

OVER THE OCEAN.

The Queen's Speech and the Cabinet's Foreign Policy.

The Trade Commission and Cholera's Onward March.

The Worst of Scenes Associated With Famine and War.

An Interesting Budget Contributed by Special Cables and Regular Press Dispatches.

A BUDGET FROM BRITAIN.

Special Telegram to The Bee.

LONDON, August 16.—The queen's speech is an epitaph by the present ministry on the acts of the late ministry. Official decorum forbids direct criticism by her majesty, of her former servants, but it is known that the queen shares the view of the ruling government respecting the Nile expedition, the general condition of Egypt, and England's relations with Russia. He says that she had learned with deep sorrow that the Nile expedition arrived too late, is understood here as meaning that it started too late. Her promise not to relax her efforts to place the government and good order of Egypt upon a firm foundation, is interpreted in connection with Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's recent speech, as pointing to an indefinite occupation. The queen's hopes of a satisfactory settlement of the Afghan frontier with Russia, are not regarded as being so sanguine as to exclude a reference to the necessity for placing the Indian frontier in a condition of adequate defense.

LORD RANDOLPH CHURCHILL'S ANSWER TO A QUESTION IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS. Three days shows plainly that he expects no substantial progress of negotiations pending elections in England. The departure of Mr. Lesborne from England confirms this inference. The truth is that Salisbury, thinking it impossible to deal with the Russian and Egyptian difficulties which have been devolved upon himself by Grey, re-established good relations with the chief European powers, and secured their sanction of the issue of the Egyptian loan, which for four months he had refused to the Gladstone ministry. If Sir Henry Drummond Wolff succeeds in his mission to Constantinople and Cairo, the conservative hope continues the course in which they have achieved a real success in their foreign policy.

THE CATALOGUE OF COMPLETED LEGISLATION IN THE queen's speech includes no great measure passed by the liberal ministry, except the reform bill. The present ministry executed its program in carrying every important bill it undertook, including the Irish land purchase and the drilling for the poor laws, both of which it once thought it would be obliged to abandon. Its success is due partly to the loyal co-operation of the liberal majority, and partly to the energetic support which the Irish members, for value received, abstained from obstruction, nor did either party oppose the measures which were believed to promise direct benefit to the people.

THANKING THE EGYPTIAN EXPEDITION. The adoption, in both houses of parliament, of votes of thanks to the officers, soldiers and sailors of the Egyptian expedition, was unanimous, radicals like Sir Wilfrid Lawson and Mr. Labouchere absenting themselves. Lord Hartington supported the motion in the house of commons, vainly attempting to excuse the refusal of the late ministry to propose similar votes on the ground of want of precedent. Lord Wolsey supported the motion in the house of lords, and in doing so he was believed to refer to his daughter if she shall have any Wednesday's resolution was the first parliamentary tribute to Gen. Gordon, to whose character Lord Salisbury offered a just and adequate ministerial homage.

MEANS TO INQUIRE FOR ITSELF. Lord Idelmeigh's (Sir Stafford Northcote) commission of inquiry into the causes of the depression in trade and agriculture, in view of the refusal of the liberal ministry to name any strong names. Free traders are alarmed, and protest against it, because the commission is believed to be a mere pretext to stand of blindly accepting free trade dogma.

DILKE'S DIDDOS. Discussion of the charges against Sir Charles Dilke is mostly confined to minor Tory or provincial papers. His letter to the Chinese ambassador, which he withdrew as a candidate for the next parliament, elicits no comment. Most of the printed gossip is wholly untrue or a perversion of the truth. The only fact within public knowledge is the filing of a petition of divorce by Mr. Crawford against his wife. The alleged confession of his wife was not contained in the petition, and was not read. If evidence confirming the charge exists, it remains secret. Sir Charles Dilke's denial is supported by a belief of his friends that the accusation will ultimately break down.

HUKIN'S CONDITION. Accounts from Brantwood give a slight hope of Mr. Hukin's recovery.

THE CHOLERA SCOURGE.

A FRIGHTFUL CONDITION OF THINGS IN SPAIN. Special Telegram to The Bee.

LONDON, August 16.—Reports of the cholera which reach here from Spain betray a frightful condition of things. The epidemic is spreading more and more, and accounts of its terrible ravages which have come to London have aroused great anxiety among all persons who are in any way concerned in Spanish affairs. All Anglo-Spanish firms who have offices in London have made an attempt to do something to stem the contagion, and have addressed the Spanish ambassador on the subject. They offered to make a united appeal to the people of England for assistance for the cholera-stricken districts. The ambassador forwarded this offer to the lord mayor of London, but the lord mayor replies that it is not proposed to invite an English national subscription, and so the efforts of the Anglo-Spanish firms remains at present without result. Stories which come from the infected districts read as follows:

THE WORST OF SCENES which are associated with famine and war. For example, in the town of Eria in the province of Saragosa, there is no longer a major or a municipal government, the mayor and all the city officials are dead, the town is deserted by the inhabitants. The people are in a deplorable condition, and the mayor of the neighboring town of Egen, who is the only one left, reports that the citizens could expect aid, has forbidden the citizens to render them any assistance. He has declared an absolute blockade and no person is allowed to enter Egen on any pretext whatever. This is an instance of what is commonly going on throughout Spain—provinces towns shutting their gates to all intruders, physicians and government officials as well as the people.

THE SURVIVORS OF ERIA are consequently camped out on the hillsides and without houses and with but scanty means of subsistence. According to the latest news, some of them had set fire to the town, fearing by the impetuosity of the cholera is taking practice

CELTIC NOTES.

Meeting of the National Committee of the Irish National League.

They Issue an Address to the Irishmen of America.

A Monster National Demonstration—Political Points—Other News Notes.

GATHERING OF THE CLANS.

AN ADDRESS ISSUED AND A CONVENTION TERMINATED.

CHICAGO, August 15.—The national committee of the Irish National League, composed of one member from each state, went into session here at 11:30 this morning. The chief purpose of the meeting of the committee was to determine when and where the next national convention shall be held. Senator Riddleberger arrived about noon and was taken in charge by Alexander Sullivan and Gen. Kirwin. During the session of the committee a letter was read from Parnell in which he advised that the date of the convention be fixed at a period after the English general election.

THE CHOLERA IN MADRID. August 16.—Returns from the cholera infected districts of Spain show a total number of cases on Saturday of 1,706, and a total number of deaths from the disease 178. The plague has made its appearance at Barcelona where twenty-five cases and six deaths are reported. Some of the most crowded towns have been emptied and their tents temporarily lodged upon the outskirts of the city. Public buildings are deserted, and the streets are still ravaged by the disease, and is decreasing in other southern provinces.

LONDON, August 16.—A letter from Saigon on August 15, reports that the cholera epidemic in Formosa and Szechuan, that the hospitals are overflowing with sufferers, and the epidemic is increasing.

MADRID, August 16.—The cholera reports for today show that there have been new cases and twelve deaths in the city of Madrid, and sixty-five new cases and thirty deaths in the province. The slight panic which brooded over the city has subsided. The epidemic shows no further sign of an increase. Wherever the disease prevails the most stringent precautions are taken to prevent its spread.

GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

THE CHOLERA. PARIS, August 15.—Stringent measures are being taken to keep the cholera away from this city. Travelers from the south are quarantined. The streets are cleaned every night. The Nationale, the first journal to announce the appearance of cholera in Marseilles, insists that the number of deaths from this disease is still greatly underrated.

MARSEILLES, August 15.—There were thirty-seven deaths from cholera during the past twenty-four hours, ending at noon today.

MADRID, August 15.—There were 4,819 new cases of cholera and 1,840 deaths from this disease reported yesterday throughout Spain.

COLERIDGE MARRIES AN AMERICAN LADY. LONDON, August 15.—Lord Chief Justice Coleridge has married this morning to an American lady named Amy Augusta Jackson Lawford. The wedding ceremonies were conducted privately and a special license was granted, so that the marriage could take place at any time of day that the parties wished.

THE BRITISH PUT A PRICE ON PAIN'S HEAD. PARIS, August 15.—La Transigence, Rochefort's weekly, has sent to the British government a letter which, it is alleged, will prove that Paine, the reputed military adviser of El Mahdi, was executed by British officials in Egypt. This disclosure, which is believed to be true, has caused the British government to raise the price on Paine's head, and has caused the British government to raise the price on Paine's head, and has caused the British government to raise the price on Paine's head.

GERMAN PROPOSALS REJECTED. BERLIN, August 16.—The tariff committee of the telegraphic conference has rejected the German proposals by a vote of eleven to five.

AN AMERICAN PROTEST.

CONSTANTINOPLE, August 16.—Mr. Hoop, United States consul, has sent to the British government another protest, couched in stronger terms than those of the first, against the expulsion of Jews from Jerusalem on the ground of their being Jews. Mr. Hoop points out that the expulsions are in violation of treaty stipulations, and are liable to lead to serious difficulties. He has referred the matter to the government at Washington.

The Roach Feature.

NEW YORK, August 15.—The schedule in the matter of the Roach assignment were filed this morning. Liabilities, \$2,263,000; nominal assets, \$5,238,000; actual assets, \$4,631,000. The preferred creditors with claims against the Roach estate are: William Roach for money loaned and work done, \$62,000; Merchants and Traders Bank of Brooklyn, \$20,000 for money loaned on note due Sept. 13, 1884; secured by mortgage bonds of W. H. Reynolds, and Alfred Cravling for \$38,400; P. W. Galland & Co., New York, \$4,000 money loaned and advanced as follows: \$20,000 on June 27, 1884; \$10,000 on July 14th. These loans were in advance of the sale of the notes of the assignee and the amount is to be determined by adjustment of the conference. Total amount preferred is \$122,400.

The Appointment of Rapid Delivery Messenger Boys.

WASHINGTON, August 16.—The statement that Chief Examiner Lyman, of the civil service commission, had an interview with the postmaster general on the subject of requiring applicants for appointment as postoffice messengers under the special delivery system about to be inaugurated, to pass a civil service examination is denied by Mr. Lyman. He says the matter has not been formally considered yet. The manner of appointing boys, however, is the subject of the recommendation of postmasters, who will send the names of applicants to the postoffice department, or to the civil service commission, in case the boys are appointed under the civil service rules.

The Grasshopper Plague.

WASHINGTON, August 16.—Owing to the rumors of injury by grasshoppers in parts of Montana, the bureau of entomology has directed agents in the northwest to telegraph to the observations of injury or movements instead of sending monthly reports. Prof. Riley has sent an agent to the place where the reports confirm the previous statements. Not only are there large numbers of this destructive Rocky mountain species at work, but the commonest and most voracious species are more numerous than usual. At Fort Buford and Poplar Pine agency, a very abundant and destructive locust, O. J. July 25th, during the middle of the day, a large proportion of the Rocky mountain species left toward the east and southeast.

YARD. He does not put on mourning when a stone falls from the walls of modern Babylon.

A CONVENTION AT CHICAGO. The executive committee of the Irish National League has decided to hold a national convention at Chicago in January, the exact date to be fixed through correspondence between Parnell and Eggar.

POLITICAL POINTS. CLEVELAND DEMOCRATS DEMAND THE OFFICES. CLEVELAND, August 15.—The democrats of Cuyahoga county met this morning to select delegates to the state convention. The committee on resolutions was out over an hour and a half. Several of the members wanted to condemn President Cleveland's administration; others were anxious to return a mild endorsement, and still others were in favor of non-commitment. Extracts from the committee's reports are as follows:

Resolved, that the democratic party, having been in possession of the government since March last, and that a large number of offices are yet held by offensive partisans, therefore be resolved, that we demand that our senators and representatives hasten the removal of all republicans in office, and that efficient democrats be placed in their places.

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WHISKEY IN BOND.

COMMISSIONER MILLER REPEALS THE SEVEN MONTHS' CLAUSE.

WASHINGTON, August 16.—Mr. Miller, commissioner of internal revenue, yesterday telegraphed to all revenue collectors who have been receiving transportation bonds, in which the time specified for the delivering of spirits at the port of exportation exceeds thirty days, that they are not to receive such bonds after the 15th inst., thus virtually repealing the seven months' clause contained in the circular of January 3, 1885, extending the bonded period. Collectors were further instructed that they are not to approve transportation bonds after the expiration period of three years mentioned in the warehousing bond, thereby shortening the time by one month, allowed under circular 283 of January 10, 1885.

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URGED TO NOLLE PROSE. The attorney general has been urged to discontinue criminal prosecutions instituted against Oklahoma miners, but has declined until he shall receive assurances that they have permanently abandoned their attempts to enter the forbidden territory.

NOT APPOINTED. Pension Commissioner Black says Ecum Saint, who was said in a recent Indianapolis dispatch to have been appointed special examiner of the pension office, has not been appointed, or recommended by any office.

FAIR OF APPOINTMENTS.

Bennett B. Simms, of New Orleans, has been appointed chief of the special agents division of the general land office, vice Alfred C. McKenney, who has been appointed special agent. Theodore W. Hoole, of Wilmington, N. C., has been appointed special agent for timber depredations.

TRUOPS TO BE HELD IN READINESS. The secretary of war has instructed Gen. Miles, of the department of the Missouri, to hold troops in readiness to enforce the president's recent proclamation in relation to cattlemen on the Cheyenne and Arapaho reservations. By the terms of the proclamation the cattlemen will be compelled to remove their herds by September 4th. Troops will be held at Fort Graham.

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR has authorized the Indian office to pay out \$88,000, the proceeds of the sale of certain lands in Kansas, for the redemption of the Indian scrip. The amount outstanding is \$123,000, of which \$85,000 has been presented. The available funds will not be quite sufficient to pay the principal and interest of the scrip presented, and they will be divided pro rata among the scrip holders.

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