

UNSETTLED CLAIMS.

Decisions by the Mexican Claims Commission—Cuban and Russian Claims.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—In the case of **WESSCHE** vs. Mexico, it has been decided by the Mexican and United States Commission, that a Prussian subject naturalized as a citizen of the United States subsequently to the infliction of the injuries complained of, cannot seek redress against Mexico through the United States, under the treaty instituting the Commission. The claim was rejected for want of jurisdiction. In the case of **BELDIN & Co.** against Mexico, the Commissioners disagreeing in opinion, the umpire decided that the claimants, an American commercial firm, doing business at the time of the injury complained of, at Matamoras, Mexico, are entitled to an award, the fact of commercial domicile in a foreign country not depriving them of the right to American protection. The amount of the award is to be fixed by the Commissioners.

The United States and Spanish Commission for the settlement of claims arising from the disturbances in Cuba, occupy temporary quarters at the Mexican Claims Commission building, no permanent office having yet been secured. No business has recently been transacted beyond that of a preliminary character, nor have any claims yet been presented, the United States not having issued notice for that purpose.

The Perkins claim against Russia, amounting to \$542,000, principal and interest, has been officially forwarded to that Government. It was some time examined by the Solicitor of the Department of State, and that amount found to be due to the Perkins claimants, the account of a contract for fire-arms.