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**EARLY RETURN  
OF INDICTMENTS**

Grand Jury at Los Angeles  
Proceeding With Inquiry Into  
Times Explosion—Five Men  
May be Indicted

**SIX WITNESSES  
EXAMINED YESTERDAY**

San Francisco Men Tell About  
Procuring of Powder at Giant  
Works—Mr. Rogers Also  
Testifies

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 2.—The assembling of the thirty witnesses from San Francisco and vicinity marked a phase of the grand jury investigation of the Times disaster today, for which the return of indictments is expected to supply the climax within a week. Three true bills are confidently anticipated by officials of the district attorney's office. There may be four, and possibly two more. Three or four indictments will name the alleged principals in the plot which resulted in the destruction of the Los Angeles Times plant and the death of 21 of its men. The other two will bring suspected aides of the plotters to trial as accessories.

Six witnesses were examined today. Among them were Earl Rogers, who directed the search for evidence in the north, and J. D. Zianini, a powder expert. The other four were from San Francisco and vicinity. Twenty-six more, including Olat Twitmore, Anton Johansson, and others prominent in union labor circles of San Francisco, were waiting the call of the inquisitors when the grand jury adjourned until tomorrow.

The examination of the witnesses was laid by the survivors of the disaster, who testified Friday and Monday. The line of inquiry taken by the grand jury today was indicated by the witnesses called to the stand this morning and afternoon.

Besides Rogers and Zianini, there were Geo. H. Phillips, assistant manager of the Giant powder works; Bruce McCaull, shipping clerk at Giant, who dispatched the consignment of dynamite ordered by "Bryson," "Morris" and "Leonard"; Douglas Burrows of Oakland, whose boat the "Pastime" was chartered by the alleged conspirators; and Harrison N. Nutter, clerk of a waterfront hardware firm, who sold the aluminum letters to make the name "Feeless," which was substituted for "Pastime" on the little vessel.

The examination of the rest of the witnesses probably will require the rest of the week. Then will come the indictments, if the evidence developed can stand the test of the grand jury probe.

Attorney Rogers was on the stand most of the afternoon.

**WRECK OF THE MAINE**

Colonel Jasper E. Brady Says It Was  
Caused by Fanatical Spanish  
Electrician.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 2.—That Jose Zavaldo, a Spanish electrician, working in Moro Castle, and probably a fanatic, was responsible for the destruction of the battleship Maine was the statement made here tonight by Col. Jasper E. Brady, retired.

Col. Brady says he was one of a company of four who investigated the explosion and reported their findings to President McKinley. "Of course, I did not see this man turn on the switch which set free the mines which caused the disaster," said the colonel, "but the evidence in the case pointed directly to his guilt. Three other army officers, whose names I do not care to give, and myself, reported to the president that Zavaldo was responsible. He was later executed upon the command of General Blanco. No one, however, was ever able to learn for what reason."

Col. Brady in an address last night at St. George's Episcopal church here discussed the Maine disaster and attributed it to a submarine explosion. His statement brought forth denials from Washington, stating, among other things, that no military board had been appointed to investigate the case. Col. Brady explains that the board never convened to make its report, but reported individually to the president. Brady was quoted as saying in his address here last night that Cubans were responsible for the disaster. He denied today that he made such a statement.

New Cholera Cases  
ROME, Nov. 2.—Ten new cases of cholera were reported during the last 24 hours, with two deaths.