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### BELLIGERENT BRAZILIANS

Admiral Benham's Guns Bring Them to Their Senses.

### ADMIRAL DE GAMA COOLS DOWN

The Brazilian Naval Commander Persisted in Reckless Firing That Endangered American Merchant Vessels in Spite of Admiral Benham's Protest—A Few Shots from the American Man-of-War Settles the Question.

Admiral Benham presents an insult to the American flag by firing shots across the bow of Admiral De Gama's flagship. The course of the American admiral is warmly indorsed in official circles at Washington, who think Admiral Benham had ample grounds for forcing De Gama to recognize the dignity of the United States.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 30.—When the navy department closed this afternoon Secretary Herbert had received no further news concerning the critical condition of affairs at Rio that contained in United Press dispatches. It was positively asserted at the state department that Secretary Gresham had received nothing what over from Minister Thompson and that the only information as to Rio Janeiro complications was obtained from Admiral Benham's dispatches as furnished by the navy department.

The cable message from Benham giving an account of the vigorous measures taken by him to stop interference with American merchantmen by De Gama, was received by Secretary Herbert at 10 o'clock last night while a small informal dance was in progress at the secretary's home. It was transmitted in naval cipher and the secretary immediately sent for Lieutenant Mulligan, the cipher translator of the navy department.

Until 4 o'clock this morning Lieutenant Mulligan worked on the message and at that hour handed a translated copy to the secretary, who had remained up to receive it. A copy was immediately prepared for Secretary Gresham and it was delivered at his hotel at 5 o'clock this morning. Members of the secret committee on foreign relations and of the house committee on foreign affairs who have seen the dispatch say its purport is to the following effect:

ADMIRAL BENHAM'S PROTESTS.  
Admiral Benham, finding that Admiral Da Gama persisted in reckless firing that endangered the safety of American merchant vessels, entered a protest. Da Gama paid no heed to this and yesterday Benham sought to force the insurgent admiral by clearing his decks for action. When Da Gama refused to take this hint, Benham fired several shots across the bow of Da Gama's flagship. This had an immediate and salutary effect and the matter ended at that point, so that Admiral Benham's dispatches disclose.

The American squadron consisting of the cruiser, New York, the finest ship in the navy, the cruisers Detroit, Newark, Charleston, and the flagship San Francisco, are of course overwhelmingly superior to anything that Da Gama has to bring against them.

The news of Admiral Benham's action was regarded as such importance that Secretary Herbert laid the matter before President Cleveland early this morning and the two discussed the situation until late in the evening. At 11 o'clock the questions presented were considered at the meeting and press dispatches from Rio Janeiro were also carefully read in the hope that they would bestow some new light on the aspect of affairs. After the meeting adjourned Secretary Herbert declined to make public information sent by Admiral Benham. He said, however, that he had heard nothing from the admiral concerning the reported surrender of Da Gama to Benham, but if anything additional came in from Rio he would make it public, provided it had no political bearing.

ENDORSED IN OFFICIAL CIRCLES.  
The course of the American admiral finds warm endorsement in official circles. An official of prominence told a United Press reporter that Admiral Benham had a perfect right to interfere with Da Gama's movements when they became a menace to the interests of American vessels. The insurgents, he said, had not been recognized as belligerents by the United States or any other nation. They had no right to establish a blockade, but they had done so. Yet in establishing it they took no means to enforce it by giving warning to incoming vessels. He believed Benham had done right and that he would be endorsed by the administration for stopping the arrogance of Da Gama.

Those who know Admiral Benham say he is a gallant officer, ever ready to resent an insult to the flag, but exceedingly conservative and not likely to do anything without considering it carefully. Besides he had the example of Admiral Stanton before him and that was enough to make him doubly discreet. It is the general opinion that Admiral Benham had ample grounds for bringing Da Gama to a sense of the dignity of the United States and its ability to take care of the interests of its citizens.

Admiral Benham had the Newark ready to sail to Detroit, while the New York, Charleston and San Francisco were alert to receive the Aquidaban and Tamandare, which were under steam. Admiral Benham said today: "If Admiral De Gama was contending for any principle or position in which any civilized nation would sustain him, he ought to make a fight, but he is wrong in law everywhere in opposing us."

GERMANS APPLAUD: BRITONS CONDEMN.  
The commander of the Austrian warship has asked Rear Admiral Benham to be allowed to help in case of a fight. The German naval officers applaud Benham, The English officers

naturally are in opposition, while not denying that Benham's position is lawful.

Benham now has two propositions regarding arbitration, but he will not reveal them. A settlement by such means, however, is at present improbable. While angry at his decision the insurgents comment upon Benham's great courtesy and tact in the negotiations. The day before the conflict Benham notified the city authorities that the water front would likely be endangered. A consultation of the senior officers of foreign naval vessels will be held tomorrow on the San Francisco.

### JACKSON-CORBETT WILL

A Secret Conference Held at Crown Point to Discuss Details.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Jan. 30.—A special to the Post from Laporte, Ind. says: Crown Point was the meeting place last night of a secret conference held to discuss the coming Corbett-Jackson mill. Not only will a bid be made for the fight, but a purse of \$40,000 will be offered the contestants.

James J. Corbett is an intimate friend of Will J. Davis, proprietor of the Columbia theater, Chicago, and it is stated he expressed a desire to enter the ring in Indiana, providing there is no prospect of state interference.

### RECENT D. L. & W. ACCIDENT.

An Investigation of the Cause of Disaster Now in Progress at Hoboken.

HOBOKEN, N. J., Jan. 30.—Among the witnesses examined tonight by the jury investigating the recent Delaware Lackawanna and Western railroad disaster, was Engineer David Hoffman, of the South Orange local. His left South Orange two minutes late, he said. He knew the train ahead made no stops between Milburn and Newark and that he had four stops to make. At Newark he was told that the Dover express was a mile and a half ahead, and a broad street he received the O. K. signal. He left Newark three minutes late. He knew a long whistle blast as he approached Sandford's crossing and shut the steam off when within six hundred feet of the bridge. As he was going down a steep grade he applied the air brakes, and finding the train coming to a stop too suddenly, released the brakes. At the same time he saw the run and of the Dover express. He called to his fireman, applied the brakes and jumped. He saw no flag. The whistle at Sandford's crossing, he said could have been heard a mile. Had he been flagged there would have been no accident. The train was going at the rate of seventeen miles an hour and was under control. He could have stopped within 100 feet if the company had taken all the necessary precautions. He attributed the accident to the carelessness of flagman Wharton.

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### IN OUR OWN COMMONWEALTH.

The snow storm will boom the lumber business in the northern part of the state.

Farmer Fred Jacob, of near West Grove, lights his house and barn with electricity.

A road agent held up and robbed Christian Winkler, a school teacher, at Beaver Dam, Blair county.

The senate yesterday confirmed the nomination of U. A. Claus to be postmaster at Lehigh, Pa.

The president yesterday sent to the senate the name of James H. Morser, to be postmaster at Bloomsburg, Pa.

State Senator Markley telegraphs the United Press from Hathor, Pa., that there is no truth in the story of his withdrawal.

Charged with beating his wife to death, Andrew P. Hinderberg had a hearing at Harrisburg and must face the grand jury.

Governor Pattison has received a telegram from Congressman Sibley withdrawing his resignation and stating that a letter would follow.

With much of the stolen plunder in his possession, Harry Dan was locked up at Altoona, accused of robbing the Duncansville postoffice.

George Deering Wolff, aged 72 years, editor-in-chief of the Philadelphia Catholic Standard, died yesterday morning at his home in Norristown.

John H. Williams, for twenty-five years the humorist on the Norristown Daily Herald, has received by acclamation the nomination for burgess of Norristown.

Tomorrow both shops of Orr, Painter & Co., stove manufacturers at Reading, will resume full output after an illness of several weeks. Over 400 men will go to work.

Fires were started in the furnaces of the Belmont mill at Wheeling this morning and the mill will go on full time after an interval of several months. About 400 hands will be employed.

At the Democratic borough convention at Mechanicsburg last night, resolutions were passed denouncing Congressional Representative Betschover for his position on the Wilson bill and calling upon him to resign his seat in congress.

The Latrobe Steel Works company, of Greensburg, last June reduced the wages of their employees 25 per cent, and they yesterday made an additional reduction of 25 per cent, which gives them only 10 per cent of the wages they received this time last year.

By an explosion of gas yesterday morning in the lower lift of Tunnel Ridge colliery near Mahanoy City, three men and a boy were badly burned. They were: August Adams and Wesley Watts, miners; Ebenezer Richards, a laborer, and William Bryant, door boy.

### MR. SHERMAN'S ELOQUENCE

Enlisted in the Defense of the Secretary of the Treasury.

### HE REBUKES THE DEMOCRATS

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Manuel Enriquez, of the Peruvian Legation at Washington, wedded General E. A. McFarlan's daughter at Annapolis and will take his bride to Peru.

Detectives have seized in Guatemala Joseph Han, of Natchez, Miss., who had won \$21,900 in bonds and \$5,000 in diamonds stolen from his sister-in-law.

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hours or more. At Bernice, on the Lehigh Valley railroad, the fall was eighteen inches deep; at Dallas, over a foot, and at Shickenshany fully ten inches. A Pennsylvania railroad train is reported wrecked near Delano, but no one injured. At Delano station a number of men were engaged in cleaning snow from the switches during the day.

A section boss and a Hungarian laborer was struck by an engine, the Hun was killed and Doyle is said to be fatally injured. On account of the drifting snow the men were unable to see the engine approaching.

### A DRUNKARD AND A GUN.

Jacob Brestle While Upon a Spree Shoots William Doell.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 30.—William Doell, 63 years of age, the father of the child, was today the victim of a shooting scrape that will probably result in murder. Jacob Brestle fired the fatal shot. Brestle has been on a prolonged drunk. At noon he entered Schlegel's saloon, at the corner of California avenue and Sedgwick street, Allegheny, and demanded a drink which was refused him. He then asked the bartender for the loan of a dollar, which was also refused.

Brestle then drew a revolver and pointing it directly at Mr. Doell, who was standing by, fired a bullet into his head. Brestle escaped.

### HONESDALE TRAIN WRECKED.

Passengers on the Erie Branch Have a Miraculous Escape Near Indian Orchard.

HONESDALE, Pa., Jan. 30.—Conductor Hardenburg's train on the Honesdale branch of the Erie was wrecked at Indian Orchard, about three miles below this city, at 5 o'clock this evening. There were about twenty passengers on board the train, but beyond a severe shaking up none were severely injured.

Dr. K. H. Gibbons, of Scranton, who was returning home from a professional visit here, sustained a slight bruise on the hip, and Baggage Master Conniff was hurt about the neck and knee by being struck by a tub of water.

As the train was rounding a curve at Indian Orchard the rails spread and for a short distance the train bumped over the railroad ties. The engine became separated from the baggage car and plowed on along the rails, while the cars left the tracks and ran into the adjoining fields. The baggage car was turned upside down, and the smoking car landed on one of its sides. The passenger coach careened badly, frightening the occupants. The air brakes and the steam heating apparatus between the cars became separated.

The passengers were conveyed on the engine to Hawley. This accident is the first in the history of the Erie branch, and no blame at all can be attached to either Conductor Hardenburg or Engineer Benjamin Gardner, who are two of the Erie's most trusted, faithful and careful employees.

### GRIM REAPER'S BIG HARVEST.

Maret L. Saterlie, the first wholesale grocer in Erie, aged 83.

Pierre Jules Cavellier, the noted French sculptor, at Paris, aged 79.

In Saxony, Frederick A. Loewe, the noted Alaskan explorer, aged 68.

Dr. William B. Baker, who was a lieutenant in the Seventeenth regiment, at Bristol, Pa.

Morgan H. Matt, 69 years old, a well known citizen of Trenton, N. J., found dead in bed.

Henry Vanderford, one of the oldest newspaper men in Maryland, at Westminster, aged 82.

At New Orleans, La., James D. Hueston, for many years a Louisiana Democratic leader and office holder.

At Berlin, Germany, Dr. August Hirsch, privy medical counselor and a professor in the University of Berlin.

Rev. Alexander Gilman, 93 years old, for many years chaplain at Fort Whipple, Arizona,