

Local and other matters.

The Vanderbilts will dispute, has been amicably reported. Favorable reports have been received from the Darien Canal expedition. A Bio Sale.—The Nevada Bank has closed the sale of the "Bionde" of silver to the U. S. Government.

The potato beetle has appeared at Bremen, having been brought from New York in merchandise.

Donation.—The friends and congregation of the Rev. Mr. Clark intend giving him a donation visit to-morrow evening.

The Americans are supplying Russia with machinery. The first installment of powder mill machinery ordered was shipped from Bennington, Vt., Tuesday.

The Local Legislature will probably close its deliberations before the Easter holidays. The session of the Dominion Parliament is expected to extend far into April.

It is officially announced that Sir Henry Elliot will shortly resume the duties of ambassador at Constantinople and will probably be followed by ambassadors of the other great powers.

Malcolm Graham who died at West Bay last Sabbath aged 58 years was found to his bed from the effects of acute rheumatism for the last 41 years.

The safes that have been recovered from the ruins of the Bond street New York fire, show the contents uninjured. One of them contained \$100,000 of diamonds, jewellery and watches.

Forty-two persons, formerly members of Pleasant River Church, have formed themselves into a new church at Ohio, Lunenburg Co., N. S., under the pastoral charge of Rev. J. Shipperley.

Mr. Dobson, the indefatigable agent for the Cape Breton coal mines, has effected a contract to deliver 3,000 tons of gas coal in Ottawa at \$5.75 per ton. He declares the quality to be as good as the English coal imported for gas to Kingston.—Herald Despatch.

The ground on which was built the late Brooklyn Theatre was sold at auction on the 17th ult. for \$27,750 to C. A. Cullen, a nephew of the late theatre manager. No decision has been made regarding the rebuilding of the theatre.

LIVE LOBSTERS.—The "Portland Press," says it is the universal belief in England by steamer bids fair to be a great success of those taken by Capt. Dutton, a portion froze on the passage, but those that lived were sold at a good figure.

The New York Gold Exchange will probably cease to exist after May 1st. A meeting of the Board will be held to-day (Monday) at which amendments to the constitution will be offered, that the Exchange be closed and the surplus divided among members.

Volcanic Eruption in British Columbia.—Mount Baker, a volcano 11,000 feet high, on the side of the straits of San Juan de Juan, and facing the city of Victoria, is now in an active state and presents a most beautiful sight seen from a boat in the river, eight or ten miles distant. Its summit and sides are covered with snow, summer and winter.

At Coal Run, Ohio, recently, at a rehearsal of a private theatre, a man named Mason was to receive a dagger thrust from Stephen Hamble. A sack of red liquid was concealed under his clothes, and a wooden breast plate was to protect him. In the excitement of rehearsal the breast plate changed places, and the dagger went to Mason's heart. He died instantly.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—A sad and fatal accident happened in New Cannan, this County, last week, by which Wheeler Armstrong lost his life. It appears that the deceased was engaged, rolling on a boom in the river, when by some accident the hand spike or peave he was using, struck him a blow in the temple, causing it to be supposed instant death. He was alone at the time, and when found life was extinct.

Thomas Gonnane writing from New York states that two years ago 14th Sept. the ship "Lone Star" left San Francisco, bound to Sydney, Australia, with a crew of 24 men. After being out three weeks they were ashore on a small island, called Costa, in a gale of wind. Only five got ashore, when they were taken off by the gun-boat "Elector." Captain Wilson, who treated them with great kindness. Gonnane writes because he promised a Nova Scotian, named Nicholas Morton, who died, to announce his death in the papers. "He belonged to the 'Mill House.'" The names of the other survivors were Thomas Puntam, Frederick, and Theodore Gillett.

Out Hantsport correspondent sends us the following: On Thursday a little girl of Mrs. Stoddards got her leg broken by a stick of timber on which she was playing, by falling on it. The Rev. Mr. Blakely, Baptist Minister, has been doing a good work, resulting in the conversion of a large number. The Messrs. Chaswell are making preparations to build two large Barques, during the coming summer. They keep a large number of men constantly employed regardless of bad times. J. B. South, M. P., has a very large ship on stocks. Professor Spiney has been teaching music here all winter, his success has been wonderful. It appears that whole sent into his class, which numbers seventy scholars many of whom possess first class musical talent. A foreign gentleman present at one of our lectures, presented to him a very lucrative position abroad which his many friends will be pleased to learn he declined accepting.

Telegraphic News.

Special Dispatches to the Morning Chronicle.

EUROPE.

St. Petersburg, March 14.—It is semi-officially stated that the slow progress of peace negotiations between the Porte and Montenegro is observed with much regret in political circles here. Montenegro adheres to the decisions of the Conference. The Porte, however, will not permit the unfettered return of Herzegovinian refugees from Montenegro, and is content to see the territorial question demanded by Montenegro not made any counter proposal. The Prince of Montenegro does not intend to participate in the negotiations, but has resolved, should they prove fruitless, to withdraw into the strongholds of the country and defend his present possessions.

Public opinion in Russia regards a solution of questions pending between Montenegro and Turkey as a necessary preliminary to any arrangements between the Powers. It is believed that the Russian Government will not permit the Prince of Montenegro to participate in the negotiations, but has resolved, should they prove fruitless, to withdraw into the strongholds of the country and defend his present possessions.

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THE RELIGION AND PEOPLE OF TURKEY. While so much is being said about the Turks and their misgovernment of the Christian, it may be as well to see really who are the people under the Sultan's rule and what are their religions. These facts are able to glean from a recent draft document, which is bound up with the edition of "England's policy in the East," from the pen of Baron Henry de Worma, and published by Messrs. Chapman and Hall. The book itself is one of the most concise statements of the Eastern question that we have seen, and it must have considerable influence in clearing away the mists which surround the Eastern question. The table, which is printed in type large enough for a posting bill, will be found useful for reference. It shows that 34,573,000 people in the whole of the Empire are including the tributary States and Montenegro—the Mahomedan Turk comprise a quarter; but there are many other followers of Islam under the Sultan's rule. More than ten, and a half millions of Nubians, Darfurians, and others in Egypt, nearly a million Serbians, 800,000 Bulgarians, nearly five millions of Egyptians, a million and a half of Arabs, 800,000 Albanians, a million Kurds, 700,000 Circassians, and 600,000 Turcomans, Tartars and Gypsies, making a total of 34,573,000 Mahomedans. There are more than nine and a half millions attached to the Greek Church, four millions to the Bulgarian Church, 940,000 Roman Catholics, three million Armenians, and 340,000 belonging to other religions, including Judaism. The Roumanians, who all belong to the Greek Church, and who lately distinguished themselves by their prosecution of the Jews, number 5,123,000. The Servians, who are set down at 3,027,000 are composed of 2,078,000 of the Greek Church, half a million of the Bulgarian Church, and 450,000 Roman Catholics. The Bulgarians are stated at 4,800,000, the millions belonging to the Bulgarian Church and the thousands being Mahomedans. There are two millions of Greek Catholics, 800,000 to Mahomet, 190,000 Monics, 100,000 Levantines, Jews, Cassocks, etc., of whom 80,000 belong to the Greek Church, 40,000 to the Roman Catholic, and the remainder to various other religions. From these figures it will be seen that the Porte has care of a strange mixture of races and religions—a combination that other governments with greater gifts in administration would find it difficult to manage. It is not only a power capable of what is called "contemptuous toleration" could control such discordant elements. If the Greeks had their own way they would allow the Roman Catholics to have long ago shown their tolerance of heresy. But the Mussulman looks down upon the Christian, and looks upon the Christian as contemptuously at their small differences. It is only when provoked, as in Bulgaria, that he thinks the Christian worthy of notice. When the Christian is provoked, it is not the Christian who is provoked, it is the Mahomedan. The Mahomedans are of the "Athens" lately wrote, the Bulgarians are "no better than the Turks." Bulgarians, Servians, Turks and Russianians are full of lust and cruelty, and their international history of violence and brutal cruelty.

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