

NICARAGUA TRANSIT COMPANY AFFAIRS—ARRESTS ON THE CHARGE OF SLANDER.—The *N. Y. Tribune* of Sept. 16th, says:

Yesterday afternoon, Under-Sheriff John M. Francis, of Hudson county, arrested R. F. Kirkpatrick, in Jersey City, on a writ issued at the suit of W. R. C. Webster, on a charge of slander. The damages are laid at \$50,000. On Monday evening Mr. Francis arrested Sylvanus M. Spencer, at the suit of Mr. Webster, on the same charge, in which case he claims damages to the same amount—\$50,000. Bail was fixed in each case at \$10,000, in default of which they were committed to the Hudson county jail. These suits arise out of the controversy between Mr. Webster and Commodore Vanderbilt relative to the Nicaragua Transit Company affairs. The parties arrested are charged with having made statements to Mr. Vanderbilt to the injury of Mr. Webster.
