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Department Will Distribute 50,000 Tons at Various Points Along Pacific and Atlantic Coasts.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Washington says: The navy department is going to be prepared for any emergency that may hereafter arise in the Atlantic and Pacific oceans by carrying on hand the enormous stock of nearly half a million tons of the best steaming coal for warships that can be procured.

HAVANNA BEGINNING TO FEEL AMERICAN GOVERNMENT. Appropriation for Public Sanitation Made by the Department at Washington—Mail Service to be Improved.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Havana says: Cuba is feeling the benefits of prospective aid and of actual American administration. Some of the streets are really clean. General F. V. Greene had \$50,000 for public sanitation authorized by the department at Washington, but Spanish sovereignty had to be respected, although it was unable to remove the garbage from the streets.

HAVANNA BEING KEPT CLEAN FOR THE NEXT FIVE MONTHS, WHICH IS THE PERIOD IN WHICH IT IS IMPORTANT TO FORESTALL DISEASE AMONG THE AMERICAN TROOPS. General Ludlow will probably be appalled by the task before him as military and civil governor of Havana city.

AMERICANS WHO ARE IN CUBA ENGAGED IN BUSINESS ARE CHIEFLY CONCERNED IN IMPROVEMENT IN THE MAIL SERVICE, BOTH DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN. It would not be fair to judge Spanish administration by the complete demoralization which has appeared in the postoffice arrangements in the last few weeks.

UNDER THE SPANISH RULE THE GOVERNMENT OWNED THE TELEGRAPH LINES AND OPERATED them in connection with the postoffice departments. The railroads were not permitted to use lines of their own.

IT CANNOT BE SAID THAT THE SYSTEM, UNDER Spanish methods, at least, offers encouragement to those who favor a government postal telegraph. The United States will not have to meet that question now, because of the practical difficulties in the way of administering the telegraphic system as part of the postoffice system.

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the effective protection of the Atlantic coast will be more than doubled, as compared with its condition six months ago. With the exception of the long stretches around the North American continent, where in case of enforced neutrality of the Latin-American republics, the United States ships cannot purchase coal in their ports, a continued recourse to armed coilers will be unavoidable.

INDIANS WANT MONEY FOR THEIR HOLDINGS. Oppose the Government Allotting Agents in Their Effort to Divide Up the Coivilla Reservation.

SPOKANE, Dec. 26.—The government has run against a snag in allotting lands in sovereignty on the Coivilla Indian reservation, peopled by 800 Indians. Indian Agent Anderson and Allotting Agent Harry Humphrey have been trying for some time to allot lands, but have met with resistance, the Indians being opposed to surveys and allotments unless the government pays them for land, as the Nez Perce and Coter d'Alenes were paid for theirs.

There are about 1,500,000 acres of land on the reservation and the contention of the government is that the Indians have no title to it. The government proposes to allot 30 acres to each Indian, in severity and give them nothing more. The Indians, led by Chief Aura Faghuin and Chief Bernard Joma, claim that they are paid about \$1,500,000, claiming this under the report of the commission which examined this matter some time after the reservation was set apart by President Grant's proclamation in July, 1872.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—All the executive departments were closed here today. At the White House the day was a quiet one, although during the morning President McKinley was in his office and saw several prominent callers. Among these were Senators Davis and Frye, each of whom had a talk with the president. During the afternoon the president and Mrs. McKinley enjoyed a long ride, and in the evening sat down to a dinner with their three nephews, who are guests at the White House. Attorney General and Mrs. Griggs, Assistant Secretary of the Navy Allen and Mrs. Allen were also at the executive mansion for a time in the evening.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED at the White House from many parts of the country. One of the last to arrive was a beautiful mocking bird from a southern admirer of the president. The bird was in a pretty cage, decorated with ribbons, and began to sing immediately upon being taken into the house. He was pronounced a perfect specimen of his species.

BODIES WILL BE DEINTERRED. NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Arrangements were completed today for disinterring the bodies of the soldiers who were buried in the improvised cemetery at Camp Wick-off Long Island. Forty coffins were shipped to Montauk today. The bodies will be buried in the military grounds in Cypress Hill cemetery, East New York. At the head of each grave at Montauk Point was placed a bottle, in which was sealed a slip of paper with the name, rank, company, regiment and all particulars concerning the dead. There are about 200 dead buried at Montauk.

PRODUCT WILL BE LAMBE. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—A special from Dawson, Nev. dated November 26. Reports from all creeks in the vicinity of Dawson indicate that the winter's product of gold will exceed that of last year by more than 100 per cent. Several persons are reported to have frozen to death. One of these was found in a kneeling position beside his sled and carrying the dead. There are about 200 dead buried at Montauk.

SAMPSON TO TAKE A REST. NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Admiral Sampson spent Christmas day with his family at Glenridge, N. J. He will go to Washington this afternoon to see the president. As to his future plans the admiral is uncertain. He expects, however, to have a much needed rest at his home in this place, with an occasional visit to the navy yard and his flagship, the New York. The admiral is in the best of health.

DR. STEBBINS DYING. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—The condition of Dr. Horatio Stebbins is very alarming and it is believed that his death may occur at any time. A consultation of physicians was held today and everything possible is being done to prolong life.

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