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Click here to view the despatch from the Governor of Trinidad to Earl Granville and read to Parliament on April 14, 1870



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² https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/3rd The King%27s Own Hussars

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These are two of the books that make us wonder how human beings can succeed in writing such marvellous trash as they do, and how they possess themselves of a sufficiently brazen front to present their productions to the public. "Ensemble" and "Eraighda Castle" are not bad examples of low-class modern novels. There is nothing strikingly coarse about either of them, but this is pretty nearly all that can be said in their favour, and they are both utterly wanting in high feeling and real morality. There is a great deal of sentimentalism in both, which, it need scarcely be added, is very offinaive to the reader. The author of "Ensemble" has endeavoured to imitate the Guy Laivingstone type of hero, and has painted a singularly unsuccessful copy of his original in the shape of Ralph Romilly, who is at once vulgar, unnatural, and, worst of all, utterly uninteresting. Mr. Bradwood is unfortunately destitute of the peculiar power of description and the forcible style which enables the author of "Guy Laivingstone" to carry his readers through the most incredible and even repulsive scenes with a certain amount of invariable success. The result of Mr. Bradwood's attempt to follow such a leader could only be a failure; and when we say that "Ensemble" is so, we feel sure that mest of its readers will coincide in our opinion. "Ersighda Castle" is not so ambitious in its aims as its companion. We might almost say that it is intended to be a dull novel, which it undoubtedly is. The author makes a sudden dash into the middle of Africa, where one of his heroes is murdered; but, with that exception, heavi; and the hero grows so old-looking at the sign further of his own sister on her marriage day. The most original character in the book is a young Irish clengyman, the brother of the heroine, who makes a useful that the word "shrew" is not applicable to the mile ser. It would have fitted Frank O'Donald well. As it, he must rest content with being described as the best among a number of very badly-drawn characters.

PREACHERS AT THE LONDON CHURCHES

TO-MORROW.
tminster Abbey, the sermon at morning service
by the Rev. Lord John Thynne, D.D., the sub-De bury; and in theoreming by the Rev. A. T. EDWARDS, junc, curate of S. Repphen's, South Lambeth, in aid of the Surgieal Aid Society. At 8t. James's, Westmoreland-street, Marylebone, the Rev. H. R. Havers, M. A., will delive the second of his ocurse of sormons on "Utilitarianism" atmorning service. At St. Stephen's, Westhourne-grove, the sermon in the morning will be preached by the Bishop of Carristors; and in the evening by the Rev. J. TAYLOR, 8. P. O. missionary. At St. James's Hall the sermon in the afternoon will be preached by the Rev. Norman Lambers, and the Rev. Roman ELACARKIE. At St. Michael's, Wilreligh-street, the sermon in the morning will be preached by the Rev. Canon Grikooky, M.A., vidar OS. Maryle the Less, Lambeth. At Kew Church the sermon in the morning will be preached by the Bishop of Bochester, on belaif of the Queen's School. At All Saints, Lambeth—morning by the Rev. O. J. O. DUNDAR; evening, by Dr. P. C. Lee. At Surgey Chapel the sermons, morning and evening, will be preached by the Rev. Newman Hall, L.D. M. Lee Pasters De Doyster De La Harry, B.D., will preach in the afternoon at Keusington Chapel, High-street, Kensington; and in the morning and centing at the Prened Evangellan Church at Westbourne-grove. In Prened Evangellan Church at Westbourne-grove.

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ITALIAN OPERA, DRURY-LANE.

That wice postponed performance of Webers* "Abutasan" and Moarth* "LOca del Cairo" really came of at this theatreon Thursday, the more genial temperature of the last few days having restored to Signor Gassier the possession of his vooal powers. The overture and certain portions of "Abu Hassan" must be well known to those whose admiration of the more popular works of its composer has led them to look into others which have been somewhat less so; but to the more popular works of its composer has led them to look into others which have been somewhat less so; but to the majority even of the most enthusiastic admirers of Moart "L'Oca del Cairo" can be as little known as the promised new opera of Signor Campana. The two works have little in common save their designation of "comic operas," the little in common save their designation of "comic operas," the little in common save their designation of "comic operas," the little in common save their designation of several youth, the other of his (in overy sones) riper years. "Abu Hassan' was written in 1810, during Webers' wisit to the Abbé Vogler—a visit to which is due the distinguished friendship so long the interest of the distinguished friendship so long the interest of the distinguished friendship so long the interest of the several post of the original dama ("Dio Zauberflote." The obscurity which has hitherto attended the work is casily traced to two causes intimately connected the feebloness and absurdity of the original drams (the work of the Abbate Varesoe, the author of "Homesseo"), and the fact that Mozart, having beceme cogninain of this feebloness and absurdity, never completed the music to it, his attention being happing deligated of to a more promising subject, "Lo Mariage de Figaro," which Da Ponte, who subsequently furnished liw with the still better "Don Giovanni," had promised to adapt as an opera-book for him. For some three-quarters of a century, therefore, "L'Oca del Cairo" had remained a useless, however interesting, fragment, until one of these ing Hassan" and Mozart's "L'Oca del Cairo" really came off at Loos Lissan "were nited by Mitme. Monbolli, Mdme. Trebellilettini, and Signor Castelli. That filled by Mdme. Trebellilettini was written for a tenor, and has necessarily undergone
some changes of key besides that of being naised throughout
an oclave. No one, however, unacquainted with the original
would have discovered the innovation; assuredly no one, under
any circumstances, could have regretted it; for rarely have the
voice, method, and sentiment of this admirable artist been exhibited to greater advantage than in the part of the Arabian
Nightis' hero. In "L'Oca del Cairo" the principal performers
were Mille. Pauline Lowitzky (her first appearance), Iddne.
Sinice, and Signori Gardoni and Gassier. The first-named hady
exhibited a pleasing and well-trained voice, and executed her
muic with the case and finish of a musician. The part is
one affording little scope for the display of dramatic power.
Ve hope to enjoy many opportunities of hearing both—the
scond especially—of these delightful operas, to which we
would carnestly direct the attention of all real lovers of music,
hey can have heard nothing see of the same class for many
a long day that could for a moment be compared with them for
melody, development, instrumentation, and even fitness for
the scene.

*Electricity is Lips; "—There can be no more graitfying return for the develor of years of thought, about, and sindly than such acknowledgments as are constantly received from patients when BULV-VEMACHERS VOLFAIC CHAIN-HANDS AND POCKET ATTEMED show, after the fallure of all other remodies, effectually following delity arrive, but, numerous as they are, represent only a following delity arrive, but, numerous as they are, represent only a following delity arrive, but, numerous as they are, represent only a few parts of the control of deathers, the control of the curs actually effected. Referring to deathers, Captain Abraham Shuttor, of Poole, Devert, writes — My son has been cared of danties, this matter by warring one we medical vanie Chain Bands (No. 7) for one month, "For indigestion of long similing,"—Mr. P. A. Barnard, of 131, Regent-street, London, writes.

—"212 Dec. 1864.—After trying various remedies I became totally one of your betts, and I attribute my restoration to health entirely to that circumstance." For pamphlet, "Nature's Chief Restorer of Impired Villa Energy," with authoritated models reports and test-London, W. Terremacher, 308, Regent-street, London, W. Regent-street, London,

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We take the following from the Athensum:—Sir Henry Bulwer's "Life of Lord Palmerston" will appear before the end of the present season. It will probably show Lord Palmerston's character to have been simpler and more frank than the present generation is inclined to believe.—Mr. A Patterson, the author of "The Magyara," is at present travelling in Croatia.—Mr. George Macdonald is preparing for publication a number of plays for young people, several of which have been duty tested by actual performance.—Mr. F. T. Cantick is one gaed on his second volume of epitaphs from the cemeteries in the parish of St. Paneras. This volume will contain copies from the monuments in Highgate, St. Martin's, St. George's, Bloomsbury, St. George the Martyr, St. Giles in the Fields, the chael in the Foundling Honyital, &c.—We are sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Thomas Cooper, the proprietor of Once a Mrck.—The trustees of the British Museum have purchased from the executors of the late Mr. Toulmin Smith the best pat of his large collection of fossils, including the unique series of ventriculidae of the chalk, gathered together and described by him.—Mr. F. D. Godman, who has been spending a winter in the Azores, has a volume on the natural history of the islands in the press.

According to the Orchestre, Mr. Charles Reade has dramatical his novel of "Put Yourself in His Place" for the Adelphi Thatre, where the play will shortly be produced.—Miss Bateman has entered into an engagement with Mr. W. H. Liston, of the Olympic Theatre, where she will make her first appearance on Monday, the 23rd inst. "Mary Warner" is selected for her reappearance.—A new comedy in two acts, by Mr. C. S. Cheltman, suther of "Evendale," has been accepted at the Charing-cross Theatre, and will shortly be produced. Mr. The Missical Stankard asys that Lists has arrived at Witmar, where he will assist in the model performance of Warner's operas, to take place in June.—The Intervell appearance on Monday, the 23rd inst. "Mary

hundred years old, exists in the library of the Augustine Convent at Toulouse. The book contains no less than three complete masses and three credes.

A fine portrait of Roubillac, the sculptor, lately came to the hammer, and the Architect learns that it has been secured for the National Portrait Gallery. This picture resembles the engraved portraits closely, but there are small discrepancies between it and the print, which seem to prove that it is a replice of the painting from which the engraving was taken. The artist is represented at work upon a model of his Shadespeare. The painting, which is well executed and in good condition, bears the painter's name and the date as follows:

"Adrian Carpentier, 1702." The engraving was published in 1765.

LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS FOR THE ENSUING WEEK.

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MON. Society of Arts, 8.—"Permentation," Professor A. W. Williams, 8.—"Permentation," Professor A. W. Williams, 8.—"Certain Special Defects in our Education Policy," Mr. 6. Harris, ..." Succ. Canal; Stratofical and Political Aspects, "Golone R. Michael Laffan, and Political Aspects," Golone R. Michael Laffan, 1988. Royal Institution, 3.—"Moral Philosophy," Prof. Mackie, Statistical, 8.—"Incidence of Local Taxation in United Kingdom, "Trod. 5. Thoroid, 1987. Apper, 1987. The Company Fans,"—"Recent Improvements in Registerative Hot-Blass Stoves for Blast Furnaces," Mr. F. A. Cowper, Fans,"—"Recent Improvements in Registerative Hot-Blass Stoves for Blast Furnaces, "Mr. F. A. Cowper, The Company of the

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THE COLLISION BETWEEN THE ONEIDA

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divised, see no reason for thinking that decision, wrong. Prinal facir there appears to be every reason for placing confidence in the decision of the Naval Court; but the Board of Trade, not content with this, have obtained the best professional opinions in their power (from professional opinions) and they are advantable to the Naval Court and the Opinion that the Opinion the United States Government toadopt this opinion, it is open to them, or to those who have suffered loss, by the deaths of their relatives, or otherwise, to raise the question by a suit for damages would be raised in the form most the nuclear and the civil courts which would try the case would be into degree bound by the decision of the Naval Court at Kanagawa. It is scarcely necessary that the Board of Trade should expansible the abilities merchant ship hould have been the cause, innocent or otherwise, of such a calamity or their still deeper regret that as the scarce of the Naval Court at the same of the opinion of the Saval Court at Kanagawa.

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The New Ireland of to-day says:—"The vain, and not altogether sincerely meant, attempts to adjust the 'Irish difficulty' by such tinkering expedients as the Irish Church measure and the abortive Land Bill, are beginning to be widely understood in their full force by Englishmen. They have long been well understood by Irishmen."

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At a meeting of the Roman Catholic elergy of the diocese of
Raphoe, held yesterday, for the purpose of choosing a successor
to the Right Rev. Dr. M'Gettigan, former Bishop of Raphoe,
now Primate of All Irisland, the Rev. Chas. O'Donnell, parish
priest of Ardara, was nominated.

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The Limerick Chronicle says that the recently-published letter of the Marchioness of Queensberry has been received, even by Boman Catholics, with approval, and adds that the idea of repeal seems to be gaining additional advocates.

The Royal Commission on Primary Education (Ireland) met

An application has been made in Dublin to change the venue from Kerry to Dublin in the trial of Cowley and two others, all constables, charged with firing at people with intent to kill, at Ballyheigue, on the 18th of May last. The Chief Justice said it must not be regarded as a matter of course that each case would be tried in Dublin. The venue was changed to Cork.

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The anti-Ritualistic syltation in the Dublin diocese continues brisk, with signs of determined life. Numerous meetings have been held, at which vigorous protests have been adopted: and in one instance the congregation started a Sustentiation Fund of their own, declining to recognise the general one until there has been such a revision of the canons as shall prevent the possibility of Risualistic capries.

In the Dublin Court of Queen's Bench on Thursday judgment was delivered in the case of "Manaerph v. Coppinger," which came before the court on plaintiff's demurrer to the second defence. It was averred that in consequence of defenant's negligence, when acting as steward of the more at Cork in May last, the plaintiff's horse was disqualified for not crossing a particular bank, which the defendant said should not be crossed. The plaintiff's horse was first in, but got no stakes or money. The defendant pleaded it was not a condition of the race that he should point out the course, but was the duty of the starter. Plaintiff denurred to this. The court overruled the demurrer, holding that there was no intention of fraud on the demurrer, holding that there was no intention of fraud on the part of the defendant.

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A man, who is called a lunatic and is confined in the asylum at Limerick, has written a letter to the directors of that institution, in which he says:—'I want from you better food, better behaviour; I want you to be thriftier, healthier, kinder, cleaner in your clothes and talk, more God-learing and God-loring, more thoughtful of your families and your fellows than your fathers were before you; and last, though not least, I want you to give me leave to go and see my friends in the country." He adds, in a postscript:—'Will I have any chance of the three-wheeled velocipede you promised me, to all the animal functions?'

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The opening of the working men's exhibition at Belfast is intended to be a very amicable affair. "We shall for once," says the Belfast Whip, "have a week of demonstrations in which there will be nothing about the Pope and nothing about King William. There will be banners; there will be bands; there will be precessions. But the banners will be symbolical of work, and nothing cless. The bands will play no party tunes. In the processions, Catholica and Protestants will march, forgetting all religious and political differences."

The Factory Act is being enforced in Irish newspaper offices.
The proprietors of the Waterford News, Waterford Chronicle, and
Waterford Chica, were yesterday summoned before the magistrate, and fined in the mitigated penalty of £1 each for employing boys at illegal hours.

The Cardiff police went last night to a house in Tyndal-street, in that town, to apprehend a woman named Martha Harris. On their reaching the house, the woman made a desperate effort to escape, and in her trenidation rashed upstairs, got through the window, and, reckless of danger, claubered on to the roof, where she slipped, but her balance, and fell a distance of fifty feet in a yard below. When picked up it was found that she had been dreadfully injured.

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TRINIDAD.

MY LORD,

Trinidad, March 10, 1870. Received March 28, 1870.

Some months ago in the course of a private letter which I received on other matters from the President of the Republic of Guayana, he mentioned that a small number of Englishmen had been sent out as Colonists by a Company having its offices in London, and styled the Chartered American, English, and Venezuelan Trading and Commercial Company; that these Emigrants had been sent out almost utterly destitute to an unhealthy locality on the Caura river, which though wholly unimproved, not a tree having been cut, or a swamp drained, or a hut built on it, had been sold by the Company to the Emigrants at the price of 4l. for ten acres; 4l. being the market price in Venezuela for three square miles of land!

2. President Dalla Costa informed me that he had provided these immigrants with three months' provisions, forwarded them to the settlement they had bought, and assisted them in other ways, and he begged me to aid him in taking steps to prevent any further

immigration under similar auspices.

3. Some days ago two gentlemen, one of them (Mr. S. Barry) lately an officer in the 3rd King's Own Hussars came to me and informed me that they had been among the settlers, and had, with much difficulty, made their way from the Settlement to Ciudad Bolivar; a third, who was with them, having died on the way, and only by the kind assistance of the President had been forwarded to Trinidad along with another emigrant

of the same party.

4. Their story was briefly this—That their party, under the leadership of Mr. Bond, lately Captain in H.M. 91st Highlanders, left Ciudad Bolivar in December for the Caura river; that a large part of the provisions provided by the President was stolen by the canoe-men during the voyage up the river; that on arriving at the "township" they found a dense uncleared tropical forest, liable, in many places, to be overflowed by the river during the wet season; that exposure to sun and damp had produced the natural results of dysentery and fever, and that the gentleman who had been charged by the President to assist them had left the settlement and did not return; that for some days before they left the settlers had had no food but beans and rice, and that, with no means as yet, replenishing their rapidly diminishing store of provisions, starvation stared by Howard & Jones, 18.

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these gentlemen to embark in this enterprise, are at No. 3, The Crescent, America Square, London, E.C., and two books have been published by its authority, entitled Trübner & Co., respectively * 'Emigration to Venezuelan Guayana,' and 'The Emigrants' Vade-Mecum, 60, Paternoster or Guide to the "Price Grant" in Venezuelan Guayana.'t

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6. From the former of these works, page 14, we learn the prices at which the Company sold, in London, tracts of wild land in Venezuela.

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The whole of the land sold by the Company is uncleared primeval forest. I have already mentioned that the price placed on such land by the Government of Guayana is a little over 1l. per square mile.

7. It is also stated (p. 14) that the Company has an agent in this island, which is

not the case.

8. On the following page we are informed that "the Company has made arrange-" ments with the following eminent manufacturers of agricultural implements, &c., to " supply emigrants with every description at wholesale prices, viz.:-

'Cottam and Cottam, St. Pancras Iron Works, Old St. Pancras Road, London;

"Ransomes and Sims, Ipswich; J. and J. Howard, Bedford;" and others.

No tools of any kind were, however, supplied.

10. The agents in England of the Company are stated to be (p. 16) Messrs. J. F. Pattison and Co., 3, The Crescent, America Square, E.C., London; Mr. Joseph F. Carter, Kimbolton, Huntingdonshire; and Mr. George H. Robinson, 35, Regent Street, Learnington, Warwickshire.

11. From the other book (pp. 31, 32, 33), we learn that Mrs. Pattison, the wife of the gentleman just referred to, has been very active in soliciting subscriptions and donations for a "Free Library" for her settlement on the "Caroni Venezuela." Among the

subscribers are :-

The Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, a grant of books and tracts and books for the Sunday School children; a few Common Prayer Books in Spanish for the use of 100,000 emigrants from the Southern States of America, now settling at Caroni.

The Lord Bishop of Barbados, a case of books.

The Rev. Canon Dale, of St. Paul's.

The Rev. William Langton Coxhead, M.A., Vicar of Kirby-le-Soken, Essex, books and magazines.

The Rev. Arthur and Mrs. Isham, Rectory, West Turville, a valuable gift of books. The Rev. J. H. A. and Mrs. Walsh and Miss Walsh, The Rectory, Bishop Strow,

Wilts, books and magazines, &c.

Mrs. Liscombe Clarke, widow of the late Archdeacon L. Clarke, of Salisbury Cathedral, many donations of books, a Church Service, an altar-piece, and 10l. for scientific works; also 10l. towards a harmonium for St. Paul's Church at Caroni.

Mrs. Gilbert Heathcote, of the College, Winchester, bibles and books.

Mrs. James Bonar, of Rosye Lodge, Upper Norwood, a valuable selection from a family library, and 1l. 10s. for special purposes.

Miss Lynd, of 6, Birtie Terrace, Leamington, two donations of books, and music in

French, Italian, and German.

Mrs. O'Hallorand, of Courtney Villas, Learnington, books and music in French and German.

Mrs. George Gulliver, Bridgecroft House, near Edenbridge, Kent, a valuable collection of books, music, and magazines.

Mrs. C. H. Pitts, Earsham, near Bungay, Suffolk, the military library of her late

husband, Lieut.-Colonel Pitts, R.E., books in five languages. George Haseltine, Esq., Patent Solicitor, 8, Southampton Buildings, many useful

books for the library at Caroni. Mr. G. W. King, of Portland Road, scientific works and chronometer, also an

additional gift of books.

J. T. Daun, Esq., C.E., three donations of books and charts, many on civil

engineering.

Henry Bickers, Esq., a valuable gift of books, well selected.

12. I mention these names to show the position of those who have responded to Mrs. Pattison's appeal, and the nature of the gifts made, but nearly a hundred other donors, many of them clergymen, are thanked in pages 32, 33, and 34, for donations of a similar description.

13. Mr. and Mrs. Pattison, having omitted to supply the emigrants with tools,

medicines, or other necessaries, I need hardly add that the "Free Library" has not Tamman. reached its intended destination.

14. I enclose a paper of queries addressed by me to Mr. Barry, together with his

replies, which are also signed by his two companions.

15. I enclose also a copy of one of the land-warrants for which 25% was paid, and of a permit sold by Mrs. Pattison as a pass to enable the luggage and effects of the immigrants to pass the Venezuelan Custom House free of duty. It was not found, however, to possess any such efficacy.

16. The Company really did receive a large grant of lands in Venezuela; but I understand the grant is now forfeited, owing to the non-fulfilment of its conditions by

the Company.

17. President Dalla Costa will, I am certain, do all in his power to alleviate the distresses of the unfortunate settlers who have already arrived, but as it is very probable that the sale of these lands continues, and will continue so long as purchasers can be found, and as it is desirable that persons in England should not be induced to take so serious a step as that of emigrating to the Orinoco in consequence of anticipations, not, I fear, likely to be realized, I should be much obliged if your Lordship would give such publicity to this Despatch and its enclosures as your Lordship may deem proper.

> I have, &c., (Signed) ARTHUR GORDON.

The Earl Granville, K.G. &c. &c.

Enclosures.

1. What was the number of persons at the settlement when you left?

About sixty-five.

Of what nationalities, sex, and age?

Principally British with a few Americans, of both sexes, nearly half and half, and all ages, from the infant in arms to the grey-headed old man.

3. Of what ranks of life originally?
Chiefly the "middle" and "working" classes, but some of good families, including Captain Bond (91st Highlanders), wife and child; Mr. Marshall, Mr. Barry (late 3rd K. O. Hussars).

4. Had all come out at the same time?

No, not all; but the majority of them came out in the 'Tai Lee,' which left Hamburg (North Germany), October 6th, and arrived at Ciudad Bolivar, November 27th, 1869, but all came out under the auspices of the same Company.

5. When was the first settlement made? Towards the close of December, 1869.

Are any more settlers expected?

It is very probable that some more will arrive, as Mrs. Pattison will no doubt continue to sell her land-warrants as long as she possibly can.

7. What had been the number of deaths up to your departure?

Two at the settlement and two others elsewhere.

8. How were the immigrants housed?

By order of Señor Pérez a small palm-shed, about 20 × 10 was erected for the use of the immigrants, half of which was occupied by two families, and the other half by the provisions; the others had to protect themselves from the heavy rains as best they could, as they had to work eight hours a day clearing the land for the "township," and had consequently little or no time to do anything privately for themselves: a few had built huts of palm-thatch and reeds.

9. How fed?

Supplied with three months' provisions by Señor Dalla Costa, the greater part of which was stolen by the boatmen going up. Señor Pérez took little or no notice of the case on its being represented to him. For days before we left, the supply of meat (hard "jerked beef") had run out, and we had to content ourselves on a scanty supply of rice and country-beans, and even this, when we started, could not last them longer than a week at the utmost.

10. Were there any medicines? If any, what, and by whom supplied?

There were a few medicines (as fever-powders, bi-carbonate of soda, rhubarb, and a little mustard for making blisters), kindly provided by the President, but the supply in quantity and variety was inadequate to the occasion.

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11. Any tools supplied?

None whatever, notwithstanding all Mrs. P.'s fair promises to this effect.

12. Why was the Caura, not the Caroni, selected, and by whom?

The Caura was selected by Mrs. Pattison, and she offered the following as her reasons for doing so :-

 (a) The existence of falls in the Caroni.
 (b) The Caroni was down stream from Ciudad Bolivar and not above that city, thus rendering the task of conveying produce, &c., to the Bolivar market more onerous.

(c) Mrs. Pattison said that a settlement had already been made by some Americans

near the mouth of the Caroni.

13. How much of the price of the land coupons has been paid generally by immigrants?

I am unable to say; I believe the majority of those who formed what she termed her "Society" only paid an advance of 1l. on account; but those who purchased more than 10 acres, to the best of my knowledge, paid for their land coupons in full at the time of purchase.

14. Did these coupons assign particular localities to the holders?

Those who purchased 10 acres were, according to agreement, to reside within a township, to be called "Pattisonville," the site for which was to be selected by Mrs. Pattison herself. Those who bought a greater amount of land were at liberty to select, to the extent of their purchase, from any of the vacant lands within the "Price Grant."

15. Was the permit 'o pass luggage, duty free, respected?

Not in the least; it being solely due to the President's kindness that our luggage was passed duty free. These "luggage passes" were sold by Mrs. Pattison, and represented to be absolutely necessary on landing at Bolivar.

17. Agricultural implements, p. 15; were any asked for or supplied?

Mrs. Pattison promised to bring out some agricultural implements for the use of the Colonists going with her; but as she did not accompany the expedition as expected, these implements were not supplied.

JAMES WILLIAM BARRY, (Signed) late 3rd K. O. Hussars. JOHN LOWE.

GEORGE WEBB HALL.

ON EMIGRATION TO VENEZUELA.

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TRINIDAD.

No. 0057.

SERIES B.

Land Warrant.

One hundred and sixty acres.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA.

TRADING AND COMMERCIAL COMPANY, LIMITED.

LONDON, ENGLAND.

August 11th, 1869.

This is to Certify, that the bearer, George Webb Hall, of Sutton, Surrey, England, is entitled to One hundred and sixty acres of land, value Twenty-five pounds sterling, in the Territory or State of Guayana, Republic of Venezuela, South America, unentered and unappropriated, upon filing this Warrant at the office of "The Chartered "American, English, and Venezuelan Trading and Commercial Company" at Ciudad Bolivar, Guayana, Venezuela, in accordance with the grant made to Dr. Henry M. Price, his associates and assigns, ratified at the City of Caracas, Venezuela, June 26th, 1866.

J. LESLIE CLARK, Secretary.

JAS. FRED. PATTISON, President, 3, The Crescent, America Square, E.C.

Office fees and surveying to be paid by the holder.

Mr. J. Wm. Barry, an emigrant to the Price Grant, under the American, English, and Venezuelan Trading and Commercial Company, 3, The Crescent, America Square, E.C., London.

Baggage and freight for the use of the said emigrant, duty free.



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EXTRACT from a DESPATCH from Governor the Hon. ARTHUR GORDON, C.M.G., to The EARL GRANVILLE, K.G., dated Trinidad, 24th May, 1870. No. 77.

TRINIDAD.

Since I last addressed your Lordship on this subject, President Dalla Costa has removed the whole of the survivors, with the exception of Captain Bond and Mr. Macgregor, who have resolved to remain upon their grants. The rest have been brought down in boats to Ciudad Bolivar, where a public subscription, already reaching a considerable sum, has been made for their support, without taking into account what has been done for them at the private expense of the President.

Thirty-one of the Emigrants died previously to their removal from the Caura.

