

Interesting Correspondence—Practical Aid to Walker's Victims.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

The following correspondence, as it relates to a public matter, I place at your disposal, in the hope that its publication in your columns will bring it to the earliest notice of the parties who may be anxious to avail themselves of such an opportunity to return to their homes as is here offered. Yours, &c.,

D. DE GOICOURIA.

MARSHALL O. ROBERTS, Esq., President U. S. Steamship Company.

SIR: My connection with the struggle now going on in Nicaragua is so well known to you, that this letter will, I hope, require no explanation.

Without exaggerating my own importance, I say that many Cubans and many Americans have gone to Nicaragua relying on the fact that I was an active party in the contest.

It is impossible for me to look without commiseration at the condition to which many of them are now reduced, and I wish to offer them the best aid in my power. My precise object, therefore, is this; To ask you if you will let one of your vessels stop at San Juan on its return trip, and bring off all such persons as may desire to come, including women, children, sick and wounded.

I am sure that this object, affecting as it does the welfare, perhaps the preservation of the lives of many American citizens, must command your sympathy, and I hope it may have your active cooperation. I will make myself responsible in any way you please for the sum which you think I ought to give to the object, and I beg of you the favor of an early reply.

Your most obedient servant,

D. DE GOICOURIA,

No. 122 East Thirteenth-street.

Monday, Dec. 22, 1856.

Mr Roberts' Reply.

U. S. MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, }
NEW-YORK, Monday, Dec. 22, 1856. }

Gen. D. de Goicouria, New-York:

SIR: Your letter of this morning has been received. I cannot but appreciate the motives which have induced you to desire that something should be done for the misguided "Americans and Cubans," who may have supposed that your interests were involved in the event of the controversy in which they have embarked, and may have gone to Nicaragua impelled by that, with other delusions. But I have so little sympathy with filibustering, in any of its forms, that I have doubted whether it would not be a violation of my duty to the public to render assistance, even to my own countrymen, in a case where they have voluntarily placed themselves beyond the pale of national protection, for objects and purposes which, in my judgment, every right-minded man must condemn. There are, however, circumstances existing in the case which, perhaps, justify the exercise of that individual sympathy, which distress, however caused, excites, and which it is well that it is almost impossible to resist.

If, instead of invading the Republic of Nicaragua, WALKER and his adventurers had gone upon the sea under the flag of the pirate, I am not prepared to say that the ship employed in honest commerce might not well turn aside to save those who, having survived a merited defeat, were exposed upon a plank to the perils of starvation and death. The human heart would not be satisfied to pass them by unheeded, because they had left home upon a piratical errand.

I am informed that very many of the followers of WALKER are mere boys, who have left their country under the deceptions practiced upon them by those who have not seen fit to acquaint them with the dangers to which they might become exposed; and I know not how to resist the appeal of their agonized families that something should be done for their rescue.

I have therefore determined that I will yield to your application, and permit the *Granada* to stop at Greytown on her return voyage from Aspinwall. The *Granada* may be expected to arrive at Greytown about the 22d proximo.

The commander of the *Granada* will be instructed to transfer the persons of the description referred to, to the *Empire City*, to be transported to the port of New-Orleans, and not to permit them, under any circumstances, to land until their arrival in New-Orleans.

As this departure of the voyage is wholly on the score of humanity, no remuneration will be received.

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

MARSHALL O. ROBERTS.

Gen. Goicouria's Response.

NEW-YORK, Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1856.

M. O. ROBERTS, Esq.—SIR: As the acceptance of a favor does not impose on the recipient any obligation to indorse the creed or opinions of the donor, I can commend your humanity in proposing to turn aside to pick up the unfortunates in whose rescue I have interested myself. It is the act of humanity I want; and it is not now the time to discuss the ethics of the Nicaragua movement.

In my own behalf, then, and in the name of the unfortunates whom your kindness may save from destruction, I tender you my most sincere thanks, and remain most gratefully yours,

D. DE GOICOURIA.