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The Northern Mail came through yesterday with the latest dates.

AFRICANIZATION OF CUBA.

INTERESTING DISCUSSION.

The Senate of the United States was on the 24th inst., the scene of an extremely interesting discussion between Messrs. BENJAMIN and CLAYTON, in reference to the imputed design of Spain to emancipate the Slave population of the Island of Cuba. Mr. BENJAMIN submitted the resolutions relative to Cuba which passed the Legislature of Louisiana at its late session, and moved their reference to the Committee on Foreign Relations. He remarked that while unwilling to say a word is the way of discussion, he desired to state his entire concurrence in every word of the resolutions, and his belief that his colleague, Mr. SOULE, had offered that his colleague, Mr. SOULE, had offered that his fully capable of substantiation, and his regret that the Senator from Delaware, Mr. CLAYTON, should have called the facts in question. To this Mr. CLAYTON replied:

I did not hear the first part of the honorable Senator's remarks, but I understand him now to say that he will be prepared, on some future occasion, to show us that the Spanish Government has a deliberate design to emancipate the slaves in Cuba, for the purpose of preventing them either purchasing or taking the island by violence. Do I rightly understand the honorable Senator to mean so?

Mr. BENJAMIN. I do not pretend to say that I shall be able to make a mathematical demonstration of a proposition of that kind, but I think I shall be able to adduce such facts and such evidence as will satisfy every unprejudiced mind, so far as it can be satisfied on a political subject of this kind, that such is the intention of the Government.

Mr. CLAYTON.—That is their intention to emancipate these slaves now at this time?

Mr. BENJAMIN. At the earliest possible moment, and now that the measures which have been taken are such that every object, or, in other words, that the design is now in progress of execution.

Mr. CLAYTON.—Then I understand the honorable Senator to say that it is now actually in progress of execution. Now, sir, I wish to say that I shall be most happy to be instructed on this subject, but I must express, at the same time, my perfect conviction that the honorable Senator will never be able to make out the facts he has stated. I have no belief in them whatever. At the more I look into the matter, the more I express my regard to it, the more perfectly and satisfied that it is not true that the Spanish Government intends to destroy this island, except in this contingency: They will act precisely as you, Mr. President, or any other man might act, without being censured so much, who should find that a piratical vessel was about to seize his ship and crew. You might blow up your powder magazine in such a case as that, without incurring the censure of the world. That is all, in my opinion, which is meant by a threat of vengeance against, if they find that from any quarter of this Union, there is a piratical expedition act on foot, with a view to take the island from them, and that there is a certainty that the island will be taken from their possession and custody by that means, they will blow up their powder magazine.

The Spanish Government has given us no cause to fear many years back. It has never been conceived to them. They have declared over and over again, more than ten years ago, that they are as ready as we are to emancipate at the instant the State Department, that if such a thing as that should be done they would run the risk, rather than permit us to take it in that manner. Now, then, let the Senator understand just precisely the difference between us. He brings proof forward for the purpose of showing that he only brings forward proof to show what I conclude; but I deny, from the evidence before me, that the honorable Senator can produce any fact or any state of it at the Spain, the Government, in the present condition of affairs, intends to emancipate the slaves in Cuba, or to use the honorable Senator's own expression, that such a scheme as that is in progress of execution.

Mr. CLAYTON then took part in the discussion, declared that he could prove that in the event of an insurrection, the Spanish Government would, instead to the emancipation of the slaves, that it had been several times at Havana, and that papers had been shown him in which the threat was held out to the inhabitants of that island, that if they did attempt an insurrection, the island would be let loose upon them. Mr. CLAYTON agreed that this was the well known policy of the Government, and he did not doubt that it was exactly what the power to free every negro in the island rested in the authority of the Mr. CLAYTON did not deny this state and controverted the assertion that there is at this time, in progress of execution, a scheme to emancipate the slaves in Cuba.

Mr. BENJAMIN. I said before that I did not intend to be prepared at this time to go extensively into the discussion of this subject, but I prefer to these facts for the purpose of showing that this is not a mere speculation, that it is not without foundation, and when the discussion comes up I think we shall be able to show from such facts and such proofs as we shall exert his well formed conviction to the contrary.

Mr. CLAYTON. Mr President, I said before that I do not propose