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## TAKING POSSESSION.

Proclamation Issued to Officials in Corinth.

CAPTAIN FRENCH MADE GOVERNOR

The Police Force and Other Government Buildings in the Hands of the British.

NICARAGUA'S TROUBLE.

Nicaragua, Nicaragua, April 25.—Minister of Foreign Affairs Mata has given me a copy of the dispatch received by the Nicaraguan Government from Admiral Stevenson, of the British squadron off Corinth, now at Corinth, which reads:

"Marine received instructions from my country's government to hand you a proclamation signed by Queen Victoria, her majesty's principal secretary of state for foreign affairs. I have the honor to present to your excellency Commander Stokes, R. N., R. E. Royal Arthur, who is the senior officer of his majesty's squadron with a letter of introduction from me.

"I have the honor to inform your excellency that without prejudice to my rights as senior officer in the Pacific I have to request that you will comply with the demands contained in Lord Rosebery's letter, which I do by order of my senior officer, who is now proceeding with the squadron to Corinth. I have the honor to inform your excellency that if the answer is unsatisfactory I shall at once take all steps necessary to enforce the demands of Lord Rosebery's letter, by occupying the custom house and other government buildings and appointing Captain Frederick French Freemantle, of the Royal Arthur, governor of the city.

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"I have the honor to be your excellency's most obedient servant,

"H. E. STEVENSON,
"Rear Admiral."

The Nicaraguan government is still refusing unless they receive the demand of Rear Admiral Stevenson, signed by