SPAIN'S OFFICIALS LETTING GO

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out plainly and antagonize the war party. The aim of the planters and merchants who have lost confidence in Spain's ability to maintain her sway in the island is either an American protectorate or annexation. Instead of growing stronger they become weaker in the presence of the crisis between the two countries, when every Spaniard who is not ready to undertake hostilities is looked upon with distrust. Their influence for peace cannot be counted on as either a check or guide to the popular movement. It is lost in the fervor of the army officers, the volunteers and the populace. Some of the autonomist leaders, too, go with the tide. They are more bitter against the United States than are the intransigentes. They hold it responsible for the failure of autonomy, which by force of circumstances becomes their own failure. However, autonomists, either as leaders or as followers, are not numerous enough to make their sentiments a factor of importance. They can neither carry a policy which they favor to success, nor prevent the successful execution of a policy to which they are opposed. The functions of the autonomist government in the domestic concerns of the islands have been weak. In international affairs it is a cipher. The Spanish classes do not need education as do the people people of Spain. They know that the insurgents will never sue for peace, that the only hope of the peninsula lies in extermination. Possibly because of their superior knowledge the Spaniards in Cuba are tranquil over the reports of attempted negotiations. They believe all efforts for an armistice will fail because the insurgents will not accept unless it is based on independence. That the Sagasta cabinet is preparing through the good offices of the United States for conceding the independence of Cuba is incredible to these loyal and patriotic supporters of the mother country. The course of Captain-General Blanco has not been such as to prepare them for such action. If this proves to be the case they will not be easily conciliated. They had rather talk of war with the United States. That is what they are doing while Madrid and Washington are talking peace.

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Notice is hereby given to the public, to all those interested, and to all persons whomsoever, that Leander Lebeck, the contractor for the street improvement in the City of Astoria, Oregon, known as "The Commercial Street Extension Improvement," more particularly designated as the improvement of Commercial street from the east line of Seventeenth to the west line of Twenty-third streets, and Twenty-third street from the north line of Commercial to Exchange street, has completed the aforesaid improvement according to the provisions of Ordinance No. 236, of the ordinances of said city, approved the 9th day of December, 1897, and according to the contract for said improvement, and certificates of approval of the work done on said improvement, signed by the city surveyor and superintendent of streets of said city and by the committee on streets and public ways of the common council of said city, having on the 1st day of April, 1898, been duly filed in the office of the auditor and police judge of said city, as provided by ordinance No. 156 of the ordinances of said city, approved January 8, 1890. That the aforesaid improvement may be by the common council aforesaid finally accepted at the next regular meeting of said body following the date of the expiration of the publication of this notice, which meeting will be held on Thursday, April 7, 1898, unless prior to said time objections to said improvement be filed with the auditor and police judge of said city.

Dated at Astoria, Oregon, April 2, 1898.

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INCOME

Received for Premiums	$42,693,201 99
From all other Sources	11,469,406 24
	$54,162,608 23

DISBURSEMENTS

To Policy-holders for Claims by Death	$13,279,659 66
To Policy-holders for Endowments, Dividends, etc.	12,712,424 76
For all other accounts	10,132,005 57
	$36,124,060 99

ASSETS

United States Bonds and other Securities	$132,017,341 45
First Lien Loans on Bond and Mortgage	69,423,937 31
Loans on Stocks and Bonds	12,880,308 00
Real Estate	21,618,454 88
Cash in Banks and Trust Companies	11,705,195 82
Accrued Interest, Net Deferred Premiums, etc.	6,141,200 20
	$253,786,437 66
Reserve for Policies and other Liabilities	218,278,243 07
Surplus	$35,508,194 59
Insurance and Annuities in force	$936,634,496 63

I have carefully examined the foregoing Statement and find the same to be correct; liabilities calculated by the Insurance Department.

CHARLES A. PEELER Auditor

From the Surplus a dividend will be apportioned as usual

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PROPOSALS FOR BRIDGE ACROSS YOUNG'S BAY.

Notice is hereby given that sealed plans, specifications, strain diagrams, and bids will be received by the county court of the state of Oregon, for Clatsop county, on Monday, April 18, 1898, at 11 o'clock, a. m., for the building, erection and construction of a draw bridge and pile trestle approaches across Young's Bay, in Clatsop county, Oregon, according to such plans, specifications and diagrams.

Bridge to be located at a point in the center of Fifth street, in the city of Astoria, at the intersection of the shore line of Young's Bay to a point across Young's Bay, where the west line of section 20, township 8 north, range 9 west, intersects the south shore line of said Young's Bay, a distance of about 2,000 feet.

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Each bidder shall deposit with his bid, cash or certified check, payable to the order of the county clerk, to the amount of 10 per cent of his bid, which shall be forfeited to the county of Clatsop, in case the award is made to him and he fails, neglects, or refuses, for a period of two days after said award is made to enter into contract, and file a bond in the manner required by, and to the satisfaction of the county court.

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March 28, 1898.

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