

The present royal and august edict has been especially granted and issued from my imperial chancery for carrying my pleasure into execution. Hence thou, the above indicated Mousher, shall carry the preceding ordinance into scrupulous execution, conformably with the explanations given. As, however, the assessment of taxes and the delivery of passports are subject to specific regulations, thou shalt not permit anything to be done in contravention thereto. Thou shalt not suffer any tax or harash to be required of the protestants for marriage licenses or for registration. Thou shalt be careful that, like unto the other communities of the empire, every facility and required assistance be afforded to them in all their affairs, and in all matters concerning their cemeteries and places of worship. Thou shalt not permit any interference whatsoever, on the part of any other community, with their rights or with their religious concerns, nor, in short, with any of their affairs, either secular or religious, in any manner whatsoever, in order that they may be enabled to exercise the usages of their faith in security. Thou shalt not suffer them to be molested one iota in these or in any other matters; and thou shalt be careful and attentive to maintain them in the desired quiet and security.—They are to be permitted to make those representations to the Sublime Porte which it may be necessary to make concerning their affairs, through the agent.—After thou hast taken due cognizance of these matters, thou shalt cause the present noble rescript to be registered in the proper quarter, and shalt cause it to be confirmed in the possession of the aforesaid subjects, and thou shalt be careful that the high provisions thereof be always carried into execution. Thus be it known unto thee, giving full credence to the imperial signet. Done in the second decade of the sacred month of Moharrem, in the year of Hegira 1264, at Constantinople the well guarded. (Sultan's Signature.)

Abbas Pacha limits the exportation of grain from Egypt to 250,000 quarters.

INDIA.

The telegraph announces the arrival of the India mail at Trieste. War was again imminent in Burmah, our acquisitions being overrun by armed men, who, it was supposed, were instigated by the King of Ava. Col. Mackeson had been assassinated by an Afghan at Peshawur, and Capt. Parker and Ensign Bosworth had been killed in an affair with the Arabs in the Nizam's country. The revolution in China continued, and the whole country was in a state of anarchy. The imperialists had gained some successes at Amoy, but the patriots prevailed in the north. At Hong Kong the Spanish dollar was 6s. 6d.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.

The accounts from the Cape of Good Hope speak of the proposed relinquishment of the Orange River Sovereignty, and the withdrawal of four regiments from British Kaffraria—two steps which will infallibly lead to further difficulties and great discontent at King William's Town. If the Amatas are again yielded up to the Kaffirs a fresh war is inevitable.

There has been a conflict at Lagos, on the coast of Africa, in which our men-of-war interfered; but the affair ended as it began, in some squabble between the natives of the place respecting the possession of authority.

UNITED STATES.

The synopsis of two weeks later intelligence from California, is of far greater importance to the inhabitants of the Atlantic States than would appear from a mere casual inspection. The miners, of late, had been unusually successful in the pursuit of treasures; and as a substantial proof of their prosperity it is reported that two of the three steamers which sailed for Panama from San Francisco on the 16th ult., had two million three hundred and thirty thousand dollars in gold on freight; and the amount on board the other vessel, together with that in the hands of various passengers, will probably swell the total to about three million!—This large sum could never have been transmitted to us at a more opportune moment, as it many in some measure tend to relieve the stringency in financial circles, partly fill up the vacuum caused by the immense drains of specie from us by Europe upon the departure of every steamer, and also possibly save from ruin several heavily involved establishments, which are represented to be on the verge of suspension. In this point of view the news is of considerable importance.—*New York Herald*, Nov. 8.

It is said that another and decided step had been taken towards the annexation of the Sandwich islands to the United States, and that, in consequence, protests had been entered by the representatives of Great Britain and France. What avail these protests are likely to

have is indicated in the significant fact that King Kamohamoha's Minister of Finance has been removed, and the late United States Consul installed in his place.

Advises from Havana to the 29th ult., According to the letters from our correspondent, the Cuban planters had been thrown into a great state of excitement in consequence of the groundless rumors relative to England's project to Africanize the Island, by abolishing slavery, through the apprenticeship system. The planters well know that such a scheme would be a death blow to their prosperity, and soon reduce the condition of Cuba to a level with Jamaica and Hayti.

A farewell missionary meeting was held Thursday, at Calvary church, corner of Fourth avenue and Twenty-first street, on the occasion of the departure of Bishop Boone for the Chinese mission at Shanghai. Brief addresses were made by Rev. Dr. Hawks and others.

Correspondence.

SONGS OF THE CHURCH.

No. 59.

COMMUNION OF THE SICK.

"Draw nigh unto God and He will draw nigh unto thee."

ST. JAMES IV. 8.

I mourn not, for I am not left
Alone, to stem affliction's tide,
I cannot be of joy bereft,
While Thou, O God, art by my side.

Thy Presence cheers my silent room,
And soothes me through the weary night,
Thy smile is gladsome 'midst the gloom,
And turns my darkness into light.

Fain would I lift my aching head,
And in Thy temple make my rest,
Before Thine altar break the bread,
And take the cup which Thou hast blest.

O love beyond expression great,
To spread Thy table near my bed,
And send Thy ministers to wait,
With strength to comfort in Thy stead.

Dear at all times, now doubly dear,
The emblems of Thy Cross and grave;
O may my soul by faith draw near,
To share the bliss which angels crave.

Once more at love's unfailing spring,
I'll taste its sweetness ere I die;
Then hasten with an angel's wing
To banquet in Eternity.

W. D.

Editorial Miscellany.

R. M. S. AMERICA.

The R. M. S. America, arrived on Friday morning. Her dates are to the 29th ult. The latest intelligence of the warlike operations of the Turks and Russians is to the 22nd. There has been a conflict as stated; but all the rest is based upon rumour. Omar Pacha was, it is said, preparing to cross the Danube on the 25th. It is quite apparent that Russia has the game at her own disposal—that she will continue it as long as it may be profitable—and if worsted, that the great Powers will be glad to purchase the *statu quo* at last, by the simple evacuation of the Principalities.

Cholera is on the increase in England.

Flour and bread stuffs, we are sorry to see, continue on the rise.

The Emperor and Empress of the French are expected shortly to visit England.

It appears that in the year ended the 5th of January last, the home secret service cost the country £10,000, the foreign secret service £31,300, and the secret service (Ireland) £4,615.

The Dublin Exhibition was to close on Monday the last day of October, when the Lord Lieutenant would be present, and confer the honour of knighthood on Mr. Roney, the gentleman who has acted as Secretary to the Exhibition, and to whose energy and ability much of the success which it has experienced may be attributed.

A rumour is current in well informed quarters to the effect that the recent visit of the King of Belgium to England is not unconnected with the wish that a note may be drawn up susceptible of signature by both Turkey and Russia, and consequently calculated to settle the question which now threatens so imminently to disturb the peace of Europe.

The British Funds had fluctuated considerably, being moved by every rumour on the Russian difficulty.—The amount of business transacted from day to day has been considerable.

Our Burmese acquisitions are in a state of war, being overrun by large bodies of armed men, said to exceed 14,000, who occupy fortified positions, whence they attack our posts with occasional success. They are said to be instigated by the King of Ava. Resumption of formal hostilities is considered inevitable.

The election for King's County has terminated in the return of Mayhew Beckwith, Esq., by a majority over his opponent of 269.

Coal has realized 35s. per chaldron during the week. We think no more need be said to induce the colliers to bring their commodity along as quick as possible.

The Rev. J. McMurray, reports, as the result of a short collecting tour in behalf of the Wesleyan Academy at Sackville, the realising of £2,420, of which £300 is to the credit of Liverpool, a place remarkable for the readiness with which its people, of all denominations, contribute to their respective Institutions.

The Baptists likewise are moving spiritedly to increase their endowment from £10,000 to £15,000, with every prospect of speedy success. Dr. Crawley has resumed his post at Acadia College, aided by some new Professors. We hope the friends of King's College will be ready for the call, which must soon be made upon them for similar efforts to sustain that Institution, now to be thrown in a great measure upon our own resources.

We omitted to notice in our last the return from England of the Rev. Dr. McCawley, President of King's College, Windsor. The Rev. J. B. Smith, Math. Professor, sailed for England by the last steamer, on leave, in consequence of the illness of his father.

Two of the women implicated in the murder of the sailor Adams, in September last, have given positive testimony against Murphy and Gordon, as the perpetrators of the bloody deed. The parties are all in prison awaiting their trial.

JOHN MITCHELL, one of the Irish rebels, whose escape from Australia has already been announced, is said to have reached San Francisco from the Sandwich Islands on the 12th October. He was to partake of a public dinner previous to his departure for the United States.

THE PROVINCIAL for November is on our table, but we have not had an opportunity for more than a glance at its pages—from which however we are led to think that it is the best No. yet. We have noted some articles for transfer to our columns, but our readers had better buy the work for themselves.

MECHANIC'S INSTITUTE.—This highly useful institution is to be opened for the winter session on Wednesday evening next, under the patronage of His Excellency the Lieut. Governor, &c. Besides the opening address of the Rev. Mr. McGregor, there will be speeches by the Speaker and the Hon. J. W. Johnston. We heartily recommend the institution to a more general patronage than it appeared to receive during the last winter.

BERMUDA.—We deeply regret to hear that the sickness, which it was hoped had reached its worst, is still raging in these islands. It behoves us to pray for the remnant that are left, that the Lord would in the midst of judgement remember mercy, and say to the pestilence, "it is enough—stay now thy hand." May the sanctifying influence of His spirit accompany the sore affliction, so that if bodies die, souls may be born to an endless life.

Among those dangerously ill at the last accounts, we regret to hear was Surgeon Ingles, of H. M. S. Medea, son of Rev. Chas. Ingles, of Sydney.

Among the deaths we notice that of Edmund Ward, Esq. for many years Editor and Publisher of the Free Press in this town; and well known in the country for his advocacy of the Temperance cause.

It is understood that the Cunard line of Ocean Steamers, fearing competition from the line established by the Canadian government between England and the St. Lawrence in summer, and Portland in winter, have decided upon running a branch from Liverpool to Portland all the year round.

We observe that the Rev. Mr. Mulholland has resigned the Mastership of the Collegiate school at Windsor, and intends removing to Halifax, to open a private Academy, on the 12th January next.

ALL persons desirous of being admitted to Holy Orders at Christmas next, are requested to give immediate notice of their intention to the Venerable Archdeacon WILLIS.