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WASHINGTON Sept. 22, 1849.
It is currently rumored here to-day that M. Poussin, the late Minister Plenipotentiary of France near this Government, has received, per the last steamer, despatches from the French Minister of Foreign Affairs, of a highly interesting character, covering letters to M. Montholon, now in New York.—The general impression seems to be that M. Montholon has been authorized by the French Government to act as the temporary agent, through whom it will communicate with our own, until the course of diplomacy shall be resumed, and instructed to arrange, if possible, M. Poussin's difficulties with this Government. This I learned, also, from a gentleman who said he had it from M. Poussin himself. It is supposed by some that M. Montholon has been appointed to succeed M. Poussin permanently, whilst others think that he is only authorized to reconcile the Cabinet to the late Minister, and to procure a retraxit of the dismissal.—These, however, are mere idle speculations since the French government has not yet had time to receive the official announcement of the dismissal nor any intimation of it in advance from M. Poussin himself, who declares that his dismissal from a republic, whose interests and honor were so dear to him, was so entirely unexpected that it had well-nigh broken his heart. It is a matter of regret that his sensitive bosom was only awakened to a just appreciation of our national honor when he found it was not to be insulted with impunity.

I am credibly informed that Mr. Donelson, our able and dignified Minister at Frankfurt, will in a short time receive his letters of recall, not on account of any objection to him but because it is deemed expedient that the Mission to the Germanic Confederation should be suspended, at least until European politics shall have assumed an aspect more favorable for permanence and stability.

There have been no removals in any of the Departments during the past week, but it is confidently predicted, by those who are interested in knowing, that the first "October sun," will furnish either Ritchie an opportunity to chant his Jeremiahs to the tune of "Oh carry me back to old Virginia," to which, no doubt, his particular Friend John Van Buren will respond with a hearty "Amen." I trust the prediction will prove true, for I hesitate not to assert, with confidence, that time and scrutiny will show that more than one bureau in the Treasury Department was left by Mr. Walker with its business most sadly in error.

To the appointments lately announced may be added that of your townsman, E. BEATTY GRAFF, Esq., as Counsel to Nassau; that of Dr. F. Monroe Ringgold, late of this District, as Consul to Africa, Peru; and that of Capt Wm. P. Rogers of the Mississippi Regiment Volunteers, who fought bravely under Gen'l. Taylor in all his Mexican battles, to the Consulate at Vera Cruz. The two last places have been for several months without a regularly appointed Consul.

There are no local items of importance. It is to be hoped Baltimore will send us favorable news, on the first Wednesday in October, from her first fifteen wards, in the announcement that the gallant Major Kenly is to represent her in the next Congress.

Yours, &c.,
HAMPDEN.

Correspondence of the Baltimore American.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2, 1849.
The rumor put forth by several letter writers that there have been intimations and recriminations between the Secretary of State and Mr. Cavallo, the Chilean Minister, in consequence of some information having been obtained by Mr. Cavallo, through his father-in-law, from a Clerk in the department, and the clerk had been dismissed on that account, caused some excitement for a day or two on the Avenue, and much inquiry as to who the delinquent officer could be. There has been as I am well informed, no dismissal for any such cause; nor have any angry recrimination and recrimination occurred between the functionaries named. Mr. Cavallo may have obtained information in the manner specified through some of the Democratic Clerks dismissed from the Department soon after the fourth of March, if so it has not caused any angry feelings whatever between Mr. Cavallo and Mr. Clayton.

Though the Union and its afflicted sub-organs are using the most diligent and untiring efforts to make the people believe that Mr. Clayton, for want of tact of diplomacy, has brought discord between him and the whole "corps diplomatique," and is in danger of involving us in war with all the nations of the world, I may say with perfect safety that no Secretary has ever been more entirely respectful and courteous in all his intercourse with Foreign Ministers, and the future will show beyond all peradventure that he has always put our government in the right, and while exercising the "sanctus in modo," has preserved the "fortiter in re." We have seen this truth exemplified in the matter of the French Minister, who though he has been dismissed for having repeatedly insulted our Government, yet has never received one line or syllable from the Secretary which was in the least degree undignified or disrespectful.

The story which places the Secretary and

Mr. Crampton, the British Charge d'Affaires, in angry controversy on the subject of the claim of England to the Musquito Coast, is equally idle and is utterly unfounded in fact. The shallow and flimsy claim will, however, in due season doubtless be fully discussed; and I venture to predict that when it comes to be debated by the two governments, England will be convinced that she is in the wrong, and will quietly yield to our demand for an equal right of way to all nations across the territory which has been freely offered by Nicaragua, to whom it justly belongs.

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