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## MR. TILLMAN'S SUGAR SPEECH

## The Member from Carolina Makes Sensational Remarks.

CHAPMAN IS NOT WANTED

Senator Thinks Sugar Speculators Should Be Punished.

He Holds That the Senate Investigation Was Not for the Purpose of Punishing Elverton R. Chapman, but to Discover Whether Any Senator Had Been Guilty of Using His Official Position to Make Money by Speculating in Stocks -- The Morgan Cuban Resolution Will Be Called Up Monday.

Washington, May 13.-Senator Tillman made another sensational speech today during a discussion of the Allen resolution relative to bringing Elverton R. Chapman to the bar of the senate. Senators Allen, Faulkner, Spoon-Hoar, Pettus and Chandler first

Mr. Chandler said that if there were any senators who had engaged in speculation in sugar steck-which God forbid is the case—then four years nave obliterated the evidence. The old investigation had failed; the tree had fallen and it ought to lie. It would be a preposterous posposition, he said, after the tribulations by the committee of the courts and of the newspaper press that the witness, Chapman, should be pardoned, Mr. Chandler said he could not conceive that any executive should grant such a pardon. It would establish that after conviction and the conviction sustained by the United States Supreme court, the accused can go to the white house and get a pardon or could come to the senate to be relieved of the conviction. The senator said he could not believe any such lame and impotent conclusion would come from the investigation. Mr. Tillman was then recognized for a speech which caused a distinct sensation on the floor and in

## TILLMAN'S REMARKS

"It seems to me," said Mr. Tillman "that we are not after Chapman; the original investigation was not intended to punish Chapman, but to discover whether any senator on this floo had been guilty of using his official position to make money by speculating in stocks, which were influenced his action as a senator on the mittee, which reported the tariff bill. It is not worth while to try to cover up this matter with bandinage and The senator from New Hampshire will excuse me. I do not intend that as any reflection upon his language, but it does appear to me that he treated it rather flippantly.

"There are today in the newspapers of this country, charges floating about and being sent broadcast, signed by correspondents in the gallery, to the the investigation was confined to the effect that last week when the new tariff bill was reported with a change in the sugar schedule that three senators had speculated in sugar stock. We have another stench on our hand and instead of it being a differential in favor of the trust of a third of a cent, as that was, it is now two-thirds in favor of the trust.

"There are two correspondents who have over their own signatures charged that senators have speculated within the last week and made money. Now, if you want to investigate you have a new reason to investigate. If you intend to get at the true inwardness of the matter, to get at the truth and to punish those who are guilty say so and do so, or else hush. That is the whole sum and substance of it. We do not want Chapman. We want Havemeyer. We want the man who bought your men, if they were bought. That is what we are here for; and now let the senator who has moved to re fer the matter, and who loves the dignity of the senate as much as any other man, take the resolution to his committee and bring back a measure here that will mean something. We can call on Havemeyer and the sugar trust grande and make them testify or put them in jail for contempt. Either investigate so as to find the truth and punish the criminal, or hush."

APPLAUSE THREATENED.

As Mr. Tillman closed there was no applause but for a moment there was a stir in the galleries which promised something of a demonstration. The debate promptly proceeded, however, again branching into legal channels Messrs. Hoar, Chandler and Allen taking part.

Mr. Gray, chairman of the sugar in vestigating committee, said he agreed with the senator from South Carolina (Tillman) that what the senate was concerned in was not the contempt of Chapman, but the ascertainment of acts relative to speculation in sugar

The Morgan Cuban resolution came up at 2 o'clock, but went over until Monday, at the request of Mr. Morgan, who stated that the request was made for reasons of public duty and under circumstances which he was not at

liberty to state fully. At the request of Mr. Allen, Mr. Hoar changed his motion so as to have the resolution referred to the committee on judiciary instead of the committee on privileges and election. The motion, as amended, was agree to.

HOUSE PROCEEDINGS.

The Indian appropriation bill was disposed of by the house today with the exception of the provision for opening | 24th,

the Utah Gilsonite lands which was postponed until Monday. The confer-ence report which establishes an Indian warehouse at Omaha, ratifles the lease of the Seneca oil lands and adds one judge to the Indian territory courts was adopted by a vote of 54 to 47.

Nearly two hours were consumed in a parliamentary squabble on the point raised by Mr. Wheeler, of Alabama, that the rule for semi-weekly sessions was in violation of the constitution. Mr. Simpson, of Kansas, again attracted the speaker, but was declared out of order by a party vote.

New York, May 13.—Broker Elverton R. Chepman, the recalcitrant witness before the senate investigation committee, will leave for Washington tomorrow and place himself in the hands of his counsel, ex-Judge Jere Wilson,

## PENNSYLVANIA'S TERMINAL.

A Number of Philadelphians Inspect the Company's Improvements.

New York, May 13 .- A large numer of Philadelphia newspaper and hotel men and railroad officials came to this city today on a special train as the guests of the Pennsylvania raliroad and inspected the new terminal facilities at Twenty-third street, which will be thrown open to the public on ville Iron and Steel company. Sunday. The visitors rode up the river from Jersey City on one of the big new ferry boats and were joined at about ten, made up of newspaper men, neighborhood of Twenty-third street station had been inspected, all re-emradical departure for the company and is expected to revolutionize the busiwess in New York. In the hansoms, four wheelers and omnibuses which have been provided, visitors can drive the hotels, residences and store within a radius of one and a half miles for 25 cents, a great reduction in the price heretofore charged.

The trip on the ferry boat St. Louis on the return from Twenty-third street to Jersey City was made in the rec ord breaking time of 131/2 minutes. The Philadelphians left Jersey City

for home at 2.20 p. m. The trip was in charge of Frank N Larksdale, of the passenger department, and Colonel James Martin, of the Pullman Car company.

## THE CREW WAS NEW.

Facts Revealed by Investigation of

Leona Fire. New York, May 13.-The local boars of United States steambout inspectors examination today into the fatal fire on the Mallory Line steamship Leona last Sunday developed the fact that the crew was a new one almost to a man; that they had not all been given their stations in case of fire, and had not been drilled for fire duty. This was shown on the evidence of Captain James Wilder, of the Leona, who also said the fire, five minutes after its discovery, emitted such a blinding smoke that it was impossible to get near th steerage, where thirteen people were suffocated and burned to death. He believed that the igniting of matches was

the cause of the fire First Officer Wallace testified that he did not give the alarm at the time of the discovery of the fire, but ran upon the deck to notify the captain; that he then returned to the steerage and endeavored to arouse the passengers, but it was impossible to save the Immigrants, who were bemmed in hy fire, the matches have been stored on the deck alongside of the steerage. As all the Leon i's passengers had

been sent on to Galveston, on Tuesday, examination of officers and members of the crew of the Leona.

## ROYAL ARCANUM COUNCIL.

The Eighth Biennial Session Held at Beaver Falls.

Beaver Falls, Pa., May 13.-The eighth biennial session of the grand council of the Royal Arcanum for the state of Pennsylvania closed this evening. Pitisburg will be the next place of meeting. The following officers were Grand regent, Charles Corelected: nelius, Pittsburg; grand vice regent, Webster Weiss, New Bethlehem; grand orator, T. B. Himes, of Philadelphia; grand secretary, J. W. Wright, Allegheny; grand treasurer, W. D. Shuster Philadelphia; grand chapain, R. W. Hockersmith, of Shippingsport; grand guide, H. B. McNulty, of Chambersburg; grand warden, W. H. Niebaum, Pittsburg; grand sentry, George W. Kunkel, Harrisburg; supreme repreentatives, first, E. H. Leisenring, Chambersburg; second, J. A. Langfitt, Wilkinsburg; third, W. H. Shoemaker, Philadelphia; fourth, E. S. Bortell, Pittsburg; fifth, E. U. Trent. Pittsburg. Mr. F. T. Frey, was appointed to represent the grand council at the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the order at Boston on May 20. He goes practically uninstructed.

The finance committee reported the finances in excellent shape and a good balance in the treasury. A number of new councils instituted and a large increase in membership were reported,

## Underwriters Meet.

New York, May 12.—The thirty-first an-Fire Underwriters was held here ddent William B. Clark made an adlress to the members. The number the board companies he said was now 109. The capital of the eighty-three American companies on the roll aggregates \$42 539 195 with assets footing up \$164,840,200 and the assets of the American and foreign companies together amount to \$218,693,509,

Steamship Arrivals. Liverpool, May 13.—Arrived: Majestic rom New York. Hamburg—Arrived Persia, from New York, Genea -: Queenstown—Sailed: Britan-rk, Liverpool—Sailed: Pennne, New York, Live Boulogne-Bailed Werkendam (from Rotterdam), New York New York-Arrived: Saale, Bremen.

Will Call Tariff Bill Thursday. Washington, May 13.—Senator Aidrich in charge of the tariff bill this afternoon gave notice he would call up the tariff bill on Thursday, the 20th, for a preliminary statement. In any event the bill would be taken up on the following Monday, the

## THE STEAL BEAM POOL IS DISSOLVED

An Open Market Created in Philadelphia Yesterday.

COMPANIES REPRESENTED

The Meeting Entirely Harmonious. VicePresident Percival Roberts, of the Pencoyd Company, Denies That There Was Any Distrust Among the Members of the Pool. Believes the Open Market Is Best.

Philadelphia, May 13.-A special meeting of the companies interested in the steel beam pool which was organized fourteen months ago, was held in this city today, and the pool was dissolved and an open market created. The companies represented at the meeting were Jones & Laughlin, Carnegie company, Pencoyd Iron company, Illinois Steel company, Phoenix Iron company, Passaic Rolling Mill company and Potts-

Percival Roberts, jr., vice president the Pencoyd company, stated that the meeting was entirely harmonious Twenty-third street by a party of and that all were of the opinion that an open market was best. He denied proprietors of prominent stores in the that there was any distrust among these comprising the pool, or that the and resident officials of the railroad rates on steel beams had been cut. He ompany. After the handsome new said: "The fixed prices on beams will be maintained, but the companies mantarked on the boat and rode up the ufacturing these also make plates, an-North river beyond Yonkers, A fea- gies, etc. The prices on these latter ture of the station which attracted have been cut owing to competition much attention is the Pennsylvania and there being no fixed price upon ompany's new cab service. This is a them it was deemed advisable to have an open market in beams also,"

Mr. Roberts does not believe that there will be any general cutting of prices now that the pool is dissolved. "Beams," he said, "will probably be old cheaper, but then plates and angles will command a higher rate accordingly, so in the average there will be no decrease of prices.

## FAMOUS ORGAN AT AUCTION.

It Stood for Many Years in the Boston

Music Hall. Boston, May 12 .- After being subjected to the humiliation of lying unused in a shed for over a decade, the famous organ that for many years stood in Boston Music hall, and which accompanied great audiences in patriotic music during the war, will, providing there are any bidders, go under the hammer this afternoon.

At the time of its erection it was the largest organ in this country, and even now it can hold its own with any of its mates in public hall or church the country over. It has nearly 5,500 pipes and 89 speaking stops. Its cost was \$60,000, and it was dedicated with elaborate ceremonies in Music hall in 1863, Twenty-one years later, however, owtic properties of the big auditorium was removed peacemeal to its presnt habitation, and despite numerous fforts to dispose of it by private conract, it has proven an elephant on he hands of the Music hall directorate

## UNIVERSAL STAMP SCHEME.

The Movement by the Postal Congress Has Collapsed.

Washington, May 12.—The movement secure the adoption of a Universal ostal stamp by the Postal congress has collapsed. There were too many difficulties (the chief being that of currency fluctuations) in the way of adopting such a stamp and the general committee after considering the subject briefly abandoned it as impracticable and will make an adverse report to the congress. Although the proposition that each transport free of harge through mails has not yet combefore the congress, it seems practi-cally certain that it will be defeated. Persia submitted the proposition and

it is favored by the delegates of the United States and some of the South American countries but the European states, headed by Belgium which obtains large profits under the present system, are opposed to it and its advocates will be outvoted.

## CHURCH FESTIVAL TRAGEDY.

Duncan Christian Murdered and His Father Fatally Injured.

Logan, O., May 13,-A double murder was committed at Longstreth, a minng town near here. About 10.30 o'clock while an ice cream festival was in progress at the church, Arthur Barber, while intoxicated, entered the church and raised a disturbance Upon being ordered to leave he drev

revolver and fired seven shots into the crowd. Five of the balls entered the body of Duncan Christian, killing him. Christian's father received the other two balls and is dying. During the excitement Barber escaped. A osse of miners is scouring the country, and he may be lynched.

## COULDN'T FIND THE LYNCHERS.

Louisiana Jury Renders an Accommodating Verdict.

Jackson, La., May 13 .- Constable F. M. Notworthy left here for Clinton, La., Monday, having in custody a negro named Charlie Jackson, charged with attempting to wreck a train on the Jackson railroad.

When about five miles from Jackson near Red Wood bridge, he was halted and surrounded by an armed body of men, who relieved him of his pris-The body of the negro was found Tuesday hanging from a tree some distance from where he was taken from the officer. Judge R. S. Austin, held an inquest. The verdict was: "Hanged by parties unknown."

## ANGRY STRIKERS IN PATERSON.

Member of the Firm Assaulted by One of the Silk Workmen.

Paterson, May 13.-The eight hundred employes of Ashley & Bailey's silk mill, who went on strike yesterday for an increase in wages, were in session until 5 o'clock today. They asked the mill owners to close down the mill until they could hold a meeting. Their request was denied. The

#### ber of other employes in the mill out ber of other employes in the mill out of work. This afternoon the strikers THE OUTLOOK FOR will ask for an increase of ten per cent, in their wages. There was a disturbance last night in front of Kearney & Foote's file

works, where a strike is in progress, As the non-union men came out they were followed by a crowd of strikers. Edward Kearney, one of the firm, was struck by a striker named Joseph Van Niwigon, who was arrested and was today fined \$5. Then he swore out a

corder's court was crowded today when the case of the striker was called, The two hundred men of the Doherty & Wadsworth slik mill, who compromised yesterday, returned to work to day.

charge of assault and battery. The re-

warrant against Kearney on

## SUPREME COUNCIL A. P. A.

Officers Elected for the Ensuing Year at Washington.

Washington, May 13 .- This afternoon the supreme council of the American Protective association elected the folwing officers for the ensuing year: President, John W. Echols, of Atlanta, Ca.; vice president, R. J. Stickel, Canton, Ohio, secretary of state, Harry C. Suwyer, Penusylvania; chaplain, W. H. Gottwald, Washington; supreme etary, William J. Palmer, Colorado; supreme treasurer, C. J. Stockman, Maryland; supreme sergeant at arms, C. E. Taylor, Bath, Me.; supreme guard, E.T. Davis, Springfield, Mass.; supreme sentinel, R. M. Chambers, Maryland; trustoes, T. B. Haughwaut, T. N. Losie and J. H. Nickson.

The elections are said to have been almost unanimous. H. H. Negley, of Pitisburg, was an unsuccessful candidate for president in opposition to Mr.

## RESULT OF A ROW.

Blood Flowed Freely in the Johnson Family.

San Augustine, Texas, May 13.-Two egroes on the farm of George and Felix Johnson, white, went to the latter's house and renewed a quarrel previously begun. Other members of the

Johnson families quarrelled. When the fight ended it was found hat Theodore Nobles was suffering rom two gun shot wounds. He died in a short time. George Johnson was struck on the head with a gun. He s insensible and his condition precarcus. Aaron Johnson was wounded in three places. Felix Johnson was shot in the arm and leg. William White, ne of the two attacking negroes, had his skull fractured and was also shot through the body. A posse is searching for his son, the other negro who is also wounded.

## MEETING OF BOARD OF ERIN.

Selected at the Sessions in New York City.

New York, May 13 .- At today's sesthe appointment of a Board of America, with full power to are promenading the streets. act finally and decisively on the union of both orders in this country

These officers were elected: National delegate, Rev. A. R. Phillips, Plains. Pa.; national secretary, E. R. Hughes, New Brunswick, N. J.; national treasurer, John R. Wallace, Brooklyn; national organizer, Father Conway, The next convention will be held in Brooklyn.

## SNOW AND COLD IN EUROPE.

Injury to Vineyards in Bordeaux,

Angonteme and Burgundy. London, May 13.-The continent is suffering severely from a heavy snowfall, frosts and storms. In all the mountain districts of Austria and Germany the damage to fruit trees has been very great. Tuesday a heavy snowstorm swept over Hamburg, Cologne and Nancy. Widespread injury as been done to the vineyards in the districts of Bordeaux, Angouleme and Burgundry.

In most of these sections the temperature this season has been 11 de grees below the average.

## FATAL BOILER EXPLOSION.

Four Men Instantly Killed -- One Vice tim Blown to Pieces.

Tiptonville, Ky., May 13.-A saw mill oiler exploded on Reel Foot river several miles from here, killing Ed Patearned. Three other men were terribly mangled and will die,

he fragments scattered for two hundred yards,

## SEVEN MEN KILLED.

The Tipple at Pinckney Ore Mines Falls. Florence, Ala., May 13.-This after-

oon the tipple at the Pinckney, Tenn., ore mines about twenty-five miles fron here, fell, killing seven men and badly ounding severa' others.

of the disaster.

## Killed by the Kick of a Horse,

Dayton, O., May 13 .- Enoch Wickersham was instantly killed by the kick of a horse while riding toward Belibrook with his son, James. They were driving a young horse hitched to a glg. Enoch Wick-chsham was lifted from the seat and fell to the front. The horse kicked viciously, both feet striking Mr. Wickersham in the breast, one foot over the heart, and the him instantly.

Comtesse Castellane's Memorial. Paris, May 18.—The Gaulois announces that Comte Castellane has written a letter to Baron Mackau informing him that the omtesse has decided, in memory of her nother, to devote a million francs to the urchase of a site and the erection

## Special Weather Report.

Washington, May 13 .- The weather bureau tonight issued the following special bulletin: "For Philadelphia and vicinity on Saturday, conditions are favorable for fair and pleasant weather, preceded by olution. He adds: unsettled weather and showers Friday and "I was born at strike has thrown almost a like num- Friday night. (Signed) Willis L. Moore,"

# PEACE IN ORIENT

Unconfirmed Report That an Armistice Has Been Arranged.

SULTAN MAY TEMPORIZE

Suggestion That He May Fear Opposition in His Empire to Concessions to Greece -- Indications That the Turkish Army's Operations in Thessaly Have Been Suspended.

Paris, May 13 .- A correspondent of the Journal at Lamin, Thessaly, telegraphs under yesterday's date from that place that he has learned from official sources that an armistice between Turkey and Greece has been conclud-

el. He rdos: "This solution was impatiently awaited by all, for it is impossible to contimue the war under the present cirmstances. The interest is no longer in Thessaly, but at Athens, as it is probable that the action of the cabinet signing peace is destined to bring

the ministry to a speedy end."

The statement of the Journal of Paris BATTLE AT NUEVA PAZ. as to an armistice having been concluded, should be accepted with reserve as all reports from other sources seem to indicate that Turkey is delaying action in the matter, and the dispatches from Athens and Constantinople direct, of yesterday, do not bear out the state ment made by the Lamia correspondent of the Journal.

AWAITING PORTE'S ACTION. London, May 12.-The Graceo-Turk news received today does not change the situation. Everything is hanging on the Porte's action. There is no confirmation of the report printed by the Journal of Paris that an armistice has been arranged, but the silence from the seat of war seems to indicate that Edhem Pasha's advance on Domokos may have been countermanded. The Sultan's position is little stronger than King George's, and therefore it is not surprising that, while the war feeling is so strong, he hesitates at taking a step which could be construed at Contantinople as a surrender of Ottoman interests, in addition to this, the feast of Bairan begins today and lasts until Sunday, offering another exuse for delay.

The correspondent of the Dally Mail at Larissa telegraphs under yesterday's date, as follows: "The feast of Bairan has commenced, and there will be no military operations except when necessary. Edhem Pasha has caused sheep to be killed, according to the Turkish custom, and has visited the generals in the vicinity. The troops fired a feu de joic. The Mussulmans and their families are celebrating the on of the A. O. H., Board of Erin, a feast with enthusiasm, as marking solution was adopted providing for their release from foreign domination. committee of each head of a family killing a sheer the Ancient Order of Hibernians to with his own hand. The rich are keepmeet with a similar committee of the ing open house and the Mussulmans

## GULF OF VOLO BLOCKADED

Athens, May 13.-The government has proclaimed the Gulf of Volo blockaded and is sending large orders for horses and munitions of war to various European cities,

Midnight-According to dispatches just received here, the Greek forces are esleging Nicopolis and Prevest. London, May 14.-The Athens correspondent of the Daily Mail says that

the government continues to send men

to the front and is purchasing large quantities of war material Constantinople, May 13.-The foreign imbassadors had another conference today after which Baron De Calice, the Austro-Hungarian ambassador, called upon Tefik Pasha, the Turkish minister of foreign affairs, and renewed the proposal of an armistice which was preented vesterday. The opinion is general in Turkish circles that until the occupation of Domekos, which is momentarily expected, the porte will not

grant an armistice.

RUSSIA'S HAND IN THE PIE. London, May 13 .- A despatch to the Times from Athens confirm the report that the inaction of the Turkish army is due to the intervention of Russia, Colonel Biaractaris and a brigade have been ordered to go to Epirus to protect the Greek peasantry against

Turkish cruelty. A despatch to the Times from Domokos dated Wednesday reports the increased activity of the foreign legion, erson and Dink Hodges, white and two which has been ordered to proceed to plored men whose names could not be the left flank of the Greek army near Lake Tynias. This is regarded as an indication of the point of danger, It One man was blown into pieces and is also possible, thinks the correspondent that they have been sent to cover the retreat of the army to the old fron-

## BARRED OUT A WASHINGTON.

No Room for One of the Family at the Monument Unveiling.

Philadelphia, May 13.-Permission to vitness the unveiling of the Washington monument as a guest of the So clety of the Cincinnati has been re-Communication with Pinckney is cut fused to a great-great-grandnephew of and full particulars cannot be had. of General Washington by the com-Physicians have left here for the scene | mittee having charge of the ceremonies. The man whose boast it is to be of such distinguished lineage is George Steptoe Washington, who resides in Philadelphia and there seems to be no doubt that his claims to recognition at the hands of the society are well founded. Ten days ago the committee of the State Society of the Cincinnati in charge of the unveiling of the monument received a letter from Mr. Washington asking for an invitation to the in the center of the chost, killing stand. The committee took until yesterday to formulate a reply, in which was said that the demands made upon them for tickets were so great that it would be impossible to comply with the request.

Mr. Washington is manager for the wholesale grocery firm of Thomas Roberts & Co. He says he is known to all stiding to be used for all kinds of chari- the committeemen, and that he be longs to the Sons of the Revolution, that he is a friend of General Wayne and that the latter's son and himself unveiled a monument a few years ago at the Old Gulf roads, near Valley Forge, erected by the Sons of the Rev-

> "I was born at Harwood, W. Va., where my father, Richard Blackburn

Washington, still resides. I have been in Philadelphia since 1879. My father was born and reared in Mount Vernon, and his brother was the last owner of the estate. Harwood is an old colonial place, built by Lawrence Washington, who also built Mount Vernon, and Harwood has never been out of the posses-sion of the family since it was built, and has been in its day the scene of many festivities. Dolly Madison was married there, My great-grandmother

#### vas her sister." ATTEMPT TO LYNCH A TRAMP.

The Captive, However, Has So Much Bravado That He Escapes Death. South Bend, Ind., May 13 .- At Misnawka a tramp named Lewis shot at Peter Diroll, but missed his mark. The tramp ran, throwing away his revolver. He was quickly followed by a crowd armed with clubs, shotguns and other weapons. One of the foremost pursuers brought him to the ground and he was brought to the center of the

town and a rope was brought. Lewis dared the men to hang him, called them cowards, and his bravado, with the assistance of the cool-headed, probably saved Mishawka from lynching bee. Officers at last got Lewis n irons and brought him here for safe keeping. His associate is awaiting trial for burglary.

Twenty-Three Insurgents Are Slain on the Esperanza Plantation --- Gen. Weyler's Advices.

Havana, May 13.-Colonel Aguilera, ecciving information that the insurent leaders, Alexandro Rodriguez and Rafael Cardonas were camped at the Esperanzas plantation near Nueva Paz, Havana province, proceeded to attack the enemy. Lieutenant Colonel Canja with two squadrons of the Numacia regiment of cavalry, was sent against the insurgents. He charged the enemy at Cangre, killing twenty-three insurgents. At the same time Colonel Aguilera, with a local guerilla force engaged the insurgents at Aguedita. The enemy left twenty men killed on the field. The corpses, which were well clad, were conveyed to Madruga for identification.

The troops had three men wounded, ecording to the official report. Captain-General Veyler has received advices from the Spanish minister of war, General Azcarraga, saying the Spaniards have captured the last strongholds of the insurgents at Cavite, Philippine islands, and that it is believed the military authorities will oon be able to send home the sick and disabled soldlers and that no further re-inforcements will be required.

There is no truth in the report that the city is excited by rumors of an intended attack by General Maximo Gomez. There is no truth in the report that the forts have been re-garrisoned and that new earthworks have been No attack of General Gomez is ex-

cted. He is now in the castern part of the province of Puerto Principe and has not come westward.

PLAYED WITH DEAD MEN'S BONES. Small Boys Invade an Old. Decaying Burial Vault. Burlington, N. J., May 13.—The doors

f an old burial vault in which lay the odies of the late Benjamin Pierce and supporting themselves. our other members of the family caved in today, and led to a gruesome discovery. Trestles which had supported the coffins had rotted away, and precipitated the caskets to the floor. fall had broken them down and the bones of the dead were thrown out. In a twinkling almost an army of small boys invaded the musty vault, They laughingly extracted teeth from the skulls, unjointed the skeleton fingers and scattered the bones.

The employes of G. W. Lewis & Son's shoe factory, who saw the boys in their ghoulish work, also went over, men and women alike. The men cracked rude and uncouth lokes. The wo men took one look, nearly fainted, and turned away with whitened faces. The mishap was reported to Dr. Jess S. Adams, secretary of the board of health, who lost no time in notifying

the trustees of the First Baptist church

to repair the damage. The doors were temperarily boarded up and will be repaired. The vault was built more than 20 ears ago, and was strongly objected to by those living in the vicinity, Dr. Adams says it is likely to cave in at

may take steps to have it removed. Coffee Made the Dog Mad.

any time, and the board of health

New Brunswick, N. J., May 13.-Willie, the 4-year-old son of William Gordon, gave his pet spaniel some coffee with his break fast this morning. After drinking the coffee the dog seemed to go mad, and, jumping at the boy- seized him by the iose. The beast's teeth passed through one nostril, tearing an ugly wound. The child's sister. Edith, beat off the dog, tied

Hanged Himself to a Tree. Newark, O., May 12.-William Kane, a hanged himself to a tree in the country two and one-half miles east of He had been in the state insane ospital twice, and was in poor health,

## THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today: Generally Fair; Southerly Winds,

(General)-Peace Outlook in the East Administration Wrestling with the Cuban Question. Senator Tiliman's Sensational Sugar

Dissolution of the Steel Beam Pool. (Sports)-Ball Games of a Rainy Day. The Blow that Finished Corbett,

(State)—Legislative Proceedings. K. G. E. at Harrisburg

Washington Gossip. (Story)-"The Treasure of the Cliff." 6 Local)-Miss Parloa Tells How to

Earth Opened and Swallowed a Horse, (Local)-Commission Probing the State of the Coal Trade.
Common Council Will Not Appeal from the New City Assessment.

(Local)-West Side and City Suburban, 9 Lackawanna County News. 10 Neighboring County News,

# **SENTIMENT** FAVORS CUBA

Drift of Opinion Is in Favor of Speedy and Radical Action.

FOR AMERICANS

Weyler's Victims Will Probably Be Protected.

The Administration Has Evidently Decided That Some Attention Should Be Paid the Americans Who Have Been Driven from Their Farms and Into the Towns by Weyler's Orders and Left to Starve. President McKinley Proceeding with Caution -- Composure at the Spanish Legation.

Washington, May 13.-There was a sudden and violent outbreak of Cuban sentiment today at the capitol and dur-ing the early hours the drift of opinion was strongly towards speedy and radical action by both congress and the executive but later there was somewhat of a re-action upon its becoming known that the president, while keeply alive to the situation and anxious to learn everything possible that could guide his conduct of our Cuban and Spanish relations, felt that further information was necessary and that for the immediate present the question was not one of recognition of the belligerency but of relief for the American citizens destitute and helpless in the towns of the Queen of the Antilles. Senate foreign relations committee, it should be stated, while agreeing with the necessity for relief of the suffering Americans is favorable to more radical measures and a number of its members are earnestly desirous of instant action by the executive in aid of the insurgents, but have not succeeded in converting the administration to their views that present action is ap-

propriate and imperative. The event of the day was the report to their colleagues by the sub-committee of the foreign relations committed which yesterday examined the state department Cuban reports. This statewas so far disclosed in character as to give rise to a good deal of excited comment among senators and members. The report based upon facts presented by the United States consuls in Cuba. it is said, brings out in strong react the destitution which exists not only among the Cubans, but among the Americans and pacificos now on the island, who were driven from their farms and into the towns by Weyler's orders and thereby prevented from

QUIETLY DISCUSSED. For several days past the subject matter of this report has been under discussion quietly among a few of the friends of Cuba in congress, and they have lost no opportunity of impressing upon the president their convictions that it is his duty as the chief executive to delay no longer in taking active steps to terminate the present

condition of affairs in Cuba. These representations, however, have not been sufficient to induce hasty action. The president is moving steadily and with all speed that safety and sound judgment warrant in the collection of fact touching the condition that exist upon the island today. To this end Mr. Calhoun is now in Cuba, officially on another mission, but also charged with the observation of the conditions that prevail. When he has reported to the president and the lat-ter has gathered what he regards as a sufficient store of information, based on facts that cannot be questioned, he will be ready either to take himself or to suggest to congress such action as these facts warrant,

Meanwhile he has under earnest consideration the best means of affording relief to Americans suffering as a result of the conditions on the island.

SPANISH LEGATION COMPOSED. At the Spanish legation the news of the developments at the capital today was received with composure. course the action of the committee could not be openly discussed without violation of the strict etiquette which governs the diplomatic body in its relations to congress but it was suggested that the fact that the entire attention of the senate for months to come would be engrossed by the tariff bill might have determined the friends of the Cubans to endeavor to secure some sort of action by congress before

the tariff debate begin It is not denied at the legation that suffering exists in Cuba but such suffering it was said is almost always incident to war. It is contended that the Spanish government had done all that it could with the means at hand to alleviate this distress. It was pointed out that Spain has granted permission to the Red Cross through Miss Barton to extend its good offices to the destitute in Cuba and moreover will not place any obstacles in the way of any proper charity in the United States which has the same end in view. All that is asked is that the supplies bu contributed for the relief of the destitute are not used to maintain the Cuban insurrectionary forces in their resistance to the Spanish government

The Herald's Weather Forecast, New York, May 14 .- In the Middle states today, cloudy to partly cloudy weather and light to fresh southerly winds will prevail, with rain, probably heavy along the New England coast in the morning and nearly stationary, followed by falling temperature and probably clearing. On Saturday, fair, cooler weather will prevail, with fresh westerly winds, preceded by frost near the lake region.