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## SPAIN WILL GET LITTLE

Philippine Public Improvements Debt Will Be Paid, but No More.

## THE CABINET'S DECISION

Entire Amount to Be Allowed the Dons Probably Will Not Exceed \$1,000,000.

## WELL WORTH RETAINING

Islands Are Wonderfully Rich and Would Be a Valuable Addition to This Country.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—A dispatch to the Herald from Washington says: Instead of paying Spain \$4,000,000 as an indemnity for the cession of the Philippines to the United States, President McKinley intends to reimburse her only for the debt of about \$1,000,000 contracted for public improvements.

President McKinley and his cabinet have carefully noted that settlement expressed throughout the country by the suggestion to indemnify Spain to the extent first proposed. As was put out by the administration authorities it was intended to give the capital of the entire debt, bonded with the Philippines as security, and amounting to \$4,000,000. What will be paid by the United States, according to the present intention of the president, is the debt contracted by Spain for the establishment of light-houses, harbor improvements and public buildings. All told, this does not amount to a very large sum, being fixed at about \$1,000,000. Friends of Spain in the diplomatic corps say that it is an outrage for the president to offer such a small sum.

"Perhaps it would be the best thing for Spain if she would rid herself of the Philippines," said one of these gentlemen, "but surely it is not right that the United States should satisfy only a small portion of the debt, leaving her with the remainder on her hands, and with a low treasury to meet it."

It is not believed in official circles here that Spain will withdraw her commissioners from Paris. She has no desire to lose the Canary islands and she is apprehensive that in case of a resumption of hostilities, the American government would seize and perhaps hold them.

A high administration official says that in case of the withdrawal of the Spanish commissioners, the United States would complete the military occupation of the Philippines and would take such other steps as it might deem advisable for the protection of this country's rights in the far east.

From Mr. Day the officials have learned that the American commissioners yesterday presented the reply to the Spanish refusal to surrender the islands, and it is expected that now the administration has been so satisfactorily endorsed by the country, the Spaniards will appreciate the hopelessness of their position and accede to the demands of this government.

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—Charles A. Whittier, brigadier general of volunteers, now collector of customs at Manila, under date of September 19 last, has submitted a report of his observations upon the condition of things in Manila and the Philippine islands. He says: "The most important questions are the currency, the revenue (including the cedula, or head tax), opium and the admission of Chinese. It would create a financial revolution to attempt to substitute in a moment any currency on the islands to replace the present one. "The cedula, or head tax, which has given an income of \$16,000,000 a year, has varied from \$3 per head to \$7.50. "September 3 I went over the line of the Manila railway, 123 miles in length, running northward from Manila. The line has opened and developed a country of most extraordinary fertility. Rice is the principal produce, but there is much sugar. There are possibilities of cotton, coffee, and almost anything. I have never seen a country of such splendid productive power, for the first 100 miles almost all of it being under cultivation. A week later I went up the Pasig river to Tagana, the extraordinary fertility of the soil being again a marked characteristic. If one-half the English merchants say of the richness of the islands to the south be true, it would be a most valuable acquisition to the United States. "Customs house receipts during our incumbency, 24 working days, amounted to \$208,000. "With the increase of industries contingent upon occupancy, they should amount, within two years, to \$3,000,000 a year at least."

## SAYS HIS BROTHER WAS NOT IMPLICATED.

R. R. Tolbert Makes a Statement Regarding the Race War in South Carolina—Will Be Investigated.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—R. R. Tolbert whose father and brother were shot in the race war at Phoenix, S. C., was at the department of justice today to secure an investigation of the riot by the federal authorities. Tolbert says the true facts of the rioting have not been given. The facts are, he said, as follows: "I was nominated for congress by the republicans of my district for the purpose of making a contest before the house.

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