because I have known some to
gain has been real loss; and the
ence has cares which penury

it, said Mr Wills, as he shook
his old friend; but still there's a
Bible which says, 'The blessing
t maketh rich, and He addeth no
—*Proverbs* x, 22.

n "Times" on the Alabama Claims.

are the main portions af a late
he London *Times*, which has
l to in our despatches:

more than once during the pre-
reminded our readers of the
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, as some people think, destitute
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k a quarrel with us, it would be
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nt to be allowed, for the sake of
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ould have any other effect than
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hat anything beyond an honest
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f us by a foreign power, and
ntertain the question, whether,
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l faith. But no one had raised
hile another question—whether
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and if this principle be sur-
n hardly help recognising the
nities' of two innocent parties
a case.

CESTER SQUARE—The remarks
designs for Leicester square
r cotemporary *Punch* have
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George II. additionally ludi-
the night some person or per-
ntered the enclosure armed
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eing coated with the same
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WEEKLY COLONIST AND CHRONICLE.

By Electric Telegraph

SPECIAL TO THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST.

Europe.

LONDON, Dec. 22—The Fenian troubles have entirely abated.

It is reported on the continent that the French authorities in Mexico seized the baggage of Maximilian at Vera Cruz, and took out private letters which would have compromised Napoleon with the United States, Maximilian having positively refused to give them up.

LONDON, Dec. 23—The *Journal* of St Petersburg denies the alleged unfriendly feeling between Austria and Russia, and says, on the contrary, that both are on the best mutual understanding.

In Candia fighting continued. The Turks are strengthening the blockade.

PARIS, Dec. 20—The *Moniteur* editorially this morning thinks there can be no doubt that the relations between Italy and the Pope will be arranged on a sound basis.

BERLIN, Dec. 23—The Upper House agreed to the budget as amended by the deputies, and adopted the bill to annex the Duchies.

BERNE, Dec. 23—The Swiss Assembly voted twelve million francs for breech-loading rifles.

Eastern States.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23—Albert Lee, a wealthy negro produce dealer, owning an elegant mansion in Georgetown, will probably run for Mayor of that town in February, and it is believed will be elected.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24—The *Times'* special correspondent at New Orleans says the mission of Gen. Sherman, although not accomplishing all that was expected, was by no means a failure.

Europe.

[PER ATLANTIC CABLE]

PARIS, December 21.—As a manifestation of cordial relations between France and United States, it is said that the farewell Minister Bigelow yesterday was ...sful. Kellogg [?] in a speech, ...glad the traditional friendship of ...ons was fully restored.

...e Paris press have severe com... ...sident Johnson's Message.

...umor that owing to the un... ...he scheme for the reorganiza... ...nch army, it will be with... ...fied.

...21.—The case of the United ...ier, Trenholm & Co. was up ...y before the Admiralty Court, ... Adams refused to sanction the ...ade by Consul Morse. An ...time was granted the United ...pare for carrying on the case.

... Dec. 21.—Large seizures of ...s and ammunition continue in ...rts of Ireland.

..., Dec. 21—The Prussian House of ...s passed a bill to incorporate Schles... ...olstein with the Kingdom of Prussia.

...ONDON, Dec. 21.—Consols improving; ...for money. American securities have an ...pward tendency. Five-twenties, 72¼.

The London *Telegraph* says it knows positively that Stephens is still in foreign quarters, and that the British Government know all his movements. Should he land at any British port, he would have little time for mischief.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—The message of the President has had a better effect on public opinion since it has been received in full.

The budget of M. Fould shows that the finances of France are evenly balanced. The proposed reorganization of the army will not increase the taxes.

It is reported that M. Fould has loaned Spain ninety millions of francs.

The Upper House of the Hungarian Diet has agreed to the address to the Emperor of Austria recently adopted by the Lower House.

The announcement was made in the Diet at Pesth that the Emperor had resolved to restore the Constitution.

LONDON, Dec. 20th.—The Bank of England has reduced the rate of discount to 3½ per cent.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—The *Moniteur*, in an editorial this morning, thinks there is no doubt that the relations between Italy and the Pope will be placed on a sound basis.

Le Temps announces its unqualified belief that Napoleon has received official intelligence of the abdication of Maximilian.

LONDON, Dec, 20.—The *Miantonomah*, accompanied by other vessels of the American fleet, arrived at Gibraltar on the 15th inst.

PARIS, Dec. 31.—The *Moniteur Du Sour* says all the steps have been taken for the evacuation of Mexico by the French troops *en masse*.

FLORENCE, Dec, 21—It is said that the Pope is satisfied with the speech made by the King at the opening of the Italian Parliament.

The National Committee at Rome has ssued a proclamation advising the people to await calmly certain triumph. The first conference arrangement between the Holy See and the Kingdom has been held.

BERLIN, Dec. 21.—U. S. Minister Wright is recovering.

LONDON, Dec. 21, noon.—Consols 90; five-twenties, 72.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—The banquet to Minister Bigelow, yesterday, was a brilliant meeting of political celebrities. Mr Bigelow returned thanks, and said General Dix would find no thorny questions to settle.

DUBLIN, Dec. 21.—The Fenian warlike spirit appears to be dying out.

LONDON, Dec. 21—Evening.—The breadstuffs market has been dull and flat all the week; prices unchanged.

LONDON, Dec. 17—Consols higher, quoted at 88⅞@89. Five-twenties, 71⅛; issue of 1865, 69½@70.

The Frankfort market in American bonds is steadier and unchanged.

The London *Times* of the 17th contains a telegram from Berlin, in which the writer says the Pope of Rome has been officially invited to the United States. The same despatch, which is almost exclusively directed to American affairs, says that Maximilian is virtually a prisoner.

BERLIN, Dec. 17—King John of Saxony has arrived in this city, and is the guest of King William.

PESTH, Dec. 17—There is no truth in the reported arrest of Stephens. All continues quiet in Ireland.

PARIS, Dec. 17—The request of the Pesth Diet, made to the Austrian Government, has been refused acceptance.

LONDON, Dec. 14—The mine at Barnsley was set on fire yesterday by a third explosion, and no more of the sufferers were recovered. The relief parties have been obliged to stop their humane endeavors. The total loss of life exceeds 380.

BARNSLEY, Dec. 16—Several explosions took place at the Oaks colliery yesterday and to-day, which shows that the fire is still raging in the pit, but there has been no further loss of life. The most touching scenes of woe and despair are hourly witnessed both in the vicinity of the colliery and in town. Over eighty funerals have taken place. One hundred and sixty women have been left widows, and three hundred and thirty children left orphans by the calamity. Many are mourning in the streets from morning till night.

VALETTA, (Malta), Dec. 16—A United States sloop-of-war has arrived here, bound to Alexandra to take Surratt back to America

Mexico.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17—The *Herald's* City of Mexico correspondent of November 29th, says that Miximilian is as unstable as water, and it is still unsettled whether he will abdicate or resume his empire. The Council meeting, at Orizaba, did not result very satisfactorily. The idea of American intervention is unpopular among all parties, and Juarez himself had lost most of his adherents because of a report that he had granted a portion of Lower California to the United States.

The *Herald's* La Paz correspondent says the French column retreating from Mazatlan, was completely cut off from the Capital by the combined forces of Lazardo and Corona, and had embarked for France.

The *Herald's* special says the Department at Washington, has received no official information of the intention of General Sherman and Minister Campbell to return to New Orleans, nor of their having done, as reported heretofore,

RICHMOND, Dec. 20—Letters from the Mexican capital, dated 29th November, say: Maximilian's proclamation was issued at the request of his Mexican friends among the better classes, who assure him of the ample support of the country, and should Maximilian leave, he will do so honorably, and not abdicate nor be deposed. A number of French residents have been massacred in localities whence troops have been withdrawn, and their property confiscated.

South America.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Rio Janeiro advices of November 22d give the news from the seat of war to the 9th. On the 30th of October the Paraguayans, with ten battalions, supported by cavalry and artillery, during a heavy rain assaulted the position they lost on July 18th, but were repulsed, leaving 500 dead. As the Brazilians were well protected by the defences, their loss is comparatively small.

The U. S. gunboat Shamoken obtained leave, under protest, to pass through the blockade and landed Minister Washburne at Carupaiti, both sides agreeing to an armistice for that purpose.

Canada.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17—The *Herald's* Montreal special says: Two British gunboats left Quebec last night, having received orders from the Government to act as a convoy to the Cunard steamers. It is the intention of the Government to station a military force on the frontier, near St. Albans, in consequence of military preparations now being made by the Fenians under Roberts. A large quantity of military stores arrived here yesterday by the Grand Trunk Railroad.

SWEETSBURG, Dec. 19—The Fenian prisoner Madden was out on trial to-day, but before anything decisive was arrived at, the Court adjourned.

Eastern States.

PHILADELPHIA, December 16th—About 1 o'clock this morning the iron plated frigate New Ironsides, lying at League Island, was discovered to be in flames. Being so distant from the city considerable time elapsed before any fire engines reached the spot, and they were unable to do but little towards saving the noble ship. She continued to burn until afternoon and is now a total loss. No other vessels of the fleet anchored near her were injured. Naval officers were very reticent about the affair, but it is believed to have been the work of design.

NEW YORK, December 17th—Justice Morrill has issued orders, on the application of counsel, for the arrest of John Morrissey, John A Morris, William C France, C H Murray, Z E Simmons, William D Simmons, Jacob Banch, D L Reed, Benjeman Wood, Jacob E Lamerst, John McGee, Antonio Nathan, William Ward, William Croft, E W Hulse and Oscar Clark, all of whom the Sheriff is directed to hold to bail in the sum of $3000 each. The order of arrest was granted on the affidavit of Nelson B Odell, who deposes that during the two years last past he has lost $35,000 at the different lottery and policy shops kept and maintained by the above defendants.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15—The Compton house was the scene of an explosion last night. A barrel of oil in the kitchen exploded. Two persons have died, and three others are injured seriously, and it is supposed mortally.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14—Iturbide's remains were brought here by his brother Angelo, and buried privately to-day in the vault which contains the remains of his mother.

CINCINNATI, December 16th—The steamer Pine Bluff, loaded with pig iron from St. Louis, which arrived here on Friday, was attached at the instance of some of her crew, for wages due, amounting in the aggregate to eight dollars and ninety cents. She was tied up at the mouth of the Licking River, opposite this city. The obligation was not paid yesterday, and at two o'clock this morning the boat was burned to the water's edge. She was insured for $22,000 in Pittsburg offices.

William Compton and Jno. Blake, who were severely burned by the explosion of gasoline at the Compton House, on Friday night, died from the effects of their injuries yesterday. This makes ten persons who have lost their lives during the last week by fires. There are nine victims yet living who are badly injured. and two of them in a condition that leaves but little hope of recovery.

BUFFALO, Deceember 17th—Palmer H. Wadsworth's rolling mill was destroyed by fire this forencon. The loss is about $150,000. The buildings and machinery were insured for $20,000, A large portion of the machinery is probably not much injured.

RICHMOND, VA. December 17th—Dr S P Moore, late Surgeon General of the Southern Confederacy, is said to have received his pardon.

The *Herald's* Washington special says that Colonel Stover, who has recently returned to that city from Salt Lake City, reports that many outrages are being perpetrated on the Gentiles by Mormons. Brigham Young has sworn vengeance on them, and his followers were zealous in their prosecutions.

NEW YORK, December 16th—The *Herald* says that most of the European Governments are organizing their armies and raising their reserves to a higher figure than that at which they have hitherto stood. Under the organization the French army will amount to 1,250.000 men. England, which has hitherto been extremely careful about increasing her military expenditure, is adding considerably to the extent of her army and the Swiss Republic, which might be considered exempt from such necessities, is following the example. All this involves an increase of burdens upon the already over-taxed masses, and with them an increased necessity of revolutionary changes. The equivocal position in which France has been placed by the mistake of Napoleon renders this augmentation of her military establishment indispensable; but the question is whether the French people will be satisfied to submit to it very long. We believe the time is fast approaching when these immense military establishments will work the downfall of the dynasties based upon them, and when the popular voice will insist upon such reductions as will be consistent with purely national objects.

General Ashley introduced a resolution to-day in the House, for the appointment of a Special Committee to see it any officers of the Government have been guilty of a misdemeanor. It looked like and meant impeachment. The Democrats resisted, and the motion to suspend the rules, to get it before the House, was lost by 89 ayes to 49 nays, there not being a two-thirds in favor of the motion, Among the nays were Ames, Daws, Defries, Deming, Hale, Hubbard, Jenks, Latham, Raymond, Spaulding, Stokes and Whaley; all Republicans. It will probably be renewed when the House is full, and carried.

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