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The Captain General of Cuba claims that he suppressed the new rebellion in that island.

It is reported from Rome that the Vatican is seriously contemplating the reorganization and increase of American bishoprics in compliance with recent suggestions of Cardinal McCloskey.

The pleasing intelligence is sent by cable from Europe that the ex-Empress Carlotta, who has been insane ever since her husband, Maximilian, was shot to death by the Mexicans, has recovered her reason and memory, and now converses lucidly and intelligently. She is now said to be engaged in transcribing her diary of the disastrous series of events in Mexico that culminated in her husband's death and the dethronement of her own reason.

Germany and all the European powers heartily approve of the promptness of Great Britain in demanding of the Porte's prompt fulfillment of its agreement concerning reforms in Turkey. The dispatch of a fleet to the Dardanelles has had the desired effect, and the Sultan sullenly submits to the demand, and the British fleet will be immediately carried into practical effect.

Information comes from France that the election of Humbert, the returned Communist, has been annulled by the Prefecture of the Seine. This action will, of course, erect Humbert into a political martyr of magnitude, and will, necessarily, embitter the contest upon the question of plenary amnesty.

Intelligence comes from Mexico of a deep conspiracy to overthrow the Diaz Government.

Prince Jerome Bonaparte is said to be maneuvering as a candidate for the Presidency of France.

Dispatches from Berlin state that Bismarck's health does not improve. He is suffering from overwork, and his physicians declare that nothing but absolute rest will give him any relief.

Private letters from Constantinople confirm the reports of the extremity of the distress in the financial metropolis of Turkey. Even the pilgrimage to Mecca, which has hitherto been provisioned at the expense of the Government, is unable to get any assistance, an event which has never before occurred since the establishment of the Ottoman empire.

The Montenegrins are waging a fierce guerrilla warfare on the Albanians, and in a recent encounter slew more than 300 of them.

Paris is about to spend the enormous sum of \$7,000,000 to deepen the river Seine sufficiently to admit vessels drawing nine feet of water to the eastern extremity of the city.

It is announced that the Spanish Constitutional party has decided to support the bill for the emancipation of slaves in Cuba, with the amendment that the freedmen may work for whomsoever they choose.

The Turkish newspapers are very violent against England. They declare her demands are more unjust than the attempts of Russia to interfere in Turkish administration, in resistance to which Turkey gave a great war.

The Catholic Bishops of Ireland have adopted a resolution calling on the Government and all public bodies and private individuals to help the poor, as the Poor Law act is insufficient to meet the necessities of the impending crisis.

DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE.

East.

Isador & Hain, fur dealers, have made an assignment at New York. Liabilities estimated at about \$150,000.

A frightful railroad accident occurred near New York on Saturday last. A locomotive and passenger car, which were there twenty passengers, ran into the Hadesack river, the draw being open. The engineer was killed, and nearly all the passengers were injured, a number of them severely. Fortunately, the passenger coach floated on the water, and the passengers were taken out through the windows and roof in small boats.

The residence of J. & G. F. Bailey, at Keenly Square, a suburb of Philadelphia, was entered, a few nights ago, by masked burglars, who riddled the safe, extracting therefrom money, bonds, and securities amounting to \$200,000.

Matthew Hale Smith, the well-known author, lecturer and newspaper correspondent—name de plume "Burleigh"—is dead.

West.

One hundred thousand dollars' worth of property in the business part has been offered Gen. Grant.

The appropriations of the Methodist Missionary Board, for the coming year, amount to \$673,832.

Political Points.

Official vote of California at the September election: Perkins, Republican, 67,005; Glenn, Democrat, 47,647; White, Kearny, 44,482; Clark, Prohibition, 1,200.

An official canvass of the vote of Iowa at the October election shows the following result on Governor: Gear, Republican, 157,571; Trimble, Democrat, 85,057; Campbell, Greenbacker, 45,429; Dungan, Prohibitionist, 3,258. Total vote, 291,315. Gear's majority over Trimble, 72,495; over Campbell, 111,454; over all others combined, 23,308.

Washington Notes.

In his annual report, just submitted to the President, Gen. Sherman dwelt at considerable length on the fact that, while the regular army consists of 25,000 men, only about 20,000 are available for actual service. Nearly 4,000 enlisted men are detailed for various duty, all of them so important that he has found it impossible to reduce the number. Believing that 25,000 men would be too many for exclusive service in the regiments of the line, he had the proof of the pudding-stone is

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