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THE EVENING TELEGRAPH, from its original establishment, has been in the receipt of telegraphic news from the New York Associated Press, which consists of the Tribune, Times, Herald, World, Sun, Journal of Commerce, Evening Post, Commercial Advertiser, and Evening Express. The success which has attended our enterprise is, in itself, a sufficient evidence of the freshness, fullness, and reliability of the news which we have received from this source. Last March we entered Into a special contract by which THE EVENING TELEGRAPH has the exclusive use of the news furnished in the afternoon by the Associated Press to its own members. the North American, Inquirer, Ledger, Press, Age, Record, and German Democrat, of this city, and the leading journals of the East, North, West and South; and hereafter THE TELEGRAPH will be the only evening paper published in this city in which the afternoon despatches of the Associated Press will appear.

The earliest regular edition of THE EVENING TELEGRAPH goes to press at 14 o'clock, and the subsequent regular elitions at 21, 31, and 41. Whenever there is important news of the progress of the European war, extra editions will be issued after this hour, and before the regular time for the early edition.

PERCY B. SPEAR. One corrupt would-be Indian agent has happily come to grief before he had an opportunity to get among the savages, and those who wish to see our Indian affairs honestly administered will feel gratified that the unfitness of Colonel Percy B. Spear for the position of Indian agent was demonstrated in time to prevent him from assuming the duties of the office. Colonel Spear was appointed an Indian agent at the recommendation of a religious body-the American Board of Missions-the officers of which were compelled afterwards to acknowledge that they knew nothing whatever about him, good, bad, or indifferent. Mr. William Welsh, however, got upon his trick, and took prompt action to prevent him from operating with "ways that are dark and tricks that are vain" upon the savages. Mr. Welsh's opinion of the undesirableness of Colonel Spear for the office of Indian agent has been more than confirmed by subsequent development, for the would-be guardian of the interests of Mr. Lo was yesterday brought before United States Commissioner Biddle upon the charge of uttering and publishing as true a certain false, forged, and counterfeited writing or bond, with intent to defraud the United States. In plain terms, Colonel Spear was charged with having forged the name of Mr. Charles E. Smith as one of the securities upon his bond for \$25,000 as Indian agent. Mr. Smith positively denied having signed the bond, or having even been interviewed by Colonel Spear on the subject, and the other evidence produced before Commissioner Biddle was so strong that he held the accused in \$7000 bail to answer in court. It can well be imagined how the poor Indians would have suffered if Colonel Spear had ever got his agency into operation, and there is a satisfaction in knowing that at least one item of corruption in the management of our Indian affairs has been successfully interfered with. The moral of this whole affair, however, is in the proof it affords of the unreliableness of such appointments by religious bodies, and the almost hopelessness of any reform in the administration of the affairs of the Indian Bureau by means of their assistance. Missionary enterprises carried on by the different religious denominations and supported by private contributions have done much for the savages, but when the Government endeavors to obtain their aid in carrying on the good work of civilizing the Indians, it will find that men like Percy B. Spear will be the men who will be most successful in securing recommendations of good character. This is certainly not creditable to the various religious organizations, and the acknowledgment of the American Board of Missions that they know nothing of Colonel Spear's character when they recommended him was as disgraceful as it was discouraging.

SAN DOMINGO.

WE publish elsewhere a few extracts from a speech delivered yesterday by Judge Keilev on the San Domingo question, by which it will be seen that he decidedly favors the proposed acquisition. His argument possesses considerable interest in a local as well as national point of view, and if his constituents are thoroughly satisfied that the annexation of Dominica will materially increase and improve the West India trade of this port, they will warmly approve his action on this ques-

to be a good investment, if it does not cost too much money, and if it proves possible to reorganize her industry on a productive basis. It is easy to fascinate American imaginations with the idea that we are about to get for a mere song tropical plantations on which ail the coffee and angar we consume can easily be raised, while rich mines abound in their immediate vicinity and a magnifient harbor skirts this terrestrial paradise; and there can be no doubt that if the natural resources of Dominica were put to the best possible uses, she would prove an invaluable gem. The nation already owns immense bodies of semi-tropical land, however, which is capable of growing unlimited quantities of cotton, corn, sugar-case, and pine forests, and the late exposure of Southern proclivities to rebellion is not well calculated to increase the national fervor for new Southern acquisitions; so it is well for Congress to give full consideration to the Dominican project before the bargain is finally closed. All the leading European nations have dabbled in West India possessions, but none of them have extracted national profit from that quarter by any other agencies than slave or coolie labor. Spain draws wealth from Cuba by a series of pinching exactions which our Government would not attempt to imitate. Monarchies may increase the number and extent of their colonies indefinitely, and it matters little in what part of the globe they are located, but before this republic attempts any analogous experiment she should weigh well all costs and contingencies,

tion. On general principles Dominica ought

The character of the Commissioners appointed by the President is generally regarded as a guarantee that full and authentic information will be furnished to Congress before the annexation scheme is definitely disposed of; and the public are anxiously looking forward to their report. Their condemnation will kill the scheme; a division of opinion among them will weaken it; while no matter how strongly they end ree it, it will still encounter the bitter opposition of the Democracy and the antigonism of a portion of the Republicans; so that all the energy and influence of the administration will be needed to ensure the triumph of its pet pro-

In statesmanship it is a difficult thing to take admirable care of all the important interests of existing territory at a moment when valuable acquisitions are being made, and if one of these objects is to be subordinate to the other, it is manifestly better to sacrifice the second rather than the first. If, however, Congress is fully convinced that Grant is governing the country in an admirable fashion, this opinion will furnish a fair reason for extending the blessings of his benign rule over the downcast Dominicans, in addition to that based on the material resources of the proposed asquisition.

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