TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

EUROPEAN.

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 13 .- The funeral of John A. MacGahan the well known correspondent, took place yesterday. The body was borne to the grave on the shoulders of stalwart men, and the pall, which was thrown over the coffin, was held by the correspondents of the London Daily News, Times, Daily Telegraph, Standard and Graphic, and General Skobeloff, whose heroic conduct before Graivitza redoubt in September last received such a mark of immortality from the pen of the lamented Mr. MacGahan. Col. Chambers, Military Attache British Embassy, Horace Maynard, U. S. Minister, and several officers from United States despatch boats, the Assistant Judge, British Consulate and many well known persons of position attended the body to the grave, in order to testify their respect for the deceased journalist.

The International Literary Congress held its first sitting in this city yesterday. The meeting was merely for organization, however. Many distinguished foreign literateurs were present, including Jean Sergieivitz Tourganieff and Tom Taylor. Edmund About pecupied the chair in place of Victor Hugo, who was to have presided, but was unavoidably absent.

Mr. Andrew D. White, L.L.D., President of Cornell University, was elected President, and William Balch Secretary of the United States section of the International Bureau. Three working committees of delegates were then appointed, after which the Congress adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday.

Berlin, June 11.—The leaders of the National Liberal party are here for consultation, and to determine the course of action. The believe that Bismarck had determined upon dissolution of the Reighstag even before Nobeling's attempt to kill the Emperor. Their war-cry will be the return of the present Liberal member. All the Plenipotentiaries will have arrived here by Wednesday, except the Turkish, who canreach here before Friday or Saturday. The Plenipotentiaries will be received on Wednesday in a State audience by the Crown Prince. They will be conveyed to the Palace in State carriages. On Thursday, after the Congress will meet for the first time, and after transaction of the necessary formalities, such as the verification of the several powers of the plenipotentiaries and appointment of official proceedings, it will then be opened by Bismarck as President, who will submit his momorandum of points or resume of subjects to be treated directly by the plenipotentiaries, each of whom will receive a copy of this document. The business of the first sitting will be confined to a settlement of the question, whether or not Congress shall invite Greece to participate in its transactions. A State banquet at the castle will be given to the plenipotentiaries and their suites on Thursday or Friday evening. It is highly improbable that Roumania or bervia will be accorded direct access to

Congress, either with full or consultative powers. The original anticipation that Congress would complete its labours in a fortaight is thought likely to be realized. Commissioners will then be sent to Turkey to settle details. The result of the Congress, it is anticipated, will not be unfavourable to Russia. She will probably got a portion of Bessarabia and Armenia, the latter including Kars and Ardahan certainly, and perhaps also Batoum, but not Bayzide. Wilhems Strausse is an a great stir of anticipation. There are newspaper correspondents from all parts of the world already here. It is reported that the Bonaparte, Orleans, and Bourbon interests are to be privately advocated during the Congress by gentlemen deputed for the occasion, the hope being entertained by Monarchical parties in France that the Conservative reaction will shortly set in at Berlin, and that a Monarchy may then have another

was received by Lord Odo Russell and Count immediately incorporated. Von Bulow.

London, June 11.—A Vienna correspondent says it seems that most of the Plenipotentiaries are to arrive in Berlin either on Tuesday or Wednosday, so that they will have an opportunity for meeting privately before the meeting. Officially considering the number of visits and return visits, which will have to be made in the 24 hours, there will not be much time for each of them; still, even the short time that will be available may be of some importance, affording, as it will, a firstclass opportunity of exchanging ideas, in direct personal intercourse, instead of indirectly, through the medium of the Embussios and despatches.

A Berlin correspondent says the non-compliance of Turkey with the reiterated demand of Russia, supported by Germany, for the immediate surrender of Shumla, which had already caused Congress to be convened two weeks later than originally intended, threatens to oreate fresh difficulties.

A Vienna correspondent says the confidence both in St. Petersburg and Berlin in the successful issue of the Congress is reported so deep as to almost exclude a doubt. Schouvaloff's policy is triumphant at St. Petersburg and his antagonists silenced, but the situation at Constantinople still causes uneasiness. A Vienna correspondent says Russia has

recently taken a very overbearing tone towards Austria. A rupture seemed imminent a week ago.

A Vienna despatch states the Russians in Roumania received orders to be ready for hos-

A Vienna special says that officers have been ordered to join their regiments in Dalmatia, which will be immediately ruised to a war footing.

The Duke of Cambridge left for Malta. A Vienna correspondent says the various Bovernments have agreed that the discussions in the Congress be secret, and that a committee be appointed to select what portion of he deliberations are to be published.

At the Austrian foreign office it is fully exsected that Austria will be allowed by Contress to occupy Bosnia. The mobilization of an Austrian force in Transylvania has been

ordered. Vienna, June 11.—Count Andrassy and M. Haymerle, Austrian plenipotentiaries, have

started for Berlin. A Bucharest special despatch states that a Russian army corps commenced advancing on Pitesti on Sunday, and have already reached Tetri and Gaesti. On entering the villages occupied by the Roumanian troops, the Roumanian Government ordered their troops to retire. The Russian movement interrupts the communication of the Roumanian army with Bucharest. The Government intends to ask an explanation of Russia, and if an unsatisfactory answer is given it will address a

solemn protest to the Powers. Prince Charles leaves Bucharest for his summer palace at Sinaia during the week, to await decisions of Congress.

A Ragusa correspondent says the Montenegrin Government sent an envoy to Scutari to adjust the frontier and the differences with Turkey.

PARIS, June 14.—The Literary Congress that Bismarck's moderating influence at the only chance of averting this danger.

Hugo will deliver his oration before the Congress at the Theatre Duclatener on Monday A grand banquet will be served at the Continental Hotel on the same evening.

BERLIN, June 12 .- The Congress opens on Thursday afternoon. Bismarck will deliver a short address of welcome. It is unlikely that any business will be undertaken before the arrival of the Turkish representatives.

Bismarck is said to be in good health, the excitement of the grand meeting acting like tonic upon his nerves. Prince Hohenlohe, German Ambassador to Paris, will sit as the third Plenipotentiary

for Germany. London, June 12 .- It is reported from Antivari that Austria has proposed a compromise, according to which Congress would have the use, but not the complete possession, of the

port of Antivari. A Berlin special says, on his arrival here Gortschakoff was exceedingly pale. He was wrapped in thick furs, and had to be carried from the train to the carriage by his attendants. His condition causes some apprehen-

Prince Nikita professes to be anxious to avoid a conflict, but refuses to surrender his

present holdings. BELGRADE, June 11 .- Minister Rostics has been instructed to urge at Berlin, the annex-ation of Old Servia to Servia.

A Berlin correspondent says the Congress will probably sit on alternate days, each sitting to occupy three hours. The first subjects to be considered will probably be the degree of secrecy to be observed, and the military position at and near Constantinople.

In regard to Asia, the Turks will plead that

Russia's possession of Kars would leave a great part of the country defenceless, and the nationalities about Batoum are opposed to annexation to Russia.

A Pera correspondent says Safvet Pasha is preparing a circular stating the Bulgarians are systematically endeavouring to extirpate Mus-

A Pera despatch says:-An iron-clad and several battalions have been ordered to Thessaly at the request of the Government of that Province. It is reported that the Greek insurgents landed at Albania, and are inciting revolt.

A Constantinople despatch says there are 25,000 Russian troops sick with typhoid fever and similar diseases in this neighbour-

A Berlin special says, in consequence of Count Andrassy's desiring time for the Plenipotentiaries to Congress to exchange views privately, it is probable the second sitting will be postponed until Monday.

VIENNA, June 12 .- A Catarro despatch says that, in the event of the failure of negotiations at Scutari for the adjustment of the frontier differences with Montenegro, the Turks fear an offensive move against Podgoritza, as the Prince of Montenegro posted a brigade in that direction, apparently to exercise pressure upon he negotiations.

A Vienna correspondent tel is said the Porte does not intend to make a stand against the declaration of the independence of Roumania, Servia, or Montenegro. It would, if unavoidable, consent to Montenegro's receiving an extension of territory proposed by the Constantinople Conference, and probably would not seriously contest Servia's claim to an extension on the right bank of the Maravia. It seems all Turkey's efforts are to be concentrated on saving as much as possible of Northern Bulgaria. It will claim that a portion of the country east of the Lom should be left under the direct rule of the Porte as Mohammedans are in the majority. If this appeal fails it will endeavor to obtain organization for Bulgaria similar to that of Lebanon."

Prince Milan has postponed going to Nisch, on account of the mobilization of the Austrian army, which creates undefined apprehensions and abundant political speculation. The territory granted to Servia, on the western frontier, by the treaty of San Stefano, will, accord-Lord Beaconsfield arrived this evening; he | ing to the Prince, by a ukase just issued, be

Several thousand Russians arrived in Roumania from Russia during the past few days, and have taken positions on the line of the posts facing the northern outlets of the Carpathian passes, between the rivers Argist and Serett. The troops from the Dobrudja are also crossing the Danube for the purpose of camping up on high ground on the Roumanian side, as much sickness prevails south of the river.

The news from Thessaly indicates the probability of a renewal of the Greek insurrection This is said to be in consequence of the discouragement of the Greeks at the reported understanding between England and Russia, which they believe fatal to Hellenic interests. Soon after 1 o'clock this afternoon the Plenipotentaries to Congress drove up to Bismarck's Palace. Each Plenipotentiary wore the usual diplomatic dress of his native country. At 2.30 the flag of Germany was hoisted over the Palace, betokening that the Congress had opened. The street in front of the Palace

is closed against ordinary traffic. The Ministerial organ says peace being the principal object in view, selfish interests will he regarded as of secondary importance by the august conclave, which has met to confer upon Europe the blessing of durable and wellmatured arrangements.

Official papers say, unless symptoms are deceptive, the Berlin Congress will successfully dispose of questions long dreaded as certain to kindle a universal war.

It is understood that to-day's sitting of the Congress was merely devoted to the formalities of electing a President, and the Bureau of the Presidency was conferred upon Bismarck, at the suggestion of Andrassy, who advocated this selection, not simply on the ground of traditional custom, but for the eminent services Bismarck was on all sides acknowledged to have rendered. Andrassy also expressed warmest hopes for the recovery of the reverce German Emperor. The first real working sit ting of the Congress will be on Monday This long interval appears to be due to a desire to facilitate the settlement of the task of the Congress by preliminary negotiations between plenipotentiaries. One such conference yesterday evening between Schouvaloff and Andrassy, lasted until late at night.

The first sitting of Congress only lasted an hour and a half. Lord Beaconsfield spoke in English, and Bismarck replied in the same

tongue. A Berlin correspondent says Bismarck, in replying to Andrassy at the Congress, expressed his belief in the success of the Congress. and his particular desire to see harmony established. The correspondent adds:-Bismarch hopes to go to Kissingen in two weeks. The Austrian Ministers likewise anticipate an early solution of the questions at issue. It seems probable an attempt will be made to improve on the declaration of the treaty of prise no honest and intelligent Democrat, Paris in regard to the scizure of private property afloat. The correspondent points to the enthusiasm and interest manifested concerning Lord Benconsfield, and the lack of intorest on the part of the Germans in Gortschakoff. He fears the contrast may stimulate a rivalry, and cause the differences that may arise to become personal, and he considers that Bismarck's moderating influence affords

UNITED STATES.

New York, June 12 .- The country is entitled to know the bottom of the facts respecting the Louisiana and Florida frauds, but, if the object were to put Mr. Hayes out of office, the whole country would rally to his support, and damaging facts disclosed would be slighted and despised by citizens who regard public tranquility as of paramount interest.

New York, June 12 .- Some startling affidavits are read in the Vanderbilt will contest now proceeding. Statements from three detectives, Fahedburn, Geo. A. Mason, and William H. Clark, gave a complete account of the alleged conspiracy against Cornelius Vanderbilt, and alleged that William H. Vanderbilt and Chauncey M. Depew arranged it, and hired detectives to follow the man who personated Cornelius J. Vanderbilt to infamous places, and to report his movements to the Commodore, in order to influence him to disinherit his son; these affidavits were made several months ago, but have never been made public before. Letters from Clark and Mason, dated June 9, 1878, were also read, denying their former story, and declaring the only con spiracy was one arranged by Cornelius C. Vanderbilt himself. W. Vanderbilt and Channey M. Depew will deny to-day the

charges against them.

Last night, Lucien Levy, aged 38 years, o Hebrew, a member of the firm of Henry Levy & Co., pocket-book manufacturers, committed suicide at his residence by taking strychnine. Eight days ago he married a Prince street flower girl, who was a Christian, although he had been engaged for some time to a Jewess, who was a neighbor of his. Levy was wealthy, and was received in ex-cellent Hebrew society up to the time of his marriage. Mrs. Levy is a bright, good-looking young woman. She professed to be unable to assign the cause for her husband's suicide.

The railroad meeting here was chiefly a gathering of Western railroad managers; all the main trunk lines were represented with the exception of the New York Central, which sent no officers, but its Western connections were all represented by their managers. The committees reported on the results of the polling compact during the last three months. They are of the opinion that the results are favorable, and that no better policy could be devised than the continuance of the same arrangement for another term. The general drift of the discussion was in the same direction, though instances of failure to carry out the stipulations of the compact were cited; yet the feeling among the principal managers seems to be in favor of the continuance of the present arrangement. Nothing final was decided upon as yet. It is understood that today questions concerning east-bound passengers will come up for discussion, with a view to devising some plan to prevent a general

war in passage rates at St. Louis and Chicago. It is probable Mr. Bryant will die within 24 hours. 'The physicians' last bulletin said that he was exceedingly weak and feeble, and but for his wonderful vitulity he could scarcely be expected to live more than a few hours. Bryant has been unconscious since Monday afternoon, and has taken no nourishment in the meantime. Among the callers last night was ex-Governor Tilden, an intimate personal friend of Mr. Bryant. Mr. H. Watson called with the poet Stoddard. LATER.-William Cullen Bryant died this

NEWARK, N.J., June 12. J. H. Vanhauten, member of Phythagoras Masonic Lodge, dropped dead at the meeting of the Lodge in Richard J. Wardell's house, at 11.30 last night. A powder was found in his pocket, and a paper that had contained the powder. There are suspicions that he took poison. Vanhauten was mysteriously stabbed in his garden one night several weeks ago.

Philadelphia, June 14.—Among the passengers who arrived at this port from Liverpool yesterday on the steamer "Baltic," of the White Star Line, was Gen. Grant's second all of whom were not only prepared to subson, Jesse R. Grant, who left this country with his parents when the latter sailed from Philadelphia last year. The ex-President will not return until next spring. He has arranged matters so that he will avoid either too warm or too cold weather. He will go to Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Russia during the warm summer months, and after visiting Holland, Belgium and other places on his return, will manage to spend the winter months in the south of Europe-very likely in Spain. He will remain there long enough to avoid the inelement winter weather of the North; will then return to Paris in the beginning of spring, and thence to this country, Mr. Grant says his father takes a very deep interest in all that transpires in the United States. He is posted as to every thing that is going on. He does not St. Lawrence O'Toole, who sought his conseread an English newspaper at all. British crution in the See of St. Patrick, and adminispapers have apparently not much in their columns that interest him. He goes for Church as his Cathedral. If history is to be American papers however. Mr. Grant asked his father if he had heard of the investigation into the Presidential election now progressing in Washington. Of course he did. Did he express any opinion about this investigation? "Well you know I am not permitted to utter political opinions on his behalf, but I can tell you he regards Potter's ininvestigation as useless a foolish piece of

New York, June 14 .- General Sherman made a very remarkable after-dinner speech yesterday at a meeting at West Point Alumni. Alluding to the possibility of an attempt being made to disturb the President's title, he declared that Mr. Hayes, although a mild-mannered gentleman, would be found to possess nerve enough to maintain his right if it was assailed, and in so doing he would have the support of the army. The sentiment drew forth bursts of applause from the veterans as well as the young graduates.

New York, June 11. The Herald says Mr. Buchaud of Illinois. Republican member, performed the foolish feat of a small politician yesterday, by attempting destroy the effect upon the country of the revolution of the Judiciary Commission—a pretty conclusive proof that the title of President Hayes will never be seriously questioned in such official circles

as have any power to divert it. The Times says the action of the House officially disposes of Mr. Montgomery Blair's extent explosive compound designed to blow the door of the White House. The Tribune says it would be interesting to know whether Potter wishes now that he had it. The World says if Senator Conkling desires to Mexicanize the United States Government he must look elsewhere than to the Democratic party for his crushing vote. The House of Representatives yesterday, on the matter of re-opening of the action of the forty-fourth Congress, it will surand to find an answer to the calumniators who have attempted to vote others of electoral fraud 51,876 in Louisiana and Florida against grand inquest of people by attributing wild and revolutionary purposes to Democrats and promoters of grand inquest.

The Star says the validity of Hayes title is now definitely disposed of, so far as any Congressional action is concerned, and with it disappears a revolutionary shillalith.

IRISH NEWS.

Mr. Wilson, M.P., will introduce the English Sunday Closing Bill, which the Irish members are determined to support, partly from principle and partly for revenge.

The Dublin Nation says: The one funny circumstance connected with the election was the telegram of the Earl of Beaconsfield thanking the constituency of Down for the distinguished demonstration made by it in support of the policy of the Government on the Eastern question. As if the Eastern question had anything whatever to do with the contest from first to last!"

On May 22nd the House of Commons threw out the Rating of Towns Bill, the object of which was merely to give the same facilities in Ireland for the registration of parliamentary voters that have existed in England for the last nine years. Of all the outrages perpetrated by the House of Commons on Ireland during the present Parliament, this is decidedly one of the most flagrant and inde-

The Dublin Nation says :- Mr. Parnell, and some others of the active section of the Home Rule party have made further assaults on the Queen's Colleges by way of disputing the estimates, and we may here note that the discussions so far raised upon the estimates by the so-called obstructive members has so retarded the business of granting the supplies that Mr. Parnell has been called a curse to the kingdom (of England.)

On the night of May 7th a case of shooting at a land agent, which has caused some excitement in Monaghan, took place. Mr. Filgate, agent of Mr. Lucas, of Castleshane, near this town, was retiring to bed, when a shot was fired at the sleeping apartment which that gentleman occupies. The bullet, which was a large one, and evidently fired from a gun, shattered the plate-glass window of the apartment, and rebounded.

Another characteristic political pronouncement has been made by the Meath clergy. At a meeting held on the 9th ult., in Navan, thirty priests declared their hearty concurrence in the Kells resolution approving of Mr. Parnell's behavior in Parliament, thanking that gentleman for his splendid services to Ireland, and condemning the apathy and inaction of a section of the Home Rule members as the cause of the failure of the

The Waterford News says :- "We perceive by Mr. O'Connor Power's speech in Glasgow that he purposes resigning his seat in Parliament if the Irish party do not get on better. This comes well from one who has taken, INSURANCE COMPANY with Mr. Hugh O'Donnell, a large share in breaking up that party. We have it on the best authority that Mr. Power will not have the slightest chance at the next election for Mayo. The electors are tired of him and his

At a special meeting of the Kerry Tenants' Deposited with Dominion Gov. \$50,000 Defence Association, held May 18, presided over by John O'Flaherty, and largely attend-ed, Mr. Thomas O'Rourke, T.C., took occasion to refer to the absence of The O'Donoghue, M.P., from the House of Commons since the beginning of the session. After some further remarks a resolution was unanimously adopted calling upon The O'Donoghue to be in his place in the House of Commons when Mr. Gray's motion was being discussed relative to the oppressed tenantry of the Galtee Mountains

The following letter appeared in the Irishman of the 1st of June:—Sir.—The committee appointed in this town last week to raise funds to aid the men charged with the above murder, met again on Monday, the 26th ult., at 8 p.m., at the Bull's Head Inn, Fishergate. and I am pleased to say they were supported wribe their mite, but also to take out collecting books. It was decided that the whole of the town and neighborhood should be well canvassed, including the following adjacent villages :- Bulwell, Hucknall, Eastwood, Lingtymill, and Ilkistow.

The authorities of Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, have taken advantage of the restoration to give a history of the building. They very properly attribute it to the Danes, but very improperly insist that the native Irish never had anything to do with it. Perfectly certain it is that the Danish bishops went on all occasions to Canterbury to be consecrated, but it is equally so that there were Irish prelates in the See who were consecrated at Armagh. We need not give any other name than that of Lorchan O'Tuathail, now known as tered the archdiocese of Dublin with Christ worth anything, it ought to be accurate.

. The Freeman's Journal prints the following extract from a pamphlet entitled "A Short History of the Dublin Aristocracy; Being the First Day's Proceedings of the British Association, 1878 ":- " In the evening this section proceeded to the office of the Church Temporalities in Upper Merrion street, where they were invited to inspect the powerful microscope recently manufactured for Mr. Godley. That gentleman explained that this was supposed to be the the most powerful instrument yet made, its magnifying power being 20,000 diameters. By its means he showed that the Church surplus can be distinctly seen, though wholly invisible to the naked eve. It is handsomely mounted in brass, no other metal being so appropriate, all things considered. The room is hung with portraits of the 400 devoted young curates who miraculously received a call to preach the Gospel just before the disestablishment of the Church. These were not disobedient to the heavenly vision. but received perpetual curacies, entitling them to a share of the Church property, for 'the laborer is worthy of his hire."

On the 20th ult., after twenty-two days of trial, there was closed, in Dublin, one of the most remarkable cases occurring in Ireland for many years. The object of the trial was to set aside a will made by Christopher N. Bagot, who died one year ago, bequeathing his estate, worth more than a hundred thousand pounds, to his brothers, instead of his wife and son. Mr. Bagot was a man of great energy, born in Roscommon, and spending most of his life in Australia. There he amassed his fortune, returning to his native land a few years ago, where he married the daughter of Sir William Verner, of Armagh. It was this lady who brought the suit to break down the will, claiming that either by some mental aberration or the intrigues of relatives, her husband had been made to believe that the child born after their marriage was not his, and consequently to disinherit him. The case was one of the most sharply contested in the annals of Irish litigation, but a mass of testimony was adduced quite unfit for public reading. The decision of the jury breaks down the will, the son, Neville Bagot getting the bulk of the property. But now the executors have entered their protest, and a new chapter in this repelling story of aristocracy in Ireland is in prospect.

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