

SAUCY ENGLAND

Says that the Venezuela Affair is None of Our Business,

BUT SAYS IT, DIPLOMATICALLY, So as to Avoid Offending Us as far as Possible.

UNCLE SAM BECOMING INVOLVED

In Complications with Other South American Countries and Their Relations with Foreign Powers--The Master Strokes of the Little Fellows in Farming Out Interests to American Citizens, so as to Force the United States to Grant Them Protection When Foreigners Jump on Them--A Matter of Very Grave Concern.

WASHINGTON, April 3.--There is reason to believe that the British government has given our ambassador, Mr. Bayard, to understand, in response to his representations in the Venezuelan boundary matter, and his suggestion that it be submitted to arbitration, that it must persist in regarding the subject as one in which only Great Britain and Venezuela are concerned.

It is believed that the British government still insists upon its absolute title and right to occupy all the territory eastward of the Schomburgk line, while professing a willingness to submit to arbitration its claims to the lands lying west of that line.

It has been intimated that the United States might acquire a right to intervene in behalf of Venezuela by declaring a protectorate over that country with the assent of its people, and behind this suggestion is at least one of the great European powers, who would be glad to have its relations with the disturbed countries of South and Central America placed on a stable basis, so that it might look to some thoroughly responsible highly civilized government to ensure the permanence of trade and prevent frequent revolutions.

One of these diplomatic representatives, in speaking upon this subject, remarked that the majority of the southern republics were staggering under foreign debts and were unable longer to meet their obligations.

The question confronting these countries is whether the United States will stand by and permit the creditor nations of Europe to collect these debts by force. Meanwhile, to strengthen their claim for protection upon the United States there is in progress among the smaller and weaker republics a movement to entangle their interests with our own, so as to make it a matter of deep concern to our people should any European power attack them.

The first indication of this policy was seen in the claim of San Domingo to exemption from the French demand upon her revenues on the ground that these had all been farmed out to an American corporation, which would be ruined by compliance with the French demand. Then there is the recent concession made to an American corporation to Venezuela to force the United States into the issue between her and Great Britain by motives of direct interest, and in other countries there has been adopted a policy of farming out to syndicates certain privileges, such as the right to import tobacco and opium, and the collection of custom duties.

THE INCOME TAX.

The Returns Coming in to the Department at Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 3.--The income tax returns are coming in far beyond the expectations of the officials.

To save time and avoid complications the collectors were instructed to classify and send in the returns on the 10th of each month and therefore no reports have been received of a date later than March 10. Nevertheless as many as 10,000 returns have already been received and are now being verified and are being recorded. It is estimated that the returns made to the collectors prior to March 10, represent at least \$1,500,000 in income tax, and that the total amount returned to April 1 will aggregate \$15,000,000.

NICARAGUA CANAL.

The President Appoints the Commission Congress Provided For.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 3.--The President has selected, under the provisions of the sundry civil appropriation bill, the following persons as a board to investigate and report upon the feasibility, permanency and expense of the Nicaragua canal, on the route proposed by the construction company:

From the army, Major William Ludlow, corps of engineers; from the navy, Commander U. T. Endicott, civil engineer, and from civil life, Alfred Noble, of Chicago, member of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

A COMMON CAUSE.

Great Britain Now Has Reason to Make Demands of Spain.

United States and Great Britain a common cause in demanding explanations and indemnity from Spain. Official confirmation of the indignity on the Ethelred has not yet been received here, either at the state department or British embassy.

TOOK THE OATH.

His Now Postmaster General William L. Wilson.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 3.--Contrary to expectations Hon. William L. Wilson took the oath of office as postmaster general to-day. Chief Justice Fuller appeared at the postoffice department at 11 a. m., and administered the oath in the presence of the principal officials of the department. Mr. Bissell received the employes of the department this afternoon and ended his official labors to-day.

Mrs. Fuller, wife of the chief justice, and Miss Wilson, daughter of the new postmaster general, were present at the ceremony. Mr. Bissell and Mr. Wilson conferred for a short time and saw some of the heads of bureaus. Then Postmaster Dayton, of New York, introduced John N. Parsons, president of the letter carriers' associations, of New York, and the latter on behalf of the carriers presented the retiring postmaster general an engrossed copy of resolutions passed by the association commending the administration of Mr. Bissell, his enforcement of the eight-hour law and his extension of the civil service laws.

Secretary Gresham sent Mr. Bissell a hickory walking stick which he had himself cut and trimmed from the grounds of the President's summer home at Woodley. Shortly after these preliminaries the employes of the department were introduced to Mr. Wilson and said good bye to Mr. Bissell. Mr. Wilson will enter the active discharge of his duties to-morrow. Mr. Bissell leaves for New York to-night to attend to some private business.

A Soldier's "Line of Duty."

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 3.--Assistant Secretary Reynolds, of the interior department, has overruled the decision of the last administration as to the line of duty of soldiers, holding that a soldier being engaged in private business and not in the performance of those things which the law required of him as a military duty, cannot be considered in the line of duty. The last administration held very broadly in the matter of line of duty, and any injury received by a soldier while in the army was generally considered pensionable.

Postmasters Appointed.

WASHINGTON, April 3.--Postmasters appointed: Bosch Grove, Ritchie county, C. J. Hamilton, vice N. M. Eddy, resigned; Herbert, Wayne county, Edward Stafford, vice W. H. Perdue, resigned.

Will Not Contest.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 3.--The attorney for the widow of Frederick Douglass states to-day that there will be no contest of the will and that an amicable agreement will be reached by the heirs.

COMPTROLLER FITCH.

Of New York, Replies to Mayor Strong's Criticisms.

NEW YORK, April 3.--Comptroller Fitch left a sick bed on purpose to go to his office to-day and prepare a statement in reply to the message of Mayor Strong, which criticised the previous administration. The statement is as follows:

"The mayor's message is made up of two parts. One of them consists of the statements prepared with this department, which are correct. The other part consists of two or three statements of his opinion, which as far as they relate to the finance department and its work, are curiously incorrect.

"For instance, he takes my statement of the forty-nine items, amounting to \$7,020,616 88 of bonds and stocks authorized by the commissioners of the sinking fund and the board of estimate and the apportionment which remained unissued December 31, 1894, and announces that these stocks and bonds remained unissued because every technical subterfuge was availed of to prevent their issue in order to make some moral or political effect.

"The fact is that the bonds and stocks remained unissued because the work for which they were to pay had not been done.

"A large portion of the bonds authorized, but unissued on December 31, 1894, had their origin in laws passed on resolutions accepted long prior to the beginning of my term of office, and some of them can be traced back more than ten years."

AGAINST PRIZE FIGHTS.

Governor Mitchell, of Florida, Takes Strong Grounds in His Message.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 3.--In his message on the convening of the legislature here, Governor Mitchell in strong terms recommended that "these prize fights, or glove contests, be made felonies by statute with such penalties attached as will cause those things to respect law and to respect law-abiding, God-fearing people of the state in pursuit of all their rights as citizens."

According to the governor's view the new law should authorize sheriffs to enter a house or enclosure and arrest on suspicion of a fight.

Guthrie Court Martial.

BEAUFORT, N. Y., April 3.--A general court martial is in progress at Fort Porter to try Captain B. Guthrie, company "A," Thirtieth infantry, on the charge of having allowed Sergeant Marriott to partake of a Christmas dinner with his comrades at the fort while under indictment for the murder of a fellow soldier, Edward Schuler.

The finding of the court will not be known here. It will be sent on to General Miles at New York.

Carl Browne Arrested.

MASSACHUSETTS, April 3.--A warrant was issued to-day for Carl Browne, war-shal of the Coxy Commonwealth, for criminal libel. Policeman Henry Seaman is the complainant. A week ago Browne was making a speech and somebody threw an egg at him. In his paper, the People's Party Campaign Cactus, he charged that Officer Seaman was responsible for the outrage.

G. A. R. VETERANS

Capture Charleston--Never More Hospitally Treated Than at the State Capital. The Parade--Woman's Relief Corps and Sons of Veterans.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligence.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., April 3.--The veterans have captured the city and seem delighted with their capture. Commander Crago is authority for the statement that the encampment has never been more hospitably treated than in Charleston. The attendance is large and is fully up to expectations.

The parade to-day was highly creditable to the G. A. R. and Sons of Veterans, both organizations participating, and business houses and residences on all the principal streets were gaily decorated with the national colors.

The annual reports show that all the organizations now in session here are in remarkably good condition, notwithstanding hard times. The G. A. R. treasury contains more money than ever before. Under the management of Mrs. Daniels as president, ably assisted by the other officers, the Woman's Relief Corps makes a wonderfully good showing, while the Sons of Veterans are not at all behind the others. The sessions to-day were devoted to preliminary business and the officers will be elected to-morrow.

To-night's feature was an entertainment at the opera house, given by the Woman's Relief Corps, Major Henderson, the drummer boy of the Rappahannock, assisted by local talent, being the attraction. To-morrow night a camp fire, in which both Union and Confederate soldiers will participate, will close the proceedings. Governor MacCorkle will deliver the address of welcome, which will be responded to by Commander Crago. Colonel Freer, Judge Houston and others will also deliver addresses.

INSURANCE COMBINE

To Make a Big Cut Which May Ruin Vessel Agents on the Lakes.

DULUTH, MINN., April 3.--An insurance combine, including several British, Continental and American companies, with the British and foreign companies at its head, has been making blanket contracts with flour and wheat companies for their insurance.

The rates heretofore governing have been cut almost in half, and the companies which have previously been doing this business are in danger of losing all their business. They will pool and fight the other combines.

The combine has made contracts with Duluth and lower lake shippers and is now working in Chicago. Vessel agents all along the lakes are liable to lose their business, as their profits are mostly in insurance, and a big cut will ruin them.

THE DEAL COMPLETED.

The Sale of the Holdings of the Kanawha Oil Company at Sisterville.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 3.--The Standard to-day, through the Ohio Oil Company, bought out almost all the holdings of the Kanawha Oil Company in the Sisterville field, West Virginia, for \$650,000. This sale includes leases on 3,000 acres of territory, 98 pumping and 9 drilling wells with a daily production of 1,800 barrels. E. H. Jennings, of this city, who is the largest stockholder, says the Kanawha company put \$60,000 into the field, and has already taken out over \$1,000,000.

MRS. PARAN STEVENS DEAD.

The Noted Wealthy Society Woman of New York a Victim of La Grippe.

NEW YORK, April 3.--Mrs. Paran Stevens, one of the best known women in New York society, died this afternoon. She was stricken with la grippe, which finally developed pneumonia, which was the cause of her death.

Mrs. Stevens was born in Lowell, Mass., nearly seventy years ago.

Colored General Dead.

CHARLESTON, S. C., April 3.--General Samuel J. Lee, the colored brigadier general of the National Guard, was buried here to-day with military honors. The funeral was the largest seen here in many years. It is estimated that ten thousand people were in attendance.

Homes for Orphan Boys.

PORTLAND, ME., April 3.--The steamship Parisian, which arrived to-day from Liverpool, brought 136 orphan boys, ranging in age from five to twenty years, who will be given homes with Canadian farmers. The waifs were collected in Barnardo homes in England and were brought here by the famous philanthropist Dr. Barnardo. They left for Toronto this afternoon.

The Ann Arbor Suit Decided.

TOLEDO, OHIO, April 3.--The suit to prevent the proposed sale of the Toledo, Ann Arbor & North Michigan Railroad Company, has been decided by Judge Taft, of the United States circuit court, against the stockholders, and barring further litigation the property will be offered for sale on Thursday of next week.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

The widow of Alexander Dumas is dead.

Henry Hammond, the noted abolitionist, died in Denisonville, Conn., yesterday.

The case of ex-Grand Master Workman Powderly against the Knights of Labor for \$1,500 salary was postponed at Philadelphia.

Augustus Kohn, a member of the firm of Kohn, Ruek & Tipman, counsellors-at-law, New York, shot himself at the Sturtevant House yesterday.

In Chicago the Columbian liberty bell was rung in honor of the birthday of Rev. Samuel E. Smith, author of "America." The school children and city officials participated in the exercises.

The Chicago Gold Storage and Refrigerator Companies and commission men and produce dealers propose in the future to divert business from all railroads discriminating against Chicago on eastern shipments.

The Spanish legation at Washington does not credit the report that the Spanish admiralty officer has congratulated Lieutenant Yorra on his course in driving on the American steamer Alliance. The report is credited to revolutionary sources.

REMARKABLE STORY

Of the Unearthing of the Murder Mystery in New York.

AWFUL DEED OF THE MURDERER

One of the Most Fiendish in the Annals of Crime--Fine Detective Work Accomplished--Every Movement of the Murderer Traced from the Time of the Fatal Quarrel Until he Disposed of the Body and Returned Home.

NEW YORK, April 3.--In the presence of a large number of newspaper men Superintendent Brynes told at police headquarters to-night the story of the circumstances which led up to the murder and of the work attending the arrest of the supposed murderer, the negro William Cesar, who is charged with killing the woman whose mutilated remains were found Sunday. In some respects the story of the crime is one of the most remarkable that has ever been told in this city and the account of the transfer of the corpse in its rude bundle from Cesar's house on West Twenty-seventh street, by means of a Sixth avenue surface car in the early part of the evening, to the place where it was found, seems hardly possible. But the superintendent said that he had no doubt as to the identity of the murderer and avowed the police could prove the truth of every statement made.

The detectives hired apartments on the opposite side of the street from Cesar's house and kept a close watch. This was Tuesday afternoon. Inquiry as to the mode of domestic life pursued by Cesar and his reputed wife revealed the fact that there were frequent quarrels between the two, caused by the man's jealousy. On Friday night the couple had a violent quarrel and the woman threw a glass at the man, hitting him on the head. He then threw her down on the floor, after having grasped her by the throat with both hands. There, lying on the floor, it is said, he held her throat in such a grasp that he thought he had killed her. But when he released his hold he discovered that she was still breathing.

Then, according to the police, he secured the piece of cheese cloth which was found tied around her neck on Sunday morning. This, it is alleged, he put around her neck and twisted it and then tied it into a double knot and strangled her. He slept as soundly, it is said, as if the corpse of the woman was not almost within his very sight. The next morning he went to work as usual, locking the door behind him.

On Saturday evening, according to the story of the police, Cesar went back to his home and prepared to dispose of the body of the woman he had killed. On his way to his rooms he borrowed a butcher's cleaver from a man he knew.

On arriving home he proceeded to cut the body up. He first attempted to cut the legs off at the hips, but failed in that, and then cut them both off just above the knees. Having proceeded so far, he took a piece of the carpet on the floor and an old rug which was in the room and rolled the body up in them, after having tied the hands firmly, so that they might not fall apart. It was at this time, not later than 8:30 or 8:45, so the superintendent said, he picked up the bundle and took it in his arms from the house, which is not far from Seventh avenue, to Fifth avenue, where he boarded a Sixth avenue horse car bound down town, and stood on the front platform.

As the car stopped at Waverly Place, Cesar got off the car and walked over to the west side of the street, in front of the building of the New York Bank Note Company. The man is not powerful. He leaned against the rail in front of the building to rest and put the bundle on top of the railing, which is some five inches in width. In some way, however, the bundle slipped and fell over the railing upon the ground on the other side. To attempt to put it together again the negro saw would be useless and so he concluded to let it remain there and walked quietly away.

There it lay undiscovered until 6 o'clock on Sunday morning, when young Phillips found it as he was on his way to early morning mass in a neighboring church.

Sunday evening, after having returned the cleaver to the person from whom he procured it, the superintendent says Cesar went to his rooms and burned up the effects of the woman. When the rooms were examined to-day the walls were spattered with blood. No attempt had been made by the murderer to eradicate those tell-tale marks, and the police removed the stained wood for microscopic examination. While Cesar was at work burning the effects there was such a smoke that the people thought the house was on fire. Cesar refused to let any one into the room, and told all who went in to see about the matting that he was only starting a blaze.

Cesar is twenty-eight years old, and was born in the West Indies.

KILLED HIS WIFE.

A Son of Ex-Governor St. John, of Kansas, Shoots His Wife in a Quarrel.

OKLAHOMA, O. T., April 3.--Henry St. John, son of ex-Governor John P. St. John, of Kansas, and a member of the last Oklahoma legislature, shot and killed his wife this afternoon at his home two miles west of this city. St. John claims it was accidental, although the shooting occurred during a quarrel with his wife.

Northern Pacific Bonds Valid.

CHICAGO, April 3.--Judge Jenkins rendered an important decision to-day in the case of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, of New York, against the Chicago & Northern Pacific railway. The decision holds that the Northern Pacific bonds are valid, and that the property of the railroad company may be applied upon them.

Bequeathed to Charities.

CLEVELAND, O., April 3.--The will of the late Hon. Amos Townsend was offered for probate to-day. The total value of the estate amounts to about \$175,000. After making numerous bequests of from \$1,000 to \$5,000 to relatives and friends, the residue of the estate is given to charitable institutions.

RHODE ISLAND ELECTION.

Republicans Have Everything Their Own Way--Democrats Take Little Interest.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., April 3.--The election in Rhode Island for state officers to-day was very quiet, little or no interest being taken. The Democrats generally were slow in getting to the polls, and even the clearing weather in the afternoon failed to bring out anything like the normal Democratic strength.

Voting almost everywhere favored the Republican candidates. Twenty-one voting districts give Tipitt (Rep.), 3,594; Littlefield (Dem.), 1,998, showing a Republican gain of 257 over last year's vote.

Charles Warren Lippett, Republican, was elected governor over George L. Littlefield, Democrat, by 10,603 plurality. The remainder of the Republican state ticket, Edward Allen, for lieutenant governor; Charles T. Bennett, secretary of state; Edward C. DuBois, attorney general; Samuel Clark, general treasurer, are all elected by pluralities of about 10,000.

The Republicans carried Providence and their assemblymen will have pluralities ranging from 2,500 to 3,200. The next assembly will include thirty-two Republican senators, sixty-nine Republican representatives, three Democratic senators and three Democratic representatives. This is a gain of one senator for the Democrats.

REPUBLICAN LANDSLIDE

Of a Most Remarkable Nature in Chicago. All Records Were Smashed.

CHICAGO, April 3.--The Republicans smashed all election records in Chicago. Complete returns give George B. Swift, the Republican candidate for mayor, a plurality of 41,110, the largest ever known here in a similar contest. The civil service law was carried by a large majority of 45,570. The other candidates on the Republican city ticket were all elected, although Trude, the Democratic candidate for city attorney nearly 20,000 ahead of his ticket. The Republicans also made a clean sweep of the town offices, south, north and west and in the annexed districts, Hyde Park and Lake View, while in the town of Lake, the stock yards district, one of the supposed Democratic strongholds, the Republican landslide was remarkable.

The election gives the Republicans complete control of the city council, which will now contain fifty Republican aldermen and only eighteen Democrats.

Dr. Holmes, the People's party candidate for mayor, received 14,000 votes, a few less than half as many votes as were polled by the third party last fall.

The plan of campaign of the Democratic candidate for mayor, Frank Wenter, was to cut into the German-Republican vote, and on this theory he expected to be elected. An examination of the returns shows that his calculations were not largely sustained. He did get some German-Republican votes, but the Irish-Democrat votes he lost more than offset any gains he made among the Germans.

Wisconsin Elections.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 3.--Rather meagre returns received from about half the counties of the state indicate that Judge Winslow, of Madison, is re-elected justice of the supreme court over Judge Clementson, of Lancaster, the Republican nominee, by a majority of 10,000. Elections in cities and villages are generally Republican.

RIOTOUS STRIKERS

Assault and Injure Bolt Makers Who Refuse to Strike.

MUSKIE, IND., April 3.--Yesterday morning a dozen bolt makers employed at the Indiana iron works struck for higher wages. A majority of the men refused to join in the strike and when they left the mill last night, they were attacked by the strikers, and a general fight followed. To-day the men refused to return to work and made a more dangerous assault than the first. Foreman Charles Parker, of the works, was dangerously injured, John Soules and Edward Frank are also disabled. Of the strikers several were badly bruised.

The most severely injured are Thomas and Peter Mulveyhill, Fritz Kidisch, Daniel Ryan and Thomas Nolan who are severely injured. Several kinds of weapons were used, but there was no shooting.

WINDOW GLASS MEN.

Forty-three Factories Will Be Represented at the Pittsburgh Meeting.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 3.--Joseph Abel, of the glass firm of Abel, Smith & Co., stated to-night that the meeting of the National Association of Window Glass Manufacturers will be held in this city on April 5 instead of April 15, as announced. There will be forty-three factories represented at the meeting, and a strong effort is to be made to bring in the manufacturers who have held out.

Ice In Lake Erie.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, April 3.--The attempt to open navigation on Lake Erie to-day by starting one of the Detroit and Cleveland steamers was postponed on account of ice, which blocks this harbor and extends two miles or more out in the lake. The continued north wind has piled the ice up on the south shore.

Almost a Lynching.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 3.--Sheriff Archer and a deputy from Steelville, Mo., reached St. Louis this afternoon with A. M. Green and the latter's five sons, having narrowly escaped a mob gathered to lynch them.

Green and his sons are charged with the murder of David Hildebrand in Crawford county. After the murder of Hildebrand the body was burned.

Small Pox Epidemic.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 3.--A small pox epidemic is imminent in this city, and City Physician Crow has advised all people who are not vaccinated to attend to the precaution at once.

Street Iron Workers.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., April 3.--The tin, sheet iron and cornice workers international union, met to-day in the state house.

Acting through the blood.

Sarsaparilla not only cures scrofula, salt rheum, etc., but gives health and vigor to the whole body.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK

Is Discussed by a Number of Eminent Authorities.

DECIDED IMPROVEMENT NOTED

And Hopeful Prospects for the Future--Increased Demand for Iron and Steel Products and Investors Show More Confidence--C. P. Huntington Thinks Business Will Continue to Improve for Some Years to Come--Inland Commerce on the Mend.

BALTIMORE, April 3.--C. P. Huntington and John H. Inman, of New York; Abram S. Hewitt, the noted iron merchant; President M. E. Ingalls, of the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad, and the Tennessee Coal and Iron Railroad Company; Hon. Edward Atkinson, of Boston, the president of the Merchants' Exchange of St. Louis, and other eminent authorities, will contribute views in this week's issue of the Baltimore Manufacturers' Record on the prospects for general business improvement.

The majority of views, while of a conservative tone, are to the effect that business from this time on will gradually but steadily improve. The iron and steel manufacturers and merchants report a decided increase in the demand for their products. Traffic has increased on the railroad lines, and the bankers state that investors are having more confidence in different sections of the country, especially the south. Messrs. Atkinson and Inman give quite hopeful opinions, accompanied by elaborate arguments. Thomas Booth, president of the Merchants' Exchange of St. Louis, which represents the business sentiment of the Mississippi Valley, states that "the improvement, which started the first month of the year, is becoming emphasized."

C. P. Huntington thinks that "business will continue to improve for some years to come."

President Ingalls believes that "inland commerce will improve from now on."

SECRET PREYED ON HIM.

And Cashier Griffin, of the Northwestern Bank of Chicago, Confessed to Stealing Fifty Thousand Dollars.

CHICAGO, April 3.--It has been discovered that F. W. Griffin, assistant cashier of the Northwestern National Bank of this city, is a defaulter to the extent of \$50,000. He has been arrested and has confessed. The Northwestern National is a bank of ample means, with capital and resources amounting to a million and a half dollars, and one of the most conservative institutions in Chicago. Griffin's shortage will in no wise affect the standing of the bank and creates no excitement.

Frederick Griffith, the defaulting cashier, had been in the employ of the Northwestern bank about twenty years. He was prominent socially and but a few weeks ago was elected president of the Ashland, a well west side club. He owns a beautiful residence on Washington boulevard, where he was kept to-day under charge of United States officers, no formal arrest having yet been made. In an interview Griffin said that the \$50,000 had been taken to help him in stock speculations. The money was lost and although the defalcation was well covered it preyed upon his mind, until he could keep the secret no longer, and informed the bank officials. He was ready, he said, to take whatever punishment should be given him.

The method used in hiding the deficiency was to draw from the account of a correspondent bank in some other city. The crookedness was first noticed by Bank Examiner McKeon, when he received his "sheets" from the Northwestern national bank of Omaha.

MACEO'S MOVEMENTS.

Hinted That He Was on the Alliance When She Was Fired Upon.

HAVANA, April 3.--Much speculation is indulged in here as to the movements of Antonio Maceo, the mulatto insurgent leader, who was recently reported to have sailed from a Central American port for the purpose of taking the field in Cuba against the government. It is surmised that he landed at Fortune Island, whence he wrote to his colleagues notifying them of his failure to land in Cuba.

There are not lacking those among the government supporters who charge that Maceo was on board the American steamer Alliance when she was fired on by the Coude Du Venadito, off the east coast of Cuba, and that he would have been landed at Cape Mayai if the warship had not been there to prevent it.

A Duel Next in Order.

BAUSERS, April 3.--At the close of the sitting of the chamber of deputies to-day a quarrel occurred between M. De Fuisseux, a Socialist deputy, and M. Hallopeut, a member of the house. The two men finally came to blows, and several of their supporters became engaged in fistfights. The officials of the cabinet had great difficulty in quelling the disorder.

Boys Poisoned.

WARREN, Pa., April 3.--Ernest Lung, aged eight years, Ludwig Wickstrom, aged ten, Harry Johnson, aged nine, and a boy named Estergreen, about the same age, were poisoned near this place yesterday by eating what they thought to be artichoke, but what proved to be a deadly poison.

Sentenced for Life.

ELYRIA, O., April 3.--Charles Geska, who was convicted of murdering his step-father and afterwards burning the body, was to-day sentenced to the penitentiary for life by Judge Nye. When the judge referred to Geska's step-father, the boy burst into tears.

Steamship Arrivals.