CHINA AND JAPAN.

Arrival of Mails by the Steamer Great Re-

The steamer Great Republic brought dates from Hong Kong to Sept. 12, and from Yoko-hama to Sept. 23. The intelligence was sum-marized in cable despatches from San Francisco some days ago. Letters and papers embodying it having now reached that city, we supplement it with details.

China-Perils of Foreigners. The news from China is not reassuring, so far as the foreign question is concerned. The Chief of the Foreign Office, Tseng Kuo Fan, is reported to have strongly recommended the refusal of Count Rochechonart's demand for the execution of the Mandarins concerned in the outbreak. At Chinkiang and Ningpo the populace had been showing increasing signs of hos-tility. At the latter place a placard had been posted, the account bearing a significantly strong likeness to that which preluded the outbreak at Tien-tsin. From Pekin everything was reported quiet, and likely to continue so through the winter. The report was again current that Chung How late Governor of Tien-tsin, gots to Paris, with a Chinaman who returned with Mr. Brown last year, and with Mr. Meadows and two young Frenchmen. A secret edict is out, laughing at the idea of giving up a Mandarin to foreigners. Count Rochechouart's proceedings are severely criticised by foreigners, and Chinese officials are becoming very insolent to him. It is stated that Mr. Wade is going home, and that the American Minister and his family are spend their winter in the South. Count Rochechouart's next ultimatum will expire on the 7th of September. He and Mr. Wade arefto leave on the 9th of the month, with Chung How, for Tien-tsin, to endeavor to settle matters The Christian missionaries were generally leaving their stations, and assembling for refuge and safety at Pekin and other central points. The feeling of uneasiness is general. Tien-tsin advices to September 7 set forth that that place remained quiet under the guns of the different men-of-war in port. Tens of thousands of soldiers, the Chinese say, had been collected here, waiting their supplies of food from the south waiting their supplies of food from the south, in order to carry them through the coming con-test with foreigners More vigorous measures were apparently being adopted for the apprehersion of the culprits in the recent massacre. Hence there was more quiet, and a feeling of greater confidence and security. The Mohammedan rebels of the northwest were reported to be on their way to Pekin in force, and already to have arrived near the borders of this province. This, it was affirmed, accounted for re-cent seizures, rather than any desire to do jus-tice to the hated foreigner. A VICEROY'S ASSASSINATION.

cumstances at Shantung, and, according to common usage, resolved to take advantage of his kinship with a person of the wealth which Ma was known or supposed to possess. Accordingly, he repaired to Fanking and claimed large pecuniary ald or a remunerative office. The latter alternative was, we are told, declined, but the Viceroy gave a considerable sum, which, however, did not by any means satisfy the applicant. He pressed for more money, wrote, obtained audiences, and, in a word, persecuted Ma beyond endurance. At last at a personal interview he was peremptorily told that if he was not satisfied by had better leave the city for no not satisfied he had better leave the city, for no more would be given him. Stung to fury by this intlination, he drew a dagger, and flinging himself upon the Viceroy, inflicted a wound in the groin which is said to have transfixed his bowels and penetrated the skin in front. The assassin was immediately seized and secured, but as soon as the affair was known outside a rumor was started first that certain Frenchmen had obtained access to the Viceroy and had killed him, and then that some of the Frenchacting under foreign orders had done the deed. The yamen was at once surrounded and carefully searched, but nothing to justify their suspicion was discovered. But as every attempt was made to keep Ma's dangerous state concealed, rumor soon became busy, and the most absurd stories were soon in circa-

The North China Herald gives the following account of the assassination of the Viceroy of

Pekin, Ma: —"It appears that a relation of Ma, either by blood or adoption, was in poor cir-

lation. Japan-Neutrality Preclamation. The news of the war in Europe had reached Japan, and the Government of the Mikado had issued a proclamation of neutrality, which had found its way into the newspapers without official authority.

POLITICS.

The Gazette of September 22 has the following:—"The ordinary duluess that pervades every land that has no stirring political action going on within its boundaries has quite taken possession of Japan. There has been a little change among the Mikado's Ministers; but it has ceased to be a matter of any interest to foreigners on the spot who is 'iu' and who is out." It cannot therefore be of any moment to those we write for, at a distance. All that comes under our immediate notice is of a tolerably satisfactory character, and shows that the Government is going through with its work of reconstruction in a very painstaking, thoughtful, and generous spirit. All the old retainers of the Chiogunate are now provided for, and if the incomes of the higher ranks among them are not so large as before, their grade is honorably fixed, and they are spared the infliction of supporting a number of personal retainers. The army and navy are both on a more legitimate footing than heretofore; and everything seems to point to a long period of repose, such as may give the Mikado and his Ministers time and opportunity for consolidating matters throughout the Empire."

NOTABLES LEAVING THE EMPIRE. Among the more prominent incidents of the month none is more suggestive than the fact that a party of officers of rank, from Satsuma, Tosa, Choshiu and Bizen, have been appointed to start for Europe by the outgoing Pacific Mail steamer. The intelligence first reached us that Prince Satsuma himself and some other nobles had determined on going to the seat of war to observe how Western nations settle their differences when negotiations fail. It turns out otherwise. The old territorial Princes are not themselves going, but their high officers; and these will accompany a Mia, or Prince of the Imperial House, a of about twenty years of age, who stands in the relationship of uncle to the Emperor. We are quite sure that the young Prince and his suite will be received everywhere with distinction, and that their visit to America and Europe will be of material advantage to their country. sincerely wish that Satsuma and other of the old Daimios would themselves take a foreign tour. It would do more than anything else could to sweep away all old prejudices.

SILK AND SILK-WORMS. The war in Europe has quite put a stop to business in the great staples of silk and silkworms' eggs. Tea, therefore, becomes the only staple export in which the Japanese can deal with the foreigner. Imports are con sequently much depressed; as, if the natives cannot sell they are unable to buy. The two last seasons have been so bad for the rice crop throughout the country, that the importation of rice has been prodigious—but naturally dimin-ishing the power of purchasing the ordinary staple imports. Up to the present period, how-ever, the weather has been very fine this season, and the best hopes are entertained of an abundant harvest. It is devoutly to be hoped that the weather may continue favorable; for with the stoppage of the silk trade added to a bad barvest, the effects upon the country would be very ruinous.

The occupants of a house at Kinderhook, in New York, said to have been haunted for some months past, recently found a solution of the mystery in the discovery of a human skeleton beneath the flooring of one of the rooms. Previous to the discovery night was made hideous by groans, screams, and tramping of feet through the house, but since then, singular enough to say, the noises have ceased altogether.

WRECK OF THE CONTINENTAL.

Foundering of the North Pacific Teansports. tion Steamer-Incidents of the Wreck-One Hundred and One Persons with Difficulty Sayed-Nine Probably Lost. From the Alta Californian.

The steamer Continental, Captain C. C. Dall, sailed from Mazatlan on Monday, 26th September, about 9 P. M., leaving the United States steamer Ossipee in port, bound for Magdalena Bay. On the night of the 27th the wind, which had been blowing strong from the southeast al day, increased to a gale, and by morning it be-came evident that a "cordanazo," peculiar to the gulf at this season, and one of the most dangerous of hurricanes, was raging. The wind blew from every point of the compass, and the seas were terrific, striking the ship on the bows and on the quarter almost at the same moment, From 8 P. M. to 11 P. M. she lay to off the Cape; about 4 A. M. of the 20th she sprang a leak. The steam pumps were working and kept the water down for a time. These efforts were continued with great energy until about 1 P. M., the water galning slowly but surely. After 1 o clock the water galned rapidly, and the situation became desperate, the only encouragement being that the storm had abated slightly, and the raising of the barometer gave hopes that its greatest fury was expended. About 8 80 P. M., the water then having reached the lower between decks, the captain gave orders to take to the boats, himself leading Mrs. Melia to the after starboard boat. The sea had subsided since morning, but was still Eterrific and the utter darkness of the night added greatly to the perils of embarkation. The first boat-the after starboard boat-commanded by Captain Lund, of the brig Augenette (wrecked on the 18th of the preceding month of Mazatlan), was lowered in safety. The starboard waist boat, commanded by the ship's carpenter, waist boat, commanded by the said boat, by Captain and the forward starboard boat, by Captain The port forward boat, commanded by Captain Sasa (captain of a Mexican coaster), and the port waist boat, commanded by the second officer. Mr. Bedford, broke the davits during the proeess of lowering, and were safely lowered only by a miracle. A Frenchman named F. Pedrin was crushed to death by one of these boats, and a Mexican woman, name unknown, was thrown out of the boat and drowned. The second steward received a severe wound on the head and other minor injuries. The after port boat, commanded by the first officer, Mr. Korts, was launched without accident. The night continued stormy, heavy rain squalis succeeding each other. Many suffered greatly, some hav-ing only drawers and undershirt, others a shirt and pantaloons, and many exhausted by their labors; during the night the boats were kept headed to the sea, and at daylight each com-mander made for the land according to the best of his judgment, all by a miracle reaching the shore and beaching in safety—the captain's boat, the port forward boat, Captain Sasa, and the second officer's boat at St. Lucas: the after starboard boat, Captain Lund, and the starboard waist boat, Carpenter, in front of the Fortuna Rapcho, about eighteen miles east of San Jose del Cato, and the first officer's boat at the Boca San Cristobald N. N. E. of the Cape, and, strange to say, dead to windward. All were most kindly cared for by the inhabitants. The captain's boat, shortly after daylight of the 29th, discovered a sail, which proved to be the Continental still afloat, but in a sinking condition. Six or seven men were visible on board of her, and two or three on rafts, one in a little fishing skiff belonging to the captain. the same time the port forward boat (Captain Smith) was discovered, and it being a large metallic life-boat with only sixteen persons, Captain Dall hailed her to aid in taking off those on board and on the raft; at the same time he called to those on board the Continen-tal to spring into the sea and by the aid of a spar to swim to the boat. Two were rescued from the rafts, but those on board the wreck were afraid to make the efforts; they remained, and were in all probability lost. The port for-ward boat, having a mutinous crew, refused to The captai greatly overcrowded, having twenty in all, everbauled Sasa's boat, transferred five men and by eremptory orders and threats sent them back to the aid of those on deck. It was ascertained subsequently that they returned but a short distance and then abandoned them. During the night of the 29th fires were built at the cape by those already landed, as a beacon for the other boats And early next morning two boats commanded by Captain Dall and the Chief-Engineer, Mr. Coughlin, put to sea to aid those remaining. They were scarcely clear of the Cape when the Ossipee made her appearance, and Captain Dall boarding her, she put to sea to the site of the wreck, but not a trace of the Continental could be discovered, but the poor fellows on the rafts were picked up; so that none were lost except those who remained on the ship, and the man on the Captain's skiff, the second cook, named Taylor. The wreck was visited as late as 2 P. M., on the 29th, by Mr. Bedford, second officer. The indraw still being very dangerous, he called to those on board to come to the boat. Mr. L. P. Green, a passenger, swam off with a compass. Mr. Lytle, who was exceedingly sick, was lowered, but was so exhausted that he had to give up the attempt. The rest were afraid to make the effort, and nothing more is known of their fate, except that the snip foundered about dark. Thus of one hundred and ten passengers and crew, as nearly as can be ascertained nine only were lost, and of these there is just a bare possibility that seven may have been rescued, as it is known that they had small rafts constructed of mess tables and life pre-

THE WEST [VIRGINIA ELECTION .- To-morrow the annual State election will be held in West Virginia, State officers, members of the Legislature, and members of the House of Representatives in the Forty-second Congress being chosen. The candidates for State officers and Congress are as follows. those marked thus (") being renominations:--

Democrats. FOR GOVERNOR, on, John J. Jacob, Wm, E. Stevenson, FOR JUDGE OF APPEALS, Charles P. T. Moore. James H Brown, FOR AUDITOR. E. A. Bennett. "Thomas Bogges,

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE. Pipes, John M. Phelps. *James M. Pipes, James A. Macsulay, J. S. Burdett.

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL, A. B. Caldwell, Joseph Spriggs. FOR CONGRESS.
Goff, Jr., John J. Davis.
McGrew, O. P. Downey.
Witcher, F. Hereford. 1st Dis.—Nathan Goff, Jr., 2d Dis.—Jas. C. McGrew, 3d Dis.—John S. Witcher,

The elections held in West Virginia since its admission to the Union have resulted as follows ;-Fear. Rep. 1864—President... 23,152 1866..... 23,802 1868—Governor. 26,935 "—President. 29,025 6,6441 4,717B 8,719R 29,218 20,306

The vote in the three Congressional districts in 1868 was as follows:-2d..... 9,149 3d..... 6,214 2,631 R 1,409 R 4,805 The only election of importance held in 1869 was

for members of the State Legislature, which resulted as follows:-

Republicans 18 Democrats 4 The Legislature to be elected to-morrow will be charged with the duty of electing a successor to United States Senator Waitman T Willey, whose

term expires on the 4th of March, 1871. There can be but little doubt of the success of the Republican ticket to morrow and the election of a majority of Republicans to both branches of the Legislature. The success of the Republican candidates in the Second and Third Congressional districts is also assured, although the Democrats have hopes of carrying the First district. They have crippled their chances to carry this district, however, by nominating an unpopular man of the Vailandigham school. The Democratic platform is of the old-fashioned sort, and joins issue on all the acad questions.

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lowing classes, denominations, and sizes in present use, and as hereinafter specified, viz.;—

CLASS I.

Adhesive Stamps—General and Proprietary, viz:—
General—One cents, two cents, three cents, four cents, five cents, six cents, ten cents, fitteen cents, twenty cents, twenty-five cents, thirty cents, forty cents, fifty cents, sixty cents, seventy cents, one dollar, one dollar and thirty cents, one dollar and fifty cents, one dollar and sixty cents, one dollar and ninety cents, two dollars, two dollars and fifty cents, five dollars, three dollars, three dollars, twenty-five dollars, fifty dollars, and two hundred dollars.

Proprietary—One cent, two cents, three cents, four cents, and five cents, and five cents,

four cents, and five cents, two cents, three cents, four cents, and five cents.

CI.ASS II.

Beer stamps, hogeheads, barrels, half barrels, third barrels, quarter barrels, sixth barrels, and eighth barrels. CLASS III.

Stamps for d'stilled spirits, tax paid, 10 gallons, 20 gallons, 50 gallons, 40 gallons, 50 gallons, 60 gallons, 50 gallons, 100 gallons, 110 gallons, 120 gallons, and 130 gallons.

CLASS IV.
Stamps for distilled spirits, "other than tax-paid."
distillery warehouse, rectified spirits, and wholesale liquor dealers.

CLASS V.

Tobacco stamps, & pound, 1 pound, 2 pounds, 3 pounds, 5 pounds, 10 pounds, 15 pounds, 29 pounds, 21 pounds, 22 pounds, 40 pounds, and 60 pounds. Class 1, to be gummed, dried, and perforated, and prepared for issue in sheets.

Class 2, without gumming and perforation, prepared for issue in sheets, 20 stamps on a sheet.

Class 3, without gumming, to be engraved with nine coupons and one stub attached to each stamp, each stamp and stub to be numbered in serial numbers, and bound in book forms. Each book to con-

bers, and bound in book form. Each book to contain 150 stamps, three on a page, and book to be appropriately lettered and numbered. Bilders will also make proposals for this class of stamps, as above, 500 stamps to the book.

Class 4, without gumming and perforation, each stamp to have an engraved stub attached, stamps and stubs to be numbered in serial numbers, and bound in book form. Each book to contain 400 stamps, 4 on a page, and bound, lettered, and numbered. Class 5, % pound to 5 pounds inclusive, without gumming and perforation, to be issued in sheets, 12

All the other denominations mentioned, excepting the 15 pounds, to be engraved with stub attached, slamps and stubs to numbered in serial numbers, and bound in book form, each book to contain 400 stamps, 5 stamps on a page, and bound, lettered, and num-ered. The 15-pound stamps to be as above, with the addition of nine coupons, attached to each

Bus are also asked for the % to 5-pounds stamps inclusive, to be prepared and bound in book form, as above described, with stabs, but without the coupons. Si ecimens of the above-mentioned stamps may be seen at the office of the Commissioner of Internal Reverue, and sizes and descriptions taken therefrom.

Bidders will state the price per thousand stamps, separately, inclusive and exclusive of paper, deliverable at their place of business, and also at the office of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue in Washington. The cost of delivery should be given, both inclusive and exclusive of the cost of packing and bexing. Bids will be made separately for printing in one and two colors. Stamps of Class 1, the principal color to be permanent and the other fugirive. All the other classes mentioned to be printed in permanent colors. The additional cost of print-ing a tint upon the stamps printed in one color should also be stated.

Eidders will state in their bids the mode of print-

ing proposed by them, whether plate printing or surface printing.

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stamps.
The contract will require all designs, dies, and plates to be prepared, and dies and plates to be kept bright and sharp, and that new and a iditional designs, dies, and plates shall be made either for the present thirds and denominations of stamps or others, without charge, at the pleasure of the Series. others, without charge, at the pleasure of the Secretary of the Treasury and the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, and all such designs, dies, and plates to be the property of and delivered to the United States Treasury Department, at the termination of the contract, or whenever demanded by said department. That the stamps shall be prepared and delivered of such kinds and denominations, and in such quantities, and at such times, as the Com-missioner of luternal Revenue for the time being may direct.

A statement of the numbers of stamps issued during the fiscal year ending 5th June, 1870, may be seen at the office of the Commissioner. And that all measures and precautions which the Commissioner of Internal Revenue shall deem necessary to take in order to protect the Government against fined or negligenes on the part of the contractor or his employes shall be taken at the proper charge and expense of the contractor. No bids will be rensidered except from parties who have been, or are, actually engaged in the business of steel engraving and printing, and provided with all the necessary facilities to execute the work promptly and give the requisite protection to the stamps,

dies, and plates in their possession.

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Bids may be made for any one class of stamps mentioned in this notice, or for all.

Each bid must be accompanied by a guarantee of at least two responsible persons that, in case the bid is accepted and a contract entered into, they will become sureties in such reasonable sum as may be required by the Government for the faithful perform-

ance of the contract.

The contract to be made for not less than one year nor more than three years, as may be agreed In awarding the contract the Commissioner reserves the right to reject any or all proposals in case it shall appear to be for the interest of the Government to do so.

Preposals should be carefully scaled and marked "Proposals for Revenue Stamps," and addressed to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

C. DELANO.

Commissioner of Internal Revenue. Approved—GEORGE S. BOUTWELL,

ENGINEER OFFICE FOR HARBOR DEFENSES, BALTIMORE, Md., Oct. 20, 1870. SEALED PROPOSALS, in dopticate, will SEALED PROPOSALS, in duplicate, will be received at this office until 12 o clock noon of the Sist day of October next ensuing, for the removal of the Iollowing "OBSTRUCTIONS" from the Channel of James river, Virginia, below Richmond, viz.;—
At WARWICK BAR, about five miles below Richmond, wrecks of three schooners, 50, 60, and 80 tons.
At DRURY'S BLUFF, about seven miles below Richmond, wreck of iron-clad ram Fredericksburg, sunk with armor, guns, etc. on board; iron gunboat Raleigh, 150 tons; steamer Jamestown (wooden), 1200 tons, sunk with guns on board; steamer Curtis

tons, name unknown; also 1s or 20 cribs of timber and stone, each about 22 feet square, averaging At TRENTS, or GRAVE-YARD REACH, ten miles below Richmond, wreck of 'Gallego,' 250 tons; wreck of pilot-boat "Plume," 87 tons. Below Alkens, or Varina, about twenty miles from Richmond, 37 to 40 piles, remains of old

Proposals will be received for the removal of all

Peck, 450 tons; schooners Wythe, Roach, 300 and 225 tons; brig, 175 tons; and a schooner of 80 or 100

Proposals will be received for the removal of all the obstructions named above, or a portion—but single olds are preferred for entire removal of all obstructions at each point, as named above; or to give a channel at Driving Blue 250, wide and is feet deep at low water, near right bank of river, and entire removal as above at other points.

Each proposal must state time within which the work will be finished, and the method or manner of removal proposed, whether by blasting or otherwise.

Some of the wrecks may be of considerable value, and the bids will state what sum of money, if any, in addition to the material removed, will be demanded

for the work done.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids for any reason deemed sunicient by the undersigned.

Proposals will be opened at 1 P. M. of the list day of October next ensuing, in presence of such bidders as may choose to attend.

Forms of proposals to be had at this office.

SEALED SEPARATE PROPOSALS, in duplicate, will also be received at the same time, for the excavation of earth required to reopen "Dutch Gap Canal," according to plans, etc., in this office, involving removal of about 57,000 cubic pards of earth, some above and some below water; none to be carried over one-quarter mile. Price per yard, measured either in cut or embankment, to be given.

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