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OPPOSITION AVAILS NOTHING

Spain Must Adhere to Our Proposals.

OFFER MONEY TOMORROW

Americans Will Formally Tender Spain Payment for the Islands—President Meanwhile to Consult With His Advisers Regarding the Sum to be Paid.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—A Washington special says:

Spain's exhaustive argument against the cession of the Philippine islands to the United States has had the result of making the officials all the more determined to take them. Instructions sent to Mr. Day, chairman of the American commission, will require him and his colleagues to renew Tuesday their demands for the cession of the entire group to the United States, and they will make in their communication the first offer of money in payment for the islands.

It is understood that the president will consult tomorrow with some of his advisers concerning the amount to be named in the American communication, but the sum to be paid will not under any consideration exceed the aggregate of the debts contracted by the Spanish government for improvements to the Philippines. All military debts and debts contracted in the name of other islands, such as Cuba, will be barred, and the Spanish commissioners will be informed that they must recognize this fact as promptly as possible.

The Spanish commissioners have declared, it is said, that instead of the United States acquiring the Philippines this government should pay their government an indemnity for the attack on Manila after the peace protocol had been signed, and for the damage consequently done.

After the Philippine question has been disposed of, the commissioners will consider the determination claims which have been filed by Americans against Spain and by the Spaniards against the United States. It is thought that this government would bind itself to satisfy all American claims, in consideration of the territory ceded to the United States, but this statement is incorrect. The Spanish commissioners have a heavy claim for filibustering against the United States to offset the claims filed by Americans for personal and property injuries, and the question of their disposition will have to be settled.

ANTONIO SERICKO MURDERED

He Was First Sandbagged and Then Dragged Across the Street Into an Old Orchard, Where He Was Strangled to Death.

PORTLAND, Nov. 7.—A rope which it is believed was used to choke to death Antonio Sericko, the bootblack who was murdered here last Friday night, has been found.

Earl Nickelson and Henry Stout, boys, picked up the rope near the curbstone where the body was dragged into the orchard. They gave it to John Linden, of East Twentieth and Pacific streets, and Mr. Linden said he found a long black hair on the rope, which he

had wrapped around a match, but unfortunately had lost it.

Everything goes to show that the boy was first sandbagged on the sidewalk and then dragged across the street into the orchard. The nameless, revolting crime, which the doctors say preceded the killing supplies in part the motive for the murder.

The man must have stood behind a telegraph pole and struck him as he approached, as the bruise of the sandbag is on the forward part of the head. This occurred within one hundred yards of the house. After the body was dragged across the street and laid in the orchard the man must have fastened the twine about his neck and tied his hands. This was done so the boy could not scream or move in case he regained consciousness. He probably did regain consciousness. By this time the man's savage passions were excited to such an extent that he pulled the twine with such force as to strangle the victim. It may be that he did not intend to kill the boy.

As the evidence is sifted down there seems to have been an ulterior motive. It is reported that some person made an advance to Antonio's 17-year-old sister, Mary, and that Antonio acted as her protector, and was in the habit of seeing her home each evening. She was very anxious for him to be on hand the fateful evening of the crime.

Suspicion rests on one of two men. The individual most concerned is an Italian. He told a small bootblack Friday evening that Antonio had been taken to the city jail by a policeman. A person answering to his description was seen near the orchard that evening. Saturday this man left for The Dalles, saying that he had work on the new railroad. It is believed that this was the man who was said to have been repulsed by Mary.

REBELS IN CONTROL OF LUZON

The United States Troops at Manila Expect to See More Fighting.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—A dispatch to the Herald from Washington says:

Major Simpson, of General Merritt's staff, has just returned from Manila, and though personally he does not seem to fear serious trouble with the forces of Aguinaldo, he says there is a distinct sentiment among the United States troops that there may be more trouble and that more troops may be needed to overcome it.

Aguinaldo's force is reckoned at about 30,000, and Major Simpson freely admits that the rebels are in possession of the island of Luzon.

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FIRE AT THE CAPITOL BUILDING

Gas Explosion Wrecks Supreme Court Room.

MANY VALUABLE RECORDS LOST

Fire Followed the Explosion, Causing Great Damage—No Persons Were Injured—The Library Was Almost Ruined by Fire, Smoke and Water.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—An explosion and fire at 5:13 this evening wrecked the supreme court room and the room immediately adjoining it on the main floor of the capitol. The damage is enormous. The entire central-eastern part of the great marble pile, from the main floor to the subterranean basement, practically is a mass of ruins. The force of the explosion was so heavy that the coping stone on the outer walls, just east of the point where the explosion occurred, were bulged out nearly two inches, and locked doors were forced from their hinges quite 150 feet from the scene of it. Fire followed the explosion so quickly as to seem simultaneous with it.

The explosion shook the immense structure to its foundation, and was heard several squares from the capitol. It occurred in a small room tightly enclosed by heavy stone walls in the subterranean basement, immediately below the main entrance to the old capitol building. In this room was a 500-light gas meter, which was fed by a four-inch main. Very little gas is used in that part of the building, but at the time of the explosion the gas was turned off at the meter. The meter itself was wrecked and the gas pouring from the main caught fire. The flames originating from the explosion darted up the elevator shaft, which had been completely destroyed by the force of the explosion, and communicated with the record room of the supreme court room, the office of the marshal of the court and the supreme court library.

Before the flames could be subdued the priceless documents of the record-room had been almost totally destroyed, and serious damage had been done in the marshal's room and some minor offices in the same vicinity.

The library of the supreme court contained about 20,000 volumes and was used not only by the supreme court jurists but by members of congress and lawyers practicing before the supreme court.


While many theories are offered as to the cause of the explosion, it seems beyond doubt to have been due to escaping gas. At 7 minutes after 5, Lieut. Nelson, of the capitol police, detected an odor of gas from the corridor adjoining the supreme court room. While he was endeavoring to locate the escape of the gas the explosion occurred.

Several members of the capitol police had narrow escapes, but no one was injured.

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