Sends Important Dispatches by Mysterious Messenger

HAVANA. May 31 .- The commision conducting the inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Ruiz closed its labors Saturday.

A-mysterious messenger from Washington came from Tampa on the steamer Mascotte, but did not land.

Mr. Fishback, secretary of the commision, accompanied by General Fee's son, went on board the steamer before she sailed and held a brief consultation with the stranger, and it is supposed that they delivered to him the report of the commission and other highly important dispatches from Consul General Lee and Mr. Calhoun, to be conveyed to the state department at Washington. The messenger was registered on the Mascotte's inward passenger list as H. W. Kimball, and the name apdeared on the steamer's out-

Dr. Jose Congosto, the Spanish consul river. at Philadelphia, who represented the Spanish government in the Inquiry, is understood to have forwarded a long report to Senor de Lome, the Spanish minister at Washington, by today's mail.

Messrs. Calhoun, Fishback and Congosto will leave here on Thursday for New York direct.

CALHOUN'S REPORT. HAVANA, via Key West, May 26.—

Of the two reports understood to have been sent from Havana by the commission investigating death of Dr. Ruiz, that of Mr. Calhoun will, it | 000. is said, agree with the statement of Consul-General Lee that Dr. Ruiz died from concussion of the brain. the result of violence after solitary confinement of more than i3 days, regardless of his treaty rights.

General Lee declined at session of the commision to question the witnesses who were interogated only by county in 1847. the Spanish representative. Consul-General Lee will shortly make a report on the Ruiz case, and Mr. Calhoun will make a further report on other matters, such as the money question, the state of the insurrection, the condition of American interests.

Weyler Failed.

HAVANA, via Key West, May 31 .-Details have been received of an engagement at La Reforma, Sancti Spiritus, between the SpaniSrds, commanded by General Weyler, and the football goal, on the college campus, Cubans, led by General Gomez.

The battle was fought early last week, and it was the result of Weyler's scheme to crush Gomez by surrounding him with 20,000 men. The plan failed, and the battle was reported here as an ordinary Spanish victory, without details. It was the first time in the war that Weyler and Gomez have faced each other.

General Gomez, placing his men in the best strategic positions at La Reforma, awaited General Weyler, and for six hours held him in check, althought the Cubans scarcely numbered 1000 men.

Gomez ordered his best shots to pursue the Spanish general, but the latter never came to the front. When two fresh Spanish columns came up Gomez retired and the Spanish abandond the field.

Willing to Purchase Freedom.

gated to the United States of the Palma, was obliged to do so unofficially and to receive him as an American citizen. The president was also unofficially aware of his visit.

Senor Palma stated that the insur-

gents are willing to purchase their freedom at a reasonable price. A full understanding prevailed that nacessary funds could be easily secured to float the bonds whenever Spain agreed to enter into negotiations looking to a sale of Cuba.

NAVIGATION OF THE RIO GRANDE.

Injunction Issued Against the English Dam Company,

DENVER, May 31 .- A special to the Investigating Commission, Republican from Santa Fe, says:

The United States marshal's office received from District Judge Bantz, Silver City, a writ of injunction against the Rio Grande Dam & Irrlgation Company, restraining that alleged British corporation from constructing any dam across the Rio Grande or otherwise obstructing the flow of this so-called international navigable stream in New Mexico. The injunction was granted on application by the United States department of justice, and is in the nature of a temporary restraining order. As to whether it shall stand perpetual arguments are set for hearing June 14.

A lively contest in the courts over the use of Rio Grande waters in Colorado and New Mexico is expected to open with the hearing of this case by Judge Bantz. The case, it is claimed. will turn upon the question of whether the Rio Grande is a navigable stream on the international boundary line at El Paso. The case is very important to Colorado and New Mexico, as it involves the irrigation rights of the Rio Grande

STATE NEWS

The graduates numbered 15 at Medford high school this year.

The building of the bridge across the hig Nestucca at Woods will commence July 15.

It is now known by what has transpired that Magone had planned a series of grave robberies of the bodies of rich men.

The delinquent stax list of Clackamas county for the assessment of 1895, sold Saturday after second republication. It still amonnts to about \$10,-

Mrs. Ritchie of Vale, Malheur house of two watches and a small participate. amount of money.

Lester Hulin, one of the oldest

came to California in 1846, to Oregon in 1862, and has been in Eastern Oregon ever since. He was born in 1ltinois, October 29, 1831.

The Albany lodge of Elks are trying to arrange for a grand clam bake for the members of that order at Newport on the 26th of June. It is expeted that some 500 or 600 Elks will be in attendance.

Some under classmen of McMinnville college Tuesday night hanged the entire senior class in effigy on the and flung the senior flag at half-mast. The United States flag had been replaced by the senior flag the day before, and the mischievous persons pulled down the senior flag to replace it with a white rag. The faculty is at a loss where to place the blame.

It is remarkable fact that a man never appreciates the sufferings of, others until he himself, has passed through the fire of pain or remorse. Then it is that he looks around for those who are suffering; he wants them to profit by his experience; he gives his time and



NEW YORK, May 31.—A special to of his zeal. There are plenty of men weak the World from Washington says:
For the first time a representative of the Cuban junta has been received at the state department. Senor Tomas Estrade Palma, head of the Cuban in the cuban is the cuban in the cuban in the cuban in the cuban is the cuban in the cuban in the cuban in the cuban is the cuban in the cuban in the cuban in the cuban in the cuban is the cuban in the cuban Estrade Palma, head of the Cuban junta in New York, and chief delegrated to the United States of the used, and this will enable any man to get a Cuban government, called at the state Slater used to cure himself of the troubles SEE D. S. BENTLEY. department. Secretary Sheman, in extending the invitation to Senator was so complete, so satisifying and such a wonderful change from his former condition



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pioneers of Lane county, died at his home in Eugene Friday afternoon, aged 74 years. He came to Lane county in 1847.

Andrew P. Shull, of Pendleton, a pioneer, died Friday afternoon. He came to California in 1846, to Oregon

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Field Events—Hammer throw, shot put, pole valid, broad jump, high jump.

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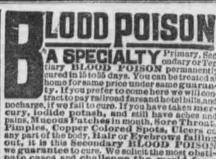


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