# WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28th, 1896.

There is no more probability that the independence of Cuba will be recognized by the United States during President Cleveland's administration signed by Rochester. than there is of Grover Cleveland becoming president of the Cuban republic, and, unless McKinley is misrepresented by Republicans who are supposed to enjoy his confidence, the has entered the ranks of cigar drumpresent policy will be continued by mers. him until there is some decided change in Cuba. The resolution for the in-dependence of Cuba which has been cants should address Mr. H. H. reported to the Senate will, of course, Hensel at once. be made the basis of a lot of speeches when Congress reassembles, but more be trying to secure second baseman of them will be devoted to the claim Connors from Chicago. of the admisistration, that the President alone has the power to recognize his signed contract to the Baltimore the independence of a nation, than to club. Cuba or anything connected with the unfortunate island. Whether a vote indoor base ball team in the local on the resolution itself will be had be- league at Geneva, N. Y. fore the expiration of this Congress is a matter of doubt, but not of much stockholders and all of them are deadimportance, as it has already been heads at the games. given out by the Republican leaders of the House that the resolution will negotations for outfielder McCreary, not be allowed to come before that of the Louisvilles. body at all. The constitutional question involved in the claim of the administration is an important one, and one upon which men who are regarded fourteen years, and yet his arm is as as able lawyers differ regardless of good as ever it was. politics, and the debate upon it will be in no sense partisan. There is excollegian, first baseman Goeckle, practically no precedent, though sev- may get a chance to don a Pittsburg eral have been cited as having a bearing upon the claim. And after all, tried to secure Goeckle last season, nothing short of a decision of the but the collegian declared he did not United States Supreme Court will be want to become a professional. Howaccepted as settling it.

never set up for a wit, but if he gets League in that position. off a few more flashes like his answer to Senator Vest's inquiry as to the to deny the statement going the meaning of that clause of the Presi- rounds to the effect that the Philadelcific Railroads, the title will be forced Athletics. He says the Philadelphia upon him. Mr. Morgan was urging Club has released him outright, and action to protect the people of the that he is open for engagement. He Pacific coast from those railroads, or can be addressed at 69 South Pine rather from the men who control them, street, Hazleton, Pa. when Mr. Vest made his request. Turning like a flash, the Alabama Senator said with a depreciatory ges- with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as ture: " Now in all Egypt there was they cannot reach the seat of the disonly one man, and he was divinely ease. Catarrh is a blood or constituinspired, who could interpret the tional disease, and in order to cure it dreams of Pharaoh. The Senator you must take internal remedies. ought not to ask me to interpret the Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally President's message. If any man is and acts directly on the blood and capable of interpreting the message it mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the Senator from Missouri."

The little postmasterships are espe- for testimonials, free. cially troublesome to the Representatives-elect on account of the numer ous applicants for them. For instance, one Representative from New Jersey has received among other applications for a single postoffice in his district, one from each of three men who were in his campaign.

be war at short notice, and such a of being called such an eccentric. program was prepared and is now in the hands of Secretary Herbert.

ye shed the honey, the buzzing flies community there are a few men who those who are anticipating benefits esteemed for their predicament. It is ing Washington hotels, preparatory to rather stumble over a stick in their telling the Republican members of the path than go to the trouble of removat the hearings which are to begin | ST. PAUL's injunction: "If any will next week, just how much interest not work, neither shall he eat." they want on their campaign contri-

butions. nia, thinks the Pacific Railroad fund- Spain there are some things that are ing bill, which is to be considered by causing him to scratch his head and the House for the four days beginning wonder how he is going to protect our January 7th, can be defeated. He woefully defenceless extensive coast said: "If we can get enough time to line with nine boats that are calculated show the whole thing up, I am satis for heavy fighting. We have plenty fied that many votes will be changed. scattered over the world to blow Spain The passage of the present bill is a clear out of water, but should we bepresent of \$100,000,000 to C. P. come involved before they could be Huntingdon and his associates. If it called home it would take pretty large becomes known that the United shooting for the nine boats now ready States is going to treat these debtors to ward off Spanish attack from Eastlike it does all others there will be port, Me., clear around to the mouth plenty of buyers at the full value of of the Rio Grande. the property.'

The Baldwin Locomotive Works at Philadelphia have received orders for hair, and medicinal herbs for the scalp, 13 locomotives for Japan. The com- curing grayness, baldness, dandruff, pany also expects to build eight engines for China. These works are very busy, having besides the above orders 32 locomotives for various animal that ever came down?" roads in this country.

#### BASE BALL CHAT.

It has been about settled that the Pittsburg team will do its spring training at Mobile.

Pitcher Yerrick, formerly from Berwick, who was with the Boston

The Scranton Club has signed a Texas League pitcher named William

Charley Nichols, of the Boston's, The Lancaster club needs a good,

The Louisville club is reported to

Pitcher Jerry Nops has turned in

Frank Dwyer is a member of an

The Springfield club has about 100

The Pittsburg club has re opened

Boston is still on a hunt for a catcher and an outfielder.

Tony Mullane has been pitching

According to Pittsburg advices the ever, last season he played first base Senator Morgan, of Alabama, has for Wilkesbarre, leading the Eastern

Pitcher Charlie Jordan requests us dent's message dealing with the Pa phia Club had transferred him to the

#### Catarrh Cannot be Cured

is not a quack medicine. It was pre-Among the members of the House scribed by one of the best physicians who did not go home to spend their in this country for years, and is a Christmas are a number of Republi- regular prescription. It is composed cans who were re-elected to the next of the best tonics known, combined House, and who prefer to stand their with the best blood purifiers, acting office-seeking constitutients off with directly on the mucous surfaces. The letters which do not commit them, in- perfect combination of the two instead of meeting them face to face and gredients is what produces such wonbeing compelled to commit themselves. | derful results in curing Catarrh. Send

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They called it eccentricity when Millionaire John E. Dubois had a man delegates to the convention that nom- stand at the doors of the Methodist inated him and who took active parts and Presbyterian churches, in Du-Bois, on Sunday, and hand every one The Government isn't expecting who entered the building an envelope war with Spain, but if war comes it is in which he had placed 20cts. It was going to be as well prepared as possi- his idea of making a subscription to ble for it. A secret meeting of high the church, for the envelopes were all naval officers was held in Washington dropped into the collection baskets. a few days ago for the purpose of pre- Possibly it was eccentricity but it was paring a complete program, offensive of the kind that will always gladden and defensive, that might be carried the ministerial heart and help church on by our present navy if there should work. You need not be ashamed

The man who is anxious, and able It is as true to-day as it was when to work, though he may not be able written by Macaulay that "Where'er to secure it, is not a tramp. In every will crowd." There is going to be are not working simply because it is honey shed by the Republican tariff an absolute impossibility for them to bill, and the flies, in the shape of secure any, yet they are none the less through protection are already crowd- the class of lazy loafers who would House Ways and Means Committee, ing it, that should be forced to know

While Uncle SAM has very little to Representative Barham, of Califor- be afraid of in the event of war with

> Hall's Hair Renewer contains the natural food and color-matter for the and scalp sores.

Maud-" Charlie what was the first Charlie-" Rein-deer."



The prospect of a Christmas dinner has its forecast in the breakfast. Gen eral Miles was twitted about "ravens" and "manna in the wilderness," and while it was not said, it was thought he was a poor sort of Moses.

The day were on, and there was a midday meal of bacon and beans. Baldwin again took copious draughts of parched-corn coffee.

Supper call was sounded. At headquarters they sat down to the usual repust-beans and bacon. Just as Captain Baldwin was about to quaff a second quart of parched-corn coffeean apparition appeared in the tent door, substantial, savory. It was a turkey, plucked of its feathers, paraded on a tin platter, done to a turn, smoking hot and redelently odorous. It was held aloft by an Eighth cavalry trooper. The astonishing spectacle was immediately duplicated-another trooper bearing a similar tray ladened with a smoking saddle of venison, Another trooper-a dish of vegetables Another trooper-a camp kettle full of fragrant coffee, strong enough to float an iron wedge.

The Christmas dinner to which General Miles had invited his staff, 24 hours before, had materialized.

It was the gift, Christmas present of the Eighth cavalry. They had been reveling as hunters over in the Palo Duro. Soon learning, after going into camp, of the starvation rations at headquarters, they sent of their larder, a feast. But while this "manna in the wilderness" was being consumed, a hospital attache of the Eighth cavalry appeared.

Promptly at 9 o'clock the officers at headquarters were the guests of the Eighth cavalry officers at Dr. Collins' tent, except General Miles, who had business to detain him in his quarters. Without any reflection on the general, it can be said his absence was not regarded as an unmitigated affront. Had he attended, his presence as commanding officer might have marred the interpretation put upon Dr. Colins' "how." An army officer can no more take a drink without ejaculating 'how" than he can draw his pay without signing a pay account.

"How" was ladled out of a great ron pot, half the size of a country wife's soap kettle, with quart cups. And it was a punch with the most peruliar taste and startling effects that wer a well-seasoned man tackled. Everybody tackled it, however, unrenittingly. The queries were many: What is it? And as stoup after stoup was fearlessly taken, the doctor being it hand, the recipe, or make-up of this 'Christmas prairie punch" was disclosed. An iron pot had been used, for nothing less strong could possibly gold the mixture. The body of the fuld was tea, boiled to the consistency of lye-and in alkali water, too-and nto this had been dumped a couple of or crisp, burnt brown sugar, for the sake of a color. Next a quart an of portable lemon sugar had been idded to give it flavor, and then two gallons of alcohol-taken from the reterinary surgeon's chest-had been poured in. When the mixture was steaming, or on the point of explosion, a two-pound lump of butter, or "axlegrease," as the rancid fat was called n the army, was dropped in.

# Concluded to Help Providence.

A little girl told a friend who was risiting her father that her brothers set traps to catch the birds. He asked per what she did. She replied: "I orayed that the traps might not catch he birds," "Anything else?" "Yes," she mid, "I then prayed that God would revent the birds getting into the trap," and, as if to illustrate the doctrine of 'aith and works, "I went and kicked he traps all to pieces."



On the night before Christmas will likely ap-A miniature sleigh with electrical gear And the man at the motor, so lively and

quick, You'll know in a moment for Jolly St. Nick, Fo the top of the porch, to the top of the wall, You'd think that air riding was nothing at

And up on the housetopathe are lamp's bright is shed on the toys and St. Nicholas, too!
"The dynamo works," he cries with great

glee.
\*For the first time in ages the chimney I see!" And, placing his hands in the shape of a cube, He shoots down the gifts—through a pneumatic tubel It takes scarce a minute, they are filled with a jerk, as stocklars which formerly gave so

Phose stockings which formerly gave so much work.

The saint grabs the moter and whisks out of with "Morry Christmas to all, and to all a good night!"

# GIRLS IN STORES.

offices, or factories, are peculiarly liable to female diseases, especially those who are constantly on their feet. Often they are unable to perform their duties, their suffering is so intense.



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### THE FATE OF TRIPLETS IN CHINA.

In the southern provinces of China there is a superstition that if triplets are born one of the three children will eventually become a noted rebel. In order to avoid that direst of Chinese curses, a bad son, a "wise man" is sent for in order to decide which of the three children is the destined black sheep. The three infants having been conveyed into a perfectly dark room, the "wise man" takes three pieces of twine, each of a different color, as white, red, and black, and entering the room ties one of these pieces of string round a wrist of each baby. The one which, when brought out into the light, is found to have the red string on its wrist, is drowned like a puppy .- From "Chinese Superstitions," in Demorest's Magazine for January.

The controller of Luzerne county has been in office only four months, but in that short time it is stated that he has saved the county nearly

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Pugilist Sharkey was awarded \$8,-500 in the recent contested case, in which Fitzsimmons' blow in the eighth round was declared a foul.

The Kansas Legislature is being urged to pass a law to prohibit the admission of homeless children into

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