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Foreign Intelligence.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

HOSTILITIES ON THE DANUBE. (By Submarine Telegraph.)

VIENNA, Nov. 8.
By the 21 and 23rd of November the Turks crossed the Danube from Turakul to Oltentza, to the number of about 18,000 men.

By the 4th Generalissimo the Russians with 9,000 men, and, after a brisk campaign, a combat with the bayonet took place between the armies.

"The Turks maintained their position at Oltentza, and have fortified them."

"The combat lasted for three days."

"In the Russian list several officers and 17 privates killed, and 4 superior officers, 15 subalterns, and 473 privates wounded."

"The loss on the Turkish side is not known."

"4,000 Turks occupy Kalacrahe, 2,000 have established themselves on an island in front of Giurgievo, and 12,000 are in Lesser Wallachia."

(By Submarine and European Telegraph.)

VIENNA, Tuesday Night.

From the 4th to the 5th the Turks occupied the island near Oltentza, and crossed undisturbed to the other side of the river. When seen, a battle ensued which lasted 28 hours. The result is unknown.

"The Russian General Giurgievo was taken by storm."

"Turakul and Oltentza are towns on the right and left bank of the Danube, between Rutschuk and Sileria, on the direct route to Bucharest. The troops Lesser Wallachia, a town on the right bank, opposite to which lies Kalacrahe, at the junction of the Stry and Danube. The troops Lesser Wallachia, which forms the extreme left of the Turkish line."

Bucharest, Oct. 29.

"The Hospitalier Shirley has left Bucharest for Vienna. His departure has been officially announced to the representatives of the foreign Powers. The Government is carried on by a Commission, and the Russians have seized all the public funds and treasures."

"The prices of goods and victuals have been raised to a very low rate by the military authorities. Whenever any dealer asks high prices he is at once seized and flogged by the soldiers who surround the public markets."

"A War seems imminent. The Russians in their attachments on the left bank of the Danube make no preparations to cross that river. The consuls of France and Great Britain expect instructions from their Governments, authorizing them to leave the country."

TURKEY.

Constantinople, Oct. 27.

"The removal of the Russian troops from a command of the army in Asia is mentioned as probable."

"We are informed that the Russian troops in the Principality are suffering from typhus, and that the number of combatants is reduced to 85,000. It will take six weeks before the reserve can come up from Bessarabia."

"Despite these active hostilities, negotiations were prosecuted in reference to a treaty which the London Powers offer the following comments—"

"The object of Europe in all these transactions is simply to oppose the dangerous aggression of the Russian Empire, and to maintain the efficacy of public law. Neither of these considerations, perhaps, requires us to terminate the hostilities now prosecuted in Wallachia, but, not to mention the suggestions of humanity, which would urge us to terminate the hostilities in order to preserve the general peace. In the existing state of continental politics no person can tell at what point war can be stopped, or what would be its results, if it acquired a European character. We have never seen a treaty subscribed to by the great Powers, which was already so obsolete as to justify universal disavowal; but there are two positions which we freely admit, first, that it is advisable to prevent them by all possible means, and, secondly, that if they should occur, we should be prepared to meet them with a firm and consistent policy."

the other effects of war, and, in the longer they are prolonged, the more likely are they to become a permanent and insuperable barrier to all progress, and to tell what evil passions might not be roused by another such struggle as that which the opening of this century witnessed, or to what extent civilization and improvement might not be retarded. This is the point of view from which the decisions of the Porte appear so deplorably perverse. The Turks, it is true, are hazy, as they suppose, only the blood of their own rivers, and not the destinies of their empire; but they are not so ignorant as they seem, and they are not so stupid as they are represented. They do not deny that their resentment is natural, but, unfortunately, it can only be indulged at the expense of those who have not deserved to feel its effects. Omar Pasha may do us injury to Europe, though very little to Russia."

It is not, however, safe to speculate too confidently on chances like these, and, though the small States of Europe may successfully defend Turkey, a country from Russian aggression, it does not follow that, in the event of extremes, the Ottoman empire will be preserved, or the Ottomans. One of the surest results, indeed, of a general war, and one which is almost inevitable, would be the disappearance of the Turks from their territories. At present the Divan may certainly appear to be stalling limits on the issue of a Daubian campaign, but, if this campaign should acquire the dimensions of a general war, the result would be the question will soon pass in the flames, and the Sultanate Porte will have the folly of trying to maintain its position, though it may very easily make it worse, while, if the contest should introduce the calamities of a general war, surely its most probable consequence would be its total prostration."

ENGLAND.—As some consolation to the croakers, who worry themselves with the apprehension, or try to worry others with assertions and predictions of the immediate and inevitable decadence of the sea-girt Empire, we direct their attention to those countries, the products of which are still to remain, and that some social progress is still being made; a reasonable respite from the surfeit of politics to which we have lately been condemned.

GOLD IN WESTMORELAND AND CUMBERLAND.—A correspondent of the "Times" says—"Within the last few weeks the Marquis, whose early acquaintance with mining operations in the West Indies, and his gold in Australia, peculiarly qualify him for researches of this nature, has visited the principal regions of the Westmoreland and Cumberland, in many of which he has found gold. On his first visit to Westmoreland he found the miners hilla a nugget enclosing quartz crystals, containing fifty-seven oz. of pure gold, and on the 22nd of October he discovered a quantity of freely he detected the presence of gold in the gossan at a small copper mine, which, on further prospecting, he found had not been in small spots. Near Pelv Wyke, on Bassenwaite Lake, Mr. Colver obtained a further sample from the same locality on the clay slates in that district. On a late occasion he felt so certain of the correctness of his theory, that he caused currents in the deposit of gold, and from observations of the structure of the country, that he was able to determine the points interested in the matter, that they might depend upon finding gold at Barrowdale and Batterside, although he himself had not previously visited the localities. Provided with a pick, a hammer, and a tin dish for crushing the ore, he obtained a small quantity at the head of Barrowdale, and from the red earth in Batterside, beautiful deposits in gold. In Barrowdale the richest was found as "wale gold," having been water-washed. At Batterside it was of a more angular form, lying on a surface of sand, and resting on the surface of the clay and greenstone slates. It is supposed that gold is generally distributed throughout the Westmoreland and Cumberland, but whether in sufficient quantity to pay remains to be proved by future investigations. The gold thus obtained is found to be of a peculiarly pure character."

AND

NEW COAL FIELD.—A great mineralogical discovery has lately been made, which will materially increase the revenues of the Marquis of Anglesey. There existed, since the memory of man remembereth not to the contrary, in the southern and central portion of Staffordshire, a great dreary moor, which has long been the great source of a stretch of ground in Britain. It was of immense extent, extending from near Rugby and Leitchfield, far away to Stafford. No one has ever been known to work there, and it has long been abandoned for some time immemorial by man, least, and is now as an utterly hopeless and irreclaimable bog. Upon the fact of this coal seam, it is now, however, who had a knack of looking under stones as well as above it, came to the Marquis one day, and informed him that the coal seam was a treasure of great value, and that under whistons, and moss, and hog water, grown, and coal, containing millions on millions of tons. Proceedings were at once set on foot—shafts sunk, engines set up, and the railways laid down, and suitable accommodation provided for workpeople and managers. A few days ago, the formal opening of the Cannock mine took place in presence of its noble proprietor. The shafts are to be sunk into the coal seam, and are to be of the depth of 100 fathoms. In some of the South Staffordshire districts coal seams of 10 feet thick; but this is a very rare occurrence. The thickest seams of the Northumberland and Durham districts being more than four-and-a-half feet, while some are not more than two-and-a-half, and very difficult to dig. The Marquis, however, has succeeded, and the Cannock coal pits? There never was a mine so rich in coal, and so abundant in coal the mineral was so rich as at present. The best coals in London are actually Cannock coals, and are sold at a price of 10s. per ton, while nothing burnable can be got under 20s. This is partially owing to scarcity of ships, and partially to a strike. Two hundred colliers' which had been sent off for coal to the Baltic and the Mediterranean are, however, shortly expected to assume their old train in black diamonds, and no doubt all the north running railways will give their utmost efforts to supply the demand of the metropolis.—London Correspondent of the Citizen.

PRACTICAL PHILANTHROPY.—The philanthropy of his Royal Highness the Prince Consort is eminently practical. Impressed with the necessity, in a moral and social point of view, of providing a means of consolation for the industrial classes, the Prince did not rest satisfied with merely allowing his name to stand as patron of the different societies established for that purpose, nor did he think the substantial assistance of his Royal Highness all that should be done to forward a cause he had so warmly patronized. He carried the principle into practice. The 20 model cottages at Windsor were built under the auspices of the Prince Consort, and are now open. They are all tenanted, and answer the purpose for which they were erected. The Prince has also caused the directors to receive tenders for the erection of 25 additional cottages on the same plan, which, when completed, will be in a town where it is most needed, a mass of house accommodation, for its extent, unequalled in the country. The cottages were built a few days ago, also the erection of 12 cottages, for the park labourers, has been commenced on the site of the cottage at the end of the Lick's Gate, one of the principal entrances to Windsor Great Park. Orders have been given for the erection of 25 cottages, also for the park labourers, at Egham Hill, Sunning Hill, and other parts of the Royal Park. At present the cottages are occupied, at heavy rents, at the nearest points to their allotted work. For the most part these cottages are in a state of good health. The new cottages will all be well drained and ventilated, with the rooms constructed of brick, and with the most original and healthy plan for the ventilation of the buildings. The elevation of the cottages near the Lick's Gate will be an original and unusual feature, and from designs by Mr. Teulon.—"Times."

In her foreign relations every thing is pacific, except her indirect connection with the Eastern Question, which she continues to do along with her in perfect unanimity; and she will flatter ourselves that there is no European power, which will dare

to reject their united counsel, when peace and general commerce are the objects of their policy.—The Grand Duke of Tuscany had released Miss Cunningham, after an imprisonment of three months.—The Gov. of public edifying, and the Government of Mr. Hamilton a protestant schoolmaster.—The erection of a Protestant Cemetery in or near Madrid, on more liberal principles than those of Lord Byron, excited the caustic correspondence of a mediated treaty with Spain, for the island of Cuba, which has been received with the greatest satisfaction by the United States.

In social or economic situation, the distinction between capital and personal industry, the employers and workmen. In Preston alone 64 mills had been producing a mean power of more than 1200 horses, and containing a million and quarter of spindles to incentive. The loss of demand capital, and the sufficings that must follow, will soon be a most reckless operative, are both to be deplored.

From statistical returns made to the British and French Governments, it appears that there is a deficiency in the cereals of the countries, to the alarming extent of one-third, compared with the average of the arrival of the "Brasilia" at Liverpool, after her first successful trip to these waters, elicited the following remarks from the "London Times"—

"The performance of the Liverpool South American Steam Company's screw steamer, in her pioneer voyage to Rio and the Brazils, has been a most successful one, and marks another illustration of the progress of the course pursued by former Governments, in the improvement of our steam navigation. The plea hitherto urged has been that could never be communicated with Brazil Government aid, and a grant of £200,000 given to the Royal Mail Steam Navigation Company in addition to the £240,000 they enjoyed in the East India service. Not only will the cost of the voyage be reduced, but the subsidized vessels thus placed in the field, will have a chance of not being established, which threatens to have a most injurious effect on the part of the favoured vessels of the East India Company. Nevertheless, what the Government have done themselves to extract in the great interest of the country, contracting, with unexampled liberality, has been made originally for 11 years."

The favourable news from the River Plate today, describing the continuance of a complete political quiet at Buenos Ayres, and the tranquillity of the Argentine provinces, may be the superiority of our navy, the only transaction having been at 0/10, while the price in the great interior of the country, was 85. With regard to the condition of affairs at Montevideo, most satisfaction is expressed in the great interior of the country, at the retirement or flight of the President, who opinion only had long been regarded with distrust by the better party in a town. One opinion only is said to have prevailed as to the importance of the event, to consist in the better party in a town. The necessity for his departure, which is attributed as not having been caused by any of the usual causes, is the intrigues, or the rivalry of military chiefs, and is not to be ascribed to any inequality."

Extract from the "Morning Mercury," we extract the following complimentary remarks with reference to the improved state of the brightening prospects of the "Emerald Isle."

"Ireland has at length attained her self-reliance. Her point seems to have passed, and a new era in her history is already commencing. Sectarian animosity gives place to a more liberal and more original advancement; as before the workings of the law were more salutary days when the prophets of Consolation, who were wont to foretell the future glories of College-green. The main aim of the people is now the theatre of miracles, and also has been a general and universal admiration, from the other portion of Queen Victoria's dominions have such triumphs as were wrought, or such a state of things as were brought about, in the past 10 years, followed in the wake of the Eastern Question, which she continues to do along with her in perfect unanimity; and she will flatter ourselves that there is no European power, which will dare

