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## SENSATIONAL SUICIDE.

### EX-INSPECTOR VELAZQUEZ OF THE MEXICO CITY POLICE

Was Found Dead in His Red With a Bullet Hole in His Brain.—Confessed to Killing Arroyo, Diaz's Assassinant.

City of Mexico, Sept. 24—Ex-Inspector General of Police Eduardo Velazquez, at the early age of 32 years, lies tonight a corpse, having taken his life in Belem prison at about half-past 9 o'clock this morning by shooting himself. He was a proud man, exceedingly reserved, rarely being known to smile, and very ambitious, his rise from a humble position through various posts to the command of the police force being sufficiently rapid to attract attention to him as a man of great talent.

Since the alleged lynching plot was exposed and he, with other officials of the police force, was imprisoned, he has shown a marked changed, being extremely reticent and evidently suffering from intense nervous strain. He was subjected yesterday to a long examination by Judge Flores, and at the conclusion of that ordeal, on his return to his room in prison, it was noted that he showed great dejection and anguish of mind. He had always been in the habit of retiring late and in prison kept up his custom, rising about 10 o'clock, except when his presence was required by the judge. Last night he retired late and at 11 o'clock this morning the warden of the prison went to call him. The warden went to the bedside of Velazquez and said in a friendly tone, as he knew the prisoner well: "Come, my boy, it's time to get up; the judge wants you."

Receiving no answer, he began to shake him, saying: "Don't be lazy," when he noted that Velazquez had a bullet wound in the right temple, and on investigating further found a small two-barreled pistol with which the act had been committed. The weapon was a small one, and the muzzle had been placed so close to the temple and pressed into the skin that practically it made no noise on being discharged, hence the reason of no report being heard by the guards. How the pistol reached the prisoner is under investigation, and a certain person is suspected. The body lay in a perfectly natural position, one arm on the bed, the other thrown across the body, and the eyes were closed and face perfectly tranquil.

The warden immediately notified the judicial authorities, who went at once to the room of the suicide and summoned medical men.

Judge Flores said that he had given the strictest orders, foreseeing that Velasquez might attempt suicide, that he be carefully watched and every precaution taken to keep the weapons from him. At first the authorities were inclined to censure Colonel Campuzano, the warden.

During the afternoon relatives of the dead man were allowed to enter the prison, which had been closed to the public. The doctors had concluded the examination and had found that death must have been instantaneous. The bullet was imbedded in the brain. Judging by the temperature of the stomach, the physicians came to the conclusion that the act must have been committed about half past 9 o'clock this morning. Velasquez had supped very lightly, and the remains of his repast were on the table by his side. The body was then dressed and delivered to relatives.

A letter was found in the room in which Velasquez made his statement to the public, saying his death was, he felt, the satisfaction he owed to society, and he should, therefore, give that satisfaction by leaving the world. He also said that the crime was suggested to him by Inspector Villavicencio of the Second police district, who is in prison. Velasquez added that under any other circumstances, not having been in high official authority, nothing could have induced him to take part in the crime. He felt, it is said, that his loyalty to the chief magistrate, whose life had been attempted, demanded that he should put Arroyo to death. In fact, he said this repeatedly on being questioned.

It is generally felt by his friends that Villaviceneio was his evil star, having from the time Velasquez became chief of police gained a remarkable influence over him, although he was warned by those who had his welfare at heart to beware of the man.

Velasquez had a very large acquaintance, having been employed after leaving college in the department of finance, and was secretary to the finance minister. At one time he was connected with the newspaper El Combate, and had at an early age been elected to congress. He had effected many reforms during his incumbency as inspector.

## YELLOW FEVER AT CAIRO.

Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 19.—A special to the Commercial Appeal from Cairo, Ill, says:

Dr. Guiteras, the yellow fever expert, who arrived here from Mobile at noon, has pronounced the two suspicious cases at the marine hospital to be yellow fever of a mild form. Owing to the prompt measures taken there is no danger of its spreading. The hospital is thoroughly guarded.

## YELLOW FEVER SITUATION.

Four Deaths and Ten New Cases at New Orleans—Three New Cases and Three Deaths at Mobile—Thirty New Cases at Edwards, and Fifteen at Biloxi.

New Orleans, La., Sept. 24.—The fever situation in this city has not improved in the past twenty-four hours. The record for that period is ten new cases and four deaths, duplicating the record of yesterday. The cool weather has not done much other than increasing the death rate, the percentage up to date as compared with the total number of deaths being a trifle over 15 per cent. This is not excessive as compared with other outbreaks, but in view of the mildness of the fever it would seem to indicate that the fever is not so mild after all.

Mobile's record for today is three new cases and three deaths; that of Edwards, Miss., thirty new cases, and that of Biloxi fifteen, with no deaths.

There has been a great deal of excitement in this city over the burning of a portion of the Beauregard public school by a number of lawless residents of the Third and Fourth wards of the city because the health authorities selected the building as the location of a temporary hospital for the treatment of the indigent fever patients. The mayor expressed himself forcibly on the matter today. He said that the school should be used as hospital, and that he would have the leaders of the incendiary mob imprisoned. The stand of the mayor is applauded generally. It was feared that trouble would have ensued tonight, but no demonstration was made and the damaged buildings is now in the hands of the Charity hospital authorities.

Freights are now being shipped out of the city after disinfection by the United States authorities. The present quarantine panics of the country generally are condemned because of the fact that there is no possibility of infection by the transmission of certain classes of freights, and United States officials are striving earnestly to lessen the hardships of the quarantine by disinfecting freights and giving their certificates to that effect.

Yesterday's record:

| | New cases | Deaths |
|---|---|---|
| New Orleans | 10 | 4 |
| Edwards | 30 | 0 |
| Mobile | 3 | 3 |
| Ocean Springs | 1 | 0 |
| Biloxi | 15 | 0 |
| Scranton | 3 | 0 |
| Pascagoula | 0 | 0 |

## CHINESE CAPTURED.

San Diego, Cal., Sept. 24.—Six Chinese were captured before daylight at Dulzura, thirty-five miles east of this city on the Mexican border. They were in the act of entering American territory. Simultaneously with their capture comes a story told by Sheriff Jenkins to the effect that the wily heathens had taken advantage of the deportation law to secure for themselves a free trip home to China whenever they wish to go. This state of affairs, it was learned, prevails as far east as El Paso. The sheriff there, who was in San Francisco recently, told Sheriff Jennings that a great number of Chinese recently captured had led to evidence that they deliberately caused their own capture, for the purpose of going back to China free of charge.


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## GERMANY IS CONSIDERING.

Paris, Sept. 24.—Figaro advises the government that Germany is earnestly considering whether Europe should "allow the United States to drive Spain out of Cuba," and recalls the fact that the war of 1870 arose from the mistakes made by French diplomats in regard to Spain.

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