

The Iron Port

THE IRON PORT CO. ...

Gov. Pingree sends The Iron Port a copy of his special message concerning railroad taxation and asks for an expression of its views upon the subject.

The meeting of the Western Federation of miners, held in Salt Lake City this week, is the first gathering of the kind since the final failure of the Leadville strike.

At last the U. S. is forced to take notice of Spanish atrocities in Cuba. The reports of the consuls compiled by the State Department on Monday last.

A "combine" against England by Russia, Germany and France is alleged, its purpose being to loosen England's grip on Egypt and defeat her plans in South Africa.

The Turks have thrashed the Greeks again and will, unless "the powers" stop them (and it is not easy to see how they can), push right on to Athens and reduce Greece to the condition of a Turkish province.

The governor is daff, there's no doubt of that. When he threatens to veto appropriation bills as means of censoring the legislature he puts a club in his hand.

enough to defy them and insist on terms which they cannot concede to. He knows that their success will not stand the strain of any attempt to coerce him; that in the event of hostilities he can count on the support of one or more of the powers and may come out ahead in the end.

We believe that a tariff which will afford proper protection to American labor against all similar competing articles that may be brought here from abroad, supplemented by a discriminating duty of 10 per cent in favor of American shipping, would afford all the revenue that we need.

It will take at least one more campaign of education to make a great many people understand that the present mortgage tax law of this state is productive of results which it was intended to prevent.

There's a difference. Gov. Pingree tells the legislature of Michigan that, unless it does as he desires, he will call an extra session and repeat the call until it does.

The senate refuses to accept the house amendments to the Merriman railroad tax bill and the prospect is of a dead-lock between the two houses, no action upon the governor's pet measures and an extra session. The fight between the senate and the governor appears to be "to a finish."

Railway problems are not newly discovered objects of legislative solicitude. They have been in evidence for thirty years and such states as New York, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Ohio have been solving them by slow and careful applications of rational economic principles.

Something is going to be done by the U. S. in the Cuban business. Just what, at first, can not yet be said, but any interference by the U. S. will end in sending the North Atlantic squadron to Havana and, later, in the independence of Cuba.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settlement indicates a diseased condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfils every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages.

Dakota hard spring wheat for seed, at Bitter, Wickert & Co's. The Best Remedy For Rheumatism. From the Fairhaven (N. Y.) Register.

Mr. James Rowland, of this village, states that for twenty-five years his wife has been a sufferer from rheumatism. A few nights ago she was in such pain that she was nearly crazy. She sent Mr. Rowland for the doctor, but he had read of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and instead of going for the physician he went to the store and secured a bottle of it.

Legal Notices. (First publication May 19th, 1897.) SHERIFF'S SALE.—Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of a writ of fieri facias, issued out of the Circuit Court for the County of Delta, in favor of the Henson and Keith Hat Company against the goods and chattels and real estate of Ber Buchman, as, Morris Buchman and Alice Buchman in said county, as one directed and returned, I did, on the 19th of April last, levy upon and take all the right, title and interest of the said Ber Buchman, Morris Buchman and Alice Buchman, as and to the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot One (1) of Block One (1) of Henry W. Cole's plat in the village of Rapid River, as recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, and the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 17, range 27, north of range 27 west. All of which I shall expose for sale at public auction on Monday, the highest bidder, at the book store of the court house in the city of Escanaba, in said county, on the 31st day of June, 1897, at 10 o'clock, in the forenoon. Dated, this 19th day of May, 1897.

BETTER DEAD.

What People With Diseased Nerves Are Wont to Say.

But There Is Hope.

Learn Wisdom From the Indian and Like Him Know Not the Meaning of Nerves.

No one can realize the terrible suffering a person has to undergo who has diseased nerves. Everything seems to irritate him, and actually, everything considered, but little sympathy should be extended to such a person, as there is no excess for the extent of his dreadful and harassing disease.

Dear Sirs—This is to certify that I have been a sufferer for a long time with nervousness. I could not sleep or eat. After taking a few bottles of Kikapoo Indian Sagwa I could sleep good and now have a good appetite.

THE BAPTISTS.

About 1,000 Delegates Attend the May Anniversaries at Pittsburgh.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 20.—The most important of the May anniversaries of the northern Baptists began Wednesday morning, when President H. K. Porter, of this city, called the American Baptist Home Mission society to order for its sixty-fifth annual meeting.

During the session Rev. Dr. J. T. Fulton, of New York, presented a series of resolutions urging the government to extend aid to the suffering inhabitants of Cuba; expressing sorrow that the message of the president refrained from condemning the inhuman barbarity, and offered only to feed starving Americans or bring them home, without offering as much as a cup of cold water to the inhabitants of the beleaguered isle.

OSCAR WILDE FREE.

Says He Will Engage in Literary Work in London. London, May 20.—Oscar Wilde, who was sentenced on May 25, 1895, with Taylor, a companion, to two years' imprisonment at hard labor, after having been convicted of immoral practices, was released from prison.

The Pall Mall Gazette says that one of the first acts of Oscar Wilde, upon regaining his freedom was to refuse £1,000 for a story of his prison experiences.

Bad Railway Wreck in Germany.

Cologne, May 20.—A train conveying a detachment of reserves from Westphalia to Metz ran off the rails between Hilloshheim and Gerolshain. Nine men are known to have been killed and 25 injured.

Verdict Against Hayes Estate.

Fremont, O., May 20.—A verdict of \$7,500 was returned Mrs. Addie M. Smith against the estate of the late President R. B. Hayes Wednesday.

Bank Statement.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ESCANABA, IN THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, MAY 14, 1897.

Table with financial data including Assets (Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, U. S. Bonds, etc.) and Liabilities (Capital stock paid in, Reserve fund, etc.).

Advertisement for Thistles '97 Models '97. Price \$60.00. Ellsworth's Drug Store. Booth-Youngquist Hospital.



HOT WATER HEAT. WELL EQUIPPED. ELECTRIC LIGHTING. The Booth-Youngquist Hospital ESCANABA, MICH. A private institution for the treatment of all cases except contagious diseases.

JUNE RACES! UNDER THE AUSPICES OF Delta County Agricultural Society AT ESCANABA, JUNE 2 & 3, '97



HAPPY JACK The Original and Famous Lone Pacer. Will give an exhibition each afternoon, paeing a full mile without the assistance of a driver or prompting of any kind.

3 GREAT RACING EVENTS 3 EACH DAY.

PROGRAM: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2. THURSDAY, JUNE 3. Three minis class, purse \$150, divided \$75, \$50 and \$25.

EXCURSION RATES: THE LOTUS will carry excursionists from all points on Little Bay de Noc for ONE DOLLAR for the round trip, including admission to the grounds.

Advertisement for G. W. Kaufmann. Buggies, Carriages, Phaetons, Road Wagons, Carts, Sulkeys. Prices are Right. Call and inspect. No trouble to show the stock.

The I. Stephenson Co. GEORGE T. BURNS, Manager. *LUMBER* LATH AND SHINGLES Dressed Flooring, Wainscoting, Etc. ESCANABA, MICH.

ED. DONOVAN Flour, Feed, Hay and Grain. 922 LUDINGTON STREET. We make a specialty of high grade family flour.

KEMP & WILLIAMS Window and Doors, Store Fronts, Bar Fixtures, Etc. Escanaba, Mich.

STAPLE & FANCY GROCERIES A Large and Complete Line Always in Stock. E. M. St. JACQUES. PAT FOGARTY HAY, FLOUR, FEED Best Quality at Reasonable Prices.

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A PINK RIBBON.

BY BRADSHAW FISHERWOOD.

ATURDAY afternoon was the busiest time in the week to Ellen Hampson. The little bell was continuously tinkling, and the shop was often full of customers waiting to be served.

Ellen-or Miss Hampson as she was always called-was a general favorite in the way we regard something we rather pity. She was quiet and humble in manner, so ready to please and oblige, and would take as much trouble in serving a penny customer as one who came for things many times that amount.

But it wasn't often she had time to indulge in such "wicked thoughts," as she called them, for business was brisk, and it was only during the week at "odd moments" that she could sit down a bit, and then this desolation came, and almost seemed to suffocate her.

Years ago, when she had been a girl of about 17, young George Seaton had wanted her to keep company with him; but the mother had declared she was too young, and now Ellen thought, with a sigh, "I am too old," though, in reality, she was not very much the wrong side of 30, but then she looked very much older, and it is supposed a woman is as old as she looks.

So, however bright the Sundays were, Ellen would not be tempted out of her little parlor to go for a walk, for she felt her loneliness more in going out there than sitting by herself in the house. It was almost like being a leper, to walk alone. Doubtless there were many people, had they known how much pleasure they could have given, who would gladly have invited her out walking, but the general impression was that Miss Hampson was rather a dull sort of person, who was happy enough in her own way.

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...I'm real obliged to you," he said, and, as the parcel was ready, he made Ellen a civil good evening, and went out of the shop whistling.

The next day was Sunday, and, as usual, Ellen had seated herself in her dull little parlor, though the sun was shining invitingly, and the world was as fresh as a daisy.

Ellen's heart fairly reeled. Why, there were many young and bonny girls who would give their eyes to receive such an invitation, and she went back into the house to put on her hat, whilst Dick stood whistling at the door. Her heart beat wildly, her fingers trembled.

"I WANT SOME BUTTONS, PLEASE." "It's come," she whispered to herself; "but I'm too old now, and I dare say it's only during the week at 'odd moments' that she could sit down a bit, and then this desolation came, and almost seemed to suffocate her.

"Let me answer them," he cried, secretly. "Don't you heed them. There's not one of them as could touch you. Come, Nell"-the audacious shortening of her name fairly took her breath away.

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COLONIZING NATIONS.

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THE SENATOR FROM HAWAII.

WHAT MAY HAPPEN SHOULD THE ISLANDS BE ADMITTED TO THE UNION.

Something He Had Noticed. Twyn-Did you ever notice that as a rule people who have been prevented from committing suicide never try it again?

Why He Thought So. Hortense-Who do you think was the first woman to use powder and paint? Van Jay-Eve.

Rare Self-Possession. "That woman over there looks as if she were painted."

Pickle Man. "George, before we were married you were pleased if I sat in your lap."

The Dragon Fly. One of the most useful insects is, owing to the ignorance of the public, forever being killed.

Dusty Dan-Keep close behind me, Willie, so der bull can't see yer nose, or we're lost.

Blood Poison. Confined our son to his bed for five months. The disease left him an object of pity and a great sufferer.

Hood's Sarsaparilla. The best-in fact the One True Blood Purifier.

Advertisement for Hires Rootbeer, featuring an illustration of a glass and text describing the beverage's benefits.

IN THE ORCHARD.

The bright amid the blossoms playing... How many a day and night I think...

MARION'S MISTAKE.

BY JENNY WREN.

It was a strange wooing, that of Nelson Ellis. Perhaps it was very strange...

There exists the abetting, urging current of human life, from which we have separated our own.

"Oh, but Nelson, I hate cottage life, and I am sure our society would become mutually unbearable in such monotony."

"Friends? Who has been at work? Whose hand may I thank for having laid this network of worldliness and suspicion in the mind of a girl, who, a few short months ago, harbored no such thought?"

Marion stood as in a stupor. She had spoken her own thoughts for the first time, for the first time expressed the feeling which so long had rankled.

"Oh, but Nelson," she answered, "society is not going to give us up simply because we are married. I expect to make quite a sensation, I assure you, as Mrs. Ellis."

"A sensation! My wife a sensation? I trust not. Wives, Marion, have other duties, which I hope the girl I love will find greater pleasures than any society can offer."

It was hours after he left her before Marion fell asleep. She could have yielded society with all its glare and glitter without a pang, but what he had said had grated on her.

"I suppose it would be hard enough to give you up, Marion, to anyone," he said to her one evening when her lover was absent.

"You do Mr. Ellis great injustice, Allen. But even did I think him so selfish as you portray him, I certainly would not discuss his faults with any one so long as I looked upon him as my promised husband."

TOLD OUT OF COURT.

Anecdotes and incidents concerning a Powerful Texas Judge. Texas is a big state and has a large population, including many men of great prominence.

"AUNTIE DOCTOR."

She Gave Up "Princess" to Become a Plain "Mrs." It was recently reported by cable that Prof. Dr. von Esnarch and his wife had celebrated their silver wedding.

FOREIGN GOSSIP.

France, too, is suffering from the epidemic of Bible plays, Sarah Bernhardt having produced a "Woman of Samaria" by M. Rostand, during Holy week.

WOMAN AND HOME.

CRAPES AND CREPON.

Methods of Weaving to Secure a Much-Desired Surface. The fabric most generally known as crape is mourning crape, but properly the name belongs to any fabric of silk, cotton or wool that has a wrinkled surface.

Japanese and Chinese vines have been successfully acclimated near Alencon, in northern France, in a district where grapes for wine have never been raised.

What is known as mourning crape is not a crape weave. Its wrinkled surface is made by stiffening gauze and pressing it on a matrix.

NEW PORTABLE BUREAU.

Trunk with Drawers and Compartments of a Dressing Case. The most convenient trunk in the world is an English trunk which combines all the advantages of a dressing-case and bureau with that of a trunk.

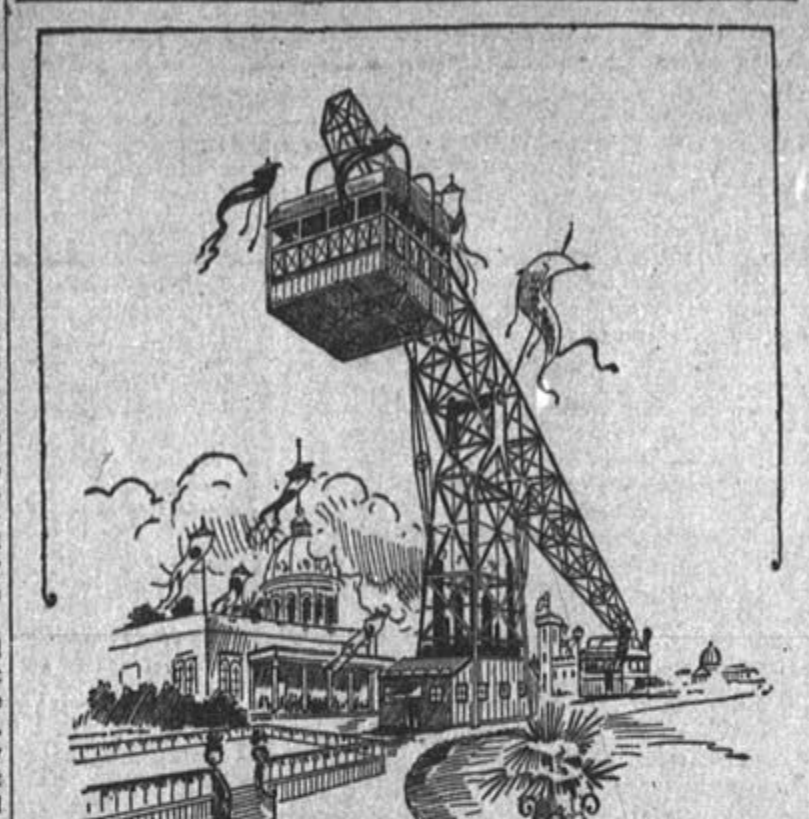
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GIANT SEE-SAW AT THE TENNESSEE EXPOSITION.

In an attempt to get up a feature which would rival the Ferris wheel the management of the Tennessee exposition has constructed an immense see-saw on the familiar principle of the board laid across a pile of lumber on which children have played since time immemorial.

It is why in the name of thunder he carried that gun. Now, gentlemen, it's again the law to carry a concealed and loaded gun in the state of Texas.

THE RAT-CATCHER OF PARIS.

An Official Who Has Caught Over 1,000,000 Rats in His Time. The French are essentially a practical people. They leave little to chance, and this is probably why they are so successful in business.

STAR CUSTOMER'S JOKES.

A Too Trustful Cashier Nearly Wrecks a Restaurant. One of the attractions of a certain Chestnut street cafe is a beautiful Angora cat, which is generally very mild-mannered and ladylike.



THE WAR IN THE EAST. A GREEK RECONNAISSANCE ON THE FRONTIER.

blazoned a crest formed by two rats rampant. Nowadays M. Dayve's labors are comparatively uninteresting, but during the siege of the official rat-catcher made a small fortune.

cashier. "It has an awfully funny effect on the animal. Makes it sleepy." He had a toothpick in his hand, and offering it to the cashier, said: "Take this and tickle the cat there with it."

His Progress. "They say he used to be a burglar, and now he is in the gas business." "Who knows? Some day he may be a member of the state legislature."

Teacher—What is the meaning of one-twenty-fifth? Little Boy—I don't remember. "If you had 24 children visiting you, and only one apple for them, what would you do?"

At the Cornet mine, on Berner's bay, 85 miles northeast of Juneau, Alaska, in probably as bleak and wild a spot as can be found on this continent, can be heard on the long winter nights strains of harmony that have been lauded through the civilized world.

When I reached the camp I was welcomed by the superintendent, Mr. Willis E. Nowell, and after a hearty supper I asked him who was performing so beautifully on the violin as I approached the camp.

"I discovered in a further conversation with the gentleman that he was an ex-professor of the Boston conservatory of music, and that previous to his coming to Alaska he had performed on the same instrument that nightly gave forth its melodious tones in that bleak region, in nearly every place in Europe."

Near Franklin, Pa., is a sluggish stream which presents the novelty on its surface of hundreds of bubbles glittering like iridescent glass, some floating on the water, others soaring above the treetops like gorgeous toy balloons.

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The Actress—These flowers are not so pretty as the ones you sent me last night. The Minister—They ought to be, though the same flowers.—Yonkers Freeman.



THE EGG DANCE.

be hard boiled or the contents blown from the shells. Color 16 red, gold eight and leave one white. Now for the arrangement. Make two circles, one of the 16 red eggs and within this a circle of the eight gold eggs.

The first couple take position within outer circle—that is, between the red eggs and the gold ones, and walk around the circle three times, keeping within the space between the two circles.

When an egg is broken or knocked more than 12 inches from its position the dancers give place to the next couple. The broken ones are not replaced, but the displaced ones are set in order.

The first couple who go through the dance without breaking or disturbing the circles win each a first prize, possibly a dainty box or shaped like an egg; the second successful couple receive second prizes and also the third.

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NO ACTION ON THE RESOLUTION WAS TAKEN, BUT SENATOR MORGAN SAID HE HOPED TO SECURE A VOTE TODAY ON SENATOR HALE'S MOTION TO REFER. HE DECLINED TO DO THIS, HE SAID, IN ORDER THAT THE CUBAN RESOLUTION MIGHT NOT ANTICIPATE THE TARIFF BILL ON MONDAY.

When the Cuban resolution came up Senator Chandler (N. H.) moved that the adjournment be until Monday, disclaiming at the same time any intention on the part of the opponents of the resolution to delay action. The debate proceeded on Senator Chandler's motion and branched off into unexpected channels. The motion to adjourn until Monday was finally agreed to.

WANTS AN EARLY VOTE.

Senator Hale said he wanted an early vote, and was anxious to avoid collision with the tariff bill. He intended speaking at length on the resolution, but had refrained because he wanted the resolution out of the way for the tariff. Senator Callahan said the Cuban resolution had been before the senate for six days, and yet no complaint was made by the opponents that they had not had time to present their views on it. He thought the senate had made a mistake in agreeing to adjourn over Monday. He mentioned a current rumor that an agreement for a vote on Monday would be secured, but said there was no assurance to this effect.

SENATOR CANNON SAID PARTISANRY MIGHT COME AND GO, BUT FINGERING WOULD GO ON FOR AS LONG AS SUCH A PUPPET AS WYLER WAS AT LARGE.

Senator Cannon said partisanry might come and go, but fingering would go on for as long as such a puppet as Wyler was at large. Wyler he characterized as a rascal of women, an assassin of men, a crucifier of children. He said the senate should be a temple of liberty, but instead he could have believed from the utterances here that he was in the Spanish cortex. It was evident, he said, that the money changers were in the temple. He advised the United States to learn to stand alone in their political, international and financial affairs. To bid for European capital was to invite further enslavement.

IF THIS ACTION COULD STAND ALONE WITHOUT THE HELP OF THE AMBASSADERS OF EUROPE, IT COULD NOT SURVIVE WITHOUT SUFFERING MUTILATION FOR THE SAKE OF SECURING INVESTMENTS OF FOREIGN CAPITAL.

It had come to a tottering old age and that would bid it out, he had other failures. The senate should not so much a tariff bill as currency reform as it did greater evils. Nothing would so unite the country as a declaration that partisanry should not oppress the neighboring countries. His only objection to the resolution was that it did not go far enough. The United States should establish a protectorate over Cuba and hold to hold the island was able to govern itself.

SENATOR HALE SAID HE DECIDED IF THE INTERNATIONAL FACTS REVEALED BY THE UNITED STATES WOULD BE SUBJECT TO SUBJECT TO DANGER OF DECONTAMINATION IF THEIR SALES WERE INTERFERED WITH.

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FEARFUL REPUBLIC.

There was much more manifested from Senator Hale than to be expected. "I want to say at the outset," he announced, "that I will vote for this resolution for moral, political and financial reasons. It is a step toward the restoration of the independence of Cuba, which is an international question. It is a step toward the restoration of the independence of Cuba, which is an international question. It is a step toward the restoration of the independence of Cuba, which is an international question."

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The debate on the Cuban resolution continued for several hours. Senator Hale's motion to refer was defeated. The tariff bill was passed on Monday. The Cuban resolution was passed on Tuesday. The debate was a landmark event in the history of the United States.

There were evidences of a demonstration in the galleries as Senator Foraker closed, but these were quickly checked by the presiding officer. Senator Hale replied, contending that the senate should have authoritative facts set forth like a judicial finding of a court in an official report. He complained that Senator Foraker wanted the senate to act on information which he was not at liberty to disclose. The practical thing was to propose mediation, and if that was rejected to have the facts presented to the senate and take the action the facts warranted. What Spain had declined was what any self-respecting nation would decline—that while she retained Cuba she should make laws for that part of her kingdom under the decision of the United States. That was not a declaration of mediation.

Created a Stir.

Washington, May 22.—The secret archives of the state department which have held the consular reports on the Cuban war from the public were partially disclosed Wednesday by Senator Foraker of Ohio. During the past week the debate in the senate has been pregnant with intimations and innuendoes of reports from United States officials in Cuba held at the state department which, if published, would disclose a condition on Cuban soil which would influence public opinion in a decided manner. The facts, therefore, which Senator Foraker announced, without stating from whom they came, created a decided stir. Especially startling was the letter from Secretary Olney, in which this country offered mediation to Spain, and the refusal of that country to accept the proffered aid. While one of the consular reports was read, without the name of the author being disclosed, it is stated to be a communication from Consul-General Lee, which fully sets forth his idea of the condition that exists in Cuba. The extract was quoted as follows, no date being given:

Lee on the Condition of Havana.

"I cannot understand the truth of the claim that all the provinces of the island are pacified except that of Santiago de Cuba, because there are more insurgents under arms at this time than at the period I first reached the island, some ten months ago, and I do not think it a fair inference to draw from existing conditions that the war is approaching termination, because, in pursuance of an established policy, the insurgents avoid as far as possible all serious engagements."

"The impossibility of expelling the Spaniards from the island by force of arms is well known to them, and they do not propose to risk the lives of their men and the success of their cause upon one or more pitched battles. I consider, therefore, that the war will drag the weary length along so long as the insurgents can dig sustenance from the ground, on the one side, or money be obtained by the other, with the continued receipt of unsold human suffering, loss of human life, the murder of innocent men, women and children by both sides and the fearful havoc which disease makes in the ranks of soldiers, particularly among the unaccustomed Spaniards. The poverty and distress of the people are increasing, and the loss of property of all sorts daily coming more enormous. No one can fully appreciate the situation without being here in person. The number of poor, distressed, starving women, children and men of all races has greatly increased in this city within the past few weeks, while in other points on the island the suffering has been proportionately great."

NEW RAILROAD BILL.

Another measure introduced in the Illinois Senate. Springfield, Ill., May 22.—A new street railway bill was introduced in the senate Wednesday morning by Senator Little. He presenting the bill he said: "I introduce this bill by request. It has not been prepared by Mr. Yerkes or the Chicago newspapers. It is strictly a product of Springfield, and I introduce it by request of the Springfield Street Railway company." The bill was referred to the judiciary committee instead of extending existing franchises 20 years, the bill introduced the local corporations to do so. There was a lively fight over the senatorial appointment bill. The bill came up on Tuesday evening. It was passed by an amendment leaving the Cook county districts as they are under the present law. This was adopted and the bill made a second reading for next Tuesday. This was carried. Berry introduced a bill to turn all the endowment fund of the University of Illinois into the state treasury, the state to pay five per cent interest thereon; to the university. Senator Munroe's bill providing the right of eminent domain in constructing drainage ditches, levees, etc. was passed. The state editor introduced a bill to repeal the indeterminate sentence law. Senator Lundin introduced a bill to punish the buying, selling and fraudulent use of railroad and streetcar passes.

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