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HISTORY OF LAST WEEK

Closing Events In War Between America and Spain.

A Protocol Agreed Upon.
Secretary Day announced Wednesday that a protocol had been agreed upon. Lull in the Peace Work.
There was no important peace development Thursday. M. Cambon, the French ambassador at Washington, merely awaiting authority from Madrid to sign the protocol in behalf of Spain.

Protocol Formally Signed.
The Spanish-American war, after continuing for three months and 22 days, was ended at 4:28 p. m. Friday, when Secretary Day, for the United States, and M. Cambon, for Spain, in the presence of President McKinley, signed the protocol forming the base of a definite treaty of peace.

The text of the protocol follows:
"His excellency, M. Cambon, ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary of the French republic at Washington, and Mr. William Day, secretary of state of the United States, having received respectively to the effect, plenary powers from the Spanish government and the government of the United States, have established and signed the following articles which define the terms on which the two governments have agreed with regard to the questions enumerated below, and of which the object is the establishment of peace between the two countries, namely:
"1. Spain will renounce all claim to all sovereignty over and all her rights over the island of Cuba.

"2. Spain will cede to the United States the islands of Porto Rico and the other islands which are at present under the sovereignty of Spain in the Antilles, as well as an island in the Ladrone archipelago, to be chosen by the United States.
"3. The United States will occupy and retain the city and bay of Manila and the port of Manila pending the conclusion of a treaty of peace which shall determine the control and form of government of the Philippines.

"4. Spain will immediately evacuate Cuba, Porto Rico and the other islands now under Spanish sovereignty in the Antilles. To this effect each of the two governments will appoint commissioners within ten days after the signing of this protocol, and these commissioners shall meet at Havana within 30 days after the signing of this protocol with the object of coming to an agreement regarding the carrying out of the details of the aforesaid evacuation of Cuba and other adjacent Spanish islands; and each of the two governments shall likewise appoint within ten days after the signatures of this protocol other commissioners, who shall meet at San Juan de Porto Rico within 30 days after the signatures of this protocol to agree upon the details of the evacuation of Porto Rico and other islands now under Spanish sovereignty in the Antilles.

"5. Spain and the United States shall appoint to treat for peace five commissioners at the most for either country. The commissioners shall meet in Paris on Oct. 1 at the latest to proceed to negotiations and to the conclusion of the treaty of peace. This treaty shall be ratified in conformity with the constitutional laws of each of the two countries.
"6. Once the protocol is concluded and signed, hostilities shall be suspended, and to that effect in the two countries orders shall be given by either government to the commanders of its land and sea forces as speedily as possible."

McKinley Announces Peace.
After the protocol had been signed President McKinley issued the following proclamation:
"Whereas, By a protocol concluded and signed Aug. 12, 1898, by William R. Day, secretary of state of the United States, and his excellency, Jules Cambon, ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary of the republic of France, at Washington, respectively representing for this purpose the government of the United States and the government of Spain, the United States and Spain have formally agreed upon the terms by which establishment of peace between the two countries shall be undertaken, and
"Whereas, It is in said protocol agreed that upon its conclusion and signature hostilities between the two countries shall be suspended, and that notice to that effect shall be given as soon as possible by each government to the commanders of its military and naval forces;
"Now, therefore, I, William McKinley, president of the United States, do, in accordance with the stipulation of the protocol, declare and proclaim on the part of the United States a suspension of hostilities and do hereby command that orders be immediately given through the proper channels to the commanders of the military and naval forces of the United States to abstain from all acts inconsistent with this proclamation."

Cubans Accept the Terms.

The war department was advised Saturday through the Cuban junta that the Cuban insurgents would accept the terms of the peace protocol between the United States and Spain and that hostilities would cease on their part.

Health Conditions Better.
A dispatch received in Washington Sunday from General Shafter indicated that the health conditions among the troops at Santiago were improving.

Manila Taken by Dewey.
The United States consul at Hong-Kong cabled Washington Monday that Admiral Dewey had bombarded Manila and the city surrendered unconditionally. Captain General Augusti escaped on a German cruiser.

General News Items.
GIBRALTAR, Aug. 13.—It is reported that Mulai-Ab-El-Aziz, sultan of Morocco, is dead.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—Cotton crop report: Condition, 91.3. This is 4.2 points higher than Aug. 10, 1897.

SYDNEY, Aug. 12.—The American colony, through the United States consul, has cabled to Washington praying the government there to retain possession of the Philippine islands.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—Although the war with Spain lasted only 114 days, it is estimated that it has cost the government so far \$150,000,000, of which \$98,000,000 has been actually paid out of the treasury.

YOKOHAMA, Aug. 11.—Violent storms and floods, it is announced in advices here from the island of Formosa, have resulted in the loss of hundreds of lives at Tai-Peh, that island. Great damage was done to property there.

KOKOMO, Ind., Aug. 15.—Joel English celebrated his seventy-third birthday today by committing suicide with laudanum. Fifteen years ago he bought a coffin, which he kept in the house, and he was found dead in it.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—Should the Hon. George N. Curzon, the parliamentary secretary for foreign affairs, be appointed viceroy of India in succession to the Earl of Elgin, as appears certain, he will probably be raised to the peerage before he starts.

LONDON, Aug. 15.—The foreign office, it is reported here today, though the reports as yet lack confirmation, intends to demand that the Chinese government dismiss Prince Li Hung Chang from power on the ground that he is responsible for the recent anti-British attitude of the Tsung-Li-Yamen.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 11.—The steamer Mariposa, conveying the Hawaiian commissioners and 154 men of the First New York volunteers to Honolulu, sailed shortly after 4 o'clock this morning. She was detained at her dock all night, awaiting the arrival of delayed English mails.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—The war department has decided to establish an army camp in the blue grass region of Kentucky and an order to this effect will soon be issued. It is probable troops now at Chickamauga will be marched to the new camp, the exact location of which cannot now be stated.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—The post-office department is in receipt of a letter from an unknown correspondent at Seattle, Wash., who inclosed \$26.88, in order to relieve his or her conscience. The letter stated that the writer had ten years ago robbed a country postoffice of \$15 and this amount was returned with interest at 6 per cent.

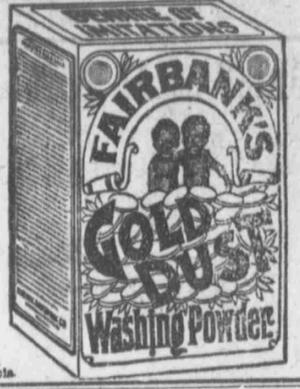
DENVER, Aug. 12.—Miss Blanche Walsh, leading lady in the stock company now playing at Manhattan beach in this city, has been engaged to take the place of Miss Fanny Davenport, who is ill, in the presentation of Sardou's plays in this country next season. She will be supported by Melbourn MacDowell, Miss Davenport's husband.

DENVER, Aug. 10.—Hon. Charles S. Thomas, a leading lawyer and former Democratic national committeeman for Colorado, has formally announced his candidacy for the seat in the United States senate now held by Edward A. Wolcott. State senators selected this fall will hold over as members of the legislature that will elect Senator Wolcott's successor in 1901.

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—A special dispatch to The Evening World from Santiago de Cuba, Aug. 11, says: Jack York of Pennsylvania, who has been serving with Garcia, the Cuban general, has just arrived here. He reports that Garcia has suspended operations for 30 days and given his men permission to go home, with instructions to report to him at the end of that period."

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