

four of the former were killed and eight mortally wounded, the loss of the natives being small. On leaving the island Captain Stevens took Steinger prisoner to the Fiji Islands.

Chicago was visited by a tornado on Saturday evening, a large number of buildings being unroofed and otherwise injured. The damage is estimated at a quarter of a million dollars.

A terrific explosion of dynamite occurred in Jersey City, N. Y., on Saturday, by which about 5000 houses were more or less injured, occasioning loss of property of \$80,000.

About 18,000,000 feet of lumber were burned at Williamsport, Pa., on Saturday night, causing a loss of \$270,000.

The murderer, Piper, recently convicted and sentenced to be hung, after making several contradictory statements, confesses not only that he committed the murder of the little girl Mabel Young, for which he is to be executed, but also that of Bridget Landergan, Dorchester, Mass., and the mysterious attempt to murder Mary Lyman in Boston some two years ago.

CUBA.—The Cuban insurgents have been successful in several engagements recently, placing the Government forces almost entirely on the defensive.

A steamer with a thousand cavalry arrived at Havana on Monday.

MEXICO.—Mier has been occupied by Mexican revolutionists and Piedras is threatened. A call has been made for United States troops to protect American citizens residing in Mier. General Escobedo is marching against Monterey at the head of five thousand veteran troops.

ENGLAND.—The steamer "Goethe," arrived at Plymouth on Friday. All the blades of her propeller were gone.

In the House of Commons on Tuesday evening last, Maurice Brooks, member for Dublin, gave notice that he proposed to question Mr. Disraeli on Friday, whether he intended to advise the Queen to extend mercy to persons imprisoned for breach of allegiance to Her Majesty.

Application was made at Chambers on Wednesday for the release of Winslow, by Solicitor Wontur, but the question was resisted by the officers of the Crown. Winslow will be held awaiting a formal reply from Washington to the latest English note. The application is to be renewed on the 13th or he will be set at liberty.

Disraeli, in a vehement speech, denounced as calumnious the speech made by Mr. Lowe at the Liberal meeting in Retford, that the Queen had asked two previous Premiers to introduce the bill changing the royal title, but both had declined. Disraeli, on behalf of the Queen, said Mr. Lowe's assertion was utterly unfounded. Mr. Lowe subsequently made a full and comprehensive apology for his statement.

On Thursday in the House of Commons Sir H. James gave notice that he would move a resolution equivalent to a vote of censure, to the effect that the Royal Titles proclamation does not fulfil the pledges given by the Government during the debate, and therefore the vote on the bill was taken under a misconception. Disraeli accepted the motion not only as a vote of censure, but also as a vote of want of confidence, and fixed the discussion for Thursday.

Sir Henry Drummond Wolff announced that he would ask Mr. Bourke, the Under Secretary for the Foreign Department, whether the United States had given notice of the abrogation of the extradition clause of the Ashburton Treaty.

The trial of the crew of the ship "Lennie," charged with mutiny and murder, is concluded, the jury finding four of them guilty, and sentence of death was passed upon them. The remainder of the prisoners were acquitted. The judge awarded fifty pounds to the Steward of the Lennie for his heroic conduct during the mutiny.

The London papers publish the following:—"King Dahomey's reported invitation to Commodore Hewitt to come to Dahomey and receive payment of the fine imposed upon him for maltreating a British subject in powder and bullets, appears to have been accepted, and orders have been given for assembling a fleet at Whydah to take active proceedings if the fine be not forthcoming. An opportunity, however, will be given the King to change his present attitude and hostilities will be postponed until June or later."

In the House of Commons on Monday night, a new clause was added to the Merchant Shipping Bill, imposing £500 fine on the master or owner of any British or foreign vessel sailing between October 1st and March 18th, which shall arrive at any port in the United Kingdom with heavy timber on her decks, or deals and battens, exceeding 3 feet above the deck.

3000 iron workers of Sheffield, who were on a strike, have resumed wages at reduced rates.

Five thousand dollars in gold, have been recovered from the wreck of the steamer Schiller, making \$200,000 thus far recovered.

FRANCE.—Further Prefect changes in France were to be announced on Monday. These include the compulsory retirement of seven Prefects, dismissal of forty sub-prefects and secretaries general.

Several deputies have, on the strength of documentary evidence in their pos-

session, expressed apprehensions to ministers that a delegation of French workmen to Philadelphia will chiefly devote attention to politics, and have urged the government to refuse the proposed grant of \$20,000 for enabling them to visit the Centennial.

SPAIN.—King Alfonso has written another letter assuring the Pope that Spain is Catholic, consequently Catholics need fear nothing from application of the clause in the new constitution upon religious liberty, and that it does not contravene the spirit of the Concordat of 1851.

A Madrid despatch says that the amendment to the constitution rejected by Congress, 229 to 39, was that in favor of religious unity, supported by Alvarez.

GERMANY.—It is reported that Russia at the Berlin Conference of the Powers, will propose to make Bosnia and Herzegovina Turkish vassal states. Also, that Andrassy will come to Berlin at the request of Prussia, which is anxious to preserve the agreement with Austria on the Eastern question.

TURKEY.—The Porte, at the instance of the Powers, has renewed the armistice, but intimates its determination should the insurgents refuse an armistice, to listen to no further proffers of mediation, but crush the rebellion by force.

Reports of recent engagements between the Turks and Insurgents are very conflicting, both contestants claiming the advantage.

A riot occurred at Salonica, European Turkey, on Saturday, between the Christians and Mahomedans, said to have been instigated by the American consul. During the fight the French and German consuls were assassinated by the exasperated populace.

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