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## The Standard.

All that is new, non-sordid—  
"Cicero."

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1861.

### THE CHILIAN CATASTROPHE.

It is a shudder to say that Buenos Ayres is an uncharitable city; that its inhabitants are deaf to the appeals of suffering humanity. So far from it, when real objects of charity are wanting, frivolous pretexts for taxing generosity are always brought forward, which being more or less tinged with a political hue, are sure to obtain subscriptions. Such being the case, we confess we are surprised that more than three weeks should be allowed to expire since the news of the fatal Chilian disaster was made public, and yet to this hour no steps taken—no measures resorted to—collected a few dollars for the widows and orphans reduced to destitution by this unequalled catastrophe.

We refer our readers to a letter, signed "Cosmopolite," which is well worthy of attention. The writer points out pretty clearly what efforts were made in Chile for the sufferers by the Mendoza earthquake, and the claims which the Chilians have on us.

It is really melancholy to think that a public subscription can't be got up in Buenos Ayres for acrobatic performers (the Lees brothers), and yet not a cent can be got for the ruined survivors of one of the most awful of human sufferings known in history.

Either there is something so intrinsically wrong in the whole structure of our society, that we are so corrupted by a false, specious, civilization, that the sentiments which console and dignify man have ceased to command much save ridicule; or, through some oversight the subscription for the Chilian sufferers has been lost sight of, and we have forgotten our mourning friends in Santiago.

We trust that those whose duty it is to take the initiative in this matter will not hold back any longer. Chile has a right to expect that Buenos Ayres will do something for her. We were surprised that no such service had been solemnized. Does the Bishop consider that the burning of two thousand Christians in the temple of the living God a matter less deserving of religious notice than the fall of Puebla or the coronation of Quintinos?

Not only in the Cathedral, but in every church in town, should there be funerals held and masses said in the city, at every cemetery, town and village, wherever there is a congregation to be found, should public prayers be offered up to the Almighty God, praying to avert such an awful calamity from this country.

We hope that the Bishop of Buenos Ayres will be propitious of having regular services held in the churches. It really seems to us most monstrous that one of the most awful catastrophes in the annals of the world should pass so unnoticed by us all.

### EDITOR'S TABLE.

The Uruguay steamer arrived yesterday, but, as we expected, brought no confirmation of the rumoured capture of Paysandu. The news from Entre Rios and Montevideo will be found in another column.

Sunday was a roasting hot day; no stirring out anywhere—the streets were deserted; not a soul was to be seen until towards the cool of the evening; the Molo was crowded; the soap men did a splendid business, and the Lombard musicians played most melodiously, to the admiration of thousands. Over five hundred emigrants landed here on Saturday and Sunday; they were all Basques or Italians. It is hardly credible the number of immigrants at present arriving on our shores.

On yesterday Buenos Ayres was thrown into a sort of political gloom. The National Government hoisted

the flag most high, and all the Ministers and Consuls imitated the example of King of Denmark is dead, Buenos Ayres is weeping. We hear that the most inconsolable man in town was the Chief, who wandered through the city with a white handkerchief to his eyes all day. His clear, judicial organs of vision were swollen; and the question through town was, what had brought the Chief to grief?

The works of the Buenos Ayres Northern Railway, we understand, will not be extended beyond San Fernando for the present, as it has not yet been determined to what point the extension will be made.

We hear that the inauguration of the Great Southern Railway will take place early in February. Mr. Marshall, the company's engineer, and Mr. Crawford, who represents the contractors Messrs. Peat, Scott, are men who are a leading position in railway matters at home. We congratulate the country upon having two such able men at the head of this enterprise; it is the very best guarantee that the road will be well built and a credit to Britissiers.

On Christmas-day the works for the construction of the River Styx were publicly inaugurated by Governor Valencia in person. Mr. Cook, the English engineer, assisted, and the Governor made a grand speech. What honour that very scarce, and that Governor Tobias is thinking of sending down to Buenos Ayres to get some foreigners.

A new mining company has been started in Paraguay to work the mines of Tucumán, San Juan. Distant as this province is from us, two fishermen started for there last Thursday, and are going up.

Mr. Feyer is again in the Standard. Some country gentlemen having questioned his assertion respecting sheep sheep at 6 dollars, he comes out pretty strong in defence of his opinion, and even refutes the Rev. Mr. Feyer, the farmer from the Foppa is ignorant of Mr. F's frauds never to stand any nonsense.

The news from the camp could hardly bear: thousands and thousands of sheep are now feeding in the llanuras of the Paraná. We have been told of one man who made a large purchase of very thin but good meat sheep, bought sheep at 6 dollars, and sent a large quantity east, and sent up a large quantity of hay, which gave the sheep shelter travelling. He drove the sheep west beyond the Bragado, marching about two leagues each day. His loss out of ten thousand was only from five to seven hundred. The sheep are now doing well and eating round.

How many millions of dollars have been laid down in Paraguay? Have they eaten out in Corrientes? Not quite two million of pesos. What interest have you in cotton? None, your excellency, other than to second the plans of the Manchester Association, and promote a new industry in the Argentine republic. How many cotton factories are there in Paraguay? I am sorry to say that the late improvements in which speak of are far greater than I had expected.

You have come in our most rigorous season of heat, but you are just in time for the Christmas festivals of Independence.

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**STORY OF THE GARDEN.**  
To the Editors of the "Standard,"  
Gentlemen.—Will you be kind enough to publish  
in your popular newspaper the following lines, and oblige  
Yours truly,  
**ANACREON PEREY.**

In your edition of last Sunday there appeared, under the signature of "Capellero," some sentences referring to my conduct, which I wish to reply to which I have enclosed myself on the press in order to refute them.

Mr. X.Y. Capellero, you should not doubt for one moment that there have not been sold, and are still selling, thousands of sleep, for this is not a small number to be reckoned.

Mr. Capellero! sleep your *despacho*, and, if you please, call at my house, Calle Veterinaria, No. 200; and there you may buy as many thousand bailes, at 10 mrs., as you may wish to take.

#### FIRED ADDRESS TO THE PHYSICIAN.

Physicians, countrymen and lovers

—Here! for my easier and shorter life, I have given up smoking, and I have respect to that myth, that you may be sucked in—in your wisdom censure me, and rouse up that you may be the better judges. If there be any in this cabildo garden, my beloved compatriots! to Herro, to him I say that Flores' love to Herro is no less than his love to Argentina, and that he has more against Herro, this is my answer—not that I loved Herro less, but that I loved 'em *cada uno* and patetesses more. Had you rather that Herro was ruling, and you all die in your beds like Christians? than that Herro were knocked over, and live in constant fear of having your throats cut? As Herro is still here, and I am still here, as he is valiant I should—but as he is ambitious and desires to get more mrs. and cigars, I speak. There are snubs for his hatred, jealousy for his good fortune, fear for his colour, and the cuchillo for his ambition. Who is to have that would live on cabildo and zapallo? It is not the *cabildo* that have not got it invested. Who is to have that have not got it invested? If any speak, for him I'll treat with scorn. Who is here so well off that he does not love his patetos patch? If any speak, for him there shall be no government office. Who is there with indignation who does not love tough horseflesh? I speak. Then who is to have that? I have done more to Herro than you all do to Flores. The question of his destiny is enrolled in Montevideo, and such of you as I have not killed already may make your wills—seal'd for the padro, and canon and get your throats cut.

The above I do not see in any of the Spanish newspapers. This must be an oversight.

Yours truly,  
KERMES.

#### A CONTRAST.

Mr. Editor,  
On the evening of Thursday, 29th March 1861, without one moment's warning, several thousand human beings were hurled into eternity "unleashed and unawed."

The scene of this frightful catastrophe recurred on Friday the following Sunday morning, without losing one moment. The Intendentes proceeded to name committees of honour, and an ala were they visited by all classes, all nations, all creeds, and all politics, that by a late issue of the day, clothes, blankets, money and medicines were collected in large quantities, and given in charge to the doctors, and their profound learnedness (who had been placed at the disposal of the authorities by the commandants of British men-of-war then in port) so that they might start at an early hour for the relief of Mendoza. During the week subscriptions and donations were in various parts of the cities, and no man was so poor as not to contribute to help his fellow-man for the assistance of the survivors of this dreadful earthquake. In the coffee and shops lists were kept open, Englishmen, when they partook of their sherry and bitters—Frenchmen, quaffing over their ashtrahie—Germans, discussing their Lager—Americans sipping their beer—Spaniards, with a hearty relish, refilling their exhausted mugs with pisco or chicha—all remembered the ill-fated Mensendius, and dropped their mite into the receiving boxes. By these means an immense sum was raised for their suffering brethren. Alas! many more days have passed away since the last payment, with the inhabitants of Chile thought it but the least they could do for the survivors of this once pleasant town to alleviate, as far as lay in their power, the great affliction of the survivors.

Now for the other picture. On the 1st December last some 2,000 people were buried in the ruins of the church whilst worshipping in the temple of the Universal Father. We, here, have all read the heartrending account of this awful summing up to the bar of judgment of many a fellow Christian, and what has Buenos Ayres done towards assisting the many orphans and widows who now have nowhere to look for

assistance in this world? My pen almost refuses to write the word **NOTHING**. But such is the case. Alas! for the rarity of Christian charity. Under the sun, Was it not pitiful, in that whole city full, Funds had they none.

The San Juanistas have tried to save the *Standard* of Argentina, by proposing to have masses for the sufferers—and that is all.

One of your correspondents lately closed hospitality as one of the semi-clad virtues—perhaps he places charity, either puerile or something tantamount, in the same category.

Close the hands and ejaculating *Amén!* I say I admit I won't assist much.

—Palau after this conflict who would call himself Porterito? Not on my terms.

Yours truly,  
COSMOPOLITE.

#### LOCAL EVENTS.

*Latest News.*—(Third edition, published by the "Nacional")—On the 16th inst., the "Nacional" published the following intelligence from the arrival of the steamer "Chiloé," in Valparaiso, in eleven days. Like Achish Haroun, in the "Arabian Nights," we got our devil to bite our finger, to convince ourselves of being awake; and even after painful operations, we are still dubious on the subject. Can this possibly be the same steamer? Chiloé, I say, we made mention on the 11th inst.? I repeat news, with a vengeance!

*Gord News.*—The sun collected in Chiloé for the cause of liberty in Mexico, is proposed to be distributed amongst the widows and orphans of those who perished in the fire of the 6th December. Herald of the Chilenos will still be.

*Poyandu.*—We are still waiting anxiously for the news of the attack on this Troy of South America, and when it was expected to take place in the 15th. The Salvo was expected to put us out of suspense, and bring intelligence of how the Poyandu received Flores' address to them; it will be found in another column. To our unsophisticated eyes, it bears a very strong resemblance to the intimation of the farmer's wife to the domestic fowls, "dilly, dilly, ducks, come and be killed." However, let us say, "patient and shuffle the cards."

*Statues of Buenos Ayres.*—One of our contemporaries calls attention to the futile process of women kissing one another. In our opinion, such kisses have a coldly-flavoured. Another strange habit, and which never fails to strike strangers, and more especially splendid Englishmen, is the liking the good Porteños have for walking on the head. Who is here so well off that he does not love his patetos patch? If any speak, for him there shall be no government office. Who is there with indignation who does not love tough horseflesh? I speak. Then who is to have that? I have done more to Herro than you all do to Flores. The question of his destiny is enrolled in Montevideo, and such of you as I have not killed already may make your wills—seal'd for the padro, and canon and get your throats cut.

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*The Royal Mail Steam Packet Company.*  
The Royal Mail Steam Packet "Mersey," Ritchie Curlews, Commander, will leave this port for Montevideo and Rio de Janeiro, on Tuesday, the 29th instant. The "Mersey" will call at Rio de Janeiro, and will proceed to the "Mersey" to wait for the completion of the transatlantic Packet Passengers and Freight for the following Ports, viz. Bahia, Paranhue, St. Vincent (Cape de Vard Islands), Lisbon and Southampton.

Passengers by this vessel are requested to embark before 6 p.m. on the afternoon of the 29th instant.

For information, as regards, Rates of Passage, &c. &c. apply, please, to the Agency of the Company, 77 Calle 25 de Mayo.

*Comittee.*  
Dra. Nicholas Schifino,  
" J. H. Denby,  
" B. Quisaldy,  
" A. L. Martínez,  
" H. L. L. L. L.  
" F. Elortondo.

Spots opened rather weak, but closed stiff at 24.50.

The steamship La Plata was to have sailed from Liverpool on the 17th ult.

The Kepler leaves to-morrow, having a full cargo, including what she has to trade in the river. We learn that she has nearly two thousand bailes of wool, besides other cargo, and has several passengers.

In the wool market, we note that Americans seem very anxious to secure the best lots, but the market is rather flat, rather flat. The arrivals are limited.

*PRODUCE SALES.*  
1000 cow hides, Corrientes 40 a.s.  
1000 salted ox hides 37 1/2  
1000 leather 30 a.s.  
3000 coriander skins 4  
200 bordados tailor 184  
100 dry cow hides 120  
100 do do do 114  
200 do do do 113  
100 do do do 112  
200 arr. metiza wool, fine sup. 100  
4200 do do do 107  
1200 do do do 105  
1200 do do mixed 67  
200 do do do 65  
120 doz. sheepskins 180  
800 do do 142

#### CHARTERS.

The Dutch brig Gouweker, to load salted hides in Montevideo, for ordars, at 52s. fid, and b.p.

The Dutch brig Blaschi Jaquinina has been placed on the berth for Antwerp, by Messrs. J. P. Boyd and Co.

*THE MARITIME NEWS.*

#### ARRIVALS.

18th.—Río Janeiro, Brazilian brig Firme, Lisbon, Dutch steamer Zevon Sternen.

Uruguay, Nat. steamer Salto.

Do do Coquimbo.

Cuba, Brus. steamer Vizconde de Liniers.

Genoa, Italian brig Endrino.

Marselles, French bark Union.

Barcelona, Spanish ship Doctor Cuxent.

#### SAILED.

17th.—Antwerp, British brig Raymond, Rosario, national steamer Pátron, Asuncion, Paraguayan war steamer Tacuari.

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17th.—Buenos Ayres, British steamer "Mersey," Ritchie Curlews, Commander, will leave this port for Montevideo and Rio de Janeiro, on Tuesday, the 29th instant. The "Mersey" will call at Rio de Janeiro, and will proceed to the "Mersey" to wait for the completion of the transatlantic Packet Passengers and Freight for the following Ports, viz. Bahia, Paranhue, St. Vincent (Cape de Vard Islands), Lisbon and Southampton.

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Secretary.

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