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CONSPIRACY OF SANTA ANNA TO ESCAPE

Extract from a letter received this morning from New Orleans, which may be fully relied on.

“New Orleans June 16th”

“The Independence, Com Hawkins, arrived a few days since, brings intelligence which has not been made public as yet. It appears that the cunning Santa Anna had or was about deceiving the credulous Texan cabinet. He had made a solemn treaty to acknowledge the Independence of Texas, and to use all his influence on his arrival in Mexico to recognize it. A Texas cutter was to convey him to Vera Cruz instantly. He told them his object in going to Mexico was to get it recognized, and he could accomplish more by his presence than by writing. Com. Hawkins of the Independence was commissioned to take him to Vera Cruz; he refused to comply then he was put on board the Invincible, Capt. Brown. Upon Brown’s learning this, he threatened to blow up the vessel, and upon the soldiers and people hearing of the resolution of the Cabinet, they become so enraged that the cabinet were obliged to tear up the treaty and convey him (Santa Anna) to Velasco, and put him in irons. The indignation of the people was so great that had they not complied with their request, they would, no doubt, have massacred St. Anna and the Cabinet. We sincerely hope Texas may be annexed to the U. States. The farmers are all busy on their plantations, endeavoring to make up lost time. They will make about one half a crop of cotton, but most of them are planting corn,” – N. Y. Star.

The Pensacola Gazette states that the U. S. cutter Jefferson, under the command of Capt. Jackson, arrived there on the 13th ult. In 12 days from Tampico. All intercourse was forbidden there between vessels of war and the shore. Merchant vessels are permitted to enter the harbor but not to depart. This seems to be the case at present at all the Mexican ports. – While the Jefferson lay off the harbor, intelligence was received at Tampico of the capture of General Santa Anna. The flags of the vessels in port and of the fortifications, were hoisted at half-mass in sign of mourning for the event, Active preparations were making to assemble large military force to march upon Texas. Every department of Mexico was required to furnish its quota of troops for this service, to be assembled at Matamoras. Much excitement prevailed among the inhabitants of all classes. Apprehensions were entertained that Santa Anna and his fellow prisoners had been put to

death by the Texans and resolutions were publicly adopted and promulgated by the provisional government, that no act or concession of Santa Anna to the Texans while a prisoner, should be regarded as valid. Capt. Jackson was not even permitted to communicate with Mr. Robertson, our Consul at Tampico, except through the commanding general, Gomez.

The U S. schr. Grampus, Boarman, commander, arrived at Pensacola on the 18th ult. from a cruize on the S Maine.