

THE PROTESTANT, AND EVANGELICAL WITNESS.

Secular Department.

EUROPEAN NEWS.

THE WAR IN MOROCCO.

MADRID, Feb. 7.—Tetuan has been taken by the Spaniards, after the battle which was fought on the 4th. 800 large tents, forming the five encampments of the Moors army have been taken. The brothers of the Republic took to flight. A summons having been transmitted to the enemy to surrender Tetuan within 24 hours, a deputation from the city came into the Spanish camp to beg for mercy, as the Moors had begun to pillage and slay the town. The division of General Riera entered the place without any opposition, and was received with manifestations of joy. Numerous popular rejoicings are taking place, at Madrid, which is splendidly illuminated. The accommodations are general, and preparations are being made for public fêtes.

News from Morocco is to the 2d inst. The Spanish artillery were occupied in shelling the Moorish camp. Numerous steam and sailing transports were off Port Martin discharging ammunition, provision, and clothing for the army. The Moors commenced an action on the 31st ult., and were three times repulsed, but returned each time with increased fury to the attack. They closed with the Spanish in a hand-to-hand combat, but were defeated, and retired, obstinately disputing every foot of ground.

In a cavalry charge, the Spanish found their return intercepted by 2000 Moorish horse, and had to eat their way through, aided by other squadrons, which were sent to their assistance.

General Prim, with four battalions, stormed a height commanding a field of battle. The Spaniards charged four times with the bayonet before gaining the position. The Spanish loss in the affair was reported to be considerable.

250 men and seven officers, wounded, arrived at Algiers on the 2d inst., from Spanish Africa.

Since the commencement of the war, 11 journals devoted to military matters have been established at Madrid.

MADRID, Feb. 9.—Marshal O'Donnell judges it useless to pursue the Moors into the interior of the empire. In the battle of the 4th inst., the Spanish lost 10 officers and 68 men killed, and 53 officers and 711 men wounded.

THE FRENCH DRASTIC ON SAVOY.

The *Gazette de Nice*, of the 6th inst., announced, and requested to give the most formal and positive assent to the statement published by the *Courrier des Alpes*, and reproduced by the *Advertiser de Nice*, "that a treaty had been signed, on the 27th January, for the cession of Savoy and Nice to France." That statement is false. We repeat that we have the highest authority for publishing this denial.

The Paris correspondent of the *Morning Herald* says: "We have received from a reliable source highly important information. Orders have been sent to Marshal Vaillant to occupy Tuscany with a portion of the 60,000 men under his command, and transfer his headquarters from Milan to Florence. The pretext for this movement is the apprehension of the invasion of the Marches by the forces of King of Naples, but the real cause is to be found in the difficulties which have arisen between France and Piedmont relative to the annexation of Nice and Savoy to the former, and annexation of Central Italy to the latter. France claims from Piedmont, Savoy and Nice in exchange for Lombardy, and opposes the annexation of Tuscany and Romagna. Cavour is attempting to dissuade the Emperor from his project, but he is held in New York. Before he leaves the capital it is thought he will make a public profession of Christianity, and may possibly lead to complication, upon which it is useless for the present to speculate."

British and Foreign American News.

United States.

TERRIBLE CATASTROPHE.—FORTY-NINE CHILDREN DROWNED.—From the Quincy (Ill.) Herald, we learn that a most terrible calamity, rivaling that of the Pemberton Mills, occurred on Thursday last, near the town of Hardin, Ill., on the Illinois River, and about twenty-five miles above Alton. 50 school children, in attendance at a university at that place, went out upon the ice to play. The ice gave way, and with one exception, it is useless for the present to speculate."

New Brunswick.

The proceedings of the Legislature during the past week may be briefly summed up. Mr. Lawrence's resolution was disposed of on Wednesday, and a committee of seven members appointed to report on all matters connected with the railway. Progress has been reported on a bill to exempt homesteads from execution against real estate—the feeling of the House appears to be against it. A bill to provide for the prompt payment of all demands upon the Provincial Treasury, passed the Lower House on Monday. A bill has been introduced by Mr. Mitchell to pay Grand Juries out of the Provincial funds; it is vigorously opposed, as it ought to be. An effort is being made by Mr. End to do away with the property qualification of members, but it is not likely that he will be successful. The Provincial Secretary submitted the estimates yesterday.

Ordinary revenue estimated at £157,500. Expenditure, £150,577. Expenditure of this year over last, £12,500 to meet deficiency of interest on Railway expenditure, £5,500 on grant by roads, £2000 toward addition to Lunatic Asylum, £1000 towards Hospital in St. John, Education, £1000. Estimated resources, £20,000 sterling, and £20,000 currency, credit with Bank of New Brunswick, to cover deficiency of the Saving Bank deposit. The amount of Revenue of last year more than meets the deficiency of 1855, and all demands on Treasury for 1855.—Church Wk-

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Nova Scotia.

The Halifax Journal of the 2d inst., says:—Mr. Howe is to be opposed by Mr. W. Johnson in Hants; Mr. Archibald has to measure weapons (political) with Mr. J. J. Marshall in Colchester; and Mr. Andrew will meet Mr. C. W. Fairbanks in East Halifax. Whatever may be the issue of the contest in Colchester on the 6th inst., there does not appear to be the most remote chance of ousting either Mr. Howe in Hants, or Mr. Andrew in East Halifax. Indeed, in the two latter Counties, the opposition to the sitting members apparently merely factional. It is but fair to state that very little interest is manifested in the Elections, arising probably, from the admitted slender chances of the Opposition in carrying their candidates."

The HUNGARIAN.—It is now fully believed that not one of those on board this ill-starred steamer has escaped. The number of the crew was 72. It was rumoured that she had on board 350 passengers but the statement lacks confirmation, and it is not at all likely that so many were on board. Three bodies have been found, one of a man, one of a woman, and one of a child. A hat box belonging to Mr. Bulteau of Sackville, N. B. has been picked up, and hence it is inferred that he has perished. Three

or four New Brunswick men are supposed to have been among the passengers. A trunk has been found belonging to Dr. Barret of New York. Mail bags have been recovered, and will be forwarded in due time. The Hungarian was a large vessel, measuring 2300 tons. It is thought probable that she struck shortly after midnight when all the passengers were in their berths. Care is being taken to pick up and preserve all the goods driven ashore.

The Protestant.

SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 1860.

SUMMARY.

BLACKWOOD'S MAGAZINE for February has been kindly laid by our table by G. T. Hassard, Agent for L. Scott & Co's publication. It contains an interesting account of the Indian question, states that cannot retreat from the engagement of Miss Frances and Zurich. Russia also declines to accept England's proposition as a solution.

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ridiculous, by mimicking a priest, was instantly transformed into a living statue, in which state he still remains. It is very generally believed here by the faithful. Did you hear anything to the report, that one of Romeo's lying ladies while she layed to bind her poor deluded victim more securely to her chariot wheels?

East Point, March 6th, 1860.

Five Days later from Europe.

The steamer Anglo-Saxon arrived at Portland on Thursday, with date from Liverpool 15th, Queenstown 16th February.

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To Messrs. E. Hyndman & Co.

Exchange Rooms, Charlottetown,

MARCH 7th, 1860.

All three Government members elected with a large majority to-day, in Nova Scotia.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

[Continued from our last.]

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, Feb. 22.

Hon. Mr. Kelly moved for the addition of two members to the committee appointed to consider the bill to amend the laws relating to the mode of giving Shipbuilders a fee for their wages on vessels on which they have been employed—Hons. Messrs. Longworth and Pope were appointed.

Hon. Mr. Wrightson presented a Post Office petition from Mercury Hill, referred to Post Office Committee.

Mr. McNeil moved the first reading of a Bill authorizing the keeping of the public accounts in dollars and cents; after a long debate—which will appear in the next issue of the Times—was voted down.

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