

nounced for the 9th, will be postponed for a few days.

All the Greek residents of Serbia liable to conscription have been ordered by the consul to return home.

It is reported that sixteen pontoons of the Nikopolis bridge have been sunk by the storm, and more are expected to sink. It is blowing hard.

LONDON, 8. — A Paris dispatch states the difficulties of the Spanish Government with the Basque municipalities, continues. The municipality of San Sebastian has resigned, and it is believed all the municipalities of the chief towns will follow its example when they are ordered by the government to prepare the lists of those liable to conscription and taxation.

A dispatch from Rome says the Pope experiences temporary relief in the morning, but every attempt he makes to assume a sitting posture produces a relapse.

A Russian official dispatch, dated Bogot, says the battle of Mariani and Elena, on the 4th inst., were more unfortunate for the Russians than at first reported. Fifty officers and 1,800 men were killed and wounded, and eleven guns captured.

The operations on the 6th instant were confined to driving the Turkish right, numbering 10,000 men.

From Slateritz to Bebrova, the Turkish left, confronting Jackowitz, numbers 30,000 men.

The government of Kassoo telegraphs Dec. 5th that the Servian forces had arrived at Javor. Four Servian officials crossed the frontier to Siennica, demanded an explanation of the presence of the Turkish troops there, and demanded their withdrawal by noon of Dec. 6th. There was also a disturbance and fighting on the 5th, between the Servian and Mussulman inhabitants of Siennica.

Later.—The Servians crossed the frontier at Javor, and erected fortifications on Ottoman Territory. Mehmet Ali has confided to Baker Pasha the command of a division.

Advices from Cape Town, dated November 20th, state that the government is granting lands in Galeka county to the Europeans. The volunteers are disbanding and returning to their homes.

The *Bothnia* sailed, to-day, for the United States with £100,000.

PARIS, 8.—President MacMahon's determination to insist upon having the nomination of three ministers seems to have been very sudden. On Thursday, after discussing the question with M. Dufaure, he concluded with these words: "After all, you are responsible. Consequently I leave you free in choice of your colleagues." M. Dufaure was afterwards much surprised to find the Marshal had changed his determination.

CONSTANTINOPLE, 8.—The government has impressed the street car horses for the army.

LONDON, 8.—The news of the Servians crossing into Turkey turns out to be unfounded. The Porte received advices dated at Nisch yesterday, stating that all was quiet on the frontier. The portion of the Servian troops concentrated near the frontier has been withdrawn and the other portion has been dismissed to their homes.

It is officially announced that the Russian loss, between November 10th and 17th was 3,115 men. The total loss since the commencement of the war is 74,858.

LONDON, 9.—A telegram from Ragusa says the inhabitants of Scutari and Albanian chiefs have telegraphed to Constantinople for aid against the Montenegrins, declaring that if the request is disregarded they will solicit the prohibition of Italy.

Intelligence has been received from Elena that operations between that place and Tirnova are suspended because of the bad weather. Great preparations are being made to defend Elena in case the Russians attempt to recapture it.

Intelligence has been received at Pera that Suleiman Pasha passed through Rasgrad on Friday en route for Rustchuk.

Operations against Erzeroum may be postponed for a fortnight. No attempt will be made to establish a strict blockade on account of the inclemency of the weather, but it is supposed that communication with Trebizond will shortly be cut, as a Russian division is marching in that direction.

A Paris dispatch declares that the majority of constitutionalists favor a second dissolution. The republican papers are exceedingly violent.

The *Bien Public* declares that the Chamber of Deputies would reply to a second dissolution by impeaching President MacMahon for high treason.

Le Temps declares that the Left generally believe the failure of M. Dufaure's negotiations was part of a preconceived plan.

BERLIN, 9.—Semi-official papers deny that the three Imperial powers have recently been conferring together in relation to terms of peace. The Czar has given notice of his intention to return to St. Petersburg between December 23rd and January 5th.

It is reported that Prince Bismarck has renewed his request to be relieved of office.

ROME, 9.—Within the past few days all the Italian political and military authorities have received instructions calculated to ensure a free and undisturbed meeting of the conclave. Although the newspaper reports concerning the Pope's health are more favorable, private advices say that his condition is growing worse. He lies helpless, and although his mind is clear, he endures great suffering, from which he is expecting, and even hoping a speedy release.

QUEENSTOWN, 10.—The steamship *City of Berlin*, from New York, November 24, for Liverpool, has just passed here on her way to the latter port, all well. On the 30th of November, when two days from Queenstown, her shaft broke. The steamer made little or no headway under sail, during the eastern gales. On Saturday night she spoke the steamer *City of New York*, of the same line from New York Nov. 28th for Liverpool, and was by her taken in tow.

LIVERPOOL, 10.—Minister Welsh, due here to-morrow, will remain twenty-four hours. On the arrival of the *Adriatic*, the dock board tender will take out Fairchild, United States consul, and others, to meet him, and government will fire a salute. The mayor will receive and welcome the new minister on the landing stage, and subsequently entertain him at lunch in the town hall, where the chamber of commerce will present an address of welcome.

CONSTANTINOPLE, 10.—It is reported that the council of state has determined that the Austrians shall hereafter be eligible to governorships and other administrative functions of Turkish provinces. It is believed that a special from the throne, on the opening of parliament, will announce this resolution.

Suleiman Pasha has returned to Ahmedli, on the Tirnova road.

The Egyptian contingent in the Turkish army will be increased by 12,000 infantry, 1,000 cavalry and four batteries.

VIENNA, 10.—The Hungarian and Austrian delegations are regulating the common affairs of the Dual monarchy for 1878. The foreign affairs common Hungarian delegation held a secret sitting yesterday. Count Andrássy protested against the explanations of his foreign policy given by the so-called semi-official organs. He said another factor besides treaties must be considered in connection with the relations between the European powers, namely, a force which alone could make the treaties valid. As to the allegations concerning the triple alliance, he said Austria was the arbiter of her own destinies. No European State could more securely count upon obtaining a recognition of its reasonable and just demands. He declared himself strongly opposed to the idea the idea that in compliance with eternal prejudices, the Christian populations of Turkey must be continued under Turkish misrule. He denied that Austria was acting under the influence of Germany, and he declared that no power in Europe could undertake the settlement of the Eastern Question without the co-operation of Austro-Hungary.

BERLIN, 10.—The weekly statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows an increase of 418,000 marks.

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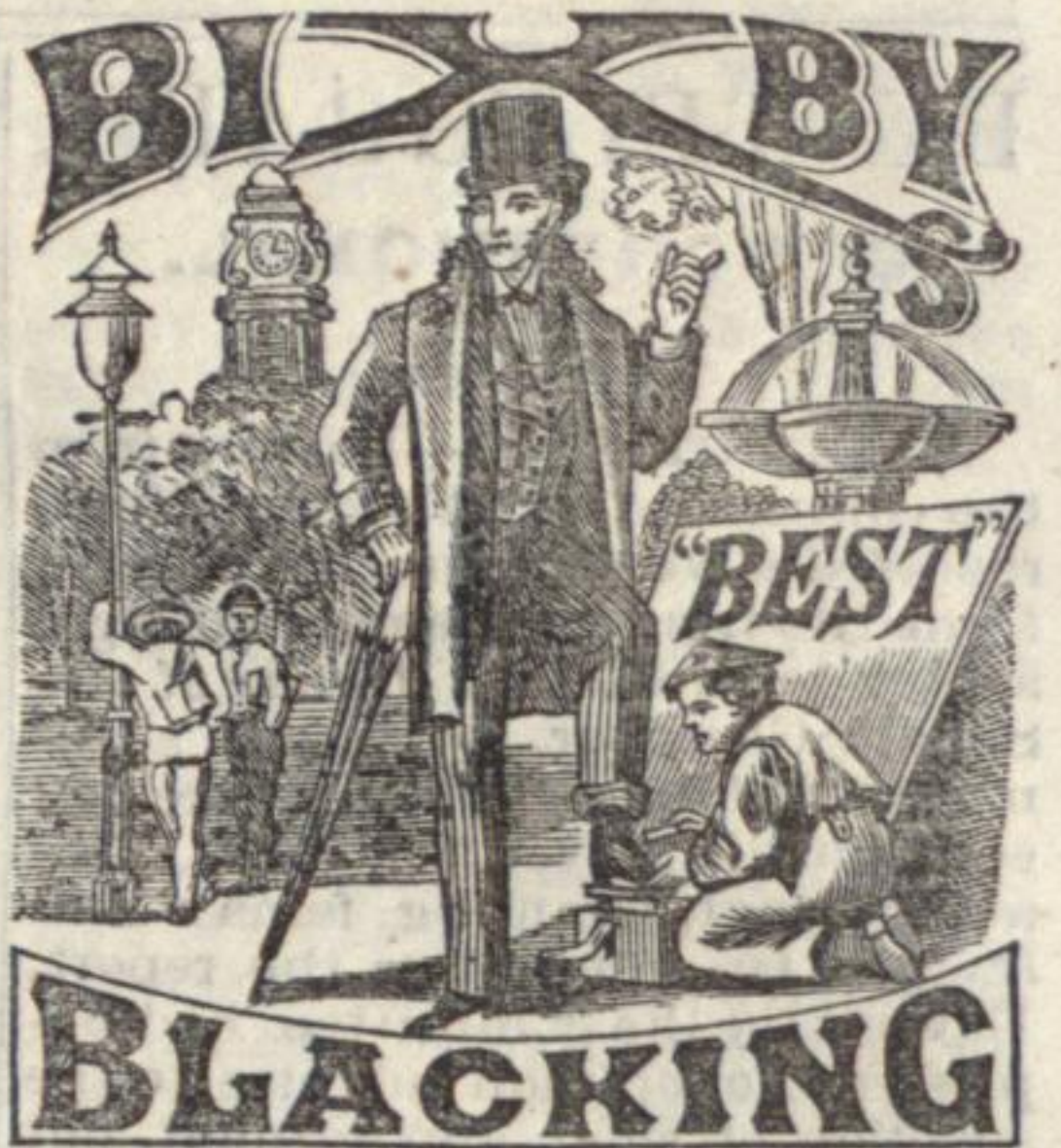
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