

PIECE OF IMPUDENCE"

...ary Writer De-
... Monroe Doctrine
... justification.

...SELF IMPORTANCE
...DISEASED CHARACTER

...Bismarck's Expression
...Roosevelt Would Not Ar-
...Venezuelan Matter for
...Damaging the United
...Democracy.

...The German gov-
...completely silent as to
...ade will be raised, or
...will be raised at all, until
...concerning arbitration
...The acceptance of arbit-
...the blockade was de-
...received with popular
...army.

...Bogulawski, one of the
...ilitary writers, contributes
...chau his views upon the
...rine. He says the with-
...the blockade at this stage
...singular weakness. After
...late Prince Bismarck's
...that the Monroe doctrine
...at piece of impudence,"
...says:

...Justified by Law.

...as a true word, America
...into many states. In vari-
...and language she is hard-
...to Europe. How can one
...that it has the right of
...and protection over an
...ment, and that it will tol-
...under certain conditions
...however just, of Euro-
...against an American
...further question is how it
...at this doctrine set up \$0
...by an American statesman
...to justify itself in fact
...ly no justification in the
...name? When the United
...herself threatened
...occupation of territory of
...has the right, like any
...to raise a great protest,
...nary employ force. But
...be no talk of even an ap-
...pignment of the Monroe doc-
...international law principle
...of European nations. If
...act otherwise they will soon
...ambassadors which they put

...importance increased.

...the war against ill-
...Spain, American self import-
...been infinitely increased.
...ing a diseased character.
...shows America by
...are naturally not dimin-
...self esteem. How little
...sensitive courtesy has is
...Certainly the allies
...blamed for sparing the
...of the United States
...of extreme and seeking
...with it. Regarding the
...of Venezuela, the allies
...but even went to the
...ing President Roose-
...atorship after begin-
...action. He refused, and
...the reason that the justice
...of the allies was so self
...his decision could only
...unfavorable to Venezuela,
...managing the United States'
...with the other nations of
...Europe.

...orate No Thumbscrews.

...that warlike action has be-
...thumbscrews can be tolerated
...for the action taken will
...bring the United States
...ommission would divest the ac-
...hand of lasting effect. If
...States raises serious ob-
...against this she would have
...what means are at her
...to give validity to her ob-
...President Castro's demand
...powers raise the blockade
...the captured vessels must
...a decisive veto. Otherwise
...have a reputation of the dis-
...Olmstead at sea."

...President's Zealung hails Pres-
...refusal as good
...praises the United States
...and some so much to bring
...tribunal into vogue, re-
...to the cases already sent at
...States' instance.

...Local Anzeiger prints an in-
...statement to the effect that

nothing is known by the Berlin of-
ficials regarding the reported inten-
tion of the powers to raise the block-
ade, adding that the question has not
yet been taken into consideration.

REFUSE TO WORK.

Texas Convicts Say They Will Starve Rather Than Work in Sugar Plantation.

Fort Worth, Dec. 31.—Seventy-five desperate convicts brought from the penitentiary to a convict plantation for harvesting, mutinied two days ago and secured possession of a sugar house, which they barricaded. The building is surrounded by a force of guards endeavoring to starve the mutineers into submission. The convicts announced this morning that they would starve rather than work. They want to go back to the penitentiary.

MESSAGE FOR HONOLULU.

Has Been Filed by Postmaster-General Payne.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Postmaster-General Payne has filed a message to be transmitted over the Honolulu cable as soon as it is completed. It authorizes the appointment of an additional letter carrier in that city. This message will follow that of President Roosevelt's.

President Loubet's Birthday.

Paris, Dec. 31.—President Loubet was the recipient today of congratulatory messages and letters from many sources on the occasion of the celebration of his birthday. The president is 64 years old, having been born in 1838.

Revolt in Fez.

Tangier, Morocco, Dec. 31.—A report this afternoon says that a revolt within the city is spreading. It adds that the safety of the women missionaries is assured.

PROGRAM FOR NEW YEAR'S

DAY WILL BE GIVEN TO SOCIETY IN WASHINGTON.

Men and Women Will Be Engaged in Making Calls Which the Obligations of Society Demand — Ceremonies Will Center Around the White House.

Washington, Dec. 31.—From all indications tomorrow will pass as other New Year's days at the capital have passed before. It will be given over to society. Business and politics will be forgotten. The people will wear their best clothes and the streets will be crowded with men and women engaged in making calls, which the obligations of society demand. The ceremonies will center as usual around the white house. To the public at large the occasion will afford the first opportunity to view the interior improvements recently completed in the executive mansion.

The completed program for the reception is as follows:

11 A. M.—The president will receive the members of the cabinet and of the diplomatic corps.

11:15 A. M.—The chief justice and the associate justices of the supreme court of the United States; the judges of the United States court of claims; the judges of the court of appeals; the judges of the supreme court of the District of Columbia; ex-cabinet members and ex-ministers of the United States.

11:25 A. M.—Senators, representatives and delegates in congress; the commissioners and judicial officers of the District of Columbia.

11:40 A. M.—Officers of the army; officers of the navy; officers of the marine corps; commanding general and general staff of the militia of the District of Columbia.

12 M.—The regents and secretary of the Smithsonian Institution; the commissioner of fisheries; members of the civil service commission and of the Interstate commerce commission; the commissioner of labor; assistant secretaries of departments; assistant postmasters general; the solicitor general; assistant attorneys general; the treasurer of the United States; commissioner of pensions; commissioner of patents; controller of the currency; the heads of the bureaus in the several departments; the president of the Columbia Institute for the Deaf and Dumb.

12:15 P. M.—The associated veterans of the war of 1846-7; the grand Army of the Republic; the military order of the Loyal Legion of the United States; the Union Veteran Legion; Union Veterans' Union; Spanish War Veterans; the members of the Oldest Inhabitants' Association of the District of Columbia.

WORSE THAN ANY ANARCHY

Illinois Railroads Know No Law and Have No Respect for the People's Rights.

HAULED THEIR COAL FROM CHICAGO YARDS LAST NIGHT.

So That They Could Deny Having Coal at Hand Sufficient for the Needs of the City—State Ownership of Mine Only Solution.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 31.—State's Attorney General Hamlin, who is investigating the Chicago coal shortage, continued this morning. The railways entered a general denial of a combined effort to corner the coal and by subsequent distress command high prices.

They claimed this morning that coal was being delivered in great quantities. They were surprised when it was proved by several prominent dealers that coal shipments had been held in many instances for six weeks. Figures were offered to show that two railways alone had coal enough on hand in their yards to supply the entire city for the winter season. Only 200 cars of coal were in the yards this morning. The Wabash alone had nearly a thousand yesterday.

Hamlin today appointed detectives to bring proof of the common reports that all the railroads entering the city passed the entire night in frantically moving cars of coal by whole train loads out to the country side tracks along the line.

Developed Combination.

Testimony this afternoon developed the fact that the railways and dealers were in combination. The railways have been permitting the use of their yards and side tracks for the storage of the cars of coal charging a small demurrage only.

The Illinois Central alone has 1000 cars in the suburban yards. The railway officials have promised the aldermanic board this afternoon that they would order all cars to be emptied immediately.

The dealers thus will be compelled to lower prices on account of overstock. The average daily consumption is 1000 tons.

PANIC AT BULL FIGHT.

Manager Turned Three Bulls Loose Because the Crowd Threatened to Wreck the Building.

Madrid, Dec. 31.—A panic occurred in a bull fight today. The manager, angered because the crowd threatened to wreck the circus when the matador failed to kill the bull, turned out the lights and liberated three more bulls. The crowd fought to gain the exits. Three were killed and 52 were injured. The manager was arrested.

ASSAULTED BY MILLIONAIRE.

Manager of Examiner Assaulted by Linderberg for Printing Story of His Love.

San Francisco, Dec. 31.—Manager Williams, of the Examiner, was assaulted by J. Linderberg, a millionaire Klondiker, because that paper published a story that Miss Hetson, prominent here, and a sister of Linderberg's attorney, had fallen in love with Linderberg, and was to educate and then wed him. Linderberg has been arrested.

CHOLERA KILLING MOROS.

Disease Depopulates Whole Villages Around Lake Lanao.

Manila, Dec. 31.—Moros on the island of Mindanao report that cholera is depopulating the villages on the east side of Lake Lanao. At Macu there is an average of 50 deaths a day. The disease also prevails at Bacolod. It has appeared on all sides of Lake Lanao, but the Visayan residents of the island do not yet seem to have been attacked.

Carriage Factory Burns.

Milwaukee, Dec. 31.—The Albrecht carriage factory burned this morning. A falling wall injured six firemen, none fatally. The loss will amount to \$100,000.

THE TREATY TO BE RATIFIED

In Spite of Much Opposition, President Roosevelt is Very Confident.

OUR PROMISES TO CUBA WILL BE REDEEMED.

President Supported by a Large Majority of Republican Senators, Believes the Treaty Would Not Hurt the Tariff System.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Considerable opposition is developing to the ratification of the Cuban reciprocity treaty now pending in the senate.

Several weeks ago it appeared that the treaty when presented to the senate would be ratified without difficulty, but some senators are now taking as strong grounds against the treaty as they took against the legislation proposed at the last session of congress. These senators are of two classes, those who are opposed on principle to any "tariff tinkering," and those who represent states whose products may be affected by the concessions extended to Cuba by the pending treaty.

Other Nations May Make Claim.

Senators of the first class might be induced to support the treaty, were it not for their apprehension that the ratification of the Cuban treaty may lead to a demand from other countries that they, too, be accorded special tariff concessions by the United States. It has been indicated to the president that, in the event of ratification of the Cuban treaty, a demand may be expected from Germany within 30 days for concessions similar to those accorded Cuba.

Roosevelt is Confident.

The president had an hour's conference with Senator Scott, of West Virginia, during which they discussed the reciprocity question in all its phases. Senator Scott is offering no captious opposition to the Cuban treaty, but he is particularly desirous that nothing should be done that in the end might result in any concessions on the part of the United States from its present tariff policy.

The president, it is understood, believes that the pending treaty with Cuba will be ratified. He desires that it should be ratified as promptly as possible, and with as little friction as may be. He sees in the proposed ratification no possible assault on the tariff system of this country, and believes that it would be simply the redemption of a promise, direct or implied, made to the Cuban people when they were in the throes of the organization of their government. In this view the president is supported by a large majority of the republican senators. While some trouble is anticipated in affecting the ratification of the treaty, it is believed generally that ratification will not be delayed seriously.

PLOT DISCOVERED.

Portland Murderers Planned to Emulate Tracy.

Portland, Or., Dec. 31.—A plot of murderers Belding and Smith to escape from jail has been discovered. A woman was to carry them cayenne pepper and black jacks. They were then going to overcome the jailer, escape and emulate Tracy. A detective foiled their scheme.

BROKERS HILARIOUS.

Indulge in Usual New Year's Fun in Stock Exchange.

New York, Dec. 31.—On the brokers' Stock Exchange the usual New Year's hilarity occurred this afternoon. The Produce Exchange tug of war team, composed of prominent capitalists, won. Thousands were wagered on the result. A game of football on the floor was participated in by 100 brokers. Spectators crowded the galleries.

Broadside Collision.

Little Rock, Dec. 31.—Thirty employees of the Iron Mountain shops were injured in a broadside collision at 7 o'clock this morning. A freight backed at full speed into the middle of a work train. Four were injured fatally.

BAKER COUNTY ORGANIZED.

Thirty-Four Vice-Presidents for the County Irrigation Association.

Baker City, Dec. 31.—President N. C. Haskell, of the Baker County Irrigation Association, last night appointed 34 vice-presidents from different parts of the county who will report to the executive committee the progress of irrigation schemes and the feasible propositions, from the respective localities.

C. M. Foster has been employed to draft maps of the various schemes that are to be presented to the government engineers.

COMPELLED TO REMAIN.

Tod Sloan Will Have to Await the Trial of His Valet.

London, Dec. 31.—Carlos, Tod Sloan's valet, was remained in police court this morning charged with stealing \$500 worth of jewelry and clothing from Sloan. The latter protested, saying he could not wait for the trial, but had to sail for America. The court notified him that he would be compelled to remain.

WIRELESS MESSAGES.

Cornwall, England, and Cape Cod, Mass., Establish Communications.

Wellesley, Mass., Dec. 31.—Messages are constantly passing between this station and Tablehead. Communication has also been established between Cape Cod and Cornwall. Marconi is expected to arrive soon.

Funeral at Arlington.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The funeral of Colonel Morrison, who died on a transport on his way from the Philippines, was held at Arlington this morning.

Would Not Combine.

London, Dec. 31.—An attempt to combine the iron manufacturers of Scotland has failed.

ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF MONEY

\$615,000,000 IS NOW IN GOVERNMENT VAULTS.

The Largest Sum Ever Held by This or Any Other Country Before—A Surplus of \$72,000,000 the Past Year.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The United States treasury starts the new year with more gold in its vaults than was ever held by this or any other government before. There is now in the vaults and subtreasuries \$615,000,000. This is four times as much as in the Bank of England, one and one-half times that of France, four times that of Germany and twice that of Russia. Seventy-two millions surplus has accumulated in the past year.

CUBAN SENATE DELAYS.

Palma's Efforts to Hasten Action on Treaty is a Failure.

Havana, Dec. 31.—After a lengthy conference between President Palma, the members of the cabinet and the leading senators, it has been decided not to call an extra session of the senate to discuss the reciprocity treaty with the United States. President Palma is anxious to bring the discussion of this measure to an immediate conclusion, and has urged the senate to resume its sessions on January 5, instead of waiting until January 12.

Chairman Capote, of the foreign relations committee, said it was impossible to resume before the 12th, as the committee would not be ready to report on the 5th. Many senators are absent in the country and cannot return to Havana by the 5th instant. He also said that the matter was too important to discuss without a majority of the senators being present.

Survivors of Stone River.

Greencastle, Ind., Dec. 31.—The fortieth anniversary of the battle of Stone River, Tenn., was celebrated here today by a reunion of the Stone River Survivors' Association, of which John M. Carlton, of Martinsville, this state, is president. The anniversary program included addresses of an historical nature by John D. Whitehead, of Topeka, Kan., John G. Dunbar, of Greencastle, Rev. John Spears, of Spencer and others.

Wheat in San Francisco.

San Francisco, Dec. 31.—Wheat—\$1.36 1/2 per cental.

Wheat in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Wheat—73 c per bushel.

WILL MEET ALL JUST DEMANDS

Castro Authorizes Bowen to Say Venezuela is Ready to Arbitrate.

THE FOREIGN EMBASSADORS IMMEDIATELY NOTIFIED.

This Agreement Means That Castro Has Complied With the Conditions Laid Down by the Foreign Powers Preliminary to Referring the Matter to The Hague.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Minister Bowen this morning cabled the state department that President Castro had authorized him to say that he would meet all the just demands of the foreign powers.

The foreign ambassadors were immediately notified, as were also the American ambassadors in Rome, Berlin, London and Paris.

This agreement of Castro's is taken to mean that he practically complies with the conditions laid down by the powers as preliminary to a reference of the dispute to The Hague.

SAXON KING DYING.

Princess Louise May Become Queen Any Hour—Court Rushing Divorce Proceedings.

Vienna, Dec. 31.—The Tageblatt says that King George of Saxony is dying and the fugitive crown princess is liable to become the queen any hour.

To avoid complications, the Sax-on court intends to rush the divorce proceedings, basing them on a German civil law. The court will ignore the Catholic ecclesiastical prohibition against divorce.

IDENTIFIES ROBBER.

Conductor Keene Finds Photographs of Lone Robber in Rogues' Gallery.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 31.—Conductor Keene today positively identified a photograph in the rogues' gallery, as that of the lone robber who held up his train yesterday. The man is widely known as Gus Wyatt, who held up a train at Bethlehem, Tenn. He was sent to the penitentiary and escaped August 4.

The police have no clue. It is believed that the wounded man was assisted in concealment by confederates.

Negotiations for Coaling Station.

Havana, Dec. 31.—United States Minister Squires has formally begun negotiations in the matter of securing a coaling station on the Isle of Pines. It is understood that the United States asks for one naval and three coaling stations.

Will Not Resign.

Mayor Halley, who was asked as to the truth of the rumor that he was to resign tonight, said: "There is absolutely no truth in the rumor. I was elected to the office by the people of Pendleton, and I expect to serve them to the best of my ability until my term of office expires unless something happens to me that I am not able to do so."

New Deputy Clerk.

Miss Bessie McBride, of Athens, has been employed to succeed Miss Celia Renn as typewriter in the county clerk's office. Miss McBride is a graduate of the Weston State Normal. Miss Renn resigned to take a position as stenographer in the Hartman Abstract office.

CRACKER CREEK FACTS

North Pole mine was offered for sale three years ago for \$600,000. It has 5000 feet on the mother lode. It is now worth twenty million dollars.

The South Pole mine adjoins, has 4941 feet on the same lode, has six tunnels, amounting to 2200 feet, all in ore. We expect within less than three years work to have a mine as valuable as North Pole is today.

South Pole stock is selling at 16 cents until about January 1st. Buy before the price raises. See Gahagan at Hartman Abstract office, Pendleton, Ore.