

OFFICIAL RENCONTRE AT LIMA.

The Secretary of State, has communicated to the United States Senate, in compliance with a resolution of inquiry passed by that body, a despatch from Mr. Provost, the United States Consul at Lima, which encloses letters giving an account of an extraordinary occurrence at that place between Mr. Zaldívar, Mr. Potter, United States Consul at Valparaiso, and Mr. Henry Stephen Sullivan, the British Charge d'Affaires to the Government of Chili.

It becomes my duty, thus early, apart from the gratification it affords me, of informing you of my delightful passage on both sides of the continent so far, to forward you an official communication. I did not suppose that I should have occasion to do so before reaching Valparaiso; but a recent unpleasant difficulty having occurred in this city on Monday last, 10th instant, between Henry Stephen Sullivan, the British Charge d'Affaires to the court of Santiago de Chili, and myself, it becomes my duty, at once, and by the earliest conveyance, to give you a correct account of it, before an incorrect statement finds its way into the public press.

On the arrival of the steamer at Callao on Sunday last, I repaired to this city, (the steamer being obliged to lie by for five days for the purpose of coaling,) and procured rooms at the French hotel for myself and family. After seeing them comfortably lodged, I walked out, in company with a fellow passenger, to see the novelties of Lima. On returning to the hotel, I met with a gentleman who advised me to hurry myself, informing me at the same time that a great indignity had been offered my wife, in my absence, by no less a personage than the said Henry Stephen Sullivan, the English charge to the government of Chili.

On reaching the hotel, I was informed by General Herrera, of Chili, Mrs. Mickle, his daughter, and James Whitehead, Esq., an English merchant, of Valparaiso, that, shortly after I had left the hotel, the official in question arrived with his family, and went to my apartments, and, in the most rude and insolent manner, ordered my wife to leave the rooms which had been assigned to us in person by the landlady, claiming them as his by previous engagement.

Now that I have detailed facts so far as my recollection of words goes, I must beg to venture an opinion, which is, that a more ungentlemanly and wanton outrage on the part of Mr. Sullivan towards your wife, I never witnessed in my society; and that every high-toned gentleman will say "well done" to the caning you gave him, and to which I say amen!

Gen. Ramon Herrera, who is also spoken of in Mr. Potter's letter corroborates his statement, and adds his opinion that the British Charge gave cause for carrying matters to the utmost extreme. Mr. Provost, in his letter to Mr. Clayton, says that General Herrera and Mr. Whitehead are gentlemen of high standing, and that their statements should be unhesitatingly received as correct and impartial.

By an arrival here on Saturday, we have received intelligence from Santa Fe up to the 28th of November, which possesses considerable interest. It appears Mrs. White, who was captured, together with her child, some time since, by a predatory band of Eutaw Indians, has been murdered in cold blood by her captors.

John Adams was murdered at Pena Blanca, a short time since by a party of Mexicans. A. J. Sims who was convicted of the murder of John Jackson, was hung at Santa Fe on the 18th November.

My wife will receive a history of this matter from other pens than my own. This statement of the occurrence is endorsed by Mr. James Whitehead, the English merchant alluded to above, who says in his letter:—

"On the day in question, I was sitting in General Herrera's room, at the said 'French Hotel,' when I was suddenly called by Mrs. Mickle the general's daughter, to go and protect Mr. Potter from being insulted by Mr. Sullivan, who, she said, had taken possession of her room."

"I attended the call instantly, and on reaching the room I found your lady in tears, pale and trembling with her baby in her arms. I also found Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan and their servants in the room—the former talking aloud; the exact words I could not catch, but they were certainly to the effect that your lady must leave the room—that it had been taken for him. The only answer I heard from your lady was, 'Do wait, sir, until Mr. Potter comes in.'"

"The editor's absence must be our excuse for any deficiency in this weeks paper. An apprentice to the Printing business wanted at this office. A good boy of about 14 or 15 years would find a good situation."

"The appointment of Stephen Wilson of Milton, in place of Wm. Wilson the present incumbent to the Collectors office at Northumberland, was a complete surprise, and there was a general inquiry to know what sin of omission or commission, Mr. Wilson had been guilty of, that he should be removed, contrary to all rule and precedent, from office, after holding it but one year."

That she knows how to resent insult and injury, the result of the election of Mr. Foster in 1846, proves most conclusively. Unless Mr. Wilson has been guilty of some gross moral delinquency or breach of trust, his removal will most certainly be looked upon as insulting to the people and to his representatives.

It will be recollected that the husband of Mrs. White, and eight other emigrants on their way to Santa Fe, were murdered by the Eutaws, and Mrs. White and her child made prisoners. Mr. Isaac B. Dunn, the brother of the unfortunate lady, resigned his seat in the Virginia House of Delegates the other day, for the purpose of raising a party and setting out for the Indian country, to endeavor to rescue his sister from the hands of the savages.—Reporter.

Capt. Alexander Pavia was recently killed at Santa Fe, in a quarrel with a man named Wheeler. John Adams was murdered at Pena Blanca, a short time since by a party of Mexicans. A. J. Sims who was convicted of the murder of John Jackson, was hung at Santa Fe on the 18th November.

Mr. Thomas Bozgs had arrived at Santa Fe from the California gold regions. He represents the party of Santa Fe miners as very successful. A new paper has been started at Santa Fe called the "New Mexican." It advocates the claims of Texas to that country.



THE AMERICAN. SUNBURY. SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1850. H. B. MASSER, Editor and Proprietor. BUSINESS NOTICES. GODDARD'S LAWYER'S BOOK, AND THE AMERICAN.

Those of our readers who would like to subscribe for this elegant monthly periodical, can now do so at a very small cost. The Lady's Book is published at \$3 per annum, but as an inducement, which we are enabled to hold out by means of an arrangement with the publishers, we will furnish the Lady's Book and the Sunbury American, one year for \$3.50 cash in advance, to those who may wish to subscribe.

We call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Mr. Parr of Baltimore, who is one of the most extensive manufacturers of Stone Ware in the United States, and who is ready to supply all demands with every variety in his line of business.

Hon. Townsend Haines, the present Secretary of the Commonwealth, has been appointed Register of the United States Treasury. Mr. Haines is a gentleman of considerable ability, and we doubt not, he will make as good an officer as the President could have selected from their ranks.

That the United States, with suitable boundaries, ought upon her application to be admitted as one of the States of this Union, without the imposition, by Congress, of any restriction in respect to the exclusion or introduction of slavery within those boundaries.

Resolved, That as slavery does not exist by law, and not likely to be introduced into any of these Territories acquired by the United States from the Republic of Mexico, it is inexpedient for Congress to provide by law, either for its introduction into, or its exclusion from any part of the said Territory, and that appropriate Territorial Governments ought to be established by Congress in all the said Territories not assigned as the boundaries of the proposed State of California, without the abolition of any restriction or condition of the subject of slavery.

Resolved, That the Western boundary of the State of Texas ought to be fixed on the Rio del Norte, commencing one marine league from its mouth, and running up that river to the Southern line of New Mexico; thence with that line eastwardly, and so continuing in the same direction to the line as established between the U. S. and Spain, excepting to any portion of New Mexico, whether lying in the East or West of that river.

Resolved, That it is expedient to provide for the payment of all that portion of the legitimate and bona fide public debts of that State, contracted prior to its annexation to the United States, and for which the duties of foreign imports were pledged by the said State, to its creditors, not exceeding the sum of dollars, in consideration of the duties as pledged having been no longer applicable to that object after the said annexation, but having thereforward become payable to the United States, and upon the condition, also, that the said State shall, by some solemn and authentic act of her legislature, or of a convention, relinquish to the United States any claim which it has to any part of New Mexico.

Resolved, That it is expedient to abolish slavery in the District of Columbia, whilst that institution continues to exist in the State of Maryland, without the consent of that State—without the consent of the people of the District, and without just compensation to the owners of slaves within the District.

Resolved, That it is expedient to prohibit within the district the slave trade, and slaves brought into it from States or places beyond the limits of the district, either to be sold therein as merchandise, or to be transported to other markets, without the District of Columbia.

Resolved, That more effectual provision ought to be made by law, according to the requirement of the Constitution, for the restitution and delivery of persons bound to service or labor in any State, who may escape into any other State or territory of this Union.

Resolved, That Congress has no power to prohibit or obstruct the trade in slaves between the slaveholding States, and that the admission or exclusion of slaves brought from one into another of them depends exclusively upon their own particular law.

MARYLAND.—Resolutions have been introduced in the Legislature, to send delegates to the Southern Convention. Upon this subject the Baltimore Clipper remarks: Maryland is most deeply interested in the question which now agitates the public mind and should be most cautious not to act with precipitation.

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