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Washington, April 9—The House in committee of the whole today resumed the debate on Cuban reciprocity.

Smith, of Michigan, one of the bitterest opponents of the measure, said the first duty of congress was to protect American industries, and that the passage of this measure will ruin the beet sugar industry of this country.

The beet sugar men, he said, will do something for Cuba, but will not consent to a measure that will wipe out an industry fostered by Republican pledges of support and in the erection of suitable tariff walls.

He said Republicans who fostered the present measure are 20 per cent nearer Democratic free trade.

Gallinger was the first speaker on the Chinese exclusion bill in the Senate.

He deemed the pending bill unwise, unjust, unnecessary and the kind of measure that engenders prejudice. He said it aimed at a weak people and was a species of legislation that would never be thought of in connection with a stronger nation.

He intimated that the bill was narrow begot, intolerable and indefensible and said that if he had not been assured, by Senator Lodge that it was a carefully prepared measure he would have believed it could only have originated in the brain of a sand lot orator.

He read a letter written by Minister Wu protesting against the passage of the pending bill as a violation of treaty rights.

The letter was addressed to Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, who criticized what he declared was the interference of Wu, while Foraker defended Wu's course on the ground that the treaty gave him the privilege.

Turner, of Washington, delivered an exhaustive argument in favor of the passage of the measure.

Among other things he said: "This disposition which is not without its echo in congress to object to legislation of the character of that embraced in the pending bill on the ground that it is liberal, uncharitable and unchristian—this disposition springs from a mistaken sentimentalism founded on ignorance and a characteristic failure to consider the duty which every government owes to its own people."

Puget Sound Cotton Shipments

Seattle, April 10—One of the most gratifying surprises of Puget Sound export trade is the great growth of cotton shipments from the Southern states received over the Northern transcontinental railroads. For the month of February the cotton exports from Puget Sound ports amounted to 6,510,026 pounds, valued at \$660,435, an increase over the exports for the corresponding month of the preceding year of 3,110,688 pounds, or \$256,657, or 91 per cent in amount and 63 per cent in value.

GOVERNMENT TROOPS TAINTED WITH TREASON

Revolutionists Parade the Streets and Threaten the King—Strike Feared.

Brussels, April 10—The Soldier reserves were called out this morning by the government as a precautionary measure, with a view to the growing disorders instigated by the socialists.

When they were mustered it was found that dissension was spreading to their ranks. The men defied their officers, hooted the government and sang revolutionary songs.

The situation is most serious. Four different encounters between police and rioters have occurred in which the rioters used revolvers freely. The police returned the fire, and fifty persons, including two policemen, were injured.

To add to the seriousness of the situation, unrest is spreading among miners, and a strike of these laborers throughout Belgium is feared.

An unsuccessful attempt to dynamite the church of Houdengaimeres, near Mons, was made today. Three bombs were exploded. Violent demonstrations have been renewed around the parliament house, the palaces of King Leopold and Prince Albert.

The drivers of public vehicles formed a socialist procession and headed by the red flag, marched before the town hall.

The reserves who mutinied when ordered out this morning have been recalled.

PRESIDENT KRUGER

HAS INFLUENZA

Amsterdam, April 10—President Kruger is seriously ill with influenza and members of his entourage fear the worst.

CHAMBERLAIN WILL

HEAD THE TICKET

Portland, April 10—The Democratic state convention met this morning. It will probably nominate Geo. E. Chamberlain, of Portland, for governor. The convention is divided on that part of the platform relative to the Philippines. It is expected that silver will be entirely ignored.

BOERS IN HOLLAND

NOT VERY HOPEFUL

Amsterdam, April 9—The Boer delegates here say that from prolongation of the peace conference between Schalkberger and Stein it is evident that peace offers will prove abortive. If the question is submitted to Kruger the delegates say he will urge a continuance of the war unless the republics are given their freedom.

GENERAL SCOFIELD

FAVORS PLAN FOR ARMY REORGANIZATION

Topeka Poet-Lawyer to Succeed Evans as Commissioner of Pensions

Washington, April 11—General Scofield's testimony before the Senate military committee, in regard to Secretary Root's bill to increase the efficiency of the army, by creating a general staff and consolidating the various staff departments, has been made public.

General Scofield made a strong argument for the creation of a general staff, with a chief of staff at the head, to take the place of the present office of commanding general of the army. He declared the present system to blame for the friction which has always existed between the secretaries of war and the commanding generals of the army. The chief of staff would have more power than the commanding general now has.

Eugene Ware, of Kansas, has been selected by the president to succeed Henry Clay Evans as pension commissioner.

The new pension commissioner is a Topeka lawyer and a poet of some fame, having written under the name of "Iron Quill."

CRITICISES AMERICANS' ACTS IN PHILIPPINES

Thinks Hatred of Filipinos is Being Aroused by Harsh Treatment.

Washington, April 10—Secretary Root today transmitted to congress the sensational report made by Major Gardiner, governor of the province of Tayabas which was called for by the Culberson resolution on April 6th.

Gardiner is of the opinion that the army officers sent from the United States to bring about peace in that province have been guilty of gross mismanagement and brutality in the treatment of natives.

He says that by the conduct of the troops, such as extensive burning barriers, trying to lay waste to the country, so that the insurgents cannot occupy it, torturing of the natives, the failure of inexperienced lieutenants commanding posts to distinguish between those Filipinos who are friendly and those unfriendly, a favorable sentiment is being fast destroyed, and a deep hatred toward the United States is being engendered.

This course, he thinks, will result in perpetual revolution against the United States.

Gen. Chaffee Going to Samar

Manila, April 10:—General Chaffee leaves today on a tour of inspection in the island of Samar. He will visit every port in the island, and will witness the surrender next Thursday of the insurgent Guevarra. After this surrender the American garrisons in Samar will be largely reduced.

IN CONSULTATION

Boer Leaders Meet at Klerksdorp

KRUGER PESSIMISTIC ABOUT PEACE PROSPECTS

British Government Denies Receiving Proposals—Cabinet Hastily Summoned

Pretoria, April 11—Ex-President Steyn of the Orange Free State and Generals Dewet and Delarey arrived at Klerksdorp Wednesday, under a flag of truce.

They sent a messenger into town requesting the British commander to permit them to enter.

On Thursday a conference between the Orange Free State representatives and the Transvaal representatives began in a tent.

Amsterdam, April 11—President Kruger has not yet received a peace communication and continues to be pessimistic regarding the likelihood of an early ending to the war.

London, April 11—The Secretary of State for War in the House of Commons today declared that the government had not received a communication from the Boer leaders. He said there had certainly not been an armistice declared.

The cabinet has been hurriedly summoned to meet tomorrow. The action has increased the talk of an early peace.

in South Africa. The stock exchange was full of peace rumors this afternoon.

Jury List

Following is the jury list drawn to serve at the coming term of circuit court:

J J Clinkenbeard, Coos river.
H W Holverstott, Fairview.
Henry Clemens, Parkersburg.
C A Johnson, Marshfield.
D W Baker, Lee.
C Ledgerwood, Bandon.
Wm Stewart, Riverton.
W T Brady, Gravel Ford.
Wm Brewer, Bandon.
Ed Carter, Myrtle Point.
Archie Boon, Sumner.
John Felter, Bandon.
E M Randleman, Parkersburg.
R Pomeroy, Parkersburg.
J R Benson, Myrtle Point.
J B Fox, Coquille.
Frank Bullock, Coquille.
A W Neal, Marshfield.
W F Disher, Coquille.

T M Coliver, Marshfield.
Ernest Bender, Myrtle Point.
L C Gibson, Bandon.
Louis Strong, Myrtle Point.
C T Blamprother, Bandon.
James Durand, Libby.
J D Johnson, Marshfield.
J C Brown, Myrtle Point.
J R Buckingham, Bandon.
Richard Thrush, Prosper.
J Flam, Parkersburg.
N S Bushnell, Myrtle Point.

To be Hanged in Alaska

Seattle, April 11—According to the latest advices from Alaska an execution is to take place today at Sitka. The victim is Homer Bird, who was convicted several months ago for the murder of Herling and Patterson on the Yukon in September, 1898.

Dress goods

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And the accompanying demand for serviceable goods has been met at this store. In our showing this spring we have completely outdone all previous efforts to please our trade and unhesitatingly say that our stock is at present the only representative stock of up-to-date goods in every line.

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Our Clothing,

Gents' Furnish-

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