

The Treaty is Signed.

LAST ACT OF THE COMMISSION A VERY SOL-EMN ONE.

Paris, Dec. 10.—The treaty of peace was signed at 8.45 this evening.

The signing of the treaty to-night would have afforded a subject for a great historical painting.

Around the great mahogany table sat the ten arbiters of the destinies of an old and a young nation.

The jets from the crystal chandeliers above the heads of those present magnified the brilliant green and scarlet of the upholstering into gaudiness.

There was a theatrical contrast between the black clothed actors and the scenery.

The spirits of the two bodies were symbolized by the clothes worn by the members of the commissions.

Although the commissions met at half-past 3 o'clock, expecting to finish their work in half an hour.

When the seals were prepared to be affixed attendants were sent scurrying for ribbons of the French tri-color with which the documents were sealed.

Many officials interestedly watched every detail of the proceedings.

The signing was finished at 8.45 At that time the door of the chamber opened and Senor Villaurrutia appeared and exclaimed to a group of correspondents who were waiting in the corridor: "C'est fini."

The treaty as signed consists of seventeen articles, it having been found advisable to subdivide two or three of the articles in the draft agreed upon at the last meeting.

The document was prepared by Secretary Moore, in behalf of the United States commission and by Senor Villaurrutia for Spain.

Each copy contained the English and Spanish texts of the treaty in parallel columns.

There has been a great contest among the families and friends of the American commissions for possession of the pens with which the signatures to the treaty were written.

Washington, Dec 10.—The official news of the signing of the peace treaty

was received in Washington a little later than the press reports. It was in cipher form as usual from Judge Day.

There was a general feeling of relief, however, that no unforeseen circumstance intervened at the last moment to block the peaceful close of the negotiations.

Washington Dec. 10.—In view of the signing of the peace treaty the government will be obliged very shortly to take steps looking to the restoration of diplomatic machinery necessary to friendly relations with Spain.

If custom is followed either the next United States minister to Madrid, or next Spanish minister to Washington, will be accredited with credentials as a special envoy to exchange the ratifications of the treaty now being negotiated at Paris.

William Jennings Bryan Resigns His Colonelcy.

Savannah, Dec. 11.—Gen. Keifer, who is in command of the remaining troops of the Seventh army corps since Gen. Lee's departure for Cuba, to-night confirmed the report of Col. W. J. Bryan's resignation of his command.

Lieut. Col. Viquain is a graduate of the Royal Military Academy of Brussels and served in the regiment of the present king of Belgium.

How "Yankee" Grows

"I was really amused," said a New Orleans citizen who has lately made a visit abroad, "to notice how the term 'Yankee' widens in application as one gets further and further away from the habitat of the real thing.

"While I was in London I found myself continually referred to as a 'Yankee' by natives who had learned I was from New Orleans.

The resignation of Col. William Jennings Bryan has been accepted by the war department.

Havana, December 12.—Three Cubans were killed and one Spanish officer and two Cubans wounded last night in an affray between Spanish officers off duty and a number of citizens and a party of Cubans who wished to close the Tacon Theatre on account of death of Gen. Calixto Garcia at Washington.

Habana, Dec. 11, 5.15 p. m.—The remains of Columbus will be transferred with military and sacerdotal ceremonies to-morrow from the cathedral to the Conde de Venadillo, and the cruiser will sail for Cadiz conveyed by two gunboats.

THE CAREER OF GEN. GARCIA CLOSED

Patriot Who Spent the Best Years of His Life for Cuba Libre—A Victim of Pneumonia.

Washington, Dec. 11.—General Calixto Garcia, the distinguished Cuban warrior and leader and the head of the commission elected by the Cuban assembly to visit the United States, died here this morning shortly after 10 o'clock at the Hotel Raleigh, where the commission has its headquarters.

He contracted a slight cold in New York, which did not assume an alarming stage until the early part of last week. On Tuesday night Gen. Garcia, in company with the other members of the commission, attended a dinner given in his honor by Gen. Miles, and the exposure that night brought on an attack of pneumonia which culminated in his death.

Rev. Father Magee of St. Patrick's church was called in during the day and was with Gen. Garcia until the end, administering the last rites of the Catholic church.

Other members of the commission and Mr. Rubens, their counsel in this country, were also in the bed chamber when the end came.

The remains were immediately prepared for burial and were placed on a bier in the room in which he died. A large Cuban flag served as a covering, and the head rested on one of smaller dimensions.

After Gen. Garcia's death steps were taken to notify the government officials here and also the executive committee of the Cuban assembly, which has its headquarters at Marianao, Cuba.

As soon as the death became known many visitors, including a number of public men, came to the hotel to express their condolences.

President McKinley manifested his sympathy by sending a suitably worded letter and Vice President Hobart sent his card.

On January 1st, 1899, a Committee of Citizens will draw from these duplicates three coupons:

The holder of the First will get \$20 in Gold. The holder of the Second will get \$10 in Gold. The holder of the Third will get \$5 in Gold.

J. RYTTENBERG & SONS.

President McKinley has accepted an invitation to visit Augusta, Ga., on December 19th on his return from attending the Atlanta Peace Jubilee.

Charleston, W Va., Dec. 12.—At a school exhibition near Poca, this county, last night occurred a terrible tragedy, resulting in the death of one and fatally wounding of five or six others.

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BLOODY AFFAIR AT HUNTSVILLE.

Huntsville, Ala., Dec. 12.—Henry J. Nelligan, cook, and George W. Beverly, bugler, both of company G, First Florida, were killed last night. Nelligan and Beverly were on bad terms and had a fight in camp.

Private Porter Weisrant, Troop D, Tenth cavalry, was found with a terrible bullet wound in his throat on West Holmes Street.

Macilla, Dec. 12.—Isle de Cuba, one of the cruisers sunk by Admiral Dewey in the battle of Manila on May 1, last, and which he subsequently caused to be raised, started for Hong Kong to-day under her own steam.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Representative Hepburn of Iowa to-day introduced a joint resolution proposing an amendment of the constitution as follows: "No new State, the territory of which was not a part of the United States and under its jurisdiction and sovereignty on the first day of January A. D. 1898, shall be admitted into the Union unless three-fourths of the members elected to each house of congress shall vote affirmatively for such admission."

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Significant Greeting Given to our Soldiers.

Habana, Dec. 12.—The First North Carolina regiment which arrived here yesterday morning on the United States transport, Roumania, disembarked this morning and marched through the city, with bands and colors, to camp Mariano.

Paris, Dec. 11.—Le Soir this evening announces the return of Dreyfus at an early date. It asserts that the government has formally decided upon this course and has ordered a body of soldiers to be in readiness to escort him from the port of landing to Paris.

Talk about solidity, but the Legislature of Florida is a sample. Every one of the 68 members of the House of Representatives and every one of the 32 Senators is a Democrat.

The Drug Store Kind but price the same as ordinary brands. Druggists buy Anvil Soda in bulk and sell it at five cents an ounce. Grocers sell it in packages at 10c. a pound or 3 pounds for 25c. It is Exactly the Same Soda. To get the best you must insist on packages put up by the manufacturer with the ANVIL BRAND TRADEMARK.

DECEMBER BAZAR, SQUAD BAZAR, 20th. Tuesday Night December 20th.

A New Household Word You probably never heard of it before. It is the name of a new leavening preparation that bright house-keepers will prefer to either baking soda or baking powder. It Is Better Than Soda—because it will make biscuit just right every time. No more yellow spots or soda taste. It Is Better Than Baking Powder—because it is half as strong again and a heaping teaspoonful will do the work of two rounded teaspoonfuls of the best baking powder ever made. It Don't Spoil—but is so prepared that with ordinary care it will retain its full strength for years. Its Name Is Leaven. It will shortly be placed on sale in all the stores. We tell you about it now that you may be one of the first to take advantage of its good qualities. "A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump."