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# KINSTON, N. C., THURSDAY EVENING, AUGUST 11, 1898.

The Junta Protest Against Reports

PROTOCOL SIGNED By Day and Cambon. The United States Demands that Spain Agree to It In 24 Hours. Unless Agreed to Watson's Fleet Will Sail Against the Spanish ecretary of War Cables Miles, Coast.

Washington, August 10.-The reply of Spain to the American peace terms not being satisfactory, a protocol has been drawn up and agreed to by Secretary Day and Ambassador Cambon. It is sigued by both parties.

The protocol provides for peace. But the Spanish government must approve of t before tomorrow night.

It is an ultimatum on the part of the United States and the time for its accept-ance is limited to twenty-four hours.

Unless agreed to by that time the American fleet already prepared for that purpose, will sail against the Spanish coast and will be prepared to attack the seaboard cities of Spain.

The French ambassador has been in-structed to inform the Madrid government, on whose behalf he is acting, that the terms of the protocol must be accepted or rejected in their entirety and at once.

Ambassador Cambon has cabled the full protocol to the Spanish government. The terms sent to Spain today are practically those of the first peace proposition sub-mitted by President McKinley, but they are now couched in firm and more imperative language.

Sphin must leave all islands touching on the Caribbean sea at once, and iu the far east must give up Guam and Manila and when that has been done the United States will enter upon a final treaty of peace. It is evacuation first and then the peace treaty. Spain must also shoulder the Cuban debt. The Philippine question is to be left to a commission of ten members to meet in Paris, the United States to retain Manila and the neighborhood pending the final settlement of the question.

Sagasta adds that if any changes are to be made the government itself will make them. The text of the reply of the United States will not be definitely known un-til after the coming cabinet meeting. It is thought very improbable that Spain will now back out of the treaty. It is evident that the Spanish government will be taken by surprise inasmuch as it was evidently expected to provoke a continuance of the correspondence and not to be brought to time with such a round turn as this ultimatum will do.

#### The Negro Draws the Color Line. C. B. Aycock at Greenville.

I was recently going from one town to another and a young negro man was driving for me. I asked if he could tell ed to Ambassador Cambon to affix his signature and that it expected that hostilities will cease immediately. Then I asked him what he thought a white man ought to do? The stammered that "seems to me, sah, dat he orter vote de Democratic ticket, 'cause dats his color." There you have the sit-Today. Alger Denies that instructions uation exactly. No one draws the color Have Been issued to Stop Fighting. Day line so closely as the negro himself. Let a negro vote the Democratic ticket and his race cuts his acquaintance and has nothing to do with him. The negroes are going to stand together and vote the same way. Can white men afford to do less?

Take a Hand in the Game.

Hong Kong, August 11 .- Members of the Philippine junta called publicly on Consul Wildman in protest against the reports that. Gen. Aguinaldo had declined to aid the Americans in the battle of July 31st, and also that he deserted the trenches, failing to warn the Americans of the approach of the Spanish.

The members of the junta claim that Aguinaldo has kept every promise made since he left Hong Kong, also that his life and the lives of the men of his command are at the disposal of Gen. Merritt and Admiral Dewey; that they only desire annexation to the United States. If the junta is to be believed the Japanese government is anxious to take a hand in the Philippine game.

# FIGHTING AT THE ISLE OF PINES.

# Many Spanish Sloops and Schooners Were Captured.

Key West, August 11 .- The Bancroit, from the Isle of Pines, where it has been the flagship of the blockading fleet, brought news of several bot engagements, in which several Spanish were killed and one American life lost. Many schooners and sloops were captured by the fleet, and the majority burned from fear of infection, also because of the trouble of taking them away. The twelve inch guns of the wreck of the Santo Domingo were saved.

# Interesting North Carolina Items II **Condensed** Form.

Mr. Sam Watson, who lives a few miles from Wilson, committed suicide Monday night by taking an overdose of strychine. The Taylorsville Visitor says John Dula, colored, who lives in Caldwell, near the Alexander line, was taken from his home by unknown parties a few nights ago and severely whipped. It is believed that colored friends of his wife did the whipping because he had neglected her for another woman.

The "Worth Bagley Monument associ-ation" was formed at Raleigh Tuesday: President, Hon. W. M. Russ; secretary, T. B. Eldridge; treasurer, D. E. Everitt. There is on hand over \$2,400 for the memorial. It was decided by the gentlemen present to erect in capital square a bronze statue of a naval ensign on a handsome base.

The trustees of the A. & M. College, Raleigh, on Tuesday created the chair of biology and veterinary, and elected C. Curtis, of New York, to fill it at a salary of \$1,500. Salaries of several assistant professors were increased. The executive committee was instructed to investigate the management of the mess hall and provide better food.

In Raleigh Congressman Harry Skin-ner smiled when asked what he thought of Senator Butler's attack on him and said he cared nothing for it. When asked what would be done in the first district he replied: "Our Populist convention meets August 25th. There is no doubt of my nomination. There is also no of my nomination. There is also no doubt that the Republican convention will endorse me."

Another convict has taken French leave of his comrades and guardians at the penitentiary, and retired from the shades of the State prison. This time he was plowing in the penitentiary garden. W'en he got to the end of the row, he just quietly quit plowing in the sun-shine and took to the coolness of the woods. He has not as yet cooled off sufficiently to return to his work. He had about 18 more months to serve.

Mr. John W. Hayes was found in a dy-ing condition by the railroad track in Charlotte Friday of last week. He was suffering from a fearful wound on his head, was unconscious and died in a few hours. It was at first thought he had been injured by a train, but investigation disclosed that the wounds were inflicted by a person. The object of the murder is negro who found Mr. Hayes gave his name as Sandy Johnson and soon afterward disappeared.

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McKinley Consented That Peace

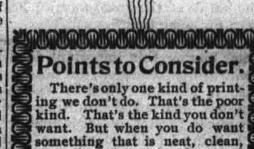


French Ministers Highly Appreciate Mc-**Kinley Having Waived His Request That** Washington Be Theatre of Negotiations. Preparing to Receive Peace Commissioners.

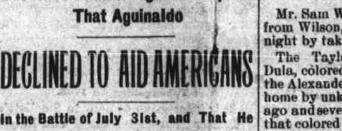
Paris, August 11.-The following dispatch has been received by Del Casse from Cambon: "President DcKinley has consented that peace negotiations take place in Paris, giving as his reason his desire to pay France a compliment."

The French ministers highly appreciate McKinley's having waived his original request that Washington be the theatre of the peace negotiations.

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Deserted Trenches, Failing to Warn Americans of the Spanish Approach. Junta Says Aguinaldo Has Kept Every Promise. Desire Only Annexation to United States. Japanese Anxious to

# SPAIN SATISFIED.

Formal Approval to be Cabled Cambon Says War is at an End.

Washington, August 11,-Advices have been received that Spain is satisfied with the protocol, also that her formal approval of same will be cabled to Cambon today.

Secretary Alger, at 11 o'clock, denied that instructions to stop fighting had been sent to Miles, Shafter and Merritt. Secretary Day says the war is at an and and will be so officially declared before tomorrow night.

Ships now in southers waters will be ordered north for repairs, this action being dependent upon the receipt before twelve o'clock tonight of formal instructions from Madrid to sign the protocol.

In the note sent the government at Madrid the time limit of 48 hours was set for a reply, which time expires at midnight.

# ROUGH RIDERS ARRIVE.

# Much Confusion Still Prevails at Montauk Point.

Montauk Point, August 11,-The members of the "Rough Riders," not included in the Santiago detachment, arrived this morning.

Much confusion still prevails, the government being unable to furnish accommodation or supplies, there still being same trouble among the laborers.

# Spain's Loss in Warships.

Washington, August 11 .- According to the Madrid press, Spain has lost since the beginning of the war 12 cruisers, 2 torpedo boat destroyers and 21 gun-bosts; a total of 35 warships, the total tonnage of which was 48,165. [And the United States didn't lose even one ves--1.1

#### Populists Kicked Overboard. News Observer.

In Halifax county in 1894 and in 1896, the Republicans used the Populists to 'put life into the dead hulk of the Republican party." In 1898, having enough negro voters to win over a solid white opposition, the Republicans have kicked their Populist friends overboard and de-cided to take all the offices for themselves and leave the Populists out in the cold. That will make those white office-holders, who were willing to betray their race for an office, very sick. They ought to quit filling their bellies with the husks fed to swine and help put an end to negro domination in the State.

#### Has Joined the Democratic Party. ilmington Star.

# Stephen A. Douglas, Jr., of Chicago, who during the reconstruction period lived in this State, and was then and has lived in this State, and was then and has since been a Republican, has joined the Democratic party, because he believes in "a government of the people, for the peo-ple and by the people," which is not the kind of a government the Republican party with its trusts and combines gives us. We do not know whether "Steve" cuts a wide awath in politics out there or not, but he is a clever little fellow and weighs about 250 nounds weighs about 250 pounds.

The First North Carolina Will Not Go to Porto Rico.

Washington, D. C., August 9.-A dis-atch was received this morning from len. Miles saying he would not need any more troops in Posto Rico, whereupon the orders' were revoked under which General Wade was to go to Porto Rico. The eighteen regiments, including the first North Carolina volunteers, which were to accompany him, will remain in camp until further orders. Italy Gives Colombia More Time.

Washington, August 11.-A cablegram was received from Rome today saving that out of regard to the United States. the Italian government had telegraphed the Colombian government giving it eight months additional time to settle with Corruti's creditors, under the terms of the Cleveland award.

# **Planning to Govern Porto Rico.**

Washington, August 11 .- Secretary Alger and Attorney General Griggs held a conference with the president this morning over plans for the government of Porto Rico, resulting in a dispatch being forwarded to Gen Miles, outlining the state of affairs to date.

#### Shafter's Sanitary Report.

Washington, August 11 .- Shafter's sanitary report for August ninth shows: Total sick, 2,830; total new cases fever, 230; number deaths, 14.

# Immunes Bound for Santiago.

New York, August 11 .- The eighth Illinois regiment of negro volunteers arrived this morning to take passage on the Yale for Santiago.

# What a Whopper.

M. C. Pilot.

The Clinton, Sampson county, Demo-crat says that 'Squire Gibbins, of Clinton, raised a cucumber in his garden this season which measured three feet in length and three inches in diameter. And we suppose the soil is not very well adapted to the cultivation of encumbers, either. Eh?

Skinner\_Has Donned Holton's Uniform. ews-Observer.

Three months ago State Chairman Hoiton said he would soon put the Re-publican uniform on the Populists. Harry Skinner, who was here yesterday, had it on gold lace, trust buttons, corporation spurs and all. But "there are others." No honest Populist will wear it, Mr. Hol-

### Dog Days-When They Begin and End. Asheville Citizen.

The question is frequently asked, "When did dog days begin?" Almanacs differ on the question, and it is because there seems to be no fixed or certain time for their commencement or continuation.

The Century dictionary says: "Various dates, from July 3 to August 15, have been assigned for the first dog day, and various durations, from 30 to 54 days. Pliny says they began with the heliacal rising of Procyon (a star or constellation rising a little before the dog star), which took place, he says, July 19th, and this date has been widely ac-

cepted. "Hippocrates (450 B. C.) says the dog days were in the hottest and most unhealthy part of the summer. If the sea-son was of Babylonian origin, it would originally probably have been in early summer. Perhaps they are now most usually reckoned from July 8 to August 11, inclusive."

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