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NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—A special to the Herald from Washington, says:

Secretary Gage will not anticipate in an interview any action he may take for the purpose of putting into circulation more of the money now held in the treasury. When I asked him for information on the subject today, he said:

"There is nothing I can add to what I have already said. No action has as yet been taken and if I said that none is contemplated today, it does not follow that nothing will be done the day after or next week."

"It has been suggested that you may anticipate the January interest on the government bonds."

"Yes," said the secretary, "that may be done, or it may not be done. I cannot speak for the future. It would not be proper for me to anticipate any action of this kind that I might take even if I knew that future conditions would probably be such as to justify it."

In the opinion of the treasury officials much of the scarcity of money in New York at the present time is due to the fact that the currency sent from the New York banks to the west and south to be used in the annual crop movement has not returned as freely as in former years, but has been absorbed by the business of the communities to which it was sent. Speaking on this phase of the situation Secretary Gage said:

"It is undoubtedly true that the business of the country in every locality requires much more money for current use than it did in times of depression. This is but a natural result of the increased prosperity. Eventually a stage of saturation must be reached, when the interior has all the currency that it can absorb. Whether that stage has yet been reached, or not cannot be said. Business in every locality requires more money in its transaction, just as certainly as more goods to transport require more cars on the railroad.

"It means that there are more things to buy and more people have more money with which to buy them. It means that workmen receive larger wages and are able to carry more money in their pockets. Whether these conditions will be permanent or not of course no one can say. That they will continue for some time, however, there seems to be no doubt. As long as present conditions continue, more goods of all kinds will be manufactured, more workmen will get constant employment at increasing wages and larger areas will be put under cultivation, resulting in more agricultural products."

"If the interior of the country permanently absorbs more currency than it used heretofore, does it not follow that New York and other money centers must get along with less circulation than they have heretofore had at their disposal?"

"That will necessarily follow," replied the secretary, "unless there is an increase in bank note circulation. This condition therefore affords another argument in favor of an increased bank circulation with such a degree of elasticity as shall enable it to respond automatically to any temporary demand for more currency in any locality."

Secretary Gage is disposed to believe that the reports of Canadian money being withdrawn from New York to be loaned abroad are exaggerated. He bases this belief on the fact that money commands a higher rate of interest in New York than in London, the New York rate being about seven per cent and the London rate about 6 per cent. This difference in interest rates would offer an inducement to the Canadian banks to keep their money in New York. The secretary also believes that much of the Canadian money in New York is so invested as to preclude its speedy withdrawal, and unless there should be a simultaneous withdrawal of large sums there would not be much danger of the money market being affected seriously.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—A dispatch to the Herald from Havana, says:

General Brooke received an official dispatch today informing him that he would be relieved by General Wood. Until that time he had refused to credit the reports.

General Brooke feels hurt and takes the president's complimentary allusions as perfunctory. Tonight he said it was just one year ago today that he had been assigned to duty in command in Cuba, and that he had put in a year of hard work and had sought to carry out the plans of the administration. He did not understand that action in relieving him meant a change of policy. Regarding his personal plans General Brooke said:

"I have become accustomed to life in the tropics and shall not endanger my health by proceeding directly north in midwinter. When I reach Washington will depend somewhat on weather conditions." General Brooke is strongly opposed to going to San Francisco. Knowledge of this fact in Washington is understood to have caused a change in plans to transfer him there. He is willing to give committees of congress the benefit of his year's experience in Cuba. General Brooke adheres to his protest against the further reduction of military forces on the island. Opposition to the other commanders in Cuba to General Wood's promotion is tempered by a feeling that they may endanger their own prospects. It is accepted in Havana that the department commanders will be retired. General J. H. Wilson, in command of the Matanzas and Santa Clara provinces, recently declared himself as not wanting to go on the retired list. General Fitzhugh Lee is not so particular, and will accept retirement gracefully. General Ludlow's status is somewhat different. It is his ambition to have the credit of making Havana a model city, and the belief of army officers in the city is that he will swallow disappointment and try to get along under General Wood rather than relinquish double pay, go back to the engineer corps and abandon the hope of a brigadier generalship. The position of General Chaffee, Brooke's chief of staff, is undetermined. The Cuban factions which have opposed General Brooke and the Cuban cabinet hold that General Wood's first duty will be to dismiss his cabinet and appoint a more representative one.

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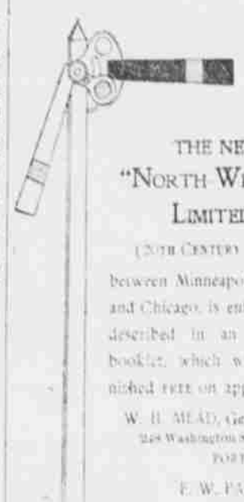

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