necessary and acknowledged incident of

These refugees have very recently, without formal safe conduct, but by the acquiescence of the Chilean authorities, been placed on board the Yorktown and are now being conveyed to Callao, Peru.

Disrespect to Our Legation. This incident might be considered wholly closed but for the disrespect manifested towards this government by the close and offensive police surveillance of the legation premises which was manifested during most of the period of the stay of the refugees therein.

After the date of my annual message and up to the time of the transfer of the refugees to the Yorktown the legation premises seem to have been surrounded by police in uniform, and police agents or detectives, in citizens' dress, who offensively scrutinized persons entering or

eaving the legation and, on one or more occasions, arrested members of the min-

ister's family. Commander Evans, who, by direction, recently visited Mr. Egan at Santiago, in his telegram to the navy department, described the legation as "a veritable prison," and states that the police agents or detectives were, after his arrival,

withdrawn during his stay.
It appears further, from the note of Mr. Egan of Nov. 20, 1891, that on one occasion at least these police agents, whom he declares to be known to him, invaded the legation premises, pounding upon its windows and using insulting and threatening language towards per-

The Chilean authorities have, as will be observed from the correspondence, charged the refugees and the inmates of the legation with insulting the police; but it seems to me incredible that men whose lives were in jeopardy and whose safety could only be secured by retire-ment and quietness, should have sought to provoke a collision which could only end in their destruction.

The Attack on Our Sailors. But the most serious incident disclosed by the correspondence is that of the attack upon the sailors of the Baltimore in the streets of Valparaiso on October 18

We have now received from the Chilean government an abstract of the conclusions of the fiscal general upon the testimony taken by the judge of crimes in an investigation which was made to extend over nearly three months. I very much regret to be compelled to say that this report does not enable me to modify the conclusion announced in my annual

I am still of the opinion that our sail-ors were assaulted, beaten, stabbed and killed, not for anything they or any one of them had done, but for what the gov-ernment of the United States had done, or was charged with having done, by

its civil officers and naval commanders. If that be the true aspect of the case the injury was to the government of the United States, not to these poor sailors who were assaulted in a manner so brutal and so cowardly.

The Baltimore was in the harbor of Valparaiso by virtue of that general in-vitation which nations are held to extend to the war vessels of other powers with which they have friendly relations. This invitation, I think, must be held

ordinarily to embrace the privilege of such communication with the shore as is reasonable, necessary and proper for the comfort and convenience of the officers and men of such vessels. Captain Schley's Testimony.

Captain Schley testifies that when his vessel returned to Valparaiso on Sept. 14, the city officers, as is customary, extended the hospitalities of the city to his officers and crew.

It is not claimed that every personal collision or injury in which a sailor or officer of such naval vessel visiting the shore may be involved raises an inter-

national question. But I am clearly of the opinion that where such sailors or officers are assaulted by a resident populace, animated by hostility to the government whose uniform these sailors and officers wear, and in resentment of acts done by their government, not by them. their nation must take notice of the event as one involving an infraction of its rights and

dignity.

The officers and sailors of the Baltimore were in the harbor of Valparaiso under the orders of their government, not by their own choice.

They were upon the shore by the in-plied invitation of the government of Chile, and with the approval of their

commanding officer.

And it does not distinguish their case from that of a consul that his stay is more permanent or that he holds the express invitation of the local government to justify his longer residence. Nor does it affect the question that the injury was the act of a mob.

Cause of the Attack. The president then reviews the incidents of the affair, asserting that the sailors who were attacked were sober and well behaved, which was verified by the Sisters of Charity at the hospital

whence they were taken. He proceeds: The testimony of Talbot, an apprentice who was with Riggin, is that the outbreak in which they were involved began by a Chilean sailor spitting in the face of Talbot, which was resented by a knockdown. These two men were im-mediately beset by a crowd of Chilean citizens and sailors, through which they broke their way to a street car and en-tered it for safety. They were pursuad, driven from the car, and Riggin was so seriously beaten that he fell in the street apparently dead. There is nothing in the report of the Chilean investigation made to us that seriously impeaches this

At the Mercy of the Mob. It appears from Chilean sources that almost instantly, with a suddenness that strongly implies meditation and prepar-ation, a mob, stated by the police au-thorities at one time to number 2,000 and at another 1,000, was engaged in the

assault upon our sailors, who are represented as resisting "with stones, clubs and bright arms." The report of the intendente of Oct. 30 states that the fight began at 6 p. m. and that the police arrived on the scene at 6:30, a full half hour after the assault

At that time he says that a mob of 2,000 men had collected and that for several squares there was the appearance of "a real battlefield."

The scene at this point is very graphi-cally set before us by the Chilean testi-The American sailors, who, after so long an examination, have not been found guilty of any breach of the peace, so far as the Chilean authorities are able to discover, unarmed and de-fenseless, are fleeing for their lives, pur-sned by overwhelming numbers and

fighting only to aid their own escape from death or to succor some mate whose life is in greater peril. Eighteen of them are brutally stabbed and beaten, while one Chilean seems, from the re-

port, to have suffered some injury. The president then refers to the evidence to prove that our sailors were unarmed, and quotes from a Chilean newspaper to prove that they were at the mercy of a mob, and says of the alleged charges against them:

Our Sailors Not Guilty. No amount of evasion or subterfuge is able to cloud our clear vision of this

brutal work. It should be noticed in this connection that the American sailors arrested after an examination were, during the four days following the arrest, every one discharged, no charge of any breach of the peace or other criminal conduct having been sustained against a single one of

The judge of crimes, Foster, in a note to the intendente, under date of Oct. 22

the disparent from this govern ment of the following day, which aroused the authorities of Chile to a better sense of the gravity of the affair-

says:
"Having presided temporarily over this court in regard to the seamen of the United States cruiser Baltimore, who have been tried on account of deplorable

conduct which took place," etc.

The noticeable point here is that our sailors had been tried before the 22d of October, and that the trial resulted in their acquittal and return to their vessel.

It is quite remarkable and quite characteristic of the management of this affair by the Chilean police authorities that we should now be advised that Sea-man Davidson, of the Baltimore, has heen included in the indictment, his offense being, so far as I have been able to ascertain, that he attempted to defend a shipmate against an assailant who was striking at him with a knife. The perfect vindication of our men is furnished by this report. One only is found to have been guilty of original fault, and

that for an act clearly justifiable. As to the part taken by the police in the affair the case made by Chile is also far from satisfactory. The point where Riggin was killed is only three minutes' walk from the police station, and not more than twice that distance from the intendencia, and yet, according to their official report, a full half hour elapsed after the assault began before the police were upon the ground.

Chilean Hatred of Americans. The evidence of existence of animosity towards our sailors in the minds of the sailors of the Chilean navy, and of the populace of Valparaiso, are so abundant and various as to leave no doubt in the mind of any one who will examine the papers submitted.

It manifested itself in threatening and insulting gestures towards our men as they passed the Chilean men-of-war in their boats, and in the derisive and abusive epithets with which they greeted every appearance of an American sailor on the evening of the riot.

Captain Schley reports that boats from the Chilean war ships several times went out of their course to cross the bows of his boats, compelling them to back water. He complained of the discour-

tesy and it was corrected. That this feeling was shared by men of higher rank is shown by an incident by Surgeon Stitt, of the Baltimore. After the battle of Placilla he, with other medical officers of the war vessels in the harbor, was giving voluntary assistance to the wounded in the hospitals. The son of a Chilean army officer of high rank was under his care, and, when the father discovered it he flew into a passion, and said he would rather have his son die than have Americans touch him, and at once had him removed from the

This feeling is not well concealed in the dispatches of the foreign office, and had quite open expression in the disrespectful treatment of the American le-

The Chilean boatmen in the bay re-fused, even for large offers of money, to return our sailors, who crowded the Nole, to their ship when they were endeavoring to escape from the city on the night of the assault.

The market boats of the Baltimore were threatened, and even quite re-cently the gig of Commander Evans, of the Yorktown, was stoned while waiting for him at the Mele.

Chile's Discourteous Delays. The evidence of our sailors clearly shows that the attack was expected by the Chilean people, that threats had been made against our men, and that in one case somewhat early in the afternoon the keeper of one house, into which some of our men had gone, closed his establishment in anticipation of attack, which he advised them would be made upon them as darkness came on.

The communications of the Chilean government in relation to this cruel and disastrous attack upon our men, as will appear from the correspondence, have not in any degree taken the form of a manly and satisfactory expression of regret, much less of apology.

The event was of so serious a character that if the injuries suffered by our men had been wholly the result of an accident in a Chilean port, the incident was grave enough to have called for some public expression of sympathy and

regret from the local authorities. It is not enough to say that if the affair was lamentable, for humanity would require that expression even if the beating and killing of our men had

been justifiable. It is not enough to say that the inci-dent is regretted, coupled with the state-ment that the affair was not of an unus-

ual character in ports where foreign sailors are accustomed to meet. It is not for a generous and sincere government to seek for words of small or equivocal meaning in which to convey to a friendly power an apology for an

offense so atrocious as this, What Chile Should Have Done. In the case of the assault by a mob in New Orleans upon the Spanish consulate in 1851 Mr. Webster wrote to the Spanish minister, Mr. Calderon, that the acts complained of were "a disgraceful and flagrant breach of duty and pro-

That his government "regrets them as deeply as Minister Calderon or his government could possibly do;" that "these acts have caused the president

great pain, and he thinks a proper acknowledgment is due to her majesty." He invited the Spanish consul to return to his post, guaranteeing protection, and offered to salute the Spanish flag if the consul should come in a Spanish

vessel.
Such a treatment by the government of Chile of this assault would have been more creditable to the Chilean authorities; and much less can hardly be satis-"nment that values its

dignity and honor.

The president then refers to the delays Chile in investigating the affair, and incloses his communication to Chile of

last Thursday, as follows: The President's Demands, On the 21st inst., I caused to be communicated to the government of Chile, by the American minister at Santiago, the conclusions of this government after a full consideration of all the evidence and of every suggestion affecting this matter, and to these conclusions I ad-

here. They were stated as follows:

"First—That the assault is not relieved of the aspect which the early information of the event gave it, viz.:

That of an attack upon the uniform of the United States navy, having its origin and motive in a feeling of hostility to this government and not in any act of

the sailors or of any of them.
"Second—That the public authorities of Valparaiso flagrantly failed in their duty to protect our men, and that some of the police and some of the Chilean soldiers and sailors were themselves

guilty of unprovoked as aults upon our sailors before and after arrest. He (the president) thinks the preponderance of the evidence and the inherent probabilities lead to the conclusion that Riggin

was killed by the police or soldiers.
"Third—That he (the president) is therefore compelled to bring the case back to the position taken by this government in the note of Mr. Wharton of Oct. 23 last * * * and to ask for a suitable apology and for some adequate reparation for the injury done to this government."

Matta's Offensive Note. In the same note the attention of the Chilean government was called to the offensive character of a note addressed by Mr. Matta, its minister of foreign affairs, to Mr. Montt, its minister at this capital, on the 11th ult.

This dispatch was not officially com-municated to this government, but as Mr. Montt was directed to translate it and give it to the press of this country, it seemed to me that it could not pass without official notice. was not only undiplomatic but

grossly insulting to our naval officers and to the executive department, as it directly imputed untruth and insincerity to the reports of the naval officers and to the official communications made by the executive department to congress. It will be observed that I have notified the Chilean government that unless this

note is at once withdrawn and an apology as public as the offense made I will terminate diplomatic relations. The request for the recall of Mr. Egan upon the ground that he was not persona grata was unaccompanied by any suggestion that could properly be used in support of it, and I infer that the re-quest is based upon official acts of Mr.

Egan which have received the approval of this government. But, however that may be, I could not consent to consider such a question until it had first been settled whether our correspondence with Chile could be

conducted on a basis of mutual respect. In submitting these papers to congress for that grave and patriotic considera-tion which the questions involved demand, I desire to say that I am of the opinion that the demand made of Chile by this government should be adhered to and enforced.

Uphold the Nation's Dignity. If the dignity as well as the prestige and influence of the United States are not to be wholly sacrificed we must protect those who in foreign ports display the flag or wear the colors of this gov-ernment against insult, brutality and death, inflicted in resentment of the acts of their government and not for any

It has been my desire in every way to cultivate friendly and intimate relations with all the governments of this hem-

We do not covet their territory; desire their peace and prosperity. look for no advantage in our relations with them except the increased exchanges of commerce upon a basis of

We regret every civil contest that disturbs their peace and paralyzes their development, and are always ready to give our good offices for the restoration

It must, however, be understood that this government, while exercising the ntmost forbearance towards weaker powers, will extend its strong and adequate protection to its citizens, to its officers, and to its humblest sailor, when made the victims of wantonless and cruelty in resentment not of their personal misconduct, but of the official acts of their government.

The Case of Fireman Shields. Upon information received that Pat-Shields, an Irishman and probably a British subject, but at the time a fireman of the American steamer Kewenaw. in the harbor of Valparaiso for repairs, had been subjected to personal injuries in that city—largely by the police—I directed the attorney general to cause the evidences of the officers and crew of that vessel to be taken upon its arrival in San Evencies. That testimony is also in San Francisco. That testimony is also herewith transmitted.

The brutality and even savagery of the treatment of these poor men by the Chilean police would be incredible if the evidence of Shields was not supported by other direct testimony and by the distressing condition of the man himself when he was finally able to reach

his vessel. The captain of the vessel says: "He came back a wreck; black from his neck to his hips, from beating; weak and stupid, and is still in a kind of paralyzed condition, and has never been able to do

duty since. A claim for reparation has been made in behalf of this man, for, while he was not a citizen of the United States, the doctrine long held by us, as expressed in

the consular regulations, is:
"The principles which are maintained by this government in regard to the protection as distinguished from the relief

of seamen are well settled.
"It is held that the circumstance that the vessel is American is evidence that the seamen on board are such; and in every regularly documented merchant vessel the crew will find their protection

in the flag that covers them.' I have as yet received no reply to our note of the 21st inst., but in my opinion I ought not to delay longer to these matters to the attention of con-gress for such action as may be deemed appropriate. BENJAMIN HARRISON.

Other Notable Deaths. Lord Gordon-Lennox, in London, aged

Justice Fichtner, the last associate judge on the bench in Blair county, Pa., James B. Small, postmaster of York, a., from a complication of diseases, in

The Kiss as a Salable Commodity.

Six of the prettiest girls in the Lutheran church at Burns, Mich., which held a social the other night for the improvement of its finances, succeeded not only in raising the wind but in letting loose a breezy tempest by wearing placards as large as chest protectors, inscribed: "You may kiss me for twentyfive cents." Of course it rained quarters from a painfully large number of the elderly but shameless gentlemen present, while a suggestion of thunder and lightning came from their incensed and highly proper better halves. Undoubtedly the latter were in the

right. Indiscriminate "Copenhagen" as a means of replenishing church exchequers is ticklish business, and one that is open to question on broad grounds of public policy. The kiss, as one of the highest and holiest expressions of affection, ought to be held priceless. Once let the practice be reduced to a bargain basis, and there would follow an era of competition and of unscrupulous rate-catting which would precipitate a panic in the market and rob the article of all interchangeable value. There are other considerationsthe hygienic risk in these "grippe" laden times, for instance. In fact, there are those who hold that kissing in itself may be contagious; and public sentiment on due reflection will not fail to

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