

BLOOD IN HIS EYE.

Secretary Whitney Preparing to Knock the Stuffing out of Hayti.

Four War Ships Ordered Ready.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Action has been taken by Secretary Whitney which leaves no doubt as to the policy of this government with regard to the case of the American steamer Haytien Republic, recently seized at Port-au-Prince. The release of the ship has been demanded through the proper diplomatic channels, and if the demand is not complied with, within a reasonable period of time, steps will be taken to enforce it. Secretary Whitney Thursday sent telegraphic instructions to Rear Admiral Gherard, commander of the New York navy yard, to have the ships Richmond, Galena and Yantic prepared for sea as soon as possible. The idea is to have them ready so that they can sail direct for Hayti early next week. Orders have also been issued to Rear Admiral Luce, commanding the North Atlantic squadron, to transfer his flag from the Galena to the Richmond, and to use that vessel as his flagship of the expedition. The officers of the state department are as usual reticent on the subject, and will not even admit that the release of the "Haytian Republic has been demanded. Secretary Whitney, yesterday morning, admitted frankly that he had ordered three vessels to be got ready as soon as possible to start for Hayti. He added that the Haytian authorities had referred the case of the seizing of the steamer to this government. "We have reached a decision and that in short is that they have got to give them up. It is unfortunate that the fever broke out on the Boston while she was at Port-au-Prince and compelled her to leave that climate, the matter might have been settled before now."

Boston, Dec. 8.—Orders have been received from Washington for all naval recruits at Charleston navy yard to proceed at once to New York. One hundred and forty-four of them left at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

An Open Switch.

CARLETON, Neb., Dec. 8.—The engine, tender and two box cars of freight No. 20, on the St. Joe and Grand Island railroad, ran out of a switch carelessly left open at the east end of the yard at this place at 8 o'clock last evening, and the engine landed on a small bridge, breaking through the ties, necessitating a delay sufficient to build up under the structure before an attempt was made to pull the engine off, and this laid out passenger No. 2, east bound, for several hours, the engine of that train giving aid to No. 20. At 10 p. m. the work of blocking up the bridge still proceeds, with a prospect that the lay out will last some time yet.

FOREIGN FLASHES.

The Widowed Empress.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Empress Frederick arrived at Buckingham palace yesterday. During the day she received a deputation of Greeks, who expressed their pleasure at the betrothal of Princess Sophia, daughter of the empress, to the duke of Sparta, crown prince of Greece.

A Canadian Earthquake.

QUEBEC, Dec. 8.—A strong shock of earthquake, lasting nearly half a minute this morning, was felt at Rimouski, Father Point, St. Flavie and Trois Pistoles. At Rimouski the shock was so severe as to cause the Bishop's palace to tremble visibly.

A Cabinet Split.

MADRID, Dec. 8.—The resignation of the minister of war has been followed by the withdrawal of several other ministers from the cabinet in consequence of the small majority received by the budget in the committee.

The St. Lawrence To Be Bridged.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 8.—The government has granted the Canada Atlantic railroad company power to bridge the St. Lawrence river at Coteau. This will complete a through line to Boston and New York from Ottawa.

The Germans Worsted.

BERLIN, Dec. 8.—A dispatch to the Tageblatt from Zanzibar states that a fight has occurred near Bagamoyo, and it is rumored the Germans have retreated after losing several men.

A Spanish Cabinet Crisis.

MADRID, Dec. 8.—Last night it was announced that several cabinet ministers have resigned. Prime Minister Sagasta will have an interview with the queen regent tomorrow.

THE "Q" DYNAMITER.

Bowles Passes Through the Ordeal of a Cross-Examination.

GENEVA, Ill., Dec. 8.—The first thing done in the Burlington conspiracy case was the introduction of the dynamite cartridges, fuse and fulminating caps purchased by Bowles with Baurleson's money and under his instructions. These were identified by Bowles, who had resumed the witness stand in direct examination. The cross-examination was then begun by Dan Donohoe, of Chicago, and lasted until the adjournment of the court. This ordeal did not cause Bowles to contradict himself in the least as to the main facts in his testimony, though in several minor details he pleaded forgetfulness. He denied very emphatically the charge sought to be made by the attorney that he had been promised immunity by the railroad company for his testimony. When the court adjourned it was until Monday at 1 o'clock.

A New Cable.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 8.—It is understood a company is being formed with a capital of \$2,000,000 to undertake the laying of a telegraph cable from Blanc Sablon, at the Straits of Belle Isle, to a point on the coast of Scotland or Ireland.

An Artist Killed.

SAUKIM, Dec. 8.—Mr. Wakefield, an artist connected with the London Graphic has been killed by a shot from Arabs who are besieging the town.

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They Held Their Dinner.

Not long ago a local ministerial association, at its regular meeting at one of the Boston hotels, partook of a dinner of eleven or twelve courses, which seemed altogether more elaborate than the price agreed upon would warrant. After the meal it transpired that they had disposed of a dinner for a special party later in the day, and by mistake served to them. The ministers met the situation calmly, held their ground and their dinner, and left the landlord to settle with the other party.—Boston Cosmopolitanist.

Bees and Their Product.

There are in North America about 300,000 persons keeping bees. The annual honey product is about 100,000,000 pounds and its value is nearly \$15,000,000. The annual wax product is about 500,000 pounds and its value more than \$10,000,000.

The Vendetta.

Hubby—A bigger gas bill than we've ever had before, you say? Why, we've been burning lamps all this month.
Wife—Yes, but the last time the gas man was here he saw the lamps.—New York World.

A negro at Lexington, Ky., wagered fifty cents that he could handle a rattlesnake and not get bitten. The serpent struck him on the end of the nose and twice on the chin inside of thirty seconds, and neither whisky nor doctors could save him.

Count de Piquelon, a French nobleman of ancient family and impoverished income, is the keeper of the lighthouse at Perquet Island, one of the most cheerless spots on the coast of Labrador. The salary is \$400.

Life is history, not poetry. It consists of little things, rarely illumined by flashes of great heroism, broken by great dangers or demanding great exertions.—Lecky.

LOUISIANA'S GLORIES.

THE BEAUTIES OF THE STATE AS SEEN BY ONE OF ITS RESIDENTS.

Scenery That Stirs the Soul of the Poet. Romantic Spots by Lake and River. The Odd and Interesting People One May See.

In New Orleans we bury in ovens above ground to escape the waters on which our city floats; in St. Martinsville there are dungeons of underground cellars; and in one parish the snows are orange blossoms, and in another they fall from heaven itself. In the Acadian country, when a ball is to be, a courier carries a flag and rides over all the country shouting out like a town crier in the olden days the summons to the fete. In Creole land a young girl dead is borne to her grave by white-robed "death maidens," and in Acadia the very horses near manlets to charm away the "gri-gri." There are out of the way little inns in Louisiana where the cooking is as good as at Delmonico's—nay, better. Who would not go swamping if only the way was shown him? How many tourists would be proof against a day at Spanish lake, or a night's alligator hunt on the Atchafalaya? What Floridian scenery can equal our Techeuncta? There is a street in Dublin only a few blocks long said to be the finest street in the world; and there is a river in Louisiana only navigable for a little way that for beauty, for color of environment, is more finely picturesque and lovely than miles of the Thames, the Rhine, the Arkansas or the Hudson.

NATURE APPEALS TO THE ARTIST.

Nature in Louisiana appeals to the artist, to the poet, to the photographer, to the tourist, who is none of these in practice, yet all and more in love with the beautiful. There is an indescribable charm in the softness of our lakes, the serene, deep beauty of our bayous, the splendor of our forests, the gayety and grace and lively life of our plantations. Every village has its inn, its traditions, its accessible gossip, its peculiar local customs, too pronounced to escape the interested looker on. Here you will find the big plantation, the fine house over-run with pickaninnies, the royal welcome, the ever failing hospitality. There you will find the poor people turn out, the squalid tamales maker. Here you will find the voodoo with working charms; there you will find ma belle creole making a novena before her saint and praying for a husband. There you will meet a patient, farm laboring friar or hear the dirgelike chant of the entombed Carmelite nuns. One day you may stand under an orange tree freighted with 10,000 golden globes of fruit; another day you may climb up a ladder into the perch of the swanper or down a shaft into a salt mine far below the surface.

Ours is a pastoral country, as pastoral as England. All is gentle and serene and natured and full of soft beauty. The flowers and even fields, the still forests, the waveless bayous, the rich crops and the lowing kine all appeal to the home side of nature. The grass is green everywhere, innumerable flocks of geese yaddle over the green levees and nip grass in the orange orchards.

THE INTERESTING DISCOVERY.

Out in the woods and by the river's brim, the cheap circus people, traveling in caravans or in gay painted barges drawn by tiny tugs, erect their tents; peddlers plod about in heavy blue backs; a gypsy fortune teller, her baby swung on her back, stealthily creeps up and whispers a wish to have her hand crossed with silver; an evil Arab slinks by under the Cherokee rose hedge leading a dancing bear. He gets out of the way for the gentleman planter trotting by in his dog cart. Under the pent roof in the Teche country, in the tiny hut made on the gulf islands of wrecked ship's timbers, in the fine old country mansion, a palace in the old days, there burns the indistinguishable torch of genial hospitality. Like the Spanish the house owner greets the new comer with that gracious warmth and gives him not only the best he has but all he has.—Catharine Cole in New Orleans Picayune.

An Entertaining Crow.

Farmer Crowder had finished planting his corn, but his heart was heavy. He knew the crows were whetting their bills to pull up the corn as soon as it appeared above the surface.

"I tell you how to get away with the crows," said Neighbor Stokes.

"How?"

"Get you a gallon of mean whisky and soak some corn in it till it gets full of the stuff, and then scatter it broadcast in the field. The crows will eat it and get drunk, and then you can catch 'em and pull their heads off. That beats pizen or shootin'."

In a few days Farmer Crowder met his friend Stokes.

"Well, how'd it craps?" queried Stokes.

"My corn's bodaciously ruined," replied Crowder, dolefully. "I tried that 'ere scheme o' your'n, and it's a lumbug. I soaked the corn and scattered it one day, and next mornin' I went down to the new ground to see how it'd worked."

"Found 'em drunk, eh?"

"Found nothin'." I heard a devil of a fuss down nigh the branch, and went to see what it was; that was a dad-blasted old crow what had gathered up all the whisky corn an' had it on a stub, an' he was retailin' it out to the others, givin' 'em one grain o' that sort fur three grains o' my planted corn; and dinged if they hadn't clawed up that field by sections."—Atlanta Journal.

It has been computed by a western statistician that the people of the United States spend more than \$1,500,000 every year for chewing gum.

Originality is the faculty of adapting an old idea to a new occasion.—Squire Hobbs.

It is proposed to erect a statue of Robert Burns at Toronto, Canada.

TO AN ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Twinkle, twinkle, little arc,
Sickly, blue, uncertain spark;
Up above my head you swing,
Ugly, strange, expensive thing.

When across the foggy air
Streams the lightning's purple glare;
Does the traveler in the dark
Bless your radiance, little arc?

When you fade with modest blush,
Seem more bright than farthing rush,
Would he know which way to go
If you always twinkled so?

Cold, envious, blinding star,
I've no notion what you are;
How your wondrous "system" works,
Who controls its jumps and jerks.

Yours a luster like the day!
(Chastly, green, incessant ray!)
No, where'er they worship you
All the world is black or blue.

Touch your light perchance surpass
Foolish oil or vulgar gas,
But I close with this remark:
I detest you, little arc!

—St. James' Gazette.

His Plea.

It is very well to desire the good opinion of our fellow men, but it is dangerous, as well as in bad taste, to angle for compliments.

A conceited young lawyer made a "spread eagle" speech in a Missouri court, and falling in with the judge the next day, he said to him: "Good morning, Judge Lucas! good morning, sir! What did you think of my little effort yesterday?"

"Ah," said the judge, "you are the young gentleman who addressed a jury in my court. Yes, yes. Well, sir, your speech reminded me of a little yellow dog I have at home. When he wants to lie down, he starts and makes a circle, and round and round he goes, half a dozen times or more, and then he lies down at the very place he started from."—Youth's Companion.

Coincided with Papa.

It is related of a clergyman who was the happy father of a charming and beautiful daughter, that one day while preparing his Sunday discourse he was suddenly called away from his desk on a mission of mercy. So imperative was the summons that he left unfinished this sentence:

"I never see a young man of splendid physique and the promise of a glorious manhood almost realized but my heart is filled with rapture and delight."

His daughter, happening in the study, saw the sermon and read the words. Sitting down, she wrote underneath: "Them's my sentiments, papa, exactly!"—St. Paul Globe.

Dry Leaves Are Valuable.

America is the land of plenty, and it is as well the land of waste. Many Europeans would become wealthy on what our people throw away or neglect entirely. In many European countries, as soon as the forest and tree leaves turn and the high winds begin to scatter them over the ground, the poor people turn out and gather them up as carefully as they would a crop of fruit or vegetables. The small farmers purchase these leaves, at prices unproportionately high, and use them for fertilizing purposes. Leaves in those countries are regarded as valuable property, and those who gather them without permission and take them off are prosecuted, fined or imprisoned.—Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

Interesting Discovery.

An archeological discovery of some interest has been made in the tidal river Hamble, near Botley Hants. A boat house is being built at the point of the junction of the Curdridge creek on the river, some distance above the spot where there is a still existing wreck of a Danish man-of-war. In moving the mud and alluvial soil to make sufficient waterway something hard was encountered, which, on being carefully uncovered, proved to be a portion of a prehistoric canoe. It is about twelve feet long and one and a half feet wide, beautifully carved, and in a fairly good state of preservation.—Chicago Herald.

Evaporated Fruit.

Within a radius of forty miles of Rochester there are more than 1,500 fruit evaporators. These evaporators give employment during the autumn and winter to about 80,000 hands, whose wages average from \$5 to \$12 a week. Last season the production of these evaporators was about 30,000,000 pounds, worth at first cost about \$2,000,000. The principal consuming countries abroad are Germany, England, Belgium, Holland and France, in which the new product has entirely displaced the old fashioned sun dried fruit. West Africa and Australia are also beginning to call for evaporated fruit.

Pneumonia.

According to a medical contemporary, Dr. Gouveneur L. Smith, of New York, has just given some interesting and startling facts in regard to pneumonia. Dr. Smith points out that the disease is becoming worse every year, increasing rather than decreasing, both in the number of cases and the percentage of mortality. The statistics of the Pennsylvania hospital show that the mortality from pneumonia there advanced from 62 per cent. in 1847 to 184 per cent. in 1867, and 81 per cent. in 1886. Similarly, in the New York hospital the ratio of mortality from this disease is more than double than it was in 1878. Thirty or forty years ago it was regarded as serious, but it did not excite anything like the alarm it does today. Dr. Smith is rather inclined to believe that the medical art, instead of progressing in its treatment of pneumonia, has actually gone back, and holds that the methods of treating the disease at the time it was less deadly have been abandoned for methods more finical, but less efficacious.—Atlanta Constitution.

Argument will pull a wise man down to the level of a fool, but it never raises a fool up to the plane of a wise man.—Squire Hobbs.

The German military budget contains an item of \$9,000 for the breeding and training of carrier pigeons.

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