

the 26th ult., 21,000 stands of arms had been landed there by an English steamer and that the boxes in which they were contained had been immediately forwarded to Suez. It appears that the Russian merchants of Alexandria enjoy the privilege of exporting produce on payment of a duty of 3 per cent, while all other merchants (English included) were compelled to pay 12 per cent.

Every effort is being made in America to get the money for the new loan raised in this country. A most ingenious plan has been broached in New York, by which it is clearly shown that if our capitalists will advance the cash, they can afford to make the United States a present of the twelve millions of dollars which they require. The loss sustained by the depreciation of State Stocks, held here and at Amsterdam, is about fifteen millions sterling, of which nearly two millions arise from stocks pledged by the United States Bank to certain houses as security for loans to that establishment. If, therefore, the capitalists here will only make fresh advances on condition that the government will interfere in their behalf, the value of the bonds of these repudating will assuredly advance fifty per cent., and the holders may get out of them on terms so much better than they can at present, that they could give the Americans two millions and a half. If any more need be said in order to keep these things out of England, the publication of this device would be sufficient.

**Discovery of a Band of Murderers at Nuremburg.**—In December last the limbs of a body, supposed to be that of a rich widow named Bayer, who had suddenly disappeared from her habitation, were found in the street of Nuremburg. The police made the greatest efforts to discover the circumstances which had brought the unfortunate deceased to her frightful end. They could only succeed, however, in discovering the most vague information; and public had begun to think that the crime must remain unpunished, for two other persons had been assassinated in a mysterious manner without the criminals ever having been detected.

The police kept a close watch upon a young woman who had been in the habit of working for one of the murdered persons, and at length they procured some very important testimony, and they proceeded to arrest a woman named Romstatt, who, however, denied any knowledge of the matter, and indeed nothing was found at her residence of suspicious nature. But a search at the house of her daughter, who lived not far from Pegnitz, was attended with different results, for in a drain they found the intestines of a human being, and shortly afterwards the confession of the mother led to the discovery of the head of Madame Bayer in the drain of the Hotel de Ville. All the part that the woman Romstatt acknowledged to have in the transaction was that of taking the portions of the body to different parts of the city; but she pointed out certain persons as the assassins, who were immediately apprehended and imprisoned; and proofs were soon established of the existence of a band of murders, who had doubtless committed the murders we have alluded to, and probably many others which have never come to light.

As soon as these circumstances became known the irritable character of the citizens of Nuremburg became greatly incensed against the authors of these diabolical outrages; and it became necessary that the police should take extraordinary measures to prevent the populace from inflicting summary justice upon the criminals on their way to prison.

It appears from the latter details of this horrible affair, that the woman Romstatt had stated that madame Bayer was murdered on St. Thomas's day, a winter fete which annually brings thousands of strangers to Nuremburg. She says that the assassins having contrived to entice her into a secluded house, seven of them immediately fell upon her with razors and poniards, and that having killed her they proceeded to cut up the body. Romstatt being employed to get rid of the remains by disposing of them in the drains or sewers in different and distant parts of the city. With regard to the fate of one of the murdered persons, a bookkeeper, for whom she had worked as a daily servant or laundress, she pretends utter ignorance. She was however heard to say, that a woman named Bezold, who was found in bed with her throat cut, had been murdered by a barber, who formed one of the gang, and who had been apprehended.

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