

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARCH 12, 1860.

**Fever**—**Black**—**The Anglo-French Treaty**—**The** **Treaty of Protection**—**Philadelphia**—**The** **Post and the Warships System**—**Letter from** **Harrisburg**; **Letter from New York**.—**Young** **Poem**—**General News**—**Martin's Intelligencer**—**Letters** **Remaining**—**Political**—**Offices**—**Up to 1 o'clock P.M.**, on Saturday, March 3d.

**The Troubles on the Texas Border.**—The President transmitted to the Senate, a few days ago, a communication from Governor Feofroy, the Secretary of War, in regard to the difficulties on the Texas border. The report recites, that in October, 1859, General Feofroy, then commanding the military department of Texas, issued orders directing the abandonment of Fort Brown, Bloddington barracks, and Fort Mackinlay—posts on the Rio Grande which were each garrisoned by a single company of troops. He issued these orders with the verbal approval of Lieutenant General Scott, but without consulting him. In fact, John Bull has lost his *place*. Fifty years ago, an enthusiastic lyrst flattered the national pride by singing how Britannia need not bower, no tower, along the steeds; how her wealth was on the mountain tops, and how her banners were on the deep; and how, with thunders from her native oaks, she quelled the floods below.

As they roar at the shore  
With the storm's winds blow,  
All in vain the world has made it of  
paramount little importance how "the stormy  
winds do blow," and instead of native oak,  
Iron plates make vessel's wear.

Only England terribly frightened

but she makes a point of confessing it, while it is a strain to any avowedly English

and that the chief foundation for the outcry made against the removal of the troops was caused by the desire of the English to have

no more expense than was necessary for their protection from invasion, but to obtain the money expended by the Government for their support; and as their assistance was needed to repel Indian invasions, in other quarters, General Tweed deemed it proper to employ them for that purpose.

No such apprehension of danger from the withdrawal of these troops were entertained until September, 1859, when General Twed arrived Brownsville and measured severe citizens, besides committing repeated acts of plunder. After this occurrence, General Twed took prompt measures to restore tranquility in the disturbed region, and, in accordance with the instructions of the Department, he had received intelligence that Brownsville had been burnt, and one hundred Americans killed by Contreras, and that he had ordered out seven companies of foot and two of horse under Major HINTERMEYER. The War Department, immediately upon receiving this intelligence, addressed a telegram to the Secretary of War, to send to the several districts Posts Leavenworth and Fort Monroe, but on the 21st of November it received a second despatch from Gen. Twed, stating that most of the reports concerning Contreras had proved to be false, and that the order sending troops to Brownsville had been countermanded.

In view of conflicting rumors, in regard to the origin of the quarrel, the strength of the band of Contreras, &c., continued to be circulated, but the Secretary of War stated that there is no doubt that the quarrel has now grown to formidable and dangerous proportions. The band of CONTRAS increased until its numbers reached over five hundred, and, having posted themselves in the hills of the Grandes, held up constant friendly intercourse with the Mexicans, and maintaining an attitude of determined hostility to the Americans. On the 24th of December last Major HINTERMEYER, with one hundred and fifty regular troops and one hundred and eighty Texan volunteers, fell in with Contreras, who, however, had withdrawn to the Mexican shore, where, it is reported, he still remains, occasionally firing upon the Americans across the river, and disregarding all attempts of the Mexican authorities to suppress his organization. It, indeed, appears that he has suffered much from Indian troubles, but that he has now become a powerful chief, and that it is the duty of the State to adopt such measures as will prevent further invasions. He states that Texas can, if appealed to, muster ten thousand men in thirty days "to make reclamation upon Mexico for all her wrongs," and he wishes to know whether official aid can be hoped for from the Federal Government.

**Gold and Cotton.**

**Academy of Music.**—Next to Adelina Patti's performance, that of the Queen of Sheba, in the winter session, was that which witnessed the perfection, on Saturday evening, of Verdi's "Siegfried." The manner in which this opera is placed upon the stage, with a perfectly unequalled sense of color, is a work of art in itself, as a fine drama should be.

Now we must say, that

"C'est une chose que de faire un bon

opéra, mais c'est une autre chose de faire un

bon opéra à succès,"

and that is what Verdi has done.

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