PODCES THE ISSUE

Balfour Lets Free Traders Win by Default.

ONLY TWO OPPOSING VOTES

Unionists Almost All Abstain From Voting on Motion Condemning Chamberlain's Fiscal Plan, Saving the Government.

LONDON, March 22 .- As a result of the Cabinet's decision yesterday to use no pressure upon its followers in regard to solutions introduced by the opposition question, a resolution introduced at toight's session of the House of Commons by John Stirling Ainsworth ((Free Trade [Aberal] was carried by a vote of 254 to The resolution declares that "In the on of the House the imposition of a eneral duty on all manufactured goods ported from abroad not exceeding 19 per cent on an average, and varying ac-cording to the amount of labor on these goods would be injurious to the commer-cial interests of the United Kingdom."

While the action of the Cabinet yester-day left no opening for a critical party division, the decision of the government to awade an issue on the facal question the remainder of the session, and the fact that this was the first go-as-you fact that this was the first go-as-you-please vote, brought out a large attend-ance and good galleries. A strong Lib-eral whip summoned many members of the opposition, and the Nationalists turned out in full force.

Mr. Ainsworth's resolution was second-ed by Richard Cavendish (Unionist), who congraniated Premier Balfour on giving the House an concrunity to express un-

the House an opportunity to express un Iettered its views on fiscal propositions. Both Mr. Ainsworth and Mr. Cavendish maintrined that the vote would show a complete discrediting of Joseph Chamber-

Premier Balfour spoke briefly explaining that he did not consider the resolution as anything more than an abortive effort on the part of the opposition to embar-rass the government over an issue which before Parliament. He recommended his followers not only to follow the policy he had adopted, by not de-bating the resolution, but also to follow his example by not going into the division

Henry Campbell-Bannerman tacked the government forces' attitude. He asked, if the question was of no mo-ment now, why it was considered a crit-

ical party question on March 8.

Lord Hugh Cecil said he believed that after tonight the country would not take the tariff reformers seriously. The elec-torate would not raily to those who failed to raily to their own cause. The Socialist to raily to their own cause. The Socialist revement, he said, dying, was only be-ing galvanized into life by the genius of another investigation. The result of the division was greeted with cheers and

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, Lord George Hamilton, Sir John Gorst and 19 other free-trade Unionists voted for the Ainsworth motion, besides the whole of the opposition and 50 Nationlists. All of the government supporters had left the House

after Balfour's speech.

It is now stated that Mr. Balfour secured Joseph Chamberlain's assent to his mode of dealing with the Ainsworth motion by representing that any other course would risk the government's being defeated. The Minteren have informally for. The Ministers have informally intimated that, while refusing to countenance ers as Mr. Alneworth's mo tion, they are fully prepared to give time for debate of a formal motion of censure challenging the government's fiscal at-

FRENCH STATESMAN A SUICIDE

Antonin Proust, Associate of Gam-

betta, Shoots Himself. PARIS, March 22.—(2:80 P. M.)— Antonin Proust, Minister of Pine Arts in the Gambetta Cabinet, died today as the result of two shots in the head, self-inflicted. He had long been a victim of melancholia, which is believed to have been intensfied by differences Rosita Mauri, the celebrated of the opera, with whom he was closely associated. She Jined at his apartment Monday evening, the tragedy following shortly after her de-

entered journalism in his youth, traveled extensively and was the author of a number of works on the fine arts and travel. He was correspondent of the Tomps in the Franco-Prussian war. After the capitulation of Sedan he became secretary of Gambetta, the cause of whose death has been shrouded in mystery, but who, according to one report, died in a manner somewhat similar to M. Proust. In 1867 M. Proust was elected to the Chamber of Deputies and devoted his attention aimost exclusively to foreign af-fairs and the fine arts. In 1881 he entered the Cabinet presided over by Gambetta as Minister of Fine Arts, and retired with the Ministry in 1882, after which the Ministry of Fine Arts was suppressed. In December 1897, M. Proust was among the many Deputies compromised in the great Panama Canal scandal, and was one of the five prosecuted by the gov-ernment, which caused M. Proust to resign the position of French Commission-er-General to the World's Fair at Chi-cago. He was tried before the Assize Courts on the Panama charge and was acquitted. Rosita Mauri was at one time the leading dancer of the Paris opera and was at the head of her profession in the world. When she retired from the stage in 1998 no dancer was so well

HE FEARS AUTOMOBILES MORE Charcot Makes Light of Dangers of

the Antarctic. NEW YORK, March 22.—The French Antarctic expedition, under Dr. Charcot, arrived in port Tuesday afternoon, cables the Buenos Ayres, Argentina, correspond-ent of the Herald. French associations with flags and bands, a representative of the Minister of Marine and many officers of the Argentine navy met the party, members of which were escorted anhors and given a warm reception. Dr. Char-cot, replying to an address of welcome, said the dangers of an Antarctic expedition were not as many as he believed existed in the streets of Paris, with their automobiles, which were perhaps more dan-gerous than Antarctic seas:

KAISER EMBARRASSES FRANCE Visit to Morocco Hampers Her Plans for Control.

PARIS, March 22-Emperor William's proposed visit to Morocco at the moment when France is establishing paramount influence there attracts marked attention and comment. Concerning the visit itself, reports to the effect that France had taken unbrage are distinctly denied, as it is pointed out that there is nothing incorrect in such a visit, which is altogether natural during a cruise in the incorrect in such a visit, which is alto-gether natural during a cruise in the Mediterranean. However, the authorities recognize that the visit is being used in unfriendly quarters as a pretext to eitr up animosity and exercise the Moora to believe that they should resist the so-

ceptance of the French plan for administering the country.

The officials here say they do not regard the Germans as being a purty to this maneuver, which is attributed mainly to the Morocco correspondent of a leading London newspaper.

Owing to the Angio-Prench agreement, the authorities here expected that British officials and press opinion would asset in the execution of the French policy. This policy has now reached a crisis, as the French mission at Fer is awaiting the Suitan's final answer. Therefore the British press representations that Depart William's visit may interrupt the Prench policy are strongly disapproved. Relative to the suggestion that Germany seek equality of trade rights in Morocco, it is stated that the Angio-French agreement distinctly provides for an open-door noticy whereby the United Sister Comment distinctly provides for an open-door policy, whereby the United States, Ger-many and other countries have the same commercial rights in Morocco as France.

QUEEN'S WELCOME AT LISBON

Showers of Flowers Greet Alexandra as She Enters City.

Lisson, March E.-Queen Alexandra of Great Britain was today given a hearty welcome. The harbor was crowded with gally decorated steamers and yachts, and the British royal yacht ascended the river amid a deafening volascended the river amid a dearening volley of salutes. Two great golden galleys
pulled by 80 boatmen in coatumes of acarlet and gold took out King Charles, his
suite and Ministers, to meet the royal
guest. A pavilion had been erected on
the quay for the reception formalities.

After the Queen Dowager of Fortugal
had met Queen Alexandra at the steps
of the quay, a procession of state carriages and officinis took the guest and
her suite to the palace amid cheers from
the populace. Along the route of the procession a feature of the decorations was
many thousands of camelias and other
flowers, which had been distributed to be flowers, which had been distributed to be thrown to Queen Alexandra as the pro-cession passed, while hundreds of pig-sons with ribbons of the British colors tied to their necks were liberated and mingled in the shower of flowers. The scheme of decorations made the recep-tion a great floral demonstration. After a state banquet at the palace, where 200 covers were laid, and at a state concert the streets were illuminated and crowded

till a late hour.

It transpires that the storm which compelled the royal yacht to put in at Vigo for shelter was so violent as to cause the royal party the greatest anxiety and discomfort. Princess Victoria, owing to weakness consequent upon her meent filmess, was completely unnerved, but has recovered. The heavy seas damaged the weakt's fittings. till a late hour.

HUNGARIANS STAND AS UNIT Opposition Groups Refuse to Support

Francis Joseph's Measure. BUDAPEST, March 22.-Julius drassy, the former premier, has failed to solve the ministerial crisis. He had an audience with the Emperor today, at which he relinquished the task of at-tempting to form a new cabinet.

At a meeting today of the opposi tion groups, a resolution was adopted to the effect that it was impossible to form a cabinet from the ranks of the combined opposition, or even support such a cabinet if formed, because of the attitude of the crown, waich would only approve a ministry from whose programme the questions of Hungarian

colors and Hungarian words of com-mand in the army were eliminated. The resolution also affirmed that the demand of the crown for a conclusion of an agreement with the Austrian government and ratification of the com-mercial treaty with Germany could not be accepted, as it would prevent the realization of economic independence of the Hungarian government. The meet-ing, therefore, declared that the coali-tion of the opposition groups could not support any cabinet constituted on such basis, and was respived to maintain un-altered the solidarity of the coalition during the present serious crisis and a vote of thanks was given Julius Andrassy for his efforts in behalf of the

Vatican Will Annul Marriage.

ROME, March 22.-Cardinal Gotti, pre fect of the propaganda, has instructed Cardinal Martinello to report on the case presented by Princess Rospigliosi, former-ly Marie Jennings Roed, of New Orleans, for annulment of her first marrise with Colonel Fred H. Parkhurst, of Bangor, Mc. This case will soon be discussed be-fore the congregation of the propaganda. It is generally believed by ecclestastical rities that an annu granted, as, even admitting that the Park-hurst-Reed marriage was celebrated with a dispensation which considered him a Protestant, the marriage is null and void. being now established that Colonel Parkhurst never was baptised.

Wonders of Japan's New Island. NEW YORK, March 21-The new island the Sea of Japan, has, according to Times dispatch from Tokio, been visited by inhabitants of Iwo Island. They found the surface covered with volcanic tura. The Island was surrounded by a belt of sand, and there is a boiling lake near the northern end below a peak 360 feet in

No Ships to Carry Turkish Troops. CONSTANTINOPLE, March 22.—The Minister of War has been ordered to hold further battalions in readiness for service in Yemen Province, Arabia, but meanwhile the government is unable to obtain ships to convey to Arabia the troops al-ready awaiting transportation. Reinready awaiting transportation. Rein-forcements are urgently needed. The casualties of the imperial forces since the outbreak of the insurrection are already estimated at 4000 to 5000 men.

Sir Henry Irving Postpones Tour. LONDON, March 22-Sir Henry Irv-ing's United States and Canadian tour has been postponed for a year, by the advice of his doctors that he should not lertake so great a strain in the near future. The health of Sir Henry is im proving, and all preparations are mak-ing for his appearance at Drury Lane Theater, April 29.

Patriarch of Lisbon Resigns. ROME. March E.—The Vatican has re-ceived the resignation of Cardinal Netto as patriarch of Lisbon, which is quite un-usual, considering the many prelates who, although older, occupy even more respon-sible positions. The pretext for the car-dinal's resignation is his health.

Native Insurrection in Camaroons. BERLIN, March 22. - The National tung says an insurrection of natives has taken place in the southern part of the Camaroons, German West Africa. The news has not yet been of-ficially confirmed.

Successor to Von Hammerstein. BERLIN, March 21.—Dr. Von Betth-mann-Hollweg, president of the provin-cial administration of Brandenburg, is appointed Minister of the Interior in succession to the late Baron von Hammer

Mexico's New Secretary of War. MEXICO CITY, March 21.—General Manuel Cossio has taken the oath as Secretary of War, vice General Mons, re-signed. General Cossio is @ years old, and is a veteran of many campaigns.

GRAND JURY COMPLETE THE WISDOM OF

INVESTIGATION OF BEEF TRUST IS UNDER WAY.

Judge Humphries Recommends Inquiry Into Illegal Combinations, and Also Enjoins Secrecy.

CHICAGO, March 22.-The special grand jury to investigate the so-called beef trust" was completed today. Phree vacancies left in the panel yesterday were filed and the huge mass of testimony available was immediate-ly attacked. District Judge Otts Humphrey charged

the jury to "present no one from envy, hatred or mailce, nor to leave any one unpresented for fear, favor, affection, re-ward or hope of reward." The charge to the jurors was delivered

in a most impressive manner, and was listened to with deep interest. Judge Humphrey said:

'This body stands between the upright and honest citizen and the malicious ac-

cuser. You are savers of reputations, as well as the body through which the hon-est accuser obtains justice.
"I call your attention particularly to the statute which prohibits and fixes a penalty for combinations in restraint of trade in the interstate commerce laws

"While you are not selected to try the guilt or innocence of the accused in order to justify a true bill, you will have such evidence as, if unexplained and contradicted, would satisfy your minds of the

guilt of the accused.

"You are not to disclose to any person or at any time the secrets of your deliberations. Reputation is the greatest earthly inheritance. The mere fact that some person's name is before you as being secused of crime would blacken the repu-tation, even though you might not return a true bill. No human being has a right to know, and you are not to disclose to

to know, and you are not to disclose to any human being the secrets of your deliberations. All that shall come to the light through the return of indictments, if indictments shall be found."

Among the important witnesses who will appear before the beef trust grand jury are Miss M. A. Dinock, private secretary to J. Ogden Armour; C. O. Young general superintendent of Swift & Co., and George F. Morgan, assistant to Young.

oung. Two witnesses were examined during the afternoon session. The first testified for almost two hours, when he was excused and returned to his home in Philadelphia. The second witness fuished his testimony and the session was adjourned until tomorrow morning. The other 18 witnessed who had gathered in the witnesseroom adjoining the grand jury room, were prepared to report for examination tomorrow morning. Nice more witnesses are also to report in the morning, and it is hoped that the entire 22 will be called before tomorrow night. District Attorney Morrison absolutely refused tonight to discuss what had occurred at today's session. He even refused to divulge along what lines the first hear-ing of witnesses had developed evidence.

MISSOURI'S WAR ON STANDARD

Trial of Proceedings Under Anti-Trust Law is Set.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., March 22.— The first hearing in the proceedings brought by the State of Missouri to compel the Standard Oil Company to show cause why it should not be punished under the anti-trust law was set today for March II, before Associate Justice Marshall, of the Supreme Court his will be to determine the constitutionality of the anti-trust law. Judge Marshall also will pass upon the right of one Supreme Judge, while the court is in vacation, to issue an order for the taking of testimony against the Stand-ard Oil Company. Should these points decided against the Standard, the taking of testimony to determine whether there is sufficient evidence upon which to found ouster proceed-ings will be begun, probably April 6.

at Standard Oil Methods. Michigan recently had to submit to an arbitrary increase in the price of oil coincident with the winning of a lawsult against the Standard Oil Company by residents of that county.

WILL TEST OIL REFINERY BONDS Friendly Action Taken by State Auditor of Kansas.

TOPEKA, Kan., March 22.—State Auditor Wells announced today that he would refuse to register the state oil refinery bonds unless ordered to do so by the Supreme Court. This will force an imme-diate test of the legality of the bonds. The Auditor's action is friendly, and is taken for the purpose of giving the bonds a proper standing.

Insurance Trust is Driven Out.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., March 22-The nti-trust law of Arkansas will become tive tomorrow, and it is announced night that practically all the non-resi-Sent old-line fire insurance companies, about W in number, ceased doing business in this state today because of the clause in the new law assessing heavy penalties upon such companies remaining here if they are members of rating bureaus anywhere, either in or out of Arkansas.

Close of Santa Fe Investigation. CHANUTE, Kan., March 28.-Hugh P.

Parrelly received a telegram last night from Charles D. Schuckers, County Atney of Chartauqua County, instructing n to close the investigation against the nta Fe Rallway so soon as the testi-my of Mr. Trevalan, division freight agent of the Santa Fe, was taken. Mr. Trevalen today explained the rate situ-ation, and gave the advances in rates on oil from time to time.

Suit Against Santa Fe Stopped. CHANUTE, Kan., March 22.—The in-cestigation started by the County At-torney of Chautauqua County in its suit to oust the Salita Fe Railroad from the state was suspended today and Frank & Monett, the attorney who was conducting the case for Kansas, left for his home in Ohio.

New Oilpipe for Kansas. KANSAS CITY, March 22-A contract for \$350,000 of piping for the five-linch fuel ollipipe-line between Chanute, Kan., and the proposed independent refinery in Kansas City has been awarded. The main line and laterals will require 120 miles of pipe. J. B. Levy is at the head of the

Old Cabinet With New Head. ROME, March 22.—The old Giolitti Cabinet, without Signor Giolitti, presented lizelf before Parliament today, Signor Tittoni holding the Premier's portfolio and also that of Minister of the Interior, saying that the ministerial crisis originated from a fact extraneous to Parliament, namely, the libress of Signor Giolitt. Prominent politicians, he added, had suggested to the King the name of Signor Fortis as one likely to be able to carry

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MONTH. Ellers Plane House, \$51 Washington street, corner Park.

take the task. Doubt having arisen as to whether the majority, which supported Signor Giolitti, still existed, his Cabinet had reappeared before Parliament asking for a vote of confidence, not in the men composing it, but in its principles, and sent greetings to Signor Giolitti, wishing him a speedy recovery. The statement was greeted with applause. The discussion of the Cabinet's request for a vote of confidence then began.

DEAL WITH THE BONDHOLDERS They Contend It Is Not Contrary to Washington Protocol.

LONDON, March 21.-At the office of the Council of foreign bondholders, the Associated Press was informed today that government and the British and German ndholders, adjusting and conso the exterior debt, \$28,600,600, will be signed tonorrow, the details having been con-cluded to the satisfaction of both par-ties. It was added that the guarantees comprise considerably more than 5 per-cent of the customs duties of all ports except La Guayra and Puerto Cab

res. Surprise was expressed at the dis-MUST MAKE PRICE UNIFORM

Bill in Michigan Legislature Aimed at Standard Oil Methods.

By patches from Washington Intimating that the American Minister at Caracas, Mr. Bowen, was seeking to prevent the ratification of the agreement, which the Council of Foreign Bondholders contend to the council of LANSING, Mich., March 21—In the House today a bill was introduced prohibiting differences in the price of oil other than those directly traceable to freight charges. The bill is aimed to provent descrimination between localities. It has been alleged that one county in the special property of the produced of the produced with the Washing-Ton protocol. The British and German Foreign Offices have been consulted and agree that the bonds are entirely in accord with the Washing-Ton protocol. The British and German Foreign Offices have been consulted and agree that the bonds are entirely in accord with the Washing-Ton protocol. The British and German Foreign Offices have been consulted and agree that the bonds are entirely in accord with the Washing-Ton protocol. The British and German Foreign Offices have been consulted and agree that the bonds are entirely in accord with the Washing-Ton protocol. The British and German Foreign Offices have been consulted and agree that the bonds are entirely in accord with the Washing-Ton protocol. The British and German Foreign Offices have been consulted and agree that the bonds are entirely in accord with the Washing-Ton protocol. The British and German Foreign Offices have been consulted agree that the bonds are entirely in accord with the Washing-Ton protocol. The British and provisions of the protocol. Foreign Offices have been consulted and agree that the bonds are entirely within the rights and provisions of the protocol. been working for a guaranteed payment since the promulgation of the protocol, first on a scheme which provided for a settlement of the Venezuelan indebtedness to all countries, but this plan was aban doned by the withdrawal of the Pr last October. Thereafter the British and German bondholders united and secured President Castro's agreement to allot a portion of the revenues of La Guayra and Puerto Cabello, to which Minister Bowen objected. Since this frustration in Jan-uary the bondholders have been at work on the present agreement, which provides for the issue of new I per cent bonds to cover the debt of the Anglo-German bondholders, amounting, includ-ing arrears, to about \$3,60,000. General Antonio Vejutini, President Castro's fiscal agent, acted in behalf of

Venezuela in the present negotiations, while the Council of Foreign Bondholders and the Discounto Gesellschaft, respectively, represented the British and German bondholders. Action Postponed on Cable Case.

PARIS, March 22.—The French Cable Company has received a further dis-patch from M. Brun, its representative at Caracas, confirming the postpone-ment of a decision of the court relament of a decision of the court tive to the company's concession.

FORTY-FOUR ARE STILL MISSING Death by Brockton Disaster May Total Ninety-Nine.

BROCKTON, Mass., March 22.-No more bodies were found in the ruins of the R. B. Grover Company shog factory today. The number of bodies recovered is St. Late tonight City Marshal Boyden issued a statement to the effect that 44 persons who were employed in the factory were still missing. Practically all business throughout the

city will be suspended tomorrow during the funerals. The schools will be closed, and so far as possible all traffic will be discontinued as the cortege passes through the streets to the cemetery City Marshai Boyden, after examining he payroll, estimated the number killed

Panic Due to Fire in Skyscraper.

NEW YORK, March 22.—Many lives were endangered and damage to the extent of \$50,000 was done by a fire in the tent of \$50,000 was done by a fire in the nine-story Empire State building at Broadway and Bleeker streets today, Boores of girls employed in the upper portions of the building were thrown into a panic when the flames swept up from the seventh floor, where the fire started, and it was only by the greatest good fortune that all escaped. Asgit was, many were more or less briused in the crush which followed the rush down the stairsays. The fire was confined to the three upper stories and was subdued after about an hour's hard work.

Outfit for Roosevelt's Big Hunt. AUSTIN, Tex., March 21—The Adju-tant-General today shipped a carload of tents, iron bedsteads and other camping outfit to Buri, Tex., near San Antonio, to he used by President Rosewell and accept Fortis as one likely to be able to carry be used by President Rocsevelt and party on Signor Golliti's work, but Signor Fort on their big hunt.

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CASTRO SELLS ASPHALT FROM AMERICAN PROPERTY.

Reason for Urging Settlement of the Venezuelan Dispute-Issue With France' Evaded by the Courts.

WASHINGTON March 22.-The State Department has heard nothing from Min inter Bowen to indicate that the Venexuelan Government has made answer to his last proposition to arbitrate the American claims, and it is supposed that the answer, when it does come, will be to the effect that the Venezuelan govern-ment insists on awaiting the final action of its courts upon the pending asphali-case. The difficulty is that the Venezuelan government has refused the applica tion of the asphalt company, supported by Minister Bowen, to reverb to the status existing before the appointment of a receiver in the asphalt case, and allow the

As it is, the receiver is taking out large cuantities of asphalt from Bermudes Lake, the proceeds of which are going into the Venezuelan treasury, to the great financial loss of the company, which

company to repossess itself of its proper-

great financial loss of the company, which is making daily representations on the subject to the State Department.

The President is concluding arrangements for his Southwestern trip, on which he expects to start Monday, April 3, and no apprehension exists that the trip will be either abandoned or postponed on account of the Venezuelan embroglio. The President expects in his absence from Washington. pects, in his absence from Washington, to keep in close touch with the situation as it may develop, and will be in position constantly to issue such instructions from his train as may be

necessary. Senator Cullom, chairman of the for-Senator Cullom, chairman of the foreign relations committee, and Senator
Lodge, a member of that committee,
discussed the Venesuelan situation
with the President today. It is the
beilef here in well-informed circles
that, although the Italian warship Calabria is making a cruise around the
world, and stopped incidentally in Dominican waters, the situation in Venenuela will cause the Rome Government to detain the ship in Caribbean
waters for the present, ready to deal
with any emergency.

with any emergency.

The first news that the officials had The first news that the officials had here of the action of the Venezuelan Court, respecting the French Cable Company's case, was contained in the Associated Press' Paris dispatches to the effect that the court had ordered the postponement sine die. While this proceeding is peculiar to Spanish law practice, the officials here regard it as being equivalent to a practical abandonment of the attempt to secure by decree a forfeiture of the company's concession. Therefore, it appears that the action of the French Minister Bowen to Washington, on last Sunday, in demanding a discontinuation of the proceedings against the company, has been effectual, sothers will probably be no occasion for a resort to the French government to protect the company's interest.

ompany's interest.

It is pointed out here that by reason of exclusion of the French claims from the Valutini arrangement be-

probably will still retain a lively in

terest in that settlement. It is true that the German and British protocols in article 7 bind the Venesuelan government to enter fresh arrangement respecting the external debt of Venezuela with a view to the satisfaction of the claims of the bondholders and permit a definition of the sources from which the necessary navments are to be provided. But this is not looked upon as broad enough to warrant the practical extinction of other claims. So far, Mr. Bowen has not advised the State Department that he has protested against the consum-mation of the bond arrangement, but apparently feels that he has discharged

his duties by reporting the fi HAS NO FEAR OF INTERVENTION

Castro Courts Investigation of Dispute by Congress. WILLEMSTAD, Island of Curacao March 2 — (Correspondence of the As-sociated Press.)—Through the Caracas papers much publicity has been given to the efforts of Senor Paul to bring about an amicable settlement in Wash-ington of the grievances of the United States against Venezuela. Statements are printed daily that the difficulties are due entirely to a misunderstanding which will be explained away and assurances are given by the Caracas press that there is no danger of American Intervention.

President Castro is said to be con-

against the government, either by the United States or any European power. The course of the United States in the Santo Domingo affair has raised the hopes of the diplomatic corps in Caracas that the Venezuelan difficul-

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France Sends No Ultimatum. PARIS, March 22.-The Matin says

Ambassador Jusserand will confer with President Roosevelt today relative to Venezuela and adds: "An ultimatum has not been sent. President Castro having taken the case of the French Cable Company to the courts, France intends to leave it there until a decision is given, when she will e prepared to adopt all the measures eccessary to secure respects for the

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