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FIFTY-FIFTH YEAR.

The Saturday "News" Special Foreign Service.

THE POPE'S GUARD TO CELEBRATE.

Unique Relic of the Temporal Power of the Papacy Kept To Protect It.

RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS SAFETY.

Was First Organized in the Days of "Julius II, the Fighting Pope" — Members All Killed.

Special Correspondence.

OME, Oct. 11.—The most picturesque relic of the days when the papacy exercised something like real temporal power, the Swiss guard, is preparing to celebrate the fourth centenary of its formation.

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artist's diverse talents did not also include proficiency in the tailoring art.

COMMANDER A BARON.

Their commander is Baron Meyer de Schneidau of Lederne, as whenever heads this commission is obliged to be Swiss, a noble, and of a Lucerne family. Baron Meyer himself married into the German aristocracy, while his son has an American wife.

Baron Meyer's father, the late commandant's father, the late baron, also commandant, had much to do in the quelling of a little mutiny among the Swiss guard on the accession of Leo XIII to the papal throne. Even then—or rather especially then—the finances of the Vatican were not florid, and the "new broom," as was satirically termed the incoming pontiff, decided to make a clean sweep of one of their privileges which was not set down on paper though sanctioned by custom. This was the right of the Swiss guard member of the force for his extra work during the conclave, or "soile vacante" as it is called. Thirty of the boldest, backed by the moral support of their comrades, took their arms barricaded themselves in their barracks and declared war! Neither prayers nor threats, nor bribes could move them. Nothing but their money would satisfy them, and when that, after three days, was forthcoming they came forth, too. But Leo XIII, in his revenge, as he kept them waiting for 25 years for the next "soile vacante" while the average length of a pontiff's reign is only from six to eight years.

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