

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent. WASHINGTON, Jan. 1, 1897.

No President, not even Andy Johnson, ever held a New Year reception that was attended by fewer Senators and Representatives than were at the White House to-day.

The Cuban question is awaiting the reassembling of Congress next week, although there are daily, almost hourly, reports of steps being taken either in Spain, or by General Weyler, or by Secretary Olney and the Spanish Minister, which will result in placing it where there will be no occasion for Congress to act upon it.

The Democratic National Committee makes no secret of using all the influence it can command towards bringing about the re-election of Senator Dubois, of Idaho, who is being opposed by Hanna and his crowd, because he followed his convictions and supported the Democratic platform and ticket in the late campaign, and because they think his defeat would result in frightening other silver Senators in continuing to act with the Republican party.

Gen. Wheeler, of Alabama, one of the Democratic members of the House committee on Ways and Means, who is carefully attending the tariff hearings now in progress, although he knows that he and his Democratic colleagues will not be allowed to have any hand in making the tariff bill, is always emphatic in speech and often dramatic.

Senator Call's term expires March 3rd, and the Florida legislature which will elect his successor does not meet until April, so that if McKinley calls the extra session together in March, Florida will for a time have only one Senator.

At a public meeting of the McKinley and Hobart club of this city, ex-Commissioner Douglass said that the club organization would be kept up for the purpose of supporting McKinley and Hobart in 1900.

One thing has been made very clear by the first week of the tariff hearings. That is, that the men who have asked for higher duties, on the ground that their business under the present tariff is unprofitable, must have had a big surplus to draw upon.

MAKING CENTS OF ALUMINUM.

Tests at the Mints to See if Such a Thing is Practicable.

In the short period that will elapse before Congress convenes again in December a series of interesting experiments in coinage will be conducted at the mint in this city.

Of all the countless possible alloys to be obtained from copper, tin, nickel and aluminum in different combinations, perhaps fifteen or twenty may be found fairly satisfactory. It is possible that one or two of these may advantageously be brought into use for general coinage.

Pure nickel has recently been coined in Switzerland, but it has been found just as difficult to handle as aluminum though for a different reason. Such great heat is necessary to bring it into condition for coining that the operation is slow and expensive.

The five-cent coin now in use contains only 25 per cent nickel, the remaining 75 per cent being of copper. Nickel, more than any other metal, has the property of giving its color to an alloy.

The experiments at the mint will include different combinations of nickel, copper, and zinc, forming the alloys known under the head of German silver; copper and tin, which produce bronze; aluminum and copper, which make aluminum bronze.

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EARLY AMERICAN DOCTORS.

Peculiarities of a Medical Education and Queer Methods of Practice.

It may be well to refer to the method of obtaining a medical profession in the early days. There were but two schools of medicine in the country—the one at Harvard College, just established, and that at New Haven, organized in 1784.

Under such circumstances the doctor's knowledge was practical, and derived from personal experience rather than from books. The advantages of study were sparingly enjoyed. Few physicians boasted of a library of fifty volumes.

The drugs were stowed away on the shelves of the village store, among heaps of shoes, rohan hats, packages of seeds, and fitches of bacon. The physician was compelled to compound his own drugs, make his own tinctures, and put up his own prescriptions.

The writer has a vivid recollection when eight years old, in a raging fever pleading for water, the nurse handed the pitcher and the child satisfied her burning thirst.

Queer Accident to a Freight Car. A very peculiar mishap to a freight train has just come to the attention of the motive power department of the Panhandle in this city, and in its details it assumes the nature of a miracle as strange as those of old.

Animals That Never Drink. The llamas of Patagonia, and the doreas and gazelles of Abyssinia, are reputed nondrinkers. A parrot lived 52 years in the Zoological Gardens, Regent's Park, without drinking a drop of water, and many naturalists believe the only moisture imbibed by wild rabbits is derived from green herbage laden with dew.

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Evangelist Moody on Monday inaugurated a religious movement by which he hopes to convert all the people of greater New York. Massachusetts colored people on Saturday celebrated the thirty-fourth anniversary of President Lincoln, singing the Emancipation Proclamation.

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