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NEW ORLEANS:
WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEB. 23, 1870.

Amusements This Evening.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE.—The grand military drama of the "Fire Fly; or, The Friend of the Flag."

VARIETIES THEATRE.—Robertson's beautiful comedy of "School."

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—For Pantomime, Humpty Dumpty.

CRESCENT CITY MUSEUM, Nos. 90 and 92 St. Charles street, opposite St. Charles Hotel.

THE LAW AGAINST BRIBERY.

It appears that Judge Abell sustains Gov. Warmoth in his refusal to institute proceedings against the bribery and other corrupt practices made use of to obtain the passage of certain bills through the Legislature and the Executive approval thereto. The ground of refusal is, as we stated yesterday, that as no law exists on the statute book on the Governor's application to punish the officer and receiver of bribes of this character, no good end could be reached by his divulging the names of those known to him who have offered and received them. There is a statute on the subject of bribery, but Gov. Warmoth and Judge Abell hold that it refers only to those who attempt to *pervert* the course of justice by offering a bribe or reward to *some officer connected with the administration of the State*. According to this construction all officers of the Government, Executive and Legislative, are free to receive bribes, while the Judiciary and officers of the courts alone are prohibited from receiving them or, to speak with more precision, according to the construction of Judge Abell, it is punishable to offer a bribe to an officer connected with the courts, but it is allowable or not punishable to appease his other officers of the Government.

It is a most pernicious doctrine to say that whatever is not prohibited by law is permitted—that while you may not bribe a Judge, a Sheriff or a Clerk of Court, that as an Administrative or Executive officer of Court, you may bribe a law maker or a Governor.

We propose to examine the statute on the subject of bribery and see what it does mean. It reads thus:

"Whoever shall, directly or indirectly, give or promise, to any Judge or other person concerned in the administration of justice, any present or reward to influence his behavior in office, shall suffer fine or imprisonment, or both, at the discretion of the court." (Revised Statutes 1855, p. 185.)

Now the question is whether the statute does or does not refer to other persons besides officers engaged immediately in the administration of justice. The language of the statute to be construed is *"person concerned in the administration of justice."*

It is true neither the Legislature nor Executive Departments of the State, strictly speaking, administers the justice of the State, because this duty has been confided to the Judiciary Department. But the law is not confined to *administrators of justice*. It includes all persons "concerned" in that administration. Who are they? Are the members of the Legislature bodies not "concerned" in the administration of justice? Is the Governor whose duty it is to see that the laws are faithfully executed and who has the power to nullify the sentences of courts upon criminals by pardoning them, not "concerned" also in this administration? Is not every officer of the Government, on a large sense "concerned" in this administration? Were we debates the verb "concern," thus:

To relate to; to belong to; especially in a manner to awaken interest or feeling; to touch nearly; to affect; to interest.

Are not all public officers supposed to be more or less engaged in administering justice? Does not the phrase "to concern" mean "to belong to" the administration of public justice? Certainly when our lawmakers are engaged in the enactment of penal laws they are "concerned" to some extent in the administration of justice. So is the Governor when, by approval or disapproval of such laws and when he so called upon he refuses them. Had the law read thus:

Whoever shall promise or do any act to judge or other person *appointed or elected* to administer justice, there might have been some plausibility in the argument of Governor Warmoth.

Again the Legislature may at any moment repeal the statute making it a crime to offer a bribe. This has been done pending the trial of accused persons, and it has been held that if the statute were repealed, the accused could not be punished under the statute as it existed when the offence was committed. Now, according to Gov. Warmoth's construction it is not a statutory act—as is insinuated for an accused person or his friends to appeal to the members of the Legislature with a bribe to induce them to repeal the statute under which he is indicted, because, forsooth, they are not "concerned in the administration of justice" there.

There is another statute of a similar character to the one we have quoted, under which all officers of the State might be punished who permit themselves to oppress the citizen:

"Sec. 68. Any Judge, Justice of the Peace, Sheriff, Coroner, Constable, *or other officer* who shall be guilty of oppression, or abuse of authority in the exercise or under color of his office, shall, on conviction, suffer fine or imprisonment, or both, at the discretion of the court." (Revised Statutes 1855, p. 186.)

The statute first quoted reaches the *officer* of a bribed reward, while the last reaches *him who receives* a bribe or other wise exercises his office oppressively to those who have to deal with him.

It would be a reflection upon the framers of these statutes to say that they contemplated the punishment of those who perpetrate and had refused to provide a punishment for him who possesses the very sources of power. If a mere criminal only to give or receive a bribe, which is usual with these revellers, will doubtless be very attractive.

The "oldest Freemason" has again turned up in the person of a Connecticut landlord, named Howell, aged 95.

Prince Bonaparte is said to be despondent. He looks forward to "five years' seclusion" as a punishment for his recent murder.

Nominating Committee of Twenty-One.

The *Times* claims as its own the plan suggested by the *Bee* in its issue of Saturday last, of a nominating committee of our leading citizens, self-appointed, as it were, to select candidates to be voted for by the Conservative voters of New Orleans at the coming municipal election. We are, however, quite willing to abandon all claim to the paternity of the scheme, and will be satisfied that the *Times* should have the credit of its adoption.

We trust the scheme will meet with public approval, and pledge ourselves to support the nominations to be made with all the force we can bring to bear in their favor. The *Times* proposes a committee of twenty-one, while we proposed twenty-five, but the number is immaterial. Let twenty-one of our leading men of business make up a list of candidates, and we have not the slightest doubt that they would be elected by a large majority.

THE "LEONARD SCOTT" PUBLICATIONS. We are in receipt of the *Edinburgh Review* for January, reprint of the Leonard Scott Publishing Company of New York. Its contents are as follows:

1. A review of volumes 5 and 6 of Mr. Froude's History of England, covering the period from Wolsey's fall to the defeat of the Spanish Armada, in the reign of Queen Elizabeth.
2. Geological Theory in Britain.
3. Memoirs of Gen. Von Brandt.
4. Sir Charles Adderly on Colonial Policy.
5. John Calvin in Church and State.
6. London Topography and Street Nomenclature.
7. Veitch's Memoirs of Sir W. Hamilton.
8. The Pre-Christian Cross.
9. The Irish Land Question.

These reprints of the great *London* and *Edinburgh Reviews* cannot be too highly commended, as they bring to our people the best thoughts of the leading writers of England and Scotland at the present time, of which, but for these reprints we should probably remain ignorant.

Steamship Mariposa, Kemble, master, from New York Feb. 12th, with merchandise, to A. Baldwin & Co., Boston, has arrived. On the 18th inst. had a very heavy northwest gale. Hove to thirteen hours, carried away a portion of her bulwarks, etc. The following is a list of her passengers:

Mrs Wetherby, Hy Hackl, Wm Staffer, Mrs A Wilson, A Wilson, Mrs Hackl, Mrs Johnson, A Wolf, C Hackl, A Kaufmann, Charles Baker, J H Kaufmann and lady and 2 in steerage.

Our Indian Policy.

LETTER FROM GEORGE CATLIN, THE ARTIST AND FRIEND OF THE RED MAN.

George Catlin, who has spent so many years among the Indians, has addressed a feeling letter to General Sheridan in reference to the latter's treatment to the Red Men, from which the following extracts are made:

You were commanded to "sweep the whole country," to drive from their habitations and hunting grounds, and from the graves of their parents and children, the entire population of 1,500,000 souls (unless under restriction and ignorance and worthless reservations, in which starvation will be inevitable), under cover of the flames of which you are commanded to "treat all Indians as enemies of war" that is, to put them to death if they do not surrender to you on their own terms, and even then your country is to be ravaged by squatters. The history of the world records no decree like this, and called upon as we are by our own charity, has given new significance to the memorable saying of the great funeral oration of pericles, "Of illustrious men, the whole earth is the sepulchre; and not only does the inscription upon columns in their own land point it out, but in a foreign land, there is not there one heart to which is not their own, there dwells with every one an unwritten memorial of the heart."

And now, almost daily, are assembled, not only surviving schoolmates and old companions of thy youth, and neighbors and friends of many years, but citizens and soldiers, ornaments of Literature, Science, and Arts, and the Heads of Universities and Academies, from most men of Commerce and Arts, unelected of the people, delegates from the United States and rulers of their own States all eager to unite in paying such homage to a carver of funeral pomp.

As neither rank nor fortune has learning nor genius could ever have commanded, so neither can these in possession of another people's lands and in the robbery of their only means of existence. Recollect that the government of your country is founded on the principle of striking a race and gaining a continent. This may be a necessity, and if it may not, but it will be found history for you to decide. For the unbiased passage but a short time since of the poor Cheyennes through your country punish any one? Had not the Cheyennes a right to do it? For the subsequent destruction of a Cheyenne village, and the massacre of every man, woman and child? Was the capture of 53 warriors, 800 horses, who, we are told by the Indian agent, were "peaceably and quietly encamped" now, "ready to surrender" and "treat for peace" and the destruction of their village, and the massacre of every man, woman and child? Was the capture of 53 warriors, 800 horses, who, we are told by the Indian agent, were "peaceably and quietly encamped" now, "ready to surrender" and "treat for peace" and the destruction of their village, and the massacre of every man, woman and child? Was the capture of 53 warriors, 800 horses, who, we are told by the Indian agent, were "peaceably and quietly encamped" now, "ready to surrender" and "treat for peace" and the destruction of their village, and the massacre of every man, woman and child?

To refrain from the closing passage of Mr. Wentworth's oration at the obsequies of George Peabody. The allusion to Prince Arthur admirably strikes the true line between compliment and the affectation of unconsciousness:

In hundreds of comfortable homes, protected by the bounty of the donor of the grandest city of the world, even now, are breathing blessings on his memory. The noblest subject of Old England was unlocked its consecrated gates for his purpose. The bravest child of a navy "whose march is over the mountain waves, whose home is on the deep," let him have free access to the chapel in which he was laid in state, and from seen to seen as a circumstance almost as wide as thy own charity, has given new significance to the memorable saying of the great funeral oration of pericles, "Of illustrious men, the whole earth is the sepulchre; and not only does the inscription upon columns in their own land point it out, but in a foreign land, there is not there one heart to which is not their own, there dwells with every one an unwritten memorial of the heart."

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From the Richmond (Va.) Dispatch.

A vegetable necessitarist, who had passed through all the slights, the sciences, the trials, and calamities of the late civil strife, was conversing with a friend about the state of the country, when he was asked what he thought of his favorite remedy for encroachments by the General Government upon the rights of the States. He replied that as long as it worked right it was good; but, after his last experience, if secession came around again he should "fetch it it very light."

Just now this is a good motto with reference to other matters. There are other things which we should now "fetch very light." If you are desirous to enter into a new agitation to right wrongs and redress grievances, in which the past is to be raked over, and all the inflammable material gathered up for a grand explosion of popular feeling, "fetch it very light." It is dangerous to meddle with explosives just now. Let your powder quiet and calm, and wait awhile. Then you know more about surroundings. Recently knocked down, your head is still slightly confused—it is not exactly level. Wait, while till the smoke clears away and you see yourself again. Then you may venture forth. Until then reject all the solicitations of unquiet people to enter the fight, and do not die. They may offer this alternative, but cannot control results. Remember, there is no alternative just now. Death can only die. So until you have a chance a real alternative—why, "fetch it very light."

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

Yesterday.—The 23d of February, the birthday of Washington, was recognized yesterday by the display of flags from the public buildings and from the United States shipping. The post-office, the banks, the Legislature, the courts and public buildings were also closed. Other than this there were no special marks of observance of the day.

The Election.—There was a meeting of the Board of Aldermen called last evening, but only three members were present.

President Potthoff adjourned the meeting till to-day this morning, the object being to take action corresponding with that of the Lower Board, responsive to the mandamus from Judge Collens, ordering the Council to take steps for holding the usual charter election on the second Monday in March. The Mayor seems to be reticent in regard to the matter. Let twenty-one of our leading men of business make up a list of candidates, and we have not the slightest doubt that they would be elected by a large majority.

Academy of Music.—The Kiralfys last night introduced a new and beautiful ballet, "The Amazons," in which they appear more charmingly than ever. The clown and the pantomime troupe is excellent, particularly in his ladder dance and his take-off of the policeman. Humpty Dumpty is to be repeated to-night and for the matinee to-day noon. It is a very amusing and brilliant stage production.

Duel.—A duel was fought yesterday evening at the Oakland Park, near the Half-Way House, between Mr. Miguel, son of the late Mr. E. Miguel, and Mr. Bonny, growing out of a difficulty Saturday night outside the Opera House. They fought with fencing swords, and after several passes at each other, the friends interfered and settled the matter amicably, neither party being injured.

The Germans and the Reform Movement.—At the mass meeting of our German population held at the Turners' Hall, Monday night, a permanent organization was effected in connection with the proposed reform movement in our State and municipal affairs, as suggested by the selection of the following officers:

For President—Charles Potthoff.

For Vice President for the First District—Charles F. Buck.

For Vice President for the Second District—George Merz.

For Vice President for the Third District—F. Kuhnhold.

For Vice President for the Fourth District—George Geier.

For Recording Secretary—L. R. Jacoby.

For Corresponding Secretary—Benjamin Armbruster.

For Treasurer—Dr. James Wentz.

Mr. J. Hassinger, of the *German Gazette*, read a constitution which was adopted as the platform of the organization, the principle features of which are as follows:

It is made incumbent upon the members of the League to work this morning, the object at the next and all other elections, to exclude from office corrupt and incapable candidates, partisan judges, and other unscrupulous officers, State and municipal, without regard to their politics, and to substitute for them men better qualified to discharge the duties of a public office. The voter, whether belonging to the Democratic or Republican party, shall act independent of the dictates of party leaders, that he may learn to think and act in accordance with his own individual opinions, and cease to be a mere voting machine. A stop is to be put to fraud and corruption, which seek refuge behind the standard of the party, at all elections for municipal and State officers, for which the qualifications shall hereafter be ability, honesty and a full sense of the duties of the office to be filled, and none else. Political questions are to be excluded at elections of a purely character.

Another principle is that distribution of taxes is demanded. The wealthy are to pay their taxes in equal proportion, and at the same time, with the middle classes. It is stated not to secure again that the wealthy are in arrears with their taxes for two years, and often longer, while the poor mechanic is their taxes promptly, or is compelled to do so by the Sheriff.

Public officers are to be strictly confined to their duties, and corruption to be exposed, and the guilty punished.

The German citizens further ask for representation in proportion to taxation, which fact, to-day, never was accorded to them. They now demand to be represented in the legislative halls, in the State Government, on the judicial bench and in the municipal administration, so that they have a voice in the administration of our laws, to which they ask not as a favor, but as a right to be entitled by virtue of their numbers and the large amount of taxes they pay.

Great and continued applause followed the reading of the platform, after which the Secretary read the names of those gentlemen that had previous to the meeting become members of the German Political Reform Club.

A resolution was then offered by Mr. May to the effect that only those gentlemen present who, by signing their names on the rolls, had become members of the organization, were entitled to participate in the proceedings, and calling upon all present to join in the movement by signing their names on the rolls. This resolution followed the adoption of this resolution the lists for membership were numerously signed.

The following resolution was then offered by Dr. James Wentz, and unanimously adopted:

Be it Resolved, That no member of this organization who is at the same time a member of a State or parish committee of any political party, or a Federal officer of the new existing party organizations, can be eligible to any office within the organization of the German Political Reform Club, or as standing candidate, as he holds an office in such State or parish committee, or as long as he is a member of political clubs mentioned.

Mr. Gus Forester offered a resolution to the effect that, immediately after its organization, the Central Executive Committee shall issue an address in German, English and French, to the population of the parishes of Orleans and Jefferson, explaining the principles and objects of the German Political Reform Club, and calling upon all Germans and French citizens, without regard to their nationalities and politics, to act in concert with the German citizens in forming a great reform party, and standing out the principles laid down in the platform.

Fire.—The alarm of fire given about 5 o'clock yesterday evening was caused by the burning of an unoccupied frame house, No. 92 First street, between Dryades and Magazine, occupied by Mrs. Wood, and owned by Jas. Adler. The building was insured for $2,000. The flames extended to a two-story frame house occupied by A. T. Burnett, and owned by a colored woman. This house was also insured, but our reporter did not ascertain to what amount. A one and half story house, owned and occupied by Jos. Thora, was partially destroyed; the two story were completely destroyed. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Escaping a Cargo.—A man named Johnson was arrested last evening while in the act of escaping a cargo of sugar from a steamboat Cleveland. When discovered he threw several packages overboard.

Mrs. De Walker.—This notable, in her way, was before the Chief of Police, we believe, yesterday, and we presume in connection with her threatened arrest for wearing breeches in this latitude. The lady protested against the demand for a disguise, as people could not tell what was her sex. The Doctor saying she didn't care, left.

First District Court.—Arabein and Carpenter, colored, were before the First District Court for subornation of perjury in procuring an old negro, Wm. Noble, to swear he was a veteran, have been convicted by the jury.

Sudden Death.—A man named Stringer Kennedy, aged about 35 years, and well known as a native of this city, died suddenly last evening, at No. 17 Royal street from apoplexy.

Burglary.—The tailor shop of J. Kugler, 104 Gravier street, between Carondelet and St. Charles streets, was visited in his absence by burglars, who carried off about $100 and sundry articles of clothing. The thieves entered the premises by means of a false key.

Robbery.—About 12 o'clock, Monday, the residence of Mr. Eagan, on Jackson street, was entered by a colored man named John Strand, who, while the family were engaged at luncheon, robbed the parlor of several valuable ornaments and the hat rack of a fine overcoat. He was seen to leave the yard by a colored girl, a servant, who recognized him. He, however, succeeded in escaping, and has not since been arrested.

Accident.—A very old man, Mr. Wm. Pollard, while walking down St. Charles street, Monday morning, slipped upon the wet banquette, and, falling, received severe injuries on his head and back. He was carried in an insensible condition to his residence near by, and a physician called in to see him. He, however, yet remains in a critical state.

Delirium Tremens.—A fearful scene of delirium tremens is reported by the police as a house on Tchoupitoulas street, near the corner of Orleanite. It is that of a sailor named John Hamblin. For two days he has been suffering the most terrible tortures, and his screams of agony may be heard blocks away.

Drowned.—Nathan Erskin, an Englishman, employed as fireman on board the steamship Beaufort, fell from the Ocean Dry Dock, Algiers, at half-past 9 last night, and was drowned. His body has not been recovered.

Fifty girls are wanted in a match factory at Oshkosh, Wisconsin. You can't make matches without girls.

BY TELEGRAPH.

To the New Orleans Bee.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Congressional Proceedings.

Illness of Commodore Farragut.

Georgia Senators Visiting the President.

General Sypher's Card.

Election of Texas U. S. Senators.

Letter from the Consul at Santiago de Cuba.

Confession of a Notorious Character in Tennessee.

FROM EUROPE.

Debate in the Corps Legislatif.

Miscellaneous Intelligence.

WASHINGTON ITEMS.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The Committee on Foreign Affairs discussed Cuban affairs, but with no definite result.

Admiral Farragut is here sick.

Dispatches to politicians from Texas announce the nomination by the Democratic caucus, which is equivalent to an election, of Morgan C. Hamilton for the short and long term, and Gov. Flanagan for the five years term.

The indications in the executive session yesterday were that Judge Pearce will not be confirmed as a Circuit Judge.

The newly elected Senators from Georgia visited the President to-day, who again renewed any intention of interference between Messrs. Hill and Miller.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The credentials of Messrs. Farrow and Whitely, Senators elect from Georgia, were presented. Mr. Drake said that both credentials were in utter disregard of the law. The credentials were finally withdrawn. The Senate, without transacting any further business, adjourned in honor of the day.

House.—The resolution requesting Mr. Morgan for, words used regarding Mr. Sumner, was referred to the Committee on Rules.

Mr. Voorhees made a personal explanation denying that he ever belonged to any secret political society or united in resisting the draft during the war.

At three o'clock the House, as a mark of respect, adjourned in honor of the day. Nothing transpired in the Senate.

Washington, Feb. 22.—In the Senate today Mr. Conkling made a speech against the right of New York to withdraw her ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment. The House Committee on Judiciary postponed the vote on the address against Mr. Segar, of Virginia, as a representative from the state at large.

The Military Committee have been examining witnesses in the Cadet corruption cases.

The Consul at Santiago de Cuba, under date of January 5d, writes to the Secretary of State on the morals of political affairs in that Consular District, which are in a most deplorable condition.

The assassination at Bayamo of citizens and the wholesale arrests of peaceful peasants was nothing more than what is daily practiced. It is well known that Salmaseda acquires to the position of Captain General by the murder of Lersundi, and in order to increase his popularity among the blood-craving Catalans in Spain captured a few Cubans from this island and in Spain.

He continues to make this a war of extermination, and has ordered that all citizens residing in the country situated by the mobilized Spanish troops, whose orders are probably ratified to an extreme point from the 1st of March, who are commanding such troops are authorized supplying some Cuban products or dealers of this city, and whose object is to sack the country and forage to feed the agents such portions of the crop as may fall into their hands. The planters are persecuted to such a degree that they are compelled to flee from their estates, and from the cities are immediately sequestered and appropriate to private purposes. Under the credit can be place upon the Spanish Treasury. Spanish Government organs maintain flatly that the insurrection is finished in this Department, which is far from the truth. The insurrection continues in full force. Numerous encounters take place, which are followed by frequent arrivals of the wounded Spanish soldiers. Spain is sending over larger armed and disciplined than formerly, but they never take the offensive and leaving half their numbers on the field by desertion from the Spanish troops, who find it impossible to endure the climate. It is demonstrated that 5 per cent. of the Spanish volunteers from our shores *get home in combat*. The hospitals are full to overflowing. It is impossible for any force that Spain can send to exterminate the rebel forces, owing to the climate and the scarcity of the country, and while both the contending forces destroy every vestige of agriculture.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The following card from Gen. J. H. Sypher will appear in the *Herald* and *Republican* to-morrow morning: My attention has been recently called to paragraphs in the newspapers containing my name with the sale of Cadet appointments at the Military and Naval Academy of the United States. These reports so industriously circulated are false and slanderous. There is no evidence before the Military Committee of the House of Representatives implicating me directly or indirectly in the sale of Cadetships. I invite and challenge investigation.

Signed: J. H. SYPHER.

MISCELLANEOUS INTELLIGENCE.

Galveston, Feb. 22.—A special dispatch from Austin, states that M. C. Hamilton and J. W. Flanagan were elected United States Senators to-day.

San Francisco Feb. 22.—There are heavy rains falling throughout the State.

Louisville, Feb. 22.—The detectives are after a band of counterfeiters at Pulaski, Wayne county.

New York, Feb. 22.—No commercial or financial reports to-day. Markets and Exchange closed in honor of the day.

Chicago, Feb. 22.—The banks, Board of Trade and Open Board closed to-day. No market.

Augusta, Ga., Feb. 22.—There was a grand demonstration and procession here to-day. The streets were filled with people. Several companies present from neighboring cities.

Mobile, Feb. 22.—It has been raining here all day. Col. Huntington was installed as Mayor and ex-Mayor Price was released from arrest.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 22.—LEGISLATURE.—The House to-day passed the Senate bill repealing all railroad appropriation, and the Senate bill to amend and levying special tax therefor.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 22.—The Legislature has adopted the report of the Judiciary Committee to the effect that further ratification of constitutional amendments is unnecessary.

The Governor has appointed Messrs. Roberts, Sutherlin and Aylett to adjust the question of indebtedness between the State and West Virginia.

Memphis, Feb. 22.—Major Robertson, Paymaster of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, was robbed of two thousand dollars at Humboldt yesterday. The notorious Johnny Reagan was arrested on suspicion, and after being hung up confessed to the robbery and delivered up the money.

He also confessed that he and Jim Creighton robbed the office of the Southern Express Company at Jackson, Tennessee, a year ago, of which they were acquitted. There is strong talk among the citizens of hanging them.

New York, Feb. 22.—Arrived steamship Corsica from New Orleans.

St. Louis, Feb. 22.—The Missouri Legislature has amended the laws, to allow women to vote on school matters.

Baltimore, Feb. 22.—The banks and general business was suspended in honor of the day.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

London, Feb. 22.—A semi-monthly line of steamers has been established between Liverpool and Panama.

The Bishop of Chichester is dead, aged 86 years.

Paris, Feb. 22.—The preliminary examinations of parties implicated in the second riots are over. Fifty only have been arraigned for trial.

Rome, Feb. 22.—The discussion on the infallibility article will be opened this week.

Munich, Feb. 22.—It is feared that Prince Holsenlohe will retire from public life.

Madrid, Feb. 22.—A determined contest is anticipated over the Constitution for Porto Rico. It is feared the dispute may lead to a rupture of the good understanding which now exists between the parties in the Cortes.

Lisbon, Feb. 22.—It is rumored a band of 300 Miguelistas rebels have appeared at Mogador.

Brussels, Feb. 22.—The postal authorities forbid the sending of money or valuables by mail, and threaten to return all letters containing them to the senders.

Paris, Feb. 22.—Bourse firmer; 3 per cents opened at 71¾, and closed at 71¾; 4½ per cents at 98¾, and closed at 98¾; Italians at 56¾; Spanish Passives at 25¾; Turkish Consols at 44¾; Turkish Scrip at 43¾; Turkish Obligations at 43¾; Turkish Lots at 43¾; Turkish Tobacco Bonds at 43¾; Turkish Railroad Obligations at 43¾; Turkish Railroad Shares at 43¾; Turkish Railroad Lots at 43¾; Turkish Railroad Bonds at 43¾; Turkish Railroad Scrip