

progress all along the line. The trains bearing the visiting commanderies are running closer to schedule time than was expected, and there is little danger that any commandery will be tied up on a rail road siding while its fellow members are marching in the grand parade.

QUAY IS CONFIDENT

Expects to Control the Republican Voters of Pennsylvania.

LEADERS ALL IN ARRAY

Administration Men Also Figure Out a Big Victory.

MUCH GUESSING BUT NO BETTING

Those on the Senator's Side Expect to Get Quite a Nice Little Majority.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Aug. 26.—Whether Senator Quay or the leaders of the administration will control the Republican organization in the State after Wednesday remains to be determined.

Nothing has occurred to-day that would indicate the result of the bitter factional conflict. Both the Quay and administration leaders are confident of victory, but it is quite evident that somebody is making estimates that will not hold water.

Several defections from the Quay ranks were reported this afternoon, among these mentioned in this connection being delegates from Erie, Butler, Berks and Allegheny. Of course the cry of bribery is raised frequently, but the anti-Quay people say it is only now becoming apparent wherein their opponents have been reckoning without a true knowledge of the facts. They declare the fight has been won for the administration and that no amount of bluffing will change the result.

On the other hand, Senator Quay's supporters assert most positively that the victory is theirs and that under no circumstances can they be defeated. To those who have been quietly observing the maneuvers there to-day there is a haze shrouding the situation which cannot be easily penetrated. Guessing is indulged in by everybody, but there is little or no betting.

WILL BE GRAND MASTER

Interesting Career of Sir Knight Warren La Rue Thomas.

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 26.—Warren La Rue Thomas, who will be elected grand master of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the United States, was born at Elizabethtown, Ky., on the 25th of January, 1845, his parents being Joseph H. and Amanda La Rue Thomas. While quite a youth Sir Knight Thomas' parents moved to Danville, Ky., where, after receiving his preparatory education, he attended Center College, one of Kentucky's best-known institutions of learning.

After graduating he was engaged for a few years in mercantile pursuits, then took up the life insurance business, which has engaged his time and attention for the past twenty years. No man in the insurance business in Kentucky is better known than Mr. Thomas, who is now one of the special agents for the Mutual Life of New York for the States of Kentucky and Tennessee.

Mr. Thomas petitioned the Masons as soon as he had attained the age of 21, and received the degrees in the lodge, chapter and council. He became an enthusiastic member and soon gained admission to the grand bodies of the State. After filling various subordinate positions in both bodies he was in October, 1880, elected grand master of the Grand Lodge and grand high priest of the Grand Chapter, filling both positions the same year. He had already occupied the chair of grand master of the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters.

In October, 1872, Sir Knight Thomas received the Knight Templar orders in De Molay Commandery No. 12, Louisville, Ky., preparatory to organizing a commandery at his home in Danville. In February, 1873, he assisted in forming the Danville Commandery No. 17, and was the first captain-general of that commandery, afterward holding the office of eminent commander for two years.

At the meeting of the Grand Commandery of Kentucky in 1874 he was elected to the office of grand senior warden, and after regular promotion was elected grand commander in May, 1878.

In 1874 Sir Knight Thomas attended the meeting of the grand encampment in New Orleans as proxy of the grand commander of Kentucky, and has been present at every meeting since that time. At Chicago in 1880 he was elected to the office of grand junior warden, and at each triennial since has received a regular promotion, having been elected deputy grand master at Denver in 1892. Sir Knight Thomas is also a member of the Shrine and of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, having been crowned with the thirty-third degree in 1889. He is a typical Kentuckian, being 6 feet tall and weighing 200 pounds. Sir Knight Thomas is regarded as one of the best Masonic jurists in the order, and for years has served on the jurisprudence committee in the various grand bodies of his native State. Being a ready debater and forcible speaker, with a good presence and a fine voice, his influence is felt in all matters of legislation coming before the Masonic grand bodies. He has always been a champion of the Masonic 'Olden' and 'New' laws, and much of the success of that institution is due to his efforts in shaping legislation for its benefit.

FORMING A BIG COMBINE

Window-glass Manufacturers Holding an Important Conference.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Aug. 26.—The window-glass manufacturers' association met in this city this morning to consider questions concerning the running of their works and rate of wages. Members of the association were very reticent in regard to the objects of the meeting. The Indiana manufacturers made a report of progress of their combine and strongly urged cooperation by the manufacturers of the East, showing the advantages of united action by the fifty-four factories of the Ohio Valley. The discussion was lively, the general sentiment being in favor of combination. On the question of wages committees of the manufacturers and workmen have had several conferences. There still are differences of 25 per cent between the two sides. It is thought that a compromise will be reached.

Carlisle Returns to Washington

ERIE, Pa., Aug. 26.—Secretary Carlisle arrived from Lake Ontario on the steamer Aleranth on Sunday, and came ashore for a drive this morning. He left for Philadelphia on the Erie train at 3:25 this afternoon. Carlisle during his stay courteously but decidedly refused to receive callers.

the play at one-night stands in Arkansas and Texas. The court will proceed against the actor and his manager.

YET IN ABEYANCE

Negotiations Toward Getting Newfoundland Into the Dominion.

LONDON, Eng., Aug. 26.—In the House of Commons to-day William Johnston, Conservative member from Belfast, asked for information as to the position of the negotiations which had been pursued between Newfoundland and Canada to the end that the former should be merged into the Dominion. He also asked whether the home Government would assist in settling the financial difficulties of Newfoundland.

Mr. Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, said that the negotiations were in abeyance, owing, he believed, to disinclination of the Dominion to assume the debt of Newfoundland. If the second part of Mr. Johnston's question meant the imposition upon the taxpayers of Great Britain of any liability for the debt of the colony of Newfoundland, Mr. Chamberlain said, he must be answered in the negative.

George N. Curzon, Under Foreign Secretary, stated that the British troops sent to escort the British Consul to Ku Cheng had plundered the Christian mission at that place was not confirmed by the Consul himself. The Foreign Office, he said, had not heard anything in regard to any misconduct on the part of the escort. The Government, however, upon learning that the Chinese authorities at Ku Cheng objected to the presence of the British Consul at the inquiry into the outrage had sent a protest to the Peking Government, which had immediately telegraphed orders that the Consul should be shown every possible facility to enable him to watch the examinations.

VISITED THE EX-CONSUL

Representatives of the United States Embassy Interviewed Mr. Waller.

The Imprisoned Man Much Cheered by the Fact That He Was Not Forgotten.

PARIS, France, Aug. 27.—Newton B. Eustis, son of the American Ambassador, and Mr. Alexander, counsel of the embassy, returned to-day from Madagascar, where they went to see John L. Waller, American ex-consul to Madagascar, who was sentenced by a court-martial to a long term of imprisonment on conviction of having informed the Hovas, with whom the French are at war, of the movements of the French. They were allowed to converse with Waller practically alone. The rules of the prison allow no prisoner to see any visitors except in the presence of an official. In this case, however, the rule was but technically observed. The Governor remained in the next room to that in which Mr. Eustis and Mr. Alexander saw Mr. Waller. The door between the rooms was left open, but practically the conversation was private.

Waller's health has improved since his arrival in France as a prisoner from Madagascar. He was suffering upon his arrival from the effects of the fever that prevails in Madagascar. He seemed to be greatly cheered by the visit of Eustis and Alexander and by their assurance that the United States Government would inquire thoroughly into his case. When asked whether he had any complaint to make regarding his treatment in prison, Waller replied, "No, but I would like to have a chair and a table."

This, however, according to the rules governing prisoners sentenced to solitary confinement, is not allowed. The American embassy will apply to the Foreign Office for the relaxation of the rules in Waller's case in order that he may be supplied with a chair and table.

Waller occupies a wainscoted cell that is reserved for political prisoners. He is allowed an invalid's diet; that is, what ever he requests in the way of meat or vegetables is furnished him. He furnished Eustis and Alexander with a full account of the events which led to his arrest, also with details of the proceedings of the court-martial which convicted and sentenced him. This statement has been transmitted to the State Department at Washington.

LONDON, Eng., Aug. 26.—The Daily News will say to-morrow that it regards the difficulty arising from the ridiculously severe sentence imposed on Mr. Waller as somewhat grave, if it is a symptom of the condition of the French mind, but the paper adds that it is of the opinion that it will certainly admit of an amicable settlement. Continuing it says: "The French have constantly shown that they are willing to admit an error of temper when it can be proved against them. There is a certain irony in the mischance which has embroiled them with a power so absolutely indifferent to the Madagascar question as the United States. They are morbidly sensitive regarding their treatment by strategists. They must have gone far out of their way to fix a quarrel with the American Consul. Their misfortune is that these things are done not by statesmen, but by soldiers."

FATHER KELLY'S CASE

Unjust Charges Made Against a Newly Arrived Priest in Omaha.

Persecuted and Accused by a Man Who Then Had Him Arrested.

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 26.—The case against Father Kelly of Newark, N. J., who was arrested by Officer Thomas on a complaint of Block Watchman Knight, on the charge of impersonating a priest and being a suspicious character, was tried in the police court this morning. The complaint had been changed, charging a disturbance of the peace. On motion of the prosecuting attorney the reverend gentleman was discharged, after which the attorney censured the two complainants in severer terms. Father Kelly made the following statement: "I arrived in this city at 5 o'clock Saturday morning on a delayed train on the Milwaukee road. This was the first time I was ever in this city. I was directed to the Midland Hotel by an officer and went to bed and remained there until late in the afternoon, and then went to South Omaha to see my sister. I returned to the hotel and retired at 10 o'clock in the evening. Unable to sleep I dressed and started out to take a stroll. I was approached by a man whom I took to be a robber, and who began to question me. He then accused me of being in a hall-way with a woman, and said that I was a fraud and ought to be arrested. Just then an officer in uniform came along on the street, and the man whom I went over to him to have the man taken into custody. I was abused and insulted all this time by the man, who seemed to be intoxicated. They then refused to go to the hotel and both said they were a priest, after which they sent me to the police station."

HE WAS PLEASED

Lavigne Easily Had Jim Handler at His Mercy.

FOUGHT SEVEN ROUNDS

Then the Pugilist From Newark Was Laid Low by the Saginaw Kid.

SOON KNOCKED DOWN AND OUT

Frank Erne Defeated Jack Skelly of Brooklyn in Very Short Order.

MASPETH, L. I., Aug. 26.—The new Empire Athletic Club of Maspeth, L. I., tonight was formally opened. The numerous setbacks recently that sparring has received from the authorities did not seem to deter the patrons of the many art, and long before the time set for the opening about the entrance doors were crowded with a long line of people.

The attractions provided were of a high order, the principal bout of the evening being that between Lavigne, the Saginaw "Kid," and Jimmy Handler of Newark. There were about 2000 people present when the opening bout between Frank Erne of Buffalo and Jack Skelly of Brooklyn was announced. The referee was Tim Hurst, and Frank Freeman held the watch.

Much interest centered in this bout, as it was thought a fair line could be got on Erne's chances with Dixon. The lads were down to fight ten rounds at 120 pounds. The bout was a lively one and of the give-and-take order. When the seventh round was reached both men were weak, but fought gamely. Erne got in a good right hander and then landed twice on the heart and followed up with his left on the face. Skelly sank to the ropes and rolled over on his side. The round lasted 2 minutes and 40 seconds. Skelly had to be carried to his corner.

Then came the star bout of the evening, between Lavigne and Jimmy Handler. The bout was twenty rounds at 133 pounds.

Round 1—Lavigne landed lightly on the breast. After some give-and-take work Handler landed twice with the left. Lavigne got in a right-hand swing on the head and immediately got in a left-hand swing on the jaw. Handler landed his right on the face and missed a vicious left swing.

Round 2—Lavigne rushed and landed his left on the neck. Lavigne got in a terrific right on the body and followed it up with his left on the jaw. He went for his man with a series of left and right swines and almost had Handler on the ropes. The round was all in Lavigne's favor.

Round 3—Lavigne landed his right and left on the body and rushed his man to the ropes. Handler rallied toward the close, however.

Round 4—Lavigne sent Handler to the ropes. He followed it up with his right on the jaw. Handler appeared weak and Lavigne landed some heavy body blows, forcing his man to the ropes. Just as the gong sounded, Lavigne got in his right and left on the head.

Round 5—"The Kid" got in his right on the body, and soon after landed his left. Handler was very groggy, and Lavigne got in a heavy body blow which knocked Handler down. The Newark man got to his feet, but immediately afterward the "Kid" landed his right on the jaw and Handler was knocked down and out.

One minute and seven seconds of the round had elapsed.

ON THE EASTERN TRACKS

Horses and Drivers Get Mixed Up in a Spill at Fleetwood Park.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Aug. 26.—The sixth meeting in the grand trotting circuit opened to-day at Fleetwood Park with three spirited harness races. Betting was carried on under the English system in vogue at the running tracks, but no ready money changed hands, all wagers being on credit.

In the third heat of the first race El Rami, the favorite, while going down the hill made a break, and getting tangled in his whistles, suddenly fell with the other horses close behind him. Burlingame, driven by John Dickerson, was trailing the leader and went right over him, throwing his jockey high in the air. Nemo also went into the wreck, and Isaac Fleming, his driver, was thrown violently to the ground, but escaped with a severe shaking up. His horse ran away through the field until stopped by a mounted policeman. Frank Howard, the driver of El Rami, was badly injured about the body and legs. He will recover. He was taken to the hospital. None of the horses were hurt. The judges distanced El Rami, but permitted all the other horses to start again. With El Rami out of the way, Prince Purdy gathered in the next three heats in gallant style, taking a record of 2:15 1/4 in the fourth round.

2:30 class trot, purse \$900. Prince Purdy, driver by Havoclok (Clayton) 3 3 1 1 1
Anna Mae, gr. m. 2 2 2 3 4
Nemo, b. m. 2 2 2 3 4
Rosa Soap 2 4 3 3 4
Mickey 2 4 3 3 4
Burlingame 10 11 4 4 3
Bayou 5 6 4 4 3
Mickey 5 6 4 4 3
Opera 7 7 9 9 8
Van Sandt 7 7 9 9 8
Champion 12 12 7 8
El Rami 1 1 dis.
Time, 2:14 1/4-2:14 1/4-2:15 1/4-2:15 1/4-2:15 1/4.

2:10 class pace, purse \$900. Moonstone, blk. m. by Mambino King (Gee) 1 1 1
Viello, br. s. 2 2 2
Canton Belle, b. m. 3 3 3
Fred K. 3 3 3
Paul 3 3 3
Sterling 10 8 9
Aloxy 5 11 10
Kitty B 9 9 7
Champion 6 5 4
Time, 2:09 1/2-2:10 1/2.

2:17 class trot, purse \$2000 (unfinished). Catherine Wilkes, b. s. by Alcone (Golden) 7 1 1
Benton Leary, ch. m. 2 2 2
Canton Belle, b. m. 3 3 3
Mamie Wilkes 3 3 3
Don 10 7 4
Jackson 10 7 4
Orangelauder 8 8 6
Crane 8 8 10
Maudie 8 8 10
El Robinson 13 12 11
Del Mar 12 12 11
Time, 2:14-2:15-2:14.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 26.—Four and a half furlongs, Princess Prim won, Sapphire second, Trilby third, Time, 1:09 1/2.

Three-quarters of a mile, Swiftly won, Roosevelt second, Hurib third, Time, 1:19 1/2.

Four and a half furlongs, Bonnie Louise won, Aladens second, Willie Shannon third, Time, 1:09 1/2.

Three-quarters of a mile, Amate won, Trilby second, Monte Fonso third, Time, 1:19 1/2.

Five-eighths of a mile, Squire G. won, Sid Dilke second, Joe Clarke third, Time, 1:03 1/2.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 26.—Six furlongs, Watchie won, May Fern second, Sainet third, Time, 1:19.

One mile, The Kitten won, Minnie Mackin second, Dave Zac third, Time, 1:46 1/2.

Five furlongs, Miss Maxim won, Sylvia second, Carrie G third, Time, 1:05.

One mile, Pelless won, Chico second, Occula third, Time, 1:40 1/2.

Seven furlongs, Strathmeath won, Ray Del Mar second, Crevase third, Time, 1:32.

One mile, Sulross won, Marcel second, Overalls third, Time, 1:47.

TENNIS AT SANTA MONICA

Fast Playing Marked the Opening of the Tournament.

SANTA MONICA, Cal., Aug. 26.—The tenth tournament of the Southern California Lawn Tennis Association opened this morning on the asphalt courts of the Casino here with a fair attendance and sixteen entries in the association singles.

The contestants were: Arthur Bumiller, D. E. Wicolm, Paul Arnold, D. Arnold, L. Z. Brooks, A. C. Way, F. B. Drasler, W. Cosby and D. A. Rowan of Los Angeles, G. L. Waring of Riverside, W. E. Pedley of South Riverside, Frank Carter of England, K. Carter Duarte, John Daggett, O. S. Picher and L. Freeman of Pasadena.

In the preliminary round the playing was of a fast character than is usual on the opening day of a tournament, the scores being as follows:

Bumiller beat Welcom, 6-1, 6-3.
Paul Arnold beat Cosby, 6-1, 6-1.
Freeman beat Waring, 4-6, 7-4.
Picher beat Rowan, 6-4, 7-3.
D. Arnold beat Drasler, 7-5, 6-8, 6-3.
Carter defaulted to his brother, F. Carter.
Daggett beat Peay, 2-6, 8-6, 6-4.
Way beat Brooks, 6-3, 6-3.

In the first round Picher was defeated by Freeman after an exceedingly hotly contested match, it being a fine exhibition of tennis throughout. Scores, 6-3, 6-8.

Freeman and Picher were the favorites in the first round, and semi-finals will be played, the finals to be played later in the week. The ladies' singles will commence Wednesday, to be followed by the mixed doubles and a single doubles. In this tournament, the first three strong teams entered with an assurance of more before the entries close.

HOVEY DEFEATED LARNE

Completion of the Tennis Championship Game at Newport.

NEWPORT, R. I., Aug. 26.—The finals for the all-comers' trophy and the tennis championship attracted an immense crowd of spectators to the Casino this morning. Hovey and Larne were the two men who had successfully run the final of the week's play and came to the final struggle, the former winning by the score of 6-1, 9-7, 6-4.

Soon after the conclusion of the match with Hovey the champion, went out with Neel and played practice, only a very small crowd remained to watch his style.

The Duke of Marlborough, with Mrs. Alva Vanderbilt, Miss Consuela and a small party, came in during the latter part of the match. Summary: Hovey, 6-1, 9-7, 6-4.
Larne, 1-6, 7-9, 4-6.
Cushman beat W. A. Jones, 6-3, 6-2.
Fourth round—Cushman beat C. H. Wrenn Jr., 6-2, 6-3.
Hovey will meet Wrenn to-morrow.

On the Ball Field

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Aug. 26.—Brooklyn 7, 11, 0. Louisville 7, 6. Batteries—Kennedy and Dalley, Weyhing and Warner. Umpire—McMurray.

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 26.—Boston 3, 6, 0. Pittsburgh 2, 8. Batteries—Nichols and Ganzel, Hawley and Merritt. Umpire—McDonald.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Aug. 26.—Philadelphia 16, 12. Cleveland 11, 8, 7. Batteries—Taylor and Clements, Young and O'Connor. Umpire—Emswiler.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Aug. 26.—New York 9, 10, 4. St. Louis 15, 13. Batteries—Clarke and Farrell, Breitenstein and Peitz. Umpire—Jette.

BALTIMORE, Md., Aug. 26.—Baltimore 9, 16, 1. Cincinnati 13, 16, 1. Batteries—Hemming, Clarkson and Rhines and Vaughn. Umpire—O'Day and Burnham.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 26.—Washington 9, 14, 4. Chicago 9, 14, 0. Called on account of rain. Batteries—C. E. Bonds and Curtis, Griffith and Kittredge. Umpire—Keefe.

Play of Chess Masters

HASTINGS, Eng., Aug. 26.—The sixth twentieth round of the International Chess Masters' tournament was played at Brassie Institute to-day. Following are the results up to 5 P. M.: Gunsberg beat Mason in a Scotch game after 34 moves. Steinitz beat Albin in P04 opening after 24 moves. Finlay beat Barnwell after queen's gambit, declined after 22 moves. Tschigrin beat Vergani in a G. Guico piano after 36 moves. Marco and Schlecher drew a Petroff after 20 moves.

Harlem Track Closed

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 26.—The Harlem racetrack was closed to-day. The track officials are in consultation with their attorneys regarding a new plan for betting on the horse race, and in the meantime can be made to work, the track will reopen.

FAST TIME AT WOODLAND

Pathmont Lowered the Year's Record in the 2:16 Pace.

Took Two Heats Out of Three From Chehalis, the Second in 2:09 1/4.

WOODLAND, Cal., Aug. 26.—The feature of the day's racing at the fourth annual fair of the Forthright Agricultural District Association was the 2:16 class pacing, all ages. The race was not finished to-day, but Chehalis, the Oregon wonder, lost the first two heats to Pathmont, who made the second heat in 2:09 1/4, the fastest time made on the coast this season.

The first event was a running race, five and a quarter furlongs. The entries were Quarterstaff, Rob Roy, Hyman, Lady Jane and Nellie G. Lady Jane won in 1:09 1/4, with Rob Roy second and Hyman third.

The next event was a 2:30-class trotting race. Seven heats were trotted before this race could be decided, and then Bonnie Ben, a 20 to 1 shot, came under the wire first. Lady Thornhill won the first two heats, Native State the next two and Bonnie Ben captured the last three. Then came all ages for a purse of \$900. The entries were Vidette, Ketchum, Our Boy, Brillant, Chehalis, Pathmont and Edna R. The bookmakers had them slated as follows: Vidette 4 to 1, Ketchum 4 to 1, Our Boy 10 to 1, Brilliant 3 to 2, Pathmont even money and Edna R 3 to 1. Chehalis was not in the pools nor on the books.

After scoring twenty-five times the horses were sent away pretty well bunched. Pathmont led to the quarter, lapped by Edna R. with Vidette a close third. Pathmont staked at the head of the stretch, where Chehalis passed Edna R. and Vidette, and down the stretch Chehalis lapped Pathmont, but could not pass. This heat was made in 2:11 and won by half a length.

WOULD TAKE IN CUBA

Mexican Eyes Cast Upon the Scene of Island Strife.

RIVALRY TO UNCLE SAM

If Spain Relinquishes Her Demands There May Be a Scramble.

AS TO THE MOOTED COLOR LINE

Diaz's Government Thinks That Negroes Would Make Very Desirable Citizens.

CITY OF MEXICO, Mex., Aug. 26.—The National, a newspaper friendly to the Government, criticizes the attitude of the Liberal Government organ on the Cuban question. The latter paper has taken ground against the annexation of Cuba to Mexico, alleging that the negro population is an insuperable obstacle.

The general opinion is that it is only natural that a journal closely allied to the Government, which has friendly relations with Spain, should openly declare against annexation. It is probable that a majority of the people here, if the case was put to a vote, would declare in favor of admitting Cuba into the Mexican Union.

The National says: It is easily understood why the Cubans desire separation from Spain, even at the cost of falling under the domination of the Americans, for the present situation humiliates and deprives them of their rights, while at the same time it imposes all classes of duties. But it is not conceivable that they should prefer to exchange the full political liberty they would enjoy as Mexicans for the inevitable political ostracism they would suffer if allied to the United States. There is no obstacle in the character of the population of Cuba to annexation to Mexico. It would be an easy country to govern.

The Mexican Financier also advocates the annexation of Cuba in case Spain relinquishes her hold on the island. It adds: Thus Mexico would become imperial in domain, and with the addition of Central America would constitute a barrier to Anglo-Saxon aggression from the north.

FROM SPANISH SOURCES

Reports of Battles and the Defeat of Insurgents.

HAVANA, Cuba, Aug. 26.—A dispatch from Remedios states that a body of Government troops and volunteers had an engagement at Sitio Bonito with the rebel bands commanded by Pedro Diaz, Fernando Fernandez and Carrillo. The fight lasted two hours. The rebels lost two killed and several wounded. The Government loss was two wounded.

A dispatch from Manzanillo says: It is reported a rebel band attacked the village of Niguero on August 21 and were repulsed with a loss of many killed and wounded. The Government loss was one killed and one wounded.

CAMPOS WILL RESIGN

Objects to the Appointment of a Lieutenant-General in Cuba.

MADRID, Spain, Aug. 26.—The Dia asserts that the Government has abandoned the intention of sending 25,000 soldiers to Cuba in October. The paper also says that General Martinez Campos has decided that he will resign if the Spanish Government insists on the appointment of a Lieutenant-General in Cuba.

BATTLE OF PLACETAS

In a Four Hours' Conflict Spanish Troops Were Routed.

KEY WEST, Fla., Aug. 26.—Private letters received in this city from Havana, dated the 17th inst., state that in the battle of Placetas, between the Spanish under Colonel Planas, and the insurgents, the troops were completely routed. The battle lasted four hours.

On the 17th the insurgents under command of Fernando Fernandez entered the town of Rojas, in Las Villas district, and destroyed the railroad depot and several wholesale houses. The insurgent forces around Remedios number 1500, commanded by Bravo Diaz, Fernandez and Marsul, an Italian.

The people in Sancti Spiritu are in a terrible condition. Provisions are very scarce and are held at exorbitant prices.

On the 19th the insurgents, under the command of Zayas and Munez, entered the town of Les Esperanza, sacked all the grocery-stores and afterward paid for the goods with Cuban bonds, redeemable at the end of the revolution.

TO STOP FILIBUSTERING

One United States Marshal Ready to Arrest His Own Son.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 26.—A special to the Chronicle from Kansas City says: Private telegrams from Washington express the anxiety felt by President Cleveland's Cabinet over the attempt to organize and equip an army of Cuban filibusters in Kansas City. United States Marshal Shelby has taken a firm stand, and his action has caused the leaders to close their recruiting offices. The Marshal says he will stop the movement if he has to arrest his own son, who is the accredited organizer here. The Spanish Minister at Washington has sent emissaries here to investigate the organization of an armed force here to assist the Cuban insurgents, and it is probable that the matter will develop into an international affair.

Of Interest to the Coast

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 26.—Henry M. Freeman was to-day appointed Postmaster at Cisco, Cal. A postoffice was established at Buckingham, Douglas County, Wash., with James A. Buckingham as postmaster. D. Labin of Sacramento left to-day for Baltimore.

Pensions have been granted as follows: California: Original—Homer Stephenson, Riverside; George Gilmore, San Francisco. Reissues—Lewis Wisley, Long Branch; John Hazler, Vallejo; George H. Devos, San Jacinto.

Washington: Original—William McG. Colwell, Shumakawa; Archibald A. Stewart, Tacoma.

Pence in Brazil

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 26.—A cablegram has been received at the State Department from Minister Thompson at Rio de Janeiro stating that an agreement of peace had been signed by the Federal Government of Brazil and the Rio Grande revolutionists.

For Papal Mediation

ROME, Italy, Aug. 26.—The Presidents of the Republic of San Domingo have asked for Papal mediation to regulate the delimitations of those two countries.

HE FOUND THE GAME

A Story Told by a Hunter Who Has "Seen the Chase."

HE QUAILED ON ONE OCCASION