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# **NEW QUESTION BEFORE CUBA**

## Colonial Government Will Take a Hand in the Settlement.

#### IMPORTANT FACTOR

The Colonial Authorities Are Taking Very Active Part in Proceedings at Havana-The Autonomists Are Co-Operating with the Spanish Home Government and May Cause Trouble Before All Questions Have Been Settled.

Washington, Sept. 22.-Official dispatches from Havana received by one embassies here, confirm the reports that the colonial government of the island is taking a hand in shaping the terms on which the evacuation shall be executed. This, it is believed here, may develop some new phases in the situation in Cuba. The colonial government was established by a short speech thanking the people Spain shortly before the war broke for their couteous reception. He said, out, there being a cabinet of five members at Havana and a legislative body with two houses. It carried out in measure the tiong pending plan of giving Cuba home rule by means of an autonomous government, but while in name autonomous, it was contended by the insurgent element that genuine home rule was lacking and that this colonial regime was a continuance of Spanish domination. It appears, however, that these colonial authorities are taking a very active part in the present negotiations and that there is more or less co-operation between them and the Spanish government This creates a condition in which the United States must deal not only with Spain, but with those who claim to represent the island itself, free from Spanish control. This colonial or autonomous administration is very thoroughly organized and can exert much It established a regular legation in Washington prior to the war with Spain, several prominent public men of Havana on the staff. It numbers in its ranks much of the wealth of Cuba and claims to stand for the educated classes as against the insurgents and illiterates. This makes two distinct Cuban classes. The autonomists, who are cooperating with Spain and the insurgents, who are

### AUTONOMIST ELEMENT.

It now seems clear from the official as well as the press reports from Hayana and Madrid, that the autonomistelement is taking up the claim first advanced by the Spanish that many incidental questions as to Cuba must be settled before the evacuation begins. But the view among government officials here is that the Cuban autonomists as well as the Spaniards have no questions to advance or settle before evacuation is determined upon. The time and place of evacuation is looked upon by the authorities there as the only point involved and there is likely to be a rude awakening if the pro-Spanish element, either as autonomists or as native Spaniards insists upon bringing in the determination of the Cuban debt, future forms of government, rates of tariff, for Spain and many other subjects as a preliminary to evacuation. The American commissioners, according to the understanding here, will insist on a strict adherence to the protocol for an immediate evacuation of the island and if need be will submit an ultimatum against taking up subsidiary questions on

While the Cuban colonial government is thus combining with the Spanish government in bringing forward these incidental questions, yet the opinion was expressed today by a high diplomatic officer, based on recent advices from Havana, that a serious issue would be averted and that the actual evacuation of the Spanish troops from Cuba would begin within the next month. But it appears that the evacuation will cover a much larger time than has been anticipated. There are some 106,000 Spanish troops in the island. Allowing 1,000 men on a transport and a vessel leaving every day it would take 100 days or over three months for the evacuation. But the vessels are not available for a trip every day for 100 consecutive days so that the time for departure would probably far exceed three months.

### CONVALESCENTS AT MONTAUK

The United States Transport Seguranca Arrives From Santiago. New York, Sept. 22.—The United States transport Seguranca which reached Montauk Point yesterday from Santiago de Cuba, came up to quarantine today. E. Isaacs, the civllian passenger sick with yellow fever. was transferred to Swinburne island

home by the Seguranca are: Chaplain H. C. McCook, Henry C. Parsons, of Company C, and Leonard B. Green, of Company H, all of the Second Pennsylvania,

Among the convalescents brought

### Dr. Martin Honored.

Washington, Sept. 22.-The state depart. ment has received word from Minister Conger at Peking, that Dr. Wm. P. Martin has been appointed to the important post of president of the imperial university of United States but went to China as a missionary about forty years ugo.

### Bucks Democrats.

Doylestown, Pa., Sept. 22.—The Demo ery counties met this afternoon at Lans dale and nominated ex-Sheriff Clinton of Montgomery county, for congress from the Seventh district. His oponent, Dr. A. Van Artsdaien, of Ash-ourne, withdrew after a spirited contest

#### GENERAL MILES' PLANS

They Contemplate the Reorganization of the Army.

Washington, Sept. 22.—Major Gener-al Miles, commanding the army, has completed his plan for the reorganization of the volunteer forces into corps divisions and brigades. This plan has been submitted to the war department for approval. The plan contemplates a reorganization of the volunteer force, which has not been or dered mustered out, and designates an army of occupation for Cuba, provides for the relief of the army in Porto Rico and establishes a reserve to relieve the troops in the various islands, which will be occupied by the United States. It is known that the troops of the Seventh corps now under General Lee will be designated to go to Cuba and that troops from the camps at Lexingon, Knoxville and Middletown will be selected for Cuban duty.

It is understood that General Miles deals only with organizations such as The matter of commanding and staff officers will be settled after the mustering out of general and staff officers has been determined.

### MISTAKES MADE, SAYS ALGER.

But the Departments Have Done Their Full Duty.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 22.-Secreary Alger and party reached this city last night from Knoxville at 9.30 clock. The party was met at the station by the mayor of the city and a large number of citizens and conducted to the city auditorium, where 3,000 people had gathered to meet and receive them. Secretary Alger made with reference to the charges of mismanagement:

"That some mistakes have occurred I admit, but the medical department, the commissary department and the quartermaster's department have done their full duty, I affirm."

### COL. BRYAN'S MISSION.

He Urges That Sick Members of the Nebraska Regiment Be Allowed to

Washington, Sept. 22.-Colonel William J. Bryan, accompanied by Governor Holcomb and Representative Stark, of Nebraska, called on Adjutant General Corbin today, and in answer to the latter's question, said he believed the Third Nebraska wanted to be mustered out, but he made no request and did not allude to his own desires. After a brief call on General Miles, Colonel Bryan and his party went to the White House, where they president's room. The party was cordially received, and President McKinfor more than an hour. They did not of Americans, praying, demanding prefer a request for the mustering out that no ironclad treaty be entered infor the discharge of such of its mem- many instances destroy the present bers as are disabled by disease or such protective tariff laws of the United as have peculiar calls upon them. They | States, represented that there were about 20 per cent, of the members of the regiment ill, and they urged that these should be relieved and sent to their homes, where, they argued in all probability most of them would speedily recover, because of the difference in the climate of Nebraska from that of Florida. The president gave careful attention to all that was said, and talked sympathetically with his callers concerning the condition of these men, but he made no positive promise as to the course he would pursue in the

After the interview with the president the three Nebraskans returned to the war department. Mr. Bryan said, as he left the White House, he would return to his regiment tonight. He was dressed in full uniform of a colonel, and beyond the fact that his complexion testified to his exposure to the southern sun, he looked very much as he did in the campaign days of '96,

### AGUINALDO'S ATTORNEYS.

Representatives of the Insurgent Chief Arrive in California. San Francisco, Sept. 22 - The steam.

r China arrived today with Brigadier General Green and his staff and a number of sick regulars from Manila. Among the passengers were Filipo Agoncillo and Jose Lopez, who are going to Washington as representatives of Aguinaldo.

They declined to make public what Aguinaldo expects or wants, but state that the insurgents, generally, look for ultimate independence.

After a short stay at Washington they will proceed to Paris to attend the meeting of the peace commission. Speaking of the situation at Manila, General Greene expressed the opinion that there would be no trouble with Aguinaido, but he declined to go into ictails.

The health conditions at Manila are improved, but it is extremely difficult prevent disease from spreading imong the American soldiers as the Spaniards have occupied the buildings and have left the germs of disease be hind them.

### THE WAR INVESTIGATION.

Col. James A. Sexton to Start for Washington Today.

Chicago, Sept. 22,-Col. James. A. Sexon, commander-in-chief of the G. A R., and a member of President Mc-Kinley's war department investigation commission, will leave today for Washington in response to a request that he report at the excutive mansion thero'clock Saturday morning for

the first session of the commission Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 22.-General Jackson today sent a telegram to President McKinley thanking him for the tender of a position on the committee na, recently established by imperial to investigate the conduct of the war private business compels him to decline the honor.

### Remains of Miss Davis.

Narragansett Pier, R. L. Sept. 22,-The remains of Miss Winnie Davis, a daugh-ter of the southern Confederacy, jett this place today en route to Richmond, where they will be interred. A detail from Sedgwick post, Grand Army of the Republic, acted as escort from the

### SPANISH TROOPS LEAVE PORTO RICO

CAPT. GEN. MACIAS REVIEWS THE DEPARTING SOLDIERS.

Many Who Were Obliged to Leave Wives and Sweethearts Behind Wept Profusely-Questions Regarding the Civil Administration of the Island.

San Juan de Porto Rico, Sept. 21 (Delayed in Transmission).-The Spanish transport San Francisco sailed for Spain today. There was a repetition of yesterday's scene when the Asturia's battalion of Spanish troops marched to the wharf for embarkation. Captain corps, divisions, brigades and regi- General Macias and his staff reviewed the departing soldiers, who bade farewell to their sweethearts and wives, Some of the soldiers wept profusely and there was quite a pathetic scene to the affair. As the ship swung away from the pier the soldiers on board of her raised a faint cheer and the women proceeded to the sea wall, where they stood for hours waving their handkerchiefs until the San Francisco was only a speck on the horizon.

> The Spaniards at the meetings of the military commissions are raising many questions regarding the civil administration of the island and the disposition of public property; but the American commissioners refuse to discuss them as being beyond their jurisdiction. Our commissioners are disposed to allow the Spaniards to carry off a lot of useless, old material, rather than make a fight to retain it.

The United States steamer Supply is bound for Santiago,

#### FARMERS PROTEST.

They Object to Ironclad Agreement

with Canada. Sept. 22.-The people of the Inited States are evidently beginning o awaken to the great importance of the results which may come from the work of the international joint high commission, now in session in this city. It has become known that the Canadian representatives are urg-ing that the treaty embodying commercial reciprocity be made, treaty, is is held would seriously affect nearly all the great industries of the United States. These induswere immediately ushered into the tries are now being heard from in a very emphatic way. During the past 24 hours the American commissioners ley remained in conference with them have been beseiged by deputations of the regiment as a whole, but only to which would disturb if not in

Today the farmers of the United States put in their protest and it was a very strong one. They were represented by Aaron Jones, of Indiana, the worthy master of the national grange and N. J. Bacheler, of New Hampshire, chairman of the national executive committee. They were given a full hearing and will have another audience before the commisioners act,

### EMMA GILL'S BODY.

The Bridgeport Mystery Explained by Coroner's Inquest.

Bridgeport, Conn., Sept. 22.-At an inquest held this afternoon by Coroner Doten, it was fully established by relatives of Miss Emma Gill, of Southington, that the body found in Yellow Mill pond Sept. 12 was her's. Her father and three brothers fully identified the remains and the coroner has issued an order permitting them to be exhumed and taken to Southington for interment.

Undertaker F. L. Curtis, of Startford, denies that Charles A. Plumb, of that town, now under arrest for complicity in the crime, has had the use of any wagon or team owned by him, for the last three months.

Plumb is still in custody, but what evidence the police have to connect him with the case they refuse to di-vulge. Late this afternoon the police arrested Harry Guilford, son of Dr. Nancy Guilford, as he was attempting to enter the residence of his mother on Gilbert street, Superintendent Birmingham tonight refuses absolutely to say a word to any reporter concerning

### Chief of Police Killed.

Mount Union, Pa., Sept. 22.-George Nevek, chief of police of this place, while riding on a freight car on which was loaded car wheels, was instantly killed near Blairrville today by a pair of the wheels becoming dislodged and rolling over on him. He was 37 years old and leaves a wife and child.

### Elk County Candidate.

Dubois, Pa., Sept. 22.-J. K. P. P. Hall Elk county, was late tonight nominatd for congress by the Democrats of the I'wenty-eighth district. The other can-lidates withdrew after the first bailet and the nomination went to Hall by acclama-

### Death of John Cather.

Salt Lake, Utah, Sept. 22.-John Cather an old citizen of Shenandoah, Pa., is gead here from breachial pneumonia. He was a thirty-second degree Mason. The remains will be taken to Port Carbon, Pa.

### Somerset's Candidate.

Johnstown, Pa., Sept. 22-James M. Walters, of Johnstown, was today nomi-nated at Somerset by the Democratic onferees for congress. One hundred and thirty ballots were taken before the nomhirty bands we reached.

### Pennsylvania Postmasters..

Washington, Sept. 22.-These fourth class postmasters were appointed for Pennsylvania: East Resh, Frank M. Gray; Wetoma, E. M. Roeser; Windham Summit, William A. Weller.

### New Japanese Loan

Yokohoma, Sept. 22.—It is understood that the Japanese government has de-olded to resolitate for the second of the second of

# BLANCO'S PARDONS.

Prisoners Are Turned Out Into the Streets to Starve.

Havana, Sept. 22 .- The cabinet composed of the colonial secretaries meets daily and pardon is granted to a great number of prisoners who are thereupon turned into the streets of the city. It is reported that Bartolome Masso, president of the so-called Cuban republic, who has been sick, went to Santa Cruz del Sur last week, but returned still sick, to his estate at La Esperanza, in the province of Puerto Principe. La Lucha, in an editorial yesterday,

treating upon the question of the future of Cuba, concludes with saying: "The only difference existing between ourselves and the Americans is that they occupy themselves with material interests and the organization of public wealth, while we write verses on liberty and sonnets to the moon, as a solution of our very terrestial problem. We are supporters and followers of ideals and the muses, while they are staunch dependers upon reality and earthly things. We are of heaven and they are of the earth. Victory therefore, cannot be doubtful, unless we change our tastes, ambitions and tem-

Advices from the interior continue reporting the want and distress among the Cuban troops. Private subscriptions of money, food and clothing and medicines are doing what they can for their relief. In several of the interior towns more hospitals where the sick can enjoy at least care and nursing from gentle, womanly hands have been opened.

Captain General Blanco, amplifying his decree of August 22, has pardoned 119 persons who were exiled from the island for all kinds of crimes.

The steamer City of Washington ar-

#### rived here yesterday with passengers and freight. GENERAL AUGUSTI

INTERVIEWED

Relates a Tale of Woe Including His Experiences at Manila-Loan Rumors Denied.

Madrid, Sept. 22.-General Augusti, the former captain general of the Philipplnes, who has just arrived at Vitaria, Spain, from Manila, in an interview is quoted as discussing the Philippine question in an interesting manner. He is alleged to have said: 'Before I left Spain I knew the sit-

uation in the Philippines was grave Senor Moret, the minister of the colonies in the last cabinet of Senor Sagasta, remarked to me that if war with the United States broke out there would be a terrible state of things." Continuing, General Augusti described Admiral Montojo's fleet as "some old wooden ships" and said they came to Manila practically pursued

by Dewey." He then said: "Our batteries fired at the Americans but our guns were mounted on false plates and after the first shots, they became useless. At daybreak we were in the power of the Americans and an hour afterwards the Spanish fleet ad ceased to exist.

refused and he threatened to raze

the town. I replied raze it, but, so long as I live the Spanish flag will fleat on the ruins of Manila. "Then began the terrible time of the siege and the anguish of the blockade. Famine stared us in the face. In the meantime, hostilities were conducted

throughout the provinces but, save in isolated cases, humanely, "Dewey repeated his summons to surrender and I again refused. Dewey then bombarded the town and Manila

"But the danger was not over. Considering my presence no longer necessary, I asked the government for permission to go home, as my position had become by no means casy. I think I have done my duty as a soldier and a

Spaniard." The Ministerial newspapers protest against the supposition that the United States will keep the Philippines. They maintain that Spain's rights to these islands are incontestible and that she is "resolved to defend her rights with the greatest energy."

The government papers also contend that the terms of the peace protocol confirm Spain's right to the island of Luzon and the rest of the Philippine islands and they declare that if the United States bases its claims on humanity and civilization, Spain will prove that there is no higher civilization in any of the Asiatic colonies than in the Spanish colonies in Asia.

The rumor that the Rothschilds are to lend Spain a large sum of money when the treaty of peace is signed is denied here. Officials of the Spanish government claim that the Bank of Spain is able to supply the immediate demands of the government.

#### Municipal League Nominations. Philadelphia, Sept. 22.-The Municipa

league convention today made the fol-lowing nominations: District attorney lames M. Reck; recorder of deeds, Kob ert Dornan; controller, John M. Walton; coroner, Dr. Samuel G. Dixon; judges of court, William Ashman and Clement B. Penrose. Walton is the Repub-lican candidate for controller. Ashman and Penrose were also nominated by the Republican convention and endorsed by

### Senatorial Deadlock.

Dubois, Pa., Sept. 22.-The Republic senatorial conferees of this district who were in session here yesterday, met again day and adjourned after two ballots Fifty-five ballots have been taken, each andidate receiving three votes each time There is no indication of a break in the deadlock and it is now feared the conferees will be unable to nominate.

### Irwin for Congress.

Aitoona, Pa., Sept. 22.-Conferees repre senting the Prohibition party in the four counties of the Twentieth congressio district met here tonight and named John J. Irwin, of Altoona, as the party's candi-date for congress. As the Democrats made a nomination at Johnstown this evening there will be three congressional candidates in the district.

Passenger Service Resumed. New York, Sept. 22.-The International the resuming of its regular weekly mail and passenger service between New York and Southampton by the express steam-ers St. Louis, St. Paul, New York and Paris, and the dates of sailing from New

### **EMPEROR OF CHINA** HAS RESIGNED

THE DOWAGER EMPRESS WILL RUN THE GOVERNMENT.

In All Probability Li Hung Chang Will Be Restored to Power-Hopes of Reform Are Now Banished. The Empress Wished to Prevent the Mission of Ito from Being Suc-

Pekin, Sept. 22.-An imperial edict just issued definitely announces that the emperor of China has resigned his power to the empress (Dowager Empress), who has organized the ministers to deliver to her in future their official reports.

It is difficult to obtain reliable information at the palace in regard to the proceeding, but the recent reformatory edicts probably caused the change. While the emperor was subservient and a mere figurehead, the dowager empress permitted him to remain in peace, but as soon as he attempted to act on his own initiative his practical deposition was the result. His principal adviser, Kang-Yumol, the Cantonese reformer, fled in spite of the vigorous attempts made to arrest him, and it is said he is now on his way to Shanghai

The effect of the change must be great. In all probability Li Hung Chang will be reinstated in power and Russian influence will increase. The hopes of reform, so ardently cherished by the intelligent factions of the Chinese, are now impossible of fulfill-

The suddenness of the coup is said to be due to the desire of the dowager empress to prevent the mission of the Marquis Ito from being successful. The Japanese statesman recently came to Pekin with the object of trying to bring about an alliance, offensive and defensive, between China and Japan. The new order of things will undoubtedly prejudice British interest in China.

#### EMPEROR OF CHINA DEAD. An Unconfirmed Report Is to That Effect.

Shanghai, Sept. 22 .- A local rumor is urrent here to the effect that the emperor of China is dead. No details are obtainable, but it is said the gates of Pekin are closed.

#### KILLED BY FIREWORKS.

Fatal Accident at an Exhibition at Pittsburg-Two Men Perish in a

Pittsburg, Sept. 22 .- Captain George Adams, aged 33, and Captain Charles Miller, aged 22, his assistant, were instantly killed while conducting a fireworks display and production of the Manila battle on the Allegheny river in front of the exposition building tonight.

As a nightly feature at the exposition, Captain Adams has been reproducing in miniature, the great naval battle at Manila. Tonight was soldiers' night and extra preparations had been made to have a good show. The explosives failed to work properly and Adams and Miller were in the middle of the river in a skiff endeavoring to make the fireworks and explosion effective. In some way, as yet unknown, the bomb which was intended to blow up the Spanish ship was exploded almost directly under the skiff in which the men were working, supposedly killing them instantly. Bartley Connelly, a 16-year-old boy, who was rowing the skiff, was burned by the explosion but was rescued from the water by the

exposition officers. At the time the explosion occurred between 2,000 and 3,000 spectators were vatching the battle from the exposition wharf and everything was in darkness immediately after the acci- most cordially invited. dent, and, thinking the explosion was part of the programme, sent up a mighty cheer for Dewey and left well

satisfied with the entertainment. The river is being dragged for the odies of the victims, but without sucess up to midnight,

Captain Adams was a native of New Orleans, and had been engaged all summer at Atlantic City giving fireworks displays and exhibitions of deep sea diving from Young's pier.

### ARMOR PLATE TEST.

Made at the Indian Head Proving Ground.

Washington, Sept. 22.-An important and interesting test of armor plate made by the Carnegic company, was made this afternoon at Indian Head proving rounds. Two distinct tests were made, one of the 11 inch Krupp plate, representing a group of armo intended for this government, and the second of a 5 inch plate, treated by what is known as the Harvey process prepresenting armor intended for a vessel now being built abroad for the Russian government.

The tests were thoroughly satisfactory. In the opinion of naval experts the six inch plate tested weeks ago and the 12 inch plate tested today practically established the superiority of the Krupp process over any other, and proved the superiority of the plates tested over any plate yet tested abroad.

## Pennsylvania Pensions.

Washington, Sept. 22 - These Pennsylvania pensions have been issued: Original Control of the Con cal-Peter Knapp, Moosie, Lackawanna, 56. Original widows, etc.—Mary J. de Remer, Beaumont, Wyoming, \$8; Elizabeth B. Jaquish, Luzerne, \$8.

### Application Refused.

Harrisburg, Sept. 22-Attorney General McCormick today refused the application of the Philadelphia and Merion Railroad against the Philadelphia, Bala and Bryn Mawr Turnpike company.

# THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today:

Rain; South asterly Winds. General-Conflict Between French Civil and Military Authorities. New Faction in Cuban Affairs. Chinese Emperor Resigns.

Evacuation of Porto Rico. General-Philadelphia Republican Co-

The Markets.

Local-Doings of a Day in the Court-Grand Jury's Return of True and in nored Bills.

Editorial. Comment of the Press.

at Camp Meade.

Local-Proceedings of Councils. Pugilist Sharkey in the City. Local-West Scranton and Suburban,

News Round About Scranton General-Court-Martial of Major Parke

#### SECRETARY ALGER AT CHATTANOOGA

Accompanied by General Sternberg He Inspects Hospitals-The Secretary Makes Explanations.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 22.-Secretary Alger, who arrived here last night, was out early today. At 9 o'clock the secretary and Surgeon General Stern-berg, accompanied by Brigardier General Boynton left for Chickamauga park, where they spent the day in a critical inspection of the hospitals over which there has been so much contro-versy. Before leaving Chattanooga Secretary Alger said to a reporter: "The press had been disposed to exaggerate the condition of some of the camps and things have been charged against the war department which were untrue and unwarranted. I want the facts, and all the facts, to come out and have nothing to withold from the

"The great trouble has been that the people have not appreciated the immense problem of forming an army of 250,000 volunteers without notice and without the necessary equipment. The Spanish war came upon us almost like a bolt from a clear sky and it found every branch of the war department unprepared for the task of equipping and handling such a vast number of entrained men.

"For a time there was difficulty in ≺ishing supplies and equipments for the troops, but that was to be expected. The department had only a imited suply of tents and it had practically no wagonst and ambulances to start with. There was a thousand and one details too look after and a fairly disposed public will understand the disavantages uner which the war department worked for many weeks. As fast as possible equipment and supplies were sent to the various camps and if there was a lack of medicines and necessaries of life, the fault lies with the commanding officers of the camps.

"There may have been some incompetent officers, generals and colonels, in charge of some of the camps, and if such is found to be the case they will be held strictly to account for

their misdeeds. "If there are any commanding offiers who are now incompetent, or who fail to put their camps in first class condition and keep them that way, I propose they shall be replaced by men who are competent and who will see that perfect sanitary conditions are established and maintaineed." Secretary Alger and party were en-

tertained at dinner this evening, given by prominent citizens of Chattanooga Assistant Quartermaster General Lec and other army officers were guests. Secretary Alger stated that he was firmly convinced of the original healthfulness of Chickamauga Park, but that it had been rendered temporarily un healthy by the long occupation of army. He intimated that the soldiers now in camp in this latitude will be moved further south on the approach of colder weather. General Lee replied to the charges

nade by Generals Wiley, Sanger and Colonel Leonard and others against his department, and denied in most emphatic terms every charge made. He characterized the charges as absolutely by an official investigation which he Surgeon General Sternberg declared

that naturally Chickamauga Park was absolutely healthy and the water pure, and that the sickness at Camp Thomas was traceable directly to the failure of commanding the regimental officers to observe the sanitary regulations, which had been issued on the subject by the medical bureau,

### CHILI'S ULTIMATUM.

Argentina Must Accept Arbitration Within Five Days.

Buenos Ayres, Sept. 22.-El Tiempo says Chill has given Argentina five days in which to accept unrestricted arbitration of the boundary dispute between the two countries. London, Sept. 22.-A dispatch has

been received here from General Roca, the president-elect of Argentina, say ing there will be no war between that country and Chili.

# SICK AT SANTIAGO.

Washington, Sept. 22.-General Lawton onight reports to the war department ew cases of sickness and two deaths to lay among the American troops at San-

tiago. His dispetch follows: Santiago. Sept. 22, 6.12 p. m. Adjutant General, Washington; Sick, 1.059; fever, 515; fever cases, 114 eturned to duty, 33; deaths, Washington Phillips, sergeant, I. Ninth United State volunteer infantry, yellow fever, Sept. 29 Prederick Williams, private, K. Neutl United States volunteer infantry, per nicious malarial fever, Sept. 29.

#### Lawton, Major General. Arnold Renominated.

Ridgway, Pa., Sept. 22.-Hon. W. C. Arold, of Dubois, was renominated from the Twenty-eighth congressional district and Major J. Z. Brown, of Clarion, was nominated from the Thirty-eighth senatorial district at the Republican conterence held here this evening. But one balot was taken in each conference. John M. Dale, of Beliefente, was chosen chairconference from Center and Clarion voted for Arnold; Elk

# THE DREYFUS **CONTROVERSY**

Gen. Zurlinden's Course Has a Grave Significance.

#### A CLASH IS THREATENED

In His Military Capacity He Takes Up the Army's Cause, Regardless of the Ministry-In the Line of a Dictatorship-The Conflict Between the Civil and Military Authorities Is Becoming Acute.

Paris, Sept. 22.-The situation here is generally admitted to be grave by both press and people. The conflict between the civil and military authorities is becoming acute. The sudden and unexpected action of General Zurlinden. the military governor of Paris, in pros-ecuting Colonel Picquart on the charge of forgery and using forged documents, assumes a grave aspect on account of the circumstances attending this intervention of the military authorities in a civil court. At the present mo-ment, when the political atmosphere is surcharged with dangerous electricity, generated by the Dreyfus affair, the general, who has just quitted the cabinet, defying civil authority, takes, without consulting his successor or the

premier, an important step. In ordinary circumstances the milltary governor is empowered to act independently; but now that the Dreyfus question has become a great national matter, every proceeding in the affair has state importance. General Zurlinden's ignoring this obvious fact is very significant. He comes forward as the defender of the army, the prosecutor of its supposed calumniators and the resolute opponent of a revision of the case. From this to an appeal to the public in the line of the establishment of a dictatorship there is no

COMMENTS OF THE PRESS. The Soleil says that owing to yesterday's events the cabinet at an informal conference discussed General Zurlinder's action and the Fronde even asserts that the premier, M. Brisson, disavows the measures taken against Picquart which, he adds, were instituted without the knowledge of the

cabinet. The Radical makes a hitter attack on the general staff, which it charges with aiming at the moral assassination of Picquart, through a secret military trial.

Intransigeant declares Picquart was bribed by a syndicate or by Germany to save Dreyfus. Jaures, the Socialist deputy, in the Petite Republique, maintains that the general staff of the French army can-

not now escape the full light of a revision of the Dreyfus case, The Matin today affirms that it has authentic information to the effect that the name of Dreyfus was never once mentioned in the mass of documents brought against him. It adds that the only serious document is the so-called bordereau. The documents in the case, it appears, consists entire-

#### ly of fragments of letters referring to everything except Dreyfus,

#### DRUGGISTS ORGANIZE. Chicago Dealers Want to Fight the

Revenue Tax. Chicago, Sept. 22.-Retail druggists of this city have issued calls to the retail drug trade all over the country for the organization of a national association to cast off the burden of war tax imposed upon retailers by the manufacturers, Oct. 17 the National Wholesale Druggists' association and the Nafalse, as will be clearly shown, he said, tion Proprietary association will meet in St. Louis in annual convention. The call from the Chicago Retail Druggists' association ask each state and city organization of retail druggists to send delegates to St. Louis upon the same to create a national protective association and to meet the manufacturers of patent and proprietary medi-

> Retailers claim that they cannot shift the burden of stamp tax upon the consumer as requested by the manufacturers because of the prevalence of cut prices and indiscriminate sales,

### CONCESSIONS TO RUSSIA

Exclusive Rights at Port Arthur and Ta-Lien-Wan.

London, Sept. 22 .- A despatch to the Globe from Hong Kong, published this afternoon, purports to give details of the secret convention signed at Pekin on March 27. It appears that Hsuying-k'ousi, of the Chinese foreign office, thereby concluded an agreement with St. Petersburg by which China ceded Port Arthur and Ta-Hen-wan, stipulating that only Russian and Chinese warships enter or dock at Port APPRILL.

Russia, it also appears, gets the exclusive use of the inner harbor of Talien-wan, the sole administration of the ceded territories, and a tract of land north of Ta-lien-wan is designated as a buffer belt.

#### The Peace Commission. Paris, Sept. 22.—The minister of foreign affairs. M. Delcasse, has offered the

mence on October 1.

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for Friday: For eastern Pennsyl- 2 vania, rain, clearing at might; brook southeasterly winds. For western Pennsylvania, rain, stearing by noon; high southerly winds becom-