

A TUG FRANK MINISTER SALISBURY'S CAUTION.

Spain's Representative at Washington Makes a Vivid Pen Portrait of McKinley.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The publication in the morning papers of what purport to be an autograph letter written by Senator Donjey de Lome, the Spanish minister, to his friend Canalejas, criticizing the President with the most freedom, and which caused a sensation in official circles at Washington, soon will be followed by Minister de Lome's return from the United States. At the outset there was a disposition to question the authenticity of the letter, but as bit by bit the circumstantial evidence accumulated, until it was finally announced officially that the minister declined to deny the authorship of the letter, all doubt disappeared and the only question that remained was as to the line of action to be pursued by the United States towards the offending minister.

The writing of the letter is unquestionably an offence against the amenities of the diplomatic relations, and such offences have been regarded in the United States as in other capitals as sufficient grounds for the termination of the official status of the minister. As soon as the letter appeared in the press the state department officially began an effort to settle its authorship, and when it had learned all that could be developed on the point, the minister told that the minister himself refused to deny writing it, the consideration of the next step began. Assistant Secretary Day, after consultation with the President on the subject, spent much time in framing a message to the United States minister Woodford at Madrid. The official statement of sending this message was accompanied by a declaration to indicate its contents at this time the department merely giving to the press the following statement: "Minister de Lome does not deny writing the letter. This department has communicated with General Woodford on the subject. Until the minister reaches Spain it would be improper in any manner state the contents of the message to General Woodford." While the department refused to add anything to this message, announcement it has been stated without question that Minister Woodford was directed to lay the facts before the Spanish government together with the statement that in view of the minister's refusal to deny the authorship of the letter, the United States government is looked to with confidence to deal with the case properly. This amounts to an invitation to recall the minister, presuming that he himself has not already taken steps to vacate his position.

The letter containing the criticism of President McKinley was written by Senator de Lome evidently by recently. Don Jose Canalejas, editor of El Heroldo de Madrid at Havana. The letter was made public by the agents of the Cuban Junta in New York, who claimed that one of their agents in Havana, at the risk of his life, succeeded in stealing it from the editor's private apartments. The objectionable paragraphs in the letter are as follows: "The situation here continues unchanged. Everything that we read in the political and military situation in Cuba. The progress of this second method of warfare will end the day that the colonial cabinet shall be appointed, and it remains to leave the country. It is the part of the responsibility of you who may happen there, and they must cast the responsibility upon the Cubans, whom they believe to be so immaculate. "The President's message to Congress has undoubtedly the message to Congress, who expected something else, and has paralyzed the action of Congress; but I consider it bad. Besides the nature and inevitable coarseness with which he dealt in the matter of the public opinion of Spain has said of Weyer, it shows once more what McKinley is, weak and catering to the rabble, and besides a low politician, who desires to leave the country, and to stand well with the jingoes of his party. "Nevertheless, as a matter of fact it only depends on ourselves whether he will prove bad and adverse to us. I entirely agree with you without a military success. I will be successful in Cuba, and without military and political success there is here always danger that the insurgents will be encouraged, if not by the government, at least by part of the public opinion of this country. "It would be most important that you should attend the question of commercial relations, even though it would be only for effect, and that you should send here a man of importance in order that I might use him as a source of gratification among the senators and others in opposition to the junta and win over exile."

ANOTHER BULLEEN FORBIDDEN. The President of Guatemala Assassinated. But Affairs Go On as Usual.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Senator LAZAR Arriaga, the Guatemalan minister to the United States, this afternoon received an official cablegram from the minister of foreign affairs of Guatemala announcing the assassination of President Barrios, and the succession to the presidency of the first vice-president, Manuel Ferrada Cabrera. No details whatever were given. The despatch came from Guatemala City, the capital, where President Barrios had lived, and the government departments are carried on. It added that entire calm prevailed. This last assurance, coupled with the immediate succession of the first vice-president, in accordance with the constitutional methods of the country, is a source of gratification to the officials of the Guatemalan legation here. The new president, Mr. Cabrera, is a man of prominence in Guatemala and is one of the two chosen by the congress to fill the presidency in case of a vacancy.

THE "GALLIA" DELAYED. Three Days Late Reaching Halifax—Passengers for Victoria and Vancouver.

HALIFAX, Jan. 10.—(Special)—The mail steamer Gallia arrived to-day three days late, having encountered terrific gales throughout the voyage. She sustained considerable damage of a minor nature, while her passengers suffered much discomfort on account of the severity of the weather. Many of the crew were out and bruised by being thrown about as the ship pitched and rolled. The steamer brought a number of passengers bound for Yukon. She had 200 cabin, 40 intermediate, and 124 steerage passengers. Among the former are E. W. Wilson, E. G. Walker, Mrs. S. J. Walker, Vancouver; G. R. Johns, Mrs. Johns, Misses Johns, Mrs. E. Leech, Victoria.

Danger in Acquiring Territory Beyond the Capacity of the Empire to Firmly Hold.

French Government Accused of Bad Faith in the Matter of Madagascar.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—Lord Salisbury in his speech in the House of Lords said that the Earl of Kimberley in his speech had repeatedly warned the government against the dangers of excessive acquisitions. Lord Salisbury declared he hardly recurred with the noble Earl, and added: "I believe there is a danger in our public opinion of a reaction to the doctrine of thirty or forty years ago, when it was thought that it was our duty to fight everybody and take everything. I think that a very dangerous doctrine, not merely because we would thereby strike other nations against us, and the reputation we now enjoy in Europe is not by any means pleasant or advantageous, but because there is a much more serious danger of over-extending our strength. However strong we may be, there is a point beyond which our strength does not go. It is courage and wisdom to exert that strength to its available limit, but to extend to the point where it ends is extreme imprudence that it is of all party feelings to prevent this, and covering and following of narrow lines that separate undue concession and undue terror from the rashness which more than once in history has been the ruin of nations as great and powerful as ourselves."

THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN CO. British Government Will Take Away Its Civil Authority.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—The Daily Telegraph this morning says it understands that the government's scheme is to separate civil authority from the trading powers of the British South African chartered company and to govern Rhodesia by a governor and council. The paper bears that Mr. Cecil Rhodes and Alfred Beit will resign the directorate of the company.

YUKON LIQUOR PERMITS. Northwest Government Advised from Ottawa to Issue No More.

OTTAWA, Feb. 10.—A discussion took place in the Senate to-day regarding the issue of liquor liquor permits in the Yukon. The Northwest Territories government is issuing them, and Mr. Mills admitted that theoretically the government of Yukon is in the hands of the Territories. That government has been advised, however, from Ottawa not to issue any more Yukon permits of any kind. Legislation will be presented this session defining the powers of the Territorial government and also to provide a system of government for the Yukon.

SPAIN'S OFFENDING MINISTER.

His Recall Would Do Little to Soothe the Feelings of American Politicians He Has Scored.

MADRID, Feb. 10.—The Delome letter incident is regarded here as a jingoesque intrigue intended to disturb the relations between the United States and Spain.

LONDON, Feb. 10.—With the exception of the Daily Mail the morning papers do not comment on the Delome incident. The Daily Mail says: "We cannot suppose the Delome letter genuine, but if it is, then all the fault would be in the fire. Things have reached a pass where little is wanted to cause an explosion. Even the recall of Senor Delome would not satisfy or pacify the inflated jingoes of the American correspondents are all of the opinion that Senor Delome's letter is inevitable, but they believe Spain will be led to withdraw him in the least disagreeable manner of the day." The republican criticisms of Mr. Cleveland's treatment of Lord Sackville West it would be impossible to give him his passport.

A SIMPLE CATARRH CURE. I have spent nearly a year in the treatment of Catarrh and have effected more cures in an equal time than any other medicine. I will send you my full particulars, free of charge, to every reader of this paper. Send me a stamp, and I will send you my full particulars, free of charge, to every reader of this paper. Send me a stamp, and I will send you my full particulars, free of charge, to every reader of this paper.

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NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada to be made to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing a railway line between the City of Victoria and the City of Nanaimo, British Columbia. The object of the company is to provide a direct line of communication between the two cities, and to facilitate the transport of goods and passengers.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to make application to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty acres of land situated in the Township of Kwantlen, south of the City of Vancouver, British Columbia. The land is situated in the Township of Kwantlen, south of the City of Vancouver, British Columbia.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. In the Matter of the Official Administrator's Act and in the Matter of the Estate of James Chapin, Deceased Intestate. Notice is hereby given that by an order of Mr. Justice Wilken bearing date the second day of February, 1898, it was appointed as administrator of all and singular the goods, debts and credits of the above named deceased, persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased, are requested to send me particulars thereof, on or before the 15th day of February, 1898, and all persons indebted to me are requested to pay such indebtedness to me forthwith.

LICENCE AUTHORIZING AN EXTRA-PROVINCIAL COMPANY TO CARRY ON BUSINESS.

"Companies Act, 1897."

CANADA. PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA. No. 47.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the "Tula" Inco-mining Company, Limited," is authorized to carry on business within the Province of British Columbia, and to carry out or effect all or any of the objects hereinafter set forth in which the Legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

(a) To acquire, purchase, locate or otherwise, a tract or tracts of mineral lands in the Province of British Columbia, and elsewhere in the Dominion of Canada, and to work and develop the resources of the same.

(b) To carry on the business of exploring for, mining and gathering gold, silver, platinum and other metals, minerals and ores in and about the surface of the earth, and to do all or any of the objects hereinafter mentioned in respect of any of the objects hereinafter mentioned in this clause.

(c) To dig for, mine, crush, smelt, reduce and manufacture such minerals, metals and ores, and to do all or any of the objects hereinafter mentioned in respect of any of the objects hereinafter mentioned in this clause.

(d) To purchase or acquire from any individual, in whole or in part, any business, property or character similar to the business of this Company in any part of the world, and to do all or any of the objects hereinafter mentioned in respect of any of the objects hereinafter mentioned in this clause.

(e) To acquire, purchase, locate or otherwise, a tract or tracts of land in any part of the world, and to do all or any of the objects hereinafter mentioned in respect of any of the objects hereinafter mentioned in this clause.

Licence Authorizing an Extra-Provincial Company to Carry on Business.

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(a) To acquire, purchase, locate or otherwise, a tract or tracts of land in any part of the world, and to do all or any of the objects hereinafter mentioned in respect of any of the objects hereinafter mentioned in this clause.

(b) To construct, improve, maintain and alter any buildings or works necessary or convenient for the purposes of the Company.

(c) To equip, complete, maintain, and work by electricity, steam, horse or other mechanical power, any railways and tramways belonging to the Company, or in which the Company may be interested.

(d) To carry on the business of railway, tramway, omnibus and van proprietors, and to do all or any of the objects hereinafter mentioned in respect of any of the objects hereinafter mentioned in this clause.

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TRANSHIPMENT AT WRANGLER

There can be no question as to the right of Canadians to navigate the Stikine. We do not say that the United States treasury department may not, if it sees fit, prohibit the transshipment of cargoes at Wrangel, but we do not believe it will do anything of the sort, and until it does they can be transhipped.

A GREAT MYSTERY

"Without controversy," said the Apostle Paul, "great is the mystery of Godliness." And then, to explain what he meant, he added, "God manifest in the flesh."

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Prevent Pneumonia... Prevention is always better than cure, even when cure is possible. But so many times pneumonia is not cured that prevention becomes the natural act of that instinct of self-preservation which is "the first law of nature." Pneumonia can be prevented and is often cured by the use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. "Some years ago I had a severe cold and was threatened with pneumonia. I could neither eat nor sleep, and was in a wretched condition. I procured a bottle of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral and took it according to the directions, and at the end of fifteen days I was well and sound as before the attack. I have recommended it in many cases of pneumonia since, and have never known it to fail in effecting a cure." JOHN HENRY, St. Joseph, Ia. "I was attacked with a cold that settled on my lungs, and defied the skill of my physicians so that I considered no incurable. At last I began to use Ayer's Cherry Pectoral and was entirely cured after having taken two bottles." FRANCISCO A. SEVERIANO, Taunton, Mass.

Forty-First C. P. R. BUYS... Deal With Mr. Heinze and Now Over Treated at Co...

Low Grade Properties Expected to Thrive... Consequence... MONTECAL, Feb. 15.—(Special Column of the C.P.R. director, yesterday Vice President J. announced that the deal with for transfer of his railroad interests in the Kootenay C.P.R. had been completed.

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COWICHAN COUNCIL... Budget of Important Business Done at Last Session.

SOMERSET, B.C., Feb. 10.—The special council held their second on Saturday, the 5th inst. A report from a public meeting held in C from the previous evening was presented against the expansion municipal funds on opening up the Mount Sicker mines. The then took into consideration from Messrs. Cressie & Cressie the grounds for the judge's decision of the appeal case. The Corporation H. O. Wellburn; and a resolution was passed which, while admitting that a fine statement of accounts of the law, declared that the municipality had a serious grievance, which incumbent on the council to end have removed. The road inspector D. Evans, was reappointed at his salary. A number of bills of account were presented and referred by the council to the finance committee, whose report was received and adopted. The road inspector D. Evans, was reappointed at his salary. A number of bills of account were presented and referred by the council to the finance committee, whose report was received and adopted.