A. S.

Illm.o e Exm.o Senhor

Depois do meu N.o 4. não Chegarão Paquetes do Havre, e portanto se não tenho Officio de V. Ex.a a culpa hé do Vento, ou da Calma; ha noventa e tantos dias que não entra o Paquete, sendo o ultimo = mo d'aquela data Inclusas achará V. Ex.a impressas as Notas reciprocas sobre aquestão do Raguet; espero que francamente me diga V. Ex.a a sua opinião Temos Noticias do Rio = até 2 de Dezembro no dia 21. anterior forão mu = dados os Ministros; são hoje pois do Imperio - Pedro de Araujo Lima; da Justiça Lucio Soares Teixeira de Gouveia; da Fazenda Miguel Calmão Dupin e Almeida; da Marinha Diogo Jorge de Brito; da Guerra Bento Barroso Pereira; e interino o Ex.mo Marquez de Aracaty.

Não haviaõ outras Noticias politicas, ainda que agui imprimiraõ Com emphase não sei que duvidas sobre a Vereidencia do Gordon. Do = Norte nada hà de mão; não hé assim do Sul aonde perdemos, encalhadas, a Maceyo e o Ca = boclo.

O Congresso falla os diabos

penicando na Administração sem nem
sombra de razão.

No Mexico a final regula-
=rão sobre os nacidos em Hespanha a fazer
pouco mal. De Guatimala e Columbia
nada se sabe. viajando para ali vem provavel-
=mente do Rio o Coronel Joaquim Ignacio
de Lima, como Ministro.

Guarde Deos a
S. Exª por muitos annos como desejo.
Washington 6. de Fevereiro de 1828.

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J. Silvestre Rebello

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the proceedings of Mr. Condy Raguet, the Charge d'Affaires of the said States at Rio de Janeiro, in suddenly demanding his passports, may appoint a new Representative to reside near His Majesty the Emperor, who, being received with the consideration due to his character, will find in the Government of His Majesty the Emperor the most pacific dispositions, and will adjust, in a manner satisfactory to the Government of the United States, the questions pending with regard to the detained vessels, and to the brig Spark, according to the law of nations.—The undersigned hopes for an answer in writing, that the Government of the United States disapproves the conduct of Mr Raguet, and that the said Government is ready to meet the pacific views of His Majesty the Emperor of Brazil.

The undersigned reiterates to his Excellency the protestations of respect and consideration due to his Excellency.

J. SILVESTER REBELLO.

Mr. Clay to Mr. Rebello.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, 31st May, 1827.

Sir: I have received the note which you did me the honour, on yesterday, to address to me, and submitted it to the President.

He is aware that, during the progress of a maritime war, the commerce of neutral nations is liable to occasional interruption and vexation. That of the United States has been frequently subject to embarrassments and aggressions under color of Brazilian authority, prior to, and during, the war unhappily existing between His Majesty the Emperor of Brazil and the Republic of Buenos Ayres. When these injuries are inflicted, it is the just expectation of the neutral that prompt and full redress will be made by the belligerent upon friendly representation. The President regrets that this expectation has not been fulfilled, in frequent instances of well-founded complaint on the part of citizens of the United States, urged by Mr. Raguet during his mission to the Court of the Brazils; and, particularly, that satisfaction was not promptly made for the illegal seizure and detention of the Spark, under circumstances of no ordinary aggravation. Mr. Raguet's demand of his passports, in consequence of withholding that satisfaction, was without orders, and his personal act, for which he is accountable to his own Government, and that only. The President regrets an occurrence which, in Mr Raguet's view of it, has led to an interruption at Rio Janeiro, of the diplomatic relations of the two countries. But no such interruption exists at Washington; and it would have been agreeable to the President if you had been authorized and empowered to make here that indemnity due to American citizens, which has been unavailingly demanded at Rio Janeiro.

The President, however, participating in the desire which the Government of the Brazils professes to preserve, and to extend still further, if possible, the friendly relations between the two countries, charges me to say that he is disposed to render a new and signal proof of that desire, by nominating a successor to Mr. Raguet without unnecessary delay, upon the assurance, which you have given, that he shall be received with the consideration due to his official character, and provided you are also authorized to give the assurance, that in all cases in which injuries have been inflicted on the property or persons of American citizens, contrary to the public law, a prompt arrangement will be made by the Government of Brazil satisfactory to that of the United States.

I pray you to accept the assurances of my distinguished consideration.

H. CLAY.

Mr. Rebello to Mr Clay.

[TRANSLATION.]

WASHINGTON, 1st June, 1827.

The undersigned officer of the Imperial Order of the Croziers and Charge d'Affaires of his Majesty the Emperor of Brazil near the government of the United States, has the honor to state to his excellency Henry Clay, Minister and

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The undersigned officer of the Imperial Order of the Croziers and Charge d'Affaires of his Majesty the Emperor of Brazil near the government of the United States, has the honor to state to his excellency Henry Clay, Minister and Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, that he has received his excellency's note transmitted yesterday.

The undersigned, confiding in the certainty that a successor to Mr. Raguet will be appointed, (the absence of a representative of the Government of the United States from the Court of Rio de Janeiro being an inconvenience both to that of his Majesty the Emperor and to that of the United States,) hopes that the appointment will be made without unnecessary delay, since, without the presence of an American diplomatic agent, the government of his Majesty the Emperor can settle no arrangement with that of the United States.

The undersigned, believing that the government of his Majesty the Emperor scrupulously maintains the observance of the public law in all its acts, in relation to the governments and individuals of other nations, feels himself authorized to assure that of the United States, that whenever that government will make it appear that any injury has been done to the citizens of the United States, or to their property, under the authority of the flag of his Majesty the Emperor, full and complete indemnity will be promptly afforded, keeping always in view a strict observance of the said public law.

The undersigned, flattered by the desire expressed by his excellency the President, that these arrangements should be made in this Metropolis with the concurrence of the undersigned, (which may be difficult, since it is at the Court of Rio de Janeiro that are to be found the documents which will prove the justice or injustice of the proceedings,) hopes that your excellency will tender to his excellency the President, in the name of the undersigned, his acknowledgments for this mark of confidence on the part of the Government of the United States, a confidence which he will endeavor to retain, by promoting, as far as lay in his power, the interests of both nations, and the friendly relations happily subsisting between the Government of His Majesty the Emperor, and that of the United States.

The undersigned renews to his excellency the assurances of high consideration and esteem which he entertains for his excellency.

J. SILVESTER REBELLO.

Mr. Clay to Mr. Rebello.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,

Washington, 2d June, 1827.

SIR: Having received, and submitted to the President of the United States, the official note which you did me the honor to address to me yesterday, I am directed by him to communicate to you for the information of your Government, that, relying upon the authorized assurance which your note contains, that on the arrival at Rio Janeiro of a successor to Mr. Raguet, a full and adequate indemnity will

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Mr. Clay to Mr. Rebello.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, 2d June, 1827.

SIR: Having received, and submitted to the President of the United States, the official note which you did me the honor to address to me yesterday, I am directed by him to communicate to you for the information of your Government, that, relying upon the authorized assurance which your note contains, that on the arrival at Rio Janeiro of a successor to Mr. Raguet, a full and adequate indemnity will be promptly made for any injuries which have been committed on the persons and property of citizens of the United States, in violation of the public law, under color of authority derived from his Imperial Majesty the Emperor of Brazil, such a successor will be accordingly sent, and there will be no other delay than such as may be necessary for the designation of a suitable person, and to those preparations which are incident to his proceeding on the mission.

Confidently anticipating a satisfactory arrangement of all just claims of citizens of the United States, upon the Government of the Emperor of Brazil, according to the assurance which has been given, the President hopes that all past unfriendly impressions will be thus entirely effaced, and that fresh vigor will be given to the amicable intercourse which both countries have so much reason to cultivate with each other.

I avail myself with pleasure of the occasion to renew to you assurances of my distinguished consideration.

H. CLAY.

The Message and Documents were referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

House of Representatives.

UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL.

The message received from the President of the United States yesterday, was read, and is as follows:

To the House of Representatives of the United States—

WASHINGTON, 29th January, 1828.

A report from the Secretary of State, with copies of a recent correspondence between the Chargè d'Affaires from Brazil and him, on the subjects of discussion between this Government and that of Brazil, is transmitted to the House of Representatives, in compliance with a resolution of that House on the 2d inst. JOHN QUINCY ADAMS.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, Jan. 25, 1828.

The Secretary of State, to whom has been referred a resolution of the House of Representatives of the 2d instant, requesting the President of the United States to communicate to that House, if the public interest permit, the recent correspondence between the Government of the United States and Brazil, and any other documents in the Department of State connected with the subject of discussion between the two Governments, has the honour to submit to the President the copy of a recent correspondence between the Charge d'Affaires of Brazil and this Department, upon the subjects of discussion between the two Governments.

H. CLAY.

Mr. Rebello to Mr. Clay.

[TRANSLATION.]

WASHINGTON, 30th May, 1827.

The undersigned Officer of the Imperial Order of the Crosier, and charged with the Affairs of His Majesty the Emperor of Brazil, near the Government of the United States, has the honour to inform His Excellency Mr. Henry Clay, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, that questions having arisen with regard to the legality or illegality of the act of the detention of various American vessels that attempted (eluding, as is supposed, the blockade which the naval forces of His Majesty the Emperor of Brazil are enforcing against Buenos Ayres, according to the laws of nations) to enter that port; and, at the same time, with respect to the detention of the brig Spark, of New-York, which cleared from Rio de Janeiro for Monte Video; the Government of His Majesty the Emperor of Brazil has commanded me to communicate to the Government of the United States, that His Majesty the Emperor, desiring to preserve, and even to extend further, if possible, the friendly relations subsisting between the two nations, hopes that the Government of the United States, disapproving the character of