

**By Electric Telegraph.**  
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**LAST NIGHT'S DISPATCHES.**

LONDON, March 25.—The Times severely criticises Sheridan for his campaign against the Indians. It thinks firm and kindly punishment might save the race from extirpation.

The Times has an editorial on the proposed Darien ship canal. Looking at the statement recently made, it doubts whether its practical value can ever be sufficient to cover the cost.

The Germanic, West Indian trader, was lost on the Kentish coast.

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Daniel O'Donnell, member for Tralee, spoke against the bill, and declared the measure a consummation of a system of legislation which had oppressed Ireland by substituting local despots for legal protection. He particularly denounced the press clauses which he affirmed were aimed at law-abiding journalists in Ireland and were alone sufficient to provoke him to resist the bill to the last.

After further debate the amendment was rejected by 315 majority. The clause forfeiting editorials of sedition journals was opposed by Moore, member from the county of Mayo. The clause was revised by leaving out the word "sedition" and adopted by 277 majority.

There is a report that Sir Clinton Murdoch has sailed for New York for the purpose of making extensive arrangements for the landing of immigrants. Accounts from the principal ports of Ireland show that the emigration to the United States has reopened this season with great vigor.

LIVERPOOL, March 25.—The merchants of this city and the patrons of the Atlantic cable have united in a protest against the system which requires all messages sent to America to be sent first to London.

PLYMOUTH, March 25.—The English steamer Silesia arrived yesterday from New York. She reports seeing on March 19th the wreck of a bark with masts standing. No one was on board and no boats in sight.

TORONTO, March 25.—In the High Court of Justice, to-day, Léonville, for the prosecution, concluded his speech. Laurier, also for the prosecution, followed with an argument which accused the entire remainder of the session. He compared Victor Noir with the Prince Bonaparte and described the latter in terms of slashing severity. The agitation of the accused at times became uncontrollable and caused him to interrupt and reply to the counsel. Counsel for the defense insisted that Laurier should address persons less bitterly. This was applauded by the audience, who gave signs favoring the Prince. In his concluding remarks Laurier made some political allusions which received marked disapproval from the audience.

ROME, March 25.—In the Ecumenical Council Bishop Siemsen moved that the entire concurrence of the Episcopacy shall be necessary for the definition of an Article of Faith. This question caused extraordinary excitement and met with violent opposition. It is reported that the Bishop was driven from the Council and into threatening.

Eastern States.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—In the Senate, Harlan, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported a bill to promote the civilization of Indians and prepare them for the rights and duties of citizenship. It provides for the appointment of five inspectors from Indians who, with the Secretary of the Interior and Commissioner of Indian Affairs, shall constitute a Board of supervision for the general management of Indians. After some action on the bill, the House proceeded to the consideration of the State Polygamy Bill in the usual order. Schenck was very anxious to have the bill end to that impure, odious, and abominable condition of affairs now existing in Utah. Butler, of Massachusetts, moved the subject would be finally disposed of without further opposition. The Committee was not going to deal with the question of polygamy, but it should be left to the Senate. Johnson moved to lay the bill on the table, and it was voted down to 14.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—The House Foreign Committee have agreed to report a resolution directing the President to declare and maintain that neutrality on the part of the United States in the present contest between Cuba and Spain, and to suspend all commercial relations with Spain, neutral, and require that neutrality laws shall apply specially to Spain and Cuba.

New York, March 25.—The principal leaders, a well-known duelist and all important men from the Times, and is thus rendered available for persons residing abroad or in the colonies. The date of publication are Tuesdays and Fridays. The price of publication is \$1 per copy, or \$12 per post.

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**Oregon.**

PORTLAND, March 26.—The steamer Alex crossed the bar on Wednesday evening. The Moles Taylor sails to-morrow.

The Democratic Convention at Albany nominated L. T. Grover for Governor, J. A. Slater for Congress, R. W. Chadwick for Secretary of State, T. P. Patterson of the Oregon Herald, for State Printer. The ticket gives universal satisfaction and is considered a strong one.

**DELAYED DISPATCHES.**

Canada and Red River.

OTTAWA, March 8.—In Parliament to-day, a bill to incorporate the Detroit River Transit Company, was introduced, in the interest of the Great Western and Michigan Central Railroad Companies. Capital stock, \$2,000,000. The Company is to be organized as soon as \$1,000,000 is subscribed and 10 percent paid up. The Company will have power to build either a bridge over the Detroit River or construct a tunnel.

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Chicago, March 8.—Later information from the Red River region don't confirm the story of the shooting of Boulton and others. Goddy, the scout, was tried, sentenced to be executed, and taken out by the officers to be executed, but it is believed he is still alive. Boulton is yet alive, but a prisoner.

St. JOHN, N. B., March 18.—A singular phenomenon occurred at the commencement of a storm yesterday morning. A rumbling noise was heard and immediately afterwards a portion of the bottom of the harbor on the Charlton side sank bodily, so that where before at low tide there was a beach, is now 20 feet of water. Some wharves were destroyed and lumber carried ashore.

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