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## THE CUBANS WELCOMED

Members of the Delegation Meet President McKinley Upon Two Occasions.

## STATE DINNER AT NIGHT

Mr. McKinley Expresses Pleasure at Meeting the Delegation, and Extends His Kindest Wishes to the People of the Island—Members of the Constitutional Convention Complimented Upon the Honors That Have Fallen Upon Them—Senor Capote's Address.

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## Senor Capote's Address.

Senor Capote, in his address to the president, spoke of the desire of the Cubans to have the closest possible relations with the United States. He said that United States soldiers and Cubans had fought side by side and driven Spain from the island, and the ties between the two countries were bound in blood. The relationship, therefore, between the countries always should be most amicable and closer than that which usually exists between nations. He also spoke of the gratitude which Cuba felt to the United States for the assistance rendered in her liberation.

In response, the president expressed his pleasure at meeting the delegation, and desired through them to extend his kindest wishes to the people of the island. He said that his interest in Cuba always had been very great, and he made reference to messages he had sent to congress concerning the island. Its welfare always would be the subject of his most earnest consideration. He congratulated the members of the delegation upon being members of the Cuban constitutional convention. He said it was a high honor, and it fell to the lot of but few men to have the opportunity to frame a government for a people. Concerning the object of the delegation's visit, the president said he would confer with the secretary of war, and the secretary, having an intimate knowledge of the situation, would confer with the delegation.

## The Important Meeting.

The most important meeting of the day was a conference in Secretary Root's office, lasting from 3 until 6 o'clock in the afternoon. This was the first business meeting the others having been social and formal. Those present were the five Cuban delegates, their interpreter, Secretary Root, General Wood, Assistant Secretary Sanger, Senator Gonzales, General Wood's secretary, who acted as interpreter a great portion of the time. The army officers who came along as escort for the Cubans also were present. When the meeting adjourned no official statement was made as to the proceedings, but it can be said that the result was considered satisfactory both by the Cubans and Secretary Root.

It was made plain to the Cubans by Secretary Root that no modification of the Platt amendment could be made by the executive department of the government, and the Cubans themselves understood that there is little possibility of congressional action in that direction, so the conference was devoted largely to the construction which could be placed upon the amendment. The law states that the propositions contained in the amendment shall be "substantially" agreed to by the Cubans, and the discussion revolved chiefly around what will be considered a "substantial" agreement to the Platt amendment requirements. There was some fine legal sparring between Secretary Root and Senor Capote, the president of the constitutional convention and chairman of the delegation as to the meaning of the amendment and the meaning of certain proposed drafts of the different propositions that were considered. Both the secretary and Senor Capote expressed their views quite freely and the exchange of suggestions and replies was very interesting to those present.

## Intervention Proposition.

The intervention proposition caused the most discussion and, as this had received much consideration in the convention at Havana, the Cubans were familiar with all phases of the construction that might be placed upon it. All members of the delegation took more or less part in the discussion and the views of each were given careful attention by Secretary Root.

It is understood that the Cubans are impressed with the desire on the part of this government to deal fairly with

Cuba and the belief is expressed that the delegation will take home favorable reports of our intention.

The delegation made no complaint of the present military government under General Wood.

After the conference adjourned the Cubans called on General Wood at the

tomorrow Secretary Root will entertain the delegates at luncheon. General Wood expects to leave here tomorrow, going to New York, thence to Cuba. It is not known when the Cubans will return, but the belief was expressed that the business which brought them here would be concluded at the conference tomorrow.

## PRISONERS WERE FUNNY.

Gave Curious Names When Arrested by Detectives of the Committee of Fifteen.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

New York, April 25.—Detectives, representing the committee of fifteen and accompanied by Justice Jerome, Frank Moss, Assistant District Attorney Gans and Clerk Fuller, of the court of special sessions, raided an alleged gambling resort at 52 Broad street, from which have passed the house.

Six prisoners were taken. According to Clerk Fuller a faro and roulette outfit were found. Four of the prisoners, when asked their names, said they were Roulette Roe, Faro Roe, Bill Roe and Dark Roe.

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Members of the Constitutional Delegation Entertained—Beautiful Floral Decorations.

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## IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE

### A Number of Important Measures Are Passed Finally in Both Senate and House

## SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS

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Harrisburg, Pa., April 25.—When the session met today a large number of bills were reported favorably from committees, thus assuring plenty of work for the senate next week. Among the bills reported were the Hosack bills, taxing the capital stock of corporations for the purpose of raising revenue, which have passed the house.

These bills were passed finally:

House bill providing that where any corporation or society company becomes liable to any bond or other liability given to any officer or committee to any branch, city or other municipality, action, suit or other legal proceedings upon said bond or obligation may be brought in the county in which the respective branch, city or other municipality is situated.

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