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### NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Her Majesty held a drawing room at Buckingham Palace on the 1st inst.

In the House of Commons this evening, (7th inst.) the budget was presented by the Chancellor of the Exchequer. The following are the principal items of finance for the year ending March 31st, 1873:—

Grants by Parliament.....	£71,881,000
Expenditures.....	70,714,000
Estimated revenue.....	71,846,000
Actual revenue.....	76,608,775
Present debt.....	785,800,000
Reduction of the debt during the year.....	6,861,000
The following are the Estimates for the year ending March 31st, 1874:	
Expenditures.....	£71,871 000
Decrease from last year notwithstanding the enhanced price of coal, &c.....	10,000
Revenue.....	76,017,000
Balance on hand at the end of the year, close upon.....	12,000,000
Revenue.....	73,762,000
Expenditures.....	73,471,000

The budget was approved *pro forma*, and the House adjourned over the Easter holidays, until April 21.

There is a rumor apparently well founded that Sir Geo. E. Cartier has so far recovered his health that he will sail for Canada immediately if indeed he is not already on his way.

An election will soon be held in Paris to fill the vacant seat in the Assembly. The candidates are Remusat, a supporter of President Thiers, and Barodet, an extreme Radical.

The members of the municipal Council of Lyons and of the Council general of the department who protested against the law recently adopted by the National Assembly abolishing the central municipality, have resigned.

The Moderate Republicans in the National Assembly have advised President Thiers to withdraw Remusat's candidacy for the vacant seat in that body from Paris, as they believe his defeat is certain.

Baroot, a citizen of Lyons, has also accepted a nomination for the vacancy in the representation from this city, and will come to Paris to day to take part in the canvass. He issued a farewell address yesterday to the people of Lyons, but the *Perfect* of the city would not allow it to be published.

A conflict occurred this morning (9th inst) in Kinsale, Ireland, between the striking fishermen of that town and a force of police. Two of the strikers were killed, and several injured. At last accounts the fishermen were again assuming a threatening attitude, and a renewal of the disorder was feared.

A shell exploded on board Her Majesty's gunnery ship *Cambridge*, during practice at Devonport. It is ascertained that many persons were hurt but beyond this nothing can be learned, as the authorities refused to allow the details of the occurrence to be made public.

The Pope suffered considerably yesterday (9th inst.), but is better to-day. He is still confined to his bed.

A Madrid letter says that Deputy Garcia Ruiz inveighed forcibly against the United States in the late debate on slavery, saying that Spain might as well ask England to initiate in the East Indies, as for the United States to advise the release of slaves by Spain in the Antilles. After a long tirade against the course of Anglicising the American Continent pursued by the United States, he concluded by saying he would rather see Spain in the power of Charles VII., than divided among English, French, Portuguese and Americans.

At a recent Federal Democratic demonstration in Barcelona, the red flag surmounted by the Phrygian Cap and bearing a death's head was raised.

The Permanent Commission of the Assembly demanded the immediate meeting of the Constitutional Cortes if the Government continues its present energetic policy. Senor Figueras denies there is any crisis in the Ministry, and declares that the situation of the country is better.

A train from Saragossa for Barcelona was stopped by Carlists to day.

The *Silver Fray* has foundered off San Antonio.

The official report of the surrender of Berge charges the commander of that town with treason and attributes the disaster to that cause alone. It also confirms the statement that the Carlists bayoneted 66 prisoners. It is rumoured that revolutionary agents have gone into Portugal and that they are well supplied with money.

Fresh cases of insubordination among Captain General Contero's troops at Barcelona are reported. The arrival of the new Captain General Helard is anxiously awaited there, for the railway between Madrid and Barcelona has been interrupted by the Carlists and is delayed. The Republican Guards have brought to Barcelona a prisoner on whom was found important correspondence addressed to Alphonso and Cabrera. The churches in the town of Reins have been closed and are guarded by armed peasants. The Carlists under Trestany have burned the railway stations at San Juan.

The Federal Republican Committee of Barcelona have sent a circular to Catalan towns, ordering the inhabitants to place them in a state of defence and force the Carlists to encamp in the fields, where the volunteers and regulars can exterminate them. Each local Committee is directed to send to headquarters to Barcelona for what arms they require.

The session of the Portuguese Cortes is closed.

The Emperor William, Bismarck, and Gen. Von Moltke, accompanied by a brilliant retinue, will leave this city for St. Petersburg on a visit to the Czar on the 25th inst.

The Crown Prince Frederick William and his wife, Princess Victoria, will take their departure from Berlin for Vienna on the following day.

The department of art of the Vienna exposition will present a fine display. England sends paintings valued at \$2,000,000. France contributes 500 paintings and Italy 300 statues. Elaborate show cases have already arrived from all parts of Europe. America is behind in this respect.