## MOVING DAY FIXED.

American Rule In Cuba to End May 20.

SECRETARY ROOT'S ORDER TO WOOD

A Small Force of Artillerymen to Be Left to Man Const Defenses For a Time-Other American Troops to Be Withdrawn.

WASHINGTON, March 2%-Secretary Root has made public his order to General Wood directing him to turn over the control of the government of Cuba to its people on May 20 next. The order requires the Cuban government to assume all treaty obligations and directs General Wood to continue a small artillery force to avoid leaving the island entirely defeaseless until the Caban government shall organize its

The text of the order is as follows: "You are authorized to provide for the Inauguration on the 20th of May next of the government elected by the people of Cuba and upon the establishment of said government to leave the government and control of the island of Cuba to its people, pursuant to the provisions of the act of congress entitled 'An act making appropriation for the army for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1902, approved March 2, 1901,

"Upon the transfer of government and control to the president and congress so elected you will advise them that such transfer is upon the express understanding and condition that the new government does thereupon and by the acceptance thereof, pursuant to the provisions of the appendix to the



PRESIDENT ELECT PALMA. constitution of Cuba, adopted by the constitutional convention on the 12th of June, 1901, assume and undertake all and several of the obligations assumed by the United States with respect to Cuba by the treaty between the United States of America and her majesty the queen regent of Spain, signed at Paris on the 10th day of December, 1898. It is the purpose of the United States government forthwith upon the inauguration of the new government of Cuba to terminate the occupancy of the island by the United States and to withdraw from that island the military forces now in occupancy thereof. But for the preservation and care of the coast defenses of the Island and to avoid leaving the island entirely defenseless against external attack you may leave in the coast fortifications such small number of artillerymen as may be necessary for such reasonable time as may be required to enable the new government to organize and substitute therefor an adequate military force of its own, by which time it is anticipated that the naval stations referred to in the statute and in the appendix to the constitution above cited will have been agreed upon and the said artillerymen may

be transferred thereto. "You will convene the congress elected by the people of Cuba in joint session at such reasonable time before the 20th of May as shall be necessary therefor for the purpose of performing the duties of counting and rectifying the electoral vote for president and vice president under the fifty-eighth article of the Cuban constitution. At the same time you will publish and certify to the people of Cuba the instrument adopted a stake in the builpen of his stable. as the constitution of Cuba by the constitutional convention on the 21st day drove a confined buil to frenzy, and of February, 1901, together with the appendix added thereto and forming a part thereof adopted by the said convention on the 12th day of June, 1901. It is the understanding of the government of the United States that the government of the island will pass to the new president and congress of Cuba as a going concern, all the laws promulgated by the government of occupation continuing in force and effect and all the judicial and subordinate executive and administrative officers continuing in the lawful discharge of their present functions until changed by the constitutional officers of the new government. At the same moment the responsibility of the United States for the collection and expenditure of revenues and for the proper performance of duty by the officers and employees of the insular government will end the responsibility of the new government of Cuba therefor will commence.

President Elect Tomas Estrada Palma of Cuba, having finished his conferences with President Roosevelt, Secretary Root and other officials on matters connected with the transfer of the island from American to Cuban control, left the city at midnight for his New York home, where he will remain until the last of April, when he will leave New York for Santiago province, in which he will spend a few days, going thence to Havana to be inaugurated Cuba therefor will commence."

#### SOME DAIRY FACTS.

New York Lends in Production Milk, Butter and Cheese.

WASHINGTON, March 25. - The complete census statistics of dairy matters just announced show that of the 5,739,057 farms in the country 4,514,210 report dairy cows and dairy product and that in 1899 the total dairy product had a valuation of \$472,360,255. Of the farms reporting dairy cows and prod- He Thinks Improvement Legislation net 357,578 were classed as dairy farms. having derived at least 40 per cent of their gross income from dairy products. The number of dairy cows was 17,133,-674. The receipts from dairy products sold aggregated \$281,629,958, and prodnets consumed on the farm were valued at \$190,739,207. There were produced from the dairy cows reported a total of 7,266,302,674 gallons of milk, an average of 424 gallons per cow. Of this milk 2,134,915,342 gallons were sold, for which the farmers received \$184,842,202.

The farmers also report the sale of 20,768,662 gallons of cream, for which they received \$8,838,776. Farms numbering 3,617,440 report the manufacture of butter, and 15,670 report the manufacture of cheese. The farms reporting butter manufactured 1.071.745,127 pounds, of which 518,139,026 pounds were sold, for which the farmers received \$86,606,446. Farms reporting cheese manufactured 16,372,330 pounds, of which 14,692,542 pounds were sold, for which the farmers received \$1,342,-

New York reports the largest number of dairy cows, 1,501,608, the largest value of dairy products, \$55,474.155, and the largest number of gallons of milk produced, milk sold, cream sold and butter as well as cheese made. Pennsylvania stands second.

#### POSSIBILITY OF PEACE.

Announcement In the House of Commons Received With Cheers.

LONDON, March 25.-On a dispatch from Pretoria just made public Lord Kitchener gives his usual weekly total of captures, etc., but does not mention the Schalkburger incident.

The Daily Chronicle this morning asranged pending the duration of Schalkand that offensive operations against canals. He replied: De Wet, Delarey and Botha will be suspended, these three generals having agreed honorably to observe the armistice and to refrain from operations until the return of the envoys to the Boer

It is believed, continues The Daily Chronicle, that the envoys, after acquainting Botha with the result of their mission, will again confer with Lord Kitchener, although no second conference with Lord Kitchener has actually been arranged.

#### Interview With Kitchener.

LONDON, March 24. - A dispatch from Pretoria says: "Acting President Schalkburger, F. W. Reitz, ex-secretary of state of the Transvaal, and Commandants Lucas Meyer and Krogh arrived here yesterday on a special train from Balmoral, about fifty miles east of here. They reached Balmoral under a flag of truce. After a short stay here they proceeded for the Orange River Colony.

Upon arriving here Mr. Schalkburger and his party drove immediately to Lord Kitchener's headquarters, where they bad an interview with the commander in chief. The Boers afterward proceeded to the railroad station and entrained at 5 o'clock for Kroonstadt, Orange River Colony, whence they will go out under a safe conduct.

#### TEN YEARS FOR EACH.

Neely, Reeves and Rathbone Must Also Pay Heavy Fines.

HAVANA, March 25.-The trials before the audiencia court of the cases arising from the embezzlement of Cuban postal funds have resulted in the following sentences: C. F. W. Neely, ten years' imprison-

ment and to pay a fine of \$56,701. W. H. Reeves, ten years' imprison-

ment and to pay a fine of \$35,516. Estes G. Rathbone, ten years' imprisonment and to pay a fine of \$35,324.

A Revolting Deed. TONAWANDA, N. Y., March 22,-J. B. Post, a farmer, thirty-five years old, living four miles south of this village, bound his wife, Amanda Post, to She wore a red calico apron, which in its rage it attacked the woman and gored her to death. It is said that the man's act was caused by jealousy of a preacher, Hiram Coates by name, who lives half a mile south of the Post farm. Coates has been a frequent caller at the Post farm, and the night before he met Mrs. Post at a prayer meeting at Kenmore.

#### A Pyromaniae.

NEW YORK, March 22.-Edward J. Farley, a confessed pyromaniac, was arraigned in the Center street court, charged with setting fire to the Astor House at midnight Tuesday last. He has confessed to Fire Marshal Freel of this county to having set fire nineteen different times to various places in New York, and nine of these fires were started in the Astor House during the time he was connected with that hotel.

Five Prisoners Burned to Death. KOSCIUSKO, Miss., March 24.-Five county convicts made an attempt on Saturday night to burn their way out of prison, burning the stockade house in which they were confined down over their heads, cremating themselves, They were all negroes.

Schoolteachers at White House, WASHINGTON, March 26. - The president yesterday received a delegation of 250 Buffalo schoolteachers. They were escorted to the White House by Representative Alexander.

## CANAL SCHEME DEAD

Assembly Committee Will Not Report Davis Bill.

#### GOVERNOR ODELL NOT DISCOURAGED

Will Not Be Abandoned-An Extra Session Is Not Likely to Be Called.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 26,-Governor Odell said last night in discussing the canal improvement situation:

"I have done all that I could to get the legislature to take action on the press. Davis bill, which provides for the expenditure of \$31,800,000 for the im- section with every column for telprovement of the Erie and Champlain egraphic and postal work, and not canals, but the cause seems hopeless. The advocates of canal improvement held two conferences with me today. the last late this afternoon, at which I told them that I had seen Speaker Nixon, chairman of the assembly rules committee, and that he had said that it was impossible to get the committee to report the Davis bill. The canal men went away feeling that nothing will be done this year in the way of legislation in the line of canal improvement. They gave me a final answer refusing to accept the alternative referendum proposed as a compromise. They asked me to call an extra session of the legislature to consider and dispose of the canal improvement problem, but that I refused to do, as I could not see what good it would do in view of the position which the assembly has taken.

"My position on canal legislation has not changed. I recommended in my annual message an improvement project, which was subsequently embodied in the Davis bill. That recommendation was made after conference with the leaders of the legislature, who at that time favored the proposition. As the session advanced opposition developed, culminating in the situation which at present exists."

Governor Odell was asked whether in view of the failure of two legislatures erts that an armistice has been ar- to pass improvement legislation it meant an abandonment on the part of burger's mission to General De Wet, the state of any improvement of the

> "I certainly do not. Great projects of this character sometimes take years to develop. You have an illustration of tion of other organs. that in the years it has taken congress to dispose of the isthmian canal prob-

The action of the assembly in not passing the canal bil! is held by the advocates of the improvement to be caused mainly by the position taken by the fourteen representatives of Albany, Rensselaer, Onondaga and Monroe counties in voting against the Weekes bill, which included the Oswego canal within the scope of the proposed im-

provement. Mayor Low's bills have passed the assembly. The employer's liability bill and the Pennsylvania tunnel bill have passed the senate.

Topeka's Mayor Horsewhipped. TOPEKA, Kan., March 25. - Miss Blanche Boise, a protegee of Mrs. Nation, horsewhipped Mayor Parker in his office at the city building. Three tore the rawhide out of her hand and pushed her into the hall. When seen by reporters after his scourging, Mayor Parker refused to discuss it. The woman who whipped him talked freely. She said: "I was In sympathy with Mrs. Nation, but did not take part in her raids. I have come to the conclusion that the only way to make public officers enforce the temperance laws is to horsewhip them. I have an organization behind me, and we have whips for Governor Stanley and Judge Hazen. I will wait and see how this dose acts on Mayor Parker before I repeat it. I think it is a good plan.'

#### The Cholera at Manila.

MANILA, March 25 .- The outbreak of cholera here does not create alarm. No white persons have been stricken with the disease. According to the report of the medical authorities there have been, all told, twenty-six cases and twenty-one deaths. Experts have gone to investigate the five cases at Malolos, just north of Manila, and the two cases at Aparri, in northern Luzon. The moving of trains on the railroad between here and Dagupan has been prohibited, and no boat will be allowed to leave Manila for interisland ports for the next five days. The object of these restrictions is to prevent a general exodus and the consequent possibility of spreading the disease.

Rumored War on Great Britain, Washington and published here describe France and Russia as meditating war upon Great Britain and Japan over China and as seeking assurances from Germany of that country's neutrality. The foreign office repudiates this story and avers that Russia and France have not made any such inquiries here.

#### Wilcox Found Guilty.

ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., March 24. -Twelve good men and true, after many hours of deliberation, have found James Wilcox guilty of the murder of his sweetheart, Ella Cropsy, with whom she left the parlor of her parents' home on the night of Nov. 12 last and was never again seen until her body was given up by the river that flows close to her home several weeks after.

Nine Men Buried Alive.

CLEVELAND, O., March 26.-While excavating for a new gashouse on Lighthouse street hill there was a cavein, and nine men were buried under tons of earth. The recovery of the dead bodies has not yet been com-

#### NOT SO ABSENT-MINDED.

British Soldiers in South Africa Saved \$5,000,000 for the Felks at Home.

> The post office is throwing some side lights upon the character of the British soldier which will be read with interest. It appears that Tommy is not such an absent-minded beggar as he is made out to be. Tommy himself has always resented the soubriquet, and the fact that he has sent a million of money home from the Cape in postal orders during the past year is a colossal testimony to his thrift and thoughtfulness home needs, says the London Ex-

This useful public service has a only do they get letters safely through Boer-ridden territory, but they manage to preserve government stock from capture with great skill and foresight. Of course some postal dispatches have fallen into the enemy's hands, but the check upon belated until bags is so keen that the misuse of postal orders is rare.

Mail running from columns off the railway is a dangerous game, and the army post office man requires not only to be an efficient postal servant, but a strategist, in so much ns to know when not to send. Sev eral deaths have occurred in the defense of the mail bags, so that he has to be a combatant at times,

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Byers-"Do you believe there's luck in odd numbers?" Sellers-"Yes; if youlalways look out for number one."

#### WORTH \$300,000,000. The President of a certain big Oil Com-

pany is said to be worth \$300,000,000. A

tidy bit of money and no mistake. And yet he isn't happy. In an address to a Bible class he spoke of trials and troubles of the rich and the loads they have to carry. A young lady whispered to a friend that he might wear a Benson's Porous Plaster on his back or, better still, divide the money among the members of the class. I don't know why her idea about the plaster makes me want to laugh, but it does. All the same I have seen plenty of people laugh after putting Benson's Plasters on their backs or chests, or on any other spot where there was weight, heaviness, weakness or pain. It may be the sharp stabs of neuralgia, the aches and wrenches of rheumatism; it may be colds in muscles or bones; it may be these kidney or lumbage thrusts that make you yell as at a dog bite; or it may be a strain or cramp, anything that wants quiet-ing and comforting. Dont bother with salves, liniments, lotions, etc., or with any of the stupid and useless old style plasters. Clap on a Benson's. It relieves at once and cures quickly. It stops the pain and makes you laugh for the very ease and good feeling of it. But watch out against im-itations and substitutes. All druggists, or we will prepay postage on any number ordered in the United States on receipt of Seabury & Johnson, Mfg. Chemists, N.Y.

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