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THE WEEK.

HE Bishops of the Scottish Church have issued a solemn protest against the establishment of a Papal hierarchy in Scotland. They state that they occupy the ancient Sees of the Church of Scotland, claim no other authority and jurisdiction than such as were claimed and exercised by the Bishops of the Primitive Church, before any of the kingdoms of this world became the kingdoms of our God and of His Christ; and teaching the faith once delivered to the Saints (and none other) as it is contained in Holy Scripture, and defined by the Œcumenical Synods of the undivided Church of Christ. They add that the Bishop of Rome neither hath, nor ought to have, any authority or jurisdiction, ecclesiastical or spiritual, in the realm. But, notwithstonding this, he has, on the plea of a pretended universal supremacy over the Church of Christ, intruded prelates of his own appointment into Sees occupied by themselves. And whereas it is a law of Primitive Episcopacy, as instituted by the Apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all Bishops of the Church of Christ are of the same order and hold the same Apostolic office, and that for any one of them to claim universal supremacy is to usurp the Office of the Lord Himself; and whereas it is according to canonical rule and the order of the Church that there should be but one Bishop in the same See, so that the intrusion of another Bishop into a See already occupied is a violation of the law of unity and a rending of the Body of Christ—they, therefore, on behalf of themselves and their successors, on behalf of the clergy and of the faithful, do, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the One Head of the Universal Church, solemnly protest against this assumption of power by the Bishop of Rome.

The "Fenian Scare" will not subside until the question of peace or war in Europe is Should war unfortunately take place, a Fenian raid is expected as a matter now practicable. of course. Preparations are being made in Halifax, Ottawa, Montreal, St. Catharines sidered quite so hopeful as they were a week and other places to give our assailants as ago. The telegrams have again begun to alwarm a reception as possible should they ternate. Nothing however of particular con-

think it desirable to make another attack up- sequence has occurred to indicate the probaon the Dominion of Canada. We trust that bility of war. should this be the case, no such maudlin consideration will be shown for the invaders as was manifested on the former occasion. They invaded a peaceful country that had never done them any harm, they cut down Paliament. our innocent, unoffending citizens; and they were handsomely rewarded with having their expenses paid, and with money in their pockets, so that they might prepare for making another raid as soon as possible; while a number of Canadians, who came over from the States to assist in repelling the invasion, had to pay their own expenses hither and and back again, and were rewarded with the thanks of nobody.

On the 11th inst., the Allan steamer Sardinian arrived at Lough Foyle, Ireland, to received mails and passengers before proceeding on her trans-Atlantic voyage. Shortly after she came to anchor, an explosion occurred in one of the coal bunkers, and the vessel immediately caught fire. The passengers in the forecastle were cut off from their comrades, and for some time the greatest confusion and consternation prevailed. With some difficulty the captain was able to communicate with the shore. It was found that about forty passengers had sustained serious injuries in various parts of the body. Several had legs broken; others arms injured; and a few were burned about the head. Three were found dead. Shortly after nine o'clock three steam tenders brought ashore about 400 passengers. The wounded were temporarily placed in the stores running parallel with the quay, where they were promptly attended to. The shrieks of the unfortunate sufferers attracted large and sympathetic crowds. The passengers are chiefly Germans and Italians; but a number of English and Scottish emigrants are among them. The Sardinian foundered, and is a total wreck.

The war news is particularly barren just now. Schouvaloff was still in St. Peters burg on the 11th awaiting the Czar's decision. The negotiations now going on are believed to be of the most important character; but the proposals of which he was the bearer have not yet leaked out. It is sagely but very safely conjectured that they must be one of two things-either the dismemberment and partition of the Ottoman Empire, or the combining and assuring of the vitality of Turkey and the independence of the Christian populations from Turkish administration, while leaving them nevertheless, tributary to the Porte. It is claimed that the latter solution would be advantageous for Turkey, and that it is the only wise and temperate one

The prospects of peace are scarcely con-

The Marquis of Hartington was to have moved a resolution on Monday that no forces be raised or kep by the Crown in time of peace, save in India, without the sanction of

The war party in England received a very unexpected check in one of the strongholds of the present Government, by the election of Mr. Bass, (son of the great brewer,) for Tamworth. The declaration of the poll showed that Mr. Bass had secured 1,168 votes, and his opponent only 607; giving Mr. Bass a majority of 579. On this occasion the whole of the electors in the constituency, with the exception of about 200, recorded their votes.

An attempt has been made to assassinate the Emperor William, of Germany. As he was returning from a drive with the Grand Duchess of Baden, two shots were fired into the carriage from the sidewalk, but without effect. The assassin ran into the middle of the avenue, followed by the crowd. On an attempt being made to capture him, he fired three more shots and threw his revolver away, whereupon he was secured. Another man was also captured in consequence of attempting to rescue the assassin. Hoedel the prisoner was a native of Leipsic and was born in 1857. He denied having fired at the Emperor; said he was without work, and intended to shoot himself publicly in order to let the rich see what was the present condition of the poor. He said he shot once at himself and could not account for the other three shots wanting in the revolver; but supposed he might have discharge them from absence of mind. Tickets of membership of several Berlin Socialistic Unions and likenesses of two Socialistic leaders were found in his possession. He said he belonged to no party, that he was an anarchist, an enemy to all political parties, of the present condition of society, and of all public institutions. Socialistic organizations appear to be as numerous and as radically antagonistic to good order and security of life and property in Germany as in any part of the world.

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of their souls. He telts then there were men The Rev. W. D. Maclagan, Vicar of Kensington, has been appointed to succeed the late lamented Bishop Selwyn as Bishop of