

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

FRANCE.

The Assembly.—Paris, July 28.—In the Assembly to-day, a supplementary report of the Committee of Parliamentary Initiative on M. Duval's motion for a dissolution, was read. It insists that the powerlessness of the present Assembly has been repeatedly shown on recent occasions.

The Case of Colonel Stoffel.—The judges appointed to examine the case of Col. Stoffel, who was one of the principal witnesses at the Bassins trial have reported that there are no grounds for the indictment against him.

Motion for Dissolution Rejected.—Paris, July 29.—In the Assembly to-day the debate on the motion for dissolution, adjourned from Monday was resumed. M. Dufrane opposed the dissolution of the Assembly.

The Tomb of St. Martin.—The Tours correspondent of the Univers, writing on the 2nd inst., says that seven hundred Nantes pilgrims, on their return from Paray-le-Monial and from Issoudun, stopped at Tours to visit the tomb of St. Martin.

St. Martin, patron de la France, Garde au Cour des Bretons la foi des anciens jours, Qu'il monte jusqu'à toi, notre cri d'espérance: Catholique et Breton toujours!

The French Pilgrimage to Paray-le-Monial.—The various accounts from Paray-le-Monial agree in describing the pilgrimages of this year as being greatly in excess, in point of numbers, of those previously undertaken, while the fervour and devotion displayed are beyond all precedent.

The Suffragan Bishop of Poses has been deprived since the 1st of July of the income which the Government is bound to allow him. When the Archbishopric Consistory was sequestered, the two spiritual consistorial officials present were required by Government to declare if they were ready to exercise their office under Government.

Proposed Recess.—Paris, July 30.—In the Assembly to-day, the committee having charge of the subject, reported favorably on the proposition for a recess, and recommended that it begin on the sixth of August, and continue to the thirtieth of November.

Recognition of Spain.—It is reported that the Versailles Government has notified the Spanish Cabinet that France will act in concert with the Northern Powers in regard to the recognition of a Spanish republic.

Death of the Duc de Montebello.—A despatch from Paris announces the death, in his seventy-third year, of the Duc de Montebello. He was the second of his family who bore this title, which had been conferred on his father, the celebrated Marshal Lannes, by the First Napoleon.

Salute in a ball-room, was the son of the nephew of the Duc de Montebello. The Palace of the Legion of Honor in Paris, which was damaged during the reign of the Commune, is to be restored, under the direction of M. de Cheneviers, Directeur des Beaux-Arts.

ITALY. ILLNESS OF CARDINAL ANTONELLI.—Catholic Opinion has received a special telegram from Rome as follows:—Rome, July 6, 7 p.m. Cardinal Antonelli is suffering acutely from an attack of gout in the stomach.

ROMA, July 30.—To-day's edition of the Opinione asserts that negotiations are in progress which have in view the sending of a maritime force to the Spanish coast. It is understood this step, if taken, is not to involve the question of intervention.

THE HOLY FATHER AND THE EMPRESS EUGENIE.—The Roman correspondent of the Monde denies that the Archbishop of Bourges, at present in the Eternal City, was the bearer of a letter from the Empress Eugenie to the Holy Father.

CAUTION TO MOTHERS! The other day an inquest was held at Liverpool on the body of a little girl, aged eight years, the daughter of a sailor, whose life was sacrificed through too early an indulgence in the wearing of earrings.

THE PHILADELPHIA STANDARD says: "A grand parade took place at Scranton, Pa., on July 4. The greatest day Scranton ever saw," is how a local paper describes the celebration generally.

NEW YORK, July 30.—Private advices from Havana state that a Cuban force crossed the Trocha and committed great destruction in burning Spanish plantations in the Trinidad Valley.

THE PITTSBURGH FLOOD.—HEARTRENDING INCIDENTS.—Pittsburg, July 28.—There were some very affecting incidents. Alderman Bolster of the Seventh Ward of Alleghany, who was submerged with his family—his wife being on a sick bed—with a superhuman effort gathered up his wife and five children and started to run out of his house that was being swept away.

WHY LADIES SHOULD READ NEWSPAPERS.—It is a great mistake in female education to keep a young lady's time and attention devoted only to the fashionable literature of the day.

SPAIN. In the late battle at Estella the Republican loss is set down at three thousand, whilst that of the Carlists was only four hundred.

THE BRUSSELS CONFERENCE.—BRUSSELS, July 29.—A committee composed of one delegate from each State represented at the International Congress has been appointed to prepare, under the presidency of Baron Jomini, a report upon the programme which is to be followed in proceedings of the body.

REPUBLICS OF REPUBLICAN TROOPS.—BAYONNE, July 29.—Two columns of Republican troops which were marching to the relief of Olot have met with a repulse from the Carlists, suffering a heavy loss.

GERMANY. The Suffragan Bishop of Poses has been deprived since the 1st of July of the income which the Government is bound to allow him.

ALSACE-LORRAINE.—The German authorities have issued an edict, to come into operation on the 1st October next, forbidding all teaching Brothers and Sisters to continue in the exercise of their duties, unless the Superiors of the several Orders, or the Mother-houses, belong to Alsace-Lorraine.

PROSECUTION OF GERMAN LADIES.—The Mercure de Westphalie says that the German ladies who signed the address of loyalty and affection sent to the Bishop of Munster, are to be cited before the tribunals on a charge of High Treason.

ALSACE.—In the annexed States persecution and oppression are doing all they can against the Catholic Church and its institutions. A correspondent of the Germania writes: "Catholic Alsace will soon be only a great ruin."

THE GIRLS' SCHOOL at Kientheim was suppressed last year. The Catholic Gymnasium at Colmar has disappeared. The little Seminary of Fittingen was closed by the police.

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A young lady of Paris, Ky., died on Monday of last week, from an overdose of arsenic, taken, it is supposed, to improve her complexion.

The farmers of Minnesota are so impoverished by the grasshopper plague that the Governor of the State has called for aid for the afflicted sufferers.

A laboring man in Charlestown, Mass., killed himself, one hot day recently, by the excessive drinking of ice-water.

An Indiana statesman is indignant at the Government for taking the tax off of pianos which we don't use, and keeping it on whiskey which we do.

Twenty-five husbands are in the New Haven Almshouse for failing to support their wives.

Mr. John Smith, of York County, South Carolina, is said to employ one hundred and twenty negroes, who were his slaves before the war, and who declare that they are satisfied to always live with him.

The last surviving sister of the late Edgar Allen Poe, the poet, died at the Epiphany Church Home, Washington, on the 22nd of July, aged sixty-eight years.

A lady at Evansville, Ind., recently died from a nervous shock caused by two of her children being bitten by a dog. One of the children afterwards died.

A sudden torrent of water from the mountains swept away the town of Eureka, Nevada, on the 24th and was the cause of the death of over twenty persons.

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SCHOOL TEACHER WANTED For School Section No. 2, Chapeau Village, Co. of Potitac, a FIRST CLASS MALE TEACHER, to whom a liberal salary will be given.

SEM-ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE NATIONAL LIFE INS. CO. OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Cash Capital.....\$1,000,000. JULY 1, 1874.

Table with columns for ASSETS and LIABILITIES. Assets include Cash in Bank, U.S. Bonds, State and City Bonds, Loans secured by First Mortgage, etc.

The surplus \$1,243,619 is entirely for the security of policy-holders, being additional to the reinsurance fund, which alone affords ample protection.