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WILL BE SIGNED WITHIN A WEEK

Work on the Treaty is Progressing Rapidly.

Spanish Prisoners Will Probably be Released.

AT LEAST MAJOR HALE OF GENERAL MERRITT'S STAFF THINKS SO.

PARIS, Dec. 1.—The work of the peace commission is proceeding rapidly and unless there is an unexpected hitch, the treaty will be signed within a week. The joint session reassembled at 3 this afternoon. General Wesley Merritt, who arrived yesterday from London was in consultation with the American commissioners all morning relative to the conditions and the necessary measures for the Philippine islands. General Merritt expects to sail for New York December 10 and hopes to resume his duties in California or New York until his retirement, 18 months hence.

A VAST RAVISHMENT

IS WHAT HANNIS TAYLOR CALLS OUR TREATMENT OF SPAIN.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—Hannis Taylor, late American minister to Spain, publishes in the December number of the North American Review a scathing criticism of the work of the American peace commission. Mr. Taylor contends that in the negotiations with Spain respecting Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, the members of the commission should have been guided by the precedent established by this country in its dealings with Mexico after the victorious issue of the Mexican war. Then he says he refused, as Mexico lay helpless at our feet to take from her a single square mile of territory by right of conquest. Our commissioners were instructed to offer her \$15,000,000 in cash and the sumption upon her part of more than \$3,000,000 due from her to American citizens as compensation for the area out of which has been carved California, Nevada, Arizona, Utah and New Mexico.

"And thus," says Mr. Taylor, "moral law which stands alone perhaps in the annals of nations." Mr. Taylor contends that now, when for the first time since the conquest of Mexico, we have another vanquished nation at our feet, we owe to Spain all the consideration that we have ever shown before broken off diplomatic relations. "The arrangement which has been concluded by the American commission, Mr. Taylor characterizes as a vast ravishment." We have refused arbitration. We have demanded the surrender of the entire Philippine archipelago and as a price to Spain we have demanded \$20,000,000. "The war has cost us directly about \$150,000,000 and as compensation for that we have appropriated Porto Rico, which can hardly be valued at much less than double that amount. It is difficult to understand, therefore, why in dealing with Cuba and the Philippines we should have been unwilling to recognize those reasonable and natural equities which follow acquired territory. "In the case of the Philippines we have admitted that so far as the debts of these islands represent expenditures incurred by the United States, they must run with the land and constitute a charge upon it. Upon what grounds have we refused to recognize that elementary principle of law and common honesty to the case of Cuba? The pretense that it cannot be applied to Cuba is, in fact, a device to accept sovereignty over Cuba without avail, for as soon as Cuba is evacuated by the Spanish troops the United States will exercise qualified sovereignty over the island and bring a military government there and rigidly enforce all laws and the purpose of collecting revenue, both external and internal, a condition which must exist until Congress orders otherwise. In the case of Cuba, as well as in that of the Philippines the amount of Pacific expenditures made by Spain for the permanent improvement of the island have been recognized as a legal charge upon it."

SENATOR QUAY TO STAND TRIAL

The Judge Overrules All Motions of Counsel.

The Date of Trial is Set for December 6.

THE PENNSYLVANIA BOSS MUST VINDICATE HIMSELF BEFORE A JURY.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1.—In the Court of Quarter Sessions today in the conspiracy case of United States Senator Quay and others, Judge Findlay dismissed all the motions entered by defendant's counsel against the five indictments found by the grand jury and fixed December 6th as the date for beginning the trial. Four of the five bills of indictment found by the grand jury charged the defendants with conspiracy, misuse of funds of the State on deposit in the People's bank for their own benefit and profit, and the fifth indictment charged Benj. J. Haywood with illegally loaning \$100,000 of State funds over which he had control. Demurrers were entered by defendant's counsel last week to the first four indictments, but Judge Finletter today declared these demurrers not sustainable. A motion to quash the fifth indictment was also overruled by the Judge.

LOSS OF SHIPS, NOT MEN

WAS WHAT KEPT SAMPSON OUT OF SANTIAGO HARBOR.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—The Navy Department has made public a report from Admiral Sampson covering the operations of the United States blockading fleet off Santiago after the destruction of Cervera's squadron. The report begins with a dispatch dated July 15, on the flagship New York, and winds up with one from the same flagship dated Guantanamo, August 4. In the first report Admiral Sampson tells of the demonstration made against Aguadores by the Michigan troops under Duffield, the point of which was that as soon as the ships took part in the firing the Spaniards disappeared. He says that the bombardment of Santiago on the second of July served no particular end because Shafter's attack had been postponed. He quotes dispatches from himself to Shafter, stating that it is impossible to force an entrance to the harbor until the mines had been removed and that work could be accomplished only after the troops had taken the forts. Shafter replied that he could not tell when he could take the batteries, if they were as difficult as those against which he was pitted it would take some time and a great loss of life. He says: "I am at a loss to see why the navy cannot work under a destructive fire as well as the army. My loss yesterday was over 500 men. By all means keep up fire on everything in sight until demolished. I expect, however, that time and sufficient men, to capture the forts and take the batteries."

THE INSURGENTS WILL NOT SUBMIT

Decided Not to Recognize the Cession of Islands.

Will Require 70,000 Troops to Put Down Rebellion.

10,000 SPANISH PRISONERS WILL BE FORCED TO FIGHT THE AMERICANS.

MADRID, Dec. 1.—Advices from the Philippine islands say the insurgents have decided not to recognize the cession of the islands to the United States and will resist to the last. It is claimed the United States will require 70,000 soldiers to put down the rebellion, and it is alleged the insurgents hold 10,000 Spanish prisoners, whom they will force to serve against the Americans.

A GLIMPSE OF FAIRLAND

To be Hag at the Grand Opera House Tomorrow Evening. Tomorrow evening at the Grand opera house Fairland and Brownie will be revealed at the rising of the curtain. Before the curtain a large audience will be assembled. A large section of the parquet has been reserved for the young ladies from the Asheville College for Young Women, and a delegation of nearly 60 young ladies will represent the Normal and Collegiate institutes. Those who have been privileged to attend one of the rehearsals which Mr. Jousias so skilfully conducted have an inkling of the fun to come, but even they cannot realize the transformation to be effected by the costume. The grotesque little gnomes will betray small resemblance to the boys of Asheville. All properties and costumes, except the gnomes, were specially assigned and manufactured in New York for this play and brought here by express. Good seats in the parquet are still to be had, but it is advisable not to wait till the time of the performance to secure them. All express cars lines will have cars in waiting after the performance.

The Necessity for Medicines.

Furnishes its own reminder, but we would like to suggest in passing that when any such unfortunate need occurs there is no place in the city where it can be supplied with more promptness, skill accuracy, or with a higher class of drugs and chemicals than at our Prescription Department—when filling prescriptions we give our undivided attention to the matter in hand; that is the only safe way and we are nothing if not safe—we employ four registered pharmacists, no other drug store in town can claim so large a legally authorized force of prescribers as Dr. T. C. Smith on Monument Square.

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With the recent additions to our large stock of Fine, Stylish, Durable Umbrellas. For Ladies and Gentlemen. A more handsome or serviceable present for lady or gentleman would be hard to find than one of our umbrellas. They are finished in natural wood, ivory, pearl and Dresden handles. Steel rods. Prices from \$4 to \$12. We invite you to see them. Cosby, 27 Patton Avenue.

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A REPUBLIC DISSOLVED

THE UNITED STATES OF CENTRAL AMERICA NO MORE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Minister Merry has reported to the State Department that the government of Costa Rica has received official notice of the dissolution of the United States of Central America. The success of the revolution in Salvador and the overthrow of President Gutierrez has led to a meeting of three commissioners who formed the executive head of the union until a president is elected, and a decision was reached to abandon the union, leaving each of the three states forming it—Nicaragua, Salvador and Honduras—to resume their former status as independent sovereign nations.

GIVING AWAY MONEY.

Strange Lunacy of a Man in New York.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—As if they were snowflakes and he owned a blizzard, a man gave away twenty and fifty dollar bills in the Battery Park yesterday. A hungry, grasping crowd of flattery boatmen, laborers and hoboes of the park gathered about him. They grabbed eagerly the big bills dealt out by the considerate stranger. "Take them, take my money," the man said. "I am rich, you are poor. I have a lot of money, and I give it to you. I give, I give freely." Men fought for his wealth. The supply of twenty and fifty dollar bills was exhausted. In his hand the philanthropist held a large roll of bills, and from his pockets he drew more. A policeman arrested the man with the money. The philanthropist was aggrieved. "These are poor men, and I am merely giving my money to the poor." At the introduction of his book as insane, in his possession were bills amounting to \$1645.

OUT ON THE SEAS.

Gen. Lee Gives Official Notification of Transports Departure.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Major Gen. Lee, commanding the Seventh corps, Savannah, has telegraphed the War Department as follows: "Respecting the departure of the transports Astoria and Chester today, with troops aboard for Cuba, the Manitoba with Gen. Snyder and the Fourth Tennessee cleared here at 8:45 this morning. The Chester with the Fifteenth corps left at 11:30, 30 miles below the city at about the same hour and is probably on top of the sea sailing for Cuba. She might have been at the bottom of it if she had gone out the day she started. The Panama is still here."

IMMENSE CONTRACT.

A New York Man to Spend \$50,000 in Havana.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—Michael J. Dady, a well known politician and contractor here, will go to Havana early in December to look after immense contracts made prior to the war with the Spanish government of that city. The President and Secretary of War, Mr. Dady says, have declared he had retained rights in Cuba which should be protected. Colonel Dady's contracts call for the expenditure of \$50,000,000 to sewer and pave the city of Havana. Of this amount \$15,000,000 will be paid when the main sewer and partitioning works have been constructed. Arrangements have been made with a financial institution here to advance the money for the work, taking in return the bonds of the city of Havana, which will be issued in accordance with the contract.

METHODIST BOOK MATTER.

Resolutions of the North Georgia Conference on the Subject.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Nov. 30.—At the session of the North Georgia Methodist episcopal conference here today the following resolutions were passed: "1. That we commend the action of the bishops looking to the return of the money to the United States, and express the hope that it will be done as soon as possible. "2. That we request, and as far as our authority extends, demand the immediate resignation of the book agents, the continuance of their imprimatur in our publications would be very detrimental to the publishing house, and would not properly represent our church. "3. That the book committee should be at once reorganized so as to free the church from the official action of those members of it who condoned the conduct of our book agents in this matter."

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G. A. GREER

Fine Groceries. Will be at 63 Patton Avenue after December 15.

FRANCE PROHIBITS.

No Fruit or Plants From the United States.

PARIS, Dec. 1.—The Journal officially today publishes a decree forbidding the admittance into France of fruit and plants from the United States. A dispatch from Washington November 28, announced that the French charge d'affaires, M. Thiebaud, had advised Secretary Hay that the French government was upon the point of adopting "precautionary measures" against the introduction of fruit from the United States of the San Jose scale, adding that decrees would be issued prohibiting imported trees, shrubs and plants for a year. The French government has also ordered all fruits, fresh and dried, at port. M. Thiebaud pointed out that these measures were quite immaterial as the United States to France as the shipment of trees, plants and shrubs last year aggregated only \$28, and those of fruit \$40,000.

QUEEN LIL AND M'KINLEY.

The Dusky Ex-Queen Has Much Land to Sell.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 30.—Lilouka, former queen of the Hawaiian islands, spent an hour in this city today en route to Washington, D. C., leaving here over the Baltimore & Southwestern. The ex-queen was accompanied by her physician and her private secretary, Dr. English, her maid, Halanuka, and Miss McGuire, an American friend of Honolulu. Queen Lil's mission to the national capital is to lay before President McKinley her claims to 1,000,000 acres of fertile Hawaiian land, acquired under her royal title. She will also submit a proposition to the Antilles in question to the United States government for \$5,000,000. She will spend the winter in Washington.

A COMPLETE WRECK.

A Former Wealthy Toledo Man Goes Into Bankruptcy.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 1.—Isaac D. Smead, at one time one of the wealthiest men in Toledo, and known from sea to ocean as the manufacturer of curling and heating apparatus, filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States court today. Smead places his liabilities at \$900,000 and so far as he knows there are no assets. The creditors are banks and banks and his creditors are scattered in the country, and the debts vary from 36 cents to \$47,000.

ROYAL AMNESTY.

VIENNA, Dec. 1.—Emperor Francis Joseph on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of his accession to the throne, occurring tomorrow, will grant full amnesty to all less Majeste prisoners and remit the remainder of the sentences of 540 other prisoners.

WANTS SENATOR STEWART'S SEAT.

VIENNA, Dec. 1.—Emperor Francis Joseph will be a candidate for United States Senator to succeed William H. Stewart.

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Ladies' High Lace Shoes. \$2.50 AND \$3.50.

New lot received this day, take a look at 'em in the show window. They are popular and sellers. Widths from B to E. J. SPANGENBERG. COURT SQUARE.

The Imperial T. Bar Land Roller.

A as a roller B as a pulverizer. Two rollers, 3 1/2 feet; entire length, 7 feet; 28 inches in diameter; weight, 50 pounds. Pulverizer, does not pack clods into the soil as do soil rollers. Strong, durable, saves harvesting and puts the ground into fine condition. Farmers, roll your cloddy ground before seeding; corn ground before the corn is started; oats, grass and wheat after it is up three or four inches. This roller is a perfect pulverizer. For sale by T. S. MORRISON, Asheville, N. C.

Huyler's Candies!

Do you want a two, three, four or five pound Fancy : Box for Christmas? If so, leave your order now and we will have it fresh from New York factory for you.

Heinitsh & Reagan

AGENTS. HOT SODA.

SUSPENDED BANK OPENS.

The Traders' National of New York, Dec. 1.—The Traders' National bank, which suspended business October 4, opened its doors today for liquidation. The bank has its credit \$1,600,000. In addition \$118,000 is due depositors who agreed to wait four months for their money. Fifty per cent of this will be paid in January. Depositors to whom \$100 or less is due is being paid today.

THE TIN PLATE TROOP.

It Has Ordered the Closing Down of Arched Concerns.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 1.—It is stated here today that orders have been issued by the newly formed tin plate combine closing down a large number of tin plate factories absorbed by the trust. The Consolidated Tin Plate company is the name of the new organization. D. G. Reids is president.

SPANIARDS ASK REFORMS.

Chambers of Commerce Petition the Queen Regent.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—A special dispatch from Madrid says: A delegation from Spanish chambers of commerce had an audience with the Queen Regent and presented her majesty a petition that asked reforms. The delegation also favored the Queen Regent to intercede for the release of Spanish prisoners in the Philippine islands and pardon Filipinos who have been transported to Spain. Will Write a Book.

TO MOVE ON THE FIRST.

Sawyer's carpet house is on the list of Asheville businesses to remove to new locations in the near future. The firm will leave its present quarters at 47 Foster avenue to take up its abode at 15 and 18 Church street, the change to be made January 1. The firm's ad. in The Citizen tells of special bargains now offering.

FROM THE TELEGRAPH.

A bomb containing a large quantity of powder and nails was found in the Marseilles Bourse. Twelve of the persons injured in the explosion of ammunition in Liavana Monday have died.

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