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CUBAN EVACUATION

To be Delayed by the Inability of the Spanish to Transport Their Troops.

SPAIN TO REMAIN IN CONTROL

Of Havana Until She Can Remove all Her Soldiers--This to Have no Bearing on the Peace Negotiations--American Commissioners Making no Concessions to the Spaniards on the Cuban Debt Question--Gold and Silver Production for Last Year--A Court Decision on the Question of Issue of the New Bonds.

Washington, October 21.--It is now certain that the complete evacuation of Cuba will be delayed beyond the period originally fixed by the administration.

The year 1897 produced 5,974,800 fine ounces of silver and 53,903,180 fine ounces of gold for the United States.

Justice Fox, in the equity court No. 1, today rendered an opinion sustaining Secretary of the Treasury Gage in his action in refusing to award certain bonds of the war issue to those persons, whom it is alleged, applied for allotments, through the Produce Exchange Trust Company of New York.

At the time of the filing of Wightman's bill a writ of mandamus was applied for by Wm. H. Wharton, to compel the secretary to issue him \$825 in bonds in accordance with his application and the allotment made to him.

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Washington, October 21.--The director of the mint's report upon the production of the precious metals during the calendar year 1897, just submitted to the secretary of the treasury, deals not only with the production of gold and silver in the United States but with foreign countries as well.

Washington, October 21.--Secretary Long today received a telegram from Rear Admiral Schley at San Juan, Porto Rico, saying that the evacuation committee, of which he is a member, has concluded the work.

THE EPISCOPAL COUNCIL

In Increased Responsibilities of the Church by Reason of the Acquisition of Territory--To Elect Bishop of Asheville Today

Washington, October 21.--The increased responsibilities of the Episcopal church, arising through the changing conditions of Cuba, Porto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines, was presented to the general convention today.

The committee proposed a resolution that missionary work begin in Porto Rico after conference with the bishop of Antigua.

The committee recommended a joint commission to consider the work in Cuba. The committee also pointed out that in selecting bishops for Cuba, not only as a possession of the United States, but as a possession of an independent government country.

Concerning Haiti, Mexico, Brazil and other countries, it was recommended that the increased responsibilities be submitted to a joint commission of three bishops and three laymen.

Among the propositions adopted were those establishing a new missionary district in Kyoto, Japan, discontinuing further revision of the Hymnal, agreeing to a further conference with the bishops for final date of adjournment and establishing a special committee to report on the question of a standard Bible.

The election of a bishop for Asheville, N. C., was put off until tomorrow, when a bishop for the new district of Kyoto, Japan, probably will be selected.

Conflict Between Blacks and Whites--The White Leader of the Blacks Killed

Kansas City, Mo., October 21--A special to The Star from Fort Worth, Tex., says: Trouble between the whites and the blacks over politics has culminated in the night in which Hope Adams, a leading candidate, for sheriff, and leader of the independent movement against the White Men's Union Association, was killed.

Washington, October 21.--The cold weather in the south is checking the yellow fever epidemic and reports to the marine hospital service authorities here show a constantly decreasing number of cases.

Greenville, S. C., October 21.--John B. Griffin, a contractor and builder of this city shot and instantly killed Arthur W. E. M. Grube, formerly of Rochester, N. Y., but who has resided here for the past two years.

REVISION PROMISED

In Charge of the Second Regiment Remains to be Preferred by Dr. Kirke

Raleigh, N. C., October 21.--It is perfectly safe to make the prediction that the Second Regiment will not agree to remain in service in Cuba.

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FORT McPHERSON.

The Hospital There is Thoroughly Inspected by the War Commission.

EVERYTHING IN GOOD CONDITION

They Talk With Surgeons, Nurses and Patients--No Complaints Heard. The Sick Speaking in Commendation of Their Treatment--The Lack of Supplies Existing During the First Days of the Hospital.

Atlanta, Ga., October 21.--The war investigating commission arrived here yesterday afternoon at 10 o'clock today, and after calling on General Pennington, in command of the department, proceeded to Fort McPherson.

Major Taylor, surgeon in charge of the hospital here, gave a charge to the general military hospital here and Dr. Orville J. Nave, chaplain of that institution, both appeared at the afternoon session of the commission.

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A BANK FAILURE

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