strategy and regiments for tactics. He found these village staticly and regiments for another in the rotation of a surprise, quickly gathered, quickly dispersed; but he felt that they lacked solidity; they were like water in his hand; he wanted to create a solid base in this floating and diffused war; he wanted d to ight to the corner army of the forwater comparing drilled ed to join to the savage army of the forests regularly drilled troops that would make a pivot about which he could manœuvre the peasants. It was a profound and terrible conception; if it had succeeded, the Vendée would have been unconquerable.

But where to find regular troops? Where look for soldiers? Where seek for regiments? Where discover an army ready-from Lantenac's sight. He had only one thought, to get pos-session of some point on the coast and deliver it up to Pitt. That was why, seeing Dol defenceless, he flung himself upon it; the taking of the town would give him Mount Dol and Mount Dol the coast.

The place was well chosen. The cannon of Mount Dol would sweep the Fresnois on one side and Saint-Brelade on the other; would keep the cruisers of Cancale at a distance, and leave the whole beach, from Raz-sur-Couësnon to Saint-Meloir-des-Oudes, clear for an invasion.

For the carrying out of this decisive attempt Lantenac had brought with him only a little over six thousand men, the flower of the bands which he had at his disposal, and all his artillery, ten sixteen-pound culverins, a demi-culverin, and a four-pounder. His idea was to establish a strong battery on Mount Dol, upon the principle that a thousand shots fired from ten cannon do more execution than fifteen hundred fired with five. Success appeared certain. They were six thousand men. Towards Avranches, they had only Gauvain and his fifteen hundred men to fear, and Lechelle had twenty-five thousand men, but he was twenty leagues away. So Lantenac felt contidence; on Lechelle's side h) put the great dis-tance against the great numbers; with Gauvain, the size of the force against the propinquity. Let us add that Lechelle was an idiot, who later on allowed his twenty-five thousand men to be exterminated in the *landes* of the Croix-Bataille, a blun-der which he atomad for $h = a \min_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}$ der which he atoned for by suicide.

So Lantenac felt perfect security. His entrance into Dol was sudden and stern. The Marquis de Lantenac had a stern rejutation; he was known to be without pity. No resi tance was attempted. The terrified inhabitants barricaded them-selves in their houses. The six thousand Vendeans installed themselves in the town with rustic confusion ; it was almost like a fair ground, without quartermasters, without allotted camp, bivouacking at hazard, cooking in the open air, scat-tering themselves among the churches, forsaking their guns for their rosaries. Lantenac went in haste with some artillery officers to reconnoitre Mount Dol, leaving the command to Gouge-le-Bruant, whom he had appointed field-sergeant.

This Gouge le-Bruant has left a vague trace in history. He had two nicknames, Brise bleu, on account of his massacre of patriots, and Iman's, because he had in him a something that was indescribably horrible. Imanus, derived from imanis, is an old bas-Norman word which expresses superhuman ugliness, something almost divine in its awfulness—a demon, a satyr, an ogre. An ancient manuscript says—" With my two eyes I saw Imanus." The old people of the Bocage no longer

know to-day who Gouge-le-Bruant was, nor what Brise-bleu signifies; but they know, corfusedly, Imânus; Imânus is mingled with the local superstitions. They talk of him still at Trémorel and at Plumaugat, two villages where Gouge-le-Bruant has left the trace of his sinister course. In the Vendée the others were savages; Gouge-le Bruant was the bar-barian. He was a species of Cacique, tattooed with Christian crosses and fleur-de-lys; he had on his face the hideous, almost supernatural glare of a soul which no other human soul resembled. He was infernally brave in combat : atrocious afterwards. His was a heart full of tortuous intricacies, capable of all forms of devotion, inclined to all madnesses. Did he reason? Yes; but as serpents crawl—in a twisted fashion. He started from heroism to reach murder. It was impossible to divine whence his resolves came to him-they were sometimes grand from their very monstroaity. He was capable of every possible unexpected horror. His ferocity was epic. Hence his mysterious nickname—Imanus. The Marquis de Lantenac had confidence in his cruelty.

It was true that Imanus excelled in cruelty, but in strategy and in tactics he was less clever, and perhaps the murquis erred in making him his field-sergeant. However that might be, he left Imanus behind him with instructions to replace him and look after everything.

Gouge-le-Bruant, a man more of a fighter that a soldier, was fitter to cut the throats of a clan than to guard a town. Still he posted main-guards.

When evening came, as the Marquis de Lantenac was returning toward Doll, after having decided upon the ground for his battery, he suddenly heard the report of cannon. He looked forward. A red smoke was rising from the principal street. There had been surprise, invasion, assault; they were fighting in the town.

(To be continued.)

AT HOME AND ABROAD.

AUG. 11.--- "Fellowcraft" won the \$6,000 purse for the mile and a half race at Saratoga.

The President of Peru has ordered the expulsion of the Jesuits from that country.

The Panama Rallway track has been flooded, causing delay to the traffic. Commercial depression still exists on the Isthmus. The arbitrators in the dispute between the city of Toronto and the Northern Railway, awarded a sum of \$119,538 to the former.

The quantity of timber taken out of the Ottawa district this year is said to be twice as much as in any one season for the last ten years

Serious trouble is impending at Austin, Tenn.; troops from Momphis and vicinity are leaving for that city to render assis-tance to the white men.

Admiral Cochrane, with the British Pacific squadron, has been ordered to San Jose, Guatemala, to demand reparation for the indignity lately offered to Cousul Magee. The Ithaca Journal contains a letter from T. B. Carpenter, denying the statement of the New York Sun, that he had offered

to suppress Tilton's letter to Dr. Bacon for \$5,000. Great excltement prevails in Paris over the news of the escape of Marshal Bizaine from the Island of Ste. Marguerite, where he was last December sentenced to pass twenty years in imprisonment. The Marshal effected his escape in the dead of night by letting himself down the cliffs by a rope to where his

wife and a cousin were waiting with a boat, in which they rowed to the steamer. They are supposed to have landed at Genoa. AUG. 12.

-Calcutta despatches announce the subsidence of the floods in Scinde. Eighty persons formerly connected with the French Commune

have been arrested at Marseilles. Bazaine arrived at Brussels on Sunday morning. Parisian journals call for his extradition.

The London Times contradicts the report of Serrano's intended blockade of the Cantabrian coust. Latest despatches from Austin announce that the troops have

been disbanded and quiet restored. The reserve force at Bosnia has been disbanded, by order of the Porte, and the regular troops withdrawn from the Servian

frontier. By the consent of Great Britain to the matter, the negotiations for the recognition of the Spanish Republic have been completed. Difficulties between China and the United States are likely to

arise in consequence of the participation of United States are likely to vice officers in the Island of Formosa affair. It is stated that by the non-production by Moulton of all the bitan of Beacher in the rest of the states are the states are the states of the states are the states

letters of Beecher in his possession, matters will be so left as to save Beecher's reputation, preserve Mrs. Tilton's, and satisfy Tilton himself. Beecher's statement, which was to be given last night, it is said will fill eight columns of the Brooklyn Eagle. AUG. 13.—The Carlists have made an unsuccessful attempt to

cross the Ebro. New tenders for the Pacific Railway Telegraph is to be called

Investigation into the circumstances of Bazaine's escape shew

that the director of the prison is gravely implicated. The Republican troops have been concentrated at Miranda, where they are confronted by eighteen battalions of Carlists. The Cheyenne, Kiowa and Comanche Indians are getting scared at the warlike preparations made to chastise them, and

are suing for peace. AUG. 14.-Bazaine is at present in Belgium. A Paris despatch

says the French Government will not demand his extradition. News from Sioux City confirms the report of the discovery of gold at Black Hills, and though "Spotted Tail" considers the Custer expedition a violation of the Indian Treaty, he doesn't

Case to fight about it. The Governor of Texas complains that Mexican Indians are constantly railing upon the people of Texas, murdering and plundering wholesale; that the United States troops are utterly inadequate to protect the Texans, and that they are obliged in self defence to protect themselves.

AUG. 15. -- The Carlists have out the railway and telegraph lines between Madrid and Saragossa. Zabala has taken 24,000 men and 47 guns to the relief of Vit-

toria, besieged by the insurgents. Two immense demonstrations took place in Scotland to-day

in favour of Home Rule. The Cologne Gazette publishes a letter from Madame Bazaine, in which she declares herself alone to have planned the Marshal's

ca pe Partial returns of an election to fill a vacancy in the French see ubly indicates a victory for the Republican candidate by a very large majority.

Beecher has made his statement. He says he feels as if he had taken quite a load off his mind by his statement, and now means to go to the White Mountains and throw away all his troubles. Bowen has sailed to England.

The Governor of the Island of Ste. Marguerite strongly pro-ests his innocence of any complicity in the escape of Buzaine. Eight persons are under arrest on suspicion. Bazaine is now at

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