

SPAIN DID NOT WITHDRAW.

The Peace Commissioners Adjourn After a Short Session.

THEY HAND IN A DOCUMENT.

A Long Answer to the American Demands—The Spaniards Would Leave the Meaning of the Philippine Clause to Arbitration.

PARIS, Nov. 17.—The meeting to-day of the Spanish-American commissioners began at 2:15 o'clock this afternoon and ended at 3 o'clock.

The Spanish commissioners presented a long document in answer to the American argument which was submitted last week. By mutual consent the memorandum of to-day was handed to the Americans without being read and the meeting adjourned to Saturday.

The Spanish communication will be translated this evening and its contents will be discussed by the United States commissioners tomorrow at their usual daily session.

The Spaniards in their communication reaffirmed the position which they have assumed against the discussion here of Spain's Philippine sovereignty.

They insist that the words "shall determine the control, disposition and government of the Philippines," in article 3 of the peace protocol, do not warrant any reference to Spain's withdrawal from the Philippines except on her own terms, and therefore the Spaniards propose arbitration on the construction to be placed on the words "the control, disposition and government."

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Up to this point the discussion at Paris having touched on principle, there has been no attempt to name exact figures in relation to the amount of money that might be paid to Spain by the United States on account of the Philippines.

Such, for instance was the statement that the United States would reimburse Spain "for the pacific expenditures" made on account of the Philippines, for no one here at the time had an exact knowledge of what these expenditures amounted to in the aggregate.

This has been ascertained, however, to the satisfaction of the American commissioners, at least, and they will name the exact amount of money that the United States is willing to pay over to Spain on this account.

What is proposed is a cash payment to Spain, for the United States does not propose to enter into any relations whatever with any of the holders of any of the bonds issued by Spain, notwithstanding the efforts of some of the European powers to bring this result about.

As to the amount which will be offered to Spain, the officials here are mute, but it is believed to lie somewhere between \$20,000,000 and \$40,000,000.

Our commissioners do not look for an unconditional rejection of their offer, but believe there will be an attempt upon the part of the Spanish commissioners to secure a liberal increase of the amount named.

The American commissioners are under instructions to inform the Spanish commissioners that there can be no further delay in the final conclusion of the work of the commission, so that it is expected a conclusion, one way or the other, will be reached before long to the peace negotiations.

THE JULIAN LAW IS VOID.

No Public Sale of City Franchises in Missouri Hereafter.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 17.—The supreme court at Jefferson City to-day declared invalid and inoperative the Julian public franchise law.

The decision was rendered in the quo warranto case against the West Side electric railway of Kansas City, wherein the attorney general of the state brought mandamus proceedings against the street railroad company to compel it to show why its franchise had not been granted under the provisions of the Julian law.

The opinion, which was written by Judge Williams, declares the law is inoperative because it is indefinite and vague in its provisions.

The act of the court in knocking out this law precludes the sale of street railroad, telephone, telegraph and, in fact, all public service franchises by the city.

For Intimidating a Voter.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 17.—John Fryer, partner with Phil McCrory in the saloon at Sixth and Walnut streets, was fined \$500 in police court this morning.

He was arrested on a bench warrant issued several days ago, charging him with assaulting Henry Miller, a negro, as Miller was trying to vote in the Ft. James hotel booth on election day.

Ohio's Emperor to Receive Their Wives.

PARIS, Nov. 17.—On the occasion of her birthday next week, the dowager empress will receive the women of the diplomatic body in accordance with a promise which she made to the Prince Henry of Prussia.

Monaghan's West Entrance Surveyed.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—The survey of the west entrance of the proposed Nicaragua canal has been finished.

This survey shows a peculiar formation of the bottom of the Pacific in the vicinity. The rocky position near Brito Head shelves suddenly into deep water making a harbor to the eastward.

As the canal line will come out within a mile or two of the head a breakwater to the eastward will form an enclosure into which vessels can round to before entering the harbor proper.

COL. BRYAN ON THE ELECTION

Declares That the War, and Not Slaves, Was the Issue.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 17.—Colonel W. J. Bryan last night gave the following interview relative to the late election:

"Compared with the election of 1896, the Republicans have gained in some places and lost in others. It was not a sweeping Republican victory. On the whole, the result is not surprising, when it is remembered that the administration is just concluding a successful war.

"While a majority of the soldiers are probably anti-Republican, the management of the war has been entirely in Republican hands, and the strongest arguments used during the campaign was that a Republican defeat would discredit the President in the eyes of foreign nations, while his commissioners were engaged in making a treaty.

"It was not a trial upon the issues now before the people, but a successful plea for a continuance of the case. The people have not accepted the gold standard; they have not fallen in love with the plan to give the banks a monopoly of the issue of paper money; they have not decided to retire the greenbacks; they have not surrendered to the trusts.

"These questions were forced into the background by the declaration of war, but they must be faced again as soon as peace is restored. The Chicago platform presents for public consideration certain vital, economic questions. That platform has not been abandoned by those who indorsed it in 1896. It will be reaffirmed in 1900 because it gives expression to the hopes and aspirations of a large majority of the party.

"When the Democrats, Populists and silver Republicans favored Cuban independence they understood that war would give a temporary advantage to the party in power, but they were willing to risk defeat in order to aid the people fighting to be free.

"Neither can the election be regarded as an indorsement of any foreign policy. Until a treaty of peace has been entered into and the terms made known, the people cannot pass judgment upon it. Whether the war will raise any question of sufficient importance to turn public attention away from domestic problems remains to be seen."

COLORED TROOPS UNRULY.

An Attempt to Arrest Soldiers Leads to Six Deaths.

SANTIAGO, Nov. 17.—An incident occurred Monday night at San Luis, about twenty-five miles north of Santiago, which caused a great deal of ill-feeling among the Cubans and considerable annoyance among the United States military officials here.

All the colored regiments are encamped in the neighborhood of San Luis. They were sent there virtually to get them out of the way because of the difficulty experienced in managing them. The colored officers seem to have little or no control over their men, and officers and privates are often seen drinking together, with arms around each other's neck and behaving in other ways not calculated to inspire respect for the American troops among the Cubans.

The trouble began in an attempt to arrest two soldiers for abusing a Cuban workman and stealing his hog. The outrage was committed on the Normas sugar plantation. Lieutenant Jose Ferrera, chief of General Wood's gendarmerie in that section, a Spaniard, but a Cuban sympathizer and a man whom General Wood knew to be able and courageous, attempted to make the arrests.

The soldiers, who belonged to the Ninth Immunes, escaped. Some thirty colored men, wearing the uniform of the United States army, attacked the house where Lieutenant Ferrera was, and kept up a regular fusillade, killing Lieutenant Ferrera, Antonio Roman, an old man; Emilio Betteran, a boy of 17, and a baby, and wounding several others. Two soldiers were killed in the affray.

General Wood left for San Luis on a special train. He has offered \$1,000 reward for the names of the men who did the shooting.

Murder at West Plains.

WEST PLAINS, Mo., Nov. 17.—V. L. Penland, ex-representative of this county, shot and killed his brother-in-law, James Kelly, in the public square yesterday. The trouble grew out of a divorce suit now pending between Penland and his wife, Kelly's sister. Each was armed with a revolver. Penland claims that he shot in self-defense. He is now in the county jail.

Fatt to Wed Again.

LONDON, Nov. 17.—Miss Adeline Patti-Nicolini announces her betrothal to Baron Corderstrom, a Swedish nobleman. The marriage will take place next February.

Can Not Save the Teresa.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Captain McCalla, after examining the Teresa, has wired the navy department that in his opinion it will be impossible to rescue the ship.

McKenna-Kerens.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 17.—Miss Katherine Kerens, daughter of B. C. Kerens, national Republican committeeman from Missouri, and Lieutenant Frank Horneman McKenna, United States army, acting captain in the volunteer service under General Brooke, and son of Supreme Justice McKenna, were joined in wedlock at 8 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The wedding, which was the most brilliant of the season, was a semi-military affair. Lieutenant McKenna, with four of his groomsmen, were in full uniform.

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The Annual Thanksgiving Sale of Linens, Chinaware, Cooking Utensils and Groceries, Began Nov. 17, and Closes Nov. 23d.

THESE EVENTS ARE TOO WELL KNOWN TO REQUIRE ANY COMMENTS HERE We leave the prices to Speak for themselves

Thanksgiving Sale; Table Linens.

- TABLE CLOTHS—54-inch Union Damask, unbleached, per yard... 23c
56-inch all linen unbleached Damask, per yard... 39c
62-inch all linen unbleached Damask, per yard... 43c
70-inch all linen unbleached Damask, per yard... 50c
72 inch Union Damask, unbleached, per yard... 39c
72-in. extra heavy unbleached twilled Damask, per yd... 95c
56-inch all linen bleached Damask, per yard... 40c
62-inch all linen bleached Damask, per yard... 50c
68-inch all linen bleached Damask... 75c
20-inch Napkins to match, per doz... \$1.69
70-inch all linen bleached Damask, per yard... 69c
21-inch Napkins to match, per doz... \$2.39
72-inch fine bleached Damask, per yard... 97c
3/4-Napkins to match, per doz... \$2.87
All our \$1.35 and \$1.50 fine 72-inch Damasks go during this sale at, per yard... \$1.19
NAPKINS—22-inch bleached Union Damask Napkins, per dozen... 97c
19-inch all linen bleached Damask Napkins, per doz... 97c
22-inch all linen bleached Damask Napkins, per doz... \$1.83
24-inch all linen bleached Damask Napkins, per doz... \$2.73
PATTERN CLOTHS and NAPKINS—814 unbleached Pattern Cloths, each... \$2.25
3/8-Napkins to match, per dozen... \$2.25
8-10 Pattern Cloths, unbleached, each... \$2.75
3/4-Napkins to match, per doz... \$3.00

Thanksgiving Sale; Chinaware.

- 100-piece Dinner Sets, English semi-porcelain, brown and blue, per set... \$6.75
4-piece glass Tea sets, regular 50c value, this sale, per set... 30c
Glass Fruit Dishes, 8-inch, good imitation of cut glass, each... 15c
Plain blown Table Glasses, per dozen... 60c
Glass Creamers and Spoons, each... 5c
Latest patterns in Haviland China Dinner Sets and odd pieces.
The largest and richest showing of real Cut Glass in Lincoln.

THANKSGIVING SALE; GROCERIES.

- Our "Satin" flour per sack... 90c
Our "Silk" flour per sack... \$1.00
Our celebrated "velvet" soap 11 bars for... 25c
White Russian soap 10 bars for... 25c
Diamond Soap 10 bars for... 25c
White Cloud soap (floats) 11 bars for... 25c
CANNED GOODS—First quality.
Red cherries per can... 10c
First quality pears or gage plums per can... 11c
3lb cans grated pineapple, can... 10c
Best canned corn, 4 cans... 25c
3lb cans Van Camps tomato soup per can... 11c
3lb cans Borham's clam chowder, per can... 21c
3lb cans Cupid brand bulled corn per can... 9c
Andersons concentrated soups per can... 9c
Boston baked beans with pork per can... 5c
Armour's best potted ham per can... 5c
FISH—
Columbia river salmon (blood red) per can... 10c
Alaska salmon, per can... 7 1-2c
Cove oysters (best) per can... 8c
Baratavia schrimp... 13c
Little neck clams, per can... 10c
New Star lobsters, per can... 29c
FARINACEOUS GOODS—
Wheatling, per pkg... 25c
Breakfast Food, per pkg... 10c
Shredded wheat biscuit... 10c
Farina, per pkg... 3 1-2
Full weight oat meal four pkg... 25c
Pearl, 3 pkgs for... 25c
New English walnuts per lb... 10c
New large almonds, per lb... 17 1-2c
New pecans, per lb... 9c
Pickles—New, sour, medium size, 6c a qt; small size, 8c a qt. New mixed, sweet, 10c a qt; sour 13c.
Queen olives, bulk, per pint... 18c
Queen olives, bottle... 10c
MEATS—
Best No. 1 hams lb... 9c
Best California hams lb... 6c
Best breakfast bacon lb... 9c
Best dry salt pork, lb... 7c
New smoked halibut, lb... 14c
New pearl cod fish, boneless, lb... 11c
New good cod fish boneless, lb... 6c
New mince meat, per pkg... 8c
LARD—
Best kettle rendered, 3lb pail, 21c; 5lb pail, 35c; 10lb pail, 65c; 20lb pail, \$1.25; 50lb can... \$2.90
2400 matches for... 10c
EXTRA SPECIAL—One day only, on Nov. 23d, we will offer our 18c quality New York Cheese at, per lb, 12 1/2c. This is for Wednesday, Nov. 23d, only.

THANKSGIVING SALE; Cooking Utensils.

- Carving sets upward from... 97c to \$12
Christy bread, cake and kitchen knife, per set... 23c
White metal knives and forks per set of 6 knives and 6 forks... 69c
Covered turkey roasters... 35c
Tin covered roasters... 19c
Sheet iron bread pans... 5c
Crown & Boston raisin seeders, the seeders that seed... 25c
Sensible food or meat grinder... \$1.25
Chopping knives... 5c
Round jelly cake pans with removable bottom... 8c
Straight jelly cake pans... 2c
Scalloped cake pan with tube... 2c
Fancy shaped cake cutters... 2c
Round Angel food pans with tube and feet... 19c
Square pie pans... 5c
Deep bread pans... 5c
Enamel pie pans... 7c
Surprise egg beaters... 1c
Dover egg beaters... 7c
Lyon egg beaters... 19c
Crumb tray and scraper... 7c
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Mail Bidders Combine. WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—The post-office department has discovered the existence of a combine of speculative mail contract bidders looking to the control of the bids and evasion of the 50 cent war tax imposed on their contract bonds. Some weeks ago the department was approached with a view to ascertaining its attitude on such organizations, and prompt notice was given that it would be regarded as illegitimate. Notwithstanding this the department authorities have found that a considerable number of these bidders or agents have gotten together, formed an arrangement for opening their own bids and selecting ostensibly the lowest for filing with the department, suppressing the others and thus saving the revenue accruing the government from the large number of competitive bids submitted.

A Baron is Disgraced. LEXINGTON, Ky., Nov. 17.—Baron Waldeck de Villamil, an Austrian nobleman and a captain of the Seventh volunteer infantry (immunes), is in disgrace, and has left for parts unknown. A few days ago he was discharged from his regiment for various offenses, principal among which was refusing to pay his debts. Villamil claimed to be a cousin to the late Empress of Austria, and sent a telegram of condolence to Emperor Francis Joseph at the time of her tragic death. Important Change in Time on Nickel Plate. Concerning Sunday, November 15th, the New York and Boston Express will leave Chicago daily at 10:20 a. m., instead of 10:33 a. m., as formerly. Other trains will leave daily at 2:55 p. m. and 10:55 p. m., as heretofore. The same high standard of thorough train service and excellent equipment will be maintained, as in the past. No extra fares will be charged on any train. Rates of fare will be the lowest. Sleeping car space may be reserved for any future date Chicago passenger station, Van Buren street and Pacific Ave., on the Loop. City ticket office 111 Adams street.

SOME VERY PLAIN LANGUAGE. Joseph Chamberlain Very Explicit as to Nile Valley. MANCHESTER, Nov. 17.—At the National Liberal Unionists' conference here yesterday, Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, made his first public speech since his return from the United States. Mr. Chamberlain, who was much more explicit on the subject of Anglo-French relations than any of his colleagues in the cabinet has been, said it was the "hope of every friend of peace that the French withdrawal from Fashoda is indicative of their acceptance of the principle of British control of the whole valley of the Nile, regarding which there cannot be any discussion whatever." "If better relations are to be established it will be necessary for French politicians to abandon tactics whose object has been to embarrass British policies in quarters where the French have no interests to protect. I refer especially to Newfoundland, where, despite the fact that the French fishery interests have declined to a comparatively insignificant point, the demands of the French have continually increased and their interference with the development of this colony has increased." "At the present moment Newfoundland is seriously suffering from an

Intervention which is of no advantage to France although a serious detriment to the British colony. If the Fashoda incident only serves to disabuse foreign statesmen of the erroneous conception that the British will yield anything to pressure it will be a blessing in disguise." GATARRH OF THE HEAD, NOSE, THROAT, LUNGS, EYES, DEAFNESS, LA GRIPPE AND ASTHMA, BRONCHITIS AND TUBERCULOSIS. ONLY \$3.00 A MONTH. CHRONIC. Nervous and Special Diseases of MEN and WOMEN. Diseases of the Eye, Ear, Lung, Kidney, Bladder, Skin, Blood, Rheumatism and Cancer. Our facilities for treating all forms of Chronic Diseases are unlimited and our remarkable success has never been surpassed. Low Fee System. The popularity of our small charges for treatment is fully demonstrated by the great numbers making daily application for our treatment. Home Treatment. Our Home Treatment by Mail is everything that could be desired for all cases. Book Free. Send for Symptom Book. P. O. Box 448. The Draper Medical Institute, 31 E. Cor. 16th & Douglas Sts., Omaha, Neb. Read the Independent 1 year, \$1.00.

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