## WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19th, 1898.

Mr. McKinley may be compelled to abandon that investigation of the war by a commission, owing to his in-ability to get men of prominence to serve thereon. John Sherman, who was kicked out of the Cabinet be cause it was alleged that his wits gone wool gathering, punctured this commission scheme when he called attention to the fact that it could not compel witnesses to testify. That is a fatal defect. The Commission can only take voluntary testimony, and every school boy knows that military officers are not likely to volunteer to give testimony that will reflect upon their superiors. Mr. McKinley may succeed in forming his commission, and it may go through the form of making an investigation, but there will be no real investigation until it is made by a Congressional Committee, cloaked with all the authority of a court of law.

The Peace Commissioners have had their powwow with Mr. McKinley, received their instructions, and de-parted for Paris, via New York. It would be easy to follow the majority of the Washington correspondents, and give what purported to be the substance of those instructions, but as the instructions have never been put upon paper and are absolutely un-known outside of the administration and of the Peace Commission, they can be guessed at by one man about as good as by another. So each of readers may do his own guess-

This administration has made a specialty of handling seats in the U.S. Senate as though they were petty Federal appointments. The scheme to send Senator McMillan, of Mich., to England as American Ambassador in order that Secretary Alger might step into his seat in the Senate has had to be abandoned, owthe unpopularity of Alger since the public has known of his culpable mismanagement of the War Department, but it was at once succeeded by a new one, which only needs the consent of Senator Hoar, which has been once refused, to go through. This scheme is to send Hoar to London as Ambassador, put Secretary Long in his seat in the Senate, and make Assistant Secretary Allen, Long's successor in the Cabinet. Pressure is now being used to bring about acquiescence on the part of Senator Hoar, but its success is by no means sure. Hoar doesn't wish to leave the Senate, of which he regards himself as one of the principal owners, and it is doubtful whether he can be forced to do so, as John Sherman was. The scheme does not commend uself to Republicans of other States, as Massachusetts already has one

There isn't the slightest doubt that the Republicans are becoming alarmed over the prospect of the cap-ture of the House by the Democrats. Chairman Babcock and Secretary Overstreet, of the Republican Conressional Committee, have both ade visits east within a week, one gressional to Boston and the other to New York. and there are reasons to believe that both of them went after the same thing-money to be used in the cam-That the sentiment of the country is now with the Democrats is what all the correspondents of the Democratic Congressional Committee say, and all the callers at committee headquarters tell the same story. less there is a great change before the election there is every reason to expect that sufficient Democratic gains will be made in the following States to give the party control of the House by a good working majority: Kentucky, Virginia, North Carolina, West Virginia, New York, New Jersey, Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin, Massachusetts and Connecticut. One Democrati ocrat, after sizing up the situation, said: "The only thing that I fear is that the situation may change again before election. But I don't see how it can.

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#### ELECTIONS IN SPAIN.

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Madrid, Sept. 21.—Captain General Blanco cables from Havana that he is not in accord with the Cuban colonial ministry, to which the government here replied that while Spanish sovereignty existed in Cuba, he must apply autonomy, and therefore he could not turn out the colonial government now in office and appoint a new one.

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The government, however, has taken measures calculated to prevent the plan being carried out, and the ministry has also forbidden demonstrations in welcoming Cervera home.

The Duke of Tetuan, who was minister for foreign affairs in the cabinet of the late Premier Canovas del Castillo, is quoted as saying in an interview: "Senor Canovas, if he had lived, would never have accepted war with the United Statets. Canovas and myself were convinced that war would lead inevitably to the ruin of Spain."

Continuing, the duke blamed the Liberals, who, he said, could have averted war, either by accepting the proffered good offices of the United States minister, General Stewart L. Woodford, or by treating with the insurgents on the basis of Cuban independence, or by selling Cuba.

In conclusion the Duke of Tetuan remarked: "Senor Sagasta is responsible for all our disasters and must be sjected from power."

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Kingston, Jamaica, Sept. 21.—At a
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dies declared that the condition of Jamaica was such that it was not possible to do more than emphasize an expression of sympathy with those who were in need of help.

Any substantial relief, he added, comprehending the re-establishment of the original conditions in the devastated islands, must, in his opinion, necessarily take the form of imperial assistance on a large scale.

Public opinion here endorses the statements of the archbishop, and especially holds Great Britain responsible for the industrial crisis which renders the other West Indian colonies impotent to give the suffering islands substantial aid.

#### The Philippine Situation.

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Manila, Philippine Islands, Sept. 21.—
Twenty Spanish vessels, including 12 steamers, have completed their transfer to the American flag, and a majority of them have now proceeded on coasting voyages.

There is some uncertainty regarding the native crews on the Filipino vessels. It is reported that they have been committing questionable acts, and the Boston, Raleigh and Manila salled yesterday under orders to protect compressions.

merce.
The British gunboat Rattler has gone to Cebu. There are rumors that the insurgents are attacking Cebu and Ilo-llo.

The Eighth Cavairy Going to Cuba Washington, Sept. 21.—The orders for the exchange of the stations of the Second cavairy, now at Montauk Point, and the Eighth cavairy, now at Fort Mead, S. D., have been temporarily suspended. The Eighth cavairy saw no service, and it is the purpose of the administration to send the regiment to Cuba in the autumn. Cuba in the autumn.

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Kansas City, Sept. 21.—A special to
the Star from Jacksonville, Fla., says:
"Colonel William Jennings Bryan of
the Third Nebraska volunteers will
shortly resign his commission in the
army."

## Another Cup Challenge.

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Chicago, Sept. 20.—It is expected that a challenge for the International cup, won from the Chicago sloop encedor at Toledo in 1896 by the Canadian sloop Canada, will issue from the Chicago Yacht Club this fall to the Royal Canadian Yacht Club.

A syndicate will probably be formed to build and manage the yacht, headed by Commodore F. W. Morgan.

#### Mr. Bayard Weaker Again.

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Dedham, Mass., Sept. 21.—Hon. Thomas F. Bayard was reported as being
considerably weaker yesterday.
It was thought that he would not
survive longer than three or four days.

Philadelphia's Peace Jubilee Philadelphia, Sept. 21.—The citizens' committee has selected October 26 and 27 for the peace jubilee. GEN. WHEELER TO GO.

He Has Been Ordered to Huntsville, Ala to Command the Cavalry.

Camp Wikoff, Sept. 21.—The Third avalry expects to get away from here day and will be transported acros the Sound to New London, where they will take the Central Vermont Railroad for Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont.

The men of the Eighth Maine Vol-unteer Signal Corps will be relieved from duty to-day.

The Twenty-fourth infantry, colored,

was to have gone wholly to Fort Doug-lass, Utah. As only half the men can be accommodated at Fort Douglass, the rest of them will be stationed in

the rest of them will be stationed in Wyoming.

General Wheeler is to go to Hunts-ville, Ala., where he will be in com-mand of the First Separate cavalry di-vision.

vision.

General Wheeler is now in communication with the quartermaster's department regarding the transportation for moving the cavairy.

General Wheeler says he could move all the cavairy from Camp Wikoff in a day or two if proper transportation is provided.

There were no deaths reported from he hospital yesterday.

#### TROOPS FOR MANILA.

Several Regiments Ordered to Sail From San Francisco.

Washington, Sept. 20 .- The army auwashington, Sept. 20.—The army au-thorities are greatly exercised over the situation in the Philippines. It has been decided to strengthen the force under General Otis, upon whose rep-resentations the step is taken, and five regiments now at San Francisco have been ordered to Manila, and will sail as soon as the transportation has been secured.

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General Otis has cabled the department from Manila that Aguinaldo is addin gto his power, and that he has at his command, or within call, a force of not less than 30,000 men.

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This statement has created a sensa-tion among the officers here, who have reen the private advices from Manija, and it presents to them the immediate necessity of discouraging the insurg-ents by some means more definite and energetic than negotiations and making threats.

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The situation as described by General Otis is most serious, and while in its general features it is not unexpected, it is more menacing in extent than most of our authorities in Washington anticipated.

#### Return of Gen. Merriam.

Heturn of Gen. Merrlam.

San Francisco, Sept. 21.—The steamer Australia arrived in port yesterday from Hawaii. General Merriam, commander of the department of California, who has been in Honolulu, was one of the passengers.

He was accompanied on the voyage by Lieutenants Graves and Bennett of his staff.

Everything was quiet in Honolulu when the steamor left. The people were jubilant over the annexation and were interesting themselves in an effort to make the government of the islands similar to that of the United States.

The officers of the Australia say that the Arizona, with troops for Manila sailed on the 11th inst, and the Scandia, with troops and money, was leave on Tuesday, the 13th.

#### The Bridgeport Mystery

New Haven, Sept. 20.—The New Haven police department wes yesterday searching for a young woman who has been missing for some time and who may have been the victim of the noto-

may have been the victim of the notorious Bridgeport tragedy.
Captain Cowles of the detective force
said: "It is true that we are looking
up a New Haven girl as a possible victim of the Yellow Mill Pond mystery.
This girl, whose name I cannot disclose just now, has been missing between two and three months. She was
the daughter of New Haven parents
and about 21 years of age.
"We hope to settle the question today and it may turn out that the girl
o whom I refer has been he victim of
the Bridgeport tragedy, but probably
not."

## Gen. Zurlinden Reappointed

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Paris, Sept. 21.—The cabinet council has reappointed General Zurlinden, who last week resigned from the cabinet because he disagreed with the majority of the ministers about the propriety of having a revision of the Dreyfus case, to the post of military governor of Faris, which he occupied previous to accepting the portfolio of the ministry of war.

Alger at Camp Hamilton.

Lexington, Ky., Sept. 21.—Secretary Alger and party inspected Camp Hamilton and reviewed the troops yesterday. Surgeon General Sternberg praised the division hospital.

The brigade of immunes was inspected in the afternoon. The secretary left for Knexville last night. He said the condition of the troops is excellent.

Camp Wikoff, Sept. 21.—General Shaf-ter left on the nine o'clock train yes-terday morning. He goes to his home in Michigan, to be present at the reunion of his old regiment. He will re-main away about five days. This is the first time General Shafter has vis-ited his home since the outbreak of the war.

#### Snow at Mt. Washington

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Mt. Washington, N. H., Sept. 21.—
The first snow storm of the season on
Mount Washington took place Monday
night. There were snow drifts yesterday morning about the summit, accompanied by sleet and ice and a high
wind. The thermonetter registered 26
degrees above zero.

## Invitation to the President.

San Francisco, Sept. 21.—The most influential commercial bodies in California have united in sending to President McKiniey a telegraphic invitation to visit this state and city immediately after his contemplated visit to Omaha next month.

### The Monitor Terror Reported.

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Norfolk, a., Sept. 21.—The monitor
Terror passed in the Virginia capes at
noon yesterday, bound for the Norfolk
navy yard. It is said, for repairs. She
has lately been at Ponce, and wished to
be reported "All well."

#### His Game Spoiled.

For some time past there had been a slick individual about town who ex isted by taking unsuspecting house wives into camp. His scheme was to call at a house and ask to see the sewing machine. When it was shown to him he (would claim to have been sent by the manufacturer to examine the machine and clean it, if he found necessary. He always found it so, and, after wiping around it for a few moments, would demand a dollar for his work. The woman of the house would pay in most cases, and when she refused, the "inspector" would roundly villify her. Chief Pusey had several complaints during the past week of the fellow, and Tuesday morning he hunted him up. When he was arraigned before 'Squire Bare he gave his name as William H. Carlisle, and his residence, Sunbury. Carlisle was accused of the performances complained of against him, but he denied them all, and said he never represented himself as the agent of a sewing machine company, but that he turned an honest dollar whenever he had a chance. There was no evidence, and he was released, after be ing advised to leave town. He seemed willing to do this, and started at once to walk to Sunbury.—Danville Intelligencer.

#### No More Bounties.

The Luzerne County Commission ers have decided not to pay any fur-ther bounties upon wild animals, such as are named in the Act of July, 1897, entitled an Act for the destruction of wild cats, foxes and minks, of this commonwealth, and provide for payment of bounties for the same, office ers' tees and fixing a penalty for vio-lation of the same, which has been de-clared unconstitutional in an opinion found in the district reports, volume 7, page 189. The court in this case holds that the Act of July 9, 1897, entitled an Act for the destruction wild cats, etc., is unconstitutional in that its subject is not clearly expressed in the title. There is no clear ex-pression of the purpose of the Act, which is to require the several coun-ties to pay the bounties provided by the Act. - Ex.

#### Must Wear Their Uniforms.

For the benefit of those who believe that soldiers home on a furlough wear their uniforms for show, we will state that a soldier is compelled to wear his uniform all the time, and the minute he removes it and dons citizen's clothing he becomes a deserter and is liable to be arrested, by any constable or officer, and returned to camp, a reward of \$10.00 being offered for such arrest.

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