

New York, March 17.

The Daily Times says letters from reliable sources in Costa Rica have been received by the George Law, putting an entirely new complexion on the news which had previously been received from Col. Lockridge. It is stated that the engagement at Hipp's point amounted to nothing and that the Costa Ricans retired in perfectly good order, leaving no arms and suffering no defeat. It was believed that they withdrew in pursuance of a pre-arranged plan to permit Col. Lockridge to go up the river as far as Castillo and then cut off his retreat.

The report that Castillo had been taken is said to be wholly without foundation, nor had Col. L. captured 400 rifles as was previously reported.

The Costa Ricans were very confident that an attack on San Carlos, if made by the American forces, will be repulsed, as the fort is well defended, and it is then designed to cut off the retreat of the assailants and prevent their joining any reinforcements that may arrive from the United States.

The Washington correspondent of the Herald says Col. Mannypenny tendered his resignation to-day as Indian commissioner. Col. J. B. Steadman of Ohio, succeeds him.

Ex-Governor Medill takes the first comptrollership, vice Whittlesey, resigned.

Hon. James C. Allen of Illinois, has announced himself as candidate for clerk of the next house of representatives.

Correspondence of Daily Times, Washington, March 16th, says the statement is erroneous that Gov. Geary's resignation had been received. The president has nothing from him.

Gen. Cass has received a telegraph dispatch from Geary, requesting that decisive steps be taken to sustain him, and indicating his prompt resignation as the alternative. The subject occupied the cabinet to-day throughout a long and earnest discussion. Mr. Buchanan's disposition is to sustain Geary. The southern democratic sentiment here is very determinedly in the same direction. The southern wing of the cabinet is understood to oppose him.