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BRITISH NEWSPAPER TALK

Where the Most of the War Will be Fought

The Thunderer Refers to This "Sentimental, Excitable Nation"—British Rage Undisguised.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The Times says "Despite some severe criticisms in America, evidence accumulates that President Cleveland's message was framed in accordance with and to play upon the popular sentiment. There is no reason to doubt that the senate will pass the commission bill, although it is obvious that the commission will likely be granted on Mr. Cleveland's own terms. A most remarkable incident of the discussion was Senator Lodge's uncharacteristic report April 1. We are afraid that the Americans will not be moved by arguments drawn from precedents and established principles of international law. They have always shown themselves a sentimental, excitable nation. They have the haziest idea of what the Monroe doctrine really is, but, nevertheless, they are quick to react upon only war to defend it. We must reckon on this feeling and be prepared for the wildest aberrations it may cause. This does not lessen the gravity of the situation, but it rather increases our sense of the peril to which immense international interests are subjected by combined sentiment and passion. It is not only the opinion of the spectators, far-seeing men of the United States, which has already begun to assert itself, but the opinion of the English, which is not less cogent. The fact cannot be ignored, however, that the letter is supported by a majority of both houses, and the great body of the public opinion of the United States. It is not only Mr. Olney's demands, whether they are supported by the people or not, without surrendering the title to almost the whole of our eastern seaboard, but the fact that we are to defend our rights in any quarter where they may be threatened. The Standard says: "It is no small advantage that time has been given to the Englishmen have far more respect for the better order of American opinion than to doubt that in the end the voice of reason will be listened to."

FRIENDSHIP TIES EASILY BROKEN.

War Between Great Britain and the United States Not Impossible Because of Kinship Relations.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—It is the opinion of official quarters that there will be no developments in the Venezuelan matter until the Christmas holidays are over. It is also thought that the government will not act in any way until it receives a formal intimation of the appointment of the commission. In a speech delivered at Bristol yesterday Mr. Hon. Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, chancellor of the exchequer, made a passing reference to President Cleveland's message. Some people, he said, appeared to regard a war between the United States and Great Britain as impossible, owing to their ties of kinship. Nothing, however, was impossible, and he had already happened between them. If kinship unhappily differed they became sometimes very bitter enemies. But he did not believe that the United States, on either side of the Atlantic, thought that the interests of the United States or Great Britain warranted war. He was confident that when a treaty of peace was signed, the case was ably and fully explained and Lord Salisbury's dispatches were laid before both people the result would be peaceful and honorable to both countries.

FRANCE WITH US.

The President's Action Generally Indorsed—Its Effect on Europe.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—M. Delcasse, formerly French minister of the colonies, said in an interview with a United Press reporter: "Mr. Cleveland is a man of sound sense and reflection and it is not likely that he sent his Venezuelan message to congress without having duly weighed the consequences and being practically certain of their success. M. Delcasse, the French colonial expert and deputy, spoke in warm approval of the message, which, he said, viciously attacked an industrial national tradition and promulgated a public right against which British rage is powerless. "It is useless," he declared, "for England to hope to obtain the support of Europe in the matter. Mr. Cleveland has turned the tables by employing toward Great Britain the methods that she herself has hitherto used against her enemies. France, which has been the champion of the arbitration of her dispute with Brazil, is bound to support Mr. Cleveland, who re-asserts France of the impossibility of an industrial national tradition in the territory recognized by the Utrecht treaty. The appointment of an American boundary commission will accomplish a work of justice and establish an excellent precedent. The eventual consequences of Mr. Cleveland's attitude will be the autonomy of Canada and the end of British intrigues in Central and South America. Europe will be glad to see the United States capable of imposing respect for a right which it has hitherto been accustomed to ignore."

VENEZUELAN GRATEFUL

To the President for His Kindly Interest—Many Expressions of Gratitude.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—A special to the Herald from Caracas, Venezuela, says: "The excitement caused by President Cleveland's message to congress on the Venezuelan question does not subside in the least degree, so far as the capital of the southern republic is concerned. Indeed, it appears to gather force and intensity as the significance of the incident, as it relates to Venezuela, dawns upon the minds of her citizens. This intense feeling was manifested in its fullest extent yesterday. In the Washington Plaza early in the morning a great concourse gathered and again expressed their gratitude to the United States. From that point the people proceeded to the house of the minister in the United States. There they became uncontrollable and nearly wrecked Mr. Thomas' abode in their eagerness to prove their loyal friendship to the country which they represented. President Crespo's first official act was to send a cable message to the Venezuelan minister in Washington, D. C., directing him to call officially upon Mr. Cleveland and express thanks to him in the name and in behalf of the people and president of Venezuela. During the day, also, the society formed here for the protection of Venezuelan territory dispatched a message of thanks to the president of the United States. The Progreso correspondents Urges H. L. Boulton, who acts as consul general for Great Britain here, and as vice consul in other parts of the country, to withdraw as such representatives of the British empire."

Lord Salisbury Was Apprehensive.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 20.—The Liverpool Post says that when Secretary Olney's letter in regard to Great Britain's position in Venezuela reached Lord Salisbury last August, the premier saw the gravity of the situation. His first idea was to obtain the withdrawal of the letter by making a formal request for its withdrawal, but he did not do so until the matter was brought before the cabinet. He then decided to make a statement in the House of Commons, in which he declared that it was his duty to support the government's policy, but that he was personally opposed to it. He also expressed his confidence in the wisdom of the government's course, and his belief that the United States would eventually reach a peaceful solution of the dispute.

ALBANIANS READY TO FIGHT.

ALBANY, Dec. 20.—The Emmett Guard of this city, one of the foremost independent military companies of Albany, is first to tender its services to the government of the United States and is willing to go to war within a day's notice in the event of a climax being reached in the present difficulty between the United States and Great Britain over the Venezuelan boundary.

How Chilians View Cleveland's Action.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—A Herald special from Valparaiso, Chile, says: "Thus all newspapers here contain extracts from President Cleveland's message, but they are silent editorially. High officials and prominent persons regard the action of Mr. Cleveland as extremely bold and as likely to lead to grave consequences."

THE ISSUE SQUARELY MADE.

Maj. Gen. Howard Ready to Re-Enter the Service—This Country Cannot Back Down.

EMORIA, KAN., Dec. 20.—Major-Gen. O. O. Howard, retired of the United States Army, in an interview here last night, said he warmly indorsed the position taken by President Cleveland in his message regarding the Venezuelan troubles, and stated that although he was on the retired list, should trouble ensue, he would be the first to enter the conflict. "The issue is squarely made," said he, "and there must be a fight or a backdown. This country cannot back down, but then I do not anticipate any trouble. It would be terrible. The idea of these two nations going to war—we are Christians, we both worship the same God and believe in the same Savior, and war should not be, but for all that, Cleveland is in a tight position, and there we should stand."

IMPLICATING AMERICANS.

Turkish Officials Trying to Get Americans Into Trouble.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 19.—via Philadelphia. Dec. 20.—The correspondents of the United Press learn that over-zealous Turkish officials in Bitlis and Harpoot are attempting to obtain signatures to papers implicating Americans in revolutionary movements against the authority of the Turkish government. The ports would hardly dare to accuse Americans of such actions, as the accusations could be easily disproved in case America should demand an inquiry, which she certainly would. The ports has forbidden Turkish newspapers to make similar accusations. Sultan Abdulhamid who claims to be an American citizen, and who was sentenced at Aleppo to a long term of imprisonment on the charge of being an emissary of a revolutionary society, was subsequently released at the instance of United States Minister Terrell, has started for America.

"COMMERCIAL DAY"

American Commerce Centennial Banquet—Depew on the Monroe Doctrine—Dickinson Speaks for Cuba.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—American commerce celebrated the centennial of the American Commerce Centennial Banquet last night by a banquet at Delmonico's. Last night was chosen for this banquet because it marked the 100th anniversary of the full approval by the president and the senate of the treaty negotiated with Great Britain by John Jay, the then chief justice of the young republic of the United States. The feast also inaugurated the annual observance of Dec. 20 as "Commercial Day" by organizing a commercial day of the country. It was held under the auspices of the editors of and contributors to the recently completed history "One Hundred Years of American Commerce."

BRAZIL APPLAUDS.

A Message of Congratulation to President Cleveland—American Nations Will Pull Together.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The Herald's correspondent in Rio Janeiro, Brazil, telegraphs that the house of deputies has voted unanimously to send a message of congratulation to President Cleveland for his firm and dignified annunciation of his rights to defend the sovereignty and liberty of the great republic under the aegis of the Monroe doctrine.

THE ANGRY WATERS WILL SUBSIDE.

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee Does Not Expect War, but Would Again Draw His Sabre if There Was a Fight.

NEWSPAPER BREVITIES TOLD.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—New York merchants are taking steps to get the next democratic convention in that city. A Washington special states that the North Atlantic squadron will not go to the West Indies as ordered, as it might awaken suspicion. The Spanish press repeat the assertion that Gen. Campos is to resign his command in Cuba. Justice of the Peace John F. Sullivan was found dead on the street. Saratoga with a bullet hole in his brain. A revolver at his side told the story of suicide. Sullivan was about 30 years of age. Count Max Shishmaroff, the king of the swindlers, made a desperate attempt to escape from the Schoharrie jail Wednesday night. He had sawed the bars from his cell and reached the outer door when a guard's wife grabbed and held him until assistance came. No need to suffer with rheumatism, lumbago, neuralgia, cramps or colic. Dr. Thomas' Eclectic Oil cures all such troubles, and does it quickly.

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England Having Everything to Lose Will Give Way

Venezuela the First to Suffer in the Event of War—The Part that France and Russia Would Play.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—Gil Blas publishes an interview with H. Vignaud, first secretary of the United States embassy, on the subject of President Cleveland's message to the United States congress. Mr. Vignaud expresses regret that the French press should have made the error of deducing fantastic conclusions from the message. He did not think that France, whose interests were opposed to those of England everywhere, would favor Great Britain, especially as France had not opposed the aims of the United States anywhere.

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