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ANSWER FROM SALISBURY

To Our Government's Note Regarding Venezuela. WILL BE MADE PUBLIC NEXT WEEK While Yielding Nothing, it is Probably Less Autocratic Than John Bull's Communications to Weaker Nations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—There was a pretty general discussion of Venezuelan affairs among members of the house yesterday. The general opinion among those who will have the conduct of foreign affairs is charge in the house is that Lord Salisbury's reply will be a diplomatic evasion of the main issues; that it will be couched in the most friendly terms, and while expressing a willingness to arbitrate as to a portion of the disputed territory, will deny the rights of the United States to ask Great Britain to arbitrate as to the territory the ownership of which Great Britain claims is hers beyond dispute. In other words it is believed that Great Britain's reply will temper with the subject and simply open the way for further correspondence. Salisbury's reply will be sent to congress next week, having been presented to Secretary Olney by Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador, today.

"A glance at the correspondence," said a prominent Republican member today, "will show that this has been England's position and policy for fifty years. She will seem to yield something, but she will stand off a line beyond which she will go in the matter of arbitration. That was Lord Granville's policy. It will be Lord Salisbury's. Though Salisbury is imperious by inclination, he will be exceedingly cautious. The considerations involved in an open breach with England or anything approaching an open breach would be great. Credits would be immediately shaken. The question of the tariff is infinitely of more importance to Great Britain than the ownership of a few gold mines of Venezuela.

"Above all things, depend upon it that England will not by any act of hers aggravate an anti-English feeling in this country or give cause, if the most delicate arts of diplomacy can prevent it, for a war agitation here. England dreads unfavorable tariff legislation. She knows that the first result of a bitter anti-English feeling would be retaliation upon her through a radical revision of the tariff. A tariff imposed by hostility to England growing out of England's encroachments in this hemisphere which had aroused the resentment of the American people would send 2,000,000 Englishmen to bed without their suppers. Such material considerations England never overlooks. The loss of our commerce stopped the war of 1812."

Senator Mills' attention was called today to the fact that objection had been made to the part of his bill directing the secretary of the treasury to pay out silver when the reserve is below \$100,000,000, viz., that it would put gold at a premium. "This reasoning," he replied, "is utterly fallacious. That result can take place only when the volume of silver or paper is so increased as to increase prices in this country when gold would be exported, but no mere manipulation of the silver or paper now in circulation can change prices of products. If the treasury refuses gold for export the exporter must buy bills of exchange. If the treasury notes are all paid or all bonded the result would be the same. Exporters would pay premiums on gold when exported, but the gold standard would remain unchanged.

"When the gold reserve is over \$100,000,000 the treasury is in easy circumstances and may redeem its notes in either gold or silver as it may be desired by the holder of its notes. When the reserve is under \$100,000,000 the cautionary signal is up, and the secretary should request the government by paying in standard silver coins and stop a run that may be made to embarrass the treasury and compel it to sell bonds to foreign and domestic capitalists."

The house was in session but half an hour yesterday, when it adjourned until Monday. Mr. Baker, of New Hampshire, who has proclaimed war on Secretary of Agriculture Morton because of the latter's refusal to expend an appropriation for the purchase of seeds for distribution among congressional constituents, attempted to put through a resolution calling upon the secretary for information upon the subject, but Mr. McMullan, of Tennessee, objected. Later Mr. Walker, of Massachusetts, in whose district reside nine-tenths of the naturalized Armenians in this country, asked for the printing in the Record of their resolution relating the outrages committed upon their relatives in Turkey, and pledging the support of congress to any steps that might be taken by the executive for their protection, but to this Mr. Turner, of Georgia, interposed an objection.

Hurricane on the Continent. LONDON, Dec. 7.—Advisers from Berlin say that a regular hurricane raged in Germany for forty hours and stopped all telegraph communication. From Paris it is reported that the mills are much delayed. The bridge in the petroleum harbor at Mannheim has been much damaged. Dispatches from Vienna, report a terrible storm and great damage to property. There were two violent earthquake shocks at Laibach, Austria, Thursday.

Six Hundred Homeless Through Fire. COPENHAGEN, Dec. 7.—Fire which started in the town of Mariestad, on Lake Wener, in Sweden, on Thursday afternoon burned until yesterday afternoon. The business part of the town was almost wiped out of existence, the damage amounting to about \$70,000. Many people were injured by the flames, and 600 out of a population of less than 2,500 are homeless.

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PERSONAL.

Miss Mary H. Wasley is visiting friends at Philadelphia. W. P. Williams visited friends at Mahanoy City last evening. Miss Hattie I. Hess spent to-day as a guest of friends at Rottsville. C. T. Struagh spent to-day transacting business at Philadelphia. James Daniell has returned from New York City, where he spent the past week. C. L. Fay, the laundryman, has gone to Columbia, to purchase machinery for his plant. Men's and Boy's Woolen Sweaters. At MAX LEVIT'S, 15 East Centre street.

Miss Hafner Buried. The funeral of Miss Charlotte Emilia Hafner took place yesterday afternoon from the home of her grandmother, Mrs. John Grubler, on West Cherry street, and was attended by a large number of relatives and friends. Services of a very impressive character were held in the German Lutheran church and the pastor, Rev. John Grubler, preached a touching sermon as the body rested at the church rail in a handsome casket covered with beautiful floral offerings. The remains were interred in the Odd Fellows' cemetery.

At Brown's Cafe. An elegant free lunch of mock turtle soup will be served to all patrons to-night.

Civil Service Examination. This morning the local Board of Civil Service Examiners of applicants for clerkships and letter carrierships under the local post office system met in one of the rooms of the West street school building and examined eight applicants, who were M. Durkin, H. Dowling, P. F. O'Donnell, W. S. Richards, H. Reese, G. Inhofer, W. Baschore and Miss E. Cunningham. The examination continued from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m. and was on geography, arithmetic, writing, spelling, reading addresses and composition.

Moderated reel flannels at MAX LEVIT'S.

Anderson Goff Driving Again. Charles H. Anderson, who was recently committed to the Pottsville jail on a charge of non-support preferred by his wife, has been released upon his own recognizance. He paid the HERALD a visit to-day and announced that he will resume his position on the Mahanoy City Record next Monday. Mr. Anderson says the public did not get the full story of both sides in his case and it is not generally known that he always contributed to the support of his wife. The chief cause of complaint was that he had refused to live with her.

Free mock turtle at Browns to-night.

Free Reading Room Periodicals. As a committee representing the united congregations of town Revs. J. T. Bath and T. M. Morrison have subscribed at Hooks & Brown for the Scientific American, Harper's Weekly, Youth's Companion, and the Review of Reviews for the J. T. of H. & T. free reading room. The expense for the subscriptions is defrayed by the collection made at the union service on Thanksgiving Day.

Kendrick House Free Lunch. Paired oysters on toast to-night.

The Poll Books Received. The several assessors of the town yesterday received the poll books for the spring election, and will be at the polling places on the 19th and 20th instants to make the register of votes.

FOR THE HEAD. A Remoive hat. Apply externally. Use all day and every day. Are you prepared to fill it. Sold at MAX LEVIT'S, 15 East Centre street.

A Carpenter Injured. Joshua Degler, a carpenter 42 years old, married, and residing at Mahanoy City, was seriously injured about the head and limbs this morning, at St. Nicholas. He was cleaning the road between the slope and the breaker when a car on the gravity road struck him.

The Busy Cloak Department. It kept the express wagons busy to-day bringing us the big stock of Ladies' and Misses' Cloaks, Furs and Jackets shipped us by New York's largest and best makers. We offer you your choice of a hundred coats for \$5.00 and \$6.00 each, which is less than cost of material. L. J. WILKINSON.

A Roofer Injured. James Bevan, aged 17 years and residing at Ashland, was dangerously injured this morning by falling from the roof of a three-story house at Malzeville. He was working with his brother, Richard, in roofing the house of Stone, the butcher, when he slipped and rolled to the street. His skull and one of his legs were fractured and it is believed he was injured internally.

Schultz House. Clam chowder for free lunch to-night. Finest lobsters in town. Chicken soup. Little neck clams. Rappahannock oysters. Ham. Sardines. Swiss cheese. Fish cakes. Oysters in every style.

Fall of Coal. Anthony Polowski was seriously hurt by a fall of coal about the hauds, face and neck at Dover's this morning. He was removed to his home on West Centre street.

Watson House Free Lunch. Extra fine hot lunch to-night.

Fell Down Steps. Benjamin Harris, 15 years old, fell down a long flight of steps at the Bear Ridge breaker this morning and was seriously injured. He was removed to his home at Girardville.

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MAY BE A CASE OF MURDER

A Hearing on the Lost Creek Stabbing Affray.

THE ACCUSED MEN DISCHARGED.

Dr. Biddle Says Anthony Ready, the Victim, May Die—It is Alleged the Stabbing Was Done at a Polish Wedding During Attempted Theft.

The stabbing affray which occurred at Lost Creek early last Sunday morning may terminate in a murder and is, therefore, arousing great interest. It was the subject of an investigation last night before Justice Green, at Wm. Penn, under a warrant sworn out by Bryan Ready, father of the victim of the affray, Anthony Ready, John Barrett, Patrick Hogan, Michael McGrath and Martin Murray were arrested under the warrant and they appeared before the Justice with their counsel, M. M. Burke, Esq., of this town.

The evidence at the hearing showed that Anthony Ready, who is about 35 years of age, and a companion named Michael Coyte, both residing at Dean's Patch, were at a Polish wedding at Smoky Hollow on the Saturday night preceding the stabbing and on their way home, about 2 o'clock Sunday morning, they met McGrath and Murray, who were going to their home at Lost Creek No. 2 from Wm. Penn, and asked them for a chew of tobacco. Murray said he had none and Coyte, with an oath, declared he would make them give him tobacco. Coyte and Ready then picked up stones and McGrath and Murray retreated toward the latter's home and into the house. Ready and Coyte continued following up and throwing stones. They stormed the building with stones with such force that two window sashes and a number of panes of glass in other parts of the building were shattered.

While the assault was in progress other occupants of the house, Barrett and Hogan, got out of bed and with McGrath and Murray, pursued Coyte and Ready. Coyte got away, but Ready, who is crippled by a disease of the hip, was unable to make his escape. It was at this stage of the affair, it is alleged, that Ready was beaten and stabbed by the defendants.

After the alleged fight Ready started for his home in Dean's Patch and met Hugh Bersford. Ready asked to be taken to his home, stating that he had been beaten and stabbed by some men at Lost Creek. Bersford took the injured man home. Ready's clothing was removed and an examination showed that he had sustained two knife wounds below the ribs on the left side, two large knife wounds on the back of the head, and a severe contusion under the right eye. A physician was summoned and he pronounced the wounds very dangerous. Ready was taken to the Miners' hospital last Sunday morning and is now under treatment at that place.

There was no evidence at the hearing to show that either of the defendants had beaten or stabbed Ready and the Justice felt that he would not be warranted in holding them to bail, and they were discharged. A certificate from Dr. Biddle, of the Miners' hospital, was placed before the Justice, showing that Ready is still in a precarious condition, and the doctor does not, as yet, feel that he will recover.

As there was no evidence against them before the Justice the defendants were not called upon to make a defense.

There is a theory that Ready received the stab wounds at the Polish wedding shortly before he met the defendants. While at the wedding Ready asked a Polisher the time of night and when the latter drew his watch Ready attempted to take it from him. A fight ensued, in which, it is claimed by friends of the defendants, Ready was both stabbed and beaten. As Ready was under the influence of drink it is probable that he didn't experience the effects of his wounds until after the excitement following his scuffle with the defendants.

It is also alleged that when the defendants came upon Ready the latter drew a large pocket knife and made two unsuccessful efforts to stab Barrett, and would have succeeded, but for the interference of Hogan. This knife is now in the possession of the defendants and they claim they made no use of it, or any other knife, during the scuffle. The knife was found at the scene of the fight about half an hour after. It has a keenly sharpened blade 4 1/2 inches long and an inch wide, and has a tapering point. It is alleged that Ready used the knife in repairing a pair of shoes within three days before the stabbing. Murry had entered a charge of malicious mischief and waylaying travelers on the public highway against Ready and Coyte, but upon suggestion of his counsel and in view of the friendly relations existing between himself and the parents of Coyte and Ready he withdrew the charge last night.

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Removed to the Almshouse. Thomas McCormick, of Girardville, who has been confined in the county prison, was yesterday removed to the insane department of the almshouse, upon the recommendation of the authorities.

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ELECTRIC LIGHT.

What it Costs Consumers in Different Towns in the State. The Senatorial Investigation Committee, investigating the municipal government of Philadelphia, is bringing to light some matters that are very interesting to people outside of that city. A day or two ago it inquired into the cost of electric light, and Albert H. Lea furnished some data concerning the matter. He had found, upon inquiry, that the cost in various towns and cities varied considerably. The following table will show what consumers in different localities pay:

Table with 2 columns: Location and Cost per hour. Locations include Allentown, Altoona, Altoona, Ashland, Carlisle, Conshohocken, Easton, Harrisburg, Hazleton, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lock Haven, McKeesport, Oil City, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Pottsville, Plymouth, Shenandoah, Trenton, N. J., Williamsport, Williamsport, Chicago, Ill., Buffalo, Hannanburg, Corning, Colores, Lockport, Syracuse, Rochester, Troy, West Troy.

All the foregoing are furnished light by private companies. The authorities of Evanston, Ill., made an investigation of prices paid private corporations for light in ninety cities and towns, and found the average cost to be \$114.58, while they found that in fifty-five cities the municipality furnished the light for an average cost of \$67.88, about one half.

For a good photograph go to Billinger Bros., West Lloyd street.

WOOD'S COLLEGE at SHENANDOAH. Business and Shorthand. Prof. Wood will furnish the College in polished oak furniture and will announce the opening at an early date. Everything will be of the best.

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