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Navy Department.

Wm. Jefferson

Washington June 2 1871
Copy enclosed deposed ant. to J. K. Hubbs, letters " 2 "

Sir,

In compliance with your request I have the honor to return herewith the memorial of Tomas Marin, which accompanied your letter of the 16th ult., and to transmit a deposition of Rear Admiral G. A. Jenkins in relation to the treatment of Marin on board the U. S. S. Saratoga.

Rear Admiral Turner, it appears, has been in direct communication with Mr. Ashton on the subject of Marin's claim, and other officers, to whom the Department wrote, state that they can furnish no information.

Very respectfully

Hon. Hamilton Fish
Secretary of State

your obedt. servt.
Edw. H. R. R. R.

Secy of the Navy

CHICAGO CANCER INSTITUTE,

NO. 248 CALUMET AVENUE,

BETWEEN 25TH AND 26TH STREETS.

FOR THE TREATMENT OF CANCERS, TUMORS, CHRONIC ULCERS, SCROFULA IN ALL ITS FORMS,

All Nervous Affections, Epilepsy, Paralysis, Asthma, Deafness, Amaurosis, Spinal Curvature, Partial Insanity, etc.

DR. W. K. EVERSON, Surgeon in Charge.

Chicago, June 1 1870

Hon. Hamilton Fish
Secy of State U.S.

D. Sir

I learn your Dept
has received a pamphlet containing the
Official Correspondence between yourself
& our Minister Ramsey living at Ecuador
S. America, on the Adverse "Cancer" for the
Cure of Cancer etc. I am here, with an afflicted
wife with Cancer, & much be pleased to get
your pamphlet & any information connected
therewith. In Respectful, Edgar Hookling
248. Calumet Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Physicians or others coming to this city from abroad are respectfully invited to call and see our admirable instruments, and means of treating all Nervous Diseases—especially by Electro-Therapeutics. We have no secrets with true professional men. Our means of treating successfully diseases arising from impairment of the Optic, Auditory, Pneumo-Gastric and other important nerves, are probably not excelled by any other Institute in the United States, and are such as have met the approval of the most eminent and scientific medical men in the world. Many of the worst cases of Asthma, Epilepsy, Deafness, Amaurosis and mild cases of Insanity, are readily amenable to treatment with the constant current controlled and regulated by the Dial Rheostat, Intercalated Commutator and other auxiliaries, devised by us. We invite special attention of all to our new and novel mode of the treatment of Cancers, Tumors, Fistula in Ano, etc., saving time, health, pain and the uncertainties attending the ordinary courses.

W^hashington, June 2, 71.

Casanova Brothers

Centau Commission

Aug. 72.

Treasury Department,

June 5th, 1871.



Sir:

I am directed by the Secretary to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2^d instant transmitting the official bond approved by you, of Charles H. Eder, Esq., appointed Vice Consul of the United States at Seville, Spain, and to state that said bond has this day been referred to the first Comptroller of the Treasury, to be placed on file in his office.

I am, very respectfully,

Wm. Hamilton Fish,
Secretary of State,
Washington, D.C.

V. A. Hartney
Assistant Secretary.

PUTNEY & ADAMS,

GILBERT BUILDING,
Rooms 22 & 23.

No. 169 BROADWAY.

W. E. PUTNEY,
SAM'L. ADAMS.

New York, June 5 1871

Hon Hamilton Fish
Secretary of State

Sir,

I respectfully
solicit information
regarding the rules
and regulations
governing the action
of the Commission
appointed to adjust
the "Cuban Claims"
and more partic-
ularly as to whether

documentary evidence
will be admitted

I have the honor
to be very respect-
fully

Yours ob. serv.

James R Adams

Address as above

New York. June 5. 71.

J. G. Angarica.

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Aug. 72.

My dear Sir,
I have directed him to pass his name to the
her father of an army can - I should think
the letter had better be sent by
Richard Clark County, Oregon, Jan 7, 1871.
Secretary of State To
San Sir. City
Hawaii Jan 14.
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My dear Henry H. Harrison who was with the Cuban insurgents here on
the 24 day of May 1871 (date of his letter to me) in the Carol (City Jail)
of Havana, in custody of the Government under the following circumstances.

Wishing to accept the terms of pardon offered by Government to those who
would surrender themselves he presented himself on the 23 of January last
at the Termino Palma Sala near Palovina in the jurisdiction of Cienfuegos.

It was believed by the Cubans that all Americans present: were that: he
he was, claimed to reject himself as any English subject and to assume the
name of Insign Santa Cruz Lopez. He was promised a pardon and
permission to leave for New York, was sent to France as a prisoner, and was
sent to the Hospital at Cienfuegos, left it April 28, brought to Havana
as prisoner the 15 May and is now in the Carol (City Jail). Officers
presenting themselves under the same circumstances have been released:
and he thinks that his detention arises merely from the fact that he has
been overlooked and forgotten.

Having complied with the terms offered by Government he is entitled
I think to the protection of the American Government, and he asks it on
the case set forth.

He has been sick with small pox & is still much debilitated, and he thinks
that further confinement will be harmful to his health.

I am the 4th nephew & was Private Secretary to President Harrison - afterwards after
his death Registrar of the DO at Dayton - My 4th grandfather was signer of the
Declaration of Independence. We have done our country some service & of oc-
casion others may do it more. I beg therefore that the British Govt. might
may be regarded by you to see my son under his assumed name of
Insign Santa Cruz Lopez - here his statement - and apply to the Captain
Genl for his release. on the next page you will find a sworn statement
Harrison for his identification
Very respectfully
Henry Harrison.

My son Henry H. Harrison who on the 25 day of May 1871 was by his
confession in the Circuit (City Jail) Havana Cuba under the name of Enrique
Santa Cruz Lopez is a citizen of the United States from Clarke County Vir-
ginia. He is 23 years old - about six feet high - spare built - front
teeth defective & shaggy - on arm I think the left stiff in the elbow -
eyes brown - hair brown - hands and feet small.

Henry Harrison.

Virginia
Clarke County, Va.

Henry Harrison this day personally
appeared before me Geo. H. ass. clerk of the County Court
of said County and State aforesaid and made oath
that the facts contained in the foregoing statements
as far as they depend on his own knowledge are
true and as far as they depend upon information
received from his son he does believe them to be
true

In Testimony whereof thereunto set
my hand & affix the seal of the said County
Court this 7th day of June A.D. 1871.
George H. ass. cl.

Millwood, Clarke County, Virginia June 7, 1871.

Hon^r Hamilton Fish Secretary of State

Sir,

My Son Henry H. Harrison who was with the Cuban insurgents was on the 25 day of May last (1871) in the Carcel (City Jail) of Havana in Custody of the Government under the following Circumstances.

Wishing to accept the terms of pardon offered by Government to those who Surrendered Themselves, he presented himself on the 23 of January at the Termino Palena Solo near Palencia in the jurisdiction of Cienfuegos.

It was believed by the Cubans that all Americans who presented Themselves would be shot - so he was advised to report himself as an English Subject and to assume the name of "Enrique Santa Cruz Lopez".

He was promised a pardon, and permission to leave for New York - was not treated as a prisoner - was sent to the Hospital at Cienfuegos - left it April 28 - brought to Havana a prisoner the 15 May, and is now in the Carcel (City Jail). Other Surrendered under the same circumstances have been released, and he thinks that his detention arises merely from having been overlooked and forgotten.

Having Complied with the terms of pardon offered by the Captain General he is now entitled to the protection of the American Government, and he asks it on the Case above set forth.

He was sick with small pox & other disorders at Cienfuegos: and he believes that his present situation deprives of necessary articles will bring on a relapse & that he must die if he remains where he is.

I respectfully ask that the American Consul be requested to see him under his assumed name of "Enrique Santa Cruz Lopez" - hear his statement - and assist for his release.

Marks of Identification are: aged years
Height about six feet - spare build - front teeth defective & plugged - one arm (I think the left) stiff in the elbow - eyes brown - hair brown - hands & feet small. He is a Citizen of the U.S America from Clarke Co Virginia

Respectfully Submitted. Henry Harrison.

Washington, June 8. 71.

Santiago C. Beebe.

Caranboumifera

July 72.

W. Wood
W. J. B.
Treasury Department

Fifth Auditor's Office,

Washington,

June 9th, 1871.

Sir:

Mr.

E. N. Perkins, United States
Consul at *Santa Cruz*, having

transmitted to this Office, for adjustment, his Account for time occupied

at his post of duty

I have the honor to inquire for what period I am to credit him therefor?

He charges from

July 1

, 1870, to

September 24th

1870, *Ninety two* days.

Respectfully, yours,

Henry D. Barron,

Auditor.

To the Secretary of State,

Washington, D. C.

Recd July 25 1871
July 25 1871
July 25 1871

Wm. Wood

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Treasury Department,

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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Fifth Auditor's Office,

Washington

June 9th, 1871.

Sir:

Mr. A. S. Moore

, United States

Vice Consul

at

Santa Cruz

, having

transmitted to this Office, for adjustment, his account for time occupied

at his post of duty

I have the honor to inquire for what period I am to credit him therefor?

He charges from October 1, 1870, to March 31st,

1871, 182 — days.

Respectfully, yours,

Henry D. Barron,

Auditor.

To the Secretary of State,

Washington, D. C.

Washington D.C. June 9th. 1871.

To The Honorable
The Secretary of State

Sir:

Will you please order copies of all papers in your Department relating to the case of R. Martinez Hernandez. This is a case of the seizure and confiscation of property belonging to an American citizen in Cuba. I desire the above as soon as it may be convenient to furnish them.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,
(signed) T. H. Alexander

J. Bon Hamilton Esq.

A true copy.

George O. Moore
Secretary Am. & Spanish Commission.

New York December 10th. 1871.

Hon H. B. Davis
Assistant Secretary of State
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor of acknowledging receipt through J. H. Alexander Esq of your city, of your letter addressed to me under date of 5th inst., together with the documents enclosed in same.

I have taken due note of your communication and accompanying papers, and remain

your obedient servant
(Signed) Ramon Martinez Hernandez

I true copy.

George O. Moore.
Secretary Am. & Spanish Commission.

Washington. June 9. 71.

Ramon Martinez Hernandez.

Cuba Libre

July. 72.

The letter was from
Tom T. H. Alexander

New York. June 9. 71.

A. A. Phillips.

Centaur Commission

July 72.



Massachusetts General Hospital
Boston June 14, 1871

Hon Hamilton Fish
Secretary of State
Sir:

A few weeks since we received from the Department of State a sample of Cundurango from South America, an alleged specific cure for leucoderma, with a request that we should try it & report the result.

We have tried the article in six cases and find that we can make no report of its effects on account of the limited amount at our disposal. We would much like a further supply, as large as possible, as we find that the cases under treatment warrant

further trial. If there is no
more of the article at the
disposal of the Department, we
would beg that this application
be placed on file & a supply
sent when possible.

I am Sir,

Your obedient servant
Benjamin S. Shaw M.D.
Superintendent of the
Mass. General Hospital
Boston.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION,

WASHINGTON,

June 17 1871

Dear Sir;

In reply to your letter
of June 15th in regard to the
medicament called "Cundurango"
sent by the State Department
to this Institution for examina-
tion, I have the honor to in-
form you that, not having
the means ^{itself} of making the de-
sired examination, owing to the
destruction by fire, in Nov. of
the Smithsonian Laboratory, the

Institution submitted a portion
of the specimens of the plant
to the Surgeon General's Office,
to the Bureau of Agriculture
and to an eminent physi-
cian and Chemist in Phil-
adelphia, with the request
that an analysis of the
substance be made and
a report of the results for-
warded to this Institution.
In acknowledging the receipt
of the specimen at the Surgeon

General's Office, the chief of that department informed us that an investigation of the substance was already being had with pieces of the plant furnished directly by the State Department. The Chemist of the Bureau of Agriculture reported that there was not a sufficient quantity of the "Cundurango" to make such an analysis as was desired. The party in the city of Philadelphia, to whom the plant was also

sent has, as yet, made
no report in connection
therewith. We shall, how-
ever, write to him at once
and ascertain what pro-
gress he is making with
the investigation.

Very truly, Yours,

Joseph Henry

Acad. & Mus. Nat. Hist.

Am. H. Fish
Secretary of State.

(64)
Navy Department,
Bureau of Medicine & Surgery
June 17. 1891.

Sir.
I have the honor to report
for the information of the Secretary
of State, that the supply of Gundu-
rango furnished this Bureau was
scarcely sufficient to make a fair
trial of its efficacy.

It was divided between two
Medical Officers of the Navy having
cases of Cancer in charge, both
careful observers, and one of them
interested to the greatest extent in
the patient, a member of his family.

As yet no results have been
reported.

Very Respectfully,
W. M. Wood

Surgeon General & Acting
Chief of Bureau

Honorable
Geo. M. Robeson,

Secretary of the Navy

Washington June 17. 71.

Incencio Casanova.

Cuban Commission

Jan. 72.



Massachusetts General Hospital
Boston June 19. 1871

Mr Hon. Hamilton Fish

Secretary of State

Dear Sir.

As to the medicinal effects of Cremdurango, a sample of which was sent to the Massachusetts General Hospital for trial, the Officers of the Institution respectfully report that they are as yet unprepared to express an opinion, for the reason that the supply of the article was small and the time for experimentation short. It has been administered in six cases, four of them being still under treatment, but none as yet presenting any symptoms authorising an expression of opinion as to the effects of the drug. The Hospital has already written the Department of State asking for a further supply of Cremdurango, which, if received, it will give a fair trial.

Very respectfully

Yours obedient servant

Benjamin S. Shaw, Resident Physician & Superintendent

Adm. approp. June 20

W. B. Atte



Ans 22 June

Washington June 19th 1871.

Hon Hamilton Fish

Secretary of State.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that in the exercise of the authority conferred upon them by the Convention between the United States and Spain of the 12th of February 1871, the Arbitrators on the 31st ultimo, appointed George O. Moore as their Secretary. He accepted the appointment on the following day, and on the 16th inst. I appointed him, subject to your approbation, Disbursing agent of the Commission.

I am Sir, very respectfully
Your obt. servt.

H. J. Otto

Arbitrator on the part of
the U. States.

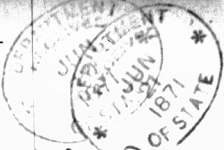
Washington. June 19. 71

J. M. Macrae

Cuba Bonifera

July. 72.

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Mr. B. B. B.

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Sent June 19, 1891
Hon Hamilton Fish

Secretary of State
Sir

With your pleasure
have forwarded to me 3 copies
of the Memo of arbitration for the
Settlement of the Claims of Citizens
of the U. S. against the Spanish
Government for wrongs done by the
Spanish Authorities in Cuba -

I am a claimant under
this Commission

With great respects
Your Obedt Servant
L. C. Madrid

New York. June 9. 71

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New York June 19, 1871

Manuel Marquez & Co.

Cuban Commission

Jan. 1872

New York. June 19. 71.

Attest Davis. rec'd to J. G. Angarica

Cuban Commission

Jan. 1872

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19 June 1871
21 June 1871
Dr. H. :

Will you please
send me a copy
(if it be printed)
of the Convention
between our Country
& Spain for the
adjudication of
certain claims
by a Commission
now in session?—

Wm. A. D. Knight
of Ballouell Me

is advised by your
deft that his
claim for loss of a
vessel does not
come within the
terms of the
conservation - How
is this?

Very Respy
Yr obtst

W. H. H. H.

W. H. H. H.
S. J. H. H.

EDMUND WETMORE
WM. A. JENNER



Wetmore & Jenner,
Offices of WETMORE & JENNER,

100 Nassau Street, New York, 20 June 1871

Gen. Hamilton Fish
Secy of State
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

Will you be good enough
to cause to be sent to us
to the above address. A copy
of the Treaty under which
the Cuban Claims Com-
mission are sitting. A
copy of their rules and
such other matters as
relates to that Commission.
We are
Very truly
Yours
Wetmore & Jenner

Office of Fausto Moya
50 Exchange Place (P.O. Box 4253)
New York. *Done* 24th = 1/21

Office of Fausto Moya
50 Exchange Place (P.O. Box 4253)
New York. *Done* 24th = 1/21

50 Exchange Place (P.O. Box 4353)

New York

Time 24 $\frac{1}{2}$ hr

To the Hon

J. C. Davis
Asst. Secy of State
Washington

Apt. Secty of State

Washington

ACK.
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1871

Dear Sir:

May I take the liberty of asking of you a copy of the agreement between the United States & the Government of Spain for the settlement of claims of American Citizens & the regulations for the presentation of proof of same? —

Yrs. Obedt. Servt.

John O. Linn. Secy.
Cincinnati

Handbook

Chas
P. Jones

Mr Wood

New York June 28th 1871.

To the Hon^{ble} Hamilton Fish.

Sir: as a party interested in the coming action of the Cuban Claims Commission recently established in that city, having learned through the newspapers, that said Commission has printed a memorandum of an arbitration for the Settlement of the claims of citizens of the United States against the Government of Spain, and that the copies of it may be obtained from your Department, I respectfully request you to order one copy of said memorandum to be sent to my actual residence n^o 307 West 14th St in this city, at your earliest opportunity.

I would also respectfully request you to send with it a copy of a volume published by your Department in 1870,

"From the correspondence of the Department of State in relation to the seizure of American vessels, and injuries to American citizens during the hostilities in Cuba" &c.

I remain Sir,

Yours Resp^{ly} O^bt

Martin Mueser

Honble. Hamilton Fish, Secy. of State.
Washington D. of C.

Mr Pratt St.



Ad. K.
2nd July, 1871
Washington June 29th 1871.

Hon Hamilton Fish
Secretary of State.
Sir:

In compliance
with an order issued on the
31st of May last by the Commission
on Claims of Citizens of the
United States against Spain,
organized in this city on the
above date by virtue of an
agreement between the
two countries referred to, of
February 12th 1871. I have the
honor to inform you that
the Commission is organized,
and is ready to receive any
communications from
the respective Governments.
The Commission will rent

permanent apartments in
which to transact its business
on the first of July next, when
I will immediately inform
you of their locality. Until
now the Commission has oc-
cupied one of the offices in
the building of the Mexican &
U. S. Commission, No 1412 H
street.

I am Sir very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.
Geo. O. Moore
Secretary.