

European Intelligence.

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IRELAND.

The state of Ireland has been the absorbing theme of interest during the week. The Confederates, in all the fury of despair, have now entirely thrown off the mask, and have declared their unequivocal purpose, first to kill and capture the 40,000 troops stationed in Ireland, and then to establish a "Red Republic."

On Saturday, the 22d ult., Lord John Russell, in a clear, unanswerable speech, which was only interrupted by the approving shouts of almost every member present in the House of Commons, moved for leave to bring in a bill, which is popularly known as the suspension of the Habeas Corpus Act, by which the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, for the time being, is empowered to apprehend and detain, until the 1st March, 1849, such persons as he shall suspect of conspiring against the Queen and Government. One of our London correspondents describes the scene in the House of Commons as one of the most exciting he ever witnessed.

When Mr. Feargus O'Connor spoke, almost every member rose and quitted the House. The bill was passed through every stage on Saturday, and was carried up to the Lords on Monday. There the standing orders were suspended (which form, as it was not a money bill, was not necessary to the Commons), and the bill passed the Lords at that sitting, and received the Royal assent on Tuesday.

The news of the demonstration on the part of the Government created an extraordinary sensation in Ireland. At the moment the bill was actually in progress through the Commons, the "Felon" journals of Dublin were vomiting forth the last concentrated venom of their anger and despair. Various articles appeared in the Confederate journals. During the initials of the parties now in Newgate, and surpassing in violence anything which has hitherto appeared in either the *Felon*, *Tribune*, or *Nation*, "Now or never," is the watch-word.

The Lord Lieutenant has issued a proclamation, placing the city and county of Kildenny, and the remaining portions of the counties of Cork and Waterford, under the provisions of the Crime Repression Act. Large quantities of arms are said to have been removed from Dublin.

Sir Chas. Napier, with the fleet under his command, consisting of five large ships-of-war and many smaller vessels, has arrived at Cork.

The accounts from the south of Ireland, by the train from Cork, Limerick, Castlebar, Tipperary, and Kilkenny, which arrived at three o'clock, state the utmost quiet prevailed throughout the country.

A Privy Council was held this afternoon at Dublin Castle, when proclamations were issued offering rewards to arrest as follows:—Smith O'Brien, £500; Meagher, Dillon, Doherty, £300 each.

Shortly after four o'clock this afternoon the printing-office of the *Nation*, at Sackville-street, was visited by the police, who arrested the printers therein, eleven in number, and brought them before the magistrates at the City Police Office, when they were remanded, to appear to-morrow (Saturday) at the same office. The publishing office, in O'Connell-street, was about the same time taken possession of by the police, who seized every thing remaining on the premises, books, papers, &c.

Our latest accounts from Ireland state that arrests for training and drilling had taken place at Drogheda; that it was rumored that Smith O'Brien had been captured; and that the police had made a search for arms in 40 houses at the same instant of time.

The last unkindest cut of all has now been given. Government seems determined to take no half measures, but energetically to pursue the demolition of the whole organization. Stamps were refused on Thursday for the *Felon* and the *Notion*, which therefore could not appear yesterday, inasmuch as they were not to be transmitted through the Post-office, and if despatched otherwise the postman would be obliged to seize them at every point.

Warrants were positively sent to the south on Thursday for the arrest of the insurgent leaders. The names are mentioned, including Mr. Meagher, Mr. J. Dillon, Mr. O'Gorman, jun., Mr. Doherty, Mr. Harcy Magee, &c.

at all inconvenient seasons.—*Dublin Evening Mail of Friday.*

In London, Manchester, Liverpool, and Edinburgh, meetings have been held, with a view to excite the people to violence. In Liverpool several arrests have taken place of parties engaged in the clandestine manufacture and sale of pikes. In Edinburgh, Mr. Henry Rankine, Mr. Archibald Walker, and James Cumming, have been arrested on a charge of sedition, and committed to gaol.

THE CASTLEBAGH PAPERS.—Our readers will have observed, for some time past, the announcement of the publication of the letters and despatches of the late Lord Castlebagh, edited by his brother the present Marquis of Londonderry. When it is recollected that Lord Castlebagh filled for upwards of 20 years some of the first offices of the State, and that these high official appointments brought him into immediate communication and correspondence with almost every political personage of note during that period, it may easily be imagined, that his lordship's collections of letters and documents must be most multifarious and important; but what gives extraordinary interest to this publication at the present moment is the fact of its containing the whole secret history of the Irish Rebellion and the Union, which latter event, it is well known, his lordship was so mainly instrumental in bringing about.—*London paper.*

COMMERCIAL.

The progress of trade and commerce during the past week has been greatly retarded by the extreme unbusiness which is felt respecting the affairs in Ireland. The markets for colonial produce have therefore been less active, with the exception of Sugar which has been in fair demand. The sales of Cotton are to a moderate extent. The Corn trade has been active and prices rather higher. Manufactured goods are less inquired for home use. The Money market is easy and the rates of interest remain at the figure last quoted.

There has been much uneasiness felt at the moist character of the weather during the past fortnight, lest the growing crops should suffer thereby, and retard the progress of the harvest. This, coupled with the reports of the reappearance of the potato disease, has caused some speculation in the grain trade, consequently prices have advanced for most articles offered for sale.

Frederickton, August 11.

During a part of the present week, the Court House has been the scene of a good deal of excitement, owing to some circumstances said to have transpired in the Parish of St. Mary's, on the afternoon of Sunday last. It appears that on that day, four young men, George Frink, Charles Venning, Wm. Platt, and Judson Drake, all of this city, crossed the river, and either accidentally or otherwise, got in company on the Nashuaak road, with a girl named Mary Gayton. This was about 4 o'clock in the afternoon; and, some time after, a traveller was attracted by loud cries to a point on the road, where he met the above-named woman coming out of the woods, and dreadfully abused. One of the party (Frink) she charges as the principal in this brutal affair, and the other three, as present, and refusing to give her assistance, until, after a long struggle, Frink accomplished his design. On the same evening the young men were apprehended, and on Tuesday they were brought up before Mr. Justice Taylor, for examination. In the meantime, the prosecutrix had been prevailed upon to accept money, and she signed a certificate declaring the innocence of those whom she had already accused. This attempt was rendered abortive by the vigilance of the police, although one of them is accused of assisting in its accomplishment.

A great number of witnesses have been examined in order to throw discredit upon the woman's oath, and we must say that, apart from marks of violence on her person, we should, from all that we heard, consider her complaint entitled to very little consideration; but she has been violently—brutally abused, and her previous character is no excuse, except so far as it may induce a Jury to consider her evidence unworthy of belief. The result is, that George Frink stands committed for trial, on the charge for a violent assault, with the intention to commit a rape.

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