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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The *Pall Mall Gazette* says that, during a disturbance in Perambucco, growing out of the measures taken by the Brazilian Bishops against the Freemasons, the Jesuits' College was broken into, sacred pictures destroyed, confessionals shattered, and four of the fathers beaten, one of whom died from the blows received.

Mr. Gladstone has been legally advised that his re-election to Parliament is not required by his assumption of the Chancellorship of the Exchequer.

Many coal pits in Lancashire have been closed, several thousands of miners having struck in consequence of dissatisfaction with the weighing system.

The Imperial family of Russia will assemble to formally receive and welcome the Duke of Edinburgh, who goes to St. Petersburg in December next. The marriage of the Duke with the Grand Duchess Maria will take place in the following month.

Bombay despatches report that destructive floods have recently afflicted the province of Agra. Thirty-five hundred native houses were swept away by the water, and many lives lost.

The iron masters of Manchester have determined on a lock out of one-tenth of their men, to commence on Saturday next, and to be followed every two weeks by another lock out. It is probable that the movement thus inaugurated at Manchester by the masters will extend throughout the country. The iron workers of Bolton urge the men at Manchester to meet the lock out by a strike of all hands. The aspect of affairs excites great interest in London, as an extensive strike is apprehended. The points in dispute between masters and men have reference to the rates for piecework and overtime. The Society of Engineers have now on hand a fund of five hundred thousand dollars, with which they will assist the iron workers.

By the caving in of a tunnel at Shepton Mallet, Somerset, four workmen were killed and twenty wounded.

The cholera has broken out in the province of Bosnia, Turkey.

Work on the Holyhead breakwater is finished, and the formal opening was celebrated on the 19th. The Prince of Wales officiated.

The New King of the Sandwich Island favours the annexation of Pearl Harbour to the United States for a naval station, and wants to establish a reciprocity treaty.

Professor James Watson, Ann Arbor College, Michigan, recently discovered a new planet in 23h. 2m. right ascension, and 2deg. 40 min. declination south. Small motion south. It is of the eleventh magnitude.

A report from the vessel in which Henri Rochefort was shipped for New Caledonia says that his fellow convicts, considering his course as treasonable to the cause of the Commune, made an attempt to lynch him. The officers of the ship were obliged to assign him quarters apart from and protected against the Communist exiles.

M. Thiers arrived in Belfort on the 15th, in accordance with the promise long since made to visit that city, after it had been evacuated by the German troops. The inhabitants were very enthusiastic in their demonstrations of welcome. The town was decorated with flags, and in the evening was brilliantly illuminated, and later in the night the ex President was serenaded.

Thus far during the month the government has forbidden or suppressed the sale of twenty Republican newspapers in the Provinces. The leaders of the Left intend to publish a protest against these suppressions, and to question the government on the subject when the Assembly meets.

The Carlists say that, among the cargo safely delivered to them from the *Deerhound* were 1700 Bergen rifles.

The Carlists have again entered the town of Estelle.

The Cortes are now engaged in the discussion of the new loan bill, the first article of which has been adopted.

A Berlin letter says that one of the events for which it is well to be prepared is the death of the German Emperor.

A desperate engagement recently took place between a force of Carlists, numbering 2400 men, and three columns of Republi-

cans. The battle was fought in the open country between the town of Berga and Caseras, and resulted in the defeat of the Republicans, with a loss of two hundred men and one gun.

A despatch from Seebuir, north-east of Pampeluna, says:—We (the Carlists) are marching with Generals Elio and Dorregary and five thousand men towards Arragon, with a view to raise that province and act jointly with the movement in Catalonia and Navarre. On the 15th, we passed within sight of Pampeluna. No attempt was made to molest us. Three hours later we took Fort Bourguette, which was abandoned by its garrison. We found a quantity of war material. General Velasco, commander of the Republican forces, has demanded from Madrid ten thousand men as a reinforcement, without which he declares himself unable to operate.

Carthage is preparing for a long struggle. All males above sixteen years have been enrolled. The streets are deserted. The insurgents are issuing paper money.

A special despatch, dated the 17th, says that the British yacht *Deerhound* is detained at San Sebastian. Col. Stuart is a prisoner on board. The capture comprises rifles and cartridges.

It is anticipated that the capture of the British steam yacht *Deerhound* by a Spanish man of war will involve the governments of England, France and Spain, in a diplomatic correspondence, because the vessel which seized the *Deerhound* had assumed British colours, and the capture was effected in French waters.

The Emperor William of Germany, who is sojourning at Gastien (Austria), gave an audience on the 15th to Dr. Philip Schoff, the bearer of cordial greetings to His Majesty from the New York General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In his remarks in reply, the Emperor dwelt upon the necessity of Christians working together in order to combat infidelity and superstition.

The trial of Marshal Bazaine will take place on Monday, October 6. The Marshal received notice of the charges on Friday last week, and has chosen as his counsel Maître Lachaud. About 300 witnesses will be called for the prosecution. It is thought the trial will extend over 60 days.