

Spain Officially Accepts Our Terms.

And Peace May Be Declared at Any Hour.

The Dons Will Yield Without Even Calling the Cortes.

Spain Must Evacuate the Islands of Cuba and Porto Rico Immediately.

Peace Will Be Accepted by That Country Without Opposition.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—The reports from Madrid stating that Spain had determined upon the answer to the demands of the United States, aroused a lively interest in official quarters today. While the reports are accepted as

showing the tendency of the Spanish government for peace, and as likely to be borne out by a formal report from Madrid, yet it can be stated that so far the United States has received no answer from Spain nor has the French embassy received any answer which will be communicated to the authorities here.

The answer could not have been sent from Madrid on Monday as stated in some of the reports. The misapprehension doubtless arises from the fact that the Madrid cabinet, after receiving the American terms, desired more information upon some of the points involved. This is the situation up to the present time. At the same time the final answer is expected almost hourly. It is said to be not at all improbable that the preliminaries leading up to the treaty of peace may consume three months, so that it may be well along toward the assembly of congress before the president will be prepared to submit a treaty to the senate.

Under the terms of the president's note, if they be accepted, the Spanish government is bound to evacuate Cuba and Porto Rico immediately.

PARIS, Aug. 3.—A dispatch from Madrid says: If a definite reply of the United States to the peace proposals arrives today the Spanish cabinet will officially accept the terms. It is believed the agreement will be accepted by the country without opposition and the government will not assemble the cortes before autumn.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—At 3 o'clock the positive statement is authorized that the Spanish reply to the American peace demands has not been received at the French embassy.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2, 3:25 p. m.—The French ambassador has just made an appointment to meet the president at the white house this afternoon. The nature of his communication is not known.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—At 3:40 the peace conference arranged between the president and Cambon began. At 4:55 p. m., the conference is still in progress. Its length is not regarded as encouraging.

HORRIBLE SCENES.

Reconcentrados Herded Together and Dying by the Hundreds Daily.

Shafter's Cavalry and Rough Riders Ordered to Encamp at Montauk Point.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3. Accounts of the condition of affairs in Havana, Matanzas and Cardenas, are given by passengers who arrived from Sagua on the steamer Fridjof Nansen. A passenger who reached Sagua from Havana said affairs in the capital are in a deplorable condition and growing worse. He said:

"It is impossible to get beef at any price and horse flesh costs \$1 a pound Eggs cost 35 cents each, condensed milk is sold \$2 a can. On an average 10 to 12 people are found dead of starvation in the streets every day and scores daily die of hunger in their houses. No words can describe the horrors at the foot of the Prado, where reconcentrados are herded together. I was told there were 4,000 of these people in the place and they were dying by hundreds, for nothing is being done for their relief as the government has not enough food for its soldiers."

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—A force of cavalry of 2,000 men, comprising regulars and rough riders, which was left at Tampa bay will be ordered to Montauk Point, where they will make preparations for General Wheeler's division of the cavalry which is ordered here from Santiago.

All the cavalry with Shafter's army and eight companies of rough riders have been ordered to Montauk Point, where they will go into encampment. The regular cavalry with Shafter comprises eight companies each of the first, third, sixth, ninth and tenth cavalry and four troops of the second cavalry.

HAVANA, Aug. 3.—It is announced from the palace that last Sunday morning the plantation of Presno, in the province of Matanzas, was attacked by a force of infantry and cavalry under the American flag. It is added that a squad of Spanish cavalry assisted in routing the Americans, who are said to have left ten men killed on the field.

FIRE AND FLOOD

Visit the Peaceful Old Quaker City of Pennsylvania and Causes Great Destruction.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 3.—The city was visited today by the most terrific electrical storm ever known. Telegraphic and telephonic service throughout the city was at a standstill for several hours. Cellars and first floors of hundreds of business blocks and dwellings were flooded. In the basements of the city hall and postoffice the water rose to such a depth that the fires under the boilers were extinguished.

The basements of Gimbel Bros., and Wanamaker's two largest department stores were flooded and heavy damage done. It is said that a big fire is raging at the Point Breeze Oil Works, caused by lightning.

Peter Schell was drowned in the cellar of his home. He was in the cellar removing property when caught by water. Before he could reach the stairway the water rose to the first floor and he was drowned.

CUBAN FORCES VICTORIOUS.

Garcia Said to Have Defeated the Spaniards at Mayari.

PLAYA DEL ESTE, Cuba, Aug. 3.—News was received here last evening from General Calixto Garcia and the Cuban forces under him at Mayari, near the bay of Nipe, on the north coast of Santiago de Cuba.

The report that General Garcia has been in a heavy fight with Spanish troops, who were trying to effect a junction with the main body of regulars at Holguin. The Spaniards were probably the force that evacuated Nipe bay during the recent naval bombardment. A large body of Cuban reinforcements has reached General Garcia, and the impression is that he defeated the Spanish in this engagement, or at least held his own. The Cuban dispatch says that two cannon had already been taken from the enemy, and the Spanish cavalry had been defeated.

More Fever.

ATLANTA, Aug. 3.—One hundred and sixty-six soldiers were brought from camp at Tampa Bay and landed at Fort McPherson today. Nearly every man had typhoid fever.

Two Thousand Surrender.

MADRID, Aug. 3.—A private dispatch from San Juan de Porto Rico says that 2,000 volunteers have surrendered to the Americans.

It is a Pleasure

To take those first-class meals in the cool dining room of Hotel Willamette.

Spaniards Surrender.

KEY WEST, Aug. 3.—Capt. Ignacio, of the insurgent army was brought here by the gunboat Helena this morning from the south coast Cuba. He reported that on July 9, Gen. Miguel attacked the town of Gibora and caused the Spaniards to surrender. Nine Spaniards were killed 12 wounded and 116 taken prisoners.

Large Profits.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 3.—A special to the Examiner from Dawson, of July 17, says: Within the last 12 months the Canadian government has taken from the Yukon miners more than \$2,500,000.

The cost of maintaining the mounted police in Dawson and the salaries of the district office clerks have been reported in the Canadian parliament to be in the neighborhood of \$400,000, leaving a net gain to the government of over \$2,000,000. The largest individual amount that goes to make up this total is the royalty, which has been conservatively estimated to be \$800,000.

Mr. Ehlen's Settlement.

EX-County Clerk Ehlen last evening paid \$200 to Clerk Hall, to be applied on his account with Marion county; also \$34 in receipts to individuals whose money he held. He deposited the receipts with the clerk. This was in settlement of all deficiencies, except a small amount which is disputed. The ex-clerk's accounts will be re-examined when the question is raised, and it is certain that the balance due Mr. Ehlen from the county will more than settle the balance.

Prof. John Parsons and wife, of Portland, returned home today after a brief visit in the city.

PRINCE BISMARCK'S FUNERAL.

The Emperor Remained Standing—Crowds of Hamburgers.

FRIEDRICHSHUHE, Aug. 3.—The grounds about Prince Bismarck's castle were thronged with people early yesterday crowds of Hamburgers being attracted there by the prospect of seeing Emperor William pay a tribute of respect to the dead. They wandered about the woods, congregating in the beer gardens, and sent hundreds of memorial post cards, with portraits of the deceased prince, and pictures of the castle.

Many of the people were mourning, and hundreds came on bicycles. Under the trees 60 men of the Thirty-first infantry, from Altona, and the sergeants of Prince Bismarck's regiment, from Magdeburg, had arranged their messes. The sergeants in their white uniforms with yellow facings furnished helmets furnished a guard which was on duty on the terrace facing the garden behind the castle. The latter remained strictly closed. A little side gate was opened occasionally admit messengers with telegrams and wreaths, who were constantly arriving.

The emperor and empress arrives at 6 o'clock this evening, accompanied by Baron Von Bulow, the minister for foreign affairs. The empress was in mourning. The members of the late Prince Bismarck's family received the imperial party, and the emperor, on alighting, kissed Prince Herbert Bismarck on both cheeks and shook hands with Count William Bismarck. The party then entered the castle, passing through detachments of the Thirty-first regiment of infantry, which were drawn up along the road and up to the castle gate.

The crowds on each side of the road were composed of Hamburgers, who had been arriving by every train, and foresters from all foreign countries. Vendors of cards, photographs and medals swarmed about the outskirts of the crowds, and waters from the neighboring beer gardens, bearing trays of empty or filled glasses, circulated on all sides and did a big business among the thirsty. There were only a few gendarmes present, but they were perfectly able to maintain order.

When the imperial train arrived here the crowds were so anxious to see the emperor that they swarmed over the fences and upon the platform. The troops, however, were able to keep a space clear around the emperor's saloon carriage.

The presentations at the railroad crossing, where the Bismarcks received the emperor and empress, consumed 10 minutes, the emperor shaking hands with Count Von Rantzau, the late Prince's son-in-law, and other relatives of the deceased. There was no cheering, but an uproar was caused by the exciting conversation carried on among the crowds present.

What took place in the death chamber is not known, though an official statement on the subject may be forthcoming. But there is no doubt the religious services were most impressive. Pastor Westphal, of Brunstorf, conducted it according to the rites of the Reformed church. The text, in compliance with Prince Bismarck's desire, was from I Corinthians chapter 15, verses 53 to 57.

The mourners present, including the imperial party, numbered from 30 to 40 persons.

Immediately after the services, the emperor and empress and those who accompanied them, started for Berlin. The ex-empress Frederick sent a large laurel wreath, with palms, lilies and white roses intertwined and tied with black.

President Kruger, of the Transvaal republic, telegraphed to Emperor William and to Prince Herbert Bismarck his condolences, and announced that the government flags at Pretoria the capital, were half-masted in honor of the deceased statesman.

The emperor and empress remained 45 minutes at the castle, and were escorted back to the train by the entire Bismarck family. Brief farewells were exchanged at the railroad station. The emperor standing in his saloon carriage, saluted the crowd, which respectfully uncovered. Throughout the service, in the death chamber the emperor remained standing, the empress being seated. The services concluded with a hymn. The emperor then shook hands with Pastor Westphal and Pinnow, the valet of Bismarck.

UNION IN NEBRASKA.

Same Forces Will Be Un'ed in the Hawkeye State.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 3.—The state conventions of Populists, Democrats and Silver Republicans met Tuesday. The interest centered largely in the Populists' deliberations.

The platform pledges to President McKinley the hearty support in carrying on the war, and says: "We are proud to belong to a party that acknowledges as its chieftain and leader Hon. Wm. J. Bryan."

"We reaffirm that a paramount issue in the campaign of 1900 ought to be and will be the restoration of our monetary system to its position held to 1873, the free and unlimited change of the two metals at the ratio of 16 to 1."

The first formal ballot brought out seventeen candidates for governor, W. A. Poynter, of Boone, a Populist leading in strength in the Populist convention. The Democrats, disregarding the agreement of the conference cast their solid vote for Attorney-General Smith. The second and third ballots were uneventful, but the fourth saw the Populists give Poynter a majority, and he was declared the nominee of that convention.

The free silver Republicans veered from Neville to Poynter. The Democrats, on the fourth ballot, again cast their solid vote for Smith, and as it requires a majority of all three conventions to nominate, the Democrats were able to delay progress.

AN IOWA FUSION. OSKALOOSA, Ia., Aug. 2.—General S. B. Weaver was nominated for congress in separate convention this afternoon, by the Democrats, Populists and Free Silver Republicans.

The Army Sick. WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—Shafter has sent following sanitary report for August 1:

No. sick 4238
No. fever cases 3179
No. new cases of fever 689
No. cases fever returned to duty 679
No. of deaths 15

A Carlist Uprising.

LONDON, Aug. 3.—A dispatch from Barcelona says a formidable uprising of Carlists has taken place near Lorida, Catalonia.

LONDON, Aug. 3.—The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says:

A Carlist rising is reported at Venta de Banes, south of Palencia.

In the State of Bryan.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 3.—The Fusion state convention, after a continuous session during the night, nominated a full ticket. W. A. Poynter, Populist, was nominated for governor. All other nominees are Populists, except a Silver Republican for lieutenant-governor, and a Democrat for attorney-general.

She Did Right.

WICHITA, Kan., Aug. 3.—At Anardoka, Oklahoma, a negro named Barrett, was killed while trying to enter the room of Miss Phoebe Stokes, school teacher. Miss Stokes fired six shots killing him instantly.

Hoosier Republicans.

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 3.—A preliminary session of the Republican state convention was held this afternoon. After organizing, adjournment was had until tomorrow morning, when the state ticket will be nominated.

A Curiosity.

A large block of ice about 4 feet high was placed on exhibitions in front of Neckerman & Roger's store today. Incased in the ice was a large branch of a plum tree with fruit attached. The fruit and ice made a very pretty sight.

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Gov. Lord was informed today that one of the big trees in the famous Mariposa Big Tree park had been named in honor of this state.

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Merritt Wants Troops

At Cavite General Green is the Commander.

Headquarters Near the Seashore Under Dewey's Guns.

LONDON, Aug. 3.—The correspondent of the Times at Cavite, under date of July 29 says:

The arrival of General Merritt has given a great stimulus to the military activity in Camp Dewey, where Green's brigade has been reinforced by troops from Merritt's transports. The occupation of the country south of Manila has been completed for about a mile east of the shore, but the line does not extend to the river Pasig. No territory is held by the Americans north of the town.

General Green, who directs the active field operations, has established his headquarters near the seashore, under the guns of the warships, about 4000 yards from the Spanish position and from 800 to 2000 yards distant from the insurgent lines, which approach at one point within 50 yards of the enemy. Here occur daily attacks which are usually begun by the insurgents. Often these are apparently severe, but they have little result and cause few losses. The Americans have not yet returned a single shot, although they are constantly under fire. The situation at the front is most extraordinary. Each force is guarding its own lines, but the insurgents are little better than an armed rabble. They pass freely through the American camp and mingle with the troops but they render no assistance, and are, indeed, rather a hindrance to the operations.

The report that a certain prominent official assured Aguinaldo that the Americans came simply to support the insurgent cause and establish a Republic, is doubted, yet the attitude of the insurgents, particularly since Aguinaldo's announcement of his plans for the future of the Republic, seems ample confirmation. The insurgent leaders are aggressively arrogant and make no move towards recognizing American authority. General Merritt has not thus far met Aguinaldo.

The condition of the Spanish prisoners confined by the insurgents at Cavite is most deplorable and has aroused the pity and sympathy of General Merritt, who has begun to issue rations without advising Aguinaldo. This is probably the first step towards assuming proper authority over the insurgents, who had hitherto been treated as masters of the situation. The attitude of the insurgents

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is the only difficulty in the way of an immediate settlement of the whole matter. It is an open secret that Manila is willing to surrender and may do so, provided assurance is given that the inhabitants will be protected from the insurgents, who openly declare their intention of killing every Spaniard. The only way to control Aguinaldo's rabble is to disarm the whole population. This step alone can make life and property safe. The American troops are active and reconnoissances are made daily in the country, which is being thoroughly studied and carefully mapped. The arrival of the third expedition is expected tomorrow. The force will then be amply sufficient for any emergency. Shortly after midnight last night the Americans occupied the insurgent lines for several hundred yards, including the position nearest to the Spanish works. The insurgents yielded their positions at the request of Gen. Merritt. MERRITT WANTS MORE TROOPS, SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 2.—In response to a dispatch received yesterday from General Merritt now at Cavite, General Merriam cabled that since the departure of the governor-general of the Philippines he transports with 4897 men had sailed from this port. Scarcely had the message been sent before General Merriam received word from the war department that General Merritt has asked to have his command increased from 20,000 to 50,000 troops, in order to be able to meet any emergency which may arise on account of the hostile attitude of Aguinaldo and the insurgent forces. The recruits of the First Colorado, Second Oregon and First Nebraska, by order of Brigadier-General King, have been added to the command of Lieutenant-Colonel Barnett, making with the recruits of the Tenth Pennsylvania a force of 1000 men. This action was taken in order to mobilize the scattered Camp Merritt forces.

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