HASZARD'S GAZETTE, DECEMBER 22.


 The Ottoman Government has just adopted a measure which has long been
called for by the shiping interests.
charged has
charged Captain Nichel, whe belongs to Che steam-packet service of the Messageries
theres
Imperials, to erect on the coas of Asia and limperials, to erect on the coant of Asia and
Europe from the Dardanelles to the Black Sea a choin of lighthouses, which wwill
Senceforth enable evessels 10 pass the straits henceforth enable vessels to pass the straits
and approach the eshore, which was
very
dangerous from the absence of lights. Captain Miehel has engaged to complete
the works and to fix aill the apparatus bethe works and to fix ail the apparatus be-
tore January next.-There is every reason lo ho donary next.- There is every reason
to ho that the system will be extended,
and that in a few years, aill the consts ond and that in a few years, all the coasts of the
Turkish empire and the islands of the Turkish Archipelago will no longer present the danger for navigation which have been
hitherto complained of. Different other aiderto complained of. Di, erent othe
projects are in contemplation, and by the
adoption, the Cabinet over which Al adoption, the Cabinet over which Alli
Pasha presides will prove by facts, that it is Pasha presides will prove by facts, that it is
resolved to eseriususy pursue the path of
年 resolved to seriously pursue the path of
material ameliorations which can alone regenerate Turkey. A question of great
gravity is also occupying tho attention of
me Ottoman Government-the excessive the Ottoman Governinent-the excessive
deannens of every neessary of file. The
price of everything required for the army price of everything required for the army
has tripled, and that or other artieles has
doubled. At the time of the declaration of doubled. At the time of the declaration of
war against Rusia, a stone-built house at
Pera, in the centre ofthe European quarter,
let let at from 18,000 to 13,000 piastres (from 2,500. to 2, 2255 ; ; now the most humble
revidence cannot be obtained for less than residence cannot be obtained for less than
fromn 30,000 to 40,000 piastres. Wheat, Which in 1853 sold at from 15 to 20 piastres kisloz ( 35 hires), now fetches 70 , and
barley has risen from 5 to 35 piastres. The price of straw two years goo was io pars
(about 5 sous) the oke (2 1-2lb.); now the (about 5 sous) the oke (2 $21-2 \mathrm{lb}$.); now the
asme quantiy fetches 40 paras. The price
of rice has doubled that of butter and oil same quantity fetches 40 paras.
of riee has doubled; that of butter and oil
trebled. Wood, which in 1853 coost in pihastres the lond, now sells for from 35 to o 10 .
-Coals have more than doubled in The pois have morea cause of than doubled in in price. almost complete absence of communiention
The transport from the interior to Constan
tinople is frequently impossible, and, whe linople is frequently impossible, and, When
practieabbe, is extremely expensive. Until this state of things, therefore, is remedied
no great improvement ean Lee expected.
The Sultan has sent
brilliantsto the Generals who enriched with
britucted the brilliants to the Generals who conducted the defence of Kars, and decorations to the
officers who distinguished themselves on ofine the suth of September. The town of Kars
is exempted from all taxes for three years,
as a reward to the inhabitants for the deve as a reward to the inhabitants for the devo-
tedness they have slown towards the garrison during the continuance of the siege.'
The Otoman Givernment has publighed
 safety,
rents.
 o'clock this forenoon the workinen employ ed in Mr. DDonald MeKay's shen employ at
East Bogton were started by tho whizzing East Bogton were staried by the whizzing
of a g inon ball over their heads, and upon of a
loofitig round saw the ball bury itself in
ond the earth a few feet from the blacksmith
shop, scattering the mud in all directions,
and narrowly gissing striking several men
别, shop, scantering the mud in all sirections,
and narrowly misiong striking several men,
It passed within a fow feet of Mr. McKay', brother, and considering the number of
persons standing near in different diree-
tions, it is wonderful that none were killed. tions, it is wonderful) that none were killed.
Upon examining the ball, it proved to be a Upon examining the ball, it proved to be a
six-pound shell
and od od with powder, nailer combustible materials. II struck
and ano her ham uustibe materials. was struek
pupon a hard clayey soil, and was found
buried nine inches below the surfaee, makboried nine inches below he surface, mak-
ing a nearly perpendicular hole. It is not
certainly known from what quarter the ball cerame, ,at it was supposed to have come from
cane
the Navy Yard. But from whatever source it was fired, it is certainly a dangerous prac tiee to experinent with such warlike imple-
menta ments so near the habitations of men, and
measures shold be taken to promote some degree of caution in
als. Journal, 20 th .
propositione por peace
Prorosiriose Por frace.
We are in a position to state on higg
authority, not often a accessible to journaligts, hat the propositions for peace, which hav een bruited for some days past in in omome of e metropolitan newspapers, are altogethe
 ar correspondent, who writes from London
a late hour yesterday, "that our ally,
he Emperor of the French, desires pence ut desires it on terms which will consoli ate his throse and satisfly the reasonabl
equirements of his people. What will sirequirements of his people. Whint will sia
ist him ought, surely, to satisfy us. In
ruit, from the eommencement of the war, unt, from the commencement of the war, he fear, with a large section of reflecting aged in the quarrel, would push it for
ultcrior ends, beyond the point $n$ nt which wo tierior ends, beyond the point at which wo
might feel disposed to follow him. Thi
rejudice is now prejudice is now at rest by the offier of term
ol lussia on the part of the French mon Russia on the part of the French mon-
relh, which may probably render unueces relt, which may probably render unueces
sary another campaign. The main object
f Canrober's visit to Stockholm was C Canrober''s visit to Stockholm was to
open the eyes of the Czar to the perils pen the eyes of the Czar to the perils
which menanced him in the event of the war
continuing, and the Czar Continuing, and the Czar, on his part, was
villing to hazard the safety of his Crimean rmy, in order to be in a better position to
make terms with the Allies during the
inter. This inter. This counternove of the Allie as completely neutralized the advantage crous tactics, for the adhesion of the
candinavian nations to the Western Powrs would place Russia in a far more
erious dilemma than she has ever stood serious di."
previous corre
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Our correspondent mentions another fact
two of equal significance. One is, that ar wo of equal significance. One is, that
although the propositions for peace, already
referred to, are believed to be sufficient effered to, are believed to be sufficiently
stringent to humble the pride of Russie
nd to meet all the requen ringent to humble the pride of Russar,
and to meet all the requirements of the war,
elt, so strong is the war-fever in England The our cabinet hesitates acceptance.
The propitions go far beyond the four
oints, but not poe propositions go far beyond the four
poins, , out not far encugh, it is to be foar-
d, for the bellicose spirit which now reigr ed, for the bellicose spirit which now reigns amongst us. Another reason assigned for
the willingness of the Freuch Emperor to
negociate at the present time, is the grownegociate at the present time, is the grow-
ing unpopularity of the war amongst his ng unpopularity of the war amongst his
subjects, owing mainly to the severity of he pecuniary burdens which it entails ypon
hem. As compared with Enginnd France is a poor country, and the severity of the neighbours than on this acutely felt by our He mentions also, as illustrative of this
fact, that while the actual disbursements for the Britsh army in the East amount to en millions annually, the expenditure of the
French army on the spot is at least double that eum.
reached us, with a firm eonviction of their is in a better orosition than host most men to to
know how the bail rolls. The probability
int , that if Russia accepts the French offiter
Parlianent will be called together, if $n$ no before Christmas, at Ieaget immer, if not
after, to ratify the conditions. If the terms after, to ratify the conditions. If the term are rejected, the ensuing campaign in the
Bathic, in the Black Sea, on the Bug and he Dieper, and in the trans-Caucasia ravinces, will open with a degree of aggre-
strengh of which this contest has ane strength of which this contest haa
known nothing previousty. In the mean-
ime, the work of preparation is ime, the work of preparation is going on and France, and also in many of the privite nes, as though peace were as distant as
the Greek Kalends. To be prepared for the Gorat is the wisest poliey in war, and if
tiplomaty fail wing iplomacy fail during the ensuing three efore we see the end of the conflict, un ergo serious changes. We have arrived
at the turning point, when the contest will
aither tither speedily close, or greatly enlarge
$s$ dimenaions.

The subjet of the reeent miaunderstaño ing between the Britios, and the American Govornnents figures conspicuously in the papere
reeived by the last mail frum the United Siates ; but the tone in whieh this misunderatand ing is diveused gives no revson to apprelend
that anything serlous is likely to arise from it.

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Little has reeently occ
Rogress of events in tha progress of events in thy
he exception of the galla ain Osborne in destroy
tores at (iheisk, which tores at
the 13 th of November, a plosion of the French
nity of Sobastopol, whic
Sol 5th of the same men erenity of the winter he Allied army seems
nd comfortably settled A correspondent at
ing of Captain Ostorn ratification. It seem fficer has succeeded piled up in stacks for th $\mathbf{3}_{\mathbf{3}, 000}$ Russinns station were unavailing. The and the gunnowats
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sailors are said to more importance, pe
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enemy in the Crim during the winter.
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picture of the awfuld agazine. "I was ters, exeadosion took
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