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## BUENOS AYRES.

In the series of important official correspondence we publish to-day, our readers will find that which has taken place between the Hon. William A. Harris, charge d'Affaires of the United States, and the Argentine Government, relative to the death of General Taylor.

We may publish the decree of this Government, prescribing the observance of those marks of respect, so justly due to the distinguished man, who was so suddenly cast down, from his high station of earthly honor. It gives us the greatest possible pleasure, to observe and to publish these generous acts of national courtesy. They are worthy of the great man who orders their observance, and they are abundantly due to his many virtues, and the great fame of the distinguished man, to whom they are paid.

General Taylor was indeed a great man, in the fullest sense of the term. He was good, as well as great. Though a warrior by profession, yet his whole long life, seems to have been devoted to unceasing acts of generosity and humanity. Amidst the stern discipline of the camp, and even on the battle field itself, he exhibited those beautiful and benevolent traits of character, which grace the warrior, as much as the Christian, and show that his humanity was equal to his bravery.

His virtues—these beautiful characteristics of the man—added to his great military fame, which excited the love and popular favor of his countrymen, to a degree, which perhaps, no other man has enjoyed in the United States since the days of Washington. His military achievements were, indeed, of the most brilliant character. They extorted the admiration of the great military Captains of Europe, and commanded universal respect, throughout the world. No wonder then, that his countrymen should have been enthusiastic in their admiration; should have such patriotic pride in their Presidential chief; and, should mourn him so sincerely, now that he is dead.

General Taylor was elected to the presidential chair, almost by acclamation; yet he was called to preside over the destinies of his country, during a period of great excitement and agitation, in its internal affairs. And it is precisely for this reason, that his death presents none extraordinary circumstances, for our countrymen and respect. It was at the moment that this excitement and agitation, were at their highest pitch; when the conflict of excited passions and party measures, seemed almost insupportable, that the President was suddenly smitten with the hand of death. Yet, such is the matchless nature of their constitution and laws; such the wisdom and perfection of the organic machinery, by which the whole great political system moves; such the law abiding spirit, and patriotic impulses of that great branch of the Anglo-saxon people, that we see their President struck down by the hand of death, and his place instantly filled, by the mere operation of the law, without the slightest jar or confusion. All is harmony and order. The mighty operations of the government of twenty millions of people, move on as if nothing had happened. Their harmonious movement is not checked for a single moment. The vice-

president—the second officer in the government—comes forward in the presence of the national Legislature, in the midst of his confiding fellow citizens, who express not a murmur or objection, but who have all their hopes and best wishes concentrated upon him, for the wise and success-

ful discharge of his public duties, taken the same path prescribed by the constitution, and enters upon the high trust, which the law assigns him. We are assured by one who knows him, that Mr. Fillmore, is a man of a very high order of talents, an experienced and patriotic statesman, every way equal to the arduous duty, which he has thus been called upon to discharge, and that we need not doubt his perfect success.

This silent and majestic operation of the organic and public law, of our sister Republic, is indeed, a gratifying and sublime spectacle. It challenges the admiration and attention, of the whole civilized world. It addresses itself in a manner, and speaks in a language, not to be misunderstood. It must carry with it a moral influence, which will inspire confidence and assurance, wherever men are striving to better their political condition. It will animate the hearts and hopes of the struggling millions, throughout the earth.

Accounts received from Bolivia, via Chili, mention an outrageous attempt made on the life of General Belzu, President of Bolivia, in Chuquisaca, the capital, on the afternoon of the 6th of September. It appears President Belzu, on the afternoon in question, was taking his customary walk along the public promenade, in company with General Laguna, President of the Senate, and an aide-de-camp, when Colonel Agustin Morales, who is said to have been previously on terms of intimacy with the President, rode up as it were to speak to him, whereupon a miscreant called Sofo-mayor, an accomplice of Morales, who was lying in wait close at hand, drew near and discharged a loaded pistol in his face; the ball after severely injuring his nose lodged in the left cheek bone. General Belzu fell drenched in blood, and to all appearance dead. Morales observing this, and wishing no doubt to dispatch his victim, bent forward and discharged the contents of another pistol at his head, the ball, as it appears, only grazing the hair, and immediately rode through the city proclaiming he had killed the *Tyrant*, exciting the people and the troops to revolt, but without effect, he being obliged to fly for safety. It is presumed this horrid deed was committed in the presence of the reinstating Battalion, who are supposed to be the very instigator. We are happy to add that General Belzu is, according to the last advices, out of danger.

## OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS.

*Extract.*  
The office of the Argentine Legation at Paris, Y  
Paris, 30th August, 1850.  
To the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Argentine Confederation, Caimarista D. Felipe Arana.

Justly impressed with feelings of affection, it is my painful duty to acquaint Y. E. begging you will please inform H. E. the Governor, that the illustrious Brigadier of the Argentine Confederation, Captain General of the Republic of Chile, Generalissimo and Founder of the Liberty of Peru, D. José de San Martín, died in the city of Boulogne-sur-mer, Department of the Pas de Calais on the 17th day of this month at 8 p.m.

Although a protracted and afflictive illness had curtailed his physical strength, he maintained, however, until the last moment, all the energy and lucidity of his mind, and with all the serenity that tranquil and pure conscience inspires, surrounded by his beloved children,

he exhaled calmly his last breath.—His mortal remains were conveyed without pomp to the Cathedral of Boulogne, where they were provisionally deposited, for this worthy Argentine has directed that they should be conveyed to Buenos Ayres, that they may rest in the bosom of his beloved country, to whose service he dedicated his whole life.

God preserve Y. E. many years.

MARIANO BALCARCE.

The Minister for Foreign Affairs, by order of the Government, made the following reply to the above order of the 1st inst.—

H. E., the Governor, has learnt with the most intense pain the melancholy news that you communicate. The country has lost in the illustrious deceased General an eminent military citizen and politician and the most luminous memorial of the renowned achievements that accompanied the glorious war of national independence. H. E. deplores such a grievous loss, that will cause the most vivid impression throughout the South American continent, the theatre of his most conspicuous deeds.

H. E. the Governor orders you to proceed as soon as possible, effecting the removal to the city of the remains of the deceased General, at the expense of the Government of the Argentine Confederation, in order that they may thus receive a distinguished mark of the high appreciation in which his patriotism was held by his country and his Government, and that his last desires may be fulfilled.

H. E. the Governor has likewise ordered the undersigned to express to you and to your lady, the daughter of the illustrious General, the lively sensations of grief for such an afflictive loss, and his sincere hopes that the Almighty will dispense to you the necessary consolations.

God preserve you many years.

FELIPE ARANA.

## Diplote.

Tours, August 30, 1850.

To H. E. Brigadier General, Don Juan Manuel de Rosas.

An unfortunate event obliges me respectfully to address Y. E. on the occasion, to inform Y. E. that Divine Providence has deprived the Argentine Confederation of one of her most faithful servants; Y. E. of a worthy and impartial appreciator of your eminent services, and my wife myself, and daughters of a tender and virtuous father, whose loss renders us disconsolate.

My illustrious and honored father-in-law, Don José de San Martín, after a long and painful illness, expired tranquilly in the arms of his children, in the city of Boulogne-sur-mer, department of the Pas de Calais, on the 17th inst, at three in the afternoon. On the morning of the 20th his mortal remains were conveyed without any extraordinary pomp to the Cathedral of said city, where they have been deposited in the vault, until in accordance with his wishes, they may be removed to that Capital, in order that they may repose with the soil of his beloved native country.

As his Executor, and in compliance with his last wishes, the painful duty of communicating to Y. E. the doleful news, and the honor of informing Y. E. of the following cause in his last will and testament, devolves upon me.

3d.—The sword which has accompanied me throughout the war of South American Independence, shall be delivered to the General of the Argentine Republic, Don Juan Manuel de Rosas, as a proof of the satisfaction which, as an Argentine, I have felt on seeing the firmness and wisdom with which he has sustained the honor of the Republic against the unjust pretensions of foreigners who essayed to humiliate her.

As soon as a fitting opportunity offers I shall have the honor to remit to Y. E. that precious memento bequeathed to me by the founder of our Independence by an old soldier, whose services to the country Y. E. has deigned condescend to record in the most flattering and honorable terms.

With this motive, I have the honor of recommending to Y. E. the protestations of respectful adhesion with which I subscribe myself Y. E.'s most humble and obedient servant.

MARIANO BALCARCE.

Long live the Argentine Confederation! The Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Government of Buenos Ayres, charged with those that correspond to the Argentine Confederation.

Buenos Ayres, Nov. 8th, 1850.  
To the Hon. W. A. Harris, Charge d'Affaires of the United States of North America.

The undersigned has conveyed to the knowledge of H. E. the Governor, Brigadier D. Juan Manuel de Rosas, the note of Y. H. dated 29th of October, of the following tenor—

"I have this moment received official information of the decease of General Zachary Taylor, late President of the United States. It becomes my painful duty, therefore, to communicate to your Excellency, for the information of the Argentine Government, this sad intelligence.

"This afflicting event took place on the 9th of July last, at the Executive Mansion, in the city of Washington, at thirty minutes after 10 o'clock in the evening."

H. E. the Governor on the perusal of the above official communication has ordered the undersigned to manifest to Y. H. the deep regret with which he has received the news of the decease of the illustrious General Zachary Taylor, President and venerable citizen of the United States of North America, so highly esteemed for his virtues and talents, and so particularly beloved and respected in his own country, to which he had rendered eminent services with the most ardent devotion.

H. E. desires to participate in the great affliction and sorrow that this melancholy event has caused to the Government and people of the United States, and to the Government of the few fellow-citizens in this Republic, and whilst sharing in the grief which they so justly feel, he fervently trusts that the Almighty will strengthen them with resignation to endure a loss as deplorable as it is distressing.

God preserve Y. H. many years!

FELIPE ARANA.

Department of Foreign Affairs.

Palermo de San Benito.

November 8, 1850.

In consequence of the lamented death of the illustrious General Zachary Taylor, President of the Republic of the United States of North America, which deplorable event was officially communicated to the Government on the 29th of October last by the Charge d'Affaires of said Republic, the Hon. W. A. Harris: is the Government—desirous of participating in the grief of the Government and People of the United States, as well as in that of the relatives of the illustrious General Taylor, whose virtues, merits and wisdom it holds in the greatest esteem and respect—Decrees

Article 1st. The civil and military employes shall wear the customary mourning, and shall, as a token of grief for the death and respect for the memory of the illustrious General Zachary Taylor, late President of the United States of North America.

2d. Let this be published, communicated to whomsoever they may concern and inserted in the Official Register.

ROSAS.

FELIPE ARANA.

Valparaiso, June 28, 1850.

My esteemed friend,  
I have at the same time received several letters of yours when disembarking in this port after a painful voyage of two months in which I have run the greatest dangers, and solely escaped in consequence of the noble and decided protection of the French navy in the Pacific, especially that of my good friend the noble Admiral Tromelin.

All Bolivia from one extremity to the other, and even the smallest castles, invoked me and called for me in the beginning of March. But whilst I marched the partisans of General Santa Cruz, directed in person by General Braun, the Villamils and the nephews of Santa Cruz, excited the brutal braves, the Indians, to revindicate by proclaiming pillage and the murder of all the whites and castroes, by distributing money in great quantities which have caused the populace to break through all bonds and plunder all the houses, kill many of my friends, banish all foreigners, obliged all commercial stores in Bolivia to be removed abroad, prohibited all foreign



MERCHANT VESSELS

FROM SEA IN THE PORT OF BUENOS AYRES ON THURSDAY LAST.

For arrivals and sailings of Friday see Marine List.

Table with columns: Date, Arrival, Vessels and Captain Names, Tons, Consignees, Destinations. Includes sections for NATIONAL, BRITISH, AMERICAN, FRENCH, SPANISH, SARDINIAN, BRAZILIAN, PORTUGUESE, SWEDISH, HOLSTEIN, TUSCAN, RUSSIAN, DANISH, and BELGIAN.

Wants Employment.

A person lately arrived in this city, whose employment in zinc or copper roofing, making gutters of zinc or tin, copper, lead, and solder, of any other work in the same line. Having had long experience in the United States, he desires to obtain a share of public patronage.

For terms, apply to Capt. J. M. Taylor, at Calle de Comercio, No. 115.

For Marselles. PASSAGE ONLY. The well-known, interesting, first-class French brig LEVIADE, of 193 tons.

FOR MARSILLES. The splendid, new, and remarkably fast sailing A. 1. "LAMERIQUE."

In sailing and other good qualities is not to be surpassed by any vessel in port, and has all room for 500 dry bales or equivalent.

FOR NEW YORK. PASSINGERS ONLY. The A. 1. copper and copper fastened well known "Dorotha."

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Wanted. A vessel to proceed from Montevideo to Panama to carry the mail to the American barque "Ola of Wyk."

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The Tea Party. Of the above Society, the freight of a few well selected hogs, and a few well selected hogs, and a few well selected hogs.

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FOR HAVRE DE GRACE. The very superior, new, copper and copper fastened, and remarkably fast sailing, A. 1. French "Neptune."

FOR NEW YORK. The beautiful and well known Danish brigantine "Canelon Marco."

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No. 37 Calle de Victoria, (in the attic), Has the honor to inform his friends and the public that he has received a new and most interesting series of portrait improvements in the art, particularly in the method of coloring the portraits. This advertiser is aware that the branch of the art has been almost entirely neglected, and that the public view of life defects in bad impressions, more than to improve an abundance of detail, and the chief characteristic of the Daguerre's portraits have enabled him to dispense with the use of oils, which he had so often applied to them in order to improve the less permanent results of the original process.

For terms, apply to Capt. J. M. Taylor, at Calle de Comercio, to her Consueque Messrs. J. B. Vigal, or to Charles R. Horns, Licensed Ship Broker, No. 55 Calle de Reconquista.

Shipping List of Richard Sutton, Jun. Licensed Ship Broker.

For San Francisco, California. The splendid new, French Barque "Georges."

FOR ANTWERP. The well known A. 1. Prussian brig "Dido."

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