been by an unprecedented eliange in the persormel
of the Representative Body, of the Representative Boay, sis contrasted the
that which preceded it, whilst 1 trast that the that which prececed rut deliberations will be
zeneral resuts of your
foind to have improved the social and political
condition of the people.
That a Bill on on the scibject of Education, inroduced in a speecb, has not resulted in matur in ny openion. is oo ony mind, considering the vast
dhlegistation which surround llat question, a matdiffeicuties which surround slat question, a mat-
tefor regree rather than of surprise or disappoint-
ment die diccusion of the assesment principile, its adoption by the House
Leepilative History, and the publication of the Legilatatie History, and the publication of the
Bill, which you have ordered, will doibtles elicit an expression of public opinion that will
fficilitate your renewed deliberations on this important subject, if such shall be thought advisable prat future Session.
Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assenbly.
Tappreciate the liberal provision which you
lave wade for the different branches of the lave wade ore he dit shall be my earnest enduasour faithfally to control and direct its ex penditure.
97r. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the
Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of
In parting with you at the ermination of the
resesent Parliament, I fervently . pray that hap.
piness and prosperity may attend your variou
anocations during the coming recess, and that. it avocations during the coming recess, and that. in
that interval, the publio welfare may be great Iy promoted by your individual exerion:
Tputas spheres of your domestic industry.
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## france.

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The rollowing are extracts from some of the
birth of tis son-and the replies made by the
The address of the Plenipotentiaries was
presented lyy the President, Count Walewski.
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He said:-
"The Plevipotentieries of the Congress have
hought fit to select me, on this solemn oc-
thought fit to select me, on this solemn oc-
casion, asthe mouthpicee oi their sentiments
lowards our Mrjesty. I am hb.ppy and proud,
Sire, at finding myelf called upon to express
to your Mniesty, in the name of Europe, the
seitiments, the hopo; the joy iuspired on all sentiments, the hope, the joy juspired on al
sides hy the happy event with which it has pleased Providence to bless you, and which, by
nssuring anid consolidating the Napoleon dynasty, is a new pledge of safety and confidence
to the whole world."
The Emperor replied:
"I thank the congress for the well-wishes
anil congratulations addressed to me through and congratulations addressed to me through
you. Iam happy that providence has granted nea a son et a moment when a new era of ge-
neral reconciliation dawns upon Europe.
will bring Hinl
heral reconciliation dawns upon Europe.
will hring hin up imbued with the idea that
uations muev' not be egotistical, and that the peace of Europe dejende upon the prosperity of esch nation."
His Excellency the President of the Senate
"Sirr,-Providence has gifs in store for
those. princes whio tievote themselves to the
those princes who dievote themselves to the
yreathens and prosperity of their people. It
hins just proved this to yuur Majesty tyy a most hans just proved this to your Majesty by a mos
striking favour. But this great joy which
wives you by the birth of a son is also a happi nives you by the birth of a sou is also a happu-
ness for the great family which gathers around
jou. Atready France breathes nore freely by the linth of this ehild; she issoeiates her futare
with his destinies. Let the future Sovereign
of nur chidstin of our chuldren follow in the steps of his augus
fatiues: let him call to mind a reign where the yener: let him call to mind a reign where the
genius of government is guided hy moderation
and justice; and in this narch of humanity, Pranee will still he, as she is now, a regulato for Europe, a lever of progress, a toreh of in-
tellect. Let us hail, then, this son of the Empira, the pledge of so many great destinies;
let us greet likewise, and thank, his graceful
mother, A wife already so endeared to you, mother, A wife already so endeared to you,
will he dearer sill to your heart ly this con-
sideration of maternity, Allow the senate. sideration of maternity, Allow the senate
Sire, to place itt homage for her at the foot of
this thinone whith dis tirone, which she embellishes by ber
aniable qualities, and which she lias ceniented
by flis lappy bin "The Emperor re
"Monsieur le President du Senat,-The
senate shared my joy when it learnt that hea-
veu trad vou had granted moy in son, nnd you bave hailed
as a lappy event the birth of an Enfant de as a bapy event the birth of an Enfant de
France. In truth, gentlemen, when an hie is
horn destined to ppenetuate a horn destined to perpetuate a national system,
that child is not ouly the offspring of a family;
but he is truly, aleo, the sonn of the whole but he is truly, also, the son of the whole
country, and the name indieates his duties.
If It this wus true under thie old monarchy, which
more exflusively represeuted the privileged
cassen ithel Classes, with how much more, reason oifflit it
not to he to to-day, when the sovereige of Hot to be so to-day, when the sovereign is the
e'eet of tie matlon, the first sitizen of the
country, and the representative of the interests
of all? I thank you for the good wishes you have expressed
The legislative body having then been introduced, his Excellency the President addressed his Majesty as follows :-
"It is, Sire, because the two dangers which have upset thrones, -revolutions at home and coalition abroad,-have been averted by you you overcame revolution by force, diverted by labour, calmed it ty clemency; you have
conciliated foreign states with France, because your armies have only reaped glory in the maintenance of justice and of right, and because you have known how to add to the greatness of France without humiliating En-
rope. Thus, when every Frenchman is in roje. Thus, when every Frenchman is
debted to you for the quiet of his home. debted to you for the quiet of his home. fo
the future of his children, and, above all things, for the right to be proud of his nationality, you will understand, Sire, that he will give a hearty welcome to this young Prince, and that he
places so many hopes on the head of this child." His Majesty replied:-
"Monsieur le President du Corps Legislatif -The expression of your sentiments on the birth of the son which it hath pleased Provi
dence to grant me has touched me nearly The unanimous acclamaations which surrouut his cradle do not ;revent me from reflecting upon the fate of those born in the same place
and under similar circumstances. If I hope and under similar circumstances, If Thope
that his fate may be a happier one, it is that,
first of all, confidine in Providence, I cannot doubt of its protection when I see it restore again, by an extraordinary combination of circumstances, what it was pleased to overthrow forty years since, as if it wished to mpature by
martyrdom and misfortune a new tynasty sssing from the ranks of the peuple. History get. It tells me , on the one hand that we should never abuse the favours of fortune ; on the other, that adynasty has only then a chance
of stability, when it remains faithful to jis origin, and when it occupies itself solely with
the popular interests for which it was created This child, whose birth is.consecrated by the peace under preparation, by the blessing of
the Holy Father, brought by electricity in an
hour after he saw the light of day, and finally hour after he saw the light of day, and finally
by the acclamations of the French people, I say, will, I hope, be worthy of the destinies the well-wishes you have expressed for him
and for the Empress."

The Emperor has granted numerous pardons
oo military prisoners. In the establishment where the punishment of hard labour and the boulet are inflicted, 669 soldiers have received a total remission of the punishment, and 86
have had a partial remission. Pardons have have had a partial remission. Pardons have
also heen granted to 20 condemned by courts-
martien also heen granted to 20 condemned by courtsor partial remission to 50 sailors for different
offences. Throu
Through the events of June, 1848, 11,000 to be transported to Algeria: through the clemency of the President, only 306 remain in
Africa. In Decenber, 1851, 11,201 individuals had to be transported or banished; the pardons granted hy the Emperor have reduced che number of these to 1,058 . On the oc
masion of the birth of the Imperial Prince, hi Majesty had decided that leave to return to
France should be granted to all those who shall deelare that they loyally submit to t itsern, and who
respeet its laws,
It is calculated from statistical tables that the
number of elildireu horn in France on March 16th, to all of whom the Emperor and the Eni press have promised to be godfather and god nother, must be about 2,500 . Every one
hese children, whose famities may be willuig t accept it will receive, we are told, a present
3,000 francs. It is intended that all the bo shall be christened Jouis Eugene, and the girls Eugenie Louise.
The late promotion of Generals Canrober
and Bosquet was inade known as follows:At the dinner at the Tuileries after the Empress's acconchment, the Emperor gave
as a toast, "To the Imperial Prince." The acelamations with which the words were re
ceived having subsided, his Majesty refilled his glass with champague, and rising a secon ime, said; " To Marshal Canrobert! To Ma ghal Bosquet! To their valiaut swords 1 confide the child which Providence has given to
me" The two generals, it is said, wers enme
tirely taken by surpriseng,

## RUSSIA.

The Poles nre expecting great things from he henevolence of Alexander after the conrlusion of peace; the new Viceroy, Prince
Gortschakoft, having recently said thrt "they ran bave no idea what the Emperor intends to for them shortly
A grand council of the priucipal personages f the Russinn empire is to be convoked at St .
Petersburg to discuss various reforms. The eatire abolition of serfion is one of the most

Australia.-Melbourne papers to Dec. 26 iform us that the wheat harves had at that so abundant that flour was rapidly falling in price, that commodity having come down within a fortnight from $£ 40$ per ton to $£ 30$ per do.
The new Houses of Parliament building at The new Houses of Parliament building at of May ensuing. The style is the Modern Koman, and the whole building, when comlete, will cover an arca of 305 feet by 250 feet The grand facade will be 60 feet in beight. The Council has voted $£ 50,000$ for the sup-
ort of religion in the eolony by a majority of our to one. Abont 95 per cent of the popu lation of Victoria are in the receipt of state support, whilst those who do not receive the
endewment are 7.000 Protestant dissenters 4,000 Baptists, 3,000 Lutherans, 1,180 Unitarians, 281 Quakers.
The last gold escort from the Ballarat and Mount Alexander diggings umounted to 46,613 The intelligence from the diggings is satisfac tory; several large findings have heen repor destroying a large amount of property; ; and lestroying a arge am
many lives were lost.
Senor Battles, a member of the Spanish Cortes, is about to agitate the question of the right of any one to print the Bible in Spanish without notes; a right at present suces.
Letters from Constantinople state that the Sultan has authorised the publication of
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