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MR. GARLAND'S TRIBUTE. The fine tribute to Hon. George Davis from the pen of Hon. A. H. Garland, printed in the Star to-day, will be read with appreciative interest throughout North Carolina.

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WHAT CAUSED THIS? The gold monetarists tell us that the demonetization of silver is not the cause of the fall in the price of agricultural products in this country since 1873.

It seems to us that it should require no argument to prove what is so abundantly proved by carefully compiled figures through series of years showing the fall in prices of all the leading food products, and others, since the demonetization of silver by England in 1816, by men who had no possible motive for misstatement but whose reputation demanded honesty and accuracy when blunders or misrepresentations could be so easily exposed.

MINOR MENTION. We do not apprehend that the adoption of resolutions by Congress favoring either Cuban belligerency or Cuban independence will result in any serious complications with Spain or with any other power.

It should, as we have remarked, require no argument to prove that the demonetization of silver has lowered prices. Before the demonetization the amount of silver and gold in circulation in the world was substantially about equal.

this Government. There is as little probability that France will get mixed up in it, on account of the Spanish loans held by the Bank of France, for that matter could doubtless be arranged by friends of Cuba in a matter satisfactory to France.

There must be something wrong in the mental make up of a man who could live one hundred years in Kentucky and then commit suicide to get out of it, as Rev. Henry Maher did last week.

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Another important point to be considered is the fact that many persons will take, one share of stock, and one only, whether the par value be \$5.00 or \$35.00.

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By Cable to the Morning Star. MADRID, February 29 - The Imparcial regards the international situation in view of the action of the Senate of the United States in regard to Cuba as very grave, and expresses the opinion that the recognition of belligerent rights of Cuba involves great danger.

The paper continues in this vein, saying that while Spain has been humiliated, America has not been appeased, and lances are not at work with the Spanish Government as the could with the Turleish. More consideration would have been given for Spain had she assumed a determined attitude.

LONDON, Feb. 29 - The Westminster Gazette, in an article treating of the action of the United States in regard to Cuba, says - "A somewhat matter to conceive. Spain's stand down before the United States, especially when she has defied the prevailing American feeling in appointing to supreme command in Cuba a man whose reputation of Captain General Weyler for severity."

The St. James Gazette says that for a country that ought a stupendous war to put down a rebellion this resolution goes far indeed. It is not the matter to tell telling Europe to keep her hands off, but means that the United States intends to put her hands on.

The Havana correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette says that Captain General Weyler will no more suppress the rebellion in the island, but he will endorse the action of Congress, it would not provoke an international conflict between Spain and the United States.

MADRID, Feb. 29 - An interview to-day Prime Minister Calvar de Castillo said that he doubted that President Cleveland approves a recognition of the Cuban insurgents as belligerents, but if he should be asked to endorse the action of Congress, it would not provoke an international conflict between Spain and the United States.

WASHINGTON NEWS. The Evening Assistant Secretary of State Assumed His Duties - A North Carolina Populist Appointed Messenger in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, February 29 - Mr. W. H. Baldwin, of New York, the new Third Assistant Secretary of State, assumed the duties of that position this morning.