

MORE POINTS ARE GAINED BY SCHLEY

Court Withdraws a Question the Answer to Which Was Unfavorable to Him.

DERELICTION IS CHARGED

Admiral Higginson, Who Commanded the Massachusetts at Santiago, Says Schley Could Have Destroyed the Colon Early in the Game Had He Gone for Her with Vigor—As This is an Opinion, Not a Demonstrated Fact, the Court Strikes It Out—Other Testimony in Detail.

Washington, Sept. 20.—The Schley court of inquiry reconvened today and before adjournment examined four witnesses. The most important incident of the day was the decision of the court withdrawing a question put to the court itself asking a witness to give his opinion concerning a point in controversy. The witness was Rear Admiral Higginson, who participated in the battleship Massachusetts. This vessel was at one time a part of the flying squadron commanded by Commodore Schley and the court asked him to state whether all possible measures were taken to capture or destroy the Spanish vessel Cristobal Colon as it lay in Santiago harbor from May 27 to June 1, 1898. Commodore Schley objected to the question on the ground that a reply would imply an opinion and not a statement of fact. Judge Advocate Lemley admitted that the precedents were against questions of this character and the court withdrew the question. It is generally admitted that this decision will have the effect of materially shortening the term of the court as will also the court's manifest intention to cut out irrelevant questions and all hearsay testimony. In several cases the witnesses were admonished to relate only events coming within their own observation.

PROCEEDINGS IN DETAIL.

Washington, Sept. 20.—The court reconvened promptly at 11 o'clock. Admiral Dewey, as president, asked Admiral Schley to be sworn in and to take the oath. Admiral Schley, in answer to a question of the court, stated that he had not been sworn in as a witness. The court then adjourned until 1 o'clock. The witnesses today were Rear Admiral Higginson, who commanded the battleship Massachusetts during the Spanish war, and Captain M. Chester, who commanded the battleship Massachusetts at Santiago. Major Thomas N. Wood, of the marine corps, who commanded the flying squadron during the Spanish war, and Commander Giles H. Harber, who was executive officer of the Texas, the latter being on the ground at the time of the attack. The attendance of the public was small.

Admiral Higginson's Testimony.

Rear Admiral Higginson, commander in chief of the North Atlantic squadron, was the first witness called. He said that he had commanded the battleship Massachusetts during the Spanish war, and that for a time the Massachusetts had been a part of the flying squadron. He said that he had been in command of the Massachusetts at Santiago, and that he had been in command of the Massachusetts at Santiago, and that he had been in command of the Massachusetts at Santiago. He said that he had been in command of the Massachusetts at Santiago, and that he had been in command of the Massachusetts at Santiago. He said that he had been in command of the Massachusetts at Santiago, and that he had been in command of the Massachusetts at Santiago.

DISDAINED A CARRIAGE OR COMPANIONS GOING ON A VISIT.

Washington, Sept. 20.—About 1:30 o'clock, shortly after the conclusion of the cabinet, today, President Roosevelt left the White House to go to the executive mansion. He was accompanied by his sister, the wife of Commander Cowles of the navy, for luncheon.

THE ENEMY IN SIGHT.

Major Thomas N. Wood, of the marine corps, who commanded the flying squadron during the Spanish war, testified to the circumstances connected with the Spanish operations during the siege of Santiago. He said that the second day after Santiago was reached by the flying squadron, the Spanish vessel Colon lying inside the harbor that there was at that time another Spanish vessel of the Viscaya class partly visible. He thought both were in view for three or four days. He said that when Admiral Schley had come aboard the Massachusetts previous to the bombardment of the Colon on May 31 he had heard that officer say to Captain Phillips, 'I don't know if we will not go in sufficiently near to endanger the vessels.' He had been told that the distance was to be 1000 feet. After the bombardment ceased, the Spanish vessel Colon continued to fire at the American ships.

THE PRESIDENT IS BACK AT WORK

Holds Meeting of the Cabinet and Seeks to Familiarize Himself with His New Duties.

Washington, Sept. 20.—The presidential train arrived in the Pennsylvania railroad station at 9:25 a. m. today. President Roosevelt immediately entered a carriage and was driven to the White House. All members of the cabinet went to Canton returned with him.

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PATTISON WILL NO LONGER LEAD

Resigns as Chairman of the Philadelphia Democratic City Committee.

HE INSISTS ON FUSION

Because the County Convention, Last Night, Nominated a Straight-Out Democratic Ticket, the Quaker City Moses Deserts His People and Joins with Colonel Guffy and Others for a New Committee and Fusion—Union Party Extends the Bolters an Earnest Invitation.

Philadelphia, Sept. 20.—A sensation was sprung in local political circles, tonight, when ex-Governor Robert E. Pattison announced his resignation as chairman of the Democratic city committee, as a result of the county convention nominating a straight-out Democratic ticket. Coupled with this announcement was a suggestion from Mr. Pattison that a new Democratic organization be formed in the city, which brought out a statement from National Committeeman James M. Guffy heartily approving the suggestion.

UNION PARTY CONVENTION.

Call for Its Long-deferred State Convention Is Issued at Last.

Philadelphia, Sept. 20.—The Union party state convention, which was originally fixed for September 4, and later postponed on account of the assassination of President McKinley, will be held at the Academy of Music in this city at noon next Tuesday, September 24.

MRS. M'KINLEY GOES TO CEMETERY

Gratified at Sight of the Beautiful Floral Tributes and Begins to Take Interest in Affairs.

Canton O., Sept. 20.—Shortly after noon today Mrs. McKinley expressed a desire to be taken to the cemetery. This request was readily acceded to by Dr. Rixey, who, with an attendant, escorted her to a most carriage. They were accompanied by Mrs. Barber.

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KING ALFRED IS HONORED

One Thousandth Anniversary of His Death Celebrated in England with Due Ceremony.

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