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 (gundars hxorptrd),AT THE EVENING TELEGRAPH BULDING NO. 108 8. THIRD STREET saturdax, DECEMBER 4, 1869 . Es Although we issue a four-pago supple
ment to-day, to satidyy the demands of ou adecrisers, our coiumus are stat under
great presuure; but on our outside pagon and
in tha supplement our readers will find a va. siety of ontertaining realing matter. Wr publish to-dey a lengthy and exhanstive
article explanatory of the origin, chatacter, Nr plicle explanatory of the origin, chatacter,
and probablo action of the CEnmenical Con and probablo action of the Cenmenical Coun-
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## struggle and the nid of French bayonets, seentito to have resolved to "ppluck the flower safety from the netule danger," and to have chosen the moment when hia

 nents were most hopeful and aggressive for the boldest strike for a consolidation and ox-tension of Pontifical dominion that has ever boen made. Claiming that he represents on
earth "the anthority of God, the Father Almighty, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and
of the Holy Apostes, Peter and Panl," ho nsks not merely that nll avowed Catholics
shall unite in devising measures to extendlhis swail unite in devising menarures to extend hyis that the dissevered branchos consway, but that the dissevered branchos con
nected with the Greek and Oriental Churoh shall also return to the bosom of their moth
Churoh, and that all Protestants shall render at discretion withont even shaving sis opportunity to explain or defend what
torms their counterpartto thing grand shohome, a a long sering
of oxtremist doctrines have been prepared, which the eouncil is suked to npprove so that to believe and appland them.
Rome, in her palmiest days, never devised
a more magnificent programme a more magnificent programme. If tho-
roughly successful, the rule of the
Eternal City over civilized mankind in spiritual, as vell as, to a large extent, temporal affairs,
would bo moro firmly estolishod the would be moro frrmly established than in any
former period of the world's history. It is Yormor period of the world's history. It is
therefore not surprising that these extraordinary protensions have already encoun-
tered much passive as well as active resistanco. The Grook Ohurch fails to respond to the
preposals for reunion; the Oriental Churches prcposals for reunion; the Oriental Churohes
will be but partially and poorly represented
in the council; the bulk of the Protestants feel more inclined to widen than to cotestants the breach mado centuries ago; and the representa-
tives of the more liberal branches of the Cives of the more liberal branches of th
Catholio Church are preparing to make Catholio
vigorous
the speciain Syllabue Tho deopest interest which Amerienes this colt in this convocation is that conneoted with in the syllabus. The council iss of erro formally condem. The council is asked constitute fundamental elements of our politi cal system, and it is scareely too mnoh to say
that our republican institutions are to be placed on trial. The Pope alloges that it is an orror to assert that "the Church ought Irom the Church;" that it is an error to assert
that "it is no longer expedient that the
Catholic religion shall be held as the religion of the State, to the exclusion of al

 that it is an error to "hope for the eternal
salvation of those who are in no manner in
the true Church of Christ," or to regard Pro-
testantism as "another form of the some


the Hall of the Corps Legegislatif for the pro
tection of the merar tection of the members the menning of
which was that he feared attempts at intion dation on the part of the Imprrial authorities. was just whant Reohefort wantod, avad
it excited the cheers of some of the opposition members, which was of musio to hopo-
ears. He certainly did not have the stight oxpectation that his demands wonld be oom-
plied with, and the whole performance was
but but a spocimen of the claptrap that makes
French liberalisu disreputable in the eyes of all thinking men. Bad as the Imperial Gov-
crnment may be, tho French peoplo very
righty prefer it to the rule of such men as
Rochefort, and it is they who
 becanse they demonstrate overy day how wuch
it is to beprefrred to whai they have to offer
in exchango for it. in exchango for it.
"JTvsree" writes to the ISSOE Morning Post com-
plaining that we were profoundy stapid in
our comments yesterday upon the Caban our comments yesterday upon the Caban
question, and that our assertion concerning
the course of France in the Revolutionary War was "either an error or a delibearate
falsehood." It was practically neither tho "Justice." other, wor we are happy to inform
Ferituries proceding this there was practiculy an uninterng warfare waged between France and England,
the so-called periods best more temporary truces. Such was the
character of the relations between the two
countries subsequent to the Peace of Paris, were bronght to a close by it, and did not
again commence until after Hrance hadentered
nto into a treaty of alliance with the revolting
colonies. The first material assistance es.
tended to the tended to the colonies, however, was the ex-
pedition commanded by Count Rochambear which did not arrive in this country until
1780 , two years after the treaty of alliance and the reopening of hostilities with Great
Britain which immediatelyollowed; although previons to Rochambean's arrival, a French
fleet, under Aduiral d'Estaing, had been of action with our own leaders. But from the
one colonies and the mother country, the sympathies of the French Governmont and pyppa-
were actively enlisted on the side peple were actively enlisted on the side of the
colonies, and the final outbreak of the Ro lution was owing in greater measure to the intrigues of the Dua de Choisenl, a leading
French statesman, than to any
other extraneous carse. To nll intents other extraneous cause. To nil intents
and purposes, as far ras Franco was concerned,
the American Revolution was an insurrection instigated by the French ministry against a
couniy with which they had beon for years
merely seoking a pretext for a quarrol, and
an opportuity to strike a blow in the buth an opportuaity th strike at of course, detaracts
This view of the eubject, of
much from the generosity and kindliness of the course of France, but it is, nevertheless,
the only view which is warranted by the
facts, as we find them recorded in history.



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