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SHERMAN DIVULGED A CABINET SECRET.

Says Negotiations for the Purchase of Cuba Were Under Way, When the War Sentiment Arose and Spoiled it All.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says: Former Secretary of the State John Sherman, in an interview, tells an interesting cabinet secret, which in the days before the war was frequently suspected, but never established. With considerable emotion, the ex-secretary said: "I tried to prevent this foolish war with Spain. As a matter of fact, negotiations were already in progress to purchase Cuba from Spain when the war feeling suddenly rose and swept everything before it. And Spain would have accepted the terms."

"This is a matter of secret history. And now what have we got to show for all this expense? Some islands in the Philippines, for instance, which are worth about \$200,000 per annum income; increased indebtedness of \$200,000,000 and a lot of islands inhabited mainly by man-eaters. And the most distressing feature of the affair is that we are now about to be called upon to pay \$200,000,000 for territory that we could have taken without expending a dollar."

Rumor That the Peace Commissioners Are to Receive One Million Each For Their Services.

Washington, Dec. 20.—President McKinley and his party returned to Washington today.

IN THE HOUSE.

At the opening of the house today, Cannon called up the conference report on the army and navy sufficiency bill and moved its adoption. D'Armond asked if reappropriation of the balance of \$50,000,000 to be expended under direction of the president would authorize payment of \$100,000 each to Whitelaw Reid and Judge Day for their services as peace commissioners? On Cannon's statement that the appropriation made no changes authorizing such an expenditure, the report was adopted.

Branton Gets a Stay of Execution.

Salem Dec. 20.—Justice F. A. Moore of the supreme court has signed a certificate of probable cause that suspends execution of sentence in the case of Claude Branton, the Lane county murderer, who was to be executed next Friday by hanging.

The murderer of John Linn will thus be given a lease of life of about three weeks, pending an appeal to the supreme court. Judge Hamilton refused to grant a certificate of probable cause, although it is the usual custom to grant such an appeal in all cases of capital punishment.

Pinar del Rio Was Ravaged by Spaniards.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The terrible state of affairs existing in the western province of Cuba is shown in this report to the war department from General Davis:

"Pinar del Rio, Dec. 14.—Adjutant-General, Washington: Arrived here last night. The troops are comfortably encamped, and have all the required supplies. We have been received with the greatest enthusiasm and rejoicing. The civil governor left the province when the Spanish troops retired. The alcalde called and tendered his services. A small Cuban force is in the town as police, and good order prevails everywhere. I shall raise the flag tomorrow in the presence of the troops and citizens. The treasury is empty, and only means of replenishing it is a system of taxation almost to the verge of confiscation. There are no custom-houses in this province. The country is one of great fertility and beauty, but is ravaged almost to destruction. I am assured by responsible citizens and foreigners that one-half the former population has been killed and starved to death. Colonel Seyburn, with two battalions, is at Guanajay. He is ordered to occupy Mariel with a detachment. There is no sickness among the troops. "DAVIS."

General Davis, the American commander at Pinar del Rio, has issued a proclamation saying that President McKinley has directed him to assure the inhabitants of security on their lives and property as long as they were orderly.

General Davis further declares that fair taxes will be levied, and that no favoritism will be shown. In conclusion, General Davis says: "Inhabitants of Pinar del Rio—I have come as a friend to help you in all which may contribute to the prosperity of this great country, or its general welfare. There is very little I am obliged to do with your corporation, but with your help I am sure of complete success. The trochias and forts will be turned into homes, and machetes will be used for labor only. Your sacri-

fices and heroic acts have been already rewarded. The past belongs to the history of the century; and think of your future peace and prosperity. This must be your aspiration."

Sing a Song.

If you'll sing a song as you go along, In the face of the real or the fancied wrong; In spite of the doubt, if you'll fight it out, And show a heart that is brave and stout; If you'll laugh at the jeers and refuse the taunts, You'll force the ever-reloquent cheers That the world denies when a coward cries, To give to the man who bravely tries; And you'll win success with a little song— If you'll sing the song as you go along!

If you'll sing a song as you plod along, You'll find that the bear, rushing through Will catch the strain of the glad refrain; That the sun will follow the blinding rain; That the clouds will fly from the blacken'd sky; That the stars will come out by and by; And you'll make new friends, till hope descends From whence the placid rainbow bends; And all because of a little song— If you'll sing the song as you plod along!

If you'll sing a song as you trudge along, You'll see that the singing will make you strong; And the heavy load and the rugged road, And the sting and the stripe of the tortuous road Will melt with the note that you set adrift; That the beam will change to a trifling note; That the world is bad when you are sad, And bright and beautiful when glad; That all you need is a little song— If you'll sing the song as you trudge along!

Who Owned the Calf?

Salem, Or., Dec. 19.—The case of John Long vs. L. T. Thomson, which has been appealed to the supreme court from Douglas county, involves the ownership of a calf long since dead, as is also the plaintiff. A son of the latter, however, has taken up the cudgel as a legacy from his paternal ancestor, and with all the vigor and enthusiasm of young manhood presented his cause in the supreme court today. The case was first tried before a jury in a justice court, 16 witnesses testifying on each side. It was taken to the circuit court, on a writ of review, and an appeal was taken from the judgment of the circuit court to the supreme court. The costs to date in the case are in the neighborhood of \$500.

S. F. Star: The monopoly corporations are already active in Cuba; street railway stocks jumped, in Havana, from 34 to 99, and others advanced similarly. The American West Indies syndicate had already secured "concessions" for rival lines, and had begun construction of a road, when the existing "Ferro Carril Urbano," paying them \$300,000, forced them to quit, under a law of 1859. This indicated that between old Spanish laws and new American "concessions" the Cubans are to be effectually squeezed before they can have the least opportunity to establish government ownership. There is no reason why old Spanish laws against public policy should be recognized either under American control or independence. Better start with a clean slate.

S. F. Star: The Bankers' Association, in recognition of Mr. Becker's ability as a forger, promised if he would plead guilty to the charge of "raising" a check from \$12,000 to \$22,000, that he would receive a light sentence; that his wife would be well provided for during his incarceration; and that, upon his release from the penitentiary, he would be given a good position and cared for during the remainder of his life. Accordingly he pleaded guilty and got a light sentence. The rest of the contract will undoubtedly be faithfully kept. What is the moral?

Two Pointed Questions Answered.

What is the use of making a better article than your competitor if you can not get a better price for it? Ans.—As there is no difference in the price the public will buy only the better, so that while our profits may be smaller on a single sale they will be much greater in aggregate.

How can you get the public to know your make is the best? If both articles are brought prominently before the public both are certain to be tried and the public will very quickly pass judgment on them and use only the better one.

This explains the large sale on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The people have been using it for years and have found that it can always be depended upon. They may occasionally take up with some fashionable novelty put forth with exaggerated claims, but are certain to return to the one remedy that they know to be reliable, and for coughs, colds and croup there is nothing equal to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by R. S. Knowlton.

Topeka, the strongest Republican city in Kansas, has decided, by an overwhelming majority, for public ownership of water. And it will not be many years before Republicans in this state will get a step farther by advocating other public ownerships.

WILL TALK SCHOOL.

Superintendents and Principals to Meet in Portland This Week.

The following program has been prepared for the department of superintendence of the State Teachers' Association, which will convene at the high school in Portland, December 28-29:

1. Choosing text-books; how often; by county superintendents and state board of examiners; by a state text-book commission appointed by the governor; other plans.—Superintendent A. P. Armstrong, President D. V. S. Reed, Superintendent Hiram Tyres.

2. County certificates; number; requirements; subjects; validity.—Superintendent C. L. Gilbert, J. N. Hart, Superintendent B. N. Wright.

3. State papers; number; requirements; subjects; value of state papers from other states.—Superintendent George W. Denman, Principal J. S. Graham, Superintendent L. W. McAdams.

4. Granting certificates to educational institutions; which institutions; teaching experience.—Superintendent Frank Rigler, Superintendent J. I. Nowlin, Superintendent H. S. Gibson, President C. H. Chapman, Principal C. A. Hitchcock.

5. The county superintendent; who shall fix salary; term of office; qualifications.—Superintendent G. A. Peebles, Principal J. A. Churchill, Principal H. G. Starkweather, Superintendent Geo. B. Lamb, Superintendent E. V. Littlefield.

6. Organization of new districts and change of boundaries; when; by whom.—Superintendent J. W. Shipley, Superintendent H. S. Strangle, Superintendent Wm. M. Miller, Principal Alexander Thompson, Superintendent I. H. Copeland.

7. Apportionment of the common-school fund; attendance or number of children; frequency; amount to each district.—Principal Lee H. Baker, Superintendent H. A. Ball, Superintendent G. A. Gregory.

8. Closing school year June 30; advisability; district school meeting; when; clerk's report to superintendent; when; election of officers; when.—Superintendent W. H. Bunch, Superintendent William Johnson, Superintendent E. E. Bragg.

9. Levying of county tax; the present law; its weakness; its strength; the old law.—Superintendent Douglas Waite, Superintendent W. W. Kennedy, Superintendent W. H. Ragsdale, Superintendent J. C. Conley, Principal R. F. Robinson.

10. Course of study for rural schools; advisability; preparation; plan; adoption; by whom; compulsion.—Principal P. L. Campbell, Superintendent J. D. Hayes, Superintendent J. Q. Willets.

11. Compulsory attendance at institutes; the present law; needed changes.—Professor W. A. Wetzel, Principal D. W. Yoder, Principal E. D. Resler, Superintendent William S. Guerin.

12. The common school fund; part used for teachers' salaries; expenditures for apparatus, etc.; libraries; forfeiture.—Principal J. T. Gregg, Superintendent W. R. Privett, Superintendent R. D. Williams, Superintendent W. C. Byrd.

13. Qualifications of voters at district meetings.—Superintendent John Gavin, Superintendent George Bethers, Superintendent P. L. Fountain.

14. Teachers' contracts.—Principal H. L. Talkington, Superintendent B. L. Milligan, Superintendent J. C. Conley.

15. Custodians of school funds.—District clerk; county treasurer.—Principal W. I. Reynolds.

Compulsory education.—Professor Lyman.

17. Organization of high schools. Principal E. B. Conklin, Principal J. M. Martindale.

All pain banished by Dr. Miller's Pain Pills.

Southern Pacific Earnings.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—A financial statement just issued by the Southern Pacific Company shows that for the month of October the gross earnings of the company reached \$5,556,725. This is an increase of \$1,125,791 over the same month of last year. For the four months ending October 31 last, the gross earnings aggregated \$20,038,223, an increase of \$1,336,920 over the corresponding period of last year. During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898, the company increased its gross earnings about \$7,000,000 over the figures for 1897. The company has just placed with several eastern firms contracts for new cars and locomotives of an aggregate value of about \$2,000,000.

Strained Situation at Pana, Illinois.

Pana, Ill., Dec. 20.—Another company of 20 negroes arrived in Pana today. They were held up by the soldiers and relieved of their arms before being permitted to proceed to the coal mine stockades. There are now about 400 negroes in

Pana. The mines are operated about half the time. The white union miners remain out solidly for the state scale. They received \$1600 today from the National Union. Two companies of state militia remain here, and Colonel Wells has a provost guard in every section of the city, fearing trouble may break out at any moment between the whites and blacks. The strike leaders claim the chances of winning grow brighter each day.

QUART OF HAIRPINS, NEEDLES, Tacks, Stones, Nickels and Glass in a Woman's Stomach.

Toledo, O., Dec. 17.—The physicians in the medical college here made a wonderful discovery this afternoon when they placed the body of a middle aged woman, who died at the infirmary here, on the dissecting table. The woman's name was Mrs. Amelia Wheelock, and the body was unclaimed after death, and in accordance with custom, was turned over to the Toledo Medical college for scientific purposes.

The woman's death occurred early last August, and the body has been in a pickling tub ever since, until today, when it was taken from there by the professor of anatomy to prepare it for the students when they assemble next Monday morning.

The woman had been sick for over two years with a peculiar stomach malady that baffled the skill of the best physicians. When the stomach was cut open today by the professor it was found to contain over a quart of hairpins, needles, brass pins, safety pins, melon seeds, carpet tacks, pieces of glass, pebble stones, rings, dimes, silver five cent pieces and some shoe nails.

The stomach contained, by an estimate, 600 hair pins and fully 1000 needles. Pieces of glass an inch long and a quarter of an inch wide were also found in the stomach.

A hole 2 1/2 inches in circumference had been eaten through the walls of the stomach through the irritation and inflammation that followed the introduction of those articles into it. The intestines were studded with needles and pins. The woman is supposed to have been partially insane, and she carried on her feast of pins and needles in secret.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. "C. C. C." call to cure. Druggists refund money.

President's Southern Tour an Ovation.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 20.—President McKinley arrived here this morning. He was received by a large and enthusiastic crowd. The presidential party drove to the reviewing grounds, where General Wilson's command passed before the president. A memorial address was presented to the president by the confederate veterans. The famous reference to "care for the confederate dead," in the president's Atlanta speech, was framed in a huge wreath of flowers and placed on the pedestal of the confederate monument.

"The Cosmopolitan."

When Stephen Crane wrote "The Red Badge of Courage," he had never been on a field of battle and knew nothing of military affairs. His work excited great admiration. But later on he went to Cuba and was at the front at San Juan Hill, and in the December Cosmopolitan we have another story, this time from a real field of battle, entitled "The Wolf of Thin Red Threads." It will be interesting for those who are familiar with his previous work to compare the two—the imaginary and the real.

Appros of the name Cosmopolitan it is rather curious to note that the December issue of that magazine contains one article having to do with Spain, another with England, another with India, another with Japan, another with Cuba, another with Jamaica, another with Rome, and still another with France. This is a pretty wide range.

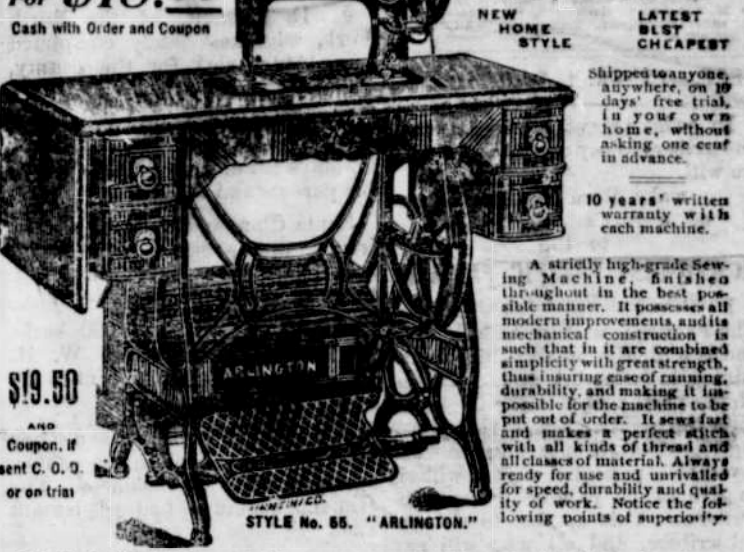
The Herald, The Cosmopolitan and the Thrice-a-Week World, all three for one year for only \$2.85. See our clubbing offers, on 4th page.

And it came to pass, says an exchange, that after he had advertised his goods there came unto him a great multitude from all the region round about and did buy of him. And when his competitors saw that they marveled among themselves, saying: How is it that this man is busy while we loaf about our doors? And he spake unto them saying: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, it is easier for a camel to enter the eye of a needle than for a business man to flourish without advertising."

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. Sold by R. S. Knowlton.

A \$65.00 Machine For \$18.50

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The Head of the "Arlington" swings on patent socket hinges, freely held down by a thumb screw. Strong, substantial, neat and handsome in design, and beautifully ornamented in gold. Bed plate has rounded corners and is made of counterpane, making it flush with top of table. Highest Arm—Space between the arm is 2 1/2 inches high and 3 inches long. This will admit the largest skirts, and even quilts. It is Self-Threading—Absolutely no holes to put thread through except eye of needle. Shuttle revolves, open on end, cutting self-threading, easy to put in or take out; bobbin holds a large amount of thread. Stitch Regulator is on the bed of the machine, never fails to take goods through; never stops at seams; movement is positive; no springs to break and get out of order; can raise and lower it at will. Automatic Bobbin Winder—So filling the bobbin automatically and perfectly smooth without holding the thread. Machine does not run while winding bobbin. Light Running—Machine is easy to run, does not fatigue the operator, makes light noise and sews rapidly. Stitch is a double lock stitch, the same on both sides, will not unravel, and can be changed without stopping the machine. Tension is a flat spring tension, and will admit thread from 8 to 100 spool cotton without changing. Never gets out of order. The Needle is a straight, self-setting needle, flat on one side, and cannot be put in wrong. Needle Bar is round, made of case-hardened steel, with oil cup at the bottom to prevent oil from getting on the goods. Adjustable Bearings—All bearings are case-hardened steel and easily adjusted with a screw driver. All lost motion can be taken up, and the machine will last a lifetime. Attachments—Each machine is furnished with necessary tools and accessories, and we also furnish an extra set of attachments in a velvet lined metal box, free of charge, as follows: One rubber and gatherer, one binder, one shirting plate, one set of four hemmers, different widths up to 3/4 of an inch, one tucker, one under braider, one short or attachment foot, and tread cuter. Woodwork of finest quality oak or walnut, goshic cover and drawers, nickel-plated rings to receive dress guards to wheel, and device for replacing belt.

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OUR GRAND OFFER \$100

To keep our great factory busy, and introduce early our splendid '98 models we have concluded to make a marvelous offer direct to the rider. For 30 days we will sell samples of our swell '98 bicycles at net cost to manufacturer and will ship, C. O. D. on approval to any address on receipt of the nominal sum of \$1.00 (if west of Denver, \$1.50). This deposit is merely to show good faith on purchaser's part; if you don't want to send money in advance, send your express agent's guaranty for charges one way and we will pay them the other if you don't want the wheel.

SIBERIAN. Highest grade, embodying every late improvement of value. 14 inch imported tubing, flush joints, improved two-piece cranks, arch crown, large diameter sprockets, handsome finish and decorations, Morgan & Wright, quick repair tires, single or double tube, high grade equipment.

ment. Special price on sample..... \$29.00.

COSSACK. A splendid machine, equal to any for service and easy running. Best 1 1/2 inch seamless tubing, two piece cranks, arch crown, detachable sprockets, Sany finished and decorated, Morgan & Wright, quick repair tires, single or double tube, high grade equipment. Our special sample price..... \$24.00.

KLONDIKE. Best medium grade for 1898. 14 inch tubing, striped and decorated, arch crown, dust-proof bearings, ball retainers, best Indiana or New Brunswick tires, standard equipment. Special price on sample..... \$19.00.

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You will be surprised at the appearance and quality of these wheels. Don't wait, order now while this offer is open. Prices will be much higher soon. You can make big money at our agents, send our agents choice of cash, the free use of a sample wheel, or gift of a wheel, according to works done.

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We have hundreds of 1898 and 1897 model wheels of various makes and sizes, some a little shop-worn, but all new..... \$12.00 to \$16.00.

Wheels Slightly Used, Modern Types,..... \$8.00 to \$12.00.

Our business and reputation are known throughout the country. Reference, any of the express companies, or any bank in Chicago. Art Catalogue free. Return money, at once.

The J. L. Mead Cycle Co., - Chicago.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away. To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-Tobacco, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaranteed. Refund and sample free. Address: Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

To the Unfortunate

Removed From Office.

Astoria, Or., Dec. 19.—The city council tonight found City Surveyor P. E. Heikmann guilty of malfeasance in office, and removed him. The specific charge was stuffing his payroll \$29.60 last September. N. D. Raymond was appointed as his successor.

An Arkansas publisher announces his platform as follows: Our aim—to tell the truth though the heavens take a tumble. Our paper—for the people, for the people, to be paid for by the people. Our religion—Orthodox, with a belief in hell for delinquent subscribers. Our motto—take all in sight, and rustle for more. Our policy—to love our friends, and brimstone our enemies. If thy enemy smite thee on one cheek, swipe him with haste and dexterity at the butt of the most convenient ear. What we advocate—one country, one flag, and one wife at a time. Our object—to live in pomp and oriental splendor.

Exchange: We now have chainless wheels, horseless carriages, cowless milk, henless eggs and brainless dudes; but alas! no smokeless cigarettes.

Dr. Gibbon

This reliable and most successful specialist in San Francisco, still continues to cure all forms of Nervous Debility, Impotency, Seminal Weakness and Loss of Manhood, the consequences of self-abuse and excesses producing the following symptoms: Sallow countenance, dark spots under the eyes, pain in the head, ringing in the ears, loss of confidence, diffidence in approaching strangers, palpitation of the heart, weakness of the limbs and back, loss of memory, pimples on the face, coughs, consumption, etc.

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That Extraordinary Pain can be cured with DR. GIBBON'S PLASTER.

A Frenchman is trying to get France to adopt the decimal system for computing time. Using 24 hours for a day as at present, each hour is to be divided into 100 parts or minutes. Each one of these minutes are also to be divided into 100 parts or seconds. The hours to be numbered consecutively from 1 to 24. At half past 3 p. m., our present way of reckoning time, it would be by this new system, 15:50 o'clock.