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SPAIN'S ACCEPTANCE SENT. HOSTILITIES END *TO-DAY.*

Reply Agrees to All Our Terms of Peace.

Cabled to Paris and Should Be Here Now.

QUESTIONS WHICH ARE LEFT FOR A COMMISSION TO DECIDE

THE Spanish acceptance of our terms of peace leaves these questions to be decided by a commission:

The Cuban debt.

The date and manner of evacuating Cuba and Porto Rico.

Protection of Spaniards and Spanish interests in those islands.

Whether Spain shall withdraw its artillery, arms and ammunition now in Cuba and Porto Rico.

The future of the Philippines.

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MADRID, AUG. 7.—Spain's answer, accepting all the American terms of peace, was sent to Paris to-night to Mgr. Merry del Val, who will translate it into cipher for transmission to Washington. Del Val is one of the Pope's personal chamberlains now in the Paris diplomatic corps.

The Spanish answer declares Spain cannot discuss the proposals, but only accepts them because they are imposed on her by force.

It leaves the following questions to be decided by peace commisioners: The Cuban debt; the date and manner of evacuating Cuba and Porto Rico; the protection of Spaniards and Spanish interests there; whether Spain shall withdraw her artillery, arms and ammunition now in Cuba and Porto Rico, and the future of the Prilippines.

(By Associated Press.)

Paris, Aug. 7.—A dispatch from Madrid says Spain accepts the United States' conditions of peace.

Madrid, Ag.u 7, 10 p. m.—The Cabinet council, which was adjourned from this morning, terminated to-night after having completely approved the reply to the United States, which, it is said, accepts the American conditions.

The reply will be telegraphed to France to-night, so that M. Cambon, the French Ambassador [illegible]shington, will receive it to-morrow.

The Government is fully convinced that the note will be satisfactory to the Washington Government, and that a suspension of hostilities will be its immediate consequence.

From a well-informed source it is learned that, while the answer does not discuss the four bases which the United States makes an essential preliminary to peace, and which Spain accepts without reservation, it points out that in order to avoid the definitive negotiations being in any way complicated by incidents of the war, it is expedient to agree beforehand to a suspension of hostilities.

It is reported that Duke Almodovar de Rio, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Mgr. Merry del Val, now in Paris, will be selected to represent Spain in the negotiations.

The newspapers make no comments on the situation, owing to the strictness of the censorship.

LONDON HEARS OF THE ACCEPTANCE.

Times Says All Authorities Agree That Our Conditions Prevailed.

London, Aug. 8.—The Madrid correspondent of the Times, telegraphing Sunda, says:

"To-day all the best authorities agree that the Government has decided to accept the American conditions. The American reply to Spain's request for explanations reached Madrid Friday evening. The text has not been divulged, but it is known that it brought little consolation.

"President McKinley turned a deaf ear to the suggestion that Porto Rico might be left to Spain and compensations sought elsewhere. Regarding the Philippines, the reply was not altogether satisfactory, but it was of such a nature that there was no longer any necessity for postponing a decision on the main question.

"Meantime Senor Sagasta's extensive consultations seemed to leave no doubt that the nation wants peace. I do not mean to say that all declared this in plain language. On the contrary, there was a deal of reticence. Some persons had more or less clearly expressed the idea that the best men in the country would patriotically forget for the moment all personal and party considerations and cordially and disinterestedly endeavor to assist the Government in its difficulties.

"This idea, however, if it was ever seriously entertained, was not realized. Perhaps one or two acted in this spirit; but in most cases the cloven foot of the politician peeps out occasionally under the flowing robes of the patriot. Some only half concealed their suspicions that Senor Sagasta, in professing to consult them anxiously in a great crisis of the national history, was in reality playing the part of an old parliamentary hand, and astutely laying traps for his political rivals.

"If these suspicions had any real foundation Sagasta must be a consummate actor, for in all the interviews he spoke with apparent frankness and a sincerity and personal disinterestedness that might well have disarmed all but the most hardened politician. Even when it was suggested that he ought to leave to more capable hands the task of concluding peace he displayed no impatience or resentment. He even showed the most perfect courtesy to Senor Romero y Robledo, listening with rapt attention to his absurd proposals.

As to the contest of Spain's reply the oracles differ. Some say it contains no contentious matter, accepts simply in principle the four demands of President McKinley's first communication, and suggests an immediate suspension of hostilities. On the other hand, others affirm that it is prefaced by an account of the origin of the war, tending to prove that, as Spain was in no sense the aggressor, she ought not to be expected to pay a war indemnity either in money or territory."

150,000 MEN TO BE MUSTERED OUT.

Army Will Be Reduced as Soon as Spain's Acceptance Is Received.

Washington, Aug. 7.—The first definite news the White House had of the acceptance was a Madrid special dispatch bulletined here and sent to the Executive Mansion. It was to the intent that Spain's answer, accepting the American terms, had been sent to Paris. The bulletin was sent up to the French Legation, but M. Cambon was not to be seen. He sent out word that he could neither affirm nor deny anything.

There is some discussion here touching the commissioners the President will appoint. Ex-President Harrison, General Tracy and Mr. Olney still have the call in the predictions.

The War Department has reached the conclusion that if the peace negotiations eventuate as they are expected to, the army will at once be reduced. As soon as Spain binds herself to evacuate Cuba and Porto Rico and cedes a naval base in the Ladrones and our right to hold Manila and Subig Bay, 150,000 men will be mustered out of the service as soon as possible.

This will leave an army of 125,000, and that is supposed to be ample for the Philippine, Cuban and Porto Rican situation. With 23,000 men in the Philippines, 102,000 men will be left for distribution in Cuba and Porto Rico. The latter island will be occupied by 15,000 men, approximately, and the rest will be scattered throughout Cuba.

It is said at the War Department to-night that Wade's army will be transported to Porto Rico as rapidly as circumstances will permit.

The eastern squadron, in command of Admiral Sampson, will not be affected by orders issued to-day by the Navy Department, to the effect that nearly all of the second rate vessels shall come north at the close of hostilities. It was feared the Iowa would not be in condition to go with the fleet on its eastern trip, but it was said to-day at the Navigation Bureau that the injury to the Iowa from the interior explosion of a Spanish shell had already been repaired and that she would certainly be one of the great battle ships with Sampson.

The Navy Department announced two weeks ago that the Eastern squadron would move for the East some time between August 1 and August 10. Since that announcement one of the highest officers in the navy said that the sailing of the squadron had not only been decided upon, but that it would go regardless of the result of pending peace negotiations.

The Navy Department officials do not deny that the prime object in sending this fleet East is to send ultimately at least two of the battle ships to Manila Bay.

BOAT SMASHED AND 5 DROWNED.

Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 7.—As a party consisting of Alexander Green, his wife and two children and Wolsang Geiger, his wife and two children, were coming down the Piscataqua River from Great Bay in a rowboat about 8:15 o'clock to-night, the tide, which was setting in strong as they approached the Dover Point bridge, forced their boat violently against the piling, breaking the craft in two and throwing them all into the water.

The cries of the unfortunates were heard by James Drew, the draw tender, and his assistants, who went to their aid and succeeded in rescuing the two men and Mrs. Green, but Mrs. Geiger and the four children were beyond reach and drowned.

FELLED IN A DARK TUNNEL.

Alexander Kienberg, steward of the steamship Oldie, lying at Harbeck stores, went ashore to visit some friends at No. 10 Atlantic avenue, last evening. While passing through the dark tunnel under Montague street, two men assaulted him.

One of the men struck him in the head with a club and he fell on the sidewalk, unconscious. When he recovered his senses he found that $29 in money and some valuable papers relating to the cargo of the steamship had been taken from his pockets. He made a complaint to the police in the Amity street station, but was unable to give an accurate description of the highwaymen.

Several robberies have been committed recently in the same locality.

VAN WYCK AND BLISS ARE THE CANDIDATES TO DATE.

Secretary Cornelius N. Bliss.

Croker Sees in the Mayor the Man for Governor.

Platt Plays the Secretary of the Interior to Oppose Him.

FARMERS FOR VAN WYCK.

Democratic Leaders Are All Pitted Against the Flower Boom.

Mayor Robert A. Van Wyck.

"I BELIEVE that Senator Platt is seriously considering Cornelius N. Bliss as a candidate for Governor. I also believe that if the nomination is tendered to Mr. Bliss he will accept."

This information was volunteered to friends at Manhattan Beach yesterday by General Samuel Thomas and confirms the Journal's statement of Thursday. The General is one of the most intimate friends of the Secretary of the Interior. He joined the Committee of Fifty-three movement, but when it played into the hands of the Platt machine by insisting upon the new Primary law he concluded to return to the machine itself.

The General has been at the Oriental for several days, and has had a chance to discover Senator Platt's views. The Senator disappeared from Manhattan on Saturday night, saying that he would be absent from there for several days. In the meantime friends of Secretary Bliss say the two will meet and arrange matters.

Chairman Odell, of the State Committee, who has been talked of as a possible candidate both for Governor and for United States Senator, remained at Manhattan yesterday and sounded the visiting politicians about Bliss. He presumably acted under instructions from his chief.

The Chairman declined to discuss candidates for Governor, explaining that as he would be called upon later to pass upon the question as to who should be nominated, he felt delicate about talking. He said he expected to issue a call for the State Committee meeting within a short time. While the exact date for the State Convention had not been set, he believed it would get together the last week in September.

General E. C. O'Brien was about the Oriental booming Odell and everybody else but Black for Governor. Congressman Henry C. Brewster, who is being opposed for a renomination by Speaker James M. E. O'Grady and Assemblyman Perkins in the Monroe district, came down to get Senator Platt's help.

He will wait over until he returns. Former Assemblyman Howard White, of Onondaga, talked against Black, and predicted overwhelming defeat if he were renominated.

Major Lovell H. Jerome, the leader of the anti-Platt-Roosevelt forces, drummed up recruits for the meeting to-morrow night, at which, he asserts, the Colonel of the Rough Riders will be indorsed for Governor, and Black bowled out entirely as the anti-Platt candidate.

Word reached the Platt machine camp last night that the Black-Aldridge-Payn combination threatened in case Black is not renominated to prevent any present State officer from going on the ticket. This would mean the turning down of Lieutenant-Governor Woodruff and any candidate Platt may have to succeed Secretary of State John Palmer, the defeat of Addison B. Colvin's aspirations to be the candidate for Comptroller, and the dethronement as well of Attorney-General Hancock and State Engineer and Surveyor Adams.

It was hinted last night at the Manhattan that Congressman Brewster, if beaten for his present seat, will demand to be the Platt candidate for State Treasurer. He is a candidate now only to head off Charles H. Babcock, of Monroe, the Black-Aldridge-Payn candidate for that place.

SARATOGA, Aug. 7.—The political wind has veered around since Mr. Croker's arrival here last night, and is now blowing strong and steadily from Freeport, L. I. Indeed, the Tammany chieftain himself has been astonished at the sudden change, but, it is understood, has yielded gracefully.

Governor Flower's boom really never was very vigorous and to-day there is little talk of him.

The sudden springing into full grown life of the boom of Mayor Robert A. Van Wyck is not surprising the politicians who have been here for the last week. They have marked its gradual development even while the Flower rooters were shouting their loudest, but the Mayor's real strength did not become an actuality until Mr. Croker's arrival.

The Brooklyn delegation, headed by Messrs Shevlin, McCarren and Shea, besides several up-State leaders told Mr. Croker that the man who was most popular with all Democrats throughout the State was Robert A. Van Wyck, and that none better than he could be selected to carry the Democratic standard to victory in November. They said the farmers liked Van Wyck's methods and liked the man, and that the sentiment in his favor was growing every day. It is said that James Shevlin, McLaughlin's right-hand man in Kings, declared that Brooklyn Democrats would be a unit for Van Wyck.

Mr. Croker was tremendously surprised and asked how it was that the Mayor's stock had risen so suddenly and rapidly. He was told that there were a number of reasons, not the least being the Mayor's gallant rescue from drowning of three young women at Freeport, L. I., last week.

The Mayor is expected to join Mr. Croker and party here on Tuesday, and when he arrives he will be not a little astonished at the ovation he will receive. It is not improbable that the strong feeling in his favor may resolve itself into a formal demonstration of some kind.

"As a matter of fact, the Mayor at the present moment seems to be the only available candidate," said Judge Swanick, of Saratoga. "Stanchfield is out of it by the declaration against him of his constituent neighbors in Tompkins County; Flower is out of it, and Murphy doesn't want the nomination. There is, in short, no other man, in the opinion of those who read the signs shrewdly, so thoroughly equipped to bring out the full Democratic vote."

The Brooklyn men and many country Democrats are also talking of Judge Augustus Van Wyck, in case the Mayor should declare himself out of the race. As one of them remarked: "If the Mayor is a good candidate for Governor, then the Judge is also, for his Democracy is unquestioned and his eloquence and learning qualify him to adorn any position."

Albany, Aug. 7.—Thomas W. Cantwell, a banker of this city, and Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Loyal Democratic League, said to-day that he was about to issue a call for a meeting of the 282 representatives of the Local Silver Clubs. This call, Mr. Cantwell says, is in effect a warning against Mr. Croker's supposed plan to nominate Mr. Flower and a reiteration of the Chicago platform principles. The object of the call is to bring about a conference, at which the organization for campaign purposes will be perfected.

In Mr. Cantwell's opinion, Danforth is the most available candidate for Governor. Mr. Cantwell says the Loyal Democratic League will certainly not support Flower, and without that support no man can pull through, whatever his backing.

RUSSIA HAS SHUT "THE OPEN DOOR."

Now Practically in Possession of New Chwang in North China.

London, Aug. 8.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Mail says:

"Russia is now practically in possession of New-Chwang, and 'the open door' in North China is already shut."

POPE PRAISES QUEEN CRISTINA.

He Congratulates Her on Having Followed the Pacific Counsels of the Vatican.

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Rome, Aug. 7.—The Pope has sent instructions to Mgr. Martinelli and Archbishop Ireland concerning an obtaining of the respect of privileges for the Catholic clergy in Cuba and Porto Rico. The Pope will also write a letter to President McKinley.

The Holy Father has congratulated the Queen of Spain on having followed the pacific counsels of the Vatican. An encyclical to the Spanish bishops will appear soon and will be followed by another to the American bishops.

PLANNING TO GREET HEROES.

Heartiest Approval Everywhere of the Journal's Movement to Give Returning Soldiers an Enthusiastic Welcome.

The Journal's suggestion to give an enthusiastic welcome home to our gallant soldiers on their return from Cuba is meeting with the heartiest approval everywhere. The meeting in the Waldorf-Astoria this afternoon to arrange plans for the heroes' reception promises to be largely attended by well known men, including veterans who served with distinction in the war of the rebellion.

The officers of the Seventy-first Regiment Veterans' Association will lend their valuable co-operation. The Grand Army Posts will also aid in making a big success of the celebration. A general invitation to take part in the welcome has been extended by General Collis to all army and navy officers.

Letters heartily indorsing the idea have been received from Captain A. T. Decker, of the Old Guard; Captain W. N. G., of the One Hundred and Sixty-ninth Regiment; Lieutenant N. G. Cooper; Lieutenant F. M. Parke, and Major-General F. J. Herron.

CUBAN FLEET STILL INTACT.

Sampson's Vessels Tied Up at Guantanamo Awaiting Orders to Move.

Playa del Este, Guantanamo Bay, Aug. 7.—The fleet is still here intact awaiting word from Washington.

The collier Lebanon, towing a coal schooner, arrived to-day. The schooner Admiral Sampson, with provisions for sale, also arrived. Both schooners are from Key West. The converted yacht Vixen was sent to Santiago this morning to get the registered mail held there for the fleet.

The St. Louis is still here awaiting a decision of the question of her entering Santiago harbor.

WAS SAGASTA IN DANGER?

Police Investigating a Plot Which Might Have Involved Premier's Assassination.

Madrid, Aug. 7.—El Epoca states that the police are investigating an Anarchistic plot against the life of a high political personage.

It is claimed that it was to have been carried out to-morrow, upon the occasion of the anniversary of the assassination of Senor Canovas del Castillo.

PLAYED DEAD TO ESCAPE ARREST.

But a Wily Policeman Revived Rosso Rangesso, and He Remained in Jail.

Rosso Rangesso attended a growler party last night at No. 445 East One Hundred and Thirteenth street, which broke up in a riot. Policeman Beck tried to quell the row, and was set upon by half a dozen men. His night stick was thrown from a window, and the blow upon the pavement brought four policemen to the rescue.

Rosso Rangesso was bleeding quietly on the sidewalk when order was restored.

"He is dead" said Undertaker John Cava. "I will take him away for burial."

The Police were doubtful. They took the corpse to the East One Hundred and Fourth street police station. Rosso remained dead until an artful policeman remarked:

"Oh, this poor man has been punished enough already. He can go home now."

Rosso got up to go and was hustled into a cell.

SHAFTER'S ARMY MAY BE DELAYED.

Poor Wharfage Facilities at Santiago Retard Shipping of Troops.

Washington, Aug. 7.—Secretary Alger is apprehensive that the small wharfage resources of Santiago will seriously retard the execution of the department's orders for the speedy return to the United States of Shafter's army corps.

With the Spanish steamers coming in to take away the surrendered army of General Toral, which must be removed first before it will be safe to withdraw the whole of the American force, it is going to be difficult to embark the latter without incurring danger of a severe congestion in the unhealthy town.

It is believed the whole of Shafter's soldiers cannot be embarked before the first of September.

TILL TAPPERS NEATLY CAUGHT.

The Armed Policeman of Newark Cleverly Lands Three Well-Dressed Young Men.

Three well dressed young men, who gave their names as Thomas Murtha, of Columbus, O.; Frank Davis, of Hoboken, and William O'Brien, of Boston, will be arraigned before Justice Lambert, in Newark, to-day, on a charge of till tapping. They were arrested last evening through clever work on the part of John Leonard, the Mayor's one-armed special policeman.

The men had visited a saloon kept by a Mrs. Fisher. Later one of them returned and induced Mrs. Fisher to go out on the sidewalk. Then his confederates entered by a side door and stole $30 from the till.

Policeman Leonard saw the men hurrying from the neighborhood, and when Mrs. Fisher ran screaming into the street shortly afterward he started in the direction which the trio had taken, and later ran across them on Halsey street. One of them had entered a saloon and was preparing to repeat the game.

Realizing that he could not handle the three men, Leonard telephoned to the First Precinct station, and three officers in citizens' clothes were sent to him. As he appeared he signalled them to arrest the two men who were on watch about half a block from the saloon, and they did so. He then rushed into the saloon and captured the other one. They were all locked up.

Miss Siebenciehen's Body Found.

The body of Annie Siebenciehen, the last of the victims drowned in Raritan Bay on Thursday by the swamping of the rowboat belonging to Colonel Ruppert's yacht Albatross, was recovered yesterday morning floating at Bay Cliff Park, Tottenville. It was shipped to the young woman's late home in New York City. Coroner Seaver has not yet fixed a date for holding the inquest over the five bodies, which have now all been recovered.

SHAFTER REPORTS 3,681 INVALIDS.

Of These There Are 2,638 Ill of Fever at Santiago.

Washington, Aug. 7.—General Shafter's daily report to the War Department of the health of his command at Santiago, as bulletined by Adjutant-General Corbin tonight, follows:

"Santiago de Cuba, Aug. 7, 1898.

"Adjutant-General, Washington.

"Sanitary report for August 6: Total number sick, 3,681; total number fever cases, 2,638; total number new cases fever, 431; total number fever cases returned to duty, 477; deaths, August 5, Private M. W. Desmond, Company L, Ninth Massachusetts, typhoid fever; Private Dallas Tannay, Company K, Thirty-fourth Michigan, malarial fever.

August 6—Private George P. McLaughlin, Company B, Ninth Massachusetts, typhoid fever; Private John A. Lewis, Company B, Twenty-fifth Infantry, chronic diarrhoea; Private A. J. Griffin, Company H, Thirty-fourth Michigan, typhoid fever; Major M. J. O'Connor, Ninth Massachusetts, pernicious malarial fever, Corporal Albert E. Koch, Company A, Second Infantry, pernicious remittent fever; Private Burton Salisbury, Company H, Twenty-first Infantry, chronic diarrhoea; Private Anthony Massa, Company A, Seventh Infantry, thermic fever.

(Signed) Shafter,
Major-General.

GYPSIES STOLE THEIR BABY GIRL.

Mr. and Mrs. Conklin Left Their Little One Asleep Under a Tree, and She Was Kidnapped.

Binghamton, N. Y., Aug. 7.—A case of kidnapping by gypsies that occurred in Delaware County has just come to light. The victim is Lucy, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Conklin, who live near Walton.

On the afternoon of July 14 Mr. and Mrs. Conklin went into the woods to pick huckleberries, taking the little one with them. They left her under a tree asleep, and when they returned a short time afterward she was gone. The woods near by and the Walkill lead mines were thoroughly searched, but no trace was found.

In her despair the mother went to a clairvoyant, who told her the child had been stolen by gypsies and was with a band between this city and Elmira. Conklin, remembering the presence of several gypsy bands in the vicinity at the time of the disappearance, came to this city and learned that a band had been here but a short time before, and that they had three children, two dark and one flaxen haired, blue-eyed girl, answering the description of the lost child. He at once followed the band toward Elmira, but has not found the child yet.