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SHALL WOOD BE GOVERNOR? When congress meets there is no doubt some action will be taken as to some sort of government for Cuba,
says the Spokesman-Review. The
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and the Spamid rule. The pricciple is
the same, the government being governuent under General Wood,
following out the practice of this general in Suntisgo, of putting natives
in cflicial postions as far as possibie and cossulting local opinions and
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highy popular and would pave the way for annexation of the siland to
the United States with the consont Juls exs ressedjat the pells.
The people General Wood lacorsting toen acting were exylained by tium in a recent article
in the Century Mangzie:
"If," be sys, "me pive the Cubans an Lonest. economical government,
and use every means to put the
most desirnhle and competent Cubsus in office, llberalize and Americanize
their institutions, improve the san:-
tary and other conditions of therr towns, organize and put is effect a
suitable sclool systew, get rid of the the criminal law, and put in operagestion left, and that we are dealing not with a distrustful, suspicious and
resentful people, but with a people who will appreciate what we are
doing for them and will give us their cordial support." have carefuily watched his career in Cuba believe that the placing bim the question of annexation by determining t ly. There may be some who may
say that we do not want Cuba ennexed, but what else can we do with it without running the risk of incur-
ring more trouble? It we leave the people to themselves and a state of
anarchy cnsues, we should be called anarchy cnsues, we sbould be called TRISL THAT WILL BE HISTORIC Something more than Capt. Drey. fus, an officer charged with selling
military secrets to another nation is on trial in the litule medieval capital of Brittany, in Fiance. The governThis case will show whether France is ruled by ber people or by a coneseal whether that country is a re. public or a militasy olizarchy, which that is possible to place in control of any people in the modern age. anywhere in the present century hins caused the interest throughout the newspapers of every civilized country apee to giving a large amount or especially since the berole exposure of the conspiracy against Dreyfus The proceedings of the court will be n as much detail by the can papers of France. Every incident connecter
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place is a triumph for public opinion eight and ten and twelve bours a
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even more trivial charges than those on whice Dreyfus was appreheniled,
and they dissppeared from the world and they disappeared from the world.
The gates of their prisons opened only inward. There was no more
bope for their liberation than there Was for the Man in the lron Mask,
Jealousy, malevolence or any other
base emotion may have immurred thew, but when once the doors
their prison closed upon them they were never opened until the frisoner
was carried to che graveyard. Such
a fate is not pcssible in the modern a fate is not pcssible in the modern
age, not even in Rassin's siberia,
which has ceased to te a place for which bas ceased to be a place for
the confnement of political offenders.
Civilization, demooracs, the ereation
of an intelligent and alert public of sn intelligent and alert public
opinion, have prevented a repetition
in our century of the lettres de cachet death warrants by which the
pompadours, the Montespans and the revenge on their enemies. The
world is immeasurably brighter and better than it was a century ago or
earlier, and the change bas been
largely due to the annililation of
caste barriers and the difusion of caste barriers and the difusion of
the democratic spirit which has been
$\qquad$ About twenty-five of the ex-
reforma school boys were with the
army and navy in the Philippines.
And not one diagraced himself. One
was with Dewey on his fly ship
during the battle of Manila, and be
furnished the ammunition for one of
the guns. Another who went in as
a private in one of the Oregon com.
panies eame out a first sergeant,
taving been promoted on account of
his efficiency and bravery.
THESE FAILED TO RETURN. Yaet Concerntug Our Dead Horoes.
Contributed by Capt. H . Wells.
The following facts about the mem-
bera of Company I , "who are now ander the eod and the dew," have been
eupplied by the company commander:
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and killed Jan. 6,1899, about 11 oclock
at night, on the wall at Manila, by a
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by Mr. Vanderlip, the probabilities are that a large number of govern-
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often you run acros a hard-worked public offteral. It is rare to find on
who is actually wearied unless it b Who is actualy wearied uniess it be
through ennui. You never hear mentally and plysically tired out.
Their hours are short and their pay sure, and when the office is closed at
3 or 4 or 5 in the afternoon there re no details of business to worry them until 9 or 10 the next mornof a breeze and their course is an casy, aimess and often irresponsible drift. Public clerks get into a rat;
the work usually is light and becomes in time a dull routine, an automatin ollowing of forms, Gradually the problem resolves itself into a demination to ,find out It is wery not to do.
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