

Among these are supposed to be many other persons of importance as yet not identified, or who have adopted false names, as the names of Santa Rosa and Queda do not appear.

The vessel had papers in order, was despatched for Colon, all the papers appearing on the papers as laborers for the railroad building there.

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It must be doubted, as it cannot be denied—as General Varona has since been executed—that he made any remarks tending to incite to rebellion, or to be attached to him for effect, as the Diario Cubano remarks that these words of Bomba dissipate all doubt, if any could be entertained, of the real intention of the expeditionists of the Virginia, and that proof is abundant to prove that the pursuit of the Virginia was commenced within Spanish waters and the capture effected on the high sea twenty-three miles from the coast of Jamaica and about seventy miles from that of Cuba.

UPON ARRIVAL. Upon arrival upon port the intelligence spread like lightning and attracted an immense crowd of people. The government palace and other public buildings were illuminated, and all the authorities, civil and military, went to facilitate the Governor, Burriel, upon the news, who in the evening gave a brilliant reception. The vessels were crowded with people, and a number of boats, filled with bands of music and cheering volunteers. The festivities were kept up late into the night.

THE COURT MARTIAL. The following day (the 24) a court martial was held at nine o'clock, which commenced at nine and terminated at four o'clock. All were tried and the findings of the court and the sentences were sent to the Captain General and Admiral in sealed packets. After the Court had concluded its task, all the prisoners, with the exception of Bomba, Jesus del Sol, General Ryan and Pedro Caspede, were escorted by a force of 100 volunteers and a number of marines.

General Burriel, as it is said, coolly asked all the prisoners should be turned out to sea, and the objection of the captain and crew, who should be sent to Havana at the disposal of the Commandante General de Marina, and afterwards all should be tried (?) and executed in order to avoid any complication with the exterior—that is foreign intervention.

Of the members of the crew of the steamship Virginia who were not killed by the Spaniards at Santiago de Cuba four were condemned to the chain gang for life, three to eight years imprisonment, eight to four years imprisonment, and three were set at liberty.

MADRID.—The Spanish Cabinet are unanimously in favor of a satisfactory and honorable settlement of the Virginia difficulty, but regard the maintenance of the integrity of Spanish territory as essential.

BERMUDA TO THE SPANISH OFFICER. It is stated that after being taken by the Tornado Bomba addressed her commander to the following effect: "Congratulations on the capture of the vessel, but he was not aware what elements there were on the capture, and that they would produce what they anticipated from the island, and that, possibly, the capture of the Virginia might bring about the termination of the insurrection, as it was the last effort of the Junta of New York, which had expended \$200,000 on the expedition, and, further, that he had over confided in the sailing qualities of the Virginia, as he did not believe that there was any vessel on the capture that could match her speed—sixteen knots per hour."

WASHINGTON.—Naval officers have been approached relative to the comparative strength of the Spanish and American navies. While a majority of them know, from reports which for some years past have been officially sent to the department, the formidable character of the Spanish sea ships generally, they have no fear from the fact that even should war result, it would not be excepting so far as the island of Cuba is concerned, a war of invasion on our part, and the navy of the United States as now on the high seas, but confined to the Cuban coast and to ports of the United States, which many prominent officials here think would be thoroughly protected by iron clad monitors, and torpedo boats, without officers, who have some active service on our iron clad, even before they were brought to the present state of efficiency, and without realizing that one of our monitors could sink a Spanish man-of-war in a close contest in a few minutes. Our monitors, having but little hull visibility—only 15 inches above the water line—are practically invulnerable, and even the port of a Spanish man-of-war by means of a single shot. A Spanish ship could not even detect a light by running away from the monitor, and the monitor could sink the Spanish ship.

could not make a successful pursuit, but after the action should be commenced and the vessels be in close quarters our monitor would soon disable its opponent. The Spanish war steamers, which are represented to be of such a formidable character, are platted with iron to the extent of four inches thick, but within 1,000 yards of a monitor this would be considered of little importance in the face of one of our powerful 15-inch guns, in which are used from 80 to 100 pounds of powder at a single discharge. The Spanish iron-clad being constructed after the model of ordinary vessels, present a most vulnerable point about a center line of fire marks for our guns. This is the turret, which may be protected from revolving by an enemy's shot, but great care has been exercised to perfect them in this respect.

SPAIN IN HUNTER FOR PEACE. Information received from Madrid shows that the Spanish government, in earnest in its professions of friendship for the United States, and extending its arms to do everything in its power, not only to permanently establish the peaceful relations between the two countries, but to bring about a commercial relations Spain with the United States in its efforts to permanently establish a republican government in that country, and hence the report received from Havana that orders have been issued by the Spanish Admiralty to Spanish naval officers in the West Indies to observe the utmost caution in their movements towards vessels carrying the United States flag, and to do nothing that would have the effect of adding to the present excitement in the United States growing out of the late unhappy occurrences at Santiago de Cuba.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE SITUATION. President Grant, in a conversation with a representative of the press stated that the government could not act in so grave a matter as the one under consideration without first obtaining accurate information upon all the essential points involved. By the time Congress assembled it was hoped that a definite complete correspondence would be made between the two countries, and that a peaceful and satisfactory settlement of the Cuban troubles, but thought best, however, to be prepared to protect the American flag and citizens at all hazards; and if war became necessary the United States would be found prepared than people supposed, having a large body of well disciplined men, and the necessary arms and ammunition.

CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER. A table showing the days of the week for each date in November.

THE BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. Mr. Steele having completed his sixth year as pastor of the above church, a new arrangement has been made for the future. The out-stations at Amherst, Point Salem, and Head of Amherst will be in charge of a young man, who is expected to arrive in the latter part of January. This will leave the pastor the general oversight of the Church, and the more special care of the large congregation at the corner, where, instead of one sermon as at present, there will be two every Lord's day. The new order of things is to commence on the first Sunday in December, by which time the furnaces will have been refitted and, we hope, the house rendered comfortable. The Amherst Baptists are to be commended for their enterprise and liberality in providing increased ministerial labor.

"LIFE IN DANBURY," by the Danbury News Man, is the captivating title which alone being read will ensure the purchase of the work by many who read Bayley's humorous articles as they appear from time to time in the GAZETTE and other papers. There is a quaintness about the Danbury humorist, which, applied to scenes met with in every-day life, invests his sayings with great interest and excites uncontrollable laughter at almost every sentence. Some of the best pieces, such as "Putting up a Store-pipe," and "The Leader and Point-pot," are touching illustrations. The work is so popular that it has reached its 30th thousand. For sale at Chipman's Book Store. Price \$1.50.

SAD ACCIDENT.—A very sad case of drowning at Morice's Pond, Skerville, is reported by the Post. A son of Robert Hurst, aged seven years, broke through the ice not far from the shore, and Mrs. H., in attempting to rescue him with a slab, also broke through and remained there supporting the child with one arm while the slab supported her by the other, for one hour. The physical suffering and mental anguish must have been intense, but she still clung to her child, and almost her last words were, "Is Willie safe?" She died immediately after being rescued, and the child proved to be dead.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT.—Yesterday, as the express train from Halifax was approaching River Philip Station, a young man jumped off the engine of a working train, and, slipping was struck about the head by cylinder-head of the express train's engine, receiving serious if not fatal injury.

THE OXFORD EDGE TOOL CO. whose establishment we described some time ago, is fully at work manufacturing Axes, Adzes, Hatchets, &c. We are glad to learn that dealers are well pleased with the goods, which are meeting with a ready sale.

Grand Seance.

At 8 o'clock on Tuesday evening, the passage of Professor and Madame Smith's stately staid towards the platform of Mason Hall, her delicate hand resting confidently upon the professor's stalwart arm, was amid a continued ovation. Having toiled the mark on the stage and given in unison those execrating bows which evinced a rigorous training for the occasion, the audience still further expressed its unbounded satisfaction at the prospect which appearances presented for the evening's work. Their wardrobes, supplied by our leading modistes, were utterly regardless of expense and fashion. Mr. J. S. Dulaney, who was unanimously chosen to wield the cudgel over the crowd in establishing points of order, gracefully introduced the professor and professor-ess whose fame he asserted, without fear of contradiction, had extended east, west, north and south from the water-lashed shores of Shalbe to the Granpian Hills of Malgic. The first piece was a comic drama, entirely new (having been imported for the occasion), entitled "Bonnie Doom," the chorus appearing to be something about three blind mice. The accompaniment—which seemed to proceed from the centre of the hall and to embrace a great variety of instruments—was perhaps a trifle stentorian for the voices; but no fault can be attributed to the gallant pair whose pious perspiration and profuse puffing told that they were doing their level best to out-wind the piping pander-musicians. The programme was a variegated one, comprising song, oratory, ball scenes (illustrated by the firing of shot and shelled beans, explosion of fire crackers, Indian war-whoops, pealing of trumpets, cries of the wounded, portrait of the contrabands, &c.); and a generous portion was occupied with that applause which all agree in saying the occasion demanded, on the solution of each "sarcastic enigma" or impressive climax by the eulcoryntionist of the evening, or some dolorous trill of the fair contralto. They wish to say to the distinguished "irony" of St. Institute to night, and will be "at home" at the "Victoria" to-morrow.

THE CHARGE WILL GIVE.—Our office to supply this paper until Dec. 31st free, to new paid subscribers for a year, is being accepted by a large number. We had a very efficient Street Commissioner. If he is out of town we hope some one will call his attention to this office on his next visit to the city.

THE CHINESE POST gives the authority of the Hon. A. J. Smith for stating that the Bay Vista Hotel can be constructed in its western terminus will be at Au Lac.

DR. E. P. McLEOD, who won the reputation of being a skillful dentist while, has removed to Halifax, in order to secure a larger field.

WE direct attention to the adv. of Mr. Hamilton, in our columns, who we hope will keep some of the poultry from leaving the country.

THE Rev. D. A. Steele will spend the next Sabbath in N. John, prayer meeting will be held in Baptist Vestry morning and evening.

THE Rev. Dr. Clarke will deliver a Temperance Lecture in the Ref. Pres. Church, this (Friday) evening, at 8 o'clock.

According to late despatches we need not be surprised to hear of a General Election for the Dominion before very long.

Prof. Allison, of Skerville, is expected to preach in Wesleyan Chapel, Amherst, next Sabbath morning and evening.

Great \$20,000 Horse Race. SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 15.—The great \$20,000 four mile heat race came off today. The first mile resulted as follows: Maine Blue, third; Thad Stevens, second; True Blue, third; Joe Daniels, fourth. Second mile, True Blue, first; Maine Blue, second; Joe Daniels, third; Thad Stevens, fourth. The third mile, True Blue, first; Joe Daniels, second; Thad Stevens, third; Maine Blue, fourth. Time of heat, 7:42.

Second Heat.—The horses were called for the second heat at a quarter to four, and the preliminary scribbling down and saddling was accomplished in readiness for a set off at five minutes to four. Another splendid start was made, three horses taking the lead, and the crowd pulled out about three lengths. True Blue following; and at the end of the first mile, Thad crossed the score three lengths ahead; True Blue second, and the other two horses were about the same. Thad giving a few yards, if any thing, on the third mile all of the horses crossed the score in the same company. Thad took the lead, and the crowd pulled out about three lengths. Thad and True Blue pulled out and led, Joe Daniels following. On the fourth mile, Thad and True Blue were about the same, and Joe Daniels was about the same.

Our Halifax Letter.

MR. EDITOR.—I must say that I don't think anything of very great importance has transpired here since I last wrote you. Business is about the same and people here, like I presume in most other places, are preparing for winter. The first snow of very importance fell on last night. About three inches fell and the ground this morning presented quite a winter-like appearance but the penetrating rays of the sun and a few drops of rain which fell this afternoon, have so demolished it that hardly a particle is now to be seen. Together with the snow last night was a violent storm which, it is feared, has done much injury to ships at sea and those making land. Already reports of some having been driven ashore have reached here, and it is feared many more are still to be heard from. Here, in Halifax, the damage was of very little moment and did not extend farther than one or two vessels dragging their anchors, &c.

THE Fall sitting of the Supreme Court for this County closed on Saturday last. A large number of cases were tried and still a large number remained untried. During the sittings of the Court the character of business men and of men generally was established by the Jury as follows: A minister worth \$100, merchant \$500, lawyer \$50, and \$1000 20cts., thus establishing a precedent which may be followed. Of the criminals among whom true bills were found by the Grand Jury and who were arraigned for trial, Geo. Powers of H. M. S. Narcissus was the only one found "guilty" of the charge against him. He was sentenced by His Honor, Mr. Justice McCully, for the crime of manslaughter to one year in the penitentiary.

The ship Richard Robinson of over 1400 tons register which was brought in here by a cargo belonging to one of the Allan Line Steamers as a prize, is still here unloading her cargo. She has been put in the Vice-Admiralty Court for salvage which no doubt will be recovered, when probably she will leave for the United States where she belongs.

In the way of amusements and entertainments we have had Mr. Edward Carswell, the famed temperance orator, back for a couple of nights. On last Friday night he lectured in the hall and on Saturday night to a like number, and it is Sunday that on the latter occasion over 500 had to go away without getting a mission, thus showing plainly that he is becoming very popular in this city and no doubt is doing much good. He left here yesterday (Monday) morning and is expected back next summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Lammerman from St. John were in Halifax on Wednesday and Thursday evenings last. Their entertainments, although very pleasant and enjoyable, were very sparsely attended. This is owing to Wednesday evening being very disagreeable and on Thursday evening a meeting of the Evangelical Alliance of Halifax was held, which was a great success.

Among the celebrities now in Halifax is the Rev. Mr. Graham from Bonn, Germany, a very talented gentleman and a minister of the Presbyterian Church. He was a delegate to the Evangelical Alliance lately held in New York and is here on a visit, delivering lectures, &c.

Well, Mr. Editor, I don't think there is anything of very great importance to write of in the way of the Supreme Court for the December term commence on Tuesday next. The case of McLeod vs. Douglas from Amherst occupies a high place on the Docket and no doubt many other causes from Cumberland will be argued during the term.

The Hon. Hugh McDonald, the newly appointed Judge for Nova Scotia, is expected to take his seat on the Bench on the 20th inst. He is a delegate to the Evangelical Alliance lately held in New York and is here on a visit, delivering lectures, &c.

From Ottawa. The following changes take place in the Ontario Cabinet: Mr. Mackenzie to be Minister of Agriculture and Provincial Secretary; Mr. Fraser to take the Crown Lands, and Mr. Frape to take the Public Works.

New York, Nov. 26.—The latest and most important news relative to the Spanish complications is that unless the Government within 48 hours Minister Siskie will leave Madrid. It is now stated upon semi-official authority that the demands of our Government are that the Virginia must be restored; that indemnity must be paid to the families of the American victims, and that the United States flag must be saluted in the waters where it was insulted.

The Halifax Reporter says—A number of snow-plovers, larger and stronger than any that have been in use, are being constructed at Richmond Depot workshops, for service on the International Railway this winter. Some of the new plows are over 30 feet long and fully 15 or 16 feet high.

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