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SPANISH REJECT THE PROPOSALS

Negotiations Have Not Been Broken Off.

COUNTER PROPOSITION NOT MADE

Points Involved, However, Were Outside of the American Propositions—Americans Will Patiently Weigh Points Involved and Consider the Arguments of Spaniards.

PARIS, Nov. 4.—The joint session of the peace commissioners today lasted two hours. The Spaniards refused the proposals made by the Americans on Monday last, but negotiations were not broken off. While it is believed no formal counter proposition was made, there was a brief discussion of the Philippine question outside the lines of the American propositions.

The commissioners then adjourned until Tuesday next.

The statement is printed here today with much prominence that the Americans will insist upon the immediate and complete surrender of Spain's sovereignty over the Philippines, and in the event of the Spanish commissioners refusing to agree to this, Judge Day, acting under instructions from Washington, will present an ultimatum to the Spaniards. It is further alleged that this seeming haste is due to a desire to settle the negotiation before the elections in the United States take place.

No ultimatum is contemplated, and there is no probability of drastic measures being taken by Americans. The two commissions are now considering an open question, and the Americans expect to patiently weigh the points involved and to carefully consider the arguments of the Spaniards.

Gaulois today says it has been informed on absolutely reliable authority that Spain will refuse to discuss the unconditional surrender of the Philippines.

The Fondo says, "The claims of the United States on the Philippines are looked upon with disfavor at St. Petersburg. The powers might, in case of the Americans proving too obstinate on this point, be provoked to protest."

Evening says, "Your money or your life" is the attitude taken by the Americans in relation to Spain."

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4.—Up to 1 o'clock nothing has been received from the peace commission at Paris, and, consequently, the cabinet adjourned. If a cablegram is received during the afternoon or evening, another meeting may be called.

M'GRATH HAS BEEN CONVICTED

Found Guilty of Murder in the First Degree at Albany—Jury Was Out All Night.

ALBANY Nov. 3.—The jury in the McGrath murder case, at 6:30 o'clock this morning, after being out all night, returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree. The prisoner exhibited no surprise. He stood without flinching while the verdict was read. He is about 65, and his hair is almost white. He has lived in the vicinity of Harrisburg for twenty-five years or more. The evidence showed conclusively that his excitable, jealous disposition led to his undoing. His wife, and his two sons, who are almost the age of the murdered boy, were witnesses, and told a straight-

forward story of the crime. The evidence of the state's witnesses showed beyond a doubt that McGrath, having armed himself with a revolver, deliberately went into a hayfield where young Turner was at work, abused him, and, as he retreated, shot him down. Every line of defense failed, and the verdict was expected.

HAS COMPLETELY BACKED DOWN

French Government Has Decided Not to Retain the Marchand Mission at Fashoda

PARIS, Nov. 4.—A semi-official note issued this evening says the government has resolved not to retain the Marchand mission at Fashoda, adding that this decision was arrived at by the cabinet, after an exhaustive examination of the question.

LONDON, Nov. 4.—The most reliable information from Paris confirms the earlier reports that M. Dupuy, the premier, has decided to wash his hands of Fashoda and to recall Maj. Marchand, for whose mission he is not responsible.

The decision is, to some extent, due to a desire to allow nothing to interfere with the success of the exposition of 1900. Today will be important in the history of the crisis.

It is expected that Baron de Courcel, the French ambassador, will impart the decision to Lord Salisbury, who will speak this evening at the banquet to be given the sirdir, General Lord Herbert Kitchner.

THE GALLERY COLLAPSED

Serious Accident in the Eugene Opera House—The People Were Panic Stricken.

EUGENE, Nov. 4.—Tonight at about 10 o'clock, while the people were listening to the performance at the opera house, the room being packed, a section of one of the upper floors, on which were about thirty people, fell, without warning. The lower floor was also crowded. The section of the floor that fell was about eight feet wide and twelve feet long. It was built out from the wall. The wall supports gave way and the floor swung back, precipitating the people to the floor below. Those underneath were caught under the timbers, but miraculously few of them were injured. A regular panic followed the collapse, but the house was emptied without further incidents, though another floor creaked and came near going down during the rush.

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TROUBLE AHEAD IN PORTO RICO

Natives Not Satisfied With American Rule.

WHAT GENERAL STONE SAYS

Porto Ricans Have Not Been Fairly Treated Since the American Occupation, and Naturally are Resentful—Military Government of the Island Thus Far Has Been Far From Satisfactory.

NEW YORK, Nov. 4.—General Roy Stone, who has just returned from Porto Rico, says:

The people of Porto Rico are not at all satisfied with American rule. There is a growing difference between the natives and the militia which is greatly to be regretted. When the army of occupation first invaded the island, the natives received the Americans cordially, and they wished to be treated as people of this country and not as a conquered province. The treatment they have received at our hands has been just the opposite. This has produced a chilly feeling between them.

"What the Porto Ricans want is to be taken in as part of the United States. They do not expect to enter the Union as a state, but as a people in training to be advanced to statehood. In addition to this they want free trade with the United States, and there is no reason that I can see why they should not have it. At present they are forced to pay duty on all imported goods, Spanish goods included, which were free before the invasion.

"Our military government of the island has been far from satisfactory. We have destroyed the Spanish military rule and have not replaced it with American forces, thus destroying their safeguards to life and property. As a result of this from 150 to 200 of the finest plantations have been destroyed by fire. Just who is responsible for this I cannot say.


"The infantry there is of very little use in policing the island. In addition there should be a civil guard, composed of Porto Rican privates and American officers.

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in the recent holdups. It was also decided to swear in as special policemen any reputable citizens who may desire to carry arms for their own protection.

Claud Branton Found Guilty.
EUGENE, Or., Nov. 4.—The jury, after being out 45 minutes, brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree in the case of Claud Branton. Sentence will be passed Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. When Branton was returned to the jail he made a desperate attempt to escape. He pounced on Deputy Sheriff Day, and attempted to get the latter's revolver. Sheriff Withers went to the rescue and the prisoner was subdued. He said that had he got the revolver he would have made short work of both.

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