

OUR PARIS LETTER.

Has Napoleon Been Duped by Count Bismark?—Dissemination of the Prussian Prime Minister—The Cordial Feeling Between Italy and Austria—A Political Calm—Reports About Mexico, Etc. Etc. Etc.

It is the general belief that such is the fact. Notwithstanding the promises said to have been made at Biarritz, France will, after all, remain as it was before the war; and as a reward for quietly looking on and allowing Prussia to pilfer right and left, Napoleon III will get nothing. Thus the Emperor has been duped and deceived by one who has taken a few leaves out of the Imperial cookery-book, and the farce of "the Miter bit" has been played over again to the cost of the Sphinx of the Tuilleries.

The enemies of the present dynasty are now triumphant, and rub their hands with delight at seeing the Emperor caught in his own trap, as they say nothing would please the Legationists, the Orleansists, and the extreme Left better, than to see him take up arms to force the Cabinet of Berlin to give him up the Rhenish frontier. Even the Prussian press, which can have no reason to complain of the attitude of the Emperor during the late war, every day launches out in a most violent manner against France and her institutions. Every insult is heaped upon the Emperor. Several of the extreme German papers talk very seriously of taking back Lorraine and Alsace, which they say are German property.

However, some allowance must be made for a people intoxicated with such great military successes. The troubles of Bismark are like those of a young bear, they are yet to come; though he has had all his own way on the battle-field, he will not find it such plain sailing at home. Herr Jacoby, who is the leader of the opposition in the Kammer, has already given us the preface of what the Premier has to expect to hear from those who are not lost in admiration at his picking and stealing qualities. Bismark has now two enemies to face—the Liberal and the Federal party. He will be a clever man if he succeeds in steering his vessel so as to keep clear of both.

The King of Prussia and the Kammer. King William has had a quiet talk with the deputies of the Kammer. He has told them that his conduct hitherto has been unconstitutional and irregular, but that circumstances obliged him to act as he did, and that he should not act again in such a manner until next time. The deputies, like good boys, listened without giving any sign of displeasure. This, therefore, leads us to believe that there will be no conflict for the present between King William and his most obedient servants. They, like Napoleon III, are content to bide their time.

Austria and Italy Shake Hands. Bismark need be under no apprehension as regards Russia. He may rest assured that the Czar has no intention of troubling him at present; but there is a little circumstance which is calculated to make him rather edgy, and that is that Austria and Italy seem very much inclined to make it up entirely; and the cunning Premier must, if he be not blind, see that the agents of the Tuilleries at Vienna and Florence are busily engaged in trying to establish good fellowship between the Houses of Hapsburg and Savoy. Napoleon, outwitted by Prussia, is evidently trying to win over Austria, which is now no longer German, and Italy, which has no cause to be very well satisfied with the conduct of her Prussian ally to her.

A new game is about to be played on the German chess-board, which will afford much interest to the lookers-on. The Emperor has been very active in bringing about a peace between Austria and Italy, on terms most favorable to the latter country, which enters into possession of the whole of Venetia, the Quadrilateral, and the Lago di Garda, without having to pay a war indemnity. It is even asserted that the Emperor, who is ever busy with the affairs of Europe, is trying to bring about a marriage between Prince Humbert and an Austrian Archduchess; but this is a mere rumor, and may have some difficulty in believing that a matrimonial union between the friend and enemy of the Holy See is possible. Letters from Rome state that there is great uneasiness in the Holy City, and that many fear for the personal safety of the Pope, as the 18th of December is approaching, and not the least step is being taken to prepare for the evil hour.

Political Calm in Europe. We may be said to be enjoying a political calm at present. The health of the Emperor is slowly improving, and he may be seen daily taking long walks in the neighborhood of St. Cloud. The Emperor and the Prince Imperial intend leaving for Biarritz to-day. They will be joined by the Emperor as soon as he is in a fit state to bear the journey thither. The weather, which has been damp and dismal for the last fortnight, is not calculated to make a seaside residence at present very pleasant.

About Mexico. A great many reports are now current respecting the Mexican Empire and the mission of the Empress Charlotte. Some affirm that her Majesty was fortunate enough in persuading Napoleon to consent to a prolongation of the French occupation in Mexico; and others positively affirm that the Mexican game is up, that the Empress went to Miramar direct (without going to see her brother at Brussels), in order to get everything ready for her husband, who will return shortly to enjoy ease and quiet on the shores of the beautiful Adriatic.

If there is dulness in political matters, theatricals, literature, and chit-chat are at a standstill. One of the great dramatic writers has gone to his last home—Roger de Beauvoir, who for so many years amused the public of Paris and France with his novels and dramatic productions, died last week. There are few persons in France who have not heard of Le Chevalier de St. Georges, D'Escotier de Chury, and D'Hotel Primodan. Roger de Beauvoir was, besides a popular writer, a grand seigneur, and lived in great style. Had he not been afflicted with the gout from time to time, he might have been called the happiest man alive, as he had a handsome fortune, and could indulge his taste for the fine arts and articles of vertu. He has left behind him a collection of pictures, statues, antiquities, and other objects

of great value, which will this winter be exhibited and sold by auction at the Hotel des Ventes, in the Rue Dronet. The deceased drama-turge was a great amateur of champagne, and accounts state that he had in his life-time drunk far more than 80,000 francs worth of this sparkling wine. He had long been separated from his wife, who was the celebrated actress Mad'le Daze.

The Prince Imperial and his First Communion. A report has been for some time current that the journey of the Empress to Biarritz this year would be retarded, as H. I. A. the Prince Imperial was to make his first communion at Notre Dame in the beginning of September, but La Presse, a semi-official paper, informs us that this ceremony will not take place until New Year's; it will, it is stated, be accompanied with great rejoicings throughout the land. The Government intends giving the people of France an opportunity of travelling at an almost nominal rate on all the railways of the empire of France.

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