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GENERAL NEWS.

Mr. Quilp inquires if there is any tax on Incompatibility?

Dumas complains that he is too deeply in debt to write well.

The Suez tunnel boasts of a present progress of 782 miles.

Paving streets requires financial as well as other "rocks."

Nye had no idea Constantinople was so nigh New Hampshire.

Calling a man a Ku-Klux amounts to $50 of libel in Tennessee.

Gen. Banks dances with his hat in his hand, continental fashion.

The last prize fight settles the fact that a Collyer is not a man-of-war.

Bismarck is a shining mark for the Prussian opposition newspapers.

"The Congressional Agency" is what Georgians call their Legislature.

Some of the paymasters in the Navy need paying off—with a sentence.

Miss Lucrezia is said to throw a kiss better than any lady on the stage.

Kite flying is forbidden in the streets of New York—all but Wall street.

The Chicago doctors want a few cases of relapsing fever, just for practice.

Cider brandy is yielding to liquor made from sweet potatoes in New Jersey.

It took four days in jail to persuade a New Hampshire man to pay his taxes.

The Governor's Foot Guard, of Hartford celebrates its centennial next year.

Cheese and deep pink are called the Tranpmanish style of bonnet in Paris.

Monogram coat-buttons now make life endurable to New York fashionables.

It is no use for people to think they can inflate the currency by "blowing it up."

Baril, the uncle of the Patti, is to marry a Buffalo lady and go to San Francisco.

Calling a boat race a tournament is as appropriate as speaking of a billiard regatta.

They sentence editors in France. In America editors fix up their own sentences.

The New York brokerages eke out their income by the sale of their photographs.

Free love doctrines in Minnesota have caused a fellow to elope with his sister-in-law.

The Springfield *Republican* thinks it is "very poor swap" of Hale for Butler's nephew.

It does not follow that the gamblers in gold have a "soft" thing because it's "down."

New Bedford reports a velocipede accident. Have the Theban games been revived?

Wagner has published a pamphlet in Paris on the subject of orchestral conducting.

Camilla Urso's cannon shot two artillerymen and a small boy in the "Anvil Chorus."

A wholesale vaccinator of small pox patients—Sheridan—but his vaccine is cold lead.

A Rome railroad to the Golden Gate is the last proposed improvement at San Francisco.

Chief Justice Chase shows up legal leader and Gen. Butler illustrates legal pro-tender.

Eighteen cents was the inducement for a Jerseyman to murder his friend the other night.

It is not considered a good joke in New Orleans to paint a man's front door with coal tar.

London and Paris aristocracy welcome Nilsson to their hospitable boards on an equal footing.

The court circuits are so cut up by Congress that they are called by the lawyers circ-its.

A Tennessee hexagamist left his six widows $5,000 each on condition of their future celibacy.

Philadelphia hair thieves frightened a girl to death the other day by cutting off her chignon.

The Ecumenical Council follows the lead of Congress, and proposes to print its speeches undivided.

John Brown is marching on. He is in trouble at San Francisco by chastising his wife with a chisel.

Saxe broke his arm the other day. Too bad! We hope it hasn't permanently injured his humerus.

A family of five Atlanta children never cry, though suffering all the customary aches and ills of childhood.

Strauss's orchestra has given him a cross of honor set in brilliants, but not more brilliant than his waltzes.

At a recent fete in Paris, Princess Clotilde looked sweet in white satan and diamonds, with roses in her hair.

Whittemore consoled himself by addressing a prayer meeting the evening after his expulsion from the House.

McKean Buchanan administered a "scathing rebuke" to an audience in Owensboro, Ky., for being so few.

Writers of obituary notices, at loss to say anything goodof the deceased, compromise by adding "he died poor."

The Quaker policy is working well among the wild Indians, and their cry is "Let us have peas and garden seed."

Tree women take kindly to cowhide in lieu of the ballot. Two in Newport the other day flaggellated their slanderer.

Jeff. Davis is making a success in life insurance. They say he took 500 policies in three days in Huntsville, Alabama.

The Prince Imperial is taking lessons in fencing, and his father came very near taking one at barricading the other day.

Salt Lake is rising, and when it overflows the city we shall have a solution of Mormons, if not of the Mormon difficulty.

Philadelphia children rejoice that the City Councils will not refuse the appropriation for music in the public schools.

A Worcester man, whose normal sphere seems to be jilting off noses, is named Nihill.—He should be an-Nihilist-ated.

Temperance billard saloons are a failure in Philadelphia, and an agonizing conundrum, as to the reason, is postponed.

Father Hyacinthe doesn't worry about his sconlarization, but wants still more of it so that he may marry his cousin.

A Chinaman swimming for dear life in San Francisco harbor was relieved of a hundred weight of opium by his rescuer, a policeman.

The President and Secretary of War had a consultation on the Tennessee troubles, and it was decided to send a regiment of troops to be stationed in various parts of the State to assist the United States marshals in carrying out the United States laws. These troops will be sent at once, and more will be ordered there if necessary.

Ex Governor McCormick, of Arizona, the present delegate in Congress, believing in the principle of equality of races before the law, has decided to appoint an Indian boy of his Territory to a cadetship at West Point, to keep company with Butler's negro boy, named Charles Sumner Wilson. The boy's appointment will be made out in a few days.

The Ku Klux are giving a good deal of trouble in Tennessee, Kentucky and West Virginia. In the latter State it is thought the Governor will find it necessary to call upon the General Government for assistance to suppress the marauders. In Tennessee the Secretary of State is compelled to ask the Governor for a safe escort to his home, and in some of the southern counties of Kentucky these devils are more dreadful than their father—Satin himself.

The session of the Committee on the "border claims" bill was one of the most exciting nature and far from being harmonious. Members' motives were impunned, and insinuations thrown out that improper influences were at work in connection with this bill. One of the members exclaimed excitedly that his experience, though a short one, at Harrisburg, had led him to believe that with $50,000 he could pass and have signed an act repealing the ten commandments and the four gospels.

The Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, now in session at Frederick, Md., has expressed its entire concurrence in the course of Rev. John Lanahan in relation to the "Book Concern" investigations. It has also indorsed the minority report. It calls for a special commission to make another inquiry into the whole circumstances surrounding this curious affair.

The President has prepared his proclamation announcing the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment by thirty States. He counts New York, Indiana and Ohio, and will not issue it until Congress acts upon Georgia and Texas, although many of the members think he could now issue it with perfect propriety. He contends that no acts of the Georgia and Texas Legislatures are valid until approved by Congress by a direct act to that effect, or by their admission to representation.

The passage of the Georgia bill in the House with the Bingham proviso has alarmed the colored men of Georgia, and a delegation of the colored representatives in the Legislature will be here tomorrow night to urge the passage of the bill with the proviso stricken out. The bill will come up on Monday, and Senator Revels then proposes to make his *debut* as a speaker. He will address himself to this question, and will doubtless have a large and attentive audience. Mr. Revels to-day presented a memorial from the colored members of the Georgia Legislature protesting against the bill as it stands at present, and asking for its rejection.

The passage of the funding bill by the Senate is a complete refutation of the rumors which have been studiously circulated during the last two days that the bill would certainly be defeated. There is a strong national bank influence at work here, which demands that the bill shall make concessions to it or suffer defeat. They don't want to be compelled to bank on low bonds, or if they, are they want a concession in the shape of a removal of the taxes on circulation and deposits. The latter is more likely to be achieved than the former. Bankers are not-lacking that the bill will be defeated in the House, as there are twenty or thirty national presidents and directors among its members. But if Mr. Boutwell wields the influence there that he has been able to wield, the bill will pass without material alteration. The measure has now come to be looked upon here in some quarters as a national award specie payments. The *World's* correspondent says that Mr. Sumner appeared to marked advantage in the struggle, evincing a fidelity to ideas, crudely conceived and expressed, but yet not like others the slave and tool of the banks; and insisting, too, that the attempt should not be made to pay off all the debt by this generation. The bill as passed is substantially the same as reported by the Committee. The only changes are that Mr. Boutwell can only allow one half instead of one per cent. for negotiating the loan, and the payment of coupon in foreign lands and in foreign coins is stricken out.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP.

John Brown will have a prominent place in one of the novels which Victor Hugo is now preparing for the press.

Fanny Janauschek, says the *Theatrical Review*, a German journal, is worth upward of a hundred thousand dollars.

Gounod Saint is the most abominable member of the Mutual Admiration Society of French Authors. Victor Hugo comes next.

Charles Dickens considers Karl Gutzkow and Fritz Reuter the two best living German novelists. He told Julius Rodenberg, the poet, so.

The Emperor of Austria is said to be the most profane monarch in Europe. The Emperor of Russia never swears except when he gets tight on "vodka."

Moxy, the revolutionist who shot an agent of the Paris police, when the latter wanted to arrest him at his house, will probably be sentenced to death and executed.

An unpublished manuscript volume of Madame de Stael, which she suppressed at the request of her father, has been found at Geneva, and will shortly be issued by a publishing house in Paris.

The German journalists who went to the inauguration of the Suez Canal are highly indignant at the discovery of the instructions of the Viceroy of Egypt in regard to their treatment. The Viceroy had ordered his functionaries to treat the French journalists with more distinction than the Germans.

The story recently told by the Paris correspondent of the New York *Herald*, that the Emperor Napoleon III had died some time ago under the knife of the celebrated Surgeon Ricord, and that a man bearing a very close resemblance to him now represented him in the Tuileries, is one of the many ridiculous canards circulating in the suburbs of Paris about the imperial family.

They say that fifty young Radicals in Paris have sworn to avenge the death of Victor Noir, in case merely nominal punishment should be inflicted on Prince Pierre Napoleon. They propose to challenge the Prince successively, until one of them succeeds in killing him. In case the Prince should refuse to meet them "on the field of honor," they will, by turn, watch for him on the streets, and insult him in public.

Marshal Canrobert ordered two soldiers who had shouted his nickname, "Vive le Turcos," after him, to be arrested. The Emperor heard of it, and immediately ordered their release. He said he would not care to be called by the soldiers by his nickname, "Radinque," such appellations being more calculated to popularize a General in the army, and to endear him to his men, than to lower their respect for him. Had not Napoleon the First liked very much to be called "The Little Corporal" by the men of his Guard?

Count Napoleon Daru and some of his ex-Orleanist friends, urged the Emperor Napoleon, the other day, to authorize the Cabinet to lay before the Corps Legislatif a bill authorizing all the Princes of ex-Royal dynasties to return to France. When the Emperor gave his consent, the ex-Orleanists wrote to the sons and grandsons of Louis Phillippe that they might make preparations for a speedy return to France. The Princes, however, are said to have received these letters with considerable displeasure, and to have charged their prominent friends in France with having betrayed the interests of the July dynasty, by making haste to accept office at the hands of a "Monsieur Bonaparte," that being the name always applid to the Emperor by the Orleans Princes.

Here are some extracts from the latest issues of Rochefort's Marseillaise:

"They are arresting! They are arresting! They are arresting so many persons that the prisons are too small. Go on, Ollivier, my nice friend *Hodie mihi. Cras tibi!*"

"Emile Ollivier has had but one passion in his life, namely, that of Justice: He loves her really so well that he violates her."

"The Prince Imperial and his young friends, Conneau, Epinasse, Fleury, &c., hunted yesterday at Villeneuve d'Etang. They did not kill anything. They are children who do not hunt according to the tastes of their families."

"The Republic of Hayti has recently caused to be shot its President, Salnave, who had betrayed it. There was a time when that people aped the monarchies, now it gives lessons to the Republicans."

"Marshal Rirarnobert, as he is now called, reviewed, the other day, the troops at Vincennes. For some time past the illustrious General has paid frequent visits to that place. He is perhaps desirous of picking up there the title 'Duke of Enghiens.'"

FIRST EDITION.

MIDNIGHT.

NEWS BY CABLE.

France and the Ecumenical Council—Count Montalembert Dead—Henri de Bourbon Killed in a Duel by Duke Montpensier, at Madrid—Overtures for the Sale of Cuba Denied—Release and Re-arrest of Masons at Havana.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

FRANCE.

Paris, March 12.—The King of the Belgians is expected here to-night or to-morrow.

Ex Queen Isabella and husband have agreed to submit their grievances to a tribunal of arbitration, to be composed of five persons, one of whom shall be Jules Favre.

The radical papers of this city attack Jules Favre bitterly for having in his last discourse in the Corps Legislatif promised his aid to the Ministry.

Paris, March 13.—Count Montalembert, Chief of the Liberal Catholic party, is dead. All the journals, including the Ultramontane organs, appeared in mourning. The Count was in his fiftieth year.

It is reported that Count Daru will issue a manifesto explaining the policy of France toward the Ecumenical Council. The Count has not demanded that France shall have representation in the Council because of the proposed introduction of the dogma of infallibility, on account of the publication of a scheme which seems to touch the question of temporal power of the Pope. Prisoners say there is no intention of withdrawing the French troops from Rome. They are there to defend the Territorial rights not the religious claims of the Holy See.

Rumor anticipates the Senate will refuse to adopt the *Senatus Consultum* introducing liberal reform in the system of nominating Mayors, and fears are entertained of a conflict between that body and the Ministry.

The Corps Legislatif has adjourned for eight days.

SPAIN.

Madrid, March 13.—A meeting between Prince Henry De Bourbon and Duke De Montepensier took place seven miles from the walls of Madrid. The principals drew lots for the first shot and Prince Henry won. The adversaries exchanged the first fire at ten paces without result. They then advanced. At seven paces Prince Henry fired and missed. The Duke returned the fire with fatal effect, shooting his adversary through the head. The latter fell and in a few minutes expired. The Duke showed the utmost calmness during the contest, but was much affected when informed of the result. As the Prince was poor, the Duke offers to provide for the widow and children. The quarrel was caused by a harsh letter against the Duke which the Prince addressed to Montpensier. Henry was a brother of the consort of ex Queen Isabella and cousin to the Duches Montpensier.

The interpellation regarding the granting of political privileges to Cuba has been addressed to the Government by the Cortes, Gen. Prim replied that no election for deputies to the Cortes had been held in the Island, the authorities reporting that the time had not yet arrived, and that the troubles were not altogether over.

It is reported that in spite of the constant vigilance of the authorities on both sides of the frontier a number of Carlists have crossed into Spain.

In the Cortes, yesterday, a deputy inquired if there was any foundation for the statement made by a New York journal that Senator Sumner had received propositions from General Prim for the sale or cession of Cuba to the United States. General Prim pronounced the statement false.

GREAT BRITAIN.

London, March 12.—The London journals consider the French note to Rome a diplomatic error into which Ollivier was led by following the advice of Jules Favre.

The Saturday *Review*, in reviewing the recent debates on the Irish Land Bill, intimates that difficulties of the ministry feel vanishing before the earnest purpose of both political parties.

CUBA.

Havana, March 12.—Gen. Galoorris and followers have escaped from Comagney and gone towards Tuna.

The Government troops in the vicinity of Trinidad recently killed one hundred insurgents.

Gen. Prim yesterday illegally released the Masons in jail. Captain General DeRodas thereupon placed the Judge in Advocate under arrest and ordered the Masons to report themselves to the city jail as under arrest.

SOUTH AMERICA.

London, March 13.—Advices from Rio Janeiro report the vomito prevails there.

MARINE NEWS.

Liverpool, March 12.—The Calabria, from New York, has arrived.

The arrival of the Smidt has strengthened confidence in the safety of the City of Boston. The belief is now general that the missing steamer will be heard from at Azores.

Moville, March 13.—The steamship Columbia, from New York for Glasgow, has arrived.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

London, March 12—*Evening.*—Console for money 93¼; account 93. American securities: '62s. 90¾; '65s. 90; '67s. 89¾. Ten-forties 87¼. Eries 20¼; Illinois Central 115¼; Atlantic & Great Western 28¼.

Frankfort, March 12.—Bonds flat at 95¾@95⅞.

Paris, March 10.—Bourse firm at 74 francs 60 centimes.

Liverpool, March 12.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 10¼d; Orleans 10⅛@10½d; sales 8,000 bales. California white Wheat 8s 5d@8s 6d; red western No. 2 8s 1d@8s 2d; winter 8s 1d@8s. Western Flour 20s 9d. Corn: No. 2 mixed 27s 9d. Oats 2s 6d. Barley 5s. Peas 37s 6d. Pork quiet and steady at 92s 6d. Beef 103s 6d. Lard buoyant at 63s. Cheese 70s. Bacon 54s. Produce unchanged.

Antwerp, March 12.—Petroleum flat at 57¾f.

Havre, March 12.—Cotton quiet at 134 on spot and 127¾ afloat.

Bremen, March 12.—Petroleum firm.

Hamburg, March 12.—Petroleum quiet at 15 marc banco 10 schillings.

KANSAS.

Unprecedented Immigration—Traffic on the Kansas Pacific Railroad—Colorado Cattle Coming Forward.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

Lawrence, Kan., March 12.—Immigration to Kansas this season is unprecedented in the history of the State. Last evening and this morning's trains on the Kansas Pacific Railroad brought five hundred immigrants for this State. The company has been obliged to order additional railway stock to meet immediate requirements. The first shipment of Colorado cattle over the road has just taken place. There are now ten thousand head at Kit Carson awaiting shipment. A fast night express train is to be put on the road making the time from Kansas City to Denver six hours. Work is now being vigorously pushed on seven different lines in Kansas. Several of our business men have given notice of the resumption of specie payments next week.

FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

(SECOND SESSION.)

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

Washington, March 12, 1870.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The proceedings were devoid of interest and the attendance was small. Mr. Coburn was in the Chair. The only notable incident was the endorsement by Mr. Eldridge of an editorial on the Georgia bill on the Chicago *Tribune*.

Adjourned at 4:15.

NEW YORK CITY.

Underground Railroad Contract—Masonic Funerals—Counterfeiters Caught—Another Vacancy on U. S. Court Bench—Railroad Tax in New Jersey—Suicide of Women—Cuban Address—Various Local Matters.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

New York, March 13, 1870.

UNDERGROUND RAILROAD.

A contract has been signed with English capitalists for constructing the Central Underground Railroad from City Hall to Forty-second street. Security is given in ten millions of dollars. The work begins in June.

MASONIC FUNERALS.

The funeral of Wm. R. Merriam, District Deputy Grand Master of the Third Masonic District of New York, took place this afternoon from St. Paul's Methodist Church. There was a large delegation of the Grand Lodge of the State, and nearly every lodge in the city and Brooklyn was present. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Weston, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of the State, assisted by the Deputy Grand Master.

Another funeral, that of Past Grand Master Holmes, will take place next Wednesday, from Grace Church. The Grand Lodge and all subordinate lodges have been summoned to attend.

COUNTERFEITERS CAUGHT.

At an early hour this evening, Col. H. C. Whitely, of the United States force, accompanied by three other detectives, and an Italian interpreter, entered house forty-three, York street, Brooklyn, and surprised and captured four counterfeiters, Italians, conducting an illicit business, and a large number of bogus three and five cent nickel pieces were found on the premises. The prisoners were being taken to the police station one of them tripped an officer and escaped, leaving his coat in the grasp of the detective.

ANOTHER VACANCY.

Another vacancy on the bench of the United States Supreme Court will soon be created by the resignation of Justice Samuel Nelson. There is much interest in legal circles as to his successor, for which William M. Evarts, of this city, and Ward Hunt, one of the Judges of the New York Court of Appeals, are prominent candidates.

RAILROAD TAXING BILL.

James Fisk, Jr. has procured the introduction in the New Jersey Legislature of a bill releasing the Erie Railroad from the taxes assessed on the company by the Jersey City authorities and placing it on an equality with the Camden and Amboy, which only pays a State tax of half per cent.

SUICIDES.

Two instances of suicide of women with razors are recorded to-day—Eliza Geary, aged 36, residing in Jersey City, and Mary Hedges, a young lady of Rag Harbor. The abdomen was cut open in both cases.

EXECUTION STAYED.

A writ of error and stay of proceedings has been issued in the case of Owen Connolly, convicted of death for murder, and the case will be argued before the Court of Appeals.

A CUBAN ADDRESS.

The Cuban League has issued an address to the American people, urging the accordance of belligerent rights to the Cuban republic, and calling a mass meeting of Cuban soldiers for the support of its beneficiaries.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.

The annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church assemables here April 6th. Bishop Janes presides, and over one hundred and eighty ministers are expected to be present.

ICEBERGS.

The steamer Alsacia, from Bremen, arrived to-day, reports passing several large icebergs.

VARIOUS MATTERS.

Gold closed yesterday at 112¾@112¾. A man named Ryan involved himself in a serious difficulty by appearing as a witness for an alien in a naturalization case without having knowledge of the applicant for citizenship.

The investigation by the Legislative Committee in the Weehawken Ferry collision developed the alleged fact that the Company sunk three hundred thousand dollars in the last twelve years.

The Tweed case is now considered. Yesterday was occupied in arguments whether the letter from Belknap, as evidence for the alleged co-conspirator, should be admitted.

It is stated the proposed tunnel under the North and East rivers, the bill for which has been passed by the United States Senate, will cross New York under Chambers street. The river at this point is sixty feet deep at the point designated.

A bold conspiracy to escape was discovered and frustrated in the Essex county, N. J., jail. A whole six inches square had been made through a wall twelve inches thick.

CHICAGO.

The New Court House Badly Damaged—Press Association Excursion—Corruption in the Board of Supervisors—Storm in the Northwest.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

Chicago, March 12.—Part of the iron roof on the new west wing of the Court House fell in this noon, going through to the second floor below. The roof was composed of iron frame work—a very complicated affair indeed—upon which slate was laid, the weight of which was said to be entirely too great, and this caused the crash. Seven plasterers at work in the upper story were more or less injured, but none fatally. Their names are Miles Tinsley, Timothy Gilmartin, Patrick Johnson, John Long, Gate Burns, Wm. Denody and John O'Nell. The loss cannot at present be estimated, but undoubtedly amounts to several thousand dollars. The building has cost the city over three hundred thousand dollars. It was commenced a year ago last fall, and hurried rapidly forward, work being resumed during the winter as often as the weather made it possible, a little. Many think there was undue haste to complete it.

The Illinois Press Association have made arrangements for an excursion to the East next June. They will go to Montreal and Quebec, thence to New York and prominent points via the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern roads.

In our Board of Supervisors to-day charges of perjury were preferred, by a citizen against Supervisor Humphrey, and the matter was referred to a Committee of Investigation. The case of Kearney, President of the Board, charged with accepting a place of land for his services in securing the location of the County Normal School at a certain point, is still under examination.

Policeman Michael Walsh has been arrested for burglariously entering the West Side Savings Institution.

A severe hail and snow storm has been raging throughout the Northwest, increasing in intensity during the evening. Several inches of snow have fallen here, and the wind is blowing heavily. The street cars have stopped running. At Winona, Minn., there is fifteen inches of snow and railway operations are somewhat interfered with.

Cincinnati, March 13.—At half-past eleven o'clock last night the roof of the west wing of Court House followed the example of the west wing and fell in with a tremendous crash. The disaster was precipitated by the weight of snow on the edifice. No one was injured. The loss is probably from $10,000 to $20,000 on each wing. There is much public excitement and indignation over the occurrence. The press several months ago alleged that the buildings were unsafe, but the allegation was poohpoohed by the officials and no attempts made to strengthen the structures. A committee of architects has been appointed by the city authorities to investigate the disaster.

The storm continued through last night and was by far the severest of the season. To day, however, the weather has been quite pleasant.

—The Waverly National Bank, at Waverly, New York, was entered by burglars on Saturday night, the vault and safe blown open and robbed of the most of the contents. The amount stolen is unascertained.

SECOND EDITION.

FOUR O'CLOCK, A. M.

THE CAPITAL.

Ultimatum to Hayti—Texas Bonds Protested—Congressional Business—New Postage Stamps—Texas and Georgia—Revenue in Virginia—Steam Engine Patents.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

Washington, March 12, 1870.

AN ULTIMATUM TO HAYTI.

Dispatches received from Admiral Poor, in command of the North Atlantic fleet, dated Cape Haytien, March 12, state that he had called upon the provisional President, and, after the usual interchange of civilities, acquainted him with the object of his visit. The President summoned his Cabinet, and the Admiral explained the instructions he had received from his government, namely: "That negotiations were pending between the United States and San Domingo, and that while they were pending this government had determined, with its whole power, to prevent any interference on the part of the Haytien or any government with that of the Dominicans, and if any attempts should be made upon the Dominicans, during the negotiations, under the Haytien, or any other flag, it would be regarded as an act of hostility to the United States flag, and would provoke hostility in return." The President and Secretary of State subsequently had the fullest conference with the Admiral