



THE PEACE COMMISSIONS.

Americans and Spaniards Formally Introduced.

Paris, Sept. 28.—The United States Peace Commission went into session at 11 o'clock this morning.

This afternoon, the American Peace Commissioners assisted at their first formal session in France. The reception was held by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, M. Delesse, through M. Vignard, who acted as interpreter. M. Delesse only speaking French. The party chatted briefly upon generalities, and the Minister finally assured the Commissioners of the great pleasure experienced by France in the part she has taken in effecting a suspension of hostilities between Spain and the United States, and expressed the hope of having the pleasure of meeting the American and Spanish Commissioners at breakfast to-morrow. M. Delesse added that after having this brought the two Commissions together and offered them the hospitality of the Salon de Conference the French Government would efface itself. Judge Day, as President of the United States Commission, responded. He said the United States appreciated the good offices of France, and after M. Delesse had expressed his pleasure at such recognition of the disinterested action of France, the interview ended and the Americans retired. The Minister of Foreign Affairs at 12.30 p.m. to-morrow will give a breakfast at the Foreign Office to the United States and Spanish Commissioners, thus bringing them together for the first time. The session of the United States Commission did not result in anything being given out for publication.

The Gaulois says:—In spite of the mystery surrounding the matter, we are able from a high source to give an outline of the position of both commissions. While the Americans have instructions which are more precise than those of the Spaniards, there is a diversity of opinion in regard to the Philippines. Senator Gray is a very ardent Democrat and consequently belongs to the party which repudiates expansion. He opposes all annexation, and his opinion, therefore totally differs from that of the other four commissioners, some of whom would be content with a coaling station at the Philippines, possibly Cavite, while others, like Senator Davis, advocate the annexation of the whole of the archipelago.

The Gaulois, however, believes that the Americans, by mutual concessions, will come to an agreement, and that they will all be largely influenced by Major General Merritt's report on the situation. The instructions to the Spanish commission according to The Gaulois, are, briefly, to hold out and make the best terms possible. Madrid is well aware, it appears, that the conferees, at the best, have only to please the Spanish people, and the only hopes entertained are that the Americans will not abuse the situation too much. Popular sentiment in Spain, it is added, thinks it better to abandon the Philippine Islands than to keep them under conditions rendering them ungovernable.

Tangier Morocco, Sept. 28.—The Spanish transport General Valdes has arrived here with Senor Ojeda, the Minister of Spain to Morocco, but his stay here has been interrupted on account of his appointment as Secretary of the Spanish Peace Commission. Senor Ojeda will leave for Paris on Friday next.

WHAT THEY CLAIM.

Distillers and Brewers Allege Prohibition Would Cause Them Loss.

There were seven distilleries in Canada in 1892 which turned out 45,892,757 gallons of spirits during the ten previous years. The production of this called for a large expenditure of money, and in the following table some of the principal items are mentioned.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Items include Corn, Rye and wheat, Barley, Oats, Hops, Freight, Duty, Coal consumed, Freight on coal, Duty on coal, Stable account, Barrels, bottles, corks, capsules, lighting, taxes, etc., Insurance on buildings and stocks, Feeding of cattle, etc., Value of real estate, buildings and plant, Wages paid to employes and managers, The 125 breweries had an output in 1892 of ale, lager and porter of 16,946,245 barrels. In this business there is also a large outlay:—

Barley, hops, duty, excise and license \$1,408,645 Buildings and plant 4,350,256 Horses, harness and wagons 88,878 Wages 774,411 Insurance 211,009 Freight 617,000 Barrels, blacksmithing, taxes etc 870,000 Expenses of offices 176,350

The brewing industry affords an average yearly market for a million and a half bushels of barley, \$360,000 worth of cattle and \$127,750 worth of hay for the cattle. Employment is given to 1,724 men, whose wages amount to \$774,411. The value of the yearly output is estimated at \$5,721,666.

In addition to the loss of a market for the farmer and the loss of employment for the workmen, and the loss of revenue to the government, there must be taken into account the depreciation of property on which depend upon shutting up whole sale and retail liquor establishments, saloons and many hotels and restaurants. The following table gives some idea of the losses in the principal cities of Canada:—

Table with 3 columns: City or town, Property value, Depreciation. Cities include Toronto, Montreal, Halifax, St. John, N.B., Ottawa, Hamilton, London, Guelph, Windsor, Woodstock, Berlin, Walkerton, Waterloo.

The value of retail licensed property is \$70,000,000, estimated depreciation \$23,331,000. Total value of stock and plant, \$21,000,000. Employees thrown out of work, 36,000. Their loss of wages, \$10,500,000.

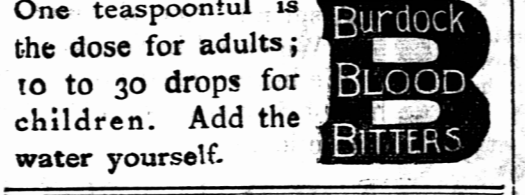
The Cost of Spain's Futile Attempt to Retain Cuba.

A Madrid paper thus sums up the cost of the attempt to retain Cuba:—Between March 4, 1898, 322,944 billets de Cuba were issued, valued at \$24,900,000. To this must be added \$6,000,000 in treasury notes, \$100,000,000 bonds and Spanish guaranty, \$62,000,000 borrowed in Paris, \$54,000,000 pledged customs, ditto, \$40,000,000, Spanish loans \$30,000,000, Philippine loans \$35,000,000. In a rough total the loans contracted to quell the rebellion amounted to over \$300,000,000. This does not include war material or transportation nor provisions purchased out of the regular budget. For this item \$400,000,000 is a low estimate. Still worse is the useless expenditure in men. Cuba had only 12,000 men as a garrison when the troubles began. Gradually over 200,000 were sent there. The loss on the battle field was comparatively small—only 1 general, 60 officers and 1,314 killed during the three years prior to the Spanish-American war, to which must be added 1 general, 81 officers and 704 men who succumbed to their wounds. The losses occasioned by swamp fever and yellow fever were much larger—313 officers and 13,000 men. Typhoid and other diseases killed 127 officers and 46,900 men. Of every 1,000 men, 10 were killed or wounded, 67 succumbed to yellow fever, 201 to other diseases, 143 had to be invalided home. Some 20,000 patients remain, who were not sent home. The total loss out of every 1,000 men was 521."

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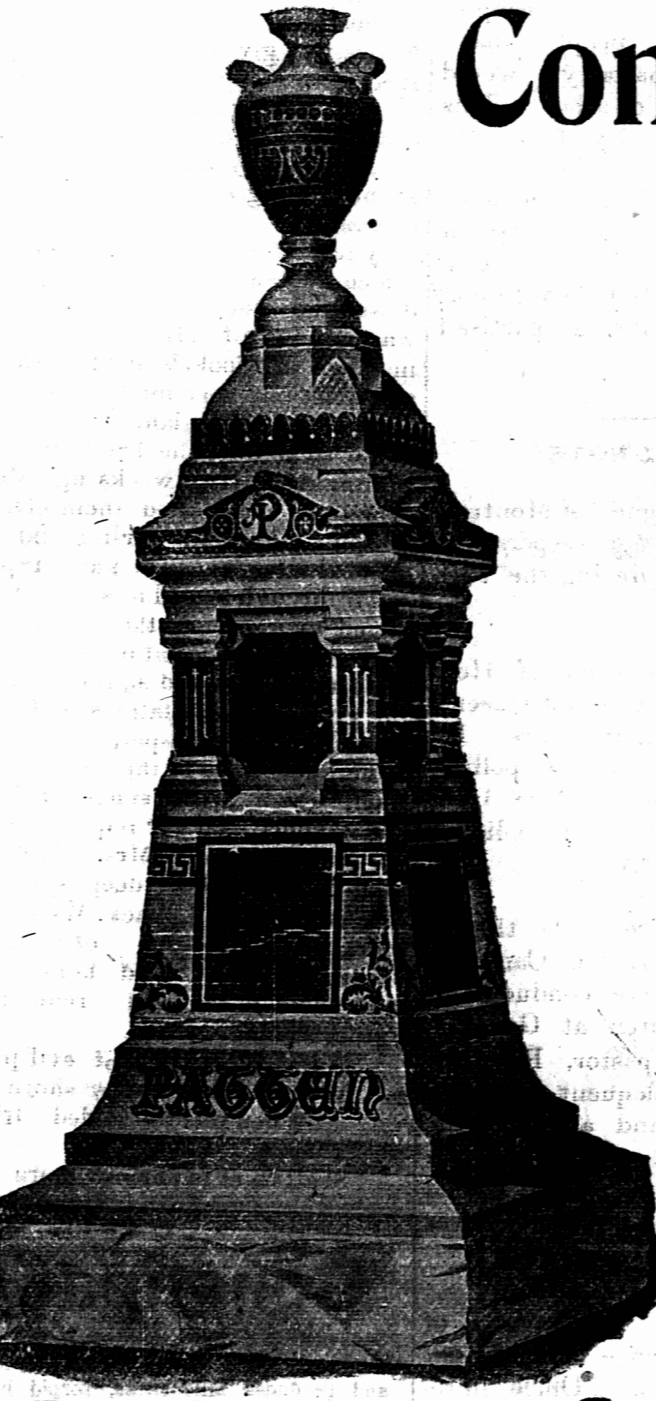
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