

posed to placing the citizens of the United States on an equality with one another, in either respect—and until they are prepared to do that, the people should not listen to them; and it will be time enough to discuss the propriety of amending the constitution to that effect, when it shall be seriously proposed to do away the federal and adopt the popular principle, and thus change the "nature of this government."

From Niles' Register.
FOREIGN NEWS.

FROM LONDON PAPERS TO THE 23D SEPT.
Great Britain and Ireland. Trade has considerably revived, and money is becoming more plenty.

Average price of grain for the week, ending September 15; wheat, 5s 11d; barley, 3s 11d; oats, 2s 1d; rye 4s 5d.

Sir Walter Scott has sold off all his superfluous articles and is laboring severely, that he may pay his debts. We heartily wish him success. There will be more merit in thus establishing the character of an *honest man*, than in that which he has obtained as a writer.

Parliament is to meet on the 14th Nov. for the despatch of business.

The Sheffield manufacturers have produced an alloy which they have named "Peruvian steel" which is reckoned superior to the best Indian wootz, of which the far-famed Damascus blades are manufactured. The experiments of Messrs. Stodart and Farrand have greatly contributed to its invention.

The demand for cotton has revived at Liverpool; 15,070 bags had been sold from the 16th to the 22nd Sept. of which 9,740 were American, 4,030 Egyptian, &c. Upland 6 to 7 1-2d. Orleans 6 to 8 1-4. Alabama 6 to 7.

Mexican bonds have risen in England to about 65.

It has said that agents of the government of Buenos Ayres, are endeavoring to obtain a loan of 10,000,000 dollars in London.

The bank of England has declared a dividend of four per cent for the last six months. At the meeting of the proprietors held for this purpose, the governor stated that the branch banks recently established are not to advance money on security of merchandise.—In reply to a question whether the rate of discount was to be altered, he stated that it was not his duty to answer on that subject. It was also stated, that so far from having reduced the circulation, the amount had been increased, and was this year £3,000,000 more than the last year.

An article, dated Trowbridge, Sept. 20, says this is the day for paying the paupers, and the market place exhibits groups of men who used to support their families in comfort, ready and eager to labor, but there is no man to hire them.

They are now standing in the market place by hundreds, bewailing their sad fate. A gentleman belonging to the road committee, states that the men belonging to the parish are to be employed on the roads, at 1s per day, 8d of which will be paid by the parish and 3d by the committee. He adds that the whole land of the parish would not support the paupers, if things were to continue as they are. This time twelve month, 700 per day were paid by the clothiers in this town for wages, and now the amount does not exceed 250. In a town, the population of which is about 10,000, the loss of an expenditure of 2,700 per week must obviously create a vast deal of misery, and occasion great embarrassment to all the traders as well as the workmen.

The celebrated capt. Rock, the champion of the poor has issued orders to the landlords not to take more than half rent for the present year.

France. The great enterprise for bringing the waters of the river Oareq, to Paris, by a navigable canal, 60 miles in extent, 33 feet wide, and seven feet deep, with the two branch canals, St. Denis and St. Martin, being now completely finished, great preparations were making to commemorate the event in a grand fete, to be given on the 4th Nov. the king's birth day.

The Levou and Barracouts, sent out to survey the coast of Africa and Madagascar, have returned, after affecting the object, but with the loss of 35 persons, who died in those unwholesome latitudes. 24,000 miles of coast, imperfectly known before, have been surveyed with all their bays, rivers and harbors; and some points have been found to have been misplaced on the maps 250 miles. Voyages may now be performed with comparative safety. An account of the expedition is to be published, and many parts of it are highly entertaining.

Spain. Two squadrons of the 4th regiment have deserted to Portugal, with all their arms, baggage, military chests, &c. As it is feared that the example will be followed, "a great sensation" has been produced at Madrid.

At Saragossa, lately, an individual of a cheerful cast of mind, endowed by nature with a face which appeared always to be enlivened with smile, was arrested in the public streets by an agent of authority, upon the following charge: "Villain, you laugh—you laugh at our misfortunes; the misfortunes of Spain—ou laugh to see infamy successful in

Portugal; come along with me sirrah, I'll relieve you of all your inclinations to laugh." So it seems that to be in a good humour is a crime in wretched Spain, restored to the arms of the "legitimate sovereign," the adored Ferdinand." We pity not the people who have returned to the despotism under which they groaned, and have submitted themselves to the government of knaves and fools. Let them be as miserable as they themselves will that they should be.

Netherlands. A magazine containing about sixty tons of gunpowder, blew up at Ostend on the 19th Sept. Thirty persons were killed, and many more injured. The shock was tremendous—many houses were unroofed—the doors and windows driven in, and the walls yawned from their perpendiculares. The city is "said to be in ruins."

A dreadful sickness prevails at Groningen and its neighborhood. On the 28th Sept. there were 8,185 persons sick in that city. The deaths were numerous. An order had been issued compelling the burial of the dead, in three days under the penalty of fifty florins.

Russia. The coronation of the emperor Nicholas took place at Moscow on the 3d Sept. It was a magnificent ceremony. The troops collected at Moscow amounted to 100,000 men. It is reported as if Nicholas has a disposition to make a quarrel with Turkey. We hope he may indulge it. It is added that he will probably also quarrel with the Persians.

Germany. The price of grain has considerably advanced in consequence of the partial opening of the British ports—the crops were not large.

Greece. In the late battles with the Turks and Egyptians, the Greeks are said to have behaved with more than their usual courage. They have seriously annoyed the barbarians. It does not appear that Athens was captured, as reported—it is now said to be closely blockaded by the Turks. Samos has submitted to the captain Pacha—the bishop and six primates voluntarily went on board his ship, with ropes round their necks, to show their unconditional submission. Canaris made an unsuccessful attack upon the fleet with his fire ships. 6,000 Greeks are possessed of a deafe in the Morea. Ibrahim is said to have 25,000 men at Tripolizza. We see nothing that looks like fact, as to what lord Cochrane was doing.

Six hundred females, taken by the Turks at Missolonghi, were sold in the slave market at Alexandria, at 12/- a piece.

It is said the Pacha of Egypt has offered a reward of 20,000 dollars to any person who may capture Lord Cochrane, alive.

Egypt. It is stated that the crops of cotton will be small, for the present year—yet, it seems, that an unusual quantity of land was planted. Accounts of this character are not to be relied upon.

Africa. The British have lately captured nine slave ships, with 2,563 slaves—all whom were liberated, and put to different employments in the mountains of Sierra Leone. The inhabitants of the coast were sickly. The emigrants to Messurado, who left Norfolk, in the Indian Chief, were recovering fast from their first sickness. All the emigrants that sailed from Boston, at or about the time the Indian Chief sailed from Norfolk, died, excepting nine, who are all of one family—crew all well.

Some piratical vessels, besides the negro stealers, are off the coast, and have committed several robberies. One of these affected to be a Colombian, another we fear, is a North American. The British are on the alert, and may check their depredations.

Outrage.—The following statement made by Mr. Locoste, master of a vessel called the Desdemona, just arrived at New York, we give as we find it in the Mercantile Advertiser. We do not mean to impeach the truth of the statement, but, as it is difficult to suppose that a Mexican commander would wantonly commit such an outrage on a vessel of the United States trading to his country, and as no one will believe, on such testimony, that Commodore Porter had authorized conduct so improper, we must recollect that the statement is entirely ex parte, and suspend an opinion until the enquiry which will doubtless be made into the affair, shall have advised us of the real facts. Sisal is a seaport on the North side of the province of Yucatan.

National Intelligencer.—The Desdemona left Sisal Harbor, October 1, at 1 P. M. bound to N. York. At midnight, was four times fired at by the Mexican brig of war Victoria, Capt. Machino, the fourth, being a cannon shot, fell within ten feet of the main chains, and compelled me to heave to. At 2 A. M. hailed, and asked in English, what ship? &c. After answering their questions, I enquired what vessel that was? They replied H. B. M. brig Beaver. I then desired that he would despatch me immediately, but was answered that I must lie by him until day-light. I remonstrated in vain. At 2 30, the launch was sent with 25 armed men, of which five were soldiers with muskets and bayonets. They took charge of the ship,

and made a strict search for documents to prove her in an illicit trade. They by force of arms, took from me my trunk, containing, with ship's documents and sealed letters to consignees and owners, all my personal and private papers, and then demanded the ship's register; this I refused to give up except with my life, not being able myself, through sickness, to proceed with it on board. Shortly after, my trunk was returned, but all the sealed letters, twenty-four in number, were retained by Capt. Machino. They placed one of their own men at the helm and ordered me into confinement in the ship's cabin. I then again mentioned my illness and the confined state of the air in the ship's cabin. They then made prisoners of my officers and myself for the quarter deck, and imprisoned the seamen in the forecastle. By force of arms they prevented me from hoisting an American ensign at the mizen peak. After daylight I was permitted to proceed with the ship's boat and crew on board the Victoria. I was there again imprisoned with two of my men; my boat was taken from me, and for some time used in their service. When Capt. M. called me down to examine my register and letters I strenuously remonstrated against his breaking any of the seals, stating that several of the letters were to persons of high standing in New York, capable of carrying prosecution to a great extent; yet he persisted and broke seven of the seals. When I further remonstrated against the rash proceeding, the ransacking of my ship, taking it from me, and imprisoning myself and crew, he told me, in reply, that such were commodore Porter's orders. I then stated to him that I would lay my remonstrance before the Government of the United States. He then flew into a violent rage, calling me an insolent American son of a b—h. After having held armed possession of the safety of their dollars—about 300 the ship eight hours, and detained her dollars only were staked, mostly in small ten and a half hours, I was dismissed, sums, and on Wednesday morning the with liberty to proceed on my voyage. They urged many very pressing invitations to my crew to ship on board the Victoria, offering fourteen dollars per month, three months' pay in advance, and twenty dollars bounty, to prevail on them to desert the ship, and thereby leave me in distress."

Cobbett.—This man is unquestionably the most impudent breathing. He sets himself up for parliament, behaves like a ruffian, comes nowhere near being elected, and then asks the public to pay his expenses! The following is a true and exact account of the effort recently made to place him in parliament:—Total £1701: 4: 6; total £1701: 4: 6; total amount subscribed, £14843: 9: 5; deficiency advanced by Cobbett, £142: 4: 11. O the above subscription Cobbett made tracks towards the State of Ohio. He remained in this place a week or two and exact account of the effort recently made to place him in parliament:—Total £1701: 4: 6; total £1701: 4: 6; total amount subscribed, £14843: 9: 5; deficiency advanced by Cobbett, £142: 4: 11. O the above subscription Cobbett made tracks towards the State of Ohio. 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