

The Arizona Citizen

TUCSON, PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA

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EXTRADITION TREATY WITH MEXICO.

The Supreme Government of Mexico Treats it as a Nullity and substantially says to its Citizens, Go forth to the Work of Murder and Pillage on American Soil, and if you escape to Mexico, you shall be Protected.

From the latest accounts, internal anarchy appears imminent in Mexico after the ensuing election, and the Supreme Government of that distracted country seems bent on forcing a bloody war of retaliation on its frontiers. Following are translations of letters by the Mexican Minister of State to the United States Minister at the City of Mexico, and to the Governor of Sonora:

ASPIROZ TO PESQUERA.

Office of the Secretary of State and Ministry of Foreign Relations.—I have received the communication of the 10th of February last, in which you are pleased to ask advice of the rules which should be observed in the extradition of criminals between this State and the neighboring Territory of Arizona, occasioned by the requisition which the Governor of the latter has made upon you, asking for the extradition of the supposed murderers of the Americans Reed, Little and Oliver, of which requisition as well as your reply thereto declining to make the delivery, and a circular to the Prefects of the Districts of Sonora, you have been pleased to send me copies.

In reply I have the honor to acquaint you that the United States Minister in this city communicated the action to this Government, and in answer I have transmitted a note to him, of which I enclose a copy that it may serve to guide your proceedings. When these individuals shall be apprehended—as by international law they cannot be tried for crimes committed in a foreign country—you will direct that they be subjected to competent judicial authority for investigation, with the end of discovering if they have also committed any offenses in the Mexican Republic, on which point the respective authority should officially proceed with the utmost zeal and activity, on the forcible presumption which exists that they are notorious bandits; having in mind the crimes of which the Governor of Arizona accuses them, and the prevention hereafter of the injuries which their excesses might cause the Republic, and to the United States.

In case of their being guilty of offenses committed within the Republic, it might be well to take into consideration the denunciation of the crimes of which they are accused by the Governor of Arizona, and investigate those acts, which would be without doubt aggravating circumstances in the case which would, in a supposed event, be made against them; though should they not prove guilty of criminal acts committed within Mexican territory they must be liberated; as under the rights of nations as now practiced by the most enlightened States, including the United States of America, local authority cannot punish nor even try the perpetrators of the crimes committed on foreign soil. Independence and Liberty. MANUEL ASPIROZ. Mexico, April 13, 1871.

Citizen Governor of the State of Sonora, Ures.

ASPIROZ TO NELSON.

Office of the Secretary of State and Ministry of Foreign Affairs.—Sir: With your Excellency's note of the 5th of February ultimo, I received another from the Consul of the United States at Guaymas, a letter of Mr. George Cooler, agent of the Governor of Arizona, and a file of newspapers, which documents and papers refer to the murder and robbery committed by some Mexicans in territory of the United States, and to the requisition for the supposed murderers, made by the Governor of Arizona on that of Sonora, and the refusal of the latter to deliver them up should they be found within the limits of the latter State.

Your Excellency expresses the belief that the Mexican Government, as soon as it learns the particulars set forth in the documents and papers referred to, will not hesitate to give the Governor of Sonora the necessary instructions for the delivery of the accused. This conception must have been formed by your Excellency without being aware of the circumstance that the individuals are Mexicans whose reclamation was asked for from authorities who are likewise Mexican. Your Excellency will please observe this fact indicated in the same documents and papers—which I return to

you as desired—at least with an equal degree of credibility which is merited by the account of the crimes and other circumstances therein denounced.

I trust from the well known rectitude of your Excellency that this reason alone will suffice to exculpate the Mexican Government for not having directed the delivery of the supposed guilty parties demanded by the Governor of Arizona from the Governor of Sonora. Granting that the procedure in this case is in strict conformity with the stipulations of the extradition treaty in force between the United States of Mexico and the United States of America, and with the practice observed by the Government thereof in relative cases with this Government.

I have the honor to repeat my assurances of being your Excellency's obedient servant.

MANUEL ASPIROZ.

Mexico, March 8, 1871. To his Excellency Thomas H. Nelson, Minister of the United States of America to Mexico.

ECONOMY STONEMAN has endeavored to impress the public with the belief that he is about the only honest man connected with the army; and as for honest citizens, there are none in Arizona, according to this old Pharisee. He has in effect said: "If anyone wishes to see honesty and economy personified, look at me—the spotless George Stoneman!" The people have looked at the thing and are mortified to see nothing of the sort; in fact, some good army officers don't see the virtue in old Economy and Purity that he claims to possess. In fact we understand there are those who were very near his royal person, who were skeptical on this point; and those San Diego supplies, the new headquarters' work, with its frescoed painting, etc., confirm their skepticism or belief.

He would have the public believe that the reduction of expenses in this Department was the direct result of his incorruptible character. What are the facts? About these: Competition for supplies and transportation was very sharp; some contracts were taken at losing rates, but Stoneman had no more influence in this respect than the exiled Napoleon. Hence there was less outlay.

He conveyed the idea that the quartermaster and commissary supplies were bad, and that some great swindle was connected therewith. We doubt if any commissary was ever more faithfully or better supplied, and for this condition of it all credit is due to General Simpson, Chief of that Department in the Division of the Pacific.

Pack mules are short in Arizona, and old Economy's folly tended to reduce the number. His Camp Pinal foolery is a case in point. In packing supplies to that arid, the good Indians of Whitman and Brierly gently borrowed a large number. More were sent to fill their place, and troops anxious to scout were deprived of transportation, and many troops were kept working on useless and impracticable roads.

We have no personal knowledge of a man in Arizona who desires the Indian war continued one day longer, but if there are any such, they alone will mourn old Economy's supersedure in command of the Department.

A New York dispatch of June 13th, says Economy Stoneman will be retired owing to injuries received during the war. The laurels achieved as commander of the Department of Arizona, will be fresh in his mind when enjoying a position of pensioned citizenship. It no doubt will always worry him to think he partakes of the citizen character, but when so harassed, he can find balm in the reflection that he is still receiving a limited amount of citizen cash.

Why is it that so many eastern people and professed philanthropists become so exasperated when once in a great while some Indians are killed by citizens, yet remain perfectly calm and unconcerned as they read the almost daily accounts of the horrible murder of citizens by Indians? Let us hear from Colyer, The Tribune, Army and Navy journal, and like persons and things on this whj.

THE noted Vandaligham accidentally shot himself at Lebanon, Penn., and died from the effects on June 17th.

The New York Tribune of May 30th says:

The Hon. Richard C. McCormick of Arizona, is lying seriously ill at residence of his mother, in Jamaica, L. I. On Saturday he visited Central Park, and in returning home complained of a burning sensation in his eyes. He suffers terribly, and has been totally blind since Sunday morning. His physicians think that he must have been poisoned by some shrub or vine while at the Park, although he is confident he did not touch any of them while there.

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