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NEW ORLEANS:
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THE SITUATION IN FRANCE.

The dispatches from France are of the most contradictory character. We are told, for instance, that Bazaine has capitulated—that he has evacuated Metz with overwhelming force—that he has driven the Prussians to Pont-a-Mousson, 19 miles south of Metz—that he is at Thionville, a distance of 20 miles north of Metz—and finally, that he is marching on Paris. It is very clear that he cannot have done all these things, and that the truth lies between the extremes of these statements. We presume the truth is that Bazaine has had some very important successes—that the investing force of the Prussians at Metz has been weakened by disease and other causes, and that Bazaine took advantage of the fact. This proves that he is in good fighting order, and that he can strike a strong blow whenever the conditions are such to justify him in giving battle. Whether Bazaine is in or out of Metz it is impossible to say with any degree of certainty. We are inclined to believe that the place is no longer invested as completely as it was two weeks ago, and that he can abandon it or occupy it as circumstances may dictate to be best.

With regard to the investment of Paris, the truth seems to be that several important conflicts have taken place on the south side of the city, and that the Prussians have been driven back several miles. This would go to show that it will not be so easy for the Prussians as they imagine to approach Paris within shelling distance—that the French are fully aware of the weak points of the position and are able to defend them successfully.

We think that the dispatches also warrant us in believing that an earnest effort is making to effect a peace—that negotiations are on foot *at the instance of Prussia* with Bazaine directly and with the provisional Government of France through the intervention of the other powers of Europe. And on the whole we infer from our telegrams that every day adds to the strength of France, while it weakens Prussia and renders her communication less safe. Disease has doubtless worked great havoc in the German ranks, and while she has reserves which seem to be almost inexhaustible, there is a limit beyond which Prussia with all her strength cannot go. France does not ask for peace. That is certain. She heard the ultimatum of Prussia and promptly rejected it. If negotiations for peace are in progress, she has not initiated them. She feels herself able to drive the enemy out of France, and will not resort to diplomacy to accomplish a humiliating peace. Another week will bring us, we believe, still more favorable intelligence.

Papal Demonstrations.

The *Morning Star and Catholic Messenger*, of yesterday, contains the following announcement touching the Papal demonstrations which are to be made by the Catholic community in different churches of the city:

A Committee of Catholic gentlemen of this city, representing every parish in it, have held a preliminary meeting and prepared an address protesting against the usurpation of dominion over the Papal States by the Kingdom of Italy. The Committee recommend this address for adoption by the various parishes of the city some twenty-five in number, all Catholic men are especially requested to meet in their respective parishes on Sunday evening at specified hours and places, for its consideration.

The address alluded to in the above extract concludes thus:

The Catholics of the Arch-Diocese of New Orleans beg leave to express the following sentiments:

That the invasion of the State of the Church, the subversion of the Government of Rome and the support accorded the temporal power of His Holiness Pope Pius IX., provoke their unbounded indignation and condemnation, and are highly deserving the unqualified rebuke of all Catholics throughout the world and of all civilized nations.

That in this hour of trial, unable, as they are, otherwise to vindicate the rights of the Holy Catholic Church, and of her illustrious and venerated Head, His Holiness Pope Pius the Ninth, they solemnly protest against the acts herein denounced; vow to the Holy Father their filial submission, with the assurance that, at all times and under all circumstances, they will express more and more around him, as the shepherd, their unbounded confidence, and that they will spare no efforts to assist him more efficaciously in his enterprises, and to show that they are not far distant when, by divine inspiration, as on similar memorable occasions, the Holy Father will obtain more benevolence from the world as the Pontiff King, upon Heaven, as the ruler of the Church of God and of that blessed spot on earth which his temporal dominion, prior to any encroachment, once extended.

MISSISSIPPI STATE FAIR.—We call attention to the inducements offered by the Jackson Railroad Company to those who contemplate visiting the State Fair at Jackson, Mississippi, which begins tomorrow, October 24—and continues six days. One fare only will be charged to go and return. School rates, two cents per mile for teacher and pupil, and no charge to return ticket. See advertisement of T. S. Williams, General Superintendent.

Thanks to the steamer Rapides, Capt. John Hiern, for appreciated favors.

Thanks to Mr. Black, of Elite Newspaper establishment, opposite the Postoffice, for late illustrated papers. Our readers will find there a great variety of foreign and domestic journals—daily and weekly—from New York, St. Louis, Chicago, Cincinnati, Louisville and London periodicals in great profusion.

The $12 Lever Watch, No. 13,580, purchased from Chas. P. Norton & Co., 95 Nassau street, New York, January 8th, has been carried by me over 9 months, with a total variation in time of only 25 seconds, without the slightest regulating. I procure the same brilliancy of color as when purchased.

JAMES R. WILKINS,
Sec. American S. M. Co. N. Y.
New York, July 30th, 1870. 3m

THE LATEST PROMOTION is a fluid without sediment and without bad smell. It renews the youthful honors of the hair, however time may have bleached them, restoring the hue of nature to a shade. This marvel of science is PHALON'S NATURAL OR SALVATION FOR THE HAIR. It is sold by all druggists and fancy goods dealers.

I have for the past eight months constantly used one of the $12 Oride Gold Lever Watches, manufactured by Chas. P. Norton & Co., 95 Nassau street, New York, and found the total variation in its time but one half minute, 30 seconds and its temperature the same apparatus of gold as when I purchased. Several of my friends have with the same results. I cheerfully recommend the watch for correctness and wear.

THOMAS W. WHITAKER,
Conductor Erie Railroad Co.

TESTIMONY.—Thousands of mothers are constantly speaking in exalted terms of commendation of the magical effect of Mrs. Whitcomb's Syrup for soothing infants teething.

If you have sallow, color of skin, or yellowish brown spots on face or body, or dimness of vision, frequent headache or dizziness, bad taste in mouth, coated tongue, internal heat, unsteady appetite, low spirits, gloomy forebodings, you are suffering from liver complaint or biliousness, and nothing else will relieve you sure and so speedily and permanently as Dr. Pierce's Alt. Ext. of Golden Medical Discovery. Sold by druggists. A pamphlet free. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y. 6 sold thu sun & w

MORE DEMOCRATIC INDECENCITY.—The plunderers consistently tell the colored people that the Democracy are not entitled to recognizing them as political equals. At the nominating convention of the parish of Natchitoches, the name of Richard Herring, a colored man was presented as the Democratic candidate for the Legislature, and he was by acclamation unanimously nominated. We are informed by a gentleman who was present at the time, that Mr. Barrington in a exceedingly cultivated and refined manner returned thanks for the nomination in heartily endorsed by the people. N. O. Republican.

The Prussians now anticipate a winter campaign. It is possible that, unless they retire their armies sooner, they may be under several disadvantages. The south of France is a pleasant country to winter in, though it may be a little hot for the Prussians, even in the cold season of the year.—*Chicago Times.*

The New Orleans Bee.

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OFFICE 73 CHARTRES STREET. NEW ORLEANS, SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 22, 1870. 44th YEAR—Vol. XLIV.—Whole—15,196.

The Fatal Blunder of France—The Necessity of Religious Control.

"I believe no man is safe, and I say this deliberately, using the expression in the highest sense, and in a Catholic spirit—I believe that no man is safe in seeking the extension of popular power, and in exciting popular feeling, unless there is over the people whom he excites the control and guidance of religion. I believe that nowhere in infidel philosophy will you find any solid foundation for the rights and dignity of man equal to that which you find when you come to the revelation which tells us that God breathed into man his spirit, and man became a living soul. There was a time in the history of the world when an attempt was made to separate religion from the rights of man. The revolution in France, for instance, led to misery and anarchy, because the men who conducted it forgot that religion ought to have been their guide. When once they departed from religion, and forgot that religion was the true thing that gave dignity to man, the result was they failed under a military despotism; and if France to-day is suffering misery, which every true man deplores, we must attribute it to that fatal blunder."—*Lord Batt, Q. C.—from a speech at a banquet at Limerick, Sept, 8.*

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