

## NEWS OF THE WEEK.

## THE WAR IN THE EAST.

A dispatch from Shumla, dated Aug. 29, says: "The Russians still hold Fort Nicholas at Schipka pass. The Turks are attacking the highest Russian position in the pass. A large number of Turkish wounded are arriving. Since yesterday afternoon and during to-day the Turks have maintained a fierce fire against the defenses in Schipka pass. The Russians maintain all their positions. The Turks hold the neighboring heights, continually relieving each other in fighting. They bring up supplies on beasts of burden, and where the roads are impassable for animals compel the Bulgarians to drag the loads. This is the greatest battle of the war, having now been in progress seven days."

The Roumanian army has commenced crossing the Danube, and will henceforth take an active part in the war.

A correspondent of the New York *Herald*, who was present at the late battle near Kar, in Asia, says he saw three explosive bullets extracted from many Russians. They were so charged as to literally blow a man to pieces when exploded in his body.

The *Crus* is ill, and has been advised to leave for a healthier locality than that of the general headquarters.

Despatches from London on Aug. 30 state that after the desperate and unsuccessful attempt of the Turks to drive the Russians out of Schipka pass the attack was not renewed, and up to the time of the reporting forces confined themselves to outposts along the line. The Turks appear to have secured possession of some heights which threaten the Russian flank, and are beyond reach of the Bucanan batteries. Badatzky had been heavily reinforced, and expected to be able to hold his position, while the Turks were taking advantage of the suspension of actual fighting to construct strong earthworks in the valley of the Tanja.

A telegram from Pera, dated Aug. 31, says: "The preliminary useless and bloody assaults on the front of the Russian positions have been abandoned, and the investment of the Russian right flank commenced. The natural obstacles encountered by the Turks are of tremendous magnitude. Guns have been dragged by hand up heights almost impassable by unnumbered footmen. In the charges and counter-charges at the position gained by the Turks on the Russian flank the results were numerous. On the slope in front of the Turkish guns defending the line of the rifle pits 200 Russian bodies were left within a space seventy-five yards wide. The carnage was rarely given or taken in this attack. From the beginning of the assault on Schipka, the fighting has been often hand-to-hand, and the dead outnumber the wounded."

An estimate of the losses at the battle of Schipka pass places those of the Russians at 8,000 and those of the Turks at 22,000.

The Russians continue their advance in Asia Minor. A Russian account reports some fighting, in which they claim to have defeated the Turks. A telegram from Erzerum says the Russians have changed their position, and are now between the Turkish army and Alexandropol.

Constantinople dispatches report a severe battle in Bulgaria, on the 30th inst., between the Russians and Mohamed Ali's forces. The Turks made an attack in force along the line of the River Lom, and there was some hard fighting throughout the entire day, resulting, according to Turkish accounts, advantageously to their arms. They admit a loss of 3,000 in killed and wounded, and claim that the Russian loss was much heavier.

## GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

Already the famine in India has cost the Government \$40,000,000, and is adding to the colonial burdens at the rate of \$3,000,000 per month.

A dispatch from Belgrade, the capital of Servia, says: "At a Ministerial Council, at which Prince Milan presided, the co-operation of the Servian army with the Russians in Bulgaria was determined upon, and commanders of the various corps were nominated."

In the several churches of Hungary the "Te Deum" has been celebrated and prayers offered for further Turkish victories.

A dreadful fire has occurred in the Rosario mine in Mexico. Twenty-four lives were lost, and many persons seriously injured.

The editor of a Paris paper has been summoned before the Constitutional Tribunal for publishing an insulting remark about General Grant. About the same hour the ex-President was in the city of Edinburgh, undergoing the ceremony of having the freedom of the Scotch capital presented to him.

## DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE.

## East.

A shocking accident is reported from Salem, Mass. A railway train ran down a crowded pier, killing four persons and wounding several more. Several ladies, in their flight, leaped into the water, but were rescued.

Three railway strikers were tried at Pittsburgh, last week, for interfering with the running of trains on a road that had passed into the hands of a receiver. They were fined \$100 and sentenced to ninety days' imprisonment.

An examination of the assets of the broken State Savings Institution, of Chicago, shows the assets of the concern to be worthless to a degree far beyond the first rough estimates. It is not likely that more than \$600,000, or in the neighborhood of 20 per cent. of the liabilities to depositors, will be realized from all sources. Spencer, the President, and nearly all the other officers of the bank have disappeared, and their whereabouts at last accounts was unknown.

Gen. Miles telegraphs the War Department at Washington that Sitting Bull has recrossed the Canadian border, and is again on American soil.

Ex-Gov. Shannon, of Kansas, is dead.

The citizens of Ottumwa, Kan., have erected a monument to the memory of John Brown.

It is announced from Salt Lake that the question of a successor to Brigham Young will be held in abeyance for some time, and that the church will be governed by the Twelve Apostles during the interval.

The following has been received at army headquarters in Chicago: "Howard, pursuing Mrs. Perce, has crossed to east bank of Yellowstone, at head of Yellowstone canon, and is following trail towards east fork of Yellowstone, Little Pine, with old company and 100 Crow Indians. His trail, Little Pine canon started meadow, down Crow agency to trail on Clark's fork. Hart is moving by way of Fort C. S. Smith, and will go to St. Paul, and then toward Yellowstone park. Morris, mounted out from Brown, will go up Jones' trail on Wind river. Indians had reported to be on east fork, half way between canon and Clark's fork."

## South.

For several years the revenue officers had great trouble in trying to break up illicit distilling in Henry County, Tenn., and various means have been resorted to put a stop to it, without success. Recently the better citizens of the county have a barbershop, to which the "moonshiners," as the crooked distillers are called, were invited. The State Senator, Mr. Harris made a lengthy speech to them, showing them the disgrace brought upon the State by their course, and that vigorous measures would be enforced to put a stop to their illicit work.

Finally an agreement was made that all of them would surrender their stills, etc., and give bond for their appearance at the next term of the United States Court.

Mobile papers announce the death of Adm. Semmes, the famous Confederate cruiser. It is announced in a dispatch from Columbus, S. C., that indications have been received by the Grand Jury against ex-Gov. Moses, ex-Lieut. Gov. Gleaves, ex-Treasurers Parker and Carden, ex-Comptrollers Dunn and Hoge, ex-Speaker Lee, the ex-Clerks of the General Assembly Wadsworth and Jones, ex-Senator Owens, and a number of others, on charges of fraud in connection with their

investigation which is now going on in South Carolina, and is intended not only to expose the thieves who pillaged the treasury of the State during the period of carpet-bag rule, but to make those who are able to do so disgorge their ill-gotten gains, has created a panic among the ring chiefs and Republican leaders who controlled the legislation and the Government of the State. Many have fled beyond the reach of process, thus

where he will send his cohort."

William O'Sullivan, of Chicago, loved Kate Brevoort and wanted to marry her. She repulsed his advances. Result: O'Sullivan shoots her through the head with a pistol and kills her, and then commits suicide by putting a bullet through his own cracked brain.

The Chicago papers announced the failure of

the State banks to meet their obligations.

Any official statement of the military forces of Spain has been published at Madrid, showing that the army would number in war time 243,000 infantry and 30,000 cavalry, with 200 guns.

In times of peace the yearly contingents will be reduced to suit the exigencies of the budget.

New York's richest millionaires are rated as follows: William H. Vanderbilt, \$75,000,000; John Jacob Astor, \$60,000,000; William Astor, \$30,000,000; Peter Goetz (estate), \$25,000,000; Russell Sage, \$12,000,000; Moses Taylor, Judge Hilton, Frederick Stevens, and Catherine Wolfe, each, \$10,000,000.

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