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Confirmation of the Report That Plans Are Maturing to Populate Disputed Territory in Venezuela.

Kingston, Jamaica, April 8.—Private advices from Demerara tend to confirm the recent report, which was subsequently denied, that an expedition had left Georgetown with the object of establishing stations beyond the Schomburgk line to head off settlements in the disputed territory to be made under the grants to Americans by Venezuela.

The fact is that the Colonial authorities are beginning to take an active hand in the matter on their own behalf, on the grounds of the interests of the Government, and that it cannot submit to arbitration the political destinies of these regions already occupied by British colonists. The idea is to have as much territory de facto "occupied" as can be grabbed before the whole question goes to arbitration.

This explanation has been hastened by Venezuela's latest move in refusing to pay the Cuban indemnity unless the words "disputed territory" be struck out of the "British soil" in the description of the locality.

The colonists appear to consider that the solution of the question will largely depend on actual occupation prior to the submission of it to arbitration. The conditions of the country readily lend themselves to the carrying out of such a scheme as that. The truth of the affairs is now soon to be known, as Venezuela has despatched a counter survey from her side to ascertain the lay of the land.

KAISERS SAY FAREWELL.

Luncheon and Parade in Emperor William's Honor Before His Departure. Two Notables Honored.

Vienna, April 15.—At a luncheon given in his honor to-day by the officers of the Australian Hussar Regiment, of which he is honorary colonel, Emperor William of Germany proposed a toast to Emperor Francis Joseph and the Austrian Army. His Majesty, in offering the toast, spoke in the most cordial manner, but made no political allusion.

The Kaiser and Count Goluchowski, Austro-Hungarian Minister of Foreign Affairs, had a long interview this afternoon, and at 8 o'clock this evening His Majesty started for Karlsruhe. He was accompanied by the railway station by Emperor Francis Joseph, where the two monarchs bade each other a most friendly farewell.

It is understood semi-officially that military and political questions were discussed during Emperor William's visit to Vienna.

Emperor William attended a parade of the Vienna garrison on the Schmelzer ground at 9 o'clock this morning. The troops numbered 25,000 men and were headed by Emperor Francis Joseph. Emperor William has conferred the Order of the Black Eagle upon Count Goluchowski, and Emperor Francis Joseph has decorated Prince Hohenzollern, the German Chancellor, with the insignia of the Order of the Tolson d'Or.

OLYMPIAN PRIZE WINNERS. King George Presents Olive Wreaths to the Successful Athletes.

Athens, April 15.—The Olympian games closed to-day with the distribution of prizes to the victors in the various contests. The weather was perfect and the Stadion was crowded with people.

When the King and the royal party arrived a Pindaric ode on the games was delivered by Mr. Robertson, an American, after which, according to the ancient custom, the King personally handed to each winner of a first prize a wreath fashioned of wild olive branches. The winners at Olympia, and laurel wreaths were given to the winners of second prizes. All of the prize winners then received diplomas and medals.

The Stadion band then played the national air of each country represented in the games, to which music all of the prize winners paraded.

The total number of athletes who received crowns was forty-four, of whom eleven were Americans, ten Greeks, two Hungarians, five French, three English, two Hungarians, two Austrians, two Austrians, one Dane and one Swede.

After the ceremonies attendant upon the prize awards were completed the international committee having the arrangement of the games in charge met at the residence of the Crown Prince, and arranged for the holding of the next games in Athens in 1900. Banquets in honor of the victors are still being given and the city is on feet.

SEALING DISPUTE CLOSING.

Senate Ratifies the Treaty With England for the Appointment of an Assessment Commission.

Washington, April 15.—After a discussion of a little more than half an hour, the Senate this afternoon in executive session ratified the treaty between the United States and Great Britain, providing for the appointment of a commission to assess damages alleged to have been sustained by Canadian sealers whose vessels were seized by the Government of the United States for alleged illegal sealing.

CORTES TO DISCUSS BIG CUBAN REFORMS.

Have Been Brought to It Through Fear of United States Interference.

Sagasta's Organ Warns the Royalists That They Are Following a Dangerous Course.

The Trading and Working Classes of Madrid Are to Hold a Big Demonstration Against the Government.

SCANDALS OF THE ELECTIONS.

Marquis de Cabrinana Declares He Would Rather Go to Jail Than Furnish Ball on the Charge of Libel Brought Against Him by the Municipal Council.

Madrid, April 15.—The official Epoca says the Cortes will soon, without foreign mediation, discuss larger reforms in Cuba on the proposal of Senor Sagasta, that reforms shall be applied to that island.

Were it not for the state of war these reforms, says L'Epoca, would be in force there already.

The Cortes will decide if, despite the state of war, reforms must be applied whatever may be the opinion of General Weyler.

This declaration of L'Epoca means that the Government begins to see the necessity of implanting reforms in Cuba before friendly advice comes from the United States.

Ministerial circles begin to fear that Mr. Cleveland will soon take action, though it is expected his action will be mild. In such a case the interior situation would make the position of the Government difficult and leaders of parties generally are very uneasy as regards the state of affairs.

The Duke de Tetuan, Foreign Minister, last night declared that he had received no communication from the American Government in any shape whatever.

The armament of two first-class transatlantic steamers as cruisers has been almost finished. The vessels will be ready in three days. Each is to be manned by one commander, six officers, eighty-one sailors and seventy-two marine infantry.

The Minister of Marine has been authorized to buy two torpedo boat destroyers. They will probably be purchased in England.

The wheat and flour syndicate of Barcelona has headed the list with a \$10,000 subscription to defray the expenses of the Catalan Volunteer Battalion for Cuba.

RESULT OF THE ELECTIONS. Conservatives—300. Liberals—98. Carlists—10. Independents—10.

Dissenting Conservatives—8. Republicans—2. Doubtful Districts—11. The Republicans elected are Senor Castelar and one other of as mild views as he holds.

The new Chamber will possess no significance regarding international politics. The majority will follow Canovas blindly.

The irritation caused by the election scandals in Madrid has not yet calmed down.

At Igualada, in the province of Barcelona, there was a serious disturbance consequent on the elections. The workmen started the riot and stoned the manufactory of a Liberal candidate who had been elected, and also three missiles at the gendarmerie who tried to disperse them. The riot was repeated later, the gendarmerie being again stoned, but the authorities, hurrying additional forces, succeeded with some difficulty in restoring order.

ROYALIST RESPONSIBILITY. El Correo, the organ of Sagasta, publishes an article describing to-day's situation exactly:

"The responsibility of the monarchial parties is immense. If they do not act as they ought to, we shall not be surprised if public opinion abandons them and takes to dangerous courses."

Considering the restrictions of the press law in Spain, El Correo says quite enough. In the working class and trading quarters of Madrid, a project is on foot for the holding of a large demonstration against the conduct of the Government during the elections. The guilds of Madrid have been convoked. They propose to close for one day all the shops as a protest, and will also hold an indignation meeting.

AN EX-MINISTER HOOTED. Senor Bosch, the Minister who was forced to resign on account of the revelations of the Marquis de Cabrinana, was hooted in the streets as he was leaving Madrid last night.

Popular irritation has been increased by the sudden activity of judicial proceedings against Cabrinana for the alleged libels in his revelations about the Municipal Council.

The Judges have ordered him to furnish 3,000 pesetas bail, which he refuses to do, saying that his charges are true, and that he would prefer to go to jail to furnishing bail.

The presidents of the election bureaus have been fined 100 pesetas each.

It is thought that the Liberal candidates elected in Madrid may resign.

Canovas continues sick with influenza.

From Tangiers comes the report of another trouble for Spain. Several suspicious cases of what is feared to be cholera have

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RUNAWAYS STILL ABSENT.

Mrs. Jacob Hess Is Not the Woman Who Is Missing from Port Chester.

Richard E. Bryson, the Malden lane jeweler, whose disappearance from his home and family in Mount Vernon caused considerable excitement last Monday, has not announced his whereabouts. Nothing has been heard of Mrs. George Hess, who disappeared from Port Chester at the same time.

It was first erroneously reported that the missing woman was the wife of Jacob Hess, the restaurant keeper, of Port Chester.

Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Jacob Hess were in any way concerned with the affair. Mr. Hess is the proprietor of the Franklin Hotel, at Port Chester, and the assistant chief engineer of the Port Chester Fire Department. He has been a resident of the town for fifteen years, and has a large acquaintance in that vicinity and in Connecticut and New York.

Mr. George Hess says he will not seek his wife, but will in due time sue for a divorce.

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Flowers. Purple silk Poppies, 3 in bunch, \$1. Violets, 6 doz. in bunch, 28c. Daisies, silk wire stems, 75c bunch. Open Rose-buds, 2 doz. in bunch, 45c. You cannot have a reasonable, seasonable Hat or Bonnet thought, madame, that we have not anticipated.

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Three surprise lots to-day. At 2:30 P. M.—About 200 cambric Corset Covers, some trimmed with lace, others with embroidery, 12, 25, 50 and 75c; the 25, 50c, \$1 and \$1.50 kinds—Broken sizes.

At 3 P. M.—Less than 200 cambric Skirts, some trimmed with lace, others with embroidery, 50, 75c and \$1.25; the \$1, \$1.50 and \$2.50 kinds.

At 3:30 P. M.—200 good, strong, heavy muslin Drawers, wide hem and 4 pleats, 18c. Three to a buyer.

Skirts of pretty black Crepon, lined throughout and faced with velvet, \$7.50; the \$10 kind.

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Boys' Washable Sailor Suits, new and pretty stripes, extra large sailor collar, 3 to 12 years, \$1.25 and \$1.35. Boys' linen Sailor Suits, 9 rows braid on shield, extra large collar, 3 to 12 years, at \$2.

Boys' H. & W. Underwaists, of good strong jean, 3 to 10 years, 25c.

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Millie claims to have been an eye-witness to some of the cruelties charged against Superintendent Pierce, and when she was advised to return, said that she was afraid to remain there as Pierce had threatened to send her to a reformatory.

Searching parties from the institution were looking for her most of the night and yesterday morning. She is small for her age and has a pale face and delicate appearance. Her father is a resident of White Plains.



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ACCUSED OF EMBEZZLEMENT.

But Francis Thompson Says the Charge Was Founded on Spite.

Francis A. Thompson, formerly the manager in this city for the National Life Insurance Company, of Hartford, Conn., was arrested yesterday in the Grand Hotel charged with collecting \$20,775, belonging to the company, and failing to account for it. The complainant was Mr. Albert Freeman, a trustee of the National Life Insurance Company.

When arraigned in the Centre St. Court, Thompson declared the charge had been made through spite. For some time he stated, he had occupied an office in Mail and Express building, with the company. He had separated when he left the employ of the company. The defendant said he turned over to Freeman policies, the premium of which amounted to \$20,775. Any money might have been collected was charged on him and could easily be deducted from his premiums. Thompson was remanded to \$1,000 bail.

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