From the Pall Mall Gazette. Some little time ago our pages contained a review of the life of the late Professor Robert Knex, the anatomist. Though aggressive and dogmatic in his epinions, he was a bold, original, and often sagacious thinker; and some of his reflections and predictions on the nature and destiny of the Celtic race, and of the Gallie Celt in particular, are of interest at the present moment. Writing about 1850,

In my first lecture, delivered five years ago, I said that the Ceitic race does not and never could be made to comprehend the meaning of the word liberty. The opinion I gave had no reference to recent events, but was deduced from past history: the histories of '92, of '15, of '32—add now the events of '48 and '49, and say have I erred in the estimate I formed of this race? On four eventful occasions the supreme power has returned into the hands of the Celtic men of France. Never was the destruction of a dynasty more complete. What use have they made of this power? As a Saxon I abnor all dynasties, monarchies, and bayonet-governments; this latter seems to be the only one suitable for the Celtic man.

Again: -Celtie liberty is now well comprehended by all surope. The world thought Celtic France a great Europe. The world thought Ceitic France a great and free people; but the world was wrong if they did, for the world forgot the element of race in its calculation on the probable destinies of the French Ceit. That element, duly weighed, would have shown them that a race being composed of individuals resembling each other must even in its greatest efforts merely shadow forth the character of the individual. When the French Ceit drove out the insupportable and paltry Orleans dynasty, they were merely a fighting clan without a chief: having no self-esteem, how could they act without a leader? That leader had not then and has not yet appeared. * * The Celtic race has had in its ewn hands, more than any other, its even destinies. Chance placed at their head the greatest of men that ever appeared on earts. Him own destines. Chance placed at their head the greatest of men that ever appeared on earts. Him they sold and betrayed. Still their power is terrible, and quite an overmatch for any other single race. Nothing could prevent them again marching to Moscow and St. Petersburg were the contest to be merely between the two races. By such a centest mankind would be greatly benefitted. * * Paris is fortified, and were the territory again polluted by a foreign foe the true republican flag would be once more hoisted, sure to be pushed forward to Berlin and Vienna_to_morrow St. Petersburz. ** To and Vienna—to-morrow St. Petersburg. To revolutionize is Celtic, to reform is Saxon. There burst forth that mighty Revolution which shook the world, whose effects must endure for ever. Court, clergy, and gentry were swept into the ccean. But did the Celt thereby put the land question on a right foeting? Not in the

least. He created merely another class of landed proprietors. " He abolished the law of primoniture, it is true, but he had not the soul to rise up to the principle of abstract justice. It is not that you are deficient in courage. No braver race exists on the earth, but you have no industry, no self-esteem, no confidence in your individual exertions. Again, speaking of their former history, he

They sacked Rome, burst into Greece, and plundered the temple of Delphi. War and plunder, ploodshed and violence, in which the race delights, was their object. From Brennus to Napoleon the was their object. From Brennus to Rapoleon the war-cry of the Celtic race was, "To the Alps—to the Rhine!" This game, which still engages their whole aftention, has now been played for nearly 4000 years. I do not blame them. I pretend not to censure any race. I merely state facts either quite obvious or

The italics are our own; but it must be admitted that to the Professor it has been given to frapper juste, and that these predictions have been singularly felicitous in their results.

Again: Proudhon, whose intuition into the passionate weakness sometimes betrayed in the French nature was a kind of instinct, uttered in 1848 some remarkable words which —call them prophecy, inspiration, fore-boding, warning, what we will—are at this very moment being carried out and accomplished to the letter. The extracts to which we refer have been noticed by one of our contemporaries, but as they may not have met the eye of our readers we subjoin them

Let the first acts of the National Assembly but disclose reactionary intentions; let only one rash yote inflame the anger of the people; let the national representation be violated, and then, under the pressure of another dictatorship, let the move-ment be suddenly stifled—and France will be like a hive surrounded with flames, in which the choking, burning bees sting each other to death. Then, when the Government shall have exhausted all its rethe Government shall have exhausted all its re-sources; when the nation shall have eaten up its savings: when production and commerce are at an end; when starving; Paris, blockaded by the depart-ments, sending nothing out and no longer able to pay, shall be deprived of all country produce; when the workmen, demoralized by idleness and the politics of the clubs, shall turn soldiers for the sake of their pay and rations; when a million of proletaires (the ignorant, poor, and disorderly, the dangerous classes) shall organize an armed crusade against property; when the State shall "requisition" plate and jewelry to send them to the mint; when domiciliary seizure shall be the only mode of collect-ing the taxes; when the peasants for want of money shall pay their taxes in kind; when famished bands shall pay their taxes in kind; when famished bands scour the country and organize pillage; when the peasant shall have to take up a gun to watch his crops; when the workmen, driven by hunger, shall all have given up their bodies; when prostitution, grief, and want shall have made them mad; when bands of women, following troops of National Guards, will celebrate the fetes of the republic by horrible orgies; when the first stack of wheat has been plundered, the first church profaned, the first torch lighted, the first woman outraged; when the first blood shall have been shed; when the first head shall have failen; when the abomination of desolation shall have spread all over France—then you will understand what is implied by a revolution brought about by avocats, accomplished by artists for, perhaps, to give the real signification of the phrase, by gens de Boheme], and conducted by writers and poets.

The comparison of the hive of bees sur-

The comparison of the hive of bees surrounded by flames and stinging each other to death is fearfully apprepriate, and no doubt the dread of reactionary intentions gave the first impulse to the Communists. If one Government is at the point of exhaustion the other is not far from it, besides being loaded with a frightful debt. Production and com-merce are dead; Paris is literally blockaded by the departments; the Conciergerie is full of priests; most of the churches are closed; the first murders have been committed on the two generals weeks ago; and adventurers, dreamers, and journalists rise to power like bubbles, command like despots, and fall in rapid succession.

FOREIGN NOTES.

—An interesting report on the telegraphs in China was read by M. Tietgen, director of the Danish "Great Northern China and Japan Extension Telegraph Company," at the last meeting of the company at Copenhagen. M. Tietgen said that the line between China and Japan is now open, and that there is every reason to expect it will be much used. The number of telegrams sent last year to China from Denmark, Sweden, and Norway was 140,000, and they are transmitted with far greater rapidity than was at first expected. The Russian and Chinese Governments have shown themselves very favorable to the undertaking: the former has given great facilities for extending the line to Vladivostock, which is to be the new Russian naval station on the Pacific, its harbor only being closed two months in the year. M. Sick, who was sent by the Danish Government to Japan on a political mission, put the company's agent in communication with the Japanese authorities, the result being that a telegraph cable has been brought to Nagasaki, and a telegraphic line will be established between the Japanese ports which are open to Europeans. The telegraphists who have been sent to Chioa have, says M. Tietgen, acquired such a mus-tery over the Chinese language that they no v accept and send telegrams in Chinese from place to place in the empire.

-It is well known that Hindoos who have caste to lose, lose it when they cross the "black water" and visit foreign lands. But the forfeiture is usually compounded in a

KNOX AND PROUDHON ON THE FRENCH | pecuniary way, as persons who have brought native servants from India are aware. It appears, however, from an account given by the Rast Goftar of Bombay, that more per-sonal penalties are involved in some cases, even to a vicarious extent. Thus Kursondas Madhavdas, having returned from a visit to England to the bosom of his affectionate caste, the Nagur Bania, brought the whole of them into trouble. They dined with him; and dining with a man who has visited England is looked upon as a heinous offense by the other Bania castes of Bombay and elsewhere, so much so indeed that the offenders were visited with a sentence of excommunication. To obtain readmission into the community of castes a terrible expiation was necessary, and this came off on the 7th of last month at a place called Walkeshwar. The scene was rich in the elements of comedy. First, the men submitted to the shaving of their moustaches, the young men and small boys who had no moustaches subjecting the hair of their heads to the same process. After this-to the number of two handred or so-they all bathed in a tank; and this ceremony over, each member swallowed pills 'made of the five products of the cow,' which was supposed to complete the work of purification. They have thus been restored to their caste privileges and the advantages belonging thereto in Bombay; but it seems likely that they will be called upon to repeat the penance before enjoying similar impunity in other places.

-A Russo-German war would force upon the majority of Russian officers a most painful question of nationality. According to the Golos, the proportion of foreigners serv-ing in the Russian army is as follows:— Among the privates and non-commissioned officers there are 85 per cent. of Russians, 15 per cent. of foreigners, and of these 2 of Germans. Among the captains and lieutenants there are 24 per cent. of Germans and 42 of foreigners altogether, to 58 of Russians. Among the colonels and majors there are 58 Germans, and 85 foreigners to 15 Russians; and among the generals there are as many as 74 Germans and 82 foreigners to 18 Russians. Thus, if Russia went to war with Germany, the first thing that might happen to her would be the loss of the greater part of her officers; for though sixty years ago Germans were ready enough to fight against Germans, they would hardly do so now after the regeneration of the empire. This circumstance may be not without influence on the affirmed improbability of a Russo-German

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"If any person shall, on or after the first Monday of July next, maintain or keep in use or operation any stationary steam engine or boiler within the said city of Philadelphia, without having first received a certificate that the same has been found to be safe and competent, as is hereinbefore provided, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon convictien in the Court of Quarter Sessions for said county shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five thousand (\$5000) dollars and to undergo imprisonment in the lail of said county, either with or without labor, as the Court may direct, for a term not exceeding two (2) years."

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