



CIVIL WAR has broken out in Khartoum.

THE Island of Crete is in a state of revolt.

RUSSIA has resumed her military activity.

M. GODARD, the French aeronaut, is dead.

GERMANY is fitting out four Arctic expeditions.

HUXLEY is going to make his residence in Italy.

CYCLONES, floods and famine have been doing India.

THERE is a war cloud hanging over central Europe.

JOHN McCULLOUGH, the actor, is now hopelessly idiotic.

THE cost of General Grant's funeral was about \$20,000.

THE Czar of Russia and his family speak the English language.

THE Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland has a salary of £20,000 a year.

SPAIN is about to contract a \$20,000,000 debt in behalf of Cuba.

BARNUM estimates that 10,000,000 children have seen Jumbo.

WARD's monument to Garfield will be dedicated next December.

ANGELO, of Vienna, is to paint another portrait of Queen Victoria.

CANON FARRAR is progressing satisfactorily upon his lecturing tour.

PRINCE JEROME NAPOLEON has started on a voyage around the world.

THE Governor-General of Canada is visiting the North-West Provinces.

THE Montreal smallpox epidemic is not showing any signs of abatement.

THREE million pupils now attend the free schools in the Southern States.

THE site of the city of Boston was sold in 1635 by John Blackstone for £30.

THE Queen is expected to remain at Balmoral till the second week in November.

THE American exhibition in London next summer promises to be a success.

THE United States is behind Canada in the matter of the postal saving system.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway has completed its line from Montreal to Winnipeg.

THE venerable historian, George Bancroft, was eighty-five years old on October 3.

GERMANY and Spain have decided to "let the old love go on just as it used to do."

THERE are fifty-three Thursdays in 1885. How can there be fifty-three Thursdays in fifty-two weeks?

FRENCH railways annually kill one passenger in every 2,000,000 carried; English railways, one in every 21,500,000 carried.

JUMBO and Goldsmith Maid died almost at the same time. One was born great and the other had greatness forced upon her.—*The Current*.

THE British Government is preparing for a tremendous celebration, June 30, 1887, of the fiftieth anniversary of Queen Victoria's accession to the throne.

MR. GLADSTONE has expressed himself delighted with his trip to Norway, being charmed with the welcome reception accorded to him everywhere, the fine scenery, and the people.

ON the evening of the 15th of September, upon the platform of the Brooklyn Tabernacle, amid the plaudits of the assembled multitude, the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher and the Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage clasped hands with a heartiness that gave no room to doubt of the sincerity and spontaneousness of the occasion.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND is fairly and squarely in favor of Civil Service Reform. There can be no doubt about this. His policy is not indefinite or doubtful, and every honest citizen should applaud him for his consistency. Party politics ought to rise above petty jealousy and applaud honesty wherever seen and found, even though it be in an enemy.

A SWISS scientist estimates that in 1970 there will be 860,000,000 people in the world speaking English, 124,000,000 German, and 69,500,000 French. These calculations are made on the hypothesis that in England the population doubles in fifty years; in the United States, Canada and Australia, in twenty-five years; in Germany, in one hundred and five years; and in France and the countries using the French language, in one hundred and forty years.