

From the Athenaeum.

M. Dumas on himself. PARIS, November, 1865.—Dear old Dumas! His tongue can chatter on every subject. While he is elaborating a romance in the Court of Louis the Thirteenth he finds time to chat on every other subject, grave or gay, and in some way to connect himself with it.

M. Dumas is publishing an historical romance, called "Le Comte de Meret," in the new half-yearly journal, Les Nouvelles. He has been accused by Le Figaro of having sent out a lithographed circular to the twelve hundred editors of France on his new work, in order to save the proprietors of Les Nouvelles the expense of paid pupils (recrues payantes).

And now for a superb bit from the great Alexander.—"The man who I turn to the sea, and the lady patronesses only realized 80,000 francs by them. They contented themselves with this sum. For myself, I swear to you that I considered my autographs had sold very well. I once proclaimed to the readers of the Petit Journal that the Athenaeum may remember this circumstance, which I touched upon at the time."

Our lively Alexander has other instances: how he provided Mome, the Hertz sailor, who had saved many lives, with 500 francs, by writing a thousand autographs and fixing their price at twenty-five centimes. They were sold, he tells us, within twenty-four hours.

A Curious Trial in France. THE CURIOUS OF OFFICIAL PAPERS. The Paris correspondent of the London Standard says:—"A most curious trial has just taken place in consequence of the death of an old lady."

Italian Newspapers and Literary Men. The Florence correspondent of the Chicago Journal writes as follows of the newspapers and literary men of Italy:—"I suppose you have little notion how many newspapers we publish, and how weakly they are."

Cholera Leaving Havre.—Our Consul at Havre, writing to the State Department under date of December 18, 1865, says that since the date of his last dispatch in reference to the cholera at that port, there had occurred eight cases of cholera and four deaths, among the very poor and destitute classes.

Ignorance in France. A map entitled "Carte de l'Instruction Publique," purporting to show the state of primary education in France, by M. J. Manier, on the plan of that which Baron Charles Dupin published thirty years ago, has just been issued in Paris.

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