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THE CANAL BILL DEAD

So Far as the Present Congress Is Concerned.

MUST HAVE ABSOLUTE FREEDOM

This Is Cuba's Ultimatum, and No Compromise Measures Will Be Accepted.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Senator Aldrich and other friends of the Nicaragua canal bill have had conferences with Speaker Reed and other house leaders during the day regarding the possibility of the bill being brought up in the house in case it should pass the senate. The result is that the bill will be abandoned in the senate next Monday, and the bankruptcy bill being brought forward. Friends of the Nicaragua bill, while in a majority, doubt if the senate can be brought to a vote, but they know the futility of their efforts unless there is some assurance that the bill will receive consideration in the house. Nothing but a physical test would bring the bill to a vote now, and a large number of those supporting the bill will not subject it to such a test when it would not even be taken up in the house.

The conference today convinced the senators that the Nicaragua bill will not receive consideration in the house, and they decided it was better to withdraw it.

NO REFORMS ARE WANTED.

Cubans Must Have Absolute Independence or Nothing.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The Herald says:

Tomas Estrada Palma, Cuban delegate to the United States, in an interview, said the royal decree proposing the promised reforms in Cuba was a trap for the Cubans and a confession of the weakness of the Spanish cause. He reiterated his emphatic statement that the Cubans would accept independence only. Rather than to allow Spain any voice in the government of Cuba, he said, the Cubans would suffer death and the devastation of their island.

"The reforms which I understand have been signed by the queen regent of Spain," Mr. Palmer declared, "amount to nothing. They are practically the same that were voted before the war broke out. If the Cubans did not then accept them and rose in arms can they be expected to accept them now, after so much bloodshed and after so many have fallen for the absolute independence of their country?"

"The only solution possible for the Cuban problem and the only one which the Cubans in arms would accept is their independence. As for the effect of reforms on the island, I will say that

our army will be no party to them or give an inch of the country conquered by so much sacrifice of life, property and money. If Spain were confident of ultimate success, do you suppose those so-called reforms would be offered to us? They would not even offer us bread."

These expressions are made with the approval of the other members of the junta. Most of them were more bitter in denunciation of the proposed reform than Mr. Palma had been.

"There is no autonomy in this scheme," said one of them. "If real autonomy, such as Canada has from Great Britain, had been offered us before the war, it would have been accepted. Do you think it would be fair or just to those who have fought and fallen for our independence for us to outrage their memories by accepting such terms as these? It would be a virtual surrender when we are satisfied that our cause has been won."

"After the 10-years war, Spain proposed the Arbazua treaty, which was founded on practically the same lines as the present scheme and which we spurned on the same ground as we shall reject these reforms. Some of these terms, such as the creation of a local assembly, whose members would be elected by popular vote, sound very well, but let them once be put in operation and it would quickly be seen just how much of a voice we would have in the administration of our country."

Executions at Cabanas.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—A World special from Havana via Key West says:

The sharp ring of rifle shots from the gray walls of Cabanas fortress is heard daily at 7 a. m., with unfailing regularity. It is the hour of execution.

The morning's programme was varied Monday by a double execution with an added chapter of cruelty and horror. The condemned were Enrique Heilders Osma, a lad of 19, and Antonio Perdona Guzman. They were charged with rebellion and incendiarism. Osma, a virile, handsome youth, carried the true patriot's heart. In an engagement, the horse of his chief, Perez, was shot. Osma, quick as thought, but barely in time, gave his horse to Perez and the chief escaped. The lad, by a desperate

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chance, also escaped. A few weeks afterward he and Guzman were captured.

An execution is a semi-public show, and people who cross the bay to witness it are permitted to gather on the outer walls of the fortress. On Monday they saw again the usual careless and even jaunty preliminaries of death. Bands playing a lively march air marched cheerily into the enclosure. Several hundred troops followed, and within the inner walls formed a hollow square. Eight soldiers separated from the ranks and took a stand on a mound forming a slight elevation in the square. They had drawn the short straws the night before, and were to be the executioners.

Six priests then appeared in double line. Between them were Osma and his fellow-prisoner with hands tied behind their backs. They stumbled and would have fallen but for assistance. They knelt to the ground with their faces to the wall and their backs to their executioners. The band stopped playing. A priest stepped forward, and gently stroking the boy's cheek, whispered a few words of hope and retired to the lines.

The executioners moved ten feet forward. The rifles were raised and the command was given. Six shots rang out, and two bodies fell forward to the ground. But the boy was not dead. His left arm twitched and vibrated. Even the soldiers, inured to the scenes of execution, turned their heads, and a groan of horror went up from the spectators huddled together along the edge of the great wall above. It was a gruesome, blood-chilling sight, but it was only for a moment. Another command was given, and two of the firing party, who were held to give "mercy shots," stepped up. One placed his rifle almost at the boy's back and fired. It was over at last.

The spectators returned to the city barely in time to see a crowd about a crying hysterical young woman. Mingled with the strains of music were the wails of despair from Guzman's wife. The shots were still ringing in her ears when she read the name of her husband in the awful daily bulletin which means so much. It is published in the evening papers, and is a list of those who are to be executed the next morning. The grief-stricken woman had not seen the list until the sound of the shots told her that another of death had been carried out. Two little children, ignorant of the grief, were at their mothers side when the crowd moved about and asked the meaning of her wild incoherent cries.

A few minutes later a priest was delivering a letter to an aged, white-haired old woman. It was dated the night before, and began: "Dearest Mother, tomorrow I die, a patriot for the freedom of Cuba." The old woman, the lad's mother, fainted without reading it further for it was her first information that her son was to be put to death.

IN THE SENATE.

Resolution Presented to Reduce the Number of Clerks.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 5.—In the senate this morning, after the usual preliminaries, the committee on penal institutions reported favorably on Driver's bill for the employment of convicts on public roads. Holt made a speech against the employment of clerks and moved that the special committee to regulate clerks be required to report. The motion was lost.

Johnson then introduced a long resolution to cut down clerks from 60 to 25. After a short debate, the resolution was laid on the table by a vote of 15 yeas to 13 nays.

The senate had a long debate on Price's bill to create laborers' liens on crops. The committee proposed an amendment extending the time in which the laborer may file a lien from ten to thirty days. Nearly every senator expressed himself on the subject. A motion to re-commit was lost, and the discussion was continued. The amendment was finally adopted, and the bill ordered to the third reading.

The committee on railroads reported favorably on Brownell's bill to abolish the railroad commission.

Several bills were introduced and the senate adjourned till 2:30 Monday.

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