

EUROPE ARMINC.

AN ENLIGHTENED REVIEW OF THE OLD WORLD—SITUATION FOR WAR—GERMANY CAN HOLD HER CONQUESTS ONLY BY ARMS.

LONDON, Jan. 18, 1875. To-day's Times, in its leading editorial article, says: "In the gloom surrounding us one thing is perceptible. All men are arming. Germany is arming en masse, and the surrounding nations, including the best part of the world, cannot do otherwise. The momentary dreams of peace have fled away. Germany recognizes the stern necessity. What she won by arms she can only hold by arms and white arms are in her hands."

The Times confesses Germany cannot raise a third army. Her hopes are in her navy.

SPAIN.

REPUBLICAN GENERALS CONVERTED TO THE CAUSE OF THE CROWN.

MADRID, Jan. 18, 1875. King Alfonso to-day received several generals of the Spanish army who were conspicuous republicans.

BERNARD NAVAL PREPARATION FOR ACTION AGAINST THE CARLISTS.

SANTANDER, Jan. 18, 1875. A Spanish squadron has arrived at Zanzar, and is making preparations for vigorous action. Its commanders have been instructed to exact from the Carlists indemnity for the owners and crew of the Gustar, and punishment of her assailants.

THE KAISER SATISFIED WITH THE SPANISH NATIONAL ACTION.

Germany is entirely satisfied with the steps taken by Spain to procure reparation for the outrage.

KING ALFONSO'S TOUR IN THE PROVINCES.

The King will leave for Saragossa to-morrow, whence he will proceed next day to Logroña.

CASTELLAR STILL HOSTILE IN THE CROWN.

Señor Castellar will soon go to Geneva. He declares that he will refuse to take his seat in the Cortes if he is required to swear allegiance to the monarchy.

FRANCE.

BONAPARTISM TRIUMPHS AT AN ELECTION FOR THE ASSEMBLY.

PARIS, Jan. 18, 1875. M. Cazeau, the Bonapartist, has been elected to the Assembly in the Haute-Loire by 6,000 majority. The result of the election makes a great sensation here.

ENGLAND.

MR. FORSTER REVIEWS THE RELATIONS WITH AMERICA—HIS OPINION OF MR. GLADSTONE.

LONDON, Jan. 18, 1875. The Right Hon. W. E. Forster, in a public speech at Bradford to-night, alluding to the United States, suggested that the Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia would afford a good opportunity for discussing the Patent Laws. He did not think the withdrawal of the proposed Reciprocity treaty would greatly injure the Canadian trade with the United States.

He referred to the retirement of Mr. Gladstone with regret. It was an example of disinterestedness and self-sacrifice. He earnestly hoped that statesman would not altogether quit political life.

THE ARIZONA MINE LIBEL CASE—HEAVY DAMAGES. A verdict has been rendered against Mr. Sampson, late city editor of the London Times, who was sued by Mr. Ruberg for libel in charging him with being guilty implicated in the Arizona diamond fraud. The defendant is required to pay \$500 damages.

GERMANY AND THE PAPACY.

A CATHOLIC SEMINARY CLOSED AND ITS PROPERTY SEIZED BY THE STATE.

BERLIN, Jan. 18, 1875. The Prussian authorities have closed the Roman Catholic seminary at Fulda, expelled the head priest from German territory and sequestered all the property of the Bishop of that diocese.

THE BISHOP OF PADERBORN IN DANGER OF CONTINUED IMPRISONMENT.

The Bishop of Paderborn, whose term of imprisonment expires to-morrow, will probably be immediately interned in the fortress of Wesel.

A VATICAN INQUIRY RELATIVE TO THE VACANT SEES IN PRUSSIA.

LONDON, Jan. 19—5:30 A. M. The Times' correspondent at Berlin telegraphs that the Prussian bishops have been asked by the Vatican whether means exist for filling the vacant dioceses in Prussia without infringing on canonical or Prussian laws.

It is supposed this inquiry is made because of the large number of vacant dioceses which the Church is unable under present circumstances to fill and the consequent decrease of students in the theological seminaries.

THE POPE.

HIS HOLINESS PROSTRATED BY SICKNESS.

LONDON, Jan. 18, 1875. A special despatch from Rome to the Standard says: "Serious alarm is again felt concerning the health of the Pope, who is suffering from a chill."

BISMARCK AND THE POTATO BEETLE.

BERLIN, Jan. 18, 1875. The German Chancellor has submitted to the Federal Council an ordinance prohibiting the importation into Germany of American potatoes, as a measure of precaution against the introduction of the Colorado beetle and the spread of the potato disease.

THE QUESTION OF THE EAST.

TURKS AND MONTENEGRINS AGAIN IN CONFLICT.

VIENNA, Jan. 18, 1875. Advice has been received here that a conflict impends between the Turks and Montenegrins growing out of the recent outrages by the Turks in Albania.

THE MONTENEGRINS ARE EXCITED AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SUULTAN.

The Porte, before carrying out the sentence of death on the Turkish murderers of the Christians at Pogoritz, demands the extradition of the Montenegrin participants in the outrage.

The Montenegrins are indignantly at this subterfuge, and much excitement prevails.

PERSIA.

A RAILWAY CONCESSION TO A RUSSIAN OFFICER—BARON REUTER.

LONDON, Jan. 18, 1875. The Times announces that the Shah of Persia has granted a railway concession to the Russian General Fyodor Reuter, notwithstanding his existing concession to Baron Reuter.

The Baron has lodged a protest at Teheran, and the Times says Lord Derby has instructed the British Minister to Persia to support the protest formally and officially.

SOUTH AMERICA.

A REVOLUTION IMMINENT IN MONTEVIDEO.

Despatches from South America report a renewal of political disturbances in Montevideo. A crisis exists, and revolution is considered imminent.

THE DIRECT ATLANTIC CABLE.

THE STEAMSHIP PARADY TO RESUME THE WORK OF LAYING THE WIRE.

LONDON, Jan. 19—5 A. M. The steamer Parady has arrived at Portland. She will reënt at Gravesend and resume operations on the direct cable.

LOUISIANA.

Major Merrill's Lament from Shreveport.

GENERAL SHERIDAN'S MESSAGE TO GRANT.

Sympathy of Louisville and a Protest by Richmond.

MAJOR MERRILL'S LAMENT.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 18, 1875. The following despatch has been received here—

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 18, 1875. To Hon. W. W. BELMONT, Secretary of War:—

A report has just been received from Major Merrill, at Shreveport, which is too long for telegraphic transmission, but will be sent by mail. The following is an epitome, almost in Major Merrill's own words:—

The threats made before the election to drive from the community all that voted the radical ticket are being carried out. Among the whites are forming, and recruiting by every form of pressure by which all negroes who voted the radical ticket are being driven from the community. All the whites not belonging to the combination are to be ostracized. Already more than 600 families, including at least 3,000 people of all ages and sexes, are wandering without means of subsistence, where, powerless to find other homes where they are, and on the verge of starvation in mid-winter. These and other crimes may result, and it is feared that the bitter feelings naturally resulting from the sense of injustice received, may result in acts of violence. These harmless people will gradually drift together and the white people are not slow, as the past has shown, to set about the work of revenge. The intentions of organized violence on the part of the negro, and where the revolver and no law are the common resort in such cases, are, as the past has shown, more or less effectual. It is not to be expected that any preventive is not found for such a state of things. P. H. SHERIDAN, Lieutenant General.

A PROTEST BY RICHMOND.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 18, 1875. The City Council this evening adopted a series of resolutions setting forth the recent arbitrary acts of the general government in Louisiana; charging the President with violating the guarantees of the liberties of the people and utterly disregarding the rights of the constitution; protesting against such violent and unprovoked outrages; invoking the consideration of the American people to the precedent which, if fixed, would be set by the people of Louisiana, and thus the control of the government by a party may be perpetuated by the army of the United States against the people of Louisiana, and expressing regret and admiration for the self-control which they exhibited in their abstention from violence, which will support them until relieved by peaceable but prompt sympathy, judgment and action of the American people.

GRANT AND THE METHODISTS.

BOSTON, Jan. 18, 1875. The Methodist preachers of Boston and vicinity to-day unanimously passed resolutions indorsing and thanking the President and General Sheridan for their action on the Louisiana troubles; also thanking Wendell Phillips for his recent speech in Faneuil Hall. Bishop Bowman, of St. Louis, who is a member of the Board of Christian Missions, and a title of the disturbances in that section had not been told.

DECLARATION OF LOUISIANA.

LOUISVILLE, Jan. 18, 1875. The public meeting at the Court House on Saturday night, to protest against the action of the military in New Orleans, was the largest gathering held here for years. Speeches were made by Hon. Boyd Winchester, Hon. Isaac Caldwell and others. A letter from Governor Leslie was read, in which, after denouncing the interference by the military, he says: "One of the most alarming facts in the history of these usurpations is that the Chief Executive, in his recent Message, justifies them, however unconstitutional, on the ground of expediency, and does not hesitate to avow his conviction that it could be done on the outlawry of most respectable citizens of Louisiana and their subjection to the tender mercies, not of a military, but of a despotic power, which is the best solution of the problem in the State."

After the reading of the letter and the speeches in which the rights of the people and their interference with the rights of the State Legislature, under the authority of the federal Executive, was not only unwarranted by the constitution, but was effected in utter disregard of the acts of Congress, which intended to define and limit his powers and protect the constitutional rights of the people; that this dangerous encroachment upon the rights of the States, unless rechecked by the enlightened public sentiment, threatens the utter subversion of the American system of government, and may come when other States, now free, may be stricken down by the strong arm of the federal government.

Resolved, That it is the duty of the federal government to redress wrongs inflicted on the oppressed people of Louisiana and restore them to the full and uninterrupted exercise of their constitutional rights.

RHODE ISLAND SENATORSHIP.

THE CONTEST RESUMED—THE COMPLEXION CHANGED—BURNISDE STILL AHEAD—A COMPROMISE CANDIDATE WANTED.

PROVIDENCE, Jan. 18, 1875. The General Assembly convened in this city to-morrow, when the balloting of United States Senator to succeed the Hon. William Sprague, whose term expires in March, will be resumed.

At the closing of the last session the situation left the candidates in the same relative positions, with General Burnside in the lead by a goodly number of votes, lacking only eleven of a majority. His competitor, Nathan F. Dixon, of Westerly, who is a member of the lower body of the Legislature, developed a respectable show of strength, securing twenty-eight votes, within fifteen of Burnside's number. Dixon is the favored one of the journals and the party press, while Burnside has secured the support of the Sprague party to a great degree, besides that of the Goddard faction of the Brown and Ives family, which is thus divided on the Senatorial question. While the two great political factions were thus represented there was another element in the contest which developed to small share of strength—sufficient, certainly, if thrown on one side, to result in an election. This balancing power, which throughout the session has stood aloof from the leading parties and remained firm in its adherence to its representative candidate, has been the subject of much discussion in the Legislature, and its vote was cast for Mr. Amos C. Barstow, of Westerly, a prominent and energetic advocate, who at one time was Mayor of this city, and has held other positions of importance in the municipality. The General Assembly adjourned on Jan. 25, after taking twenty-one ballots without any material change of indication of an immediate break in the deadlock. The last balloting was as follows:—

Table with 2 columns: Name and Number of Votes. Includes Burnside (47), Dixon (28), Barstow (19), and others.

While the scattering vote may change it is generally known that the two leading elements will continue to support their respective candidates with renewed persistency and manœuvring to increase their numbers from the ranks of the scattering vote. The general opinion is that no person of any formidable person was presented as a compromise candidate who would secure the support of the Sprague party and the Goddard faction. Governor Henry Howard; but that gentleman has repeatedly declined to allow himself to be put in nomination, and has expressed his belief, would throw their votes in favor of Dixon in preference to Burnside, and would not support the possibility of gaining several votes from the scattering vote. The Dixon party build their hopes. Such a result is not altogether improbable and may be looked for, if the contest continues as it is now being conducted. The Democrats constitute but a small fraction of the Legislature and their support is not likely to be secured. They ventured to vote for Judge Bradley, but he is unpopular on account of his war record. There is a feeling of dissatisfaction on the part of the voters, and a choice is reached, and the "unknown ingo" yet remains to be developed.

PENNSYLVANIA SENATORSHIP.

EXCITING PREPARATIONS FOR WEDNESDAY'S ELECTION—THE CHANCES OF WALLACE'S SUCCESS SLIGHTLY DIMINISHED—ALLISON THERE PROBABLE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 18, 1875. The leading State politicians of both parties are now here in full force and the battle over the question of the United States Senatorship is as exciting as it is complex. To-morrow the members of both houses will assemble by themselves and each will elect their man, while on Wednesday both houses will assemble in joint convention when the final result will be made known. It is by no means certain that Mr. Wallace will carry the election, but the chances are in his favor. He is a man of high standing and has a good record. His opponent, Allison, is also a man of high standing and has a good record. The contest is expected to be a close one.

According to the last figures the Democrats have in both houses 122, while the Republicans have 119, but in their 122 the Democrats include a large number of Unionists. It is well known that the contest is exceedingly close, and that the slightest hitch would elect a Republican Senator. The hour of the contest is now at hand, and the working energetically to create dissension in the Democratic ranks; among whom may be mentioned the names of Messrs. Allison, and others. The contest has assumed an additional dramatic phase by the unexpected appearance of a new candidate in the field, Mr. Hendricks B. Wright. He is doing well in the contest, and has a good record. He is a man of high standing and has a good record. The contest is expected to be a close one.

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MASSACHUSETTS SENATORSHIP.

PROCEEDINGS AT THE REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRATIC CONFERENCES—TROUBLE ABOUT THE CANDIDATURE OF DAWES AND HOAR—CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS PROBABLY THE CHOICE FOR SENATOR.

BOSTON, Jan. 18, 1875. There have been two very important matters determined in Boston to-day. The first is that the Republican party, so far as Massachusetts is concerned, is substantially among the things of the past, and the second is that the Senatorial mantle of the late Sumner is to fall upon no less a statesman than Charles Francis Adams. These are truths which will almost unquestionably be verified in the course of two or three days. The meeting this evening of the Republican members of the Legislature for a conference on the Senatorial question, in view of the election which is to take place to-morrow was one of the most significant events of the period, indicative of the decline of the party in Massachusetts. On the other hand, the conference of the Democrats for the same purpose was characterized by a moderation and statesmanship which was almost inevitable, and the threatened consequences are that they have not only captured the Senatorship, but have inaugurated the preliminaries for giving the State to the democracy in 1876, and indefinitely thereafter. The call for the meeting of the Republicans was signed by both the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, and also by several members of the Republican State Central Committee. There were probably about 150 present, and the matter to be discussed was the Senatorial question. Mr. Dawes, or Mr. Hoar, or Mr. Adams, or Mr. Francis Adams, were the candidates for the national Senator.

The adherents of both candidates were firm and unyielding, and one side could see nothing in the candidate on the other side to persuade them to desert their favorite. After the meeting had been called to order Colonel King, one of the Boston Republicans, broke the ice with a long and eloquent speech, in which he frequently declared that he was for nobody in particular, but for the democratic members here, and he hoped that, as Republicans, they would see the wisdom of nominating the best man, and that he would not be disappointed if they went on in this way for a considerable time, but when he closed he proposed the name of Henry L. Dawes and followed up the proposal with a motion that the meeting proceed to the nomination of a candidate. This sudden suggestion and menacing motion aroused the indignation of the Democrats, and the Republican leader, Mr. Rice, of Worcester, was early upon the floor. He said that when he signed the call for the meeting he had no intention of proposing a conference and not a caucus, and he wished it understood that he should not feel bound to abide by the action of the Democratic members here. A very forcible and excited manner he held that the meeting could not go back of the call, and that he would not be going to have the matter cracked over his head by Colonel King or anybody else. When Mr. Rice had finished the supporters of Mr. Dawes again called for a ballot, and the meeting proceeded to certain the sentiment of the Republican members. All these efforts, however, were destined to defeat in one way or another.

The Hoar men were clever and shrewd, and every man in the room seemed to be a politician. He was defeated by vote, was talked to death or numbered with amendments. It was in vain that the Dawes men sought to get a vote on any question, and the meeting proceeded to the nomination