

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

FRANCE.

The report that the Emperor of the French is thinking of renewing his proposal of a European Congress and that he is already making preparations...

A correspondent of the *Unita Cattolica* notices that the Emperor is at Plombières, the scene of his interviews with Count Cavour in which the Italian...

There are at present five churches in course of construction and nearly finished in Paris. The churches are St. Augustin, on the Boulevard Malesherbes...

The municipal elections for the whole of France, with exception of Paris and Lyons, commenced on Saturday morning and closed on Monday afternoon.

*La France* publishes a letter from a correspondent at Wolkait, in Abyssinia, dated April 16 last, which contains an account of the position of Colonel Cameron...

The *Gazette de France* has the following:—A simple inspector of police had just died in England in whose veins ran the purest blood of the united Islands...

The funeral of General Naquard, one of the most distinguished officers of the Republic and the Empire, who died in his 87th year...

The *Monsieur du Soir* announces the death of the Abbe Kasanvier. This veteran savant, whose bizarre physiognomy was for many years well known to the frequenters of the Bibliotheque Imperiale...

The French Government has just authorized the preliminary surveys of a railway along the coast from Oberbourg to Brest. This line, essentially maritime and strategic...

The *Courrier de Marseille* publishes some details respecting the interior of Abyssinia, and the possibility of establishing commercial relations between that country and Marseille...

sel at Toulon, among whom were 100 of the Foreign Legion.

MASSEUBLE, July 25.—General Montebello and his family have arrived here. Letters from Rome to the 23d instant deny the rumor that an Ecumenical Council would shortly be held in that city.

ROME, July 22, 1865.—The health of the Holy Father is all that can be wished. He takes his daily walks in the neighborhood of his country palace at Castel-Gandolfo...

On Thursday the Holy Father went with his usual retinue to visit the Abbey of SS. Peter and Paul, at Valviesolo, near Sermoneta, which he had restored two years ago...

To-morrow, the Holy Father is to promulgate, in the parish church of Castel Gandolfo, the decree relating to the Canonization process of the young French shepherdess Germaine Cousin.

Another great act of Pius IX. is his recent nomination as professors at the Roman University of the Sapienza of two of the most eminent professors of the Bologna University...

While on this subject I may as well inform your learned readers that the Professor of Hebrew at the Sapienza, the Rev. Aloysius Vincenti, has published this week, in four volumes, a most learned Apology of the doctrines of St. Gregory of Nyssa and Origen.

Of other books recently published in Rome, I may as well mention the first volume of the works of the celebrated Italian writer Father Bresciani, S.J., and the *Raccolta di Meditazioni* (Collection of Meditations) according to the form of the Exercises of St. Ignatius...

I ought also to give notice of the first appearance this month of a monthly Latin journal issued by the Propaganda Press, which contains a summary of the cases of conscience, discipline, and religious economy...

Last Tuesday week I found myself at last in presence of real brigands, or at least such as the French authorities chose to set before us as such, in the shape of eleven very ordinary and simple-peasants, who were being led heavily chained to the Castle of Sant' Angelo by a very considerable escort of French riflemen and gendarmes...

Talking of the brigands, Fausti, the arch conspirator, has had his twenty years' imprisonment commuted into ten, by the Holy Father's kindness on his coronation day. By way of improvement on this indulgence, Fausti now petitions to be allowed, as a repentant sinner, to spend his ten years, not in a prison, but in a monastery!

Among recent religious events, must be noted the translation of the remains of the venerable Anna Maria Taigi, which were taken on Monday week last from the church of the 2ace to that of St. Chrysgonus, in the Trastevere. The latter church belongs to the Trinitarian Order, of which this wonderful woman was a tertiary. It was her wish to be buried there, but she died of cholera she was at first buried in the common cemetery of San Lorenzo, whence, in 1855, her body was transferred to the PACE by the Cardinal Vicar's order.

We are awaiting pilgrims from Belgium and from France for September next. They are coming in organized caravans. The French caravan is to leave Marseille on the 31st of August. A subsequent caravan is to leave on the 3d of September.

the great Capuchin Monastery, at the Piazza Barberini, which, from being the headquarters of the Roman province of that venerable and universally venerated Order, now becomes exclusively devoted to the purposes of the Father General of the Order...

FLORENCE, July 24.—It is asserted on good authority that Spain will send Senator Ulloa to Florence, and that the Marquis Tagliacarne, the Italian representative at Lisbon, will be appointed Minister at the Spanish Court.

FLORENCE, July 25.—Signor Nigra has left here to return to Paris. The news that the Marquis Tagliacarne has been appointed Minister of Italy to the Court of Spain has been confirmed.

On Sunday last, which was the feast of the Patronage of the Blessed Virgin, all the Madonnas were decorated, in memory of the movement observed in many of them before the great Revolution in 1797. The Trasteverini have a great devotion to this feast, and in spite of the heat, the streets were alive with processions from five o'clock to near the Ave.

The minister of Public Instruction has issued a circular to the scholastic inspectors of the Tuscan provinces directing them to proceed to visit the secondary and primary ecclesiastical seminaries of Tuscany, with the object of ascertaining the educational conditions of those institutions, and also whether the laws and the scholastic regulations are duly carried out.

The *Journal de Nice* states that an enormous rock weighing at least 400 tons detached itself on Wednesday last from the north side of the mountain of the Sapienza. The noise was so great that it was heard at a distance of eight miles.

ANCONA, JULY 18.—A few cases of cholera have lately occurred in this city, but there has been no further case during the last two days.

The Government have appointed a sanitary commission to report upon sanitary condition of the city. The last reports received are of a completely reassuring character.

PRUSSIA. BREMEN, JULY 25.—The official *Staatsanzeiger* of to-day contradicts the statement which has appeared in several journals that an invitation had been forwarded by the Emperor Napoleon to the Queen of Prussia to visit the French Court during its stay at Biarritz.

BRUSSELS, JULY 26.—The semi-official *Provincial Correspondent* of to-day publishes an article on the Ministerial Council held last week at Ratisbon, under the presidency of the King of Prussia, in which it says:—The recent negotiations with Austria have afforded no basis for an ultimate understanding being arrived at on the question of the Duchies.

DENMARK. The *Bertlingske Tidende* of the 21st states that the Danish Government has under consideration a projected line of railroad from Copenhagen, traversing the southern part of Zealand, and the islands of Falster, Laaland, and Femern, through Holstein, direct to Hamburg.

HOLLAND. THE HAGUE, JULY 19.—The Second Chamber of the States-General have, with the exception of one adverse vote, unanimously approved the Treaty of Commerce with France.

AUSTRIA. VIENNA, JULY 24.—In to-day's sitting of the Lower House of the Reichsrath the President read a letter, addressed to him by Count Mensdorff-Pouilly, announcing that on Thursday next the Reichsrath would be closed in the usual manner in the Hall of State of the Imperial Palace.

Austria and Prussia have found a new bone of contention. M. von Bismark maintains that the new members of the Schleswig and Holstein Estates must take the customary oaths of fealty to Prussia and Austria. To this Count Mensdorff objects, as the Emperor Francis Joseph and King William I. are, not the Sovereigns of the Duchies, although they for the moment, are the co-possors of them.

Her von Pratobevera then moved a vote of thanks to the President of the House, and added:—I know not whether, or when, we shall meet again, but I do know that we shall ever remain steadfast to the Constitution.

VIENNA, JULY 23.—It is expected that the Imperial sanction will shortly be given to the Budget for 1865 voted by both Houses of the Reichsrath. According to advices received here from Jerusalem the cholera had broken out in that city, and a rigorous quarantine had consequently been established.

SPAIN.

MADRID, July 19.—No doubt is now entertained of the approaching departure of Sister Patrocinio, Abbess of San Pascual, from Spain.

Father Olaret has also resigned his Post of Confessor to the Queen, and took leave of Her Majesty on the 17th. It is generally believed that this ecclesiastic will proceed to his diocese in America.

The *Correspondencia de Espana* of July 22 says:—“We have grounds for stating that the Spanish Government entirely disapproves the course taken by Senator Tavera, our envoy in Ochi, and that he will consequently cease to represent Spain in that republic.

More than 40 episcopal protests have already been addressed to the Queen of Spain against the recognition of Italy, besides numerous others from ladies of rank, magistrates, municipal functionaries, students, and military men.

FALSE PENANCE.—It makes use of restrictions and reserve in the hatred it has conceived for sin, and in the means which it adopts to repair or avoid it. It treats, it compounds with God, if we may say so, on the easiest possible terms. It studies the art of keeping ill-gotten goods, without remorse, or of appearing to restore them without losing its wealth.

La Publicite, a newspaper published in Marseilles alluding to the strike of the drivers and coachmen, speaks, of another strike, still more important and serious in its estimation—the strike of the bachelors.

A DUBIOUS STORY.—The *Courrier de l'Esere* relates the following extraordinary instance of determination which occurred three days since at Miribel Lanchaire, in that department. A boy, 12 years of age, named Durand, having climbed a tree to take a bird's nest built in a hole of the trunk, had just inserted his hand to reach it when the branch on which he stood broke, and, being unable to withdraw his hand, he remained suspended by it.

WHICH IS WHICH.—I don't know what they call those men who inspect the lunatic asylums—Whether commissioners, inspectors, or lunatic officers, or what; but I heard a good story about one the other day. He, the Government Inspector (let us say Government Inspector, or I shall not be able to get on), went down to a lunatic asylum to inspect, report, or whatever may be the term.

THE QUEEN OF ENGLAND.—Do you know that girl in the white dress with blue spots is a very curious case! I've been talking to her, and I cannot, for the life of me, discover in what direction her malady lies. Of course, I saw at once she was mad—saw it in the odd look of her eyes. She kept looking at me so oddly. I asked her if she did not think she was the Queen of England, or whether she had not been robbed of a large fortune by the Volunteer movement, or jilted by the Prince of Wales; and tried to find out the cause of her lunacy; but I couldn't—she was so artful.

LETTERS OF THE FIRST PRINCE OF WALES.—The publication of fac-similes of national manuscripts, obtained by the process of photo-zincography, presents us with, among many other things, extracts from a roll of letters written by Edward, the first Prince of Wales. This curious roll appears to have been kept by the Prince's Secretary as a duplicate copy of all letters despatched by his Highness, and furnishes proof of the extent of the Prince's correspondence and the method by which it was distinguished.

THE DUTCH TULIP MANIA.—The innocent cause of the evil, always a favourite with the Turkish race, found its way from Constantinople to Vienna in 1564. It is recorded that in 1562 a cargo of the precious bulbs was received by a merchant of Antwerp, who, mistaking them for some kind of onion, had many of them cooked; the rest being planted amongst the kitchen vegetables, where apparently most of them died. A merchant of Mechlin, however, had obtained a few of the bulbs; and his more careful culture led to the discovery of the beauty of their blooms.

are in favour of Ladalli, a Castilian money-lender, who had the King's jewels in pawn, and one-to-the mayor and sheriffs of London in favour of the Lady Mortimer du Chastel Richard, who seems to have been imprisoned and very harshly treated by the civic authorities on the bare word of her accusers. To Sir John de Breigne he writes that he had recommended Henriot de St. Oweyn to the King his father; but as the King's bastent word back that he is to meddle with nothing, he dares not do anything further for him.

CURE FOR HYDROPHOBIA.—Dr. Buisson, says the *Salut Public*, of Lyons, claims to have discovered a remedy for this terrible disease, and to have supplied it with complete success in many cases. In attending a female patient in the last stage of canine rabies, the doctor imprudently wiped his hands with a handkerchief impregnated with her saliva.

FOULS FLOCKED BY LIGHTNING.—A curious instance of the effects produced by the electric fluid occurred a week or two since to two girls who were on their way to the market at Bressuire, with a basket of live fowls slung from their respective shoulders. They went chatting along, when a few great drops of rain, which came pattering down, warned them that a storm was at hand.

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