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General Intelligence.

The R. M. Steamer Acadia, arrived at this port on Wednesday afternoon.

No doubt can exist that the British people will give a hearty support to the Government in the coming contest.

Sir Charles Napier has been appointed to the command of the British fleet in the Baltic.

Lord Raglan and Sir Baldwin Walker have been to Paris to concert the plan of both Naval and Military operations.

Couriers had left for St. Petersburg, bearing a summons from the French and English Governments.

The subject of privateering is occupying the attention of Government.

Before the month expires the Anglo-French armies, consisting of 100,000 cavalry and artillery.

Sir C. Napier has hoisted his flag, provisionally, in the Prince of Wales.

It is stated in Paris that Marshal St. Arnaud decidedly goes to command the expeditionary army to Turkey.

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The Grand Duke of Tuscany has recently conferred an order upon Dr. Charles Jackson, of New England.

The late Elliot Cresson of Philadelphia has bequeathed \$50,000 to the American Sunday School Union.

During February, three graduates of the Yale Theological Seminary were ordained as Missionaries to the Chinese.

In two Western Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, fifteen men have offered themselves as Missionaries to the Chinese.

During the year 1853 the sum of \$200,000 has been contributed by various congregations of the United Presbyterian Church for the support of the Home and Foreign operations of the Synod.

Mr. Charles Allen, an Irish Roman Catholic Lawyer, who defended the Chalmers' Church rioters at the recent trial, has been elected Mayor of Quebec.

It is said that the British Government intend to temporarily prohibit the distillation of whisky from grain in England, Ireland, and Scotland.

The Paris Correspondent of the Montreal Witness, says that a Roman Catholic priest named Bertsch, has been received a member of the Evangelical Church at Danzig.

of 1,400 medical students from all parts of the Union.

Michigan Liquor Law.—The Prohibitory Temperance Law takes well in Michigan.

Peru.—From Peru and Bolivia the following summary of intelligence is published in the Panama Star of February 23d.

The Ex-President of Peru had gone South to join Domingo Elias, and there is little doubt that when a junction of forces was effected, the revolutionary party would succeed, and Castillo be proclaimed President.

Bolivia and Peru were holding off against each other. No inroad of any importance had been made by either nation, and it is supposed that as soon as the present dominant party in Peru—Echeague & Co.—are overthrown and succeeded by Castillo, that a treaty of peace will be arranged between the two countries, and affairs will once more settle down on a peaceable basis.

The Valparaiso Mercury states upon what is deemed reliable authority, that Gen. Belzu, finding himself unable to cope with Peru upon the coast, is disposed to see letters of Marque to cruisers against Peruvian commerce, and adds that it is supposed that some vessels have already been armed for this purpose.

The Valparaiso Echo of Jan. 31st says—Allure appear to be no better in Bolivia than in Peru. Disturbances take place all over the country. Signor Lora and Gen. Mergano Bolivian were again actively at work, arousing the people against Belzu. There is every probability of this would be here being involved in greater difficulties than ever. The different parties against the present Government are at present warring among themselves, and each is endeavoring to rally round its own motto and rallying standard. Generals Velasco and Carrasco were revolting the Province of Santa Cruz.

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DOWLING STREET, 24th February, 1854.

Sir,—I transmit herewith for your information, copy of a Circular Instruction, which has been addressed to Her Majesty's Diplomatic and Consular Agents abroad, directing them, in conformity with an agreement made by Her Majesty's Government with that of France, to afford protection to French subjects and commerce. Instructions to the same effect will be forthwith issued to the Naval Officers in all parts of the world. I have directed you to conduct yourself in the exercise of your powers as Governor of Nova Scotia in accordance with these instructions, so far as they are applicable to your office; to press on all the local authorities under your jurisdiction, the duty of affording similar protection to French subjects and commerce, and co-operating for that purpose with Her Majesty's Naval Authorities; and to report to me, without delay, any measures which you may have deemed it expedient to take in reference to these instructions.

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Missionary Advocate.

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