

GERMANY'S CANAL.

Steps Taken to Connect Berlin with the Baltic.

Rev. Mr. Spurgeon Crippled with Sciatica.

Death of the Chief Rabbi of the British Empire.

Rough Experience of the Cunard Steamer Gallia.

The Delagoa Railway.

Many Wrecks.

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Death of Dr. Adler.

The New York Herald's cable from London says: John Ruskin, the great leader in English critical literature, has become hopelessly insane.

Berlin and the Baltic.

Berlin, Jan. 21.—The Government has granted to Herr Schenck a commission to begin immediately the canal intended to connect Berlin with the Baltic Sea.

The New Spanish Cabinet.

Madrid, Jan. 21.—The new Cabinet formed, with Don Francisco Macia Sagasta as Prime Minister and President of the Council, is composed exclusively of free traders.

Portugal Gives In.

Lisbon, Jan. 21.—The Portuguese Government, finding the Powers unwilling to mediate in the dispute between Portugal and England concerning territories in East Africa, will submit to Lord Salisbury's full demands under protest, while at the same time it will try to conciliate Portuguese public opinion.

Brazil.

Rio Janeiro, Jan. 21.—The Government has decreed that all foreign companies doing business in Brazil must transfer to that country two-thirds of their entire capital within two years of their organization.

Turkey Under German Influence.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—The New York Herald has a dispatch from Constantinople which says that throughout the Afghan dispute in 1885 and 1886 Prince Dismarek used almost endeavors to induce Turkey in event of war between Russia and Turkey to close the Dardanelles against the British fleet. It is an undoubted fact that during the last five years Turkey has acted entirely under German inspiration.

A Vienna Scandal.

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—A Vienna dispatch says an extraordinary version of the Meyerling tragedy has been published in the Vienna papers, but it is not credited in court circles. It is to the effect that Archduke Rudolph and the Baroness Vetsera were brother and sister. It is said Emperor Franz Josef made love to the Dowager Baroness Vetsera, and the heroine of the Meyerling tragedy was born to them; that Count von Salisberg, the new husband of the Emperor's Majesty's ex-lordship, was due to a divorce from the Archduke Rudolph who was affected by the news that he committed suicide. The only basis for the story seems to be a report that when Count von Salisberg learned the news of his fate to the Emperor's Majesty's ex-lordship, he claimed: "My son—my daughter!" The story causes much gossip.

Tempest-Tossed.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—The Cunard steamer Gallia, from New York, Jan. 12, for Liverpool, arrived at Queenstown last night. Capt. Murphy says the weather on the passage was the worst he ever experienced. Friday last tremendous seas were shipped, which flooded the steerage. Many of the occupants of the rooms were sick, and the sudden entrance of the waves awoke them and caused a five heels was smashed, and the davits were snapped off and were twisted, and the steamer was battered generally. The Gallia, a large steamer at a distance, recently one of the Johnston Line, and between Liverpool and London, and between London and Liverpool, was at the mercy of the elements.

Troubles of Royalty.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—The Prince of Battemberg, who has kicked over the traces and is now sulking on board a yacht in the Mediterranean, still declines to communicate with his wife, but his money can hold out much longer it is expected to be heard from shortly. The chief cause of the quarrel is that he wants a divorce, while Queen Victoria insists he should remain at home with his wife at dusk, and that he should be allowed to see his wife at the Maharajah one of the night of the Indian prince's wedding. Holkar, not visiting his court. Holkar, during the jubilee festival, and gave the officials more than the rest of the royal visit. Her Holiness now seems that the Victor's act of omission was not, and that he will be revenged, and has 1,225 subjects. The Government are therefore watching closely with one eye on India and on the Russian Government at the same time.

Demonstrative Deputies.

PARIS, Jan. 21.—When M. Constant, Minister of the Interior, explained in the Chamber that the Government annulled the municipal credits in favor of the strikers in the Department of the Rhone because the municipal authorities exceeded their powers, M. Joffin mounted the tribune to protest. His appearance was the signal for a demonstration of hostility apparently directed by the Boulangists and there was a general uproar. De Roulleau, Bou-

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