

love her purely for herself, knowing very well I have nothing to expect from her. As long as she will encourage me I shall protect her and will marry her as soon as I can, notwithstanding the opposition and menaces.

I beg to say that until this day non but ridiculous champions have opposed me, such as Mr. SAVAN and THOMPSON in Havana. NEWHAM WHITFIELD of Demopolis, MUNROE DE WEX in New-York and other such contemptible adversaries. It takes better men than those to stop or oppose Capt DE RIVIERE who was one of the 9 officers selected in the whole French army for the honour of commanding the forlora hope at the siege of Sebastopol.

I have been treated as an adventurer and a vagabond by men who would find it very embarrassing to tell who their grandfathers were, when I can prove them through the chronicles and history of my country who were mine from the year 1666.

I have got a better fame than Mr. BLOUNT.

I am twenty times as rich as Mr. BLOUNT.

I have no pecuniary obligations to Mr. BLOUNT.

He has some towards me.

I always considered that addressing Miss BLOUNT I payed a great honor, not to her, she is worthy of higher addresses, but to him Mr. BLOUNT.

The ridiculous scandal and slander which he has made shall fall upon him without reaching me.

He has rendered himself guilty towards me of grave offences.

As for the ceremony performed last Winter, in a chapel in Canal-street, it is by all means illegal and worth nothing.

Without witnesses but one.

Without license from any magistrate.

Without publication of bans.

Without my family's consent or knowledge (which as every one knows are absolutely necessary for my marriage to be considered lawful in France.)

Without publications in the papers.

The certificate presented by Father LAPOIN is false as the lady engaged gave a fictitious name and age, and produced no papers to back them.

I consented with repugnance to this ceremony—to extricate myself from an embarrassing position towards certain persons that I shall only name when compelled to.

Priest, lady and witness had promised secrecy.

Here are, Sir, the exact facts such as they stand and not such as they are made, and I beg your justice and impartiality to insert it in your columns as you did insert the attacks of my enemy's.

I shall allways be ready for my opponents on any ground.

For all communications I give my brother's direction: "Lieutenant EDMOND ARNOUS DE RIVIERE, Imperial dragoons guards Paris."

I am, Sir, with much respect, your obedient servant,

H. ARNOUS DE RIVIERE.

Captain DE RIVIERE was formerly in the French service, and claims to have been in the Zouave corps at Sebastopol. He belongs to a respectable French family. His father was Prefect of one of the Departments in France. HENRI, however, seems to be the black sheep of the family. The following sentence stands against him on the criminal records of France:

"By judgment of the Cour d'assises of the Department of the Seine, under date of February 1, 1858, HENRI GUILLAUME MARIE ARNOUS RIVIERE, 29 years of age, born in Nantes, (Loire-Inférieure), having lived in Paris, rue Taitbout No 48, formerly of the military profession (now out of the country), has been found guilty of having in 1856, in Paris helped and assisted, knowingly, a bankrupt tradeswoman, and aided and abetted her in the embezzlement (detournement) of part of her assets, and in the fraudulent venture made by the said bankrupt tradeswoman, she was indebted for amounts which she did not owe; second, the accused received or concealed, for the benefit of the bankrupt, part of her personal property, he has therefore, been sentenced per contumacy, to eight years, hard labor, by virtue of the articles 402, 59 and 60 of the penal code."

A Frenchman in Difficulties—The Arrest of Capt. De Riviere.

Captain HENRI DE RIVIERE, who figured in this City some months since, as a lecturer on the Sebastopol Campaign, has turned up again, under very suspicious circumstances. Having met with indifferent success in his public appearances here, he left for the South, where he presently got into trouble. Only a few weeks since, we published an account of a duel in which he was engaged at New-Orleans. Soon afterwards, he had another affair of the same kind at Mobile. For a time, nothing more was heard of the Captain. Then it was announced that a warrant was out for his arrest in New-Orleans, on a charge of bigamy. This report proved untrue, but it now appears that it originated in his attempt to abduct a daughter of Col. BLOUNT, of Mobile, into whose house he had been received when wounded in his Mobile duel. The Captain improved his opportunities, made violent love to the Colonel's daughter EMILY, and cajoled the mother. The father, meanwhile discovered that DE RIVIERE already had a wife, and broke up the intimacy. Last week, Col. BLOUNT and his family arrived in this City, and a strict watch was kept for the arrival of DE RIVIERE, who followed.

Mrs. BLOUNT and her daughter were provided with quarters at a private house in Broadway, near Tenth-street, while the Colonel continued his watch for the Captain. On Friday last, the ladies made their escape from the house, and on Saturday were advertised by the Colonel, as follows:

"Mrs. F. S. BLOUNT and daughter, of Mobile, having left, on Friday morning, the 2d inst., their temporary residence in Broadway, near Tenth-street, fears are entertained that they have been abducted or concealed by designing persons. Any person furnishing information that may lead to their recovery will be liberally rewarded. Address F. S. BLOUNT, No. 721 Broadway, or WHITING & CLARKE, No. 40 Park-row, New-York."

On Saturday, Colonel BLOUNT, accompanied by his counsel, Judge WHITING, appeared before Justice CONNOLLY, and preferred a charge against DE RIVIERE of abduction for the purpose of prostitution. He made the following affidavit:

Frederick S. Blount, of Mobile, Alabama, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that he is the husband of Mrs. Emily J. Blount, and the father of Miss Emily J. Blount; that on or about the fourteenth day of March last, Henry De Riviere became acquainted with deponent's wife and daughter at their residence in the city of Mobile; that said daughter is unmarried and seventeen years of age, of chaste character; that said De Riviere has inveigled, enticed, or taken said daughter from the house of a friend in the City of New-York, where she was temporarily stopping with her mother and deponent, for the purpose of seduction and prostitution, either at some house of ill-fame, assignation, or elsewhere, and deponent states the following fact, for which he swears the foregoing charge: That said Riviere is and was, long prior to the said fourteenth of March, a married man, and now has a wife living in Philadelphia; that on or about the tenth day of June last, Riviere enticed deponent's daughter to go with him from her father's house, to New-Orleans, for the purpose of getting married, as deponent has been informed by said daughter; that deponent having been informed of their design, and that Riviere was a married man, pursued them to New-Orleans, and reached that City in time to prevent such marriage; that they escaped deponent and fled to Havana, to which place deponent pursued them and recovered possession of said daughter, before the intended marriage was consummated, and started for New-York with said daughter and arrived on the 28th ult., and on the second day following became an inmate of the house of Dr. De-wees, with his wife and daughter, at No. 791 Broadway; that on the first day of July deponent was informed by his said daughter that said Riviere had also arrived in New-York, and was seen by her on Broadway; that he endeavored to conceal himself from the observation of deponent, and at the same time made a signal to deponent's daughter, as she informed deponent; that on the following morning the wife and daughter of deponent shortly before nine o'clock left home without apprising any of the family of their intended departure, and although immediate search was made, no clue could be obtained of them; that deponent has been informed that his wife staid on Friday night at the St. Nicholas Hotel, and that his daughter was not there, nor, as far as said deponent can learn, was said Riviere; that Riviere is a Frenchman, and deponent has been informed, intended to sail from Havana to France with his daughter, and he believed, from the foregoing facts, that said Riviere now has his daughter concealed, and intends to sail in the steamer Vanderbilt or some other vessel for France the first opportunity.

F. S. BLOUNT.

Sworn to before me this 3d day of July.

M. CONNOLLY, Justice of Peace.

AFFIDAVIT OF BLOUNT.

A warrant was immediately issued for the Captain's arrest. Officers DEVOE and SANSON succeeded in finding him on Saturday at the Napoleon Hotel, Hoboken. There was some opposition on the part of the keeper of the house to admitting the officers, but finally DE RIVIERE was captured and taken before Justice WHITLEY, who held him to bail in \$1,000. A German was his bondsman. Mr. BLOUNT, who was present on the arrest, in which he was in vain, to search the house, in which he had little doubt his wife and daughter were connected.

The Captain publishes the following communication in self-defence:

NEW-YORK, Saturday, July 3, 1858.

Leaving this country, I feel it my duty to answer the calumnies which I have to this day treated with all the contempt they deserved.

The public opinion may have been imposed upon by the Alabama papers. These people, who during the four months that I have lived among them, would not have dared to hazard an impolite word against me, now that they feel themselves out of reach of my horsewip, bark furiously and are not afraid of publishing the lies furnished to them by my enemies.

I desire to establish the facts in their truth.

Mr. F. S. BLOUNT (the outraged father) is not, as represented, a wealthy resident of the South.

I never sought his acquaintance.

He sought mine.

He was the one who insisted on my being carried to his house when I was wounded in a Duel which resembled an assassination.

When it was a question of marriage between Miss BLOUNT and myself, he authorized Mrs. BLOUNT, at my request, to correspond with my family in France, and to his knowledge received answers from my mother.

Mr. BLOUNT then trusted me with the care of his wife and daughter. He desired me to accompany them to the country and to some watering place for the Summer.

He came himself to see us off on board the boat when we left for Demopolis.

He authorized his daughter to wear and receive from me an engagement ring with my name in it.

Traveling with the ladies, I of course supported all expenses, and if I speak of these *petites miseres* it is because I hear that insinuations are made amongst the public for the purpose of making people believe that I have eloped with an helress for her money.

Later, by the treason of a miserable wretch, who I had by charity taken in my service, and who, abusing my confidence, passed letters written by me to an old mistress who had stolen for my wife and taken my name, Mr. BLOUNT took his daughter away by force, and forbid her to see me any more.

She, however, spoke to me the same day.

She told me that notwithstanding her father's disapproval she would remain faithful to me and requested me to do the same. She said she would resist the tyrannic that oppressed her.

She was carried away but kept writing to me warning me of the plans of assassination that had been formed against me in her presence by my enemies.

She expected me to take her back and protect her. She makes an appeal to my courage, gallantry and heart.

I keep those letters ready for publication.

I love Miss BLOUNT above anything in the world. I