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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The greatest matter of interest in our English news is the death of the ex-Emperor of the French NAPOLEON BONAPARTE at Chiselhurst, at 45 minutes past 10 o'clock, a.m., on Thursday the 9th inst., in the 64th year of his age. He had been suffering from lithotomy, had an operation performed on him and appeared so much better that his physicians had decided on completing it, the following official bulletin tells its own tale:

"3 p.m.—The following bulletin from the physicians who were with Napoleon during his last hours, is just issued: The ex-Emperor Napoleon slept soundly last night. This morning his physicians had a consultation and decided to perform another operation upon him at noon to day. At the time the consultation was held, his pulse was regular, at 84 beats per minute. At twenty five minutes past ten o'clock, it appeared that he was sinking. The action of the heart suddenly failed, and he died at 45 minutes past 10 o'clock. Signed, Sir Henry Thompson, Conneau, Corvisart, and Clover."

Drakesford Bros., silk merchants, of this city, have suspended payment; liabilities, five hundred thousand pounds.

It would appear that the notorious Dilke bids fair to be a martyr in a small way.

While Sir Charles Dilke was delivering an address on the subject of land and people, in Derby last evening (7th inst.) a mob attacked the meeting and attempted to disperse it. Adherents of Sir Charles resisted the attack, and a severe struggle ensued. Several persons were injured, and many windows broken. The fighting lasted more than an hour, and great excitement prevailed throughout the city. Order was at length restored and the meeting was brought to a close. A large crowd armed with sticks and bludgeons escorted the speaker and his wife to their hotel.

At the Devonshire Chamber of Agriculture yesterday, Sir Stafford Northcote made a speech in which he urged the speedy payment of the damages awarded by the Geneva Board.

Disturbances are feared in South Wales in consequence of the strike of the miners.

Fifty-nine fishermen, of Yarmouth were drowned in the recent gale.

The upper floors of the granary of the Lion Brewery at Lambeth fell today, the manager of the establishment, the clerks and others were buried in the ruins. The fire brigade was at work, trying to save the victims of the disaster, but there is little hope that any one of them will be saved.

The sudden death of Napoleon took every body at Chiselhurst, as well as at London, by surprise; the Empress, relatives, attendants and household, and even the physicians were unprepared for it. The Emperor had passed a comparatively comfortable night, his strength seemed undiminished, and at a consultation early in the morning it was thought he could bear a third operation, which was fully determined upon, so great was the confidence felt in the patient's condition. The Prince Imperial was permitted to return to Woolwich to resume his studies. Dr. Gull went to London yesterday. There was no reason whatever to apprehend a fatal turn in the case up to 9 a.m., when now and dangerous symptoms suddenly set in. The Emperor's vital forces seemed to leave him all at once, and he commenced to sink very rapidly and a telegram was instantly despatched to Woolwich for the Prince. Dr. Gull was summoned from London, and Father Godhead the Emperor's spiritual adviser, was sent for in the greatest haste to administer the last sacraments to him. All arrived too late the Prince was not to see his father again alive, Dr. Gull and the clergyman just reached Park Gates as the Emperor expired. The Empress, who has been most constant in her attendance, was the principal person at the bedside at the last hour. The medical advisers, Sir Henry Thompson and Drs Corvisart and Clover, the Emperor's old friend, Dr. Conneau, and several members of the household, were also present. Since the Emperor's death the residence at Chiselhurst has been closed to all but the nearest friends and relatives.

The physicians state that death resulted from causes independent of the surgical operations to which the patient was subjected.

The event produces a deep impression in London, where the Emperor was personally very popular with the masses. The evening journals publish long obituaries with full expressions of mourning.

From France we learn that the Assembly was engaged this evening in discussing the Bill from the Superior Council of Education. The Deputies of the Left made a vigorous attack upon what they termed the reactionary composition of the Council, which it was said was made up of clericals, who were unpatriotically subservient to Rome. These expressions occasioned commotion on the floor, which was put an end to by adjournment. Bishop Dupanloup speaks to-morrow.

Rochefort will soon return to prison, to serve out the term of sentence, his health having been partially restored by his residence in Versailles.

News of the Emperor's death received at a late hour this morning. It is not yet possible to estimate the effect here. Imperialists are profoundly affected, and appear to regard the event as a final blow to their hopes. The only evening journal which has any editorial on the subject is the *Message de Paris*, an influential Franco organ. It closes a brief article with the following: "The disasters which have made shipwreck of the Empire will not cause to be forgotten the great services Napoleon has rendered to the nation, in re-establishing order and developing the prosperity of the country."

Prince Napoleon's action against ex-Minister Lafont and the Prefect of Police, for illegal expulsion from France, came up for hearing to-day; further hearing of the case is postponed one week. The Prince was interdicted from pleading in person.

The Vienna *Post* officially denies the rumour that the Austrian Government has determined to dispense with the services of Count Von Beust.

The armament of the Servian militia is progressing rapidly, and there is much excitement over R. R. question.