

BLAINE'S REPLY

To Premier Rudin's Note, Demanding the Punishment of the New Orleans Murderers.

The Marquis Imperiali's Letter to the Secretary of State Repeating the Demand.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 15.—Secretary of State Blaine's reply to Premier Rudin's last official utterance respecting the Italian incident, was completed and handed to the Marquis Imperiali yesterday.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2nd, 1891.

Mr. Secretary of State.

"I have to acknowledge the receipt of the note which your excellency did me the honor to address to me on the 1st inst., in reply to that whereby Baron Fava informed you of his departure on the 14th inst."

Meanwhile, his majesty's government takes note of the declaration whereby the federal government recognizes that an indemnity is due to the families of the victims in virtue of the treaty in force between the two countries.

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The Marquis Imperiali, Charge d'Affaires, Sir.

"I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your note dated Thursday, April 2, 1891. It contains a second telegram from the Marquis Rudin, a part of which I here quote: 'The government of the King of Italy has asked nothing beyond the prompt institution of judicial proceedings through the regular channels.'

ROME, March 24, 1891.

To the Italian Minister, Washington, D. C.

"Our requests to the Federal Government are very simple. Some Italian subjects, acquired by American magistrates, have been murdered in prison while under the immediate custody of the authorities."

(Signed) RIDINI.

The words underscored are precisely those which I quoted in my former note, and I am directed by the President to express the satisfaction of this government with the very material qualifications of the demand made by the Marquis Rudin, on the 24th inst."

The Marquis Rudin will carefully examine my note of April 15, and will discover that I did not recognize that an indemnity is due to the families of the victims in virtue of the treaty in force between the two countries."

The Marquis Rudin may be assured that the United States would recognize every Italian subject who might be wronged by the violation of a treaty to which the faith of the United States is pledged.

At the recent bazaar held by St. Saviour's church, Victoria, handsome sofa cushions, hand-painted by Mrs. E. Verwey, were disposed of by raffie, the winner being Mrs. E. Verwey, wife of the Lieut. and Mrs. E. Verwey.

North-bound Passengers

The following passengers left for the steamer Danube, last night, for Victoria: E. Verwey and party of G. P. Hopkins, W. P. Pratt, Courtenay, B. Draney, Mrs. E. Verwey and J. Boston.

River and Lake Navigation

A dispatch from Reveltoke, Cameron, received last evening that the first steamer of the Nelson Navigation Company for Sproule's Saturday, 18th inst., at 12 o'clock.

The Alter Society's Affairs

The ladies of the Alter Society gave a concert at the Victoria Club, on Tuesday afternoon, and even Bishop's Palace, Yates street, for several days the ladies have been engaged in the entertainment of all who attend may expect pleasant time.

Will be Taken to Ottawa

In Chambers yesterday, Dr. Fullerton was appointed as the agent for the Pullout of B. C. to the St. Lawrence, and approved the offer. Messrs. Bodwell & Co. held the plaintiffs, and J. Selmecken the railway company.

Will Build the Buoys

The Department of Marine and Fisheries has awarded a contract for a new buoy, to be built by Mr. J. W. Thompson, of Victoria, at a cost of twelve feet in diameter, with a bell weighing capable of making itself heard four miles. The construction is under the supervision of Mr. Thompson.

Did Not Want a Trial

John Stuart, who is charged with a rioting Government House, before Mr. Justice Drake yesterday noon, and asked if he wished a jury or by a judge alone. He did not see the necessity at all; he acknowledged his guilt, and he asked to be sentenced without a trial, and set the case for 10.30 this morning.

The Proposed New Church

The trustees board of the Methodist church met last evening for the purpose of discussing the advisability of building a new church. After a discussion which lasted until 11 o'clock, it was decided to call a meeting of the trustees and members on the 30th inst., at which will be decided whether the church be built or not.

Got Away With the Case

A Sivasah seal hunter, who was from sight an unorthodox quack, from hidden liquors, met a policeman street Tuesday night, and was pursued by the officer for several blocks. The hunter, who was with him, and then the latter on of the liveliest struggles on record, the policeman was finally killed. The Sivasah is reported to have been shot by a pair of his hired hand-uffs.

The Life of a Fireman

During the fire drill on Tuesday night, the fireman, John McNeil had his back to the fire, and was killed by a cause which caused intense pain during yesterday, Dr. Helmecken on hand, but failed to locate the trouble, as the splinter had worked its way under the skin. The victim struck Hoseman McKay in the same drill, cutting his leg, breaking two teeth. These are the delights of a fireman's life.

The Ladies are the Winners

May 20 and 21 are the dates of the Hebrew Ladies' association grand bazaar, for which preparations are being made, and the proceeds are to be devoted to the Hebrew Benevolent Society. The affair is promised to be a novelty never before introduced in Victoria, and will be held at the Hebrew Ladies' hall, on the corner of the Blanche and the Sybil streets. The proposition is for a home for the Rabbi, fortable hall for socials, public meetings.

A Flax For the Park

When Messrs. Lewis Levy and Co. visited the principal business men, and received their subscription to the purchase of a stand for the Victoria park, they did not know how much the required flax was. Now they find that after paying for it, they have a little cash in their pockets, and a few subscribers have been secured. The flax is to be presented to the park on the flag-staff on Beacon Hill. It was suggested that the Mayor should half-holiday when the flax is unfurled, and the town clock be rung on the same day.

Omnia, the Wonderful

Omnia, the wonderful, will appear at the Victoria theatre on Tuesday evening, April 20, and 21. The orchestra of thirty pieces, as well as the following recognized artists: Louis Lamoignon, a French pianist who has a company of first-class instruments ranging from G below the staff to high C, which on an all-purpose instrument is sweet in tone; Ives Park has a heavy, dramatic soprano voice, and sympathetic in her playing in ballad singing; Edward Stanger and musical director of the Victoria choir, who is well known to regular patrons; and Karl Storr, the great German organist, who has just won a triumph at that sum."

CAPITAL NOTES.

No Probability of Any Changes in the Tariff During the Approaching Session.

The First Census Bulletin Will Be Ready Next Month—The Boundary Line.

(From our own correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Ont., April 15.—It is understood that it is not probable that any changes will be made in the tariff during the approaching session, with, perhaps, one or two exceptions.

The estimates will be ready when the House meets and the budget will be delivered early.

The employing printers of Toronto saw the Minister of Customs and the Finance Minister, to-day. They want a revolution in the tariff on all kinds of printer's work.

A deputation of some members of Parliament will ask the Government to establish a Dominion Dairy Exhibition, to meet in successive years in the different provinces. It is thought that such exhibitions will prove of great benefit to the dairy industry.

The election protest of Richelieu was served on Sir Hector Langevin, to-day. The census bulletin, giving the population of the cities, will appear in about a month.

Surveyor-General Deville says, with reference to the report that Canada has lost a large slice of territory where the southern boundary of British Columbia runs, that the contrary is the case.

THE PRESIDENT'S TOUR.

Enthusiastic Reception All Along the Route—People Turn Out En Masse.

Speeches Made at Every Stopping Place—Greenville, Tennessee, Especially Cordial.

ROANOKE, Va., April 15.—The presidential train arrived here at 8:50 o'clock this morning. There were no special incidents en route.

The reception at Roanoke was most enthusiastic. The President shook hands with many hundreds of people from the rear platform, and in response to repeated demands, made a short speech.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., April 11.—The town of Radford, Va., acknowledged the President's visit this morning in a most cordial manner. Many of the inhabitants were assembled at the station and cheered the President heartily.

A vast crowd was massed at Bristol, and a committee escorted the President to a high bluff, where he was introduced to the people by Judge W. C. Johnson.

General Pacheco, the Mexican Minister of Public Works, has recently submitted to the Mexican Congress a report on the proposed changes in the coinage with a bill to carry them into effect.

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DIMINUTIVE REPUBLICS.

Andorra and San Marino, and Their Governments.

Interesting Facts Concerning These Two Tiny Countries, Whose Populations Number but a Few Thousands.

A Great Mining Disaster.

BERLIN, April 15.—The Caroline pit at Glenwitz, Silesia, is burning. Four miners were killed by an explosion which preceded the fire, and twenty were injured by either the explosion or the flames.

A Scandalous Story.

LONDON, April 15.—A dispatch to the Chronicle says, a number of Italian newspaper sent to America have been returned to Italy with the New York official postage stamp on them, declaring their entry into the United States to be forbidden.

PROVINCIAL NEWS.

H. M. S. Nymphe will return to Esquimaut at Once—The Galachan Run Commenced—Important Suit.

NEW WESTMINSTER, April 15.—H. M. S. Nymphe will cut short her visit here and proceed to Esquimaut. Her visit to Vancouver has been postponed.

A great suit is before the Supreme Court here, brought by a Delta ranch named Calhoun against a man named Thompson, over the purchase of plaintiff's property at \$65,000.

HEAVY RAINS.

Flood Invergow, Ontario, and Cuss Considerable Damage.

BRITISH BARQUE IRVINE.

The British barque Irvine will clear the custom house on Thursday for Liverpool, England. The following is a list of the freight on board:

Table with columns: Consignee, Shipper, Quantity, and Value. Lists various goods and their values.

CHANGING MEXICAN COINS.

Values and Designs Will Probably Be Slightly Altered by the Republic.

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BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

Blaine's Reply.

LONDON, April 15.—The Standard regards Blaine's reply to Rudin as very able, and is curious to see Rudin's response.

Bismarck Probably Defeated.

BERLIN, April 15.—Forty districts of the Gesamtgemeinde gave Bismarck 3,223, Schmalfeld (Socialist), 3,264. Adolf Preussing, 1,630. Total 40,816. There will be a re-ballo between Bismarck and Schmalfeld.

The Grippe Filizes English Graveyards.

LONDON, April 14.—The re-appearance of the influenza in Northern England causes apprehension of a serious epidemic. The epidemic is prevalent throughout Yorkshire. It has re-appeared suddenly at Hull, where the death rate has doubled during the last fortnight. In Sheffield, nearly everybody is affected, and business is practically suspended.

ELEVATORS IN ENGLAND.

An American's Exciting Ride in One of the Queer Contrivances.

"London may not be provided with elevators on anything like the scale that New York is," says a writer in the New York Tribune who recently spent his vacation abroad. "But I saw a lift there, the like of which I do not believe exists in this country. I entered an office building in London, which was not far from the Bank of England, to see a friend, who was on the top floor. In the corridor I saw a number of boxes following one another up one shaft and down another. They were attached to an endless chain and were large enough to hold several persons.

"I looked at the machine in some doubt, when suddenly a man stepped out of one of the boxes or cars which was coming down. The car, which was going at what seemed to me a rather rapid rate of speed, did not stop, the man jumping off it while it was in motion. Pretty soon I saw other men jumping in and out of the cars, which were about as far apart on the endless chain as the distance from floor to floor. I at first hesitated about risking my limbs and life on the contrivance, but finally stepped into an ascending car just before its bottom was on a level with the floor.

"No sooner had I done this than I began to get afraid that I might be crushed to death by the car when the floor or ceiling when I tried to step off. Of a sudden it struck me that it did not get off at the top floor, but was carried to the roof, and then he stood on my head in the car as it turned over. I was in a perfect fever of anxiety, and could hardly screw up my courage to the point of alighting, but I managed to do this when the top floor was reached. I found that it was much easier to get out than I had supposed, and when I finished my walk I boldly rode down on the machine.

"I afterward learned that a man who did not get out of an ascending car at the top floor would be in no danger of being turned upside down at the top of the shaft, because the car always has its upright position. This is due to the fact that only the roof of the car is fastened to the cable, so the car always remains bottom downward by its own weight. A lift like this may be economical, as it does away with the need of men to run it, but I myself much prefer the safe American machine."

HIS YOUNG LADY PUPIL.

Heroic Treatment Given a Big Girl Rescued from a Lion's Den.

A Maine boy, who is now a professor in one of our New England colleges, used to teach town schools while fitting himself for his university course, says the Lewiston Journal. Seated opposite to him on a railway train awhile ago he related to me some of his early experience in teaching the youthful pupils of the district.

The teacher's ears one day that this maid had declared to an admiring group that she would have her hair cut at the school house, and that if the teacher kept her after school he would have the privilege of sitting up one night with her at any rate before she would make the lesson up. This idea caused much excitement among the pupils, who are usually ready to enjoy a teacher's discomfiture.

According to the programme the young lady's lesson on the afternoon was a complete failure, and she was told to make it up after school. When the session ended the other pupils lingered about with an air of expectancy to see the outcome of matters.

The teacher politely showed them out of the room, however, and then went in and shut the door. There at the dinner table could be seen a defiantly folded and the book closed on the desk before her. The pedagogic cordially invited her to open the book and begin operations, but this had no effect whatever.

"All right," said he, taking thirty minutes to get that lesson, and if it is not ready at the end of that time I'll take you across my knee and give you the same comprehensive unbridled and abode-dodder spanking that you ever occurred since Julius Caesar was an infant."

Then he took a chair with his back to the enemy. Surprise, mortification, tears and sobs ensued, but at the end of the half hour the lesson had been learned—two lessons, probably.

A New Minnow Trap.

An ingenious inventor has come to the relief of fishermen lately, by producing a minnow trap that is hard to beat. First of all it is wholly composed of transparent, colorless glass, and is in shape much like a big cartridge, with a pointed butt end.

The minnows are unable to find their way out, because they follow the sides of the trap and this leads them into the cul-de-sac at the flat end, all around the bottom of the cone. They are easily poured out, however, with the water in the trap, by holding the trap up, pointed end down, and opening the cul-de-sac door. Wire is twisted around the little slide door. Wire is twisted around the cul-de-sac door, and forms a handle by which it is conveniently carried, and the wire also protects the glass from injury.

Valuable Carp.

The Census Bureau, with all the rest of its work, has been attempting to ascertain the value of the carp which have been introduced into America waters. A writer in the Boston Transcript says: "One man to whom a schedule was submitted replied that a carp in his pond had been worth a thousand dollars to him in the past six months. His wife had been sick, and he had fed her exclusively upon carp, to which diet he attributed her recovery. She was worth a thousand dollars, at least, therefore he estimated his gain on his investment at that sum."