

PORTS ARE BLOCKED.

Belligerent Steps Taken by England in Nicaragua.

USUAL RULE OF FORCE.

British Troops to Land at Corinto and Seize Customs Receipts.

COMMERCE WILL BE CRIPPLED.

South American Republics Fear Other Debts May Be Collected in Similar Style.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 24.—Exact official information has been received as to Great Britain's belligerent steps in Nicaragua. British troops are to be landed at Corinto. Custom-houses are to be occupied and British officers are to exercise the functions of collectors of customs.

Reports from Nicaragua confirm the statement that the blockade of Nicaraguan ports by Great Britain means that she is exacting her demands. The understanding is that the blockade will begin next Saturday.

As to the landing of British marines at Corinto, it is stated by officials that this will not menace or endanger the interests of the United States or other foreigners.

The case of the British bombardment of Alexandria is cited to show the British policy toward foreigners at a threatened point.

Great care will be taken to protect foreign interests, and should the latter suffer indirectly they will be compensated for.

Sir Julian Pannecote, the British Ambassador, has not been advised by the home Government as to the contemplated blockade and landing of troops in Nicaragua.

Corinto is the best port of the Central American States on the Pacific Coast. It is most important to Nicaragua, as it is the terminus of the line of the Central Railroad.

The port of San Juan del Sur has a harbor of average size and is in communication with Lake Nicaragua by a macadam road built by the New York and California Transit Company.

The British imports in 1891-92 were \$2,142,601. Those of the United States came second at \$1,497,670; Germany, \$1,042,055; France, \$998,144.

The tariff rates of Nicaragua are such that the \$9,000,805 of imports in 1891 yielded \$1,068,413 in custom duties.

It is a significant fact that the largest part of Nicaragua's foreign debt is represented by bonds held in London and payable there in 1896.

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WORK OF WISE MEN.

Chief Justice Fuller Reviews the Federal Constitution.

DIRECT TAX PROHIBITED.

Reasons for Checking the Scope of the Troublesome Income Tax Law.

TEXT OF A FAMOUS OPINION.

From Its Birth This Country Has Held That Taxation and Representation Go Together.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 24.—The text of the opinion of Chief Justice Fuller in the income tax case, which was delivered on the 8th inst., was made public to-day.

The opinion is preceded by an elaborate review of the history of the case. The opinion proper is introduced with the statement, "The constitution provides that representative and direct taxes shall be apportioned among the several States according to numbers, and that no direct tax shall be laid except according to the enumeration provided; and also that all duties, imposts and excises shall be uniform throughout the United States."

There is an objection. Although the license is out Marriage Has Been Postponed.

Young Wickes of Chicago and His Wooing of Miss Nelson of Kansas City.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 24.—A marriage license was issued Tuesday to Thomas H. Wickes Jr., son of Vice-President Wickes of the Pullman Palace Car Company, and Miss Nina J. Nelson of Kansas City.

There will be no marriage for the present," was his statement. Mr. Wickes has not been a permanent resident of St. Louis and that his bride-to-be comes from another city gave ground for the suspicion that an elopement was contemplated.

There have been from time to time intimations," said the Chief Justice, "that there might be some tax which was not a direct tax nor included under the words 'duties, imposts and excises,' but such a tax for more than one hundred years of national existence has remained undiscovered."

By far the greater part of the opinion is devoted to the consideration of the question whether the tax on rents is a direct tax within the meaning of the constitution.

Professionals Make a Neat Raid on a New Jersey Bank.

One Engages a Clerk in Conversation While His Confederates Take Two Bundles of Bills.

PLAINFIELD, N. J., April 24.—The First National Bank was robbed of \$22,765 on Monday. It is thought that the theft was committed while there were but two clerks in the bank, a stranger engaging them in conversation, while a confederate reached the vault through the directors' room.

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NEW TO-DAY.

Oliver Ames second, O. W. Mink, Edwin F. Atkins, George J. Gould, Government Director E. Ellery Anderson.

2d Crop

Of Sailors arrived last evening—hadn't enough to go 'round last Saturday—awfully sorry we had to disappoint so many.

We've just enough for today's business, in both Long and Short Trousers, as shown in picture below.



In Blue Cheviots with black trimmings, including silk cord and whistle—sizes 3 to 10 years.

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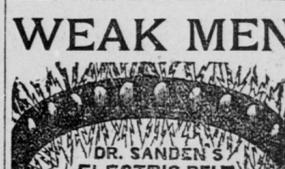
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