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THE PLAGUE IN RUSSIA.

The Pestilence Brought from Turkish Battlegrounds.

A SOLDIER'S FATAL GIFT.

VIENNA, Feb. 3.—The Medico-Chirurgical Central Blatt states that the origin of the pestilence in Russia is as follows: A Cosack, returning from the war to West-Prussia, brought his lady-love a shawl, which was probably part of his spoil. The girl wore it two days, and died of the symptoms of the plague and died. During the following four days other members of the family died, and the disease spread rapidly, but the local authorities did not pay any attention to it till the inhabitant who had died and whose remains were unable to bury the victims. The epidemic had assumed serious dimensions by the 24th November, but the Government only informed officially on the 14th December.

The authorities have since exerted themselves to the utmost. As the only way to check the disease is to prevent all communication between the districts where it reigns and others which are healthy, a double cordon is being formed, firstly, in the towns and villages, shutting off streets where the plague reigns, and secondly by surrounding the places with troops, so that nobody is allowed to pass. Quarantine also being instituted at the border of the infected districts. The population is to take an active part in preventing the crossing of the sanitary line. The panic in Russia is almost incredible. People of every class and station have petitioned for the entire cessation of all intercourse—even of postal communication—between the west of Russia and the Volga. Letters sent from the Astrakhan and Tauris are not received by the persons to whom they are addressed. Some people even refuse to take paper money.

A Berlin correspondent says Russian railway cars are no longer admitted to German territory. The export of grain from Poland will suffer severely from this restriction. The Russian Government is discussing the expediency of prohibiting the transit of Russian provisions sent to the Balkan army. The Russian sanitary commission has proposed to shut off the Volga line from all intercourse with Russia and to permit communication only under quarantine.

The Porte announces that Russian ports are quarantined against Turkish ports on the European coast of the Black Sea. The East Roumelian Commission has proposed the same measure for the coast of the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles, and Romania has decreed a similar course in the delta of the Danube and issued regulations identical with those put in force by Austria in regard to traffic and the importation of goods across the Russian frontier.

BERLIN, Feb. 3.—An imperial decree establishes strict passport regulations for persons entering Germany from the east. February 18th. Every traveller before entering Germany must prove he has not been in a suspected infected district within twenty days; all clothes and baggage must be disinfected.

Paris, Feb. 3.—In consequence against the plague are being taken at Marseilles and other ports.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 3.—A detachment of one of infantry are marching to reinforce the military cordon, which is a thousand miles long, around the district infected by the pestilence.

BUCHAREST, Feb. 4.—A regiment has started from this place and another from Galatz for the frontier to a sanitary cordon on the Russian frontier.

PALERMO, Feb. 4.—A rumour of an outbreak of the plague in Sicily has caused demonstrations here, which were quieted by the announcement that the Government had ordered the quarantine of one of all arrivals from the Black Sea.

BERLIN, Feb. 4.—It is stated that according to an investigation by the Prussian authorities, the plague existed in Astrakhan since May, 1877. Even paper money in the district has been ordered to be burned.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—A Berlin despatch says—It is reported that Germany and Austria are preparing to call England's attention to the danger of the unrestricted admission of imports from Russia.

A NEW SOURCE OF GRAIN SUPPLY.
Siberia likely to be a formidable competitor for the wheat of the West.

LONDON, Feb. 3.—The Pall Mall Gazette says—in consequence of the discovery of a sea route to Siberia, two schooners were built at Tiumen. One sailed last August laden with wheat to St. Petersburg, and arrived at the mouth of the River Obi on September 3rd, after which she proceeded to London and Constantinople. The other is likely to be a formidable competitor with American and even with Russian wheat, as it may be sold in London, including freight, for 90 cents per bushel, while Russian wheat costs 108 cents and American wheat 110 cents.

Home Rules in Council.
DUBLIN, Feb. 4.—At the meeting of the Home Rule League to-night, several Home Rule members of Parliament were present. The extremists violently attacked Dr. Butt. The resolution, which the latter threatened to regard as a declaration of want of confidence, was rejected by 34 to 22. It is reported Dr. Butt is dissatisfied with the closeness of the division.

The Zulu War.—The English will have some tough fighting at the Cape before they subdue the Zulus, led by Cetewayo. No potentate in Africa takes greater pride in his military array than the Zulu King. It is as much a hobby with him as it is with some Indian princes to maintain a large army in as efficient a condition as circumstances render possible. Since his accession to the throne the rudiments of drill have been introduced into the Zulu host, and the greater number of his troops carry arms of precision. Lord Chelmsford, the present Commander-in-Chief at the Cape, has just published a pamphlet which gives the numerical strength of the Zulu army as a little over 40,000 men, without including the remnants of veterans. Following the German plan, Cetewayo passes the male population of his kingdom through the ranks. Enlistment commences at fourteen or fifteen years of age, and it would appear that the army is enrolled, being permanently to the army, for it is stated that no soldier is allowed to marry till he is forty years old, being more than twenty years from the date of enlistment. The regular troops are divided into thirty-three regiments, extending to seven veteran battalions, eighteen regiments being composed of married soldiers and fifteen of bachelors. The Lord Chelmsford has no more than 14,000 men under his command, a large portion of whom are, unfortunately, saying he has orders to hold him. If the United States Attorney will decide him by the force of the set the Sheriff will take him by force.

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NEWS FROM ABROAD.

EUROPE.

Albert Grant has filed a petition in bankruptcy. Liabilities, \$681,993.

A German loan of seventy million marks will shortly be placed on the market.

The Car is unwell, having an attack of asthma. Prince Gortschakoff is seriously ill.

Henry Lane theatre is closed because the performers refuse to agree to a reduction of wages.

The Porte has agreed to pay Russia half a million francs for the cost of Turkish prisoners.

A Copenhagen despatch says a diplomatic rupture between Germany and Denmark is probable.

The Pall Mall Gazette says it is reported the Government intend to appoint the Duke of Connaught Viscount of Ireland.

A Dublin correspondent states that three Catholic bishops informed the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland that the Catholics were not in favour of any fair compromise.

It is reported that Bismarck suggested a treaty with Austria abrogating the effects of a treaty of Prague as soon as the betrothal of the Princess Thyra to the Duke of Cumberland was made known.

The Berlin National Gazette says it is highly probable that the remarkable attitude of the Danish Court at the Duke of Cumberland's marriage has prompted Germany to ask Austria through clause five of the Treaty of Prague.

A group of English financiers through Sir H. Lydell, British Ambassador at Constantinople, have offered the Porte a much better financial scheme than that offered by the French syndicate. They also include in their offer of a loan of twelve millions.

The marriage of the Duke of Connaught will, it is expected, take place at Windsor Castle early in the month of March. Several of the state apartments of the palace have already been in readiness for the Royal nuptials, and other preparations will be made prior to the ceremonial.

A Berlin despatch says there is a credible rumour that Dr. Falk, Minister of Public Worship, has proposed, and the Pope has accepted, a scheme of reconciliation making Prussia, instead of South Germany, the centre of gravity in ecclesiastical affairs, and detaching the sees of Metz and Strasbourg from the Church of France.

The Legal Committee of the German Federal Council have finished consideration of the Parliamentary gagging bill. They have no far eliminated the most obvious clauses and otherwise softened its harshness until it is scarcely recognizable. The bill is a disgraceful and a disgraceful act, and will insist upon the whole bill as originally proposed by him or nothing.

The difference between Russia and Roumania respecting the proprietorship of a fortress on the outskirts of Silistria is regarded as likely to test the present friendship of the Austrian Government, which supports the delimitation of the Dobruja frontier, protested against by the Roumanians, but they hope that the attitude of Russia will, from an English point of view, leave no ground for criticism or reproach.

A Rome despatch says—In consequence of the strained condition of the political relations between Russia and Austria, the Emperor has ordered the Emperor's army to be put on a war footing.

The police having arrested Charles Peace, alias John Ward, the alleged murderer of Blackheath, and the notorious burglar of the London docks, he had to be committed on board a train for Sheffield, where the magistrates and a large crowd awaited his arrival. The woman who had been seen on board a train for Sheffield, where the train passed Sheffield Peace was observed to be very restless, and on the train about thirteen miles from Sheffield, he asked that one of the windows might be opened for the purpose of fresh air. The train, which is one of the fastest express of the day, was running at full speed, and at the time that the window was open the train was travelling at the rate of forty-five miles an hour. The police had been notified that the man was on the foot of the convict, but was unable to improve his hold, and his companion endeavoured to drop on the line, and render him any assistance. Peace, in the meantime, made the most strenuous efforts to release himself, and notwithstanding the vigilance of the police, he managed to fall forward on the track, he struggled most violently to get away, but he was held fast by the rails, and he kicked the hands that grasped his feet, and doubling himself up, endeavoured to throw his hands in the air, but he was held fast by the rails, and he was held fast by the rails, and he was held fast by the rails.

The venerable poet and essayist, Richard Henry Dana, died on Sunday morning, aged eighty-three. He had been sick for several weeks, but his condition was not considered serious until Thursday.

At the burial of Ashburton Webster, at Marshfield, the lid of the casket containing the remains of his grandfather, Daniel Webster, was opened and his face, having been embalmed, was perfectly recognizable. It was reported that John E. Skinner, a compositor on a newspaper in New Haven, Conn., has been left a fortune of three-quarters of a million of dollars by Antoine Mercey, of the island of St. Thomas. Mercey was formerly a dissipated young man, and Skinner had befriended him.

In the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania on Monday night, a bill was introduced appropriating \$4,000,000 for the payment of losses of property occasioned by the riot of July 1877. The Pennsylvania Railroad Company is expected to throw its powerful influence in favour of the measure.

The Brooklyn, N.Y., Presbytery met on Monday for the purpose of calling Mr. Talmage pastor of the Tabernacle, to account for wandering from the prescribed lines of Presbyterianism, and for bringing religion into contempt. A committee was appointed to investigate the reports derogatory to Talmage.

A Walla Walla despatch says a warrant was issued by a Justice of the Peace in Yokoma county for the arrest of Chief Moses for consoling a Chinaman Indian Sheriff attempted to serve the warrant, but the Indian Agent refused to deliver up Moses, saying he has orders to hold him. If the United States Attorney will decide him by the force of the set the Sheriff will take him by force.

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