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Europe.

LONDON, Jan 20.—The French made a sortie from Mont Valerien yesterday. Fighting lasted till dark. The German loss is considerable. Gen Von Werder commended the pursuit of Bourbaki yesterday, with whom he had a successful engagement.

In the north the advance divisions of Faidherbe's army have been driven from Beauvis to St Quentin with the loss of 5000 killed and prisoners. Gen Von Goben attacked Faidherbe, and after an obstinate fight drove him out of position and into St. Quentin. The Germans have occupied Tours meantime without resistance.

Versailles, Jan 20.—Last night the Germans sent forward a patrol into the trenches communicating between Forts D'Issy and Vanvres without meeting resistance. Fort D'Issy was found deserted, and the patrol finding nothing but mines and torpedoes returned.

Large fires were seen last night near the Pantheon. LONDON, Jan 20.—The journals of Lille deny that stores are being removed from Arras.

Prince George of Saxony telegraphed to Dresden that the Saxons were reconnoitering on the 19th, surprised a force from Paris and captured 5 officers and 150 men. The bombardment continues with good results.

The remainder of the Prussian loan will be offered in London and Berlin next week. The Emperor telegraphs to the Empress Augusta from Versailles 19th, that a sortie was made from Valerien to-day under a heavy fire, but was resultless. The army of the north was beaten to-day before St. Quentin and 4000 prisoners and 2 guns were captured. Signed WILLIAM.

Another dispatch from the Emperor dated Versailles 20th, says Faidherbe will be pursued to-day. The sortie from Valerien yesterday was made in great force. The troops are still outside of Paris and a French attack is certain to-day. Signed WILLIAM.

surrender the city before the enemy's fire destroyed public buildings and burned the centre of the city. The civil members of the Council dispersed with Trochu and he resigned, but again accepted command after an exciting and hot quarrel.

Gen. Teskrow has advanced from Besenoy and caused an escape of gas from dangerous chemicals among her cargo. The news of Chazay's defeat was stoically received in Paris.

The steamship Cambria from New York arrived on Saturday. LILLE, Jan 22.—Cambria has been summoned to surrender.

Gambetta, in his speech, says that France prefers eternal war to capitulation. The German Emperor telegraphed the Emperor that the latest estimates put the French loss during the late sorties as 15,000, including 11,000 prisoners.

The French demand for an armistice in order their dead outside Paris was, it is said, refused. The garrison will not renew the attack because Trochu is informed of Chazay's defeat.

Florence, Jan 22.—In the Italian Chamber of Deputies yesterday Signor Vimostosi, in reply to the Ministry said it was impossible for Italy alone to mediate between France and Prussia, but that the government intended to take the earliest opportunity to aid in that direction.

LONDON, Jan 23.—Advices from inside Paris of the 21st say that great dissatisfaction exists in consequence of Trochu's failure in his last effort to break the enemy's lines. BORDAUX, Jan 23.—Dijon was attacked by a large Prussian force yesterday and several engagements occurred at the neighboring villages. The troops were commanded by Merlot and Rivero arbaldi, and behaved well. The French maintained their position. The advanced post of both armies were close to each other last night and it is expected the battle will be resumed.

The Prussians entered Dole after the bombardment. ANTOUR, Jan 22.—The Prussians were repulsed at Longwy on Saturday. Their guns were dismantled and they were forced to place their batteries at a greater distance from the walls. The batteries of Hersele and Ostry replied freely to the fire of the besiegers. The Prussians are waiting for their guns, when the bombardment will be vigorous.

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He says they had abundant notice before the siege and that the only outlet now is capitulation. Facilities for intercourse of ministers with their respective Governments continues, though they are inconvenienced. The firing on buildings containing women, children and invalids is unintentional, but annoying.

The North German Gazette states that according to the treaty of 1879 between Prussia and the United States, Prussian men-of-war cannot capture American vessels conveying contrabands of war, but may stop their carriage until the end of the war, or may take possession of the contraband portion of the cargo at the same time giving bonds for the future payment of the same. It is probable that instructions will be given to commanders of all German vessels to act in accordance with this treaty.

Versailles, Jan 20.—Yesterday the French made a sortie under cover of the guns of Valerien. The cannonade was fearful on both sides and the German loss heavy. LONDON, Jan 21.—St. Quentin railway station was stormed by the Prussians and the town afterwards occupied. 2000 wounded, 1000 men and six guns were captured. The Prussians occupy all the approaches to Longwy. The French shells destroyed a magazine house and burned forty Prussians. It is said the fire of the garrison silenced the batteries. Nothing new from Paris. Damages from bombardment slight and few killed.

A drove of oxen for Paris passed through Rheims ready for the advance of Chazay who was receiving reinforcements. The establishment of a camp at Le Mans is discussed. The bombardment of Longwy is vigorously continued and the town is on fire. Versailles, Jan 20.—The French advanced near Fort Valerien, but attempted nothing. Fort Montreuil was surprised yesterday by the Prussians, who lost 20 officers and 200 men. Both French and Prussian troops remain in the same position. The Prussians lost in the sortie 400 men. The French loss was so heavy that they asked an armistice of forty-eight hours.

LONDON, Jan 20.—It is said that Gladstone had resigned his seat for Greenwich and Green-yar retired from Westminster. Children is paralysed in the lower half of his body, and the Ministry is going to piece. Prince Leopold of Luxembourg, replying to a dispatch from Bismarck, notices a pledge made on the part of Prussia not to base action on irresponsible acts. He promises to investigate the alleged breach of neutrality. This notice was to the signers of the treaty.

New York Jan 22.—A cable dispatch from London of the 20th says that much excitement is caused in political circles by the rumored difficulties in the Cabinet. Although the statement that Childers had resigned is officially contradicted, his retirement is only a question of time, on account of his health. There is no truth in the report that members of the conference have signed a resolution declaring that no single Power has a right to amend a treaty made jointly by others. The conference is regarded as a suspension of arms, designed to blind people to the fact of England's humiliation before Russia.

Paris correspondent reports that the bombardment has so far effected the destruction of some old houses and wood yards, and that the firing from the Prussian batteries has been quite harmless. It is said that Gen Fransenky, with the 2d Prussian corps has left Versailles for Dijon to confront Bourbaki.

LONDON, Jan 22.—The Lyton Steam Ferry Mills commenced operations to-day for the first time. The millinery works will turn out a very good sample of goods.

A man who left Kamloops last Thursday reports stock in good condition. Six tonnes of snow and weather moderating fast. Weather here calm with hard frost.

Canada. ST JOHN'S, N.B. Jan 21.—The cable between Placentia and St Pierre failed yesterday. It will be repaired as soon as possible.

Oregon. PORTLAND, Jan 24.—Arrived last night, steamer Wright from Sitka and steamer Idaho from San Francisco.

San Domingo. SAN DOMINGO, Jan 20.—The news of the report of the U.S. Commissioners is received with general satisfaction. The United States will be the first to recognize the Republic of San Domingo.

California. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan 24.—The eastward bound train that left here to-day had its mail car entered at Alta Station, while all hands were at supper and robbed of registered letters and \$10,000 in gold.

THE UPPER COUNTRY. [BY MAINLAND TELEGRAPH.] YALE, Jan 26.—Weather mild, light rain, very cloudy, no wind, about 8 inches of snow in river melting slowly.

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Cuba

KINGSTON, Jan. 24.—The steamer Hornet is at Port-au-Prince waiting a cargo of arms. Spanish war vessels are watching her and Col. Ryan has asked the protection of the American Consul.

ROBINSON'S Celebrated Magic Soap DIRECTIONS. For doing a Large Family washing in Two Hours; of Five or Six Pieces.

DR. J. COLLIS BROWNE'S CHLOROXYNE. CAUTION—Vice-Chancellor Sir W.P. Wood stated that Dr. J. COLLIS BROWNE was the inventor of CHLOROXYNE, that the story of the defendant, Freeman, being the inventor was deliberately untrue which he regretted had been proved in the Examiners' Hospital by the discovery of chloroxyne; that they prescribe it largely and mean no other than Dr. Browne's—See Times, July 12, 1884.

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NOTICE. MORSON'S Harmless and Effective Remedies. INDIGESTION—The popular and professional medicine is MORSON'S PAINLESS, the active principle of the gastric juice. In Powder, Lozenges, Globules, and as Wine.

CAUTION. Betts's Capsule Patents. FRAUD. On the 27th June, 1886, MOTEWALLAH, a Printer, was convicted at the Supreme Court, Calcutta, of counterfeiting the labels of Messrs CROSSE & BLACKWELL, London, and was sentenced by Mr Justice Pearson to TWO YEARS RIGOROUS IMPRISONMENT.

hained, by strangers and German soldiers, and in no comfortable home was opened to receive in whose wounds made one shudder to look at those cries of pain can never cease to ring in the ears. A few hospitable people placed beds, cow-houses, &c., at the disposal of the wounded, places without windows or doors, and wet, not a bundle of straw, not a bed, the shadow of bedding, there lay the sick, clad, clothed and cured by the English. Amputation, medically treated by their two doctors, assisted by two French physicians who nobly aid by their companions in arms when the night to the indescribable sufferings of their fellow sufferers, they might groan, mortify and die. They had warm homes and groaning tables, and their history could find a parallel for such scenes of unkindness.

The Fisheries Question. A FULL EXPLANATION OF THE CAUSES WHICH LED TO THE SEIZURES OF AMERICAN FISHING VESSELS.

OTTAWA, Ontario, December 30th.—The Minister of Marine gives the following explanation regarding American vessels seized by the Imperial and Canadian cruisers during 1870, for illegal fishing: The Womatuck was seized June 17th.

The Clara F Friend was seized at Broad Cove, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, actually sailing within three miles of the shore, having been previously warned. She was seized by the crew, but recaptured. The three prizes last above named, were made by H.M. cruisers.

The Lottie was seized Aug 18th, inside of Gaspe Bay actually fishing, having fished for seven days within the prohibited limit. She had been previously warned.

New Goods, Jovian's Gloves, &c., just received by Express at Victoria House.