

AMERICAN ARTIST ON HIS TRAVELS.

The following are extracts from a letter from the painter Gifford to a friend in New York...

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EDITORIAL OPINIONS OF THE LEADING JOURNALS FOR CURRENT TOPICS—COMPILED EVERY DAY FOR THE EVENING TELEGRAPH.

GROWTH OF OUR COUNTRY.

The ninth census to be taken a little more than a year hence, and already speculation is active as to its results...

The late Elkannan Watson, writing in 1815 on the progress of population in the United States...

It will be seen that the calculation, though surprisingly near the actual result, runs a little ahead at last, though Texas had been annexed and New Mexico and California conquered...

WHAT IS NEEDED.

We hope to see in the struggle before the people this fall in the great States, and in Congress next winter, a bolder and more resolute stand made against the iniquity of the party in power...

THE REVOLUTION IN CUBA.

The recent authoritative announcements from Havana that the insurrection is almost at an end, render an examination of the positions occupied by the combatants at the last advances from the respective localities a matter of some interest...

The movement in this district has no doubt lost much of its impulse from the early encounter with the troops and the necessary evacuation of the Spaniards...

The district of Puerto Principe has presented for some time the most formidable movements against the Spaniards, but no reports of serious operations have come from either side...

Bayamo was for some months the headquarters of General Cespedes, the first who pronounced and who is looked upon as the principal leader of the revolution...

From this review of the insurrection in Cuba it will be seen that the Cubans are operating with little or no unanimity of action or plan, and it is, perhaps, their greatest weakness...

THE NEW NEGOTIATIONS ON THE ALABAMA CLAIMS.

The Nation, in an able and moderate article upon "Mr. Sumner and the Proclamation of Neutrality," discusses some of the legal points connected with the Alabama claims...

Thus, belligerence being a fact, and not a principle, can be proved on evidence showing its actual existence, according to the rule first stated by Mr. Canning...

ships, Mr. Laird, too, undoubtedly thought that, since the proclamation put the Confederate States and the United States on an equality in Liverpool...

The ground, therefore, on which we can maintain our claim that England has violated international law is obvious...

SHIPS AND GUNS.

And it is probable that, if the Hon. Zachariah Chandler and the equally Hon. Nathaniel P. Banks have their way, we shall soon find ourselves embroiled in war with England and Spain...

Some of the English journals, while describing the latest and best of the heaviest English guns, have compared it with what they term the best and most formidable ships in the American navy...

Towards the stern and the stern, the armor is slightly thicker, but the vessel is coated all over her hull to the depth of five feet below the water-line...

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