

In the Senate, yesterday, the minister of war said: "We have learned, through various unofficial channels, that Marshal Bazaine failed in his recent attempt to free himself from hostile army which held him around Metz; his efforts were heroic and the King of Prussia could not help rendering justice to the valor of our soldiers. Marshal McMahon, in endeavoring to reach a hand to Bazaine, in a direction north, was obliged to retreat, but this spectacle, so far from taking away our energy, augments and redoubles it. Since the present cabinet has been in power it has drawn from France all that her resources could yield, and they still remain so strong that, with energy and with the help of the nation we may yet retrieve the past. Let us hope that God will help us and drive the enemy from our soil."

Jerome David added to the above by stating that the defenses of the capital were in the best condition and, according to the competent judges, capable of resisting all the efforts of the enemy. "Let us defend Paris," he said. "On the walls and in the streets, and in most of the environs of Sedan were several days of fighting, with alternations, successes and reverses, but we contended against an enemy numerically our superiors, and, in spite of the most energetic efforts, the attempt seems to have terminated in an unfortunate manner for our arms. Other advances, of Prussian origin, are still more unfavorable, but do not appear to us to be worthy of credit in all cases, and the government is not willing to give them the appearance of authenticity by communicating them to the public. Our reverses afflict us, and it is impossible for us to witness, without deep emotion, so much courage and so much devotion rendered unavailing. We will bury ourselves under the ruins of Paris, if necessary, in defense of the capital of our nation."

In the course of the statement of the situation was similar to that in the Senate. Jules Favre declared they were "unanimous for defence until death!" (Great applause.) "It is time that compliances should cease, if we wish to repair our disasters." He concluded by attacking the imperial power and proposing to place extraordinary powers in the hands of Gen. Trochu. Count De Palikao and the chamber protested.

DENMARK.

COPENHAGEN, 3.—The ship *Hansa*, which formed part of the polar expedition, was crushed by ice on the 10th of October last, off the coast of Greenland; the crew was saved.

CANADA.

AMERICAN schooner captured. QUEBEC, 4.—The American fishing schooner *Fury*, of Gloucester, Mass., was captured by the government schooner last night six miles above Chen Islands, while fishing. She has been brought to this port. The prize is loaded with ice and has about 2000 pounds of fish on board. The case will come before the courts on Monday.

BELGIUM.

BRUSSELS, 3.—The Prince Imperial of France has arrived at Chenay, thirty-two miles south east of Metz, and has been lodging at the palace of the Prince of Chenay.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Surrender of Bazaine—Burned at sea—Particulars of the surrender.

LONDON, 3.—It is reported that Marshal Bazaine with the entire force in the occupation of Metz surrendered at 4 p. m., yesterday, to the army investing that fortress, on receipt of the news of the surrender of the Emperor.

Advices from Melbourne, dated 16th of July, state that the *Morven*, a British Italian bark, was burnt at sea on the 25th of May, and that only thirty out of a hundred and fifty passengers were saved.

A dispatch from Sedan via Bouillon, Sept. 2nd, midnight, says the die is cast so far as McMahon's fine army and the fortunes of the empire are concerned; all is over with France. I have already telegraphed briefly the facts of the battle of Tuesday and Wednesday. Each day's fight was terrible; the results at the close of each day were favorable to the Prussians. On Thursday, daylight showed the French reinforced and occupying a strong elevated position on Bazelles, extending down the railroad to Douzy, and then to Marly on the line of the Meuse, on the railroad. At 5 o'clock the Prussians recommenced the battle, making simultaneous attacks on the French front, left and flank. Fighting at first was confined to the artillery, both armies firing incessantly, the French evidently having a weaker force of guns than the Prussians. At noon a fierce attack was made by the Prussian infantry, at Douzy, with the object of breaking the French centre, but after tremendous fighting the Prussians fell back. A pause seemed to take place at one o'clock, firing being less incessant; but it was only the prelude of a yet fiercer assault. At two o'clock a simultaneous movement was made along the whole Prussian line, the infantry charging the French guns. At three o'clock the French line, which previously stood firm, wavered, and immediately afterwards broke. The battle then became a rout. McMahon is reported seriously wounded during the last attack. The roads now present a terrible aspect. The French left everything, flying in every direction, throwing away their arms. The Prussians pressed forward, resolutely bent upon cutting off their retreat towards Belgium. The Prussian troops used bayonet with terrible effect. The night closed on the route and pursuit, leaving the Prussians gathering in large numbers around Sedan. The Emperor remained at Sedan throughout the battle. At half past two a message was sent to the Emperor at his headquarters, advising him to fly to Belgium, but he was too ill to undertake the journey. This morning the Prussians prepared to attack Sedan, which is not in a condition to resist. At twelve o'clock a party of Prussians, headed by General Wimpfen left Sedan, bearing a flag of truce. It was received by the Prussian advanced guard, and conducted to the Prussian headquarters, where the General formally surrendered the French army and fortress to King William. The French

party also bore a letter from the Emperor Napoleon to the King, stating that he desired to surrender to him, not having any command. The formal, capitulation took place at half past one o'clock. It is said the Emperor will be sent under a strong escort, to Magdebourg, but his destination is a secret. A large number of French escaped into Belgium.

LONDON, 5.—A Brussels dispatch says that twelve thousand French troops crossed the frontier and surrendered. A demand upon the Montmedy garrison, to surrender, was refused.

PRUSSIA.

Thousands Weeping with Joy. BERLIN, 5.—A letter from Metz, dated September 25, gives the following information. Since the engagement at Gravelotte, two days passed without giving the French an opportunity to leave the saddle. The army in such a case is necessarily demoralized and unable to oppose the Germans, or to prevent their securing their chosen positions. The beleaguered army, with its numerous wounded and the garrison of the city of Metz and the suburban refugees must aggregate 200,000 souls. Fevers are therefore necessarily the consequence, and accompanied with want and suffering. Bazaine must have counted on the arrival of McMahon to relieve this misery; that hope must have been destroyed by the Prussian movements. The first thought of the Prussians was that McMahon was hastening to the defence of Paris, but it was also feared that he might, by leaving the Belgian frontier, march secretly back to Metz, where Bazaine was cooped up, and attack the Prussians on the rear, with the co-operation of Bazaine; hence the advance of the Prussians in three great columns, sweeping an extended line of the Belgian frontier, from along the Meuse to the Aube, effectively shutting out McMahon from Metz, with the belief on the part of Prussia that McMahon had gone from Rheims northward, toward Belgium.

The cattle plague is prevalent in some parts of Prussia. The Germans are angry with England and Italy for furnishing arms to France. BERLIN, 3.—The recent news that the Emperor and McMahon had capitulated occasions the most prodigious enthusiasm here. Thousands of the people throng the streets, moving in ranks with their arms linked, singing patriotic songs; shouting and exhibiting every other sign of enthusiasm. A surging crowd assembled before the palace when, in response to cheering, the Queen appeared and made a short address. All the schools are now closed and the children are given a holiday. The monument to Frederick the Second is literally buried in flags. Demonstrations were made before the residence of Count Von Bismarck, Baron Moltke, and the Minister of War, De Roon. Shops and stores are mostly closed and the day given up to festivals and rejoicings.

A dispatch from Berlin, to-day, says rejoicings over the reception of the glorious news from Sedan baffle description. It was known at 8 o'clock in the morning. The whole population poured into the streets, and rushed to the palace of the Queen. In a very few minutes the Queen was out on the balcony, dressed in a plain morning wrapper, weeping with joy as she received the deafening cheers of the multitude. Hundreds of women went down on their knees, with streaming eyes, thanking God for the apparent approach of the close of the terrible war. Schools closed and processions of children were formed in all quarters. Many climbed the statue of Frederick the Great, crowning it with wreaths and flags. An impromptu procession of citizens was gotten up, which marched through the streets with banners and music. It is the general belief, that France will abandon further resistance. All financial circles share in the exultation, which is shown by the buoyancy of the markets. The people gladly welcome peace on the most generous terms consistent with perfect security against future wars.

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