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Sarcastic Crossfire in the House Between Representatives of East and West Texas—Number of Senate Bills Introduced.

March Land Sales.

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Senate Bills to Date.

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THE TEXT-BOOK BILL.

Opposition to the Conference Report Enacted, It Passing 57 to 31.

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One Important Consideration Not Taken Into Account.

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To Enter Into War with the United States Though Her Navy is Well Equipped.

Ex-Minister Fava to Sail to-Morrow for Home—Rumors of the Italian Government Upon at the National Capital—Attitude of the London News.

Gazette Interviews.

Special to the Gazette. WASHINGTON, April 2.—"There is one feature of the Italian situation which nobody here seems to take into account in the discussion of the possibilities of war," remarked a prominent treasury officer this morning to your correspondent. "I mean the financial phase. A country may be well supplied with big ships and heavy guns, and they may answer every purpose of defensive warfare or for hostilities conducted within easy reach of the base of supplies, but distant war is a very different matter."

indeed, and for that the supply of ready money is a prime necessity. It is undoubtedly Italy's lack of money which has given a great weight toward peace in the peace of Europe for some years. Italy's inability to France has been steadily on the increase, but a powerful restraint has been placed upon her by the fact that France is her most powerful ally, and in the Latin union, Italy's entrance contains about 384,000,000 of silver 5 franc pieces, which 250,000,000 (or more than two-thirds) are held in France. It is in the power of France to

DEMAND REDEMPTION

of this silver in gold, and that would bankrupt Italy. Her entire metallic reserves, including gold, are in the national treasury, and in the banks, amount to something over \$88,500,000,000, of which about \$88,500,000,000 is gold. Against this she has paper currency amounting to the amount of more than \$25,000,000,000. In that condition such a nation to go into an offensive war with a country separated from her by 3000 or 4000 miles of sea, and having immense material resources with which she would be able to fall back upon would be madness, and though Premier di Rudini has allowed his

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to get the better of him, or has been goaded into showing of light by excited press organs, and one or two others, to show that in modern times, diplomacy has abundant means of avoiding an actual clash of arms between two nations which have no schemes of territorial acquisition to force them into fighting.

At the state department it was asserted at 1 o'clock today that there was no new development in the Fava affair, but some surprise was expressed at the attitude of THE LONDON NEWS, which, as the leading organ of the English Liberal opinion, is a good deal respected here, and is supposed to know something about the relations of the Federal, state and local institutions under our system.

Secretary Blaine's letter published this morning is generally favorably received in Washington. The only serious criticism is that he should not have had sufficient foresight to say practically the same thing in his first communication on the subject. Some of the Italian press organs avoid the annoying misunderstandings which have followed.

Sails for Home.

New York, April 2.—Fava sails for home on Saturday.

Does Not Consider It Serious.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—That the president does not believe that the Italian imbroglio will make a serious turn is evidenced by the fact that he is making arrangements for a trip to the South and West during the present month. George W. Boyd, assistant general passenger agent of the Pennsylvania road, who will have general charge of the trip, had a conference with the president this morning and submitted the outline of itinerary, covering a period of four weeks, beginning April 16. It met with the president's approval. Visits will be made to the principal cities in Virginia, Georgia, Tennessee, Arkansas, Texas, Arizona, New Mexico, California and probably Washington Territory. The party will not stop in any other Southern states than those mentioned. New Orleans is not included in the route.

A Band of Robbers.

NEW ORLEANS, La., April 2.—A close examination of the record of the alleged assassin disclosed the fact that all but four of the eleven slain were registered voters, either by birth or naturalization. The four others, whom Consul Corti claims as entitled to the protection of the Italian government are Trabina, Bagnetto, Monasterio and Conetta. The first named is found to have been a voter in the parish of St. Charles. Bagnetto is proved to have been a fugitive from justice in the case of the Esposito band of highwaymen. Marchese was a veteran of Garibaldi's army, but he fled from Palermo while charged with murdering a fellow Italian. Trabina was a member in Sicily. Of Conetta nobody seems to know anything.

Unprepared for War.

New York, April 1.—Rear Admiral Crane of the New York naval station says: "An Italian fleet might easily blockade New York and stop the flow of commerce which now daily ebbs and flows through the narrows."

"What are our naval resources?" was asked of him.

"With the exception of the Miantonokah there is not a ship we have afloat that could face, in a fair fight, one of the great battle ships of Italy. I hope the present crisis, if it is a crisis, will force upon the people the necessity of building fighting ships. I trust that the matter is not so serious as it appears from the earlier dispatches from Washington, and that war will not come till we are better prepared for it."

The Idea of War Scouted.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Baron Fava has not yet made application for a passport, nor has Marquis Imperial acknowledged the receipt of Blaine's letter of yesterday. Rome's endeavor to obtain an opinion from New York is a moment ago. The eighteenth regiment will leave here at 8:10 for Mount Pleasant."

FATAL STABBING.

Two Cowboys Try the Metal of Their Knives at Brackettsville. Special to the Gazette. BRACKETTSVILLE, TEX., April 2.—A stabbing affray took place about 2:30 this evening between two cowboys, Max Davis and Price Preston, while in a fit of drunkenness, both being stabbed in the side. Davis is dead and Preston is lying in a critical condition. Davis was unmarried and Preston has a wife and one child.

Fell From a Stairway.

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