

The new ecclesiastical constitution has also been introduced in Prussia, where it has been adopted by 659 congregations out of 683.

The movement of the Protestants in Hungary still continues, and their determination appears all but certain to lead to a concession of all they demand, or at least to a connivance on the part of the Government which will leave them in the enjoyment of what they regard as their right,—the power of self-government.

The correspondent of a daily contemporary writes as follows, respecting the refractory clergy prosecuted by the Sarlinian Government: "Our latest information from Rome describes the Holy Father as almost mad with rage against Victor Emmanuel, the Piedmontese Government, and Cavour in particular, in consequence of the determined energy of the latter in proceeding against the Archbishops, Bishops, Canons, and priests who have openly defied the law of the state. The tribunal of Forli condemned the Bishop of that diocese to two years' imprisonment, and a fine of 2,000 francs; that of Bologna sentenced the Vicar of the Archbishop, Monsignore Rata, to three years' imprisonment, and a fine of 2,000 francs; that of Piacenza punished the Bishop with fourteen months' imprisonment, and 1,300 francs; his Vicar-General to one year, and 1,000 francs, and all the Canons belonging to the same cathedral, with one exception, to six months' imprisonment, and 500 francs fine." It may be remarked that Forli and Bologna are in Romagna, and Piacenza is in Parma.

## General Intelligence.

### CANADA.

The County Council of Kingston have voted \$500 to be expended for the reception of the Prince of Wales in that city. They have also voted an address to be read when he visits the ancient capital of Upper Canada.

It would appear by our exchanges that Chatham is to be the future residence of a Roman Catholic Bishop, and that the diocese over which he will preside will include the Counties of Northumberland, Gloucester, Betsouche, and, perhaps, Victoria. The Rev. James Rogers of St. Mary's has been appointed to this high office under the title of Bishop of Chatham.

The people of Upper Canada seem to be all alive and remarkably active in making preparations for the coming election of legislative councillors. Six members are to be returned, this autumn, to that august body. The election will probably come off some time in September. The writs are to be issued on the first of September, and made returnable on the first Tuesday in November.

At a late meeting of the officers of the various Masonic Lodges, held in Toronto, it was resolved to erect a Triumphant Arch across King Street, from Toronto Street, during the stay of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. A very beautiful design was submitted by G. W. Storm, Esq., which seemed to meet with the general approval of the meeting.

At a meeting of the members of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club of this city, on Thursday evening, 2nd August, arrangements were made for a grand regatta, to come off during the stay of His Royal Highness in Toronto. It is anticipated that it will be on a magnificent scale, and such as has not before been witnessed in these parts. A great inducement will be held out to owners of yachts to bring their vessels from all parts, as it is expected that the prizes offered will be on a very liberal scale.

The construction of water works for the City of Ottawa is being agitated among the citizens.

Mr. A. W. Schweiger has been put forward as a candidate for the St. Clair Division, in opposition to the Hon. Malcolm Cameron.

WOODSTOCK.—We have information from good authority that the Town of Woodstock will be honored by a visit of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales on his tour westward. The committee of arrangements for his reception, we understand, have commenced operations, and we have no doubt every thing will be done to make the reception creditable to the loyal Town of Woodstock, and worthy so distinguished a visitor. A programme of the proceedings will be issued in good time to put the whole inhabitants of the County of Oxford in possession of a knowledge of one of the greatest events that has or can occur in the annals of our country.

We regret to learn that while E. Deedes, Esq., Sheriff of the County of Norfolk, was about leaving Woodstock for Simcoe, on Monday afternoon last, he was thrown out of his carriage, falling on his head, and lay insensible for about fifteen minutes. Immediate assistance was at hand, and on recovering sensibility, Mr. Deedes was utterly unconscious of what had happened him. It is hoped that no serious consequences will follow, although he narrowly escaped very serious injuries.

The Prince of Wales Celebration Committee at Montreal has engaged the services of Mr. Strakosch, who is to have associated with him Patti, Brignoli, and some other of the best singers, to give one hour's concert at the Ball Building, the night after the ball, in honor of the Prince of Wales. They pay him \$2,500, a decent sum considering the short time required to earn it.

The London Daily Post, of the 18th, says positively that the Government disallows in toto the transfer of the Galway Line contract to the Canadian Company.

To be aides-de-camp to the Queen, with the honorary title of colonel in the army: Col. the Hon. Sir Allan Napier MacNab, Bart., commanding 7th military district, Upper Canada; Col. the Hon. Sir Etienne Paschal Taché, commanding 2nd military district, Lower Canada.

The number of emigrants arrived at Quebec to the 21st July of the present year was 5,879, an increase of 494 over the corresponding period of last year.

The County Council of Lennox and Addington have voted \$500 to be expended in the reception of the Prince of Wales.

The Quebec Gazette says that the Hon. Mr. Cartier has subscribed £50 to the fund for the defence of the Pope's dominions.

The Chronicle says:—"If all the vessels are to call at St. Johns, it will at least add one full day, we suspect, to the length of the voyage to Quebec—a prospect very far from being satisfactory to us."

The suite accompanying His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales on his visit to Canada, consists of the Duke of Newcastle, Secretary of State for the Colonies; Major General the Hon. H. Bruce, Governor to the Prince; Major Teesdale, and Capt. George Grey, Equeries; Dr. Ackland, and the Earl of St. Germans, Lord Steward of Her Majesty's household.

### ENGLAND.

EXCHANGE.—Parliament has been apprised by Mr. Gladstone that a tax on spirits is the only new imposition which will be asked for between this and next April. The paper duty, which it has been refused to remit, is to be applied towards the expenses of the China war. Lord Fernoy on Tuesday, made an attempt to follow up the resolutions of Lord Palmerston by a motion for committing the House of Commons to "action," but the Premier moved "the previous question," which Mr. Disraeli described as a "shabby" course. It was, however, carried by a majority of 39. The great measure of the Session (the Bankruptcy Bill) has been withdrawn, as also has the London Corporation Bill. In other respects the Parliamentary week has not been very interesting; but the Commons have been sitting most patiently and perseveringly, and trying to get on with the huge arrears of business, which accumulates fearfully about this period of Session, and calls for the fatal Herulian operation which Lord Palmerston is now meditating.

The total sum for the Chinese war is £3,800,000. Of this £500,000 was provided in February last, leaving the balance to be provided for now. "If," said Mr. Gladstone, "the House should determine to use the paper duties, which it has decided to repeal, they would yield about £700,000 in the portion of the financial year under consideration. A further sum is to be raised by an additional 1s. 11d. per gallon on ardent spirits now chargeable by Customs or Excise. If no diminution of consumption took place in consequence of the rise of price that will follow the augmented duty, British spirits alone would yield £2,252,000 a-year; but the Chancellor of the Exchequer makes a large deduction for smaller sales and greater dilution, and assumes that the net pounds of this additional tax will be only one million a-year on home spirits, or £65,000 up to the 1st of April, 1861. During the same period he hopes to get from foreign spirits about £400,000, and the further sum required is to be composed of a surplus balance in his hands of £261,000, and of a supplementary pull upon the treasury, which he intimated could, without the imposition of more taxes, afford what was required."

The guarantee fund subscribed now amounts to £335,800. It is understood that the Royal Commissioners for the Exhibition of 1861 are willing to grant the use of a part of their estates in South Kensington for the exhibition, and that a portion of the buildings to be erected will be permanent, available for future exhibitions of art and industry.

Captain Allen Young, and the officers of the Fox, which was announced to sail on Tuesday, for the purpose of surveying the route of the proposed North Atlantic Telegraph, were entertained at a grand banquet by the Mayor of Southampton, on the evening of the 14th inst. Many distinguished men of science were present on this deeply interesting occasion, and on all hands the greatest confidence was expressed in the practicability of this new and daring project. Dr. Rae, the celebrated Arctic explorer, and Colonel Shaffner, will accompany Captain Young in the Fox.

The following brief statement of an important discovery made during the eclipse has been received by telegraph from an English agent attached to the expedition which proceeded to the north east of Spain.—"Miranda, July 18. "Our success has been complete. We have two photographs of red flames, which prove that they belong to the sun, and many photographs of other phases."

Lord Clyde arrived at Dover on Wednesday afternoon, at a quarter past three o'clock, in the mail-packet Alliance, which crossed from Calais, on his return home from India.

The miniature battle which drew such a crowd of spectators to the beautiful neighbourhood of Chichester last Saturday that one might have feared the Derby Day returned, passed off with considerable success, in spite of a formidable delay which intervened between the hour fixed for its commencement and the time when it began. The volunteers did their duty well, and the precision and regularity of the men entitled them to decided praise.

On Wednesday the Lord Mayor's dinner to Her Majesty's Ministers took place in the Mansion House, and passed off with the greatest éclat. It was an unusually brilliant affair. Lord Palmerston spoke well and to the hearts of all present, by saying that the old reproach of commerce weakening the spirit of a nation had been for ever done away with by the fact of the 139,000 volunteers who have offered themselves for the defence of their country.

We have authority to state that Her Majesty has been pleased to intimate her intention to hold a review of volunteer corps at Edinburgh, on the 7th August. The commanding officers of corps desiring to attend must intimate their wish to the Secretary of State for War, through the Lords-Lieutenants of their respective counties before the 1st August, and they will then be admitted as far as space and numbers will permit. Immediately after receiving this application each corps will be informed whether it will be possible to accept the offer.

A Liverpool contemporary asserts that Garibaldi's agents in that town have succeeded in purchasing "some" fine vessels, one of them being a screw of 1,500 tons, provided with ample stores. The Dictator's friends appear to be well supplied with money. They "are said to have especially admired a stock of 23,000 rifles," and are represented as anxious to obtain a siege train with heavy guns of recent manufacture.

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