

Trouble Among the Filibusters.

THREATENED AFFAIR OF HONOR BETWEEN COLONEL
LOCKRIDGE AND GENERAL WALKER.

[From the New Orleans Delta, April 14.]

A CARD FROM COL. LOCKRIDGE.

On the 10th inst. I read a work entitled "The War in Nicaragua," by Wm. Walker. Soon after reading the work I suddenly and most unexpectedly met Wm. Walker on the street, and in the presence of Capt. C. L. Faysoux and Capt. Wm. H. Scott; I denounced the book, as far as it related to me, as being totally false in almost every particular, and informed him that I would hold him, Wm. Walker, responsible therefor at an early day. To this Walker answered, "When you please, sir."

My subsequent course may be known by the perusal of the following letter addressed to me by my friend, Col. R. H. Purdon. And here I will say that my future action in this matter will be governed by circumstances. However, I shall, in a short time, publish to the world incontrovertible evidence, such as official documents, reports, letters, &c., from officers and men who served under my command in Nicaragua, which will prove that Wm. Walker has falsified history and misrepresented my course and conduct as an officer and soldier while in command of forces in Nicaragua. Respectfully, S. A. LOCKRIDGE.

P. S.—I now invite attention to the letter from Colonel Purdon to me, and with this I dismiss the matter for the present:—

ST. CHARLES HOTEL, NEW ORLEANS, }
April 12, 1860. }

COL. S. A. LOCKRIDGE:—DEAR SIR—As you are aware, I delivered a note from you to General Wm. Walker, which by advice of myself and other friends you withdrew, and the following note was delivered in its stead by myself to Captain Faysoux (General Walker's friend in the affair), to wit:—

ST. CHARLES HOTEL, NEW ORLEANS, }
April 11, 1860. }

GEN. WILLIAM WALKER:—SIR—By advice of my friends I withdraw the note handed you this morning by my friend, Colonel R. H. Purdon, and will propound to you the following inquiry:—Do you, in your history of "The War in Nicaragua," which I have seen but yesterday, in criticising my conduct and course during that struggle; intend to charge me with acting otherwise than as a gentleman of honor and courage? This will be handed your friend, Captain Faysoux, by my friend, Colonel Purdon, who will receive your reply. Your ob'd servant.

S. A. LOCKRIDGE.

In the course of the evening I received a reply from Gen. Walker, of which the following is a copy:—

NEW ORLEANS, April 11, 1860.

COL. PURDON:—SIR—Capt. C. L. Faysoux has just delivered me a note, signed S. A. Lockridge; and from this note, as well as from Capt. Faysoux's verbal statement, I gather that you desire to be satisfied as to certain portions of a book lately published on the war in Nicaragua. For your satisfaction, I freely say that in the work alluded to I did not intend to impugn the honor or courage of S. A. Lockridge. When I aim to make charges against the character of any man, let me assure you it shall be in words not easily misunderstood. I have the honor to be your ob'd servant,

WM WALKER.

I then addressed General Walker a note (of which I neglected to retain a copy) stating to him that the answer to the question propounded—to wit, whether or, not, in his book, he intended to impugn your honor or courage—was satisfactory; for you will see that he clearly states that he did not. I further asked his reason for addressing his reply to me rather than to you. To that note I received a verbal reply only, through Captain Faysoux, to the effect that General Walker considered that he had given me—as I frankly admitted in my note to him—a satisfactory reply to the question propounded, (which constituted the matter in controversy,) and that, while he declined to answer my last question, he thereby intended no disrespect to me. You will see, therefore, that a full, and, in my opinion, an ample disclaimer is made by General Walker of any intention to charge you, in his book, with acting otherwise than as a gentleman of honor and courage. His reason for addressing his reply to me I know not, but I will simply say—which all acquainted with the "code of honor" will understand—that I was acting in the capacity of your friend and representative. I remain your friend and obedient servant,

R. H. PURDON.