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A FOUL ASSASSINATION

Maceo Was Murdered Under a Flag of Truce.

LETTERS TO THE CUBAN JUNTA

Decoyed Into a Trap by Spaniards, and Then Shot Down in Cold Blood.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 12.—The Citizen tomorrow will contain the following, relative to the death of Antonio Maceo:

Justo Carrillo, a well-known Cuban of this city, brother of the Cuban general, Carrillo, has received the following letter from a trustworthy correspondent in Havana concerning the reports of the death of Antonio Maceo, and showing he was killed by treachery:

"HAVANA, Dec. 9.—Dear Friend Justo: Our brave general, Antonio Maceo, and the greater part of his staff have been murdered by the Spaniards, the Spanish major, Cirujeda, acting the part of assassin, with Dr. Maximo Zertucha as an assistant in the horrible drama.

"Convinced that, notwithstanding his enormous army, he could do nothing against our gallant leader, who had repeatedly defeated the Spanish generals in Pinar del Rio, Weyler conceived the idea of appeasing his beastly instincts by cold-blooded murder, and making the best of the secret relations between Dr. Zertucha and the Marquis Ahumada, he planned with the latter his hellish scheme.

"Weyler took the field, and in his absence Ahumada proposed through Zertucha a conference with Maceo, to take place at a certain point in the province of Havana, with a view of arranging plans for the cessation of hostilities, the basis was to be Cuba's independence, and a monetary indemnity to Spain, together with certain advantages that should be agreed upon for Spanish commerce and Spanish capital invested there.

"To carry out the plan, the agreement was that orders should be given to the detachments of troops stationed on the trocha on the section between Mariel and Guanaday, to allow Maceo, with his staff, to pass the military line unmolested. Time was required to mature these arrangements, and to give them all the appearance of truth. Ahumada feigned that before acting he must make them known to Weyler for previous approval.

"This explains Weyler's sudden arrival in Havana and his prompt departure for Pinar del Rio. The conditions and place of meeting having been agreed upon. Maceo crossed the trocha, over the road to Guanajay, without being molested by the forts, but as soon as he arrived at the place decided upon, he and his party were greeted by a tremendous volley from the troops under Major Cirujeda, who lay conveniently in ambush.

"Most of the officers of his staff fell with General Maceo. Zertucha is alive, because he was aware of the scheme and remained in the rear.

"The Spaniards know where the bodies are, but are bent on feigning ignorance to blot out the vestiges of the crime.

"Havana and all Spain are rejoicing because in their stupidity they hope the war may end with the death of this leader. Far from it. The spirit of the Cubans has grown more ardent, and today they are resolved to make every sacrifice before surrendering their arms to their relentless tyrants. In this very province of Havana, in which our army is least and has the least means of defense, the Cubans are operating with greater and greater activity, and not a day passes that we do not hear in this city the firing on Guanabacoa.

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murder some of our patriots, but no earthly power can annihilate the spirit of liberty flowing now as ever over the Cuban people."

Joaquin Fortun pointed yesterday to the following facts which, in his opinion, corroborated the statements in the foregoing letter, and indicated that Maceo is really dead:

First—La Lucha published an article last Saturday, in which it was stated that the previous day Major Cirujeda had had an engagement with an insurgent force, and had killed 32 Cubans, not named, at precisely the place in which General Maceo was murdered.

Second—The first dispatch from Havana reporting Maceo's death, which was received on Thursday, stated that Major Cirujeda had previous knowledge of the horse that Maceo was to ride. How did he acquire that knowledge?

Third—Weyler publicly attributes the glory of the event to the Marquis Ahumada, who has not been away from Havana. Why should not the glory be given exclusively to Major Cirujeda, who had the good fortune, if the encounter was an accident, to come unexpectedly on Maceo's party?

Fourth—From the first, even before convincing proofs had been offered, such assurance was had at the palace as indicated a preconcerted plan.

Fifth—Zertucha's previous conduct, it now appears, is not altogether free from blemish.

Sixth—A manifest contradiction appears between what is said by the authorities in Havana and what the Spanish minister of foreign affairs announces in his confirmatory telegram to Minister de Lome at Washington. The Havana authorities distinctly say they have been unable to secure the body of Maceo, while the telegram from Madrid states the body has been identified. This version was transmitted to Madrid to give the home government full assurance of the fact, while it was later thought best to conceal the truth from Havana in order to conceal the dastardly crime.

A MEETING IN DALLAS.

Texas Ready to Fight for the Freedom of Cuba.

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 13.—There was a great meeting at the city hall this afternoon in the interest of the freedom of Cuba. Two thousand representative men and a hundred women were present. Andrew Jackson Houston, a son of the hero of San Jacinto, presided, and made a characteristic speech. Addresses were also made by Charles Worth and H. C. Stevenson, and the following resolutions were adopted:

"That this meeting voices the unanimous sentiment of Texas in declaring that Spanish domination in Cuba should be at once ended."

The second resolution embodied the resolution introduced in the senate on the 10th by Senator Mills, and heartily indorses it.

The third resolution reads:

"That Texans stand ready to honor any draft made upon them by congress and the president for men and material to end the bloody, cruel and barbarous reign of the Spaniards in Cuba, and erect her into a free American state."

The resolutions were adopted by a rising and unanimous vote. After the meeting, a permanent organization was formed for helping Cuba in every necessary way to throw off the yoke of its oppressor.

Recruits From Illinois.

KANKAKEE, Ill., Dec. 13.—A representative of the Cuban junta has been in this city and vicinity for the past few

days, superintending the forwarding of recruits for the insurgent army. Sixty recruits passed through here last night on the Illinois Central. They were gathered in from Chicago and Wisconsin points. During the night twenty-five more arrivals were noted from Streater, Spring Valley and other points, and were furnished transportation to New Orleans. It is probable a number will be enlisted at this point.

Working in Indiana.

KOKOMO, Ind., Dec. 13.—A stranger, declining to give his name, opened headquarters today to recruit volunteers for the cause of Cuba. He has succeeded in interesting a number of people, and hopes to muster a full company in this vicinity to fight the Spaniards.

Assistance from Idaho.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 13.—It is learned that a company is being quietly organized here to go to Cuba to assist the insurgents.

PASSING OF THE FAKE AUCTION.

One Kind of Business That Is Happily and Permanently Suspended.

Where has the jewelry auctioneer gone? Up to three years ago there were at least a dozen places on the South side where a gaudy display of watches, diamonds and revolvers in the windows called attention to a scarcely less loud auctioneer within. He stood on an elevation behind the counter; he had "cappers" both inside and outside the place, and his sonorous tones were ringing all the time. He watched the stream of passers-by on the street and "bucked the play" of the cappers. He sold all manner of watches, and he always "got the best of it."

As a rule, says the Chicago Post, these salesmen were excellent auctioneers and knew all the wiles of their craft.

Up to two years ago some of them were still running, but they gradually faded out, and now there is not one, with the trifling exception of a Saturday night fling in West Madison street. They must do a good business, selling quantities of material at an excellent price. But there was an end of all things in their line and the jewelry auction has vanished.

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Trolley Line in Chicago Which Operates But One Car.

To the average Chicagoan a trolley line unconsciously suggests great distances. His city is so big. It will surprise many, therefore, to learn that a line actually in operation in the business district, the rolling stock of which runs a trifle less than five blocks.

This line, says the Chronicle, operates on Clark street and simply runs from Washington to Illinois street. Its rolling stock consists of one car, and its operatives include one conductor and one motorman. It is run for the special benefit of South Water street merchants who live on the north side, but is safe to say not one of these men in a thousand know that such is the case. As for the general public not one person in the thousand, know of its existence. Incidentally, too, the line is operated to retain the franchise.

"We give transfers to the cable line going north," said the conductor when asked for information, "but we don't transfer to any other cars."

"Have you many passengers each day?"

"Yes; we're crowded," he said, with a laugh. "Sometimes I get one—then again another."

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