

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent. WASHINGTON, Feb. 11th, 1898.

Hard things have been said of Mr. McKinley by the friends of Cuba on the floors of the Senate and House, but no American has said such insulting things of him as were said in a letter signed with the name of his great and good friend, Senor de Lome, Spanish Minister to the U. S., which was this week published.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity.

On the conviction of the Schuylkill county commissioners, the Philadelphia Times makes these forceful comments: It is not an uncommon occurrence for Schuylkill county officials to get into court on charges of dereliction of duty in office.

Mr. McKinley has not forgotten to take good care of his personal friends. Another one of them, Mr. Wm. J. Calhoun, of Ill., who it will be remembered was sent to Cuba as the personal and confidential representative of Mr. McKinley, last spring, has been given a fat berth.

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Do not cut the wick. Rub the charred portion from it with a soft rag each day.

Fill the oil tank with fresh oil each day and never fill it quite full. Let there be at least an inch and a half free at the top of the tank.

Wipe the outside of the oil tank and of the whole lamp perfectly dry. The oily exterior is a frequent cause of disagreeable odors.

Wash the chimney every day and the shade, if it is of glass or porcelain, at least once a week. Dry the chimney with the regular drying cloth and polish with soft newspapers or chamois.

Once a month boil the burners in vinegar. A burner treated to this bath and dried thoroughly, supplied with a fresh wick, gives a light by which it is a pleasure to read, write or sew.

It Was Time Long Ago.

It is announced in a dispatch from Madrid that "the cost of the Cuban war from February, 1895, to the end of 1897, is officially estimated at \$240,000,000, besides the arrears due from the Cuban treasury, amounting to \$40,000,000." From the above figures it will be observed that the cost to Spain, in money, of attempting to suppress the insurrection in Cuba is over \$700,000 a month. Most, if not all, of the quarter of a billion dollars already expended by the Madrid government represents capital borrowed from European sources. It is understood that Americans have filed claims for damages suffered in Cuba, since the insurrection was inaugurated, of from \$75,000,000 to \$100,000,000. As Uncle Sam is expected to guard the interests of his citizens, it looks as if it was about time for the American government to foreclose on Cuba.—Ex.

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