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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1865.

GENERAL SCHOFIELD IN FRANCE. An ogre has suddenly appeared in Paris an the shape of an American Major General, attended by two of his staff. Schofield, a hero of scores of battles in the South, has taken lodgings at the Grand Hotel, and all Paris is startled, while all Europe goes to ing as to what he means to is something to make a sensation, and even the visit of a reigning monarch could scarcely have made a greater one than did this of the modest but brave young American General.

At once it is guessed that General Schofield is a special envoy, charged with au ultimatum from President Johnson on the subject of the European usurpation in Mexico; and then all the quidnuncs set to work to imagine what the ultimatum is. That there is a good deal of uneasiness felt by all, is evident from the tone of the various journals when discussing the subject. Even before Schofield has been presented et court, or has asked for a presentation. "tual presence almost throws a cloud ay physicgromy of the French over the .

capital.

to know the object of We do not pretend the object of the general's visit to ever, that it so disturbs the French is dattering to the self-love of Americans. shows how amazingly we have advanced as a nation, in the estimation of foreigners, since we have succeeded in quelling the stupendous rebellion in the Southern States. It gives us a new realization of the importance of our victory, and reconciles us more than ever to the enormous sacrifices made to achieve it. For in conquering the rebels we have conquered the contemptuous spite of foreign powers, and enforced from them stitutions.

What direct effect upon the settlement of the Mexican question the visit of General Schofield may have, we are unable to say. But it is evident that it will affect it in some way, even if he he no! charged with special instructions from the President. The French intervention in Mexico never was popular with the subjects of Napoleon, and it is daily, growing more unpopular, because it has caused a waste of life and money, without any advantage to France, or to any human being except Maximilian and his family. The hints of the President's message on the subject, and the presence in Paris of a distinguished soldier of the republic will probably hasten the solution of the difficulty, and we believe that solution will involve the withdrawal of the French troops from Mexico.

CONGRESSIONAL MUNIFICENCE. We hear on every side the expression of astonishment and disgust at the miserly appropriation made by Congress for the family of President Lincoln. We are entirely unable to suggest any cause for this sudden fit of parsimony, so utterly at variance with the well-understood feeling of our people upon the subject. The salary of the President of the United States is, at the best, a most inadequate one. At the commence ment of our Government, twenty-five thousand dollars per annum was perhaps a sufficient salary for the Executive of the infant republic. The times were primitive, the mode of living extremely simple, and the cost of living comparatively very low. But eighty years have worked a great change in all these respects, a change which has been recognized and acted upon in every other department of the Government. Why the salary of the President has not been increased, in some proportion to the enlarge-

ment of the duties and dignity of the office

we do not know. We should be glad to see it made at least four times as large as it now is, and it would then be no more than a suitable emolument for a post of honor and importance, which we are accustomed

to consider the first in the gift of any nation. We believe this to be the general sentiment of the people, and it is not surprising that there should be a profound discontent with the illiberal spirit, that has refused to the memory of our greatest President such a partial tribute as would have been implied by a suitable appropriation to his bereaved family. We do not know what the precise circumstances of his family are, nor do we think that those circumstances are a proper subject for Congressional inquiry. It was not an act of charity that Congress was called upon to perform, but one of justice and of generosity, and in the discharge of

that duty it has signally failed. The careful provision for the deduction of. any sums which may have been drawn on account of Mr. Lincoln's salary, is the most offensive feature of this extraordinary congressional blunder. We presume that every precaution will be taken to see that Mrs. Lincoln does not get a penny beyond her lawful due. The experts of the Treasury Department will be very accurate in their calculations. From noon of March 4th to 7 A. M. of April 15th, when Mr. Lincoln died, was exactly forty-one days and nineteen hours, and the salary actually earned by Mr. Lincoln amounts to precisely \$2,863 562. This amount has probably been drawn upon, so that our munificent Congress will only have to call upon the Treasury for \$22,136 41. We hope Mr. McCulloch will

see that it is very carefully counted out, to the last half-cent. If this pitiful appropriation is a proper mark of our estimate of Mr. Lincoln's worth, we hope Mr. Director Pollock will see if there is any way in which the Mint can get up a coin small enough to express the value to the country of the Committee by which the appropriation was made.

THE EIGHT HOUR MOVEMENT.

A fact was stated in the course of a recent debate in a deliberative body, in this city, which has great significance, in view of the circumstance that what is known as the 'eight-hour movement" is still kept agitated. The fact stated was that the Gloucester Print Works, the largest establishment of the kind in the country, had been located at Gloucester, instead of at Philadelphia, in order to avoid the ten-hour law of Pennsylvania. What would become of the remainder of our factories if twenty per cent. were taken off their productiveness is easily foretold. We have as sincere a desire to promote the welfare of the working man as any who are more blatant in their professions of friendship for him, and because we are ourselves workers we are unwilling that either we'or any others who have the original injunction to earn their bread by the sweat of their brow resting upon their, should be hampered or trammeled by legislation. The mass of the people who are enlisted in this eight-hour movement are honestly engaged in a measure that they imagine will better their condition; but they are the dupes of designing men who desire to use them for their own purposes. These same men are also the advocates of free trade on the same catch-vote principle. Free trade and eight hours a day! Can a greater absurdity be imagined? The present rates of duties are higher than they have ever been since the United States came into existence as a Government, yet the cheap labor of Europe enables-the importer to bring into the country very many articles of European manufacture and to compete with the American manufacturer upon his own soil. Suppose these duties to be taken off and twenty per cent. to be added to the cost of American products by the diminution of the hours of labor to that extent, and what then becomes of the American artisan? Our print works world not only cross the Delaware, but they would cross the ocean, and Manchester, Sheffield, Birmingham, Huddersfield and Leeds would supply us with cottons and hardware, while Philadelphia, Gloucester, Pittsburgh, and Lowell would present the cheerful aspect of closed factories and starving operatives. This must be the inevitable result of the practical working of "free trade and eight hours a day;" it is as plain a proposition as that two and two make four, and no amount of sophistry and no display of dema-

gogn sish blathering can make the consequences different. We are unwilling, for other reasons, that sumptuary laws should be made for the toiling million any more than for the luxurious ten thousand. All are equal before our laws, and our State Legislature has no more right to limit the hours of toil of the a respect for the strength of republican in one, than it has to restrict the periods of rest of the other. Let the working man assert his independence and his manhood, which involve the right to work as many hours as he thinks proper, or as few as he can afford to; and let him frown down any interference with his hours of labor as indignantly as he would denounce any meddling with his diet or his dress. We are ourselves toilers, and we insist that no law shall dictate whether we burn the midnight gas or cease from our labors at noon. We would like to see all our toiling brethren maintain the same stand, whether they shove the jack-plane, batter paving stones, lay bricks, drive the shuttle, dole out physic, talk Blackstone, or

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