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"When the Document Is Published," Says the Minister, "No One Will Be Able to Say It Is Humiliating—It Requests No Truce."

London, July 30.—A special dispatch from Madrid says that according to a newspaper statement Senor Gamaso, Spanish minister of public instruction and public works, said in the course of an interview at Madrid yesterday:

"Spain has not asked an armistice, or even a suspension of hostilities. That would be tantamount to beseeching the enemy not to strike us. We shall never come to that. The message to the United States, while recognizing the superiority of the Yankee forces and their military operations, is confined to terms so dignified that when the document is published no one will be able to say it is humiliating. It asks whether the United States is disposed to make peace, but requests neither truces or armistices. If Manila surrenders the capitulation will only apply to the walled town.

Though it is not likely that the government will decide to prolong the war because of Porto Rico, considerable feeling is manifested and every possible diplomatic effort made to retain it.

Apparently there is little objection to ceding a coaling station in the Philippines provided Spanish soverignty is respected in the island, which, in the opinion of the government and official circles generally, will afford compensation in commerce for the loss of the Antilles, besides procuring occupation for the West Indian army in re-establishing Spanish rule. The American reply is still anxiously awaited.

The Madrid correspondent of The Daily Mail says: "The Spanish government will combat to the last against a cession of Porto Rico to the United States. It would much rather sacrifice one of the Philippine islands, contending that Porto Rico has always been loyal and outside the scope of the war."

Judging from the press opinions anything beyond the cession of Cuba will be considered harsh and unjust. This is the unanimous feeling among even the strongest advocates of peace. The people are beginning to realize that peace will mean almost a total loss of colonies, and, looking to the delicate and difficult position of the queen regent, great care is still necessary to induce the nation to accept the terms.

The Carlist and Republican papers are making the most of the situation, while many of the Catholic prelates decline to comply with orders from the Vatican to censure the Carlist agitation. El Imparcial's Rome correspondent says the pope is so displeased with this attitude of the priests that he has washed his hands of the whole affair.

According to El Liberal the government would not allow even the loss of some of the Philippines to hinder the conclusion of peace, because it is very doubtful whether the country would indorse an army of 40,000 men to crush the rebellion.

One of the leading Carlists here denies the reports of dissension. El Heraldo publishes a warning as to the necessity for closely watching the Carlists as peace approaches.

It is estimated that there are 20,000 persons out of employment in Catalonia.

The Spanish message to Washington was dispatched from Madrid Thursday night. The delay in its delivery at Washington arose from the fact that when Senor Polo de Bernabe, the Spanish minister to the United States, retired on the breaking off of diplomatic relations, and confided the interests of Spain to France and Austria, he left only a single copy of the diplomatic cipher. When M. Cambon received the peace message this cipher happened to be in the possession of his Austrian colleague, who was out of town. The idea is current here that but for this delay the Porto Rico expedition might have been indefinitely deferred.

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Lieutenant Hobson Will Preside.

New York, July 30.—Lieutenant Richmond Pearson Hobson has consented to preside at a public meeting to be held under the auspices of the New York Soldiers and Sailors Families' Protection association, at the Metropolitan Opera House, Aug. 4. The program will be largely patriotic in its character, consisting of addresses, music and songs of a national significance.

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UNBROKEN VICTORIES.

Miles' Army of Invasion Captures Porto Ponce.

RIVALRY IN THE DEPARTMENTS.

Both the Army and Navy Claiming Credit For Victory—Press Reports Show That the Town Surrendered to the Gunboat Dixie.

Washington, July 30.—The war department has received the following dispatch from General Miles, dated Port Ponce, Porto Rico, via St. Thomas, July 29:

On the 26th Garretson had a spirited engagement on the skirmish line. Our casualties are four wounded, all doing well. The Spanish loss was three killed and 13 wounded. Yauco occupied yesterday. Henry's division there today. Last evening Commander Davis, of the Dixie, moved into this port, followed by Captain Higginson, with his fleet, early this morning. General Wilson, with Ernst's brigade, now rapidly disembarking. The troops disembarking from the Dixie are the Sixth Massachusetts and Sixth Illinois.

Spanish troops are retreating from the southern part of Porto Rico. Ponce and port have a population of 5,000, now under the American flag. The populace received troops and saluted the flag with wild enthusiasm. The navy has several prizes, also 70 lighters. Railway stock partly destroyed now restored. Telegraph communication also being restored. Cable instruments destroyed. Have sent to Jamaica for others. This is a prosperous and beautiful country. The army will soon be in the mountain region. The weather is delightful, and the troops in the best of health and spirits. I anticipate no insurmountable obstacle in the future. The results thus far have been accomplished without the loss of a single life. The Spanish retreat from this place was precipitous, they leaving rifles and ammunition in barracks, and 40 or 50 sick in the hospital. The people are enjoying a holiday in honor of our arrival.

The navy department also received a cable announcing that the navy had captured the city of Ponce and landed the forces under General Miles. Both departments are very much satisfied with what has been accomplished, and the tone of both dispatches indicates that the rivalry between the army and navy for honors in the Spanish war is not at an end. The department expects an easy conquest of Porto Rico, and notwithstanding the overtures for peace made by Spain the war will be prosecuted vigorously in that island.

A dispatch from St. Thomas says:

The Port of Ponce surrendered to Commander C. H. Davis, of the auxiliary gunboat Dixie, on Wednesday. There was no resistance, and the Americans were welcomed with enthusiasm. Major General Miles arrived at Ponce Thursday morning at daylight with General Ernst's brigade and General Wilson's division on board transports. General Ernst's brigade immediately started for the town of Ponce, three miles inland, which capitulated Thursday afternoon.

The American troops are pushing towards the mountains and will join General Henry with his brigade at Yauco, which has been captured by our troops.

A fight before the latter place on Thursday last was won by the American volunteers. The Spaniards ambushed eight companies of the Massachusetts and Illinois regiments, but the enemy was repulsed and driven back a mile to a ridge, where the Spanish cavalry charged and were routed by our infantry. General Garretson led the fight with the men from Illinois and Massachusetts, and the enemy retreated to Yauco, leaving four dead on the field and several wounded. None of our men were killed, and only three were slightly wounded.

The results thus far achieved by General Miles and Captain Higginson, in command of the naval squadron, have created a feeling of intense satisfaction among officials of the administration. It indicates, as one official expresses it, that "Miles is cleaning up everything as he goes."

The surrender of Ponce, practically without a struggle, is regarded by the war officials with especial satisfaction. In importance it is the second city of the island. It has a population of 22,000, with a jurisdiction numbering 47,000. Situated on the south coast of the island, on a broad plain two miles from the seaboard, Ponce has advantages not possessed by any other city in Porto Rico. It is 70 miles from San Juan, by which it is connected by the best highway on the island. It is regularly built, the central part almost exclusively of brick houses and the suburbs of wood. It is the residence of the military commander of the district of Ponce and seat of the official chamber of commerce. There is an appellate criminal court, besides other courts; two churches, one of a Protestant denomination, said to be the only one in the Spanish West Indies; two hospitals, besides the military hospital; three theatres, a municipal public library, three first-class hotels, gas works and a perfectly equipped fire department.

A fine road connects Ponce with Playa, which is the port of Ponce. There all the import and export trade is transacted. Playa has a population of about 5,000 and there are situated the custon house, the office of the captain of the port and all the consular offices. The port is spacious, and vessels of 25 feet draught can enter it. The city of Ponce is pronounced by the military authorities to be the healthiest place in the island. The climate, on account of the sea breezes during the day and the land breezes at night, is not oppressive, but is hot and dry.

While nothing definite is known to the war officials yet of General Miles' plans for the immediate future, the statement in his dispatch that the troops will soon be in the mountain country is taken to mean that he proposes rapidly to push on towards San Juan. The lighters taken at Playa will enable him speedily to land the troops of the expedition as they arrive, and it is believed there will be no delay in the reduction of the entire island.

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AN INSOLENT SPANIARD.

He Insulted American Officers in Santiago, and Afterward Got Himself in the Guard House.

Santiago de Cuba, July 30.—General Wood, the military governor, has issued an order establishing an officers' patrol for the city. The first detail will make the rounds at 6 o'clock in the evening and the next at 10. Any officer found in the city without a written permit from General Wood will be requested to report to headquarters. If he refuses the patrol is to take him there forcibly.

General Wood, it is understood, has taken this precautionary measure owing to the fact that the other night a Spanish cavalry officer made himself very objectionable at a club here, insulting, while in liquor, several American officers. None of the Americans paid any attention to him, but later the Spaniard got into trouble with some American soldiers on duty and was locked up in the guardhouse for 48 hours.

General Wood reported the case to General Toral, saying that he does so because he would wish a report made to him by General Toral of any American officer guilty of similar offense. As a preliminary, to strengthen the case, General Wood has instituted the officers' patrol.

Defaulter Warner Taken East.

Louisville, Ky., July 30.—Lewis Warner, the defaulting banker, left Louisville yesterday afternoon for Northampton, Mass., in charge of Sheriff Clarke and Chief of Police Maynard, of that place. A draft for $1,000 was handed Chief of Detectives Sullivan when the officers took Warner in charge. The money is paid as a reward by the officials of the bank which Warner looted. A number of the local detective force accompanied the party to the depot to bid the aged banker godspeed. The parting between them and Warner was very affecting. During Warner's confinement the men had shown him every consideration, and that he appreciated what they had done for him was shown when the time for parting came.

Roof Collapsed, Two Killed.

Boston, July 30.—Late yesterday afternoon the roof of the new plant of the Boston Electric Lighting company, in process of construction in South Boston, collapsed, carrying down seven or eight men who were working upon it. Morris Breen and James Sullivan, both laborers, were crushed by the timbers and probably instantly killed. The other workmen were more or less injured, the most seriously being the following, who are at the City hospital: Edward Donlan, fracture of scapular and contusions; John Riley, injury to side and abrasions; Timothy Murray, fracture of the thigh and injury to back.

To Demand an Investigation.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., July 30.—Leonard Royer rushed into police headquarters yesterday afternoon and requested Chief Briggs to telegraph the police authorities of New York city to postpone the funeral of Baroness Von Puttkamer until his arrival. Royer said the dead woman is his deceased brother's daughter, and that all has not been going well in their New York home of late. Royer left for New York last night. He says he will demand a thorough investigation.

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