

LANDED THREE CUBAN EXPEDITIONS.

DR. CASTILLO'S REPORT.

One Outfit Landed Within Sight of Lights of Morro Castle.

Dr. Joaquin de Castillo, sub-delegate of the Cuban legation in this country, and the second in charge of the Cuban Junta, arrived in New York, after having successfully landing three filibustering expeditions in Cuba. Dr. Castillo went to the office of the Junta, where he received by General Thomas Estrada Palma. The two Cuban fighters embraced each other in true Spanish style and the doctor was left busy all the rest of the afternoon telling how he had succeeded in evading the vigilance of the Spanish warships which are supposed to be on the lookout for filibustering expeditions along the coast.

"Yes, it is true that I have landed three expeditions into Cuba," he said, "Each one turned out to great success. Our armies are now well supplied with arms and ammunition and we have supplies enough to serve them for the next eight months. Of course, you know our people don't waste their ammunition."

"The first expedition was landed in Matanzas province near Cardenas and was received by General Lacroix June 29. Two days later we landed another in Pinar del Rio province, and this was turned over to General Antonio Maceo, who is now in command of the Cuban army in that province."

"The third was landed July 6 in Havana province, about 10 miles east of the city. In steaming along the coast we saw the lights of the Prado, one of the principal streets of Havana. We passed within the rays of the Morro Castle light, and when we finally effected a landing, we could still see it."

TRADE REVIEW.

Some Uncertainty in the Financial Future of Wheat Steady.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s, weekly review of trade says:

"Disapproval of the action of the Chicago convention has had some influence in the markets the past week, but a far more important factor has been the feeling that the financial future is still uncertain. This acute attack of doubt, coming at a time when business is for other reasons seriously depressed has made the week unusually gloomy in speculative circles."

The wheat market has been remarkably well supported for some time past, and prices are a shade higher than a week ago. Western receipts of wheat have been 3,551,633 bushels, against 1,485,349 for the same weeks of July last year, and Atlantic exports, flour included, have been 1,184,381 bushels, against only 547,918 for the same weeks last year. This and other reports do not indicate a small yield.

Sutton has fallen about half a cent in options and one-quarter in spot prices, holders of large quantities in the expectation of a cotton famine in July, having changed their minds. The closing of about three-quarters of the southern mills and the northern in producing capacity, pending the new crop, will help to prevent a disastrous decline in prices of goods, but the yield is likely to be more than 2,000,000 bales. The decrease in consumption here is not yet effective in helping the price of cotton goods, which are still selling at about the lowest quotations ever made.

The woolen manufacture is waiting, and as new orders are exceedingly slow, the sales of wool at three chief markets were for the week only 215,100 pounds. There is no change in prices and western buyers are waiting.

The demand for finished products of iron and steel is extremely narrow. But in bars, the combination has found itself unable to maintain price, and there are renewed reports that the great decrease in sales of rails will force a reduction in price August 1. Bessemer pig has not changed in nominal quotation at Pittsburgh, although several individual low sales at Indianapolis and Pittsburg are reported. The average of iron and steel prices is the lowest since a year ago. Failures for a week have been 269 in the United States against 256 last year, and 33 in Canada, against 39 last year.

OIL PRODUCTION.

Remarkable Increase in All but New York and West Virginia.

The total production of crude petroleum in the United States in 1895 was 52,995,726 barrels, valued at \$57,691,270, against 45,344,516 barrels in the previous year, valued at \$35,522,095. All important producing districts shared in the increase except West Virginia and New York, which showed slight decreases.

The beginning of operations in Titusville, Pa. in 1859 the enormous total of 709,713,400 barrels of crude petroleum have been produced in the country, of which 510,957,260 barrels represent the product of the Pennsylvania and New York oil fields. The stocks in the Appalachian oil fields at the close of year were 5,447,784 barrels, a decrease from 6,429,880 the year before, on hand at the close of the preceding year.

ST. JOHN MORE EXPLICIT.

No Prospect of a Union of the National Party With Party.

Secretary Thomas of the executive committee of the national party at Alliance, received a telegram from ex-Gov. St. John, of Kansas, denouncing as absolutely false the story sent out from Kansas City that week to the effect that he would support Bryan for president. Previous to this St. John had just issued a statement in which he said: "Right now I wish to say, once for all, that I am for Bentley and Southerland, first, and all the time; that I do not see any prospect just now for a union of the national party with any other political organization."

Presidential Candidate Bentley will begin his campaign at Columbus, O., July 21.

BRIEF MENTION.

Gov. Matthews will be a candidate for United States Senator to succeed Voorhes.

On July 15 Antonio Maceo defeated the Spanish General Huelan's army in Pinar del Rio, Cuba, and captured Indiana. The gross earnings of 122 roads for June show an increase of 6 per cent, and 73 roads show an increase of 11 per cent for the fourth week of June.

E. L. Fisher, said to be a well-known sporting man in Philadelphia, committed suicide at the Sturtevant hotel, New York.

Joseph Griffin of New York, aged 16, was murdered by his brother James, aged 12, during a quarrel over the possession of a baseball bat.

At Kingston, Ill., Archibald Askew fatally shot his uncle, Arthur Callahan, who had interfered to prevent Askew from abusing his daughter. Askew then aided himself.

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