NOTES OF THE WAR.

THE WOUNDED SOLDIERS. The Brussels correspondent of the London Observer safs: — "The strange events of this week have turned Brussels into a vast hotel, and to-morrow the town will be a vast hospital. We have aircady here from 10,000 to 15,000 Germans, expelled from Paris. We have now also thousands of French refugees, whom the proclamation of the re-public and the imminence of the siege of Paris have public and the imminence of the siege of Paris have brought hither. We meet at every moment high dignitaries of the Court of the Tuiteries, chamberlains, stewards, ladies of honor, and wives of high functionaries of the empire. To-day began the arrival of the wounded, who, in accordance with a convention concluded between Prussia, France, and Belgium, have been sent from Sedan. In this city the communal government have ordered, and private persons have prepared, 10,000 beds; and throughout the country 10,000 of the wounded have shared a generous hospitality." rous hospitality."

MEDIATION. The Standard asks Englishmen whether they really believe it to be our national duty to look on really believe it to be our national duty to look on calmly while France and Germany are tearing each other's throats. Is this the result of our Liberalism? Is this how we interpret that gospel of peace which we have accepted? Is this our blessed principle of non-intervention, our glorious economy, our high Liberal humanity? Must we let the war then be fought out to the bitter end, leaving the strongest in arms to win, and to take by force whatever he desires? If not now when is the time for er he desires? If not now, when is the time for interference?

THE AUTHORITATIVE OPINION OF EUROPE. THE AUTHORITATIVE OPINION OF EUROPE.

The Manchester Guardian says:—"If the French Government really desire the exercise of the authoritative opinion of Europe on their behalf, it must be clear that these incentives to popular passion ave little calculated to promote the accomplishment of their wishes. They must have, indeed, a directly contrary effect; for exactly in proportion as their primary object of provoking agitation is attained they will render the common action of diplomacy impossible, by compelling every established Government to make its concern its own safety.

PROPOSITIONS.

PROPOSITIONS. Among the many proposals to arrest the march of the Prussians on Paris, the most remarkable is one signed "A French woman." The French woman begs 20,000 of her sisters in Germany to come at once to Paris, when, with 20,000 French women, they will throw themselves between the contending they will throw themselves between the contending armies. "This," says the French woman, with some historical inaccuracy, "prevented the Greeks and Romans from killing each other." Another gentleman requests some patriot of wealth to hand him over 100,000 francs, in order to enable him to make a machine capable of destroying the whole Prussian THE EMPEROR AND THE PRUSSIAN ARMY.

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The London Times remarks that nearly thirty years ago the Emperor Napoleon published a comparison of the military resources of France and Prussia, which speaks highly for his discernment, but which since his downfall has been made the basis of a remarkable conclusion. He admits that the Prussian seldier may not be a more perfect speci-men of the fighting man than the French soldier; but that, he adds, is not the question.

The question is, which system of organization will best produce its thousands of trained men on the

best produce its thousands of trained men on the sudden occurrence of an emergency, and the answer, of course, is favorable to Prussia. At present, says he, France, with all her expenditure upon her army, "would not be able to bring 200,000 men into line upon the frontiers, while upon the line of the Rhine alone 500,000 men could be collected against her in less than a fortnight." It would hardly be possible to delineate more succinctly the opening circumstances of this very war.

HYENAS OF THE BATTLE-FIELD. Captain Furstenberg, of the 10th Hussars, had been wounded in the battle of Gravelotte, and passed the night of the 18th to the 19th on the battle-field. Recovering consciousness, after a fainting fit, at dawn he observed some figures busying them-selves about. One of them approaching him, he noticed quite plainly the sign of the Knights of St.

noticed quite plainly the sign of the Knights of St. John on his armlet. He was just about calling out to the man for aid, when his voice failed him at the view presented to his eye. The man with the St. John's cross called the other figures to a group of wounded and dead.

"Quite close to me (the deponent states) I plainly recognized a man in the garb of a field priest, and two Knights of the Order of St. John. When those men had arrived at the group they commenced cutting open the uniform of each at the breast with knives and selssors; whoever moved was choked at knives and scissors; whoever moved was choked at once by their hands; if nothing was found about their breasts they examined pockets and hands, each ring on the hands being cut off with the finger. The priest pocketed the valuables. These hyenas then approached the place where I lay; with difficulty I attempted to rise and call out for help, when one of them noticed me and bounded towards me. I called forward to stand gaard. Fortunately, I felt my six-shooter at my side; I fired, and the field priest fell down wounded; the others escaped, but were overtaken by the field-watch, which happened to approach at that moment."

THE TERMS OF PEACE. The Telegraph argues that so long as France wou'd not understand what had happened, it was as useless to speak of terms to her as to reason with a person in delirium. Germany could not possibly accept the monstrous argument that the Republic was to succeed the Empire without settling the Empire's debts. It is not because Paris is beautiful, nor because Strasburg talks French, nor yet because to part with French soil would be fatal to the Republic, that Germany can be summoned to stop her armies and to forego the securities demanded by her mourning citizens. But the moment the question is transferred from the wild region of sentimental ravings to that of fact and sense, as seems to be the case now in Paris, a fresh and powerful body of considera-tions appears, and those considerations all tend towands an honorable peace.

A HOUSE DIVIDED AGAINST ITSELF. The Pall Mail Gazette says: - "France, at the present moment, offers to the world an example of the fate of a 'house divided against itself.' So deep are the animosities, so bitter are the hatreds of the Frenchmen against each other, that even when the enemy is almost at the walls of Paris, the first act of the new Government has been the dismissal of the police and other employes of their predecessors, as though this were a time still further to embarrass the domestic administration of their unhappy country. The French seem to hate and dread themselves more than they hate and dread the Prussians. If the German army were withdrawn to-morrow, and France were left to herself, can we doubt that the first act of the French would be to begin attacking

# EXCITING NIGHT SCENE.

Escape of a Desperado from Jail-A Promis-cuous Shooting Match. Last Thursday night quite an excitement was created in the town of Jackson, Miss., by Polk Robinson, a notorious horse thief, breaking jail. The guard at the jail, two in number, armed with shot guns, opened the door for the purpose of allowing the prisoner to empty a pail of water. As soon as he got outside the door he dropped the pail and

ran.

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The guard followed and fired four shots at him, but failed to hit. A gentleman, formerly a major in the Confederate army, happened to be passing at the time and was armed with a large navy revolver. He joined in the pursuit, firing a shot at Robinson. He cried out, "They are after us."

The Major, thinking that it was one of the guard, followed by a mob, turned and saw the guard and jailer coming towards him, but mistaking them for a mob, he fired four shots, which they returned with a will. In a few moments the mistakes were found a will. In a few moments the mistakes were found out, and as a large and excited crowd had collected, they divided up into squads and made a vigorous but fruitless search for the prisoner. No blame is attached to the jailers or guard, as they did all in their power to recapture the escaped prisoner.

At last accounts the sheriff and fifteen men were to start to Jacinto after Robinson. Although many whole were fired yet strange to say no one was shots were fired, yet, strange to say, no one was

# MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

"Central Park" at the Arch. The so-called "local comedy" of Lester Wallack, entitled Central Park; or, The House with Two Doors, which was produced at the Arch last evening, is a lively, rattling, and farcical piece which is abundantly entertaining, but which is too slight in texture for the proportions which it assumes as a fiveact comedy. It would be next to impossible to give an understandable sketch of the plot, and it is a sufficient description of the play to say that the main events turn upon the fortunes and misfortunes of four individuals, two of whom are married and two who wish to be, who are set at cross purposes and entangled in misunderstandings, in which are involved all the other personages in the piece, and when in the fifth act everybody is on the verge of manity because of the complication of mistakes which nobody understands, all the mystery is cleared up in a moment by a simple and natural explanaand a merry group of men and women on the stage. If there is one thing more evident than another about the play, it is that the plot was never invented by Mr. Wallack; and there is certainly nothing characteristic of New York about either the characters or the incidents. The plot is apparently that

of a Spanish comedy of intrigue, and we have a

Woman Keeps a Secret, which is an adaptation of Calderon's Before All My Lady, Colley Cibber's She Would and She Would Not, and the very elegant piece adapted from the Disdain Met with Disdain of Moreto, which Mrs. Bowers performs under the title of Love's Masquerade, are examples of the style of play we refer to. Beside the internal evidences of the play itself, our suspicion that the plot is taken from the Spanish is increased by the fact that there is a comedy by Calderon entitled The House With Two Doors, and Mr. Wallack may very well have obtained his plot from the same source that he did his title. So far from finding fault with Mr. Wallack, or any other gentleman of taste for what appears to be an act of ilterary highwaymanship, we sincerely wish, as it seems to be impossible for us to get good new plays except by means of adaptations, that others would follow his example. There are hundreds of standard Spanish comedies that are far better worth transplanting to the English and American stage than the majority of the French pieces that are adapted by idealess English dramatists year after year. They have no strongly individualized characters like the best works of the standard English dramatists, but they invariably have ingenious and entertaining plots, and are almost invariably decent in idea, language, and situation, and the success of the plays above named is an assurance that they would be appreciated by the public.

Whether the particular piece upon which Mr. Wallack has labored has been improved or not by his attempts to adapt it to the locality of New York, we do not pretend to say. It is at least something out of the common routine, and however much he may indebted to some other writer, Mr. Wallack has evidently thrown in considerable of the spice of his own wit, and Central Park, if it lacks dignity, more than compensates for the deficiency by its laughter inspiring qualities. Nove of the characters call for any very extraordinary display of ability, and it s sufficient to say that they are all creditably sustained. The cast is as follows:-"Mrs. Kerr Flamberry," Mrs. Drew; "Wyndham Otis, Esq.," Mr. Barton Hill; "Mr. Kerr Flamberry," Mr. Mackay; "Mr. Myrtle," Mr. Wallis; "Harry Dunsford," Mr. McManus; "Robert Crutch," Mr. Heinple; "Flora Myrtle," Miss Price; "Bridget Tooligan," Mrs. Maeder, and "Mittens," Miss May Clare. The piece is handsomely placed upon the stage, with new and elegant scenery by Messrs. Hawthorne and Fetters.

The City Amusements.

AT THE WALNUT Miss Lucille Western will per-sonate "Lady Isabel" and "Madame Vine" in East Lynne this evening.

At the Arch Lester Wallack's comedy of Central Park; or, The House with Two Doors will be repeated this evening.

At the Eleventh Street Opera House a musical

entertainment, which will combine a variety of attractive features, will be given this evening.

At the Arch Street Opera House an interesting programme of Ethiopian comicalities will be presented this evening.

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The fortunes of the Chesnut Street Theatre seem to be still in a state of uncertainty. It is now asserted that the announcement that Mr. William E. Sinn had obtained it for the purpose of opening a variety theatre is without authority, as the owner of the establishment never had any intention of leasing it for any such purpose. The latest report is that Mr. E. L. Davenport will assume the management with a well-selected company. It is scarcely necessary to say that we hope sincerely this rumor necessary to say that we hope sincerely this rumor is true, and with an actor of Mr. Davenport's fine talents and refined taste at the helm, that the Chesnut will be able to retrieve its evil fortunes.

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EWART On the 24th instant, EMILY N., wife of George Ewart and daughter of Thomas A. Hillier. The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, No. 2026 Vine street, on Tuesday afternoon, 27th instant, at 3 o'clock.

GRIER.—On the evening of the 25th instant, the Hon. ROBERT C. GRIER, late Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Funeral services will be held at his residence, No. 1428 Spruce street, on Wednesday, the 28th instant, at 11 o'clock A. M.

NOLEN.—On the 24th instant, ANNIR THOCKMOR-TON NOLEN, daughter of Thaddens Norris, in the 26th year of ber age. Funeral will take place from the residence, No. 208 West Legan Square, on Wednesday afternoon, at 3

PARENE,—On the 25th instant, RACHEL, youngest daugtter of William and Margaret Jane Parker, aged 1 year and 7 months.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her parents, No. 2236 Memphis street, above York, on Wednesday afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

Wilson-On the 25th instant, JENNIE B., daughter of Captain Thomes and the late Ellen Wilson, aged 19 years and 9 months.

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