress Upon Them.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The senate committee on Pacific railways today agreed that in view of the fact that the mortgages of both the Union and Central Pacific are now practically due it was important to secure action by congress at the earliest practicable date.

Senator Morgan was the only senator present who dissented. He said he did not desire a delay. He expressed the opinion, however, that further testimony should be taken. He was overruled.

The committee decided to ask for a day for the Sioux City bill immediately after the disposal of the immigration bill and make an effort to get up the Union Pacific and Central Pacific bills immediately after recess, providing Senator White of California has arrived. The committee agreed not to press these bills in his absence.

Remorse Overtook Her.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 15.—Governor Richards has granted a free pardon to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Clarke, serving a 17-year term each in the penitentiary at Deer Lodge for the murder of John P. Stewart by poisoning. They have already served a year.

Stewart was a wealthy man. Suspicion first fell upon his wife, Mary Stewart. She was arrested at Spokane and tried in Missoula. To save herself she accused her mother and step-father. They were convinced by her testimony of murder in the second degree. Remorse overtook Mrs. Stewart and she finally confessed to an attorney and to ex-Governor Toole, but committed suicide before the written statement could be signed.

Nominations Confirmed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The senate has confirmed the following nominations: John H. Rogers, district judge of the western district of Arkansas; William B. Childers, attorney for the

United States, territory of New Mexico; Charles C. Nott of New York, chief justice of the court of claims; John E. Garland, district judge for the district of South Dakota; Benjamin F. Kimberly, receiver of the Denver land office.

PUNCH AND JUDY.

The Origin of This Ever Popular Entertainment.

Generations of children have found pleasure in witnessing the antics of Punch and Judy, and the mimic theater in which their adventures are displayed still gives amusement to both young and old. The origin of this always attractive entertainment is not English, as many who have enjoyed it may suppose, but according to an old book, Punch and Judy are of Italian ancestry. In the district of Aeezza, near Naples, the people are very much addicted to the making of wine from grapes; and it is curious that from antiquity they have been famous for their love of droll wit and comic fun.

Many years ago in the season of the vintage, which is a time when everybody seems to be full of fun and frolic, some comic players came along through Aeezza. They began to poke fun at the vintagers, and in war of wit the players got the worst of it.

Now, there was among the vintagers a fellow with an enormous red nose, long and crooked like a powder horn; and he was the very drollest and wittiest of the whole company. The players were so tickled with his witty sayings, all set off by his odd face and very queer air and manner, that they almost went into hysterics with laughter.

After they went away they began to think that this droll fellow would be a great success to their company; so they went back and made offers to him. These he accepted; and such was the success of his efforts that the company acquired great fame and a great deal of money. Everybody went to see this witty buffoon and all were delighted.

This example led to the establishment of a droll or buffoon in all companies of comedians; and he was always called after the original one, whose name was Puccio d'Aniello. This was, in the course of time, softened into Polocencello; the French made it Polichenel, and the English Punchinello. After a time the English, for the sake of brevity, left off the latter part of the word, and called it plain Punch.

How Judy originated, history does not record; but it is very easy to surmise her story. Such a merry fellow as Punch had as good a right to a wife as anybody, if he could get one. Why not? One might think that his best-like nose would have stood in his way of finding a woman willing to marry him; but his wit was an offset to this. Women are fond of wit, and Punch would have played his part ill if he could not have made it cover his nose.

Now that we have supposed Punch to have had a wife, and also supposed her name to have been Judy, what was more natural than for this amiable couple, now and then, to have a bit of a breeze? They lived a wandering life, and like other people in their station, took a little liquor to raise their spirits. After the effect was over, feeling a little peevish, they fell to calling each other names, and hard blows followed. So this is their whole history.—Detroit Free Press.

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