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Sickness Still Continues to Wreck Home Among the Brave Defenders of Our Country’s Flag.

NEW VICTIMS EACH DAY

Conditions in Porto Rico Becoming Serious.

Medical Authorities Agree That Unless Barracks Are Promptly Provided for the Troops and the Sick Sent Home the Consequences May Be Terrible.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 39.—The yellow fever, which has lately worked so severely on Porto Rico supplies the army, sent by the national relief committee, has arrived here, bringing a report in representations of the discomfort and sufferings of the committee. This document reads as part of it:

"There are about sixteen thousand inhabitants in Porto Rico, and on the day of the disaster, August 22d, there were over nine thousand men on the sick list. There were a large number of typhoid cases, but on the 25th this disease was not on the increases, a fact which indicates that the yellow had been carried from camps and is not indigenous to Porto Rico. How- ever, there is a large increase in dysen-tery, bacillary fever and malarial disease, due to the rainy season just commended. Medical authorities of the army in Porto Rico agree that the sick list is increasing, and an alarming condition may be expected unless the war department promptly arranges barracks for the army and immediately provided transportation for sick and wounded.

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MARRA, Aug. 39.—The transport Cal- it left today, having on board Merritt and staff. The general is bound for Paris. He will take part in the Spanish-American peace conference. Major-General O. O. W. is going to represent Manila. Generals Green and Babcock, with their staffs, are now on their way to Washington.

Dewey has declined to permit coast- guard troops to protect cargoes in the course of the settlement of the Philippine question. Bishop, spokesman for the government of Australia, has said, in answer to the question as to whether the coast guard troops in the course of the settlement of the Philippine question had been ordered to guard the cargoes, that the coast guard troops are not on the coast of Australia.

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PARTITION OF THE ISLAND OF SAMOA

Likely Soon to Follow the Death of Malaiton.

STATE DEPARTMENTS PLAN

We Will Take the Island of Tutuala, Germany Equally, and Great Britain’s Name.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 39.—The state department has been officially notified by the state department of the death of King Malaito, which is of great interest to all the states of the islands. The death of the king will result in the immediate taking of the present form of government of the islands, maintained as it is by the joint action of the United States, Great Britain, and Germany.

For years the existing arrangement for the government of the islands has been satisfactory to none of the three powers, but it has been continued on the ground that nothing better could be suggested until the time came for the establishment of a new system. There are indications that the present power of the state department, together with the present system of government, is a disappointment to the present territory. The state department, however, could not agree on any other system, and the state department is in the hands of the government of the United States, Great Britain, and Germany.

These conferences were held in the existing arrangement of the territories between the three states, Germany, holding the largest interest, would take Upland, the island second in size, possessing the capital, and while Japan would secure the largest part of the islands, the state department would secure the second in commercial importance, Samoa.

A CLASH NOW THREATENING

Relations Between the Americans and Filipinos Are Bad Since Last Week’s Truce.

LONDON, Aug. 39.—The Hong Kong correspondent of the London Daily Mail writes:

The relations between the Americans and the Filipinos are now strained in consequence of the collision at Cavite on the 22d last Wednesday. The American steamer at Cavite has been ordered to evacuate the Americans and take the crew to any port in the United States.

Richardson has issued a circular to his officers urging them to express the views of the American officers to the Filipinos.

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