

who assaulted them, sparing neither men, women or children. After driving the Christians back the Turks closed the gates of the town and then turned their attention to the British vice-consul, threatening his life, and pursuing him with knives, until he found shelter in the house of a brother consul. Turkish soldiers stood quietly by during all these outrages, perfectly inactive, not attempting to stop the riotous disturbances.

Later intelligence from Crete states that two Turkish Envoys had a Conference with the Christian Chiefs, but, being unable to accept their proposals, the negotiations fell through.

General Gourko fought a severe battle on the 31st of December, at Tashesan, before securing Turkish entrenchments. The Russians lost 700 men killed and wounded. The Turks retired at night fall towards Sofia, pursued by cavalry. After a halt for rest and reorganization Gourko resumed the advance upon Sofia.

A telegram received in Paris from Constantinople states that the Porte has asked for an armistice through England.

Russia.—The *Journal de St. Petersburg* says that Russia could not, in the interests of peace, itself do otherwise than refuse all intervention, and make it clearly understood that peace must be discussed between the belligerents.

It is stated that Russia repeatedly, before and since the conference, endeavored to negotiate secret terms of peace with Turkey, hostile to English interests, and it is thought that Russia will probably refuse to inform England her armistice condition.

Russia has refused the proffered mediation. Turkey's conditions for armistice have been forwarded to the Russian headquarters, and the Russian Commanders have been instructed to receive any offers for a truce.

Ismael Hakkı Pasha is in command of Erzeroum. The Russians have suspended concentration of troops against that place on account of the snow. They are making roads by tunnelling the snow.

A St. Petersburg special says Russia will probably consent to an armistice on the basis of the rectification of the Armenian frontier, guarantee of good administration in Belgrade and the independence of Roumania.

Despatches from Bucharest say that the army which was to cross the Shipka Pass and co-operate with General Gourko against Adrianople, shows no sign of activity; and while the present weather continues such operations will be impossible. The deep snow offers almost insurmountable obstacles to waggons, and the Russians have no sleighs. Orders are now being issued for a supply of sledges, but by the time they are ready the snow will probably have disappeared, and the roads will be impassable from mud and water.

The *Daily News* correspondent at Bucharest telegraphs that he considers it improbable that Russia can reach Adrianople before May.

It now appears that the Czarowitch will remain in Bulgaria with General Todleben as the real commander of his army.

It is reported that there are 26,000 sick in Bulgaria, and supplies are inadequate to the number. This probably includes the sick among the Turkish prisoners.

It is rumored that the Turks have retreated from Sophia after burning it, and are marching towards Ihtoman defile to bar the Russian advance upon Tatar Bazarjik.

After an exceedingly difficult passage over snow covered mountains and frozen foothills, the vanguard of a Russian division has occupied the Balkan passes between Arabkanak and Sophia, and cavalry has already been stationed on the Sophia road. The Turks were taken by surprise, consequently the Russians lost only five wounded. Along the eastern front, namely, the River Lom, the Turks have withdrawn from all their positions leaving only small armed bodies composed of troops and inhabitants. The latter with their arms retired to the woods after burning their own villages.

Russians continue concentrating troops on the plains of Erzeroum. The movements on the Deve Boyun heights are visible from the Turkish fortifications. Four Russian infantry battalions and a regiment of dragoons occupied the village of Osein, near the road to Trebizond. Every preparation is made for a long siege.

A Russian detachment under General Dandeville, which supported General Gourko in his movement over the Balkans had 53 men frozen to death in one night 820 frost-bitten.

SPAIN AND PORTUGAL.—Advice from the Azores report a deficiency in the Indian corn crop. Great scarcity is feared. The Azores newspapers advise the Government to permit free importation of cereals.

The Madrid *Epoca* states that Don Carlos was expelled from France at the request of the Spanish Government. Ex-Queen Isabella has written to the Paris *Migaro* protesting against the expulsion of Don Carlos and repudiating the accusations that she was in conspiracy with him against King Alfonso.

The Spanish Government is likely to take very serious steps to mark its displeasure at Isabella's conduct.

GRECE.—The claim of Greece to be represented in any European conference

really points to the acquisition of Thessaly and Epirus and possibly Crete.

The British iron-clad *Rupert* arrived at Athens on the 1st inst., and sailed again for Retimo, and it is believed England will take temporary possession of the island with a view of preventing a repetition of outrages.

SERBIA.—A Belgrade special says Serbia will hereafter levy customs duties upon all Turkish imports.

It is reported that the insurrection in Bosnia is reviving and gaining ground. The Servians captured at Perot 23 cannon, 1000 rifles and 50 prisoners.

EGYPT.—The Khedive of Egypt, presented Mr. Stanley with the decoration of Grand Officer of the Medjidie as an appreciation of his services. A banquet to Stanley was given by the Cairo Geographical Society.

CHINA.—The *Advertiser* hears on reliable authority that official information has been received in St. Petersburg that the Chinese have massacred 15,000 men, women and children at the Kashgarean town of Manas, committing the most frightful atrocities.

SOUTH AFRICA.—Sir Bartle Frere, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Cape Colony, considered the situation on the Caffre frontier as extremely dangerous.

Kreli Galeka, a chief at the head of his tribe, threatening state of relations with Cetewayo, chief of the Zulus. News has reached Natal that Cetewayo's army has occupied the disputed territory. Cetewayo is the most powerful of native chiefs contiguous to the British settlements. It is not believed that war with the Zulus will result.

The Earl of Carnarvon received a deputation of South African merchants, who expressed a wish that reinforcements should be sent to the Cape, fearing the colonists may be outnumbered, or, in the event of European complications, be left to their own resources.

The *Times* says "It is not pleasant to remember that Cetewayo, chief of the Zulus, according to those who know Zulu land well, can put 40,000 well armed men into the field, and that he may choose the moment for doing so when we have our hands more than full on the Caffrarian question."

Earl Carnarvon said to the deputation of South African merchants. I am glad to see that fresh colonial levies are being raised. They will render I have no doubt very valuable assistance. The nineteenth regiment and a battery of artillery will leave England within ten days.

Marriages.

On the 16th of Dec., 1877, by the Rev. L. B. Gates, Mr. Wallace E. Coggin to Mrs. Lucy Parker, of Westport.

At Black Point, Halifax Co., Dec. 29th, by the Rev. W. Spencer, Mrs. John Briley to Miss Susannah Hubley, all of Margaret's Bay.

At Kingston, Dec. 23rd, by the Rev. E. O. Read, Mr. Albert Tufts and Miss Anna, daughter of the late M. M. Daly, Esq., all of Kingston.

By the same, at the residence of the bride's father, Dec. 27th, Mr. Israel Banks, of Greenwood, and Miss Hattie, daughter of Mr. Daniel Young, of Kingston.

By the same, at Tremont, Dec. 20th, Mr. Major Sprowl, of Torbrook, and Miss Melissa Banks, daughter of Mr. James Banks, of Tremont.

On the 24th day of December, 1877, by the Rev. J. W. Manning, A. B., Albert Jackson, of Richmond, Virginia, to Eliza Bowns, of Halifax.

On the 3rd of January, 1878, by the Rev. J. W. Manning, A. B., John J. Smith, of Sambro, to Esther Richardson, of St. Margaret's Bay.

At the Parsonage, Liverpool, Dec. 23rd, 1877, by the Rev. G. O. Gates, A. M., Mr. Archibald Naugler, and Miss Emily Conrad.

By the same, on the 24th Dec., at the residence of the bride's father, Port Medway, Mr. Jonas Hebb, of Bridgewater, and Miss Sarah C., daughter of Mr. Thos. Atkins.

By the same, at the Parsonage, Liverpool, Dec. 25th, Mr. Edward W. Kempton, and Miss M. Martha Davis, all of Liverpool, N. S.

On the 1st inst., at Victoria, by the Rev. E. B. Corey, Mr. George A. Lockhart to Miss Orintha A. Schurman, of the same place.

By the same, on the 2nd inst., Mr. Murdoch Matheson, of Birch Ridge, to Miss Minerva Stephens, of Wallace Bay.

By the same, on the 7th inst., Mr. John M. Matheson, of Mount Pleasant, to Miss Cecelia Hollis, of the same place. All of Cumberland Co.

At Sand Point, Dec. 31st, by Rev. E. N. Archibald, Bradford L. Thorburn, Esq., of Jordan Bay, to Miss Lydia Downie, of the same place.

At Sand Point, Jan. 1, 1878, by Rev. E. N. Archibald, Peter Hemeon, Esq., to Miss Sarah Goodick, both of Sand Point.

Deaths.

At Grand Pre, Dec. 28th, 1877, Mr. Hugh Mitchell, in the 70th year of his age.

At New Edinburgh, Clare, on the 25th ult., Thos. B. Tooker, Esq., in the 85th year of his age.

At Mink Cove, on the 11th ult., Mr. Chas. Harris, aged 71 years.

At Mahone Bay, of Diphtheria, on the 26th Dec. Menno J., aged 4 years and 10 months and 21 days, and Byron J., aged 3 years 8 months and 16 days, sons of Joseph and Christiana Ham.

On the Western Shore, Chester, of diphtheria, on the 1st inst., David A., son of William and Tryphena Vaughan, in the 12th year of his age.

At Lakeville, Lunenburg Co., Dec. 17th, 1877, Mary, relict of the late John Sarty, aged 71 years.

At Sandy Cove, on the 18th ult., Elizabeth, widow of the late Jesse Addington, of Little River, aged 91 years.

At Hammond's Plains, Dec. 21st, Margaret, relict of the late Ebenezer Smith, in the 85th year of her age, leaving a large circle of relations and friends to mourn their loss. The number of her children was fifteen; grandchildren, one hundred and six; great-grandchildren, one hundred and thirteen. Sister Smith filled well her place as a consistent member of the church since her union with it in 1823, and patiently waited for the hour when called to the Church triumphant she should be forever with the Lord.—Com.

At Westport, of scarlet fever, Henrietta M., youngest daughter of Capt. Andrew and Sarah Coggins, aged 8 years and 5 months.

"So fades the lovely, blooming flower, Frail, smiling solace of an hour; So soon our transient comforts fly, And pleasure only blooms to die."

On Thursday, Jan. 3rd, 1878, Eleanor Ward, youngest daughter of William Jenkins, aged 36 years.

On Thursday, Mr. Edward Griffin, in the 86th year of his age.

On Thursday, 4th, in the 55th year of her age, Mary Ann, wife of Mr. Thomas Shaw.

At Bedford, December 31st, Maria, the youngest daughter of Andrew and Margaret Heffer, in the 11th year of her age. (Boston papers please copy.)

On Monday, Dec. 31st, Mrs. Anne Whalen, aged 90 years, beloved wife of Patrick Whalen.

At Hall's Harbor, King's Co., on Thursday, 20th Dec., 1877, Samuel Buckman, aged 83 years.

At Dartmouth, 2nd inst., Elspet, the wife of John Ovenston, in the 53rd year of her age.

On Wednesday, 2nd January, 1878, Charles Roche, Esq., aged 80 years.

On Wednesday, Jan. 2nd, Charles Henry, eldest son of George H. and Sarah Lindsay, aged 6 years and 7 months.

On Jan. 3rd, Alena Maud, aged 3 months and 15 days, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Delap, 103 Göttingen Street.

On the 9th of September, 1877, William With, in the 33rd year of his age. Our departed brother was baptized during a revival of religion in Centerville by Rev. Joseph Murray. He was sustained during his trying illness by the consolations of religion, and died trusting in Christ.

Suddenly, on Saturday, the 5th inst., Bella, beloved daughter of Norman and Kate Macdonald, in the 18th year of her age.

Suddenly, on Saturday, the 5th inst., Amelia Elizabeth, daughter of David Boutillier, aged 18 years and 8 months.

At the Provincial and City Hospital, on the 4th inst., Mary Pitt, aged 23 years.

Also, on the 7th inst., Wm. Fraser, aged 38 years.

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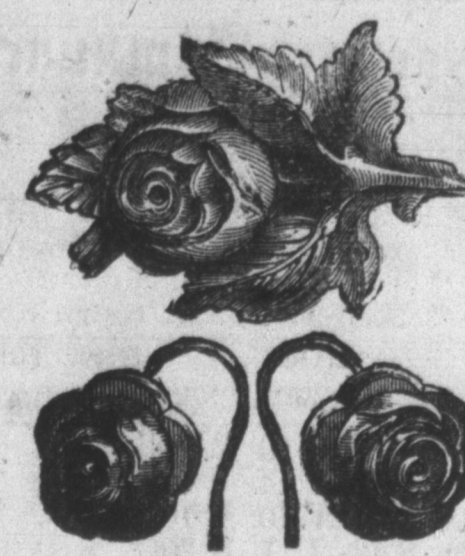
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34 Waterville " " 10 15 1 52

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