

American Vessels Captured at Sea.

Our advices from Havana state that the American schooner Lahave had been captured in the sea passage between St. Domingo and the east end of Cuba. She was from Boston and laden with arms and ammunition, destined for Hayti or for the Haytien agents in Jamaica. She has been captured on the high seas and taken to Havana. It is not asserted that she had any expeditionary force on board, or that the arms were intended for landing in Cuba. Now, we wish to call the attention of the government at Washington, and particularly Mr. Fish, of the State Department, to these facts. Officially our citizens know of no war existing in those seas, for none has been proclaimed. In times when no war exists arms and munitions of war are legal objects of commerce, and American ships have the right to transport them. Will Secretary Fish endeavor to take an American view of American rights, and have this search and seizure on the high seas at once looked into? We know that his friends, the Spanish would-be rulers of Cuba, are in a good deal of trouble about their domestic affairs in that island, but we do not see that this should entitle them to plunder American citizens and refuse reparation. We trust Mr. Fish will find a little time to devote to defending our flag.