

A Quebec dispatch, of the 12th, reports two feet of snow along the St. Lawrence. A government steamer has been sent to patrol the coast and aid wrecked vessels. It is apprehended that many fishermen have been lost in consequence of the storm.

Adjutant General Drum estimates the number of uniformed active militia of the several States, as an available force, at 106,919 men.

Secretary of State Bayard has again gone off half-cocked. It will be remembered that he demanded of Mexico the instant release of Cutting and was snubbed by that Republic. Recently the Republic of Peru trod upon Uncle Sam's corns, and again our Secretary of State was angered and ready for fight. He cabled the American minister, at Lima, to shake his fist under the nose of the President of Peru and demand of him an instant apology for seizing a house in which the U. S. Consulate was located and moving the U. S. coat of arms therefrom. Our Minister obeyed instructions and wired Secretary Bayard "Peru is buffy, can't see the propriety of apologizing to a second-rate power which has no organized committee on such." Bayard's response to the U. S. Minister was: "The Department State orders that you forward full particulars of the affair before taking further steps."

Since writing the above we learn that on the 13th, Capt. Logan, commanding Fort Hancock, Texas, together with three soldiers were hunting in Mexico and were imprisoned by the Mexicans for not having first obtained permission. They are now in the El Paso del Norte jail.

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