

GASTRO REACHES PARIS.

SAYS EUROPE WILL REPENT OF AIDING UNITED STATES.

Declares on His Return to France That Powers Will be Sorry for Treatment Accorded Him.

St. Nazaire, April 23.—Cipriano Castro, until recently president of Venezuela, reached this port today aboard the steamer Versailles, having been brought to this country by order of the French government, which did not permit him to remain at Fort de France when he attempted to make that place the base of his further operations to reclaim his lost prestige in his native country.

Castro, to newspaper men, inveighed against the United States for its part in his deportation to France. He charged the United States with "playing into the hands of his enemies in Venezuela and sending warships to follow his movements. He declared that Venezuela was lost if the people submitted like slaves to foreign meddling.

Passengers on the Versailles say that when Castro was brought on board the steamer at Fort de France, he declared that if he had been allowed to make his way to Venezuela he would soon have raised an army to overthrow his enemies.

As his train was leaving for Paris, Castro said: "I was expelled from Martinique under pressure exerted by the United States. Europe soon will repent of the action taken against me. The United States has already taken Cuba and Panama, and the American government has now committed its first act against the sovereignty of Venezuela."

Powers Mistaken.

Paris, April 23.—The return of General Castro to Paris was in striking contrast to his two previous appearances. Instead of a magnificent automobile, he entered an ordinary street taxicab, taking into it with him his two attendants and four friends, and to a modest hotel, where he had a single room.

To the journalists he said: "I am the victim of the United States, which imposed measures against me upon Europe, whose interest I defended in America. The day will come when the powers will realize their mistakes. They failed to understand the significance of the seizure of Panama. They will repent, but I will not. Unfortunately my strength is betraying me in this fight."

General Castro insisted that he did not desire to reclaim the presidency of Venezuela and that he wanted only to attend to his private affairs in the republic—"to look after his lettuce, like Diocletian."

Bradstreet's Trade Review.

New York, April 23.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say:

"Trade conditions are without much change and irregularity is still the leading feature of business and industrial lines. Results of spring business are, as a whole, disappointing. There is, however, more doing in wholesale lines for next fall and winter and the tone in this branch is fairly optimistic.

"There is considerably more activity in the pig iron markets and the volume of business doing in iron and steel is heavier. The coal trade is quiet, bituminous being dull, though anthracite feels some effect of the usual April reduction in prices. Cotton goods are reported firm, with most woolen goods strong and raw wool prices hardening. There is a better tone in the leather market, where prices are firmer, both for the finished product and for hides.

"Business failures in the United States for the week ending with April 23 were 247 against 201 last week, and 254 in the like week of 1908."

Chester Kennedy, charged with the murder of Perry Ussery in Barnwell, has been granted bail in the sum of \$5,000 by Judge R. C. Watts.

Mr. Geo. Reid of Seneca received from the government last week 35,000 fish, which were turned loose in the waters of Keowee river.

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NOTED PUBLISHER IS DEAD.

Peter F. Collier, Founder and Editor of Famous Weekly, Dies Suddenly in New York.

New York, April 23.—Peter F. Collier, founder and publisher of Collier's Weekly, died suddenly tonight of apoplexy at the Riding club.

Mr. Collier's illness came suddenly. Dr. F. Tilden Brown was hastily called in but the publisher was dead when he arrived.

Peter F. Collier was known principally as the founder, chief owner and editor of Collier's Weekly. In this he was associated with his only son, Robert J. Collier, who, with a widow, survives him.

Born in Ireland in 1849 he arrived in this country when a young man and settled in Cincinnati where he was educated. He came to New York more than 30 years ago where he started the publishing house and amassed a large fortune in the subscription business by publishing periodicals.

Mr. Collier was an enthusiast on outdoor sports, being an expert polo player. He had many fine saddle horses and was a member of many hunting and riding clubs.

COMPETES WITH PANAMA.

Tehuantepec Railway Handling Big American Traffic.

Washington, April 20.—Will the various trans-Isthmian railways be serious competitors with the Panama Canal when it is completed? This question is already attracting the attention of Government officials. Figures prepared by experts in the Bureau of Statistics show that the traffic between the eastern and western coasts of the United States via the Isthmian railways and connecting steamship lines amounted to practically \$46,000,000 in 1908.

There are two railway lines that now carry freights across the narrow neck of land connecting North and South America. One crosses the Isthmus of Panama and belongs to the United States Government; the other crosses the Isthmus of Tehuantepec. The Panama road is 40 miles long, that at Tehuantepec, 190 miles. The one at Panama, being owned by the Government is now largely devoted to traffic growing out of the building of the great canal. The one at Tehuantepec was constructed chiefly with British capital and is controlled in part by the Mexican Government and was built especially for hauling freight between the Atlantic and Pacific.

Although the Tehuantepec railway was opened only two years ago, it carried during 1907 and 1908 between \$60,000,000 and \$79,000,000 worth of merchandise passing between the Atlantic and Pacific ports of the United States. These official figures, now available for the first time, show that this new road across Tehuantepec, in the southern part of Mexico, must be seriously considered. The Panama railway, engaged chiefly in canal work, carried in 1907 about \$18,000,000 worth of merchandise originating in the United States, and bound either for other parts of this country or for foreign ports, and in 1908 about \$9,500,000 worth.

Planned before the earliest trans-continental railways in the United States, the Tehuantepec road was not completed from ocean to ocean until 1894, and even then was so badly built that a partial reconstruction became necessary. The railroad, 190 miles in length, was reconstructed, and modern steel docks and piers were provided at the eastern and western terminals by which transfer from the hold of the vessel direct to the car standing on the dock is accomplished by steam and electric power.

Practically all the sugar from the Hawaiian Islands destined for the Eastern ports of the United States is now sent by the Tehuantepec route instead of going around the Horn, as formerly. In fact, this new road is supplanting the Magellan route. The steamers carrying sugar from Hawaii to Salina Cruz, at the Pacific end of the Tehuantepec route, pass, after discharging their cargoes, to the north along the western coast of ports of Mexico, the United States and British Columbia and thence again to Hawaii. This will be an additional factor in the development of the west coast of Mexico, which Edward H. Harriman declared recently would some day become one of the busiest commercial stretches in the world. It is toward that western coast of Mexico that Mr. Harriman is building an extension of the Southern Pacific railway.

The distances between New York and San Francisco via the two rival lines are: Via Panama 5,305 miles. Via Tehuantepec 4,415 miles.

Rev. John Knox Colt, who for the past three years has been the pastor of White Memorial Presbyterian church, of Rock Hill, has accepted a call in a church in Alabama, and will leave about May 1 for his new home.

THE DISPENSARY COMMISSION.

Messrs. A. N. Wood and J. S. Brice Were Appointed to Fill Vacancies.

Columbia, April 24.—Mr. A. N. Wood of Gaffney and Mr. J. Steele Brice of York have been appointed by Gov. Ansel on the dispensary winding up commission to succeed Messrs. C. K. Henderson of Aiken and B. F. Arthur of Union, resigned. This makes the commission now complete, the following being the members: W. J. Murray, Columbia, chairman; John McSween, Timmonsville, secretary; Avery Patton, Greenville; A. N. Wood, Gaffney; J. S. Brice, York. It will be recalled that Messrs. Arthur and Henderson resigned from the commission to become receivers under the appointment of Judge Pritchard before the State won its claims for control of the State dispensary fund.

Mr. Brice is well known throughout the State, being former senator from York. He has taken a prominent part in public affairs for a number of years. He was the author of the noted "Brice bill" which was the first step in the destruction of the State dispensary. This bill allowed the counties the opportunity of voting out the dispensary and it was only passed after bitter opposition on the part of the supporters of the State dispensary. Mr. Brice is a prohibitionist.

Mr. Wood has resided in Gaffney since 1875, where he went from Alabama to engage in the mercantile business. Mr. Wood is now in the banking business and is a very prominent man in Gaffney, being regarded as one of the leading citizens of the town. He has had quite extended interests in banking and manufacturing establishments. He saw service in the Confederate army and has always taken active interest in reunion work.

THE CALHOUN TRIAL.

Try to Prove That Prosecution's Star Witness is Merely Saving Himself From Punishment.

San Francisco, April 23.—Attorneys for Patrick Calhoun on trial, charged with bribery, partly outlined their defense today in completing the two days' cross-examination of James L. Gallagher, chief witness for the prosecution.

The indicted street railway president, according to conclusions drawn from the proceedings, has undertaken to attack the motives of Gallagher and his associate members of the Schmitz board of supervisors and will endeavor to show that Gallagher regarded above everything else the immunity contract whereby he was absolved from legal penalty for the crimes he confessed.

In submitting to the jury what was declared to be conclusive evidence of perjury on Gallagher's part, the defense referred repeatedly to instances wherein the testimony of the witness was at variance with vital utterances made in previous trials.

Assistant District Attorney Heney submitted to the jury documents relating to the perjury that Gallagher admitted, and then undertook to show the motives of the witness in signing the answer.

The jury was dismissed while the attorneys argued the right of the prosecution to delve into Gallagher's motives and Judge Lawler finally upheld Heney's contention.

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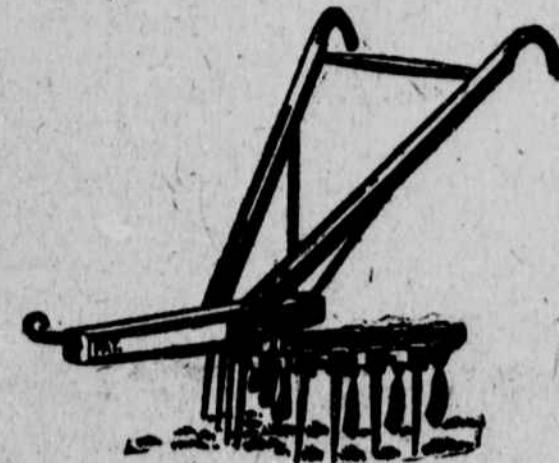
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Teachers' Examination

The next regular teachers' examination will be held at the Court House on Friday, May 14th, beginning at 9 o'clock a. m.

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