

## STILL COMING IN.

### RECORDS OF THE CONSULATE PRIVILEGED.

**The Chinese Take Advantage of International Courtesy—Ten "Native Born" Landed.**

The hopes entertained by Collector Phelps of being able to secure the remanding of the Chinese landed from the Gaelic upon writs of habeas corpus do not seem to give promise of realization, judging from yesterday's proceedings.

The success in the case of one woman, claiming to have been a prior resident, by proving, through Consul Ree's books, that she did not return, as alleged, led to another effort in that direction. When the second dame made her statement as to her residence and return, the Consul's book was again called for in evidence. But the objection was promptly made that being a portion of the official records of a representative of a foreign Government it was privileged, and the Consul was not bound to expose the official records of his office. Judge Hoffman sustained the objection, and once more the hope of the United States officials were disappointed. A continuance was obtained, and to-day an effort will be made to prove the same facts from the records of the steamship company. The records and reports of the company as to outgoing passengers are very complete, but their condition as to incoming passengers is not yet so well understood. Commissioner McAllister was convinced yesterday that a large proportion of those now under examination are "native born," and longing to return to their native land. His heart melted at their appeals, and ten were turned loose, to become merchants and send back for their wives in due time. Some of the cases were old, but others were those of Chinese whom the Collector had hoped to send back.