

CUBA'S TERMS REJECTED

United States Refuses to Accept Cuban Interpretation

OF THE PLATT AMENDMENT.

A Reply to Preparatory Secretary Root's Reply to Our Government's Answer to the Convention in Diplomatic Words—Cuba Must Not Pervert Amendment.

Washington, D. C., June 3.—The administration has decided to reject the plan of relations defined by the Cuban constitutional convention...

CUBANS TAKE DECIDED STAND.

Not Likely to Recede Their Action on Platt Amendment. Havana, June 3.—Washington advices regarding possible complications over the acceptance of the appendix to the constitution have caused some uneasiness among the members who secured its adoption...

Musical Room in a Peshouse.

Wichita, Kan., June 3.—The pesthouse in this city has been turned into a musical room and all of the fifty inmates are learning to play on the cornet, banjo and guitar.

76,303,387 Is Correct.

Washington, June 3.—The census bureau has made its final announcement of the population of the United States as recorded by the census of 1900.

Shoots Himself to Escape Arrest.

Chicago, June 3.—Pursued by citizens and police after having stolen a horse and wagon, A. W. Griffing, formerly a private detective, escaped arrest by committing suicide.

FROM ALL OVER MICHIGAN.

Happenings of the Week Briefly Related.

WILL INTEREST MICHIGANDERS

Have You Money Coming From the State as the Result of Paying Double Taxes—Petoskey Barber in Trouble—Jackson Woman Sues Her Hubby.

Machinists Cause Trouble in Detroit.

What threatened to be a lively riot occurred at the Olds Motor Works, in Detroit, late on the afternoon of May 31, but the prompt arrival of the police averted serious trouble...

Are You Affected.

Policyholders of the defunct Citizens' Mutual Fire Insurance company, of Jackson, are up in arms. The cause of the excitement is an assessment by Receiver F. C. Badgley of former policyholders to the tune of nearly \$133,000.

Have Money Coming.

Certain property owners in the state are receiving postal cards from persons at Lansing who pore over books in the auditor-general's office, to the effect that they are entitled to a refunding of a given sum occasioned by a double payment of taxes.

Petoskey M. D. Fled on His Wheel.

Dr. Parquhar McKee, a whilom doctor, of Petoskey, who is the proprietor of a fine barber shop, fled on his wheel on the 27th to escape a warrant for alleged criminal assault that was being prepared on the complaint of A. Cohn, a merchant of that city...

Sues Her Husband for Damages.

Mary J. Creech, of Jackson, on the 27th began suit in the circuit court against her divorced husband, David H. Creech. This is a sequel of a shooting affray which occurred at the home of Mrs. Creech when, following a decision of the supreme court sustaining the lower court in granting her a divorce, Creech shot his wife four times in the head, badly wounding her.

Court Must Decide.

Suit for \$7,000, growing out of the recent failure of the First National bank of Niles, has been begun in the U. S. circuit court against the First National bank of Chicago. The action is brought by Jos. W. Seiden, receiver of the insolvent Niles bank, to recover drafts presented at the defendant bank after notice of the insolvency of the other institutions had been sent out.

A Fruit Canning Company, with \$250,000 Capital, Has Been Formed at Kalamazoo.

No more board walks goes in Northville—the council recently decided not to grant any more permits for such. Cement will be used.

Fruit Growers Around Saranac Expect a Record-Breaking Crop This Year.

Fruit growers around Saranac expect a record-breaking crop this year, and are making preparations accordingly for the shipment of the fruit.

Berrien Township Farmers Trapped.

Numerous farmers in Berrien township are chewing the bitter cud of reflection now that they cannot recall what they had to say to several genteel personages who visited them during the past few days for the alleged purpose of purchasing farm land. The visitors in question were land speculators who were sent out by the state tax commission to ascertain whether or not the township supervisors in Berrien county are doing their duty by assessing land at its actual cash value.

Fruit Growers are Discouraged.

Fruit growers in the vicinity of Benton Harbor are nearly discouraged over the prolonged cool weather. The prospects for a big strawberry crop as given out is not what it was 10 days ago. The big melon growers are still holding their plants in hot beds waiting for a warm wind and already many of these plants are dumping down. On the big peach farms hardly an old tree will bear a peach and this means two-thirds of every farm.

MINOR MICHIGAN MATTERS.

Memorial Day was appropriately observed throughout Michigan.

Monroe has a good chance to secure a best sugar factory, and may land it. Work was commenced at Rockwood on the 29th on the electric road running between Detroit and Toledo.

Martin Tiffany, of Manikataw, suicided at Chicago on the 30th by the carbolic acid route. Motive unknown.

Bears are wandering about near the village of Hatton and the children don't require a curfew bell to keep them in at night.

The frost did quite a lot of damage around West Branch. It is feared that the huckleberries are ruined, as they are just in bloom.

Coldwater has not far from 40 miles of Portland cement sidewalks; in fact the city claims to have the best sidewalks in America for a town of like size.

A small boy at Athens called the village marshal a blockhead, and the officer proved that the boy was right by arresting him and taking him to the lockup.

The recent petty thieving at Detroit has led the police to believe that it is the work of an organized band of boys, and they are now working on this theory.

Since promising coal indications have been found in Meridian township, Ingham county, the farmers there are enjoying good times, as capitalists are buying leases of all the land they can secure.

Obedying the instructions of the mayor, Marshal Ross, of Owosso, kept his eagle eye open on the 26th with the result that he got evidence against seven dealers for selling cigars on Sunday contrary to his honor's orders.

The decomposed body of an unknown man was found on the 25th on the top of a wild and desolate hill known as Buzzard's Roost, which overlooks the Vermilion river in Illinois. From the fact that the head was cut off it is thought he was decapitated and murdered. The man had been dead about six months.

The Howard City high school was the scene of much excitement on the 27th. Prof. Fuller undertook to punish Wm. Steenman, who retaliated on the professor in John L. style, giving him three hard blows. The professor then blacked Steenman's eyes and put him out of school. Steenman would have graduated this year.

The project to connect Saginaw and Grand Rapids by means of an electric railway was now assured of success, the company having been incorporated with \$1,000,000 capital and the bonds having been taken by an eastern syndicate. The route will be from Grand Rapids to Greenville, thence to Stanton, Edmore, Lake Odessa, Alma and St. Louis.

Dr. D. C. Thomas, aged 66, of Adrian, died very suddenly on the 30th of heart failure. He was on his way to the Lima Northern depot and ran a short distance in order to get his train, he being a little late, and as he reached the depot he suddenly sank lifeless to the platform. He was on his way to fill an appointment to deliver a Memorial Day address.

The divorce business in Calhoun county has taken a big jump and all records have been broken during the month of May. County Clerk Austin commenced 12 cases and issued only 37 marriage licenses.

DOINGS OF THE 41ST SESSION.

The house passed the following bills on the 28th: New barbers' law; correcting errors in Day City charter; constitutional amendment relative to the division of state and county taxes and finances; authorizing Crystal Falls township school to borrow money to erect building; authorizing Ontonagon county to maintain an abstract system; authorizing Blissfield to borrow money to improve bridge across the Raisin river; detaching certain territory from school district No. 2, Marion, and attaching same to district No. 4; amending Saginaw charter relative to the pay of aldermen when acting as supervisors; Detroit bridge bonding bill; extending time of payment of indebtedness of counties and townships; freight classification bill; providing that no person acting as an agent for a contract with a deceased person shall be a competent witness equally within the knowledge of decedent unless called by the heirs; authorizing county road commissioners to grant street railway franchises for territory within their jurisdiction; amending compulsory education law so as to provide that children between 8 and 12 years shall attend school at least 10 half days each week and five months a year, instead of eight half days and four months a year; authorizing common carriers to sell perishable freight within 24 hours after charges had not been paid, and animals within a week; regulating the granting of franchises in the city of Detroit; Ann Arbor charter.

The senate passed the following bills on the 28th: Amending the Grand Rapids primary election law by providing for independent candidates and decreasing the fee for some minor candidates; to amend Saginaw charter; to authorize Detroit to build another bridge to Belle Isle; authorizing Blissfield township, Lenawee county, to borrow money; relative to school taxes in Crystal Falls; to reorganize school districts in Marion township, Osceola county; amended by house—relative to the East Saginaw school law; Barnaby primary election bill for Kent county; to make Monroe county the 38th judicial circuit.

The house passed the following bills on the 29th: Proposing an amendment to the constitution relative to indeterminate sentences; general budget bill, carrying \$6,544,501.13; regulating railway service on steam railways; compelling county and municipal officers to keep accounts; amending railroad incorporation act so that projectors of interurban electric railways need secure the consent of only two-thirds of the abutting property owners for a right of way.

The senate passed the following bills on the 27th: To amend Saginaw charter; to amend Sault Ste. Marie's charter; to give Detroit power to license branch laundries; to amend Bay City's charter; relative to assessments in Detroit; Detroit water board bonding bill; giving the state auditors power to settle with H. M. Kingsley, of Van Buren county; to prohibit net fishing in waters tributary to the Saginaw river; to allow Blissfield to bond for \$5,000.

Gov. Bliss on the night of the 27th sent to the senate the names of ex-Senator Ira T. Sayre, of Flushing, and Graham Pope, of Houghton, as the two additional members of the state tax commission. Sayre gets the long term to 1906 and Pope's term will expire in 1904.

The house passed the following bills on the 27th: Amending Grand Rapids primary election law; authorizing the village of Blissfield to borrow \$5,000 for street improvements; amending horsehoes' act so as to provide for renewal of licenses.

The budget made up by the state accountant shows the total for 1901 and 1902 to be \$6,927,781.24, which is an increase of \$293,265.57 over the total taxes levied by the last legislature.

A stabbing affray occurred at Monroe on the afternoon of the 30th that may result in murder. Wm. Stokes, colored, stabbed William Rudert, a butcher, with a putty knife during an altercation in Jacob Hermann's saloon, on Monroe street. The men had been drinking heavily all day and at the time of the trouble both were intoxicated and quarrelsome. The knife entered between the two lower ribs on the left side and went through the lung and into the spleen. Stokes was immediately arrested. In the meantime a crowd had collected at the police station with the determination to break into Stokes' cell and take him out and hang him to a tree in the park. While the crowd was raving outside the officers took Stokes out of the back door of the station house and down the alley to the county jail, where he is now confined awaiting the result of Rudert's injuries.

The office of the Wenona Coal Co., near the mouth of the Kawikawin river, was burglarized on the night of the 27th. The robbers got \$25 in cash and \$27 worth of postage stamps.

The project of forming new local military companies is being actively agitated at Ionia and Ludington, which cities are now not represented in the state national guard. There is also considerable talk at Escanaba along the same line. Nearly 10,000 people witnessed the unveiling of the memorial cannon on the court house square, Mt. Clemens, on the 30th. The monument was erected in memory of Maj-Gen. Alex. Macomb, for whom the county was named. Judge Wiest, in the circuit court on the 28th ordered the state cases against Chas. H. Pratt, Edgar J. Adams, Wm. A. French and J. H. Brown placed on the calendar. Prosecutor Tuttle had requested that the cases be nolle prossed, but Judge Wiest could not see it in that light. The cases were continued until September term.

TARIFF DUTIES IN A MUDDLE.

The Recent Supreme Court Decision in Porto Rico

MAY NECESSITATE NEW LAWS.

If the Tariff Schedule Promulgated by the President is Insufficient Congress Will Be Obligated to Act or Imports May Enter Free—Decisions Explained.

Constitution Must Follow the Flag.

In the Downes case the U. S. supreme court declares, in an opinion by Justice Brown, that while Porto Rico is a territory of the U. S., it is not such for tariff purposes and that the Foraker act is constitutional. The judgment of the circuit court was affirmed. The following were the principal points of the majority decision: 1. Territory cannot be foreign and domestic simultaneously. 2. Porto Rico is not foreign territory. 3. Congress has authority to control and legislate for territory acquired by war or treaty. 4. Territory acquired by treaty belongs to the U. S. and is subject to the disposition of congress. 5. Congress derives its authority not necessarily from the territorial clause of the constitution but from necessities of the case and the inability of the states to act.

Philippine Tariff Duties in a Muddle.

Containing the logic of the decision in the Delima case it is apparent that the whole Philippine tariff situation is upset. It was decided that goods coming into this country after the ratification of the Paris treaty and before the enactment of the Foraker bill were entitled to be admitted free. In the case of Porto Rico the duties received under the Foraker act will be kept. The Dingley duties collected previously will be refunded. In the case of the Philippines there has been no Foraker act. Duties have been charged on Filipino goods under the Dingley law since the ratification of the Paris treaty. The force of the present decision would be that all duties collected on goods coming from the Philippines must be refunded. This would make a difference of millions of dollars to shippers.

Under the authority of congress the President has the power to institute a new Philippine tariff. Under this authority he might by executive order institute a tariff similar in effect to the Foraker act and thus stop the Philippine goods from coming into this country free. At this point the question would arise as to whether the congress could delegate its constitutional authority to the executive or an officer of the executive. If the congress cannot empower, and did not empower, the President to issue such an order for a Philippine tariff then it will become necessary for congress to be called into extra session to pass such a law. If the President cannot make the order, congress must be called or the goods will continue to come in duty free.

Pretty Girl Visited Saloons on Sunday.

Miss Addie Berry, the 19-year-old daughter of Frank Berry, of Carlyle, Ill., has inaugurated a sort of Carrie Nation crusade against the saloons in that city. On the 26th she created consternation among the drink dispensers, visiting every place where intoxicating beverages are sold. The saloons are not kept wide open on Sunday, but a person can obtain entrance via side or rear doors. Miss Berry has assumed the responsibility of putting a stop to this practice. She went into the interior of saloons, penning a crowd and, with a surety, jotted down the names of those who were in the room at the time.

Didn't Want to Kill the Kaiser.

A newspaper publisher in Verona, Italy, reports the attempted suicide of a youthful blacksmith named Pictrucci, who has confessed that he belonged to a society of anarchists and was chosen by lot to kill the Emperor of Germany. He preferred suicide to making the attempt. In his confession he also disclosed the names of certain of his comrades who had been selected to kill Queen Helena, of Italy, President Loubet, of France, and the Czar, of Russia.

Founded to Death by Robbers.

Christian Stahl, a farmer living near Navarre, Pa., was brutally murdered by two masked burglars on the night of the 26th. The men broke into the house and demanded Stahl's money. On being refused, they bound him and the other members of the family with ropes, and after beating Stahl until he was unconscious the men left the house. Stahl's sister managed to free herself and gave the alarm. Stahl died after being freed from his bonds.

The First National Bank, of Mineral Point, Wis., was robbed of \$29,000 on the 25th. The loss is covered by insurance.

After a session of three minutes on the 28th the U. S. supreme court adjourned until the second Monday in October.

The safe in the Mechanics Banking Co.'s office, at Bradner, O., 12 miles north of Potosia, was blown open by burglars on the night of the 28th and \$10,000 taken. The burglars got away on a hand car. The bank building was partly wrecked by the explosion.

TRANSVAAL WAR ITEMS.

Special dispatches from St. Petersburg assert that Dr. Hendrick Muller and Dr. Leyds, representing the Boer republics have appealed formally to The Hague arbitration court, promising to abide by the decision of the tribunal regarding the issues involved in the South African war and pointing out that several of the paragraphs of the constitution of the court of arbitration signed by the powers represented at the peace conference bear directly upon the South African case. A dispatch from Pretoria, dated the 28th, says the Boer general Schoeman and his daughter have been killed and his wife and two others have been badly injured by the explosion of a shell. Gen. Schoeman, his family and some friends were examining a 4.7 inch lyddite shell which they kept in the house as a curiosity when the shell exploded, killing the general on the spot and mortally wounding his daughter, and severely injuring his wife and two other persons.

The following was received from cradock on the 27th: "Kritzing's invaders of Cape Colony captured a British post of 41 men near Maraisburg after a stout resistance."

Seven Persons Drowned.

A rowboat containing a merry party of eight young persons was swept over Flat Rock dam in the Schuykill river on the 30th and seven of them—five girls and two boys, all of Philadelphia, Pa.—were drowned. The young man saved is John Moore, aged 21. The party is composed of members of the Elm Social club, one of the numerous associations in that city, organized for the promotion of picnics and other social functions. Early in the morning the entire party embarked in gaily decorated wagons and pitched their camp at Ross Glen, along the Schuykill river, on the northern outskirts of the city. After dinner the party split up for a row on the river, eight deciding to go in one boat. All the girls were huddled in the stern, one of the boys was rowing and the other was sitting on the bow of the boat. After getting in the middle of the river and finding the current too swift for comfort, the boat was rowed in toward shore. During this time it was carried slowly down stream. The boy doing the rowing decided to go through the locks and as he approached the dam, he was hailed by the lockkeeper not to approach any closer. The warning was not heeded and the young oarsman kept on rowing until he found that the lock was closed. The boat and entire party was carried over the dam, and the five girls never rose to the surface.

Dowie Says He is Elijah.

"I am Elijah the Prophet, who appeared first as Elijah himself, second as John the Baptist and who now comes in me, the restorer of all things. Elijah was a prophet, John was a preacher, but I combine in myself the attributes of prophet, priest and ruler over men. Gaze on me then; I say it fearlessly. Make the most of it, you wretches in ecclesiastical garb. I am he that is the living physical and spiritual embodiment of Elijah and my coming to earth a third time has been prophesied by Malachi, by God himself, by his son Jesus, by Peter and three thousand years ago by Moses. All who believe me to be in very truth all this, will stand up." And over 3,000 people rose to their feet and greeted the declaration with cheers and handclapping. The occasion was a large meeting of Dowieites held in Chicago on the 2d.

Our Dealings With France.

In a further series of extracts from the forthcoming volume two of commercial relations dealing with United States' trade in France, Consul Brittain, of Nantes, notes the development of the trade in American machinery in western France. During the past season, he says, about 800 reapers, mowers and horse hay rakes arrived at that port. American mowers give good satisfaction and the increased prices asked for farm labor will stimulate the demand for such machinery in the future. The American mowers were a common sight in the hayfields last summer.

CHINA WAR NEWS.

A dispatch received at the war department from Gen. Chaffee at Taku, says that the transports Sumner and Lennox sailed on the 27th and that all of the troops that are to leave China are off for Manila.

BASE BALL.

Below we publish the standing of the American and National league clubs up to and including the games played on Sunday, June 3:

Table with columns: American League (Won, Lost, Per cent) and National League (Won, Lost, Per cent). Lists teams like Chicago, Washington, Philadelphia, etc.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

Table with columns: Cattle, Sheep, Lambs, Hogs. Lists prices for various grades in New York, Chicago, Detroit, etc.

GRAIN, ETC.

Table with columns: Wheat, Corn, Oats. Lists prices for No. 2 red, No. 2 mix, No. 2 white in New York, Chicago, etc.

Freight Hit Load of Dynamite.

A push car loaded with 48 boxes of dynamite was struck by a Great Northern freight train near Skyhook, Wash., on the 28th. A terrific explosion followed. The engine was hurled some distance up the mountain side, three freight cars were demolished, and about 500 feet of track torn up. A steam shovel standing near was reduced to scrap iron. Engineer McGrouthy was seriously hurt.

The German marines are quitting Peking.