The Suppression of the Slave Trade.

The State Department has received copies of Spanish official documents, including one intended to render impossible, hence forth, the successful prosecution of the African slave trade in Cuba and Porto Rico The Minister of the Colonial Department, on the 29th of September last, addressed the Queen, saying, among other things: "The opportunity was then come and no earlier than on this occasion, in which your majesty may deign to order the fulfilling in all respects, of what has been determined for the suppression and punishment of the slave trade, by the resolution of the joint Committee of Congress and Senate, voted definitely on the 11th of July of the current year, in what concerns the Antilles.

There is nothing that is not perfectly legal in what is proposed, and relatively to the peninsula, the Government gladly assumes all the responsibility of the act, that if at any time it be accused of having exacted obedience to legislative measures, deficient in the last form, which was opposed as being merely a regulation, it will always be ready to answer, and will answer by justifying itself through the exposition of what is actually passing in the world. That if it neglected these forms, it was not to invalidate rights, but to sustain them; not to disturb the country, but to leave its interest in quiet; not to strangle and bury beneath the weight of a blind and arbitrary decision the claims of public opinion, but to realize its just desires and to carry them into practice in the government of our ultra-marine provinces, and admit the action of the courts with the promptitude which contemporaneous events impose on the most legitimate and laudable aspirations of all mankind sincerely interested in the prosperity and welfare of our dominions beyond the sea.

The project of law referred to by the Royal decree shows what constitutes offences under its intent, such as the fitting out of vessels and any other act done with them to suit them for the slave trade, as well as the voyage of such vessels towards the coast of Africa, whatever may be their flag; the acquisition of loyal negroes outside of the islands of Cuba, Porto Rico or their adjacents, or their transportation to these islands or to any other point; the introduction of the same negroes into the islands referred to, or the presence in their jurisdictional waters of vessels with cargoes of loyal negroes. Subsequent articles show who are to be considered originators of the offence; who are to be considered accomplices and concealers, &c.

The punishment of death is to be visited on captains, pilots, supercargoes and mates of the slave vessels that may make armed resistance on the coasts of Africa, or those of Cuba, or of Porto Rico, or on the high seas, to vessels of war charged with capturing them; and the said captains, pilots, supercargoes and mates of vessels, that may disembark their crews to acquire, or ransom, or protect, or consummate their introduction, and should make armed resistance to the crews of vessels of war that may land to hinder the theft, or to the public force on the coasts, or in the interior of the islands of Cuba, Porto Rico, or their adjacent islands. Heavy penalties of both fine and imprisonment are prescribed for other classes of offences in connection with this subject.

In view of the reasons given by the Colonial Minister, in conformity with the full State Council, and in accordance with the Council of Ministers, the Queen has determined to decree as follows:

ARTICLE 1. After the publication of the present Decree in the *Gaceta de Madrid*, any person of color—man, woman or child—who may be in servitude in our Provinces of Porto Rico or Cuba, shall be considered as emancipated and free on touching the territory of the Peninsula or its adjacent islands, or on arriving within the jurisdiction and maritime zone of the same, whatever may be the cause of his landing in said territory, or finding himself in the waters of its jurisdiction. Moreover, any person of color, who is a slave, shall enjoy the blessings of emancipation and liberty whenever either in the company of his master, or sent by him, he treads upon the territory or enters within the jurisdiction of any State where slavery does not exist.

ART. 2. In future, condemnation of criminals of color, who may be in servitude to an ultra-maritime presidio, with detention and sale for misdemeanor (noxa), is prohibited. Criminals, who being slaves, on whom punishment in the presidio with detention and its accessories may be imposed, shall satisfy such of the presidios of the island of Cuba and Porto Rico.

ART. 3. If the benefits of the emancipation and liberty authorized by Article 1 shall fall on individuals who should have come to the territory of the Peninsula and its adjacent islands in virtue of a sentence of the courts of Cuba and Porto Rico, being slaves there, the whole or part of the indemnity which was to be expected for the sale of the slave, now emancipated, and which is prohibited, shall be satisfied in the manner which special provisions may determine. In each case said indemnity shall never be greater than the average of what might have been produced by the adjudication of the slave at public auction.

ART. 4. When sale on account of crime (noxa) has for the purpose of the payment of costs of process occurred, these shall be officially declared. In all cases the slaves emancipated, by coming to the Peninsula, shall remain subject in condition as a freeman, to indemnify losses and damages, and civil responsibilities.

ART. 5. The Colonial Minister (Ultra Ma), shall dictate the instructions needful to the execution of the fourth decreed, and for the organization of the presidial establishments on such terms as to be able to carry into effect the other sentences referred to in Article 2.

Done at the palace on the 29th of September, 1866.

Under the Royal Rubric. The Minister for the Colonies. ALESANDRO CASTRO.

From Harrisburg.

HARRISBURG, Oct. 24.—Governor Curtin left Harrisburg to-day, at noon, on his way to Elmira, New York, where to-morrow evening he will address a mass convention of soldiers and sailors, representing the southern and western tier of counties of that State. The invitation which called His Excellency to Elmira was signed by nearly one hundred soldiers, and recognized him as the soldiers' friend of the Keystone State.

It is known at the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, that the official returns of the late election cannot be promulgated before Monday next, and, perhaps, not until the middle of next week, on account of the reassembling of the Judges of the Election on Friday next of several counties.

Members elect to both branches of the Legislature are beginning to make their appearance here for the purpose of caucusing on the object of the organization as to the United States Senatorship and State Treasurer. Among the Republican members, Col. M. S Quay, of Beaver county, is much talked of for Speaker.

Other candidates for the same position will, of course, be in the field, but at this early start Colonel Quay has many friends. He was Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the last House. The State Treasurership, by almost universal consent in political circles, is conceded to its present incumbent, William H. Kemble. Aside from the fact that he stands high with his political party, which has a large majority on joint ballot, he has unquestionably made one of the ablest financiers ever at the head of the Treasury Department. George W. Hammersly, Clerk of the Senate, and A. W. Benedict, Clerk of the House, will be elected without apposition.

It is rumored to-day that the Governor-elect has tendered the Attorney Generalship to the Hon. Wm. M. Meredith, the present incumbent.

From Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 24.—There are various rumors prevailing to-day, which may be true, to the effect that the editors of the *American* and others have been cited before the Grand Jury of Baltimore, by the conservative party, as incitors of of riot and asking their indictment as disturbers of the public peace for incendiary publications. This, of course, is a purely political matter, and has two sides. It will tend rather to excite than allay difficulties.

The Commissioners continue determined to resist Gov. Swann, and to obey their legal advisers at all hazards.

There are no new developments in regard to the Police Commissioners. Their counsel still adhere to their original determination, not to participate in the examination of witnesses on Friday. Rumors have been current here to-day, of the arrival of troops from Washington, but they are incorrect.

It is true that some troops are expected here shortly, to embark for Texas, and that a colored regiment will be sent here to be mustered out of the service—facts which have probably given rise to the rumors of troops being ordered here with reference to the pending difficulties. The interview of General Canby with the authorities, all reports to the contrary notwithstanding, was of a most friendly character.

Mr. Peabody arrived here to-day, and was received by the Mayor and a committee of the City Council, at the Philadelphia depot, and thence escorted to Barnum's Hotel. The trustees of the Peabody Institute also participated in the reception. The dedication of the Institute will take place to-morrow.

The Department of the South.

Major-General D. E. Sickles, commanding Department of the South, has issued an order providing that no officeholders or person on duty in the department, in any capacity, subject to military authority, will be allowed to trade, either as principal, factor or agent, directly or indirectly, in cotton, rice or other products, or merchandise of any kind, within the limits of the district or post where he is stationed. The order provides that no person will be permitted to interfere with the rights of the freed people, in common with all others, to sell and dispose of the products of their labor in their own way, as they may choose.

This order is not to be construed to revoke any temporary regulation established by competent authority prohibiting the sale of products raised on shares, until the crop shall have been prepared for market, and properly divided, nor to prevent an authorized officer or agent on duty in the Freedman's Bureau from acting as umpire in the settlement of disputes arising out of the division of crops raised on shares.

FREEDMEN'S AFFAIRS IN MISSISSIPPI.—Major General Howard is in receipt of a report of the operations of the bureau and the condition of the freedmen for the month of September, in the State of Mississippi, from Brevet Major General T. J. Wood, Assistant Commissioner for that State. Outrages reported during the month were, in every instance, laid necessarily before the State Executive and received prompt and efficient cognizance; all means in the power of the civil authorities apparently being taken to bring the offenders to justice. The educational department of the bureau has received special attention, the support of the schools generally devolving upon charitable institutions in the Northern States, which have nobly devoted themselves to this Christian work. One resident clergyman of Vicksburg has taken an active interest in this matter, and intends to open a school for colored children; and other influential citizens have also expressed a desire to secure educational advantages to the freedmen. Efforts are being made to excite a general interest among the citizens of the State in this important work, General Wood thus hoping to secure the attention and patronage of the citizens, in order that the education of the freedmen may not be neglected or discouraged after the bureau ceases to exist. The drought has seriously injured the grain crop, and it is estimated that the quantity of corn produced will not be sufficient to support the inhabitants of the State beyond the month of January ensuing. The cotton crop was seriously injured by worms during August and the earlier part of September, and recent rains prevented the gathering of the residue of the cotton which was not previously destroyed, rotting the fibre in the boll to a great extent. These causes have worked a fearful ruin, and the most trustworthy information received shows that the amount of cotton produced will not repay the capital invested. The total number of rations issued during the month was 11,925½, being a decrease of 535½ on the issue of the previous month.

Coal Statements.

The following shows the shipments of coal over the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad for the week ending Oct. 20, compared with same time last season:

	Week. Tons.Cwt.	Year. Tons.Cwt.
Shipped North	3,750 00	343,439 13
Shipped South	21,715 18	861,424 09
Total	25,465 13	1,204,924 17
For corresponding time last year:	Week. Tons.Cwt.	Year. Tons.Cwt.
Shipped North	10,846 0	173,628 0
Shipped South	21 269 19	531,899 04
Total	32 110 13	705,527 07
Increase		504,397 20

The following is a statement of the amount of coal transported over the Lehigh Valley Railroad, for the week ending Oct. 20, 1866, and previously since December 1, 1864, compared with same time last year:

	Week. Tons.Cwt.	Total. Tons.Cwt.
Ashburton	.....	757 06
Mount Pleasant	.....	19,202 08
Hazleton	6,988 00	179,695 07
East Sugar Loaf	2,593 06	150,758 08
Stout	409 06	39,541 16
Harleigh	875 12	43,463 03
Ebbervale	655 13	47,892 02
Jeddo	2,675 19	122,562 11
Cox, Brother & Co.	490 09	14,906 03
Council Ridge	2,876 17	80,930 04
Buck Mountain	1,272 19	43,942 14
New York and Lehigh	2 803 09	57,996 15
Honey Brook	2,424 00	109,242 11
German Pennsylvania	391 17	41,779 06
Spring Mountain	3,156 08	119,532 18
Coleraine	1,179 19	28,700 1-
Beaver Meadow	52 16	1,895 0-
John Connery	97 12	8,349 07
Lehigh Zinc	.....	7,464 18
J. B. Reber & Co.	.....	6,542 0
McNeal & Co.	208 17	50,444 1-
Knickerbocker	.....	22,421 14
Coal Run	.....	7,464 14
Rathbun, Caldwell & Co.	651 14	33,839 0-
Glendon	153 06	22,794 18
Mahanoy	.....	10,935 14
Delano Colliery	62 16	24,382 17
H. Myers	.....	8,560 17
Trenton	11 00	248 00
J. & O Bowman	.....	19,617 0-
Silliman	907 06	39,976 18
Baltimore	1,413 19	30,030 01
Shamokin	.....	2,202 12
Franklin	204 14	16,872 14
Audenried	229 02	14,203 0-
Lehigh and Susquehanna	.....	16,631 01
Germania	38 16	8,460 17
Landmesser's	.....	6,457 0-
Wilkesbarre	745 13	51,938 19
Warrior Run	247 03	6,375 18
Parrish & Thomas	557 05	18,383 07
New Jersey	260 10	3,313 05
Union	66 06	783 05
Wyoming	.....	2,284 17
Other shippers	220 14	10,573 03
Total	35,799 16	1,534,543 05
Corresponding week last year	34,187 13	1,203,139 05
Increase	1 692 03	323,404 00

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MASTER'S PEREMPTORY SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.—THOMAS & SONS, Auctioneers.—In pursuance of a Decree of the District Court for the City and County of Philadelphia. In Equity. Andrew B. Wells vs. Sam'l Wagner and Tobias Wagner, Executors, &c., et al. June Term, 1866. No. 9.—On TUESDAY, Nov. 13th, 1866, at 12 o'clock, noon, will be sold at public sale, *without reserve*, at the PHILADELPHIA EXCHANGE, the following described property, viz.: No. 1. EXTRA VALUABLE BUSINESS STAND, THREE-STORY BRICK BUILDING, No. 138 South THIRD Street, between Walnut and Chestnut streets. All that three-story brick messuage and lot of ground, situate on the west side of Third street, between Walnut and Chestnut streets, 15 feet north of Walnut street, in the City of Philadelphia; containing in front on Third street 20 feet, and in depth 120 feet to a 4-feet alley; together with the right and privilege of said 4 feet alley, in common with the owners and occupiers of the lots of ground adjoining the same, and of water-courses therein.
The improvements on the above are a three-story brick building, with three-story back buildings, now occupied as offices.
NO. 2—NEAT RESIDENCE, 216 North NINTH street, between Race and Vine streets. All that three-story brick messuage and lot of ground, situated on the west side of Ninth street, 20 feet south of Sergeant street, between Race and Vine streets, in the city of Philadelphia; containing in front on Ninth street 20 feet, and extending in depth 100 feet to a four feet wide alley, leading into the said Sergeant street; together with the right and privilege of the said four feet wide alley, and of a water course in the same, with free ingress, egress and regress into, out of, over and along the said alley, at all times forever, in common with the said Elizabeth B. Sergeant, her heirs and assigns, owners, tenants and occupiers of the other lots of ground bounding thereon, and of laying down and repairing pipes of conduct in the same, and of attaching pipes for introducing the Schuylkill or hydrant water into the said described premises.
The above is a substantial dwelling, with back buildings; it is in a rapidly improving location, and could readily be converted into stores.
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M. THOMAS & SONS, Auctioneers.
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ORPHANS' COURT SALE.—Estate of EMILY A. BRUCE, deceased. JAMES A. FREEMAN, Auctioneer. DWELLING, Twenty-second street, below Oxford, Twentieth Ward. Under authority of the Orphans' Court for the City and County of Philadelphia, on WEDNESDAY, November 7th, 1866, at 12 o'clock, noon, will be sold at public sale, at the PHILADELPHIA EXCHANGE, the following described real estate, the property of Emily A. Bruce, deceased. All that certain three-story brick messuage, and lot of ground situate on the west side of Twenty-second street, at the distance of 18 feet southward from Oxford street, in the Twentieth Ward; containing in front 16 feet and in depth 57 feet to a three-feet wide alley, leading into Oxford street, and with the privilege of said alley.
Clear of incumbrance.
$100 to be paid at the time of sale.
By the Court, E. A. MERRICK, Clerk O. C.
JOHN R. BRUCE, Administrator.
JAMES A. FREEMAN, Auctioneer.
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ORPHANS' COURT SALE.—Estate of SAMUEL NICHOALS, deceased.—JAMES A. FREEMAN, Auctioneer.—FRAME HOUSE, BESTONVILLE.—Under authority of the Orphans' Court for the City and County of Philadelphia, on WEDNESDAY, November 7, 1866, at 12 o'clock, noon, will be sold at Public Sale, at the PHILADELPHIA EXCHANGE, the following described Real Estate, late the property of *Samuel Nicholds*, deceased, viz: All that certain lot of ground (being No. 18 on the plan of the land of Thomas J. Beston, deceased) and the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate on the north side of Paschall street, at the distance of 138 feet 6 inches eastward from the middle of Pear street, in the Twenty fourth Ward; containing in front 20 feet, and in depth on the east line 151 feet, and on the west line 167 feet 1 inch.
$100 to be paid at the time of sale.
By the Court: E. A. MERRICK, Clerk O. C.
L. M. SERVICE, Administrator.
JAMES A. FREEMAN, Auctioneer.
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EXECUTORS' SALE.—Estate of ROBERT ALLEN, deceased.—JAMES A. FREEMAN, Auctioneer.—LOT, NINTH and REED streets, First Ward. Under authority contained in the will of the late Robert Allen, deceased, on WEDNESDAY, November 7, 1866 at 12 o'clock, noon, will be sold at Public Sale, at the PHILADELPHIA EXCHANGE the following described Real Estate, viz: A lot of ground beginning at the northeast corner of Ninth and Reed streets, thence eastwardly along the north side of Reed street 216 feet; to land of Samuel B Rawle, Assignee; thence along the same 112 feet 3¾ inches to Earp street; thence along the same 218 feet 5 inches to Ninth street; thence along Ninth street 144 feet to the place of beginning.
Clear of incumbrance.
$100 to be paid at the time of sale.
By order of Executors.
JAMES A. FREEMAN, Auctioneer,
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ORPHANS' COURT SALE.—Estate of NATHANIEL GORDON, deceased.—JAMES A. FREEMAN, Auctioneer.—DWELLING, S. W. CORNER EIGHTEENTH AND NAUDAIN STREETS. —Under authority of the Orphans' Court, for the City and County of Philadelphia. On WEDNESDAY, Nov. 7, 1866 at 12 o'clock, Noon, will be sold at Public Sale, at the PHILADELPHIA EXCHANGE, the following described Real Estate, late the property of Nathaniel Gordon, deceased, viz.:—A three-story brick House and Lot at the southwest corner of Eighteenth and Naudain streets, 16 feet front, and in depth along Naudain street