

#### NO DATE FOR EVACUATION.

#### Peace Commissioners Under Responsibility to Leave Stable Government.

The United States, through its peace commissioners, is not ready to announce when it will withdraw from the island of Cuba and surrender the reins of government to the Cubans, but this action cannot be taken until the time arrives when fair elections are assured. This statement was made by Governor Taft today as a sort of valedictory address to the revolutionists' committee with which the American commissioners dealt in inducing the rebels to cease hostilities and negotiate peace. The committee had a conference lasting an hour with Governor Taft, Assistant Secretary of State Bacon and Charles E. Magoon, who is to succeed Mr. Taft as provisional Governor, and at its conclusion expressed satisfaction with the position taken by the provisional government.

Headed by Alfredo Zayas, the committee visited Governor Taft for the avowed purpose of requesting him to declare the policy of the United States toward Cuba and the policy of the provisional Governor concerning appointments to public offices.

The Americans listened carefully to all the representations of the commission, and then Governor Taft replied pointedly, that he could not outline the policy of the United States more clearly than was done in his proclamation establishing a provisional government for the island. He added that as the representative of the United States he was just as anxious to surrender governmental affairs to the Cubans as the Cubans were to regain them, but the peace commissioners were under the responsibility to build up conditions which would make the Cuban government a stable one.

Governor Taft would not predict when such a satisfactory condition would be reached, but he said the Cubans themselves could hasten that time if they were disposed to do so. A fair and honest election on the results of which the Cuban people were willing to abide, Secretary Taft declared, was necessary before the United States would feel justified in withdrawing from the island.—Havana dispatch.

#### Gloomy Picture of Political Conditions.

The great mass of the people of this State is sick of both parties, sick of the party in power because of its unexampled corruption, apathy and depravity, and sick of the Democracy because of its ingrained imbecility, instability of purpose and suppression of its decent elements.

The Republicans are in power; they fill the offices; they enjoy the vast advantage of possession and the potent buttress of the Federal state. They have everything save a good character.

More deplorable still are the Democrats, except that they have no character at all. Mr. Roosevelt has sown the whirlwind, and they are not content to let him reap the storm himself, but must needs strive out of the materials he discarded or despised to fashion a worse chaos of their own. Distracted and disarrayed by a national fanatic and vulgar mountebank, themselves the chattel and the prey of the lowest type of brutal and degraded creatures that ever attained to leadership in any party's history, they come together at Buffalo pledged to mischief and consecrated disaster.—New York Sun.

#### Severe Sleet Storm.

This city and vicinity was visited by a severe sleet storm early this morning carrying down the limbs of trees and telegraph wires.

Telegraph communication with Buffalo was cut off as were both the telephone systems connecting with that city. Communication has not yet been restored. The various railroads report all trains from the west on time.—Rochester N. Y. dispatch.

#### Want Total Prohibition.

The Cumberland County Medical Society met today and took the very important action of formulating a petition to the Legislature to repeal section 4 of the Cumberland prohibition law which permits druggists to sell whiskey and other spirituous liquor on a physician's prescription.—Fayetteville special to the Charlotte Observer.

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#### Hearst's Letter Sent In.

William Randolph Hearst's letter accepting the Democratic nominee for Governor will be sent to State Chairman Connors today. The precise nature of the letter could not be learned today. The meetings up State at which Mr. Hearst is now speaking are almost invariably arranged and held under the joint Democratic and Independence League's auspices and with the co-operation of the Democratic State committee.—Elmira, N. Y., dispatch.

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