

DELAY UNTIL MONDAY

McKinley Wants Congress to Wait for Spain's Reply.

PURCHASE OF FREEDOM NEVER PROPOSED

Advices From London and Paris State that Spain will Fight Before She will Grant Cuba Absolute Independence--The American People are Determined that Cuba shall be Free--New York Appropriates \$1,000,000

By Telegraph to The Press-Visitor.

Washington, March 31.—Today's developments at Madrid may decide the question of peace or war. That Cuba must be free has been determined by the people of the United States. Spain has been notified that there must be an immediate cessation of hostilities. Congress will not wait after Monday. It is temporarily restrained now only because of the earnest appeal of the President to allow him time to complete the case by making a peremptory demand upon Spain. After Monday Congress will deal with Spain sharply. General Grosvenor said after an interview with the President: "If the Sagasta ministry takes immediate action on the demand of the United States we should have a reply by 2 today. Of course this is in the event of no delay on the part of the government in transmitting the decision. The scheme for the purchase of Cuba formed no part of the demands or suggestions made to Spain."

WILL ACCEPT WAR.

Spain Will Fight Rather Than Surrender Cuba. By Cable to the Press-Visitor. London, March 31.—There is good authority for stating Spain is willing to concede to Cuba a system of autonomy similar to that enjoyed by Canada. This is the utmost concession the government will make, according to the authority, rather than yield the absolute independence of Cuba Spain will accept the consequences of war.

COUNSELLED REJECTION.

Sagasta Personally Opposed to McKinley's Proposition. By Cable to the Press-Visitor. Madrid, March 31.—At the conference between Sagasta and the Conservative leaders the Premier unfolded the terms proposed by the United States and the opposition leaders counselled their rejection. Sagasta replied that personally he opposed their acceptance. He added that he would like to submit the question of the loss of the Maine, which was not touched upon at his conference with Minister Woodford, to European powers.

AUSTRIA WILL TAKE A HAND.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. London, March 31.—The request of the Austro-Hungarian government for fifty million florins to increase the navy is generally credited and regarded as having a direct bearing on the Spanish-American war crisis.

REFERS TO MAINE ONLY.

Vienna, March 31.—The proposed mediation of powers between Spain and the United States refers solely to the American ship Maine.

ANNAPOLIS SAILS.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. Key West, March 31.—The practice ship Annapolis sailed north this morning to deliver her well trained apprentices to other vessels. She will take on a new lot.

KILING SPANIARDS.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. Key West, March 31.—It is reported here that an explosion at Matanzas killed seventy four Spanish soldiers.

ZOLA CASE.

By Cable to the Press-Visitor. Paris, March 31.—Court of Appeals affirmed the verdict against Zola but it not to be put into effect. Sentence will probably be retracted.

MR. F. H. HEARTT ASSAULTED.

He Accidentally Stepped on the Rev. J. C. Barker's Corn. This afternoon the Rev. J. C. Barker, colored, who managed the old folks home, went in the drug store of Heartt and Heardt. Mr. Frank Heartt accidentally stepped on the parson's corn and the Rev. then struck Mr. Heartt on the head with his fist knocking him down.

Barker was arraigned before Judge Roberts and fined \$10 and cost. Roberts and fined \$10 and cost. The parson has not yet paid his fine and is still in custody.

SEASHORE HOTEL.

Mr. Edward Crawford Accepts a Position as Manager of This Resort. Mr. Geo. Campbell proprietor of the Central Hotel at Charlotte and also proprietor and owner of the Seashore hotel at Wrightsville has appointed Mr. R. Edward Crawford as his manager at the seashore hotel for this season. This hotel is open from June 1st to September. Mr. Crawford has this hotel under his personal supervision during the entire time it is open, and now Mr. Crawford will assist him in its management. The position came to Mr. Crawford entirely unsolicited although there were twenty-five applicants for the position which is a high compliment to him and shows the esteem in which he is held by the traveling public.

The Seashore Hotel was built last spring and is thoroughly modern and up to date in all its appointments. It is half an hour's ride from Wilmington. An artesian well furnishes the purest water for the guests.

Mr. Campbell is to be congratulated on the selection of Mr. Crawford. He has had several years experience in the Park Hotel here and his ability as a hotel man is recognized by all. His many friends wish him all the success which he richly merits in his new field of work.

EVANS HANGS TOMORROW.

An Interview With the Condemned—He Will Make a Statement on the Scaffold.

Tomorrow John Evans' life will be taken for the awful crime committed in Rockingham last fall. The announcement yesterday in this paper that the council of state was unanimously for commuting his sentence caused no little comment today. The Governor has placed himself in a ridiculous light, for after asking the advice of the council he went entirely by his own judgment.

A reporter visited John Evans in the jail last night and had a farewell talk with him for John will be carried to Rockingham at 2:15 tonight and hanged tomorrow.

John talked quietly and calmly he looks straight in your face and tells exactly the same story every time, adding any minor incidents that he may recall.

"When did you see Mr. Oliver Dockery in the Rockingham jail, John?" he was asked. "I see'd him once, 'fore de trial."

"What did he tell you to say on the stand?" "He says you 'told the truth John Evans 'cause if you 'told me a lie you'll git your neck broke 'fore."

John was told that there was positively no hope for him now and was asked if he knew that he would certainly die tomorrow. The poor negro looked up with the stare of a tortured dog and said "couse I knows dey kill me Thursday but I neber done it and dat'll be de last thing I say in de world. I is ready to go. Dey may think I done that now, but won't de good folks know in de judgment. I neber done it? I knows dey will and dat's why I is so peaceful and pleasant like now."

The duty of telling the truth on the eve of his death was impressed upon him and the terrible punishment he would receive if he lied now but he told the same story every time.

Concerning where his sister lived, he said, "If dey was to loose me in Rockingham and if I didn't find wher she stay dey's burn me 'fore the good Lord I couldn't find it."

No preacher has been to see Evans since he has been in jail. He said that he desired to make a statement on the scaffold.

Every prisoner in the jail believes in King's innocence. Barnes, an intelligent white merchant from Nash county who will be carried to the penitentiary in a few days, said yesterday that the prisoners for the past three months have plotted in every way to entrap John or to get him to acknowledge his guilt but without effect. Barnes is convinced of his innocence and says if it would do any good the prisoners will make affidavits to the Governor concerning conversation with him.

Sheriff Smith and Deputy McLaurin arrived this morning to take John to Rockingham.

CONDEMN MCKINLEY'S ATTITUDE.

E. D. Carter and Col. V. S. Lusk both sent despatches to Washington yesterday condemning the president's message to Congress. Major Rollins was the only prominent Republican who spoke in approval of the message. One of the leaders of the party was heard to remark that McKinley was not equal to the emergency, and that his message was disgustingly flabby. Carter's telegram to Pearson reads as follows:

"President's Spanish policy shocking and humiliating to every patriotic citizen here. Fight it to the bitter end." Col. Lusk telegraphed:

"Every impulse of American patriotism revolts at the President's outlined Cuban policy. Indignation unreserved."—Asheville Gazette.

A GOOD JOKE ON THE QUAKERS.

In the Record yesterday was the correspondence between President Hobbs, Dr. Benbow and others, representing a Quarterly Meeting of the Society of Friends and President McKinley.

The President evidently did not closely read the resolution of sympathy sent him, and took it for granted that the worthy Friends offered their services in case of war with Spain. McKinley writes the parties through his secretary, thanking them very much for their promise of loyal support, and placed Dr. Benbow and his associates on the list for the first draft. Dr. Benbow will see him later about it.

READY FOR WAR.

President McKinley has Not the Approval of Dr. Burns. Rev. J. L. Burns, the famous preserver of the peace in the capitol square, is among the dwellers in the house of State who hankers for war. He is disgusted with the President and mad with the railroad commission. This morning he gave vent to his feeling by remarking: "It looks like a complete back down from the President to the railroad commission."

WEDDING INVITATION.

Two Popular Young People of Raleigh Will Wed April Fourth. The following invitations have been issued:

"Mrs. O. A. Smith requests your presence at the marriage of her daughter, Corinna Louise, to Hugh Fra Satterfield, on fourth day, evening, fourth month, thirteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, at nine o'clock, Home, 408, North Person street, Raleigh."

Mr. Satterfield is a former resident of Durham but for the past two years he has been inspector and collector of the Southern Bell Telephone company in this city. Both the bride and groom elect have hosts of friends who will hasten to extend hearty congratulations.

The protracted services at the Christian church continue tonight at 8 p. m.

SHAW GRADUATES

Address by President Butler of Colby

FOR CONSERVATISM

He Defines the Distinction Between College and University—Commends President McKinley's Conservatism—Thirteen Young Men Graduated.

This morning the closing commencement exercises of the Leonard schools of medicine and pharmacy and the department of law at Shaw University were held in the college chapel.

After an invocation and music an address was delivered by Rev. Nathaniel Butler, D. D., President of Colby University, Waterville, Maine. He delivered a masterly oration on "The College Ideal and American Life."

After a brief introduction, President Butler discussed the difference between the college and the University. A university is a collection of schools where both men and women go to complete their chosen courses. An ideal university would be a collection of all such schools for receiving students who have graduated from colleges. This is the ideal university where college graduates are fitted for their professional or specific line of investigation. Here they acquire specific knowledge or the technical training of a practitioner. A degree is now essential for entrance to Harvard or Yale medical or law schools.

The student must enter his professional study with a trained mind and a well-organized body under his control. This is the work of college. The college shows the sharp axe in the man's hand while the university sharpens the axe and teaches him the use of it. The college lies in education, not in technical training.

The college should not be judged by what the graduate knows, but what he is and can learn to do. The college makes a possible man into an actual man so he can do something.

The four-fold side of human character—the physical, social, intellectual and spiritual—must be developed in college.

The speaker first referred to his physical. At one time the typical undergraduate was distinctly medieval; he was the victim of a one-sided culture. All now it is understood that the student's life is complex. The body at the best is indispensable to the intellect. How does it happen that the barbarism which existed in the college thirty years ago, after it had been eliminated from the rest of society, has now disappeared? The speaker believed that it had been eliminated largely by the attention in the colleges.

President Butler next spoke of the social side of developing the social side of the college student, for if ease and grace and versatility in conversation are not acquired in youth they are unobtainable.

Of course the student must learn to think clearly and logically, at the same time the body and hand should be trained. A lawyer, physician or artist who can make a table or watch is a better trained and more competent man than he who did not have the use of his hands and eyes.

The time has come when the spiritual life of college life is recognized. Let the graduate be the servant of a tenfold conscience, respectful and obedient to the rights of others. An educated villain is a menace to society. It is in the spiritual development that the knowledge and power given the student is made safe.

The speaker said that there are two common mistakes made by the student entering business, these neglecting preparation. It is a mistake to suppose that there is success by trying to do something before you are prepared to do anything. The world now places a premium on preparation. The world will wait for you. The trained man wins. Nine-tenths of success is due to what is done before.

The youth who will win tomorrow is the one laying up a store house of reserve force, courage and energy.

The second is the fallacy of the self-made man. When this is the case the man has succeeded in spite of and not because of obstacles.

The most successful farmer in Illinois is a one-arm man, but would you suppose therefore that two arms are a drawback to success in farming. Remember this, a self-made man only means the man who has made the most of his opportunities. This is true of Lincoln and Longfellow; the opportunity of the first was poverty, of the second luxury.

He spoke of the demand for college men in business. They have control of many of the great papers, railroads, etc. The great corporation lawyers are splendid examples of college made men in business. College-bred men are at the bottom of municipal reforms, great charitable enterprises, civic federations, striving everywhere to accomplish the will of God in this world.

He impressed upon the graduates a help responsibility in life, a conservative, thoughtful, patriotic force in society. Such men are needed in the present crisis and the speaker thanked God such a man was now in the White House. The conservative thought of the country is upholding the President and the minister at Madrid. If war is found necessary it will not be entered upon to increase railroad earnings or stimulate the sale of papers.

But let us remember the words of Gladstone: "Talk about the questions of the day; there is but one question, that is the gospel of Jesus Christ, that

is a solution for every question."

The development of the spiritual is the peculiar glory of American universities.

The plain, practical, business sense of the country approves this upbuilding of the colleges, for this is a greater work than fortifying the coasts or adding ships to the navy. In closing President Butler quoted from a recent utterance of Mr. Dewey in which he said that the man who contributed to building or maintaining a hospital, a home, or an asylum does good, but the man who aids a college does best, for the former is like money given to the colleges while money given to the colleges is for construction, to run lines through "God's acres which have never felt the plow, for mills to be built, for the improvement of life and the salvation of the republic."

Gen. T. J. Morgan then awarded diplomas to the graduates in medicine in law in pharmacy and in laws and President Morse gave the parting address and awarded medals.

HEAVY FROST. Fair Weather Tomorrow With a Frost Friday Night.

The forecast of the weather bureau for Raleigh and vicinity says: Fair to night and Friday with a heavy frost Friday morning.

The storm has moved off the north Atlantic coast. The weather is still cloudy over all the Atlantic States, with some rain in part 24 hours, but is likely to clear today. An extensive high pressure area is central over the Mississippi and Ohio valley, with quite cold weather. The temperature is 32 at Cincinnati and 36 at Knoxville.

The temperature is rising in the west.

SUPREME COURT. Appeals from the Eighth district: Howard vs. Railroad Co., argued by Avery, Overman, Long and Long for plaintiff; Price, Hason for defendant. Kinney vs. Railroad, submitted on brief by F. C. Robbin, Long and Long for plaintiff; Geo. Hason and Charles Price for defendant.

Fargart vs. Post, submitted on brief under Rule 12, by Armfield and Turner; and J. A. Hartness for the appellee.

TODAY'S MARKETS. THE MOVEMENT IN NEW YORK AND LIVERPOOL MARKETS.

By private wire to W. A. Porterfield & Company. NEW YORK COTTON.

Month. Open High. Low. Close. April 5 97 5 94 5 92 5 92 5 93. May 5 98 5 95 5 95 5 96 5 97. June 5 98 6 01 5 97 5 98 5 99. July 6 01 6 01 6 00 6 01 6 02. August 6 06 6 06 6 02 6 03 6 04. September 6 02 6 01 6 02 6 01 6 02. October 6 05 6 01 5 99 5 99 6 01. November 6 05 6 03 6 00 6 00 6 01. December 6 03 ——— 6 02 6 03. January ——— ——— 6 02 6 05. Closed steady, sales 75,100.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET. LIVERPOOL, MAR. 31.—P. M. Spot good business done. Prices high. American middling 37-36. Sales 14,000. Speculations and export 500. Futures opened quiet. Closed quiet.

The following were the closing quotations of the Liverpool cotton market today: April 3 25. April and May, 3 21. May and June, 3 25. June and July, 3 25. July and August, 3 22. August and September, 3 21. September and October, 3 20. October and November, 3 20. November and December, 3 20. December and January, 3 25. Futures closed quiet.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISION MARKET. The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today: Wheat—May 1.04; July .84. Corn—May .29; July .24. Oats—May .25; July .24. Pork—May 9.64; July 9.67. Lard—May 5.10; July 5.17. Clear Rib Steaks—May 5.10; July 5.17.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET. The following were the closing quotations on the New York Stock Exchange: St. Paul 80 1/2. Northwestern 19 1/2. Rock Island 26 1/2. Southern Preferred 30 1/2. Louisville & Nashville 30 1/2. Chesapeake & Ohio 19 1/2. Con Gas 184. American Tobacco 180. Missouri Pacific 56 1/2. Manhattan 98 1/2. Western Union 82 1/2. Burlington and Quincy 33 1/2. Jersey Central 43. U. S. Leather 115 1/2. Sugar 11 1/2.

AFTER EIGHT YEARS. On January 11th, eight years ago, a white man, Kindred Gossip, hired a horse and buggy from Messrs. Jiro and Jeff Craver, of Lexington.

The stranger never returned. Messrs. Craver Bros., after three years, found their horse.

A few days ago the officers here learned that Gossip was in Vance county. Monday Sheriff Kinney went to Henderson, returning last night with him prisoner.—Lexington Dispatch.

Elder E. E. Lundy will preach at the Primitive Baptist church tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

TRIAL OF BOOKER

Evidence Points Strongly to His Conviction

COUNSEL ARE SPEAKING

Judge Timberlake Will Charge the Jury This Evening and They Will Take the Case—The Jurors Are All White.

If there was ever a fit subject for the gallows, Jim Booker is the man. The trial of this man was begun in Wake Superior court this morning for the murder of Mahaley White in August, 1896. All the evidence has been given in and counsel in the case are now addressing the jury.

The testimony of the State is complete. It shows strongly that Booker deliberately and premeditatedly killed Mahaley White. The defense relied on the testimony of one witness—Jim Booker's case seems to be hopeless.

The jury is composed of twelve white citizens, as follows: G. S. Wrenn, E. R. Pace, M. S. Barber, Joseph Blake, Thomas Busbey, Henry Pace, W. H. Hood, C. T. Balley, W. H. Caudle, R. H. Mitchell, W. A. Straight, Bryant Smith.

The special venire of 50 was exhausted in selection of the jury and a number of talliesmen had to be called in.

Booker is defended by Mr. J. C. L. Harris and Mr. S. G. Ryan. Solicitor Poy is conducting the prosecution assisted by Mr. Sam Honeycutt, of Clayton.

Penny White, the mother of Mahaley, the murdered girl, was the first witness examined. She was at her home the morning of the tragedy with her daughter and was the only eye witness of the killing. In her testimony she stated that Mahaley went to Booker's house that morning about nine o'clock to return some flat irons and that when he returned Booker accompanied her.

He asked for some black pepper, which Mahaley gave him. Booker returned by the route he came. Jim and Mahaley had no fuss or quarrel, and she stated an hour afterwards Mahaley was sitting on the back door steps beside a water barrel. The witness said she was off some twelve or fifteen steps at a wash pot. She heard Mahaley cry out, "Oh Mama run here." When she looked up Mahaley was in a stooping position as if trying to get behind a water barrel by the door. Witness saw Booker step out of the door, with a gun in his hand and he reached over and fired at Mahaley, killing her. She stated that there had been no words or quarrel between Jim and Mahaley and that if there had been she could have heard it plainly. After the firing of the gun he went off towards Crabtree.

Mr. J. C. L. Harris counsel for defendant took the witness on cross examination. Penny is a typical old slave darkey and she was most positive in everything she said. She gave a straight story of the occurrence.

Penny said she was away off from her house at the clothes pot, punching the pot. She heard Mahaley shout to her, "Lord mother, run here." She was standing at the pot when Jim fired. Mahaley did not enter the house from the time Jim first left until he returned, which was about an hour.

Penny denied that she had ever told Jim Booker's mother that she caught hold of Jim Booker before he fired the gun. She said she was standing at the pot.

Penny denied most positively that Jim and Mahaley had a quarrel or that they got in a scuffle, or that she attempted to separate them, whereupon Jim went in the house and got a gun and shot her daughter. The witness stated that she met Jim mid way between the wash pot and the house after the shooting. "I said Lord Jim, you've killed my child." He brushed on by me, passing the wash pot.

The witness said that Jim did not shoot her with her gun. She said it looked like a single barrel gun and that Jim carried it off with him, going in a northerly direction towards Crabtree.

Robert White, a son of the murdered girl was the next witness. He said he was 15 years old and remembered the occurrence. He said he was off hunting with a single barrel shot gun when his mother was killed. He said the double barrel shot gun was hanging on the rack in the house; that he knew it was there, because he noticed it, that it was loaded; that he examined both barrels after returning home.

Robert said he heard the gun fire and his grand mother was hollering, so he went to the house. He said his mother was laying out dead. His grandmother told him about the killing. She said nothing about a quarrel or scuffle and he saw no evidence of any scuffle.

Richard Blake, white, said he lived 200 yards from Mahaley White's. He heard the report of the gun and went to the scene of the tragedy. He saw Penny crying. She told him Jim Booker had shot her daughter. He looked around and saw Mahaley White sitting against the house with her head blown off. Mr. Blake said he looked in the house and saw the double barrel shot gun hanging inside the house. He took it and examined it and found it was loaded, both barrels.

Mr. C. M. Walters was next examined. He was a deputy sheriff at the time of the murder. He went to the scene at once. Penny told the witness that Mahaley was sitting against the house when Jim shot her. "My recollection is that the old woman said that they were not on good terms and were quarrelling that morning. She never said anything about any quarrel or

scuffle before the murder. I never heard anything about any scuffle or did I see any signs of one.

Capt. R. H. Brooks stated that he was the officer who brought oBooker from Baltimore on extradition papers. He said Booker talked to him about the murder.

"I asked him if it was to do over again would he shoot Mahaley," said Capt. Brooks, Counsel for defense objected to giving the answer.

"Did you offer him any inducements or make any threats against him," asked the Solicitor.

"I did not."

Counsel for defense asked if "he was handcuffed."

"Yes and his legs shackled also," said Capt. Brooks.

The defense objected to Capt. Brooks testimony so Solicitor Poy agreed to have it stricken from the records. The Judge told the jury not to consider it.

The State rested its case here and at the request of the defense the trial was adjourned until two o'clock.

Mr. Albert Blake was recalled by the defense after court was reconvened in the afternoon. Mr. Blake stated in reply to a question from the defense, that he failed to see that any shot had lodged in the house. He said he noticed closely and there were evidence of blood in her face or body; that there were none about the barrel.

"All the shot appeared to have lodged in her head," asked Solicitor Poy.

"Yes, sir," responded the witness to the apparent discomfiture of the defense.

Mr. Robert Horton said he reached the house soon after Mahaley was killed; that she appeared to have fallen against the house some seven or eight feet from the barrel. She appeared to be resting against one of the logs, which was protruding from the house. Mr. Horton said that from his recollection Penny White told him the afternoon of the murder that she saw Jim coming from the house with a gun and that she ran and grabbed him by the arm and told him not to shoot her daughter. He said Mr. C. M. Walters and Mr. Roof Powell were present when Penny made the statement and that Mr. Walters was questioning Penny at the time about the killing.

Mr. C. M. Walters was recalled. He said he was present and did the questioning and that he heard Penny make no such statement, as Mr. Horton referred to. Mr. Walters said he was present and could have heard the statement accredited to Penny, but so far as he knows, she made no such statement.

Mr. Powell was next recalled. He said he did not hear Penny say that she caught hold of Jim Booker's arm.

Penny White was recalled. She said she never at any time told any one that she ran and caught Jim Booker's arm and asked him not to shoot.

Here the defense rested its case and argument was begun by counsel.

CHORUS CLASS R. M. A.—NOTICE! The Chorus Class of the Raleigh Musical Association will hold its regular meeting for practice at their hall this evening at 8 o'clock. This being the second practice of the cantata, "David the Shepherd Boy," it is hoped that all members who are willing to take part will be present.

The director especially desires a full attendance, as he expects to assign the parts tonight.

PRIVATE SECRETARY. The theatre goers of this city will be given an opportunity Monday and Tuesday nights of witnessing two of the greatest comedy successes before the public today and what is more the company presenting them is without doubt one of the most powerful comedy organizations which has ever toured this country. What is better still the prices by special arrangement will be reduced to 25, 50 and 75 cents. With these prices as an inducement and with such a company as is headed by the gifted comedian, Edwin Travers, and with such a comedy as "The Private Secretary" as the opening attraction, and Mr. Travers' new musical comedy, "A Jolly Night," as the closing attraction, if the theatre is not packed at both performances, the theatre goers of this town will for once have turned their backs on a "good thing," and that is something the American people do not often do, especially if they are told about it. The Private Secretary will be presented Monday night and "A Jolly Night" will conclude the engagement Tuesday night. Seats are now on sale.

WASHINGTON, MARCH 31.—5:30.—SPAIN REJECTS THE DEMAND OF THE UNITED STATES. INFORMATION COMES FROM "THE WHITE HOUSE" IT IS ANNOUNCED BY A SENATOR JUST FROM THE PRESIDENT.

PRESIDENT ASKS LEE TO WARN AMERICANS TO QUIT CUBA. BRIEFS. Madame Besson desires to call the attention of the ladies to her display of Spring and Summer Millinery on and Friday. Her stock is well selected and you will there find the latest and newest styles for ladies, misses and children. Call and examine the beautiful display for yourselves.

There will be a special convocation of Raleigh Commandery, No. 4. Knights Templar, held this evening at 7:30 o'clock, for work in the Templar degree. Visiting Sir Knights are most cordially invited to attend. Let all attend promptly.

WANT TO COLONIZE. State Auditor Ayer today received a letter from a party in Washington asking him where from 10,000 to 12,000 acres can be procured for the purpose of colonization. The auditor would like to have some information on the subject from parties who have such lands.