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THE ARMY OF OCCUPATION

Leads to a New System of Government in Porto Rico.

WANTING TO BE FREE.

Expected that they will be organized to preserve order and uphold the reorganized government. The territory to be speedily and thoroughly Americanized.

The story printed generally a day or two ago to the effect that an army of 20,000 men would be left in Porto Rico after peace is established seems to have been based on a misinterpretation of certain expressions emanating from the War Department.

"It will not require 5,000 troops to hold Porto Rico," said an army officer this morning. "The island is already reconciled to American rule, and a moderately strong garrison at San Juan will be a sufficient symbol of our authority. Another thing, I happen to know that when Congress reassembles one of the first bills introduced will provide for the enlistment of natives of Porto Rico in the United States army. The conquest of the island is to be as pacific as possible, and it is the wish of the President that the natives take part in its government and defense as soon as practicable."

From another source it was learned that the island will probably be organized before January 1 as a territory, a civil governor appointed and a code of laws suitable to the people adopted. There will be a territorial legislature, and, of course, its membership will be made up almost wholly of Porto Ricans.

Special laws will be passed by Congress to meet emergencies that may arise, and looking to the future of the people. One of these laws, according to the authority quoted, will provide for the establishment of public schools, in which the study of English will be made compulsory.

For some time, of course, Spanish will be the official language, used in the courts and elsewhere.

"More troops will be required in Cuba than in Porto Rico for several years to come," said the army officer quoted. "We have become morally responsible for that island's future, and its population is likely to prove as turbulent as Porto Rico's is tractable."

"Will all the volunteers be mustered out of service at the close of the war?" this gentleman was asked.

"No, it will be necessary to keep 100,000 men in all under arms, and the regular army does not include that many soldiers. It will probably take 50,000 men to hold and keep order in the Philippines for a year to come, and nearly half that many in Cuba."

"I look to see the regular army increased to 100,000 men, by enactment of the third session of the Fifty-fifth Congress. In the meantime, however, volunteers will be retained."

A MURDERER'S LAST REQUEST.

Anxious to Feast on Chicken Before He Dies.

Snow Hill, Md., Aug. 3.—Somerville Dennis, colored, who will be hanged here August 12 for the murder of the stepfather in Potomac city last January, has written a letter to his mother, Hester Holland, which was sent to her today. He first speaks of having his picture taken for her, as she had requested, and says: "Mr. Truitt (the jailer) says that he will try and have it done the day that they hang me." Then he goes on to say: "You said you was going to send me some chicken and cigars, but you have not come yet. If you are not going to send the chicken, please write and let me know and I won't look for it. My time is getting short here in this world, and I want you to write me. Tell me all the people that ask for me, tell them that I say meet me in Heaven. Mother, if you are not going to send that chicken, please write and let me know. I will answer this letter. This is the last time I will write to you. I want you to come up here after me the day I am hung and carry me home. I want you to do it for me. I want to be carried home."

Minister Chews a Layman's Finger.

Binghamton, N. Y., Aug. 3.—Rev. Charles Pintler, of this city, bit the end off of J. S. Lawrence's finger during a fight yesterday in the former's barn. Mr. Pintler is a talented and popular divine, who, being of slight build, has never been considered an athlete. According to his version, he was unhitching a horse in his barn, when Lawrence entered and made an attack on him. He succeeded in driving off his assailant, who later returned to the conflict. Then the minister procured a club for self-defense, and Lawrence grappled with him. The man went down, and during the "scuffle" Lawrence's finger found its way between the reverend gentleman's teeth. By mutual instinct they closed, and the minister bit off a finger that is minus its tip. The affair created a sensation. J. S. Lawrence, who is a prominent churchman, comes forward with a public card saying he was not the assailant; that he and Rev. Pintler had fifteen minutes' conversation before the scrimmage took place, over an account, and that the minister was the aggressor. During the melee the police patrol with several officers was summoned, but the combatants were hurried away before its arrival, thus avoiding a trip to the police station.

Belmont Not a Candidate.

Foughkeppeler, N. Y., Aug. 3.—Ex-Chairman of the Democratic State Committee J. W. Hinkley, in an interview said yesterday that the friends of Perry Belmont, who is now serving on the staff of his cousin, Major General Butler, at Camp Alger, are very much annoyed at the constant repetition in various newspapers of the statement that Major Belmont had gone to the front because of political aspirations. Major Belmont was at home away before his arrival, thus avoiding a trip to the police station.

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TROOPS AT FERNANDINA.

Small Gains by the Thirty-ninth New York Troop.

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The thirty-second Regiment of Ohio will receive a stand of colors tomorrow, presented by J. R. Lindenuth, mayor of Dayton. He arrived today, accompanied by J. K. Baker and J. A. Miller, of Dayton, and William Ramsey, of Springfield, who come as a State committee. The colors were purchased by contributions from Dayton, Springfield, Ureana, Gettysburg, Covington, Hillsboro, Salsina, Piqua, London, Ripley and Sidney, each of which has a company in the regiment, Dayton having two. They have also a large quantity of uniforms, which is to be distributed in the regiment.

RECALLING THE CAVALRY

General Wheeler's Forces to Come Home From Cuba.

NO FURTHER NEED FOR THEM

A Movement That is Made on the Ground That Fighting in Cuba is Practically Ended—Troops to Embark on the Transports Without Delay.

All the cavalry now in Cuba will return to America at once. An order was sent to Gen. Shafter by the War Department this morning directing that the forces under Gen. Wheeler, which include all mounted men now on the island, shall be transferred to Montauk Point, N. Y.

SEIZED HAVANAS.

Alleged Attempt to Evade Duty Upon Fine Cigars.

Rich Klondike Haunt.

Fired on Two Young Girls.

Commissioner Ross' Vacation.

The Temperature Today.

410 to Niagara Falls and Re-410

A Visit to Admiral Cervera.

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CANNOT FIND THE ENEMY

Spain's Soldiers Leaving Porto Rico.

CITIZENS HOPE OLD GLORY

Waterfront Volunteers on a Search for Spanish Troops

With a Heavy Band and Present Instead of a Hostile Army.

Ponce, Aug. 1, via St. Thomas, Aug. 1.—If there are any loyal Spaniards in Porto Rico the Americans have not found them. The army has been here almost a week, and with the exception of one night not a shot has been fired. Rumors are continually coming in that the Spanish soldiers have gathered at this or that point, but there are never any found when they are looked for. The Americans do not know what Spanish soldiers look like, and everywhere the Yankee soldiers go the Porto Ricans greet them with cheers and embraces.

REVOLUTION IN GUATEMALA.

General Canales Attempts to Overthrow the Government.

General Belief That Spain is Bound to Quit.

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MINISTER ROMERO MAY RESIGN

Spanish Representative May End His Thirty-Year Career Here.

THE SICK LIST LENGTHENS

Fever Making Progress Among Troops About Santiago.

DEATH ROLL OF ONE DAY

WRECK RAISERS SAIL FOR CUBA

An Expedition to Rescue the Sunken Spanish Ship.

AWAITED BY THE PRESIDENT

Expected to Be Delivered at the White House Late This Afternoon.

II Satisfactory, Mr. McKinley Will Probably Name the American Peace Commissioners at Once.

AGUINALDO IS RUMORED

Captured Prisoners Under No Ill-Treatment From Him.

THE QUEEN OF DENMARK

Denial of the Report That She is Ill.

TERRIFIC ELECTRIC STORM

Philadelphia Visited by a Heavy Downpour of Rain.

BUSINESS HOUSES FLOODED

City Hall and Postoffice Basements Filled With Water—Railway Traffic Delayed and Telegraph and Telephone Communications Interrupted by Intense Lightning.

Brooke Will Command

Will Lead the Troops in Attacking San Juan.

MILES PLANNED THE MOVE

General Wade Has a Conference With the President—Expects to Leave Within a Week With an Army of Occupation for Porto Rico—The First Army Corps.

AN ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

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