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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

News from all Parts of the World in Brief—Business Failures, Disastrous Fires—The Pope, &c.

LONDON, Dec 18.—There is some discussion about the further reduction of the bank's minimum rate of discount, but the reduction is not very probable. CHICAGO, Dec 18.—Henry Greenham & Co, private bankers, have failed. Liabilities nearly a half million. They will probably pay fifty cents on the dollar.

SACRAMENTO, CAL. Dec 18.—J T Farley has been elected United States Senator to succeed Sargent. PARIS, Dec 18.—M Gigot, a moderate Republican, has been appointed prefect of the police.

ROME, Dec 18.—The Pope's rheumatic pains are excruciating. NASHVILLE, TENN, Dec 18.—Hughes & Co's hardware establishment has been partially burned. Some cotton had been saturated with coal oil and powder and placed in four different localities. Had the fire progressed as the incendiaries intended nearly all the firemen would have been killed.

LONDON, Dec 18.—The ship Sunda, from New York for Liverpool, was burned at sea on the 3rd of December. Her crew is at Liverpool. A special to the Times says it is reported that three of the prominent short horn breeders of Clark county, Kentucky, to wit: W D Sutherland, J V Grigsby and John J Sutherland, have failed. Their liabilities range from \$40,000 to \$80,000 each.

KNOXVILLE, TENN, Dec 18.—Jack Hunt, the wife murderer, was executed at Madisonville to day. An immense crowd was present from the surrounding counties. WASHINGTON, Dec 18.—The naval report of inquiry on the Huron disaster attributes the loss of the vessel to a lack of seamanship.

LONDON, Dec 18.—The ship Sunda, from New York for Liverpool, was burned at sea on the 3rd of December. Her crew is at Liverpool. THE TURCO-RUSSIAN WAR.

Osman Alive—Turkey's Efforts for Peace a Failure—The Peace Examined—England Censured for Serbia's Treachery.

LONDON, Dec 18.—Osman Pasha is still alive. The Post says: "Another cabinet council will be held to-day. The serious aspect of foreign affairs engages the constant attention of the ministry, and it is felt that the time has arrived when momentous questions may have to be considered."

A special to the Standard from Rome announces that the Pope granted a dispensation authorizing the marriage of the King of Spain with Princess Mercedes.

The Vienna correspondent of the Times telegraphs: "Turkey's first pacific efforts may be regarded as a failure. Germany hinted that treating directly with Russia, would be the shortest way to an understanding. It seems that the Austrian government replied that it could not hold out any hope of successful mediation."

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec 18.—Erroneous interpretations having been given to the circular of the Porte inviting mediation. It is officially explained that Turkey does not approach the powers as a vanquished State, since she still has two lines of defence which the government believes she would be able to hold. The Porte, by its circular, desires to intimate its willingness to consider the proposals made by the Constantinople conference. As war began owing to Turkey's refusal to adhere to those proposals, the Porte thinks it might be determined now on that basis.

LONDON, Dec 18.—The Times Constantinople dispatch says: "England is in great disfavor here on account of Serbia's treachery, which English influence in favor of Serbia rendered possible. There is a strong impression here that England will oppose the opening of the Dardanelles, which Turkey and probably all the other powers, are prepared to concede. If the Turks refuse the concession it will be because of the conviction that England will help them in their extremity."

THE FEDERAL CAPITAL.

Hester Looking up Land Frauds on the Government in Florida—Personal Mention.

WASHINGTON, Dec 18.—Maj Thomas M Vincent, Assistant Adjutant General, is ordered to the department of Texas to succeed Maj Joseph Taylor, ordered to the department of the East. Major Samue Breck will succeed Maj Vincent.

NIGHT DISPATCHES.

WASHINGTON, Dec 18.—Commissioner Williamson, of the General Land Office, has a report from Special Agt Hester, in Florida, that a writ replevin has been issued from the United States court for the possession of 900,000 feet of sawed lumber and 4,000 pine logs, cut from the public lands. Governor George F Drew, Lewis Buck, Jas Parker and LaFayette Dickens are the defendants. Hester also reports suits instituted for the possession of several hundred barrels of rosin and turpentine, and that warrants have been issued for the arrest of various parties, including Parker and Dickens, referred to above.

WASHINGTON, Dec 18.—Gen Vincent has been transferred from the War Department to the Rio Grande because there is wanted there an adjutant general of cool judgment and great experience.

Ex-Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, becomes consul general at Paris, vice Gen Tobert.

Blaine has decided to seek balm at the Hot Springs of Arkansas. He leaves to-morrow in company with Senators Chafice and Dorsey, ex-Secretary Robeson and Congressman Hale.

An Illinois Bank Closes Doors.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., Dec 18.—The Springfield Savings Bank closed to-day. Liabilities \$162,000, chiefly small depositors. The most of the directors are wealthy. It is stated that every liability will be paid in full. The bank had been doing business ten years.

FROM GERMANY.

How the Differences Between Bismarck and the Emperor are About to be Adjusted.

LONDON, Dec 18.—With reference to internal questions which are now dividing Prince Bismarck from Emperor William and some of the ministers, the Standard's Berlin dispatch says: "Prince Bismarck seems to have overcome the obstacles which have hitherto hindered the realization of his plan for the remodelling of the cabinet. A rumor is gaining credit that Herr Cantharusen, vice president of the council of ministers and Minister of Finance, and Dr Achenboet, Minister of Commerce and Public Works, will resign, and that the latter will be replaced by Dr Freudenthal, Minister of Agriculture, and that Herr Bennigsen, President of the Chamber of Deputies, will become Home Minister, and the other portfolios will be held until when Bismarck returns to Berlin. Such a rotation would be a success for the national liberal party, who, up to the middle of last week, despaired of so hopeful an issue. Apparently the conservatives declined at the last moment to enter the cabinet previous to the removal of Dr Falk, Minister of Public Instruction and Ecclesiastical Affairs, unless they had guarantees that all ecclesiastical laws, issued since the beginning of the ecclesiastical war, should be partly abolished and partly remodelled. Bismarck is now working to remove some courtiers of high rank, whom he charges with conspiracy against him. According to the latest intelligence he has, up to this time, not been successful, but there are indications that those courtiers must this time yield to the chancellor."

MEXICAN AFFAIRS. Down with the Diaz Government—Flocking to the Standard of Lerdo—State Troops Surrendering to Mexicans.

A San Antonio dispatch says: "Col Amador, commander of the Lerdo forces, with two hundred men has been disarming the Diaz guards at Mier, and releasing them upon a promise that they will not take up arms against the Lerdo cause. Mexicans favoring Lerdo, who had taken refuge in Texas, are flocking to his standard. His accession in one day reached upwards of forty." CHICAGO, Dec 18.—Capt Blair, commanding the United States troops at El Paso, Texas, telegraphs, on the 17th inst., that nothing new had occurred at San Elizario up to that time, but one man named Ellis, belonging to the Texas Rangers had been killed. An avenger of the United States troops en route to San Elizario from points in New Mexico is hourly expected.

GALVESTON, Dec 18.—A News special from Austin says: "A dispatch has been received by the Governor from the sheriff of El Paso county, stating that the State troops surrendered to the Mexican mob at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Their ammunition was exhausted and they were unable to hold out longer. After the surrender Howard, Atkinson and McBride were shot to death by the Mexicans."

GALVESTON, Dec 18.—The News has a special from Fort Clark, that Col Young and Lieut Bullis are safe there.

AFFAIRS IN ENGLAND.

A Difference in the Cabinet in Reference to the Treaty of Paris.

MANCHESTER, Dec 18.—The London correspondent of the Manchester Guardian telegraphs that a journal "It was the gossip of all the political clubs to-day (Monday) that the cabinet is divided about the measures to be taken to prevent a one sided alteration of the treaty of Paris, and that Lord Derby, foreign minister, and the Marquis of Salisbury, secretary of state for India, are opposed to the pet scheme of Lord Beaconsfield, the Premier, to summon Parliament to meet earlier than usual. It is exceedingly probable that Parliament will meet on the 17th of January, to which time it was prorogued, last week, but the means by which Lord Beaconsfield hopes to maintain British interests under the treaty of Paris will require further deliberation. [NOTE.—Parliament usually meets in February.]

Proceedings in the French Assembly.

VERSAILLES, Dec 18.—In the Senate M Pouyer, Quartier, read a report from the Finance committee upon the bill authorizing the collection of four direct taxes and two twelfths of the budget. The report recommended the adoption of the bills. The Senate then unanimously voted four direct taxes and two twelfths of the budget.

In the Deputies M Dufaire presented a bill for the abolition of the press on press offences. The session of both houses has closed. The Deputies meet on the 8th of January.

A Georgia Forger Gets Run Up on in Canada.

ST JOHN, N B, Dec 18.—An excitement was created last evening by the arrest of Charles Chapman by Detective Baillie, of Georgia. Chapman registered at the Queen's Hotel on December 3rd, informing the proprietor that he was a detective seeking a kidnapper who had committed depredations during the war. Detective Baillie says Chapman's last operation was a forgery for \$1,500 in Georgia. He will be examined to-day.

A DIFFICULT OPERATION WELL PERFORMED—Dr W M Campbell, assisted by Dr D B Wood, performed a skillful operation last week on a little child of Mr Wm W Hare, who resides near Bethany, in this county. One of the child's eyes was much swollen and inflamed, and was thought to have been affected with a cancer, but this afterwards proved to be a tumor. After a careful examination the doctors agreed that the ball of the eye would have to be extracted. The child was put to sleep with chloroform, and the ball of the eye was removed in five minutes, without the appearance of the slightest pain. The child is almost entirely well now.—Stateville Landmark.

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Notice.

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Christmas Fancy

Goods!

JUST Received a splendid assortment of German, French and Chinese novelties consisting in part of Fine Decorated China, Glass and Majolica Vases, Cups and Saucers, Flower Pots, Wall Vases, Card Receivers, Chinese Kioio Tete-a-Tete Sets, Chinese Cabinets, Waiters, Card Trays and Card Cases. A general assortment of Silver Plated Fancy articles of the best American manufacture. A very large and well selected assortment of Toys for children. The largest and cheapest Stock of Holiday Goods ever exhibited in this market. The public and especially the ladies are invited to call and examine my stock. dec18 1w JAMES HARTY.

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