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The South. LATER FROM EUROPE. HIGHLY IMPORTANT FROM ENGLAND. THE MASON AND SLIDELL AFFAIR.

HALIFAX, Dec. 15.—The Europa arrived here to-day from Liverpool on the 30th ult., and Queenstown on the 21st instant, where she was detained until Monday by order of the British Government. She has the Queen's messenger on board, with despatches for Lord Lyons.
London, Dec. 1.—The *Observer* states that the Government will demand from President Lincoln and his Cabinet the restoration of the persons of the Southern Emigrants to the British Government. Yesterday afternoon, after 5 o'clock, Her Majesty held a Privy Council at Windsor Castle. Three of her Majesty's Ministers, including the First Lord of the Admiralty and Secretary of State for War, travelled from London to Windsor by special train, to be present. Previous to leaving town, the three Ministers had attended a Cabinet Council at Lord Palmerston's official residence.

The *Observer* says a special messenger of foreign affairs has been ordered to carry our demands to Lord Lyons, and will proceed by packet from Queenstown to-day. The public will be satisfied to know that these demands are for an apology, and to insist on a restitution to the protection of the British flag of those who were violently and illegally torn from that sacred asylum.
The *Observer* adds, there is no reason why they should not be restored to the quarter-deck of a British Admiral at New York or Washington itself, in the face of some ten or twelve men-of-war, whose presence in the Potomac would render the blustering Cabinet at Washington as helpless as the Trent was before the guns and culasses of the San Jacinto. It is no fault of ours if it should come even to this.

Arrangements for increasing the force in Canada are not yet complete, but in a very few hours everything will be settled. In the meantime, the large ship, the *Melbourne*, has been taken up and is now being loaded with Armstrong guns, some eight thousand Enfield rifles, ammunition and other stores at Woolwich. It is not impossible that this vessel will be escorted by one or two ships-of-war. The rifles are intended for the Canadian militia, and strong reinforcements of field artillery will be despatched forthwith.
The *Times* City Article of the 20th, says: "The position of the Federal States of America is almost identical in every commercial point of view with that which was occupied towards us by Russia before the Crimean war. Russia had a hostile tariff in force against her for a large portion of our general supply of breadstuffs, but there is this peculiarity in our present case that the commencement of the war would be by breaking up the blockade of the Southern ports at once, set free our industry from the anxiety of a cotton famine, and ensure prosperity to Lancashire through the winter. At the same time we shall open our trade to eight millions in the Confederate States, who desire nothing better than to be our customers."
At a Privy Council on Saturday, an order was issued prohibiting the export from the United Kingdom, or the carrying coastwise, gunpowder, saltpetre, nitrate of soda, and bromine.

The *Times* has no hope that the Federal Government will comply with the demands of England. The *Morning Star* declares that the statement of instructions having been sent to Lord Lyons to obtain the restitution of the Confederate Commissioners, or to take leave of Washington, was premature and so exaggerated as to be virtually untrue.
The *Liverpool Courier* believes that the War-rrior has been ordered to Annapolis with the ultimatum of the Government.
SECOND DESPATCH.
It was regarded when the Europa left that there was a hopeful look, and consols and cotton had slightly improved, but after digesting the tone of the American press, a reaction set in, and fears were entertained that the Washington Government would justify the act.
The English journals were very bitter and hostile, continuing to treat the affair as an intolerable insult.
Lord Lyons' instructions, on which the Cabinet are said to be unanimous, are explicit and determined.
The *Post* says an acknowledgment of the error and a surrender of the prisoners will be received with great joy, but if the Federal Government fails to do so, no man in England will blind his eyes to the alternative, that England must do her duty.

Commercial Intelligence.
Cotton was inactive and prices declined 3/4d. Sales of the week 200,000 bales. Breadstuffs were higher and flour was 6d. to 1s. higher. Provisions were quiet but steady. Consols on Friday closed at 92 1/2 @ 92 3/4.
Arrival of the Steamer City of Washington off Cape Race.
St. Johns, N. F., Dec. 15.—The news-boat of the Associated Press has arrived from Cape Race with the advices of the steamer City of Washington from Liverpool via Queenstown on the 15th, interrupted off that point.
The ship Lady Franklin, from London for New York, put into Plymouth on the 13th inst., and took fire the same night and was scuttled. Some Southern sailors among her crew are suspected of firing the ship.
The Australian has been chartered to carry troops and a battery of artillery to Canada. She is to sail on the 17th.
It was stated that the United States ship James Alger had captured a privateer off Fayal on the 17th ult., and was towing her into that port.
The *Times* continues to assert that it has been Mr. Seward's policy to force a quarrel with England, and calls for energetic military preparations in Canada.
There has been a serious decline daily taking place in Canadian securities, amounting to 12 per cent.
The *Times* predicts three things to immediately follow the outbreak, namely: the destruction of the Southern blockade, the complete blockade of the Northern ports and the recognition of the Southern Confederacy by France and England.
The *Daily News* rejoices that Congress meet before the English demands can get out to America, and hopes that it will act with honor and

signify, and that the golden opportunity will not be lost.
A large number of naval vessels have been ordered to be ready for immediate commission.
The Interest.
QUEENSTOWN, Dec. 5.—The excitement in reference to the Slidell and Mason affair continues unabated.
The *Paris Temps* repeats the statements that Napoleon has tendered his services as a mediator.
It is rumored that the steamer *Peria* has been chartered to carry troops to Canada. This, however, is pronounced premature.
The Australian was advertised to sail for New York on the 7th, but the America has been substituted.
At the banquet given at Rochdale, Mr. Bright made an elaborate speech on American affairs.—He declined to give a decided opinion in the Trent affair. He said he believed that if the act be illegal, America will make a fitting reparation. He strongly condemned warlike feelings in reference to the matter, and scouted the idea that the American Cabinet had resolved to pick a quarrel with England. He made an eloquent peroration in favor of the North.
A letter was read from Mr. Cobden, of the Pacific Line, urging a suspension of judgment.
A letter from Gen. Scott, of the United States, friendly relations between England and America, attracts much attention.

The exportation of arms, ammunition and lead are prohibited from the United States.
The *Paris Patrie* has an editorial foreshadowing the disposition of France to recognize the Southern Confederacy if England sets the example.
The transport *Melbourne* was to leave Woolwich on the 16th for New York, with 70,000 rounds of arms and large quantities of ammunition, and six Armstrong guns. She will be conveyed by the *Orpheus*, of 21 guns.
The frigate *Warrior* will be ready for foreign service immediately. Her destination will depend on the answer from Washington.
The shipment of rifles from England for New York continues.
The funds fell 1/4 per cent. on the 3d.
The *Review* says that the French papers have been instructed to write in an anti-American tone.
The *Patrie* argues pretty clearly that France will side with England and recognize the Southern Confederacy. Other French papers express the international question.

The *Liverpool Post* gives a rumor that Napoleon has been proposed as an arbitrator of the question between the United States and Great Britain.
The Americans in Paris paid a complimentary visit to General Scott, Mr. Drayton acting as Chairman.
The *Journal des Debats* approved and reviewed the *Morning Star* article, and the *United States Government* is in no hurry to recognize the Southern Confederacy. Other French papers express the same opinion.
Commercial Intelligence.
Liverpool, December 5.—The 8d flour advanced 6d. to 6s. 6d. Sales to-day were steady at the advance.
Provisions closed quiet.
Consols for money 92 1/2 @ 92 3/4 divided.
The Very Latest.
London, December 5.—The tone of the French press is changing. The *Morning Star* considers that a peaceful solution of the question is not impossible. It says that the public opinion in the United States is very powerful, but also very fickle; and says that it will be best to await a solution of the question.

IMPORTANT FROM THE BRITISH WEST INDIES.
We have advices from Bermuda dated to the 23d of December.
The *Review* of the latest dates announces her Britannic Majesty's screw steamer *Niobe*, Capt. E. K. Barnard, leaving the flag of Admiral Sir Alexander Milne, K. C. B., reached her usual anchorage, Gosier Bay, at noon on Saturday last, in three days' time from Halifax. The vessel is pleased to learn that the gallant Admiral, Lady Milne and family are in the enjoyment of good health.
A correspondent in Hamilton, Bermuda, writes that the *Review* is in error in stating that Captain Emery, from Savannah, with a cargo of turpentine, arrived at Halifax on the 15th inst. She loaded at Halifax about two months before, with salt, fish, pork, &c., and landed her cargo safely at Savannah. For the pork she got fifty dollars per barrel. The captain reports that there was a great scarcity of provisions at Savannah, amounting almost to a famine. The Emery is owned in Halifax. In a former speculation of the same kind the owner of the Emery lost \$50,000.

FROM THE PACIFIC COAST.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—During the past four days the heaviest rain storm that has been experienced for many years has prevailed in California, causing severe freshets in the rivers and great destruction of property.
The American river rose to a great height, breaking through the levee and flooding the city of Sacramento from end to end. The water is four feet deep in the streets this morning, and the people are driven to the second story of their houses. Business is entirely suspended.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—The steamer *Golden Age* has sailed for Panama, carrying four hundred soldiers, two hundred passengers and \$360,000 in treasure. Among her passengers is Gen. Shields, who accepts of the brigadier-generalship tendered him.
The freshest from the recent heavy rains extends throughout the valley portions of the State. The damage done is immense. The farmers have suffered great loss by the drowning of the stock; while bridges, fences and other property have been swept away by the flood.
A part of Marysville and Stockton, as well as Sacramento, are entirely under water.
A number of lives have been lost, but how many is not yet ascertained.
Several brick buildings at Marysville were undermined by the flood and fell a heap of ruins.
The loss of property at Sacramento is estimated at over a half a million of dollars, and falls upon all the people of the city.
Communication with many districts cut off and business suspended.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11—P. M.—The weather for the past two days has been more pleasant and is apparently becoming settled. The waters are gradually receding.
The funeral ceremonies in honor of the late Colonel Baker are engrossing the attention of the people to-day.
The volunteer force, the State militia, the civic organizations and the people generally, are joining in the funeral procession, which is one of the largest ever witnessed in this city.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.—About twenty thousand dollars have been subscribed here for the relief of the sufferers at Sacramento by the flood. The water has been from two to twelve feet deep in the city, and has done more damage than the city is still overflowing. The water, however, is slowly receding.

A DISBANDED VOLUNTEER.
Our correspondent seems to have sanguine hopes that a grand passage of arms will soon take place in Virginia, but we fear his anticipations will not be realized. The cry of "wolf" has been heard so often that it creates no sensation here. We do not entirely agree with the "Disbanded" in relation to the vexed question, "What is to be done with the negroes?" but have no objections to his ventilating his scruples against arming them through the columns of the *Mercury*.
Washington, December 13, 1861.
Editor of the Sunday Mercury.
Altho General Maclellan keeps his mouth shut he is undoubtedly watching for an opening that will give him a chance to show his teeth up. After having been grinding for some time the bones at Manassas Hill, in consequence of unskilful tactics on the part of the rebels, and unskilful tactics on the part of the Federal Government, and ever since he has been ordered to keep his lips sealed. When the hot-blooded fire-eaters try to pump him, he blows cold water on the attempt by coolly humming an air with the greatest sang froid. But I maintain that the rebels are not so easily humiliated as you suppose. They are not so easily humiliated as you suppose. They are not so easily humiliated as you suppose.

ABE AND LADY is both in salubrious health and feel confident that the North and South will shortly lay down together as the lion and the lamb did in Parodice, afore the lamb was awar that the lion hankered arter mutton. The venubal Head of the Nashin has been a good deal interested in the Biblical kwotations lately published in the newspapers. He was natrally indignant to find em bogus, and that he had saichred theskripturs in vain. But it warent altogether in vain nuber, for he informd me he had derived grate consolashin from the Book of Sams, and speshilly from Same Forty, verse seven. On turnin to the passage found these sole-refreshin wurd: "Manasseh is unine." With I hope it will prove so. I subjected himsever that et we komment on Goring texts at the Sutherens they mought giv us good as we sent of not more so.—Frinstance sea I, run your eyes over Isayer, and in wan of the chaps, you'll diskliver the followin sentence, "If you'll say to the North give up." He peered to rayther took aback by the language of the profit; so I told him by way of a fyer that accordin to Doctor Chiver, it was the North should git up to the aberishishists.
The young grandsons of the late Loose Phillip seems to enjoy therselves here, drinkin thar bumpers of shampain and shatter margo, and actin as aid a scamp to the giral-in-chiefe. No doubt they'll do their duty when it cum to hard work, and realize the hope of thar gallant uncle, the Dook of a Maul. The Prince of Sam Sam, late of Prooshia is also figgering around considerable, and thars several Hungry counts as wants to be counted in when the time comes for pickin inter the secebers humstuds. Sum on em I suspect warn't of much a count w'ar they furnish ware to the surfis. I met a German in a major's uniform in Willard's *Sally Manger* yesterday, as I seen standin opposit Saint Paul's church in New York not more'n two months ago, with a basket full of young piddle dogs for sale.
As was andkryppated, John Bull was tuck with a vertigo it seems w'ere he heard of Stedell and Mazing's capter, but I reckon arter thosen his horse a spell, he'll droo them in. No-doddy here is skared a mite about the maggot he's got inter his head. Let him take keer we don't hawl him over the coal for alden and comforter the vile incendiary, P. Gram and his fellar prits.
Trustin that a collushin with the enemes will cum off afore the contractors her sacked all the Government's redly rino, I remane with grate respect to the *Sunday Mercury*, the President, and the Naryshinal Engul.
Yours allus,
A DISBANDED VOLUNTEER.

HORRIBLE TRAGEDY.
The New York Sunday *Herold* says:
Another of those frightful tragedies which chill the blood in one's veins has occurred in this city. About ten o'clock yesterday morning Bernhard Levy, aged twenty-five, and who did business as a watchmaker under the Citizens' Bank, corner of Canal street and the Bowery, was found behind his own counter, with his throat cut from ear to ear, and his inanimate body waltering in a large pool of blood. A young man next door heard a heavy fall about the time specified, and, rushing into the exchange office of L. B. Levy & Son, found deceased as above described, and in the last struggle of death. He immediately rushed out and sent a messenger in all haste to Captain Dowling, of the Sixth precinct, who was promptly on the spot, with a detachment of police. A crowd of people surrounded the door; no one was allowed to enter except the reporters and the police. From the appearance which the wound presented, it might have been inflicted by deceased's own hands or by the hands of a murderer. As the matter stands at present, it is impossible to say which, but strong suspicion, it is stated, is directed against a certain man whose name it is not proper to publish at present, and with whom deceased was on terms of intimacy. She has been known to threaten his life several times.
The following facts were communicated to our reporter by a member of deceased's family:—Deceased and his brother, David Levy, left their residence in Third avenue about nine o'clock A. M., having with them two bags, containing eight hundred dollars. Having deposited the money in the office, David Levy left to transact some business at the Commissary's office in White street, and other places, deceased having previously gone out and returned with the *Herold*, evidently with the intention of sitting down to read the news. In the meantime three men, two of whom were butchers, entered the office to transact some business, and left soon after. These men are known to the brother of deceased, who says they are respectable. The brother, after an absence of about three-quarters of an hour, returned and found deceased lying dead, with his throat cut. An ordinary sized pocket knife, apparently new, was found closed on the side of the counter, and at little distance lay the *Herold*, looking as if it had not been opened. The young man who heard the deceased fall, states that although he could usually hear conversation through the partition between the exchange office and his own place of business, on this occasion everything was unusually quiet, and he heard no noise whatever but the fall. Two bags, containing gold, lay on one of the shelves, and on a kind of stand, that could be easily reached from the outside of the counter, lay a large bundle of bank notes. This shows that if deceased has been murdered it must have been for revenge and not for gain.
The verdict of the Coroner's Jury was Death from a wound in the throat, but few received are unable to determine.

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