

deriving a malicious pleasure from reading or aiding to circulate the harsh truths that are told regarding him.

The news of the month is the retirement of M. Casabianca from the office of Minister of State, or Premier, in which he is succeeded by M. Achille Fould, the well known financial operator. Other changes in the Council of State have taken place, caused by the removal of those members who dared to vote against the seizure of the Orleans property, and the substitution of the merest tools. One of these last alone has a name which may be recognised; it is that of M. de Cormenin, the author of some clever pamphlets, an Orleanist, Republican, or Bonapartist, as suits him best.—The festival announced for the 15th, at Paris, was, we read, to be shorn of its expected military attractiveness. The National Guard is not thought to be ripe for the distribution of the Eagles. The *Moniteur* assigns as a reason for the change that the President might be embarrassed by the cries of the citizen soldiary—meaning its presumed clamour for the Empire. The truth appears to be that “His Highness” is fearful of their silence.

The Prussian Government has semi-officially denied the existence of the treaty antagonistic to a French hereditary Empire, which the London *Morning Chronicle* lately dug up from some unknown source. We still suspect that the Elysée has been at the bottom of it.—Victor Hugo, expelled from France, has now been driven out of Belgium, and has taken refuge in the island of Jersey. His forthcoming “Napoleon the Little,” if written up to his standard of ability, will produce a strong sensation in France, whence it will scarcely be possible to exclude it.

The Arts in France have sustained a severe loss in the person of Tony Johannot, whose clever pictorial illustrations of books must be remembered by many of our readers.

Concerning such public affairs of the United

States as have interest for us, it may be noticed that on Saturday last, in the Senate Chamber at Washington, Mr. Seward of New York made a full and satisfactory statement of the difficulties regarding the Fisheries. We do not propose to follow him through his long and able speech;—content that he exposed the absurdity of all the hubbub that has been raised about it, and showed that there was no novelty in the claim now enforced by Great Britain, and no necessity for the indignation hitherto expressed.

The President of the U. S. has declined answering an enquiry from the Senate, as to proposals made to the American Government for the annexation of the Sandwich Islands. From this fact it may be inferred that the matter has actually been under consideration by the Cabinet at Washington.

The invasion of Guayaquil by the redoubtable General Flores has resulted in a miserable failure. His forces have been dispersed, and his vessels have been given up to Gen. Urbina, the President of Ecuador. Flores himself contrived to escape.

Late accounts from Havannah mention that many political arrests have been made, and that an uneasy feeling prevails:—At present we hear of no further infamous and insane projects for invasion. Unwonted secrecy has been preserved, if there be any in contemplation; but we doubt the fact.

THE MILITIA.—The uniform for the Militia is in active preparation, Government having contracted for several thousand sets, of which the greater part are already completed. The dress is of the ordinary military appearance—the coat buttons close up to the neck, and the tail is the narrow peak, or “boattail.” The colour is scarlet, with yellow collar and cuffs, one row of buttons, of a dark leaden hue, surmounted by a crown only, by Firmin, decorates the front.



FARM MACHINERY.—The portable farming produce mill, from Mr. Crosskill, of Boverly, has been tried at Canterbury, in the presence of many of the leading agriculturists in the neighbourhood. The experiment was very satisfactory; it ground oats and beans, and, to show what it was capable of doing, flint stones were ground to fine powder, by putting different kinds of grinding plate in, an operation which was attested in 15 minutes; and from which, it appears, any substance can be ground, from flint-stones to barley meal. The mill was driven by the portable steam-engine

belonging to Mr. Noame, of Selling, who, we are informed, has purchased the mill. At a private trial at Mr. Noame's farm, at Selling, it crushed oats at the rate of 30 bushels per hour, and split beans at the rate of 60 bushels per hour, and ground barley to fine meal at the rate of 8 bushels per hour, besides grinding bones, and crushing flint stones, bricks, &c.—*Canadian Journal*.

RANSOME AND MAX'S ONE-HORSE HARVEST CART.—This cart is very useful and well adapted for carrying large loads from the harvest fields. It