Behind the Scenes.

LONDON, October, 20. - There is great deal of news here in regard to peace negotiations and affairs in France and Germany generally, which, for some occult reasons best known to themselves, the publishers of the London papers neglect to give to their renders. One of the centres where this intelligence is obtained is the Foreign Office in Downing street; another is the editorial rooms of La Situation. the little French journal inspired from Wilhelmshohe and Mons; another is Camden house, and a fourth is a clubhouse on Pall Nall, where British exchusiveness has given way to cosmopo-litan freedom. For instance, it is very well known in these circles that the divergence of opinions between Count Bismark and the Crown Prince in regaid to the further prolongation of the war, has ripened into a quarrel, and that the latter makes very little secret opinion that Bismark, whose influence over the King increases every day, is leading Prussia into perils from which escape will be very difficult. There is a strong peace party in Germany, and the Crown Prince, openly to some extent and secretly to a much greater extent, encourages and favors its mem bets. This Crown Prince, by the way, 1- a queer fellow He talks very freely about himself, his father, his wife, his mother, and the future of Germany of do not make any pretensions to wis dom 2 sand he, the other day; "I know I am not wise or prudent; Heaven never cut me out for a great man, and I shall always be depende ton wiser men than myelf. But there are a few things that I can see for myself -I can see plainly enough how deplorable i the influence which Count Bismarck exerts over the King. It was always the King has always been under the thumb of a minister and a woman; he gets tired of the woman and chang es her pretty often; but Bramarck facina e- him, and he c nnot shale him has been posuively shocking since he went to the wars, and the unctions hypoerisy with which he for a while paraded the name of God as his "pall," was mexpressibly ludicrons to those who knew the manner of las daily walk and conversation. Queen An gusta and his Majesty had scarcely spoken to each other for months until the breaking out of the war, and when, after war was declared the royal couple were seen riding under the Lindens together, the people of Berlin could searnely believe their eyes. During the campaign his Majesty has given daily proof of the truth that "Love rules the cump, the court, the grove ;" and the about the pretty girls who have enjoyed his intimacy at every place aloge herdenariors have been set up even or a week would make the for or constituent writer who had the good lack to get hold of them. The Crown Prince himself, although by no me ins an ascenc, has been a model of virtue compared to his papa. But I must not run on with this gossip. The point I set out to make was that in the opinion of the Crown Prince and his party which is numerous in the arms

himself seems to share this opinion, as the following incident tends to show The other day, at a dinner party given by Bismarck, he was complimented by some of his guests upon the great fame he had already secured, and upon the certainty that he would be immortal as the first statesman of this century Rismarck received these congratulations with gravity, and thus replied: "I am by no means certain of what you say; I have too long yet to live; were I as old as Moltke now, I should have no fears; he is so old that he must soon die, and it is not at all probable that in the short life he has left to him he will make any blunders that will rob him of his fame. But I am still young and the am still young, and the chances are the street injunctions from the street injunction in e I shall make such a fool of myself that all the good things I have done will be forgotten. I am not sure in fact, that the blunder has not already been made.'

fatal mistake in failing to conclude

vou doin' to-day?'

th de brick yard.'

Gus—'Well, Sambo, I'se working for Mr. D., so let's both quit work and go hunting. What say you?'

In a conventuor granted that the matural sequel was to go to bed, and he lay totally oblivious of the dinner party at the laird's. hunting. What say vou? Sambo-'Oh, Gus, I can't go. Mr.

K, pays me a dollar and a quarter a day, and he specks me to make full

please, and if we do just as they do, it will be all right."

Sambo - How's dat, Gus?'
Sambo - How's dat, Gus?'
Gus - Why, we'll just par aff?'
Sambo - Gus, you's too smart for
hourst work. You ought to premise to de Congress or de Legislature. Leff us

par off and go dere.' Gins - All right, Sambo, if Mr. K. save anything, I'll write him a letter and tell him we paired aff, and he musn't discharge you; and if my boss complains, you must write him a letter and tell him we paired off, and dat he'd better keep me. So dat will make it all inter-

it all right.' A lady of Zanesville, Ohio, lampblack she threw it in the countryman, dexterously ler husband thinks she has es checks with him and went off. fire. Her husband thinks she has escaped, as nothing has been heard of her since, except, a piece of calico dress, which was found on an apple tree in the orchard.

Quite a number of old and amuging wenes frequent, occur with parties purpose of securing the neces ary thora site sex equally as young, ascended the main steps of the Court House, and then, on being alirected to the Probate to the house the house in the line of march for its boot in from jellying and spoiling. door he refused to enter.

The rustic maiden, who was extremely auxious to see the mairinge program me carried to a successful issue, looked upon him with pleading eyes, and then, taking him by the hand in the most tender manner, beseeched him to enter court and obtain the license.

'Oh! come along, Jake; what's the use of backing out?' fell in dulcet tones upon Jacob's ear.
'Melindy, I can't. The old man

will give me fits it! marry you!

Haven Coyou told me a thousand times over that you would marry me

in spite of the old man?'
'Yes! yes! but there is ='

'Is what?' 'Why the farm.'

'Plague take the farm.'

Yes, but Mehmly, reasoned her lover, hadn't we better wait till the old man dies, and then I'll have the farm sure?

Dod tot his old soul, he'll live fifteen vears yet, there'ssno die in him. Some along now and git that ere h conce; I am tagoing to be put off any

The tell you what I'll do, Melindy

'Well spit her out'
'It the old man holds out agin my having von till Christmass, I ll marry you then farm or no farm.' 'Sure?'

Аз виге аз ту пате'я Ласов, *Well, let her go then till Christman but if you back out then, Jake, look

Till toe the scratch then, by jingo, if with a doubled barrelled shot gun-cer-' And Jake looked as if he would.

tain Thus reassured on being married by The truth is that the conduct of Christmas, Melindy diew off with her buxuries of science King William never very exemplary, Jake fully satisfied, doubtless, with the postponement But if Jake does prove any amount of nickle that Melinity pended on arbitrary pleasure, form will go for him, to use the vernacular of the uncultivated, like a thousand of brick.

Absent Minded.

The following story is told of the absent mindedness of a clergyman, of the church of Scotland He married rath er late in life, and the marriage tour was on the continent. At one of the balting places, Mrs ----retired to the hymenal bower in advance of her lord, who sat for a time cognating down sines. Presently he came to himself, and summoning the water. requested to be shown to his bed room. He was, of course, shown to the room to which his wife had already retired But he had forgot all about matrimo ny and what it involved, and recoiling from the doorway in horror, turned upon the waiter with angry upbraiding occupied by a woman! One Sunday morning he was diessing in his hed room, on a chair in which lay a train containing half a dozen shirts, starch as well as at home—Bismarck made a peace either immediately after Sedan ie came to attempt fastening his waistor at the Ferrieres And Bismarck coat, when he found that operation im After many meffectual strug gles, he called his wife to his aid, who likewise found the waistcoat difficulty insurmountable. She was at a loss to explain the phenomenon, till she hap pened to cast her eyes on the shirt tray. It was empty. The minister, in his absence of mind, had put on the Middle States for the trifling sum of oer-disease -idiocy, lunacy, paralysis, spinal at whole half dozen shirts, one on top of haps \$15 or \$20. Every soldier who can, whole half dozen shirts, one on top of haps \$15 or \$20. Every soldier who was another, and it is no wonder that his command this sum should avail himself waistcont would not button. On an of the chance thus offered to secure a other occasion he and his wife were under invitation to dine at the mansion of the laird of the parish. The minister had been out for a long day's work, toilet, with strict injunctions from the good lady to be quick. He was so slow, however, that she got impatient, and went to see what was the cause of the PAIRING OFF.— 'Say, Sambo, what only to see what was the cause of the delay. Entering the bed room, she found the worthy man placedly enjoying his first sleep. Having undressed, it seems that, in his absence of mind, but to see what was the cause of the delay. Entering the bed room, she found the worthy man placedly enjoying his first sleep. Having undressed, it seems that, in his absence of mind, but to be a seem of mind, but to see what was the cause of the delay. Sambo-Oh, I'se workin for Mr. K. he had taken it for granted that the

AN UNMELCONE BEDFELLOW. — A man in Petersburg, Va., was recently awakened by a curious sensation about Gus—Why, golly, Sambo, you is green. De Congressers gite about snake, and the head of the reptile in forty or fifty dollars a day; and deviced by a curbous sensation about the face, when he was amazed to find this city, his body encircled by a longe black snake, and the head of the reptile in Papers. forty or fifty dollars a day; and dey close i roximity to his mouth. The quits and goes huntin when they snake was evidently inhaling the young man's breath, or was endeavoring to man's breath, or was endeavoring to meet his head into his mouth, and it was the cold contact with the face that The young man, tercwakened Li ribly hightened, made a desperate effort to free himself, when the make un wound itself and e-caped. Shortly before going to sleep, the young man drank a quantity of milk, and it was supposed the snake was attracted by

Trancs per sheet; gold-spangled and embossed complicating a restaurant, when impecual ous, and taking a sext at the tible with a portly country run, who was discussing a 25 cent plate of hash. The Brookivnite called for and ate a fine dollar dimentary paper, which deduce the process of from 4 to 14 centimes per score. while cleaning house, found a puckage dollar dinner, then, gracefully handing of two pounds of powder, and thinking a paper he had been reading to the it was lampblack she threw it in the countryman, dexterously changed

Salt---Its Effect on the Blood.

Dr. Stevens, a French physician and who visit the Probate Court for the He observed that he stirred the blood purpose of securing the neces in the of the autumi and added a handlin of time to legalize their materials. iment to legalize their marriage. But common sult to it while surring, which the other stay a young man, about immediately made it erimson, and on twenty one, accompanied by the oppositiving being discontinued the blood

Dr. Stevens seized a vessel, caught some blood, and made several experi ments by putting salt in it, and found that the blackest blood was instantly changed to a bright vermillion by salt "Oh," said be, "here is a fact that may lead to a practical rule."

He had observed in cases of yellow fever in the army that the blood drawn was very black and fluid, and on add ing sait it became vermillion and tained its trespiness, whereas putridity of the blood is one of the characteris ties of yellow fever. He therefore abandoned the usual mode of treating and gave his patient a mixture of va rious salts, and in a very short time reduced the mortality of fever from one in five to one in fifty.

A Word to Young Men.

Wishing and sighting, imagining and dreaming of greatnes, said William Wirt, will not make you great e innot a young man command his en ergies? Rend Faster on decision of character. Phis book will tell what is in your power to accomplish. must gird no your long and go to work with all the indomitable energy of Na poleon scaling the Alps. It is your du ty to make the most of time, talents and opportunity. Alfred, King of Ling land, though he performed more busi ness than any of his subjects, found time to study Franklin, in the midst of his labors, had time to dive into the depths of philo ophs, and explore an untrodden path of science. Frederick the old man runs me off from the farm the Great, with an empire at his direc tion, in the midst of war, and on the eve of battle, found time to revel in th charms of philosophy, and feast on the Europe at his disposal, with kings in his ante chamber, at the head of thous pended on arbitrary pleasure, found time to converse with books young men who are confined to labor or business even twelve hours a day, may take an hour and a half of what is two months in the course of the year

know whether soldiers are generally aware of the fact or not that they are entitled to bomesteads, at a very small outhry of each, in the alternate reserved sections of public lands along. Western railroads. According to an official state railroads ment from the Commissioners of Public Lands of the estimated quantity of these reserved seven sections, still, undisposed of, and now subject to entry under the homestead and pre-emption law, there are 4,850,000 acres in Minnesota, 1,550, 000 acres in Michigan, 500,000 acres in Iowa, and 2,650,000 acres in Wiscorsth of which the West Wisconsin Bailroad, for showing bun to a bed room already | from Tomah to Lake St. Croix, and Lake Superior Railroads with 550,000 acres. Under the law passed last July, every soldier, or sailor or officer, who has served ninety days in the Union ar ed with fitting elerical stiffness. He sny, or may, is entitled, on payment of progressed leasurely in his dressing till a fixe of \$10, and other usual small commissions to the hand offices, Frenter's quarter section of land, not mineral, of any of the even numbered sections with in the ruliond hand grant limits of ten miles on each side of the line of the road. This law offers a chance to every of securing a homestead of one hundres and sixty acres of good land, which would cost a small fortune in any of the permanent lone

A Dog PLAYS BALL .- A New Orleans judge says we saw a bevy of boys playing ball with -think of this manifestation of progress, ye friends of the national game! -a dog in the capacity dog, the offspring of a pointer, but on ly maternally a pointer, the sire having been of a less noble origin -catching the ball in his mouth with an accuracy that was really astonishing. For half an hour, during which we watched this novel game of base ball, the dog did not miss the ball a single time. And more than this, when, at our request, one of the boys threw—the hall into the grass for a distance of about hity feet, his canne catcher found it in an instant and brought it back. The dog is evidently trained for the national game, and may vet make his mark as the champion catcher in

PAPER. - The Engineering Magazine says the uses to whick paper is applied among the Japanese are almost num paper their rooms, they paper them selves; they have paper tiles, paper greatcoats, and umbrellas of oiled paper; despatch boxes, reticules and to bacco pouches of paper imitating leath er; paper cloth, as strong as leather itself; card board, ornamented with gold figures, costing 4 frances per sheet; gold-spangled and embosed complimentary record.

down before him that he might help a paper he had been reading to the countryman, dexterously changed checks with him and went off.

With is a lamplighter like a cowardly soldier? Because he runs away from his moster," answered he, "a cheese of this #2e is nee see soon eaten as ye may think." may think.

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