



NATIONAL.

The Republican senators have decided to vote on the Cuban reciprocity bill on Dec. 16, and the Democrats have informally agreed to it. By this agreement the administration has won a victory in its effort to effect this legislation before taking up the work of the regular session of Congress. Senator Quay introduced a bill granting Statehood to Oklahoma. In a speech against the Newlands resolutions, inviting Cuba to join the Union, Senator Lodge declared his opposition to having island states. The President is said to favor legislation to give greater elasticity to the currency of the United States. It is understood that his annual message to Congress will contain a recommendation in general terms, but will not endorse any particular plan. Mr. Cleveland has declared that he will not consent to become the Democratic nominee for the presidency.

The Chicago street car men's strike has been brought to a close and service has been resumed on the city railway. The controversy over wages is to be settled by arbitration, the scale to be based on wages paid in other cities.

Because of the attempt to wreck the Vindicator Mine in the Cripple Creek district, troops have been sent there instead of to Telluride. Adjutant-General Bell says that infernal machines have been found in two other mines, and that there was evidence that the plot included five mines in all, but that the explosion in the Vindicator Mine occurred before it was intended.

General Brooke is to testify in the inquiry about General Wood's record. It is expected that his evidence will strengthen the opposition to Wood's appointment.

Mr. Bristow's report on Postal Frauds has been published and President Roosevelt approves of the findings and recommendations embodied in it.

FOREIGN.

The rebellion in San Domingo has been successful in the past week. On Monday President Wos y Gil commissioned United States Minister Powell and others to visit the insurgent camp in an effort to bring about a peaceful arrangement. This effort was unsuccessful and bombardment of the city was resumed. On Tuesday the city surrendered and the rebels entered. The insurgents have set up a government vested in four ministers, and Minister Powell, acting under instructions from the State Department, has recognized this government and entered into relations with it.

Minister Varilla of Panama says that the proposal of Cauca to join the new republic would not be entertained. The latter is a unit and desires to remain as such. Assurances have been held out to Colombian bondholders that Panama would share the national debt.

The King of Serbia has sent an autograph letter to President Roosevelt informing him of his accession to the throne. The purpose of this is to bring about a resumption of diplomatic relations between Serbia and the United States which ceased with the assassination of King Alexander and Queen Draga.

The British expedition to Tibet is not expected to start before January, but great preparations are being made by Lord Kitchener.

Although no public announcement has yet been made, it is said that Lord Roberts is about to resign as commander-in-chief. He is in very poor health.

GENERAL.

Emperor William has withdrawn his offer of a cup for a trans-Atlantic yacht race in 1904, on account of his health, and has substituted for it a cup to be raced for in 1905.

The *Yale Daily News* has published a list of seats for the Yale-Harvard game which were found in the hands of speculators, together with the names of persons to whom the seats were allotted. About a dozen names were given. The Football Association has asked the Faculty to expel all undergraduates who speculated in tickets for the Princeton and Harvard games.

The Argentine warship *Uruguay* has rescued the Nordenskjöld Antarctic expedition. The ship