

Paris, November 17.

The evening papers of this city published the text of the letter written by Don Carlos to King Alfonso. The attitude of President Grant, the letter says, is a prelude to a war between Spain and the United States, if you do not recognize the independence of Cuba. The revolution which you represent is responsible for this paralytic rebellion. Had I reigned it would not have occurred, at least not gained strength. Now, however, the integrity of the country is at stake, and all her children are bound to defend it. Should war break out I offer you a truce as long as the contest lasts but maintain my rights to the crown, as I retain the conviction that I will one day wear it. I cannot send my loyal volunteers to Cuba, but I will defend these provinces, and the Cantabria coast will send out privateers which will pursue the merchant ships of our enemies, and perhaps chase them into their own harbors. If you accept the truce let us appoint representatives to settle the conditions. If you refuse the world will witness that Catholic Spain has nobly done her duty.

-We were yesterday shown, by Mr. Wm. Gill, jr., a deed of town lot No. 24, which is the lot adjoining the Colt House on the north, 50 feet front and 150 feet deep. The deed bears date March, 1796, and the first and only time this property was transferred as a separate lot. The lot at that time being centrally located brought a good price, and was deeded to Mr. Wm. Gill by General David Mead, for the sum of six dollars. This transfer was from one of his grandfathers to the other, and the property has remained in the family through the generations. The lot is worth now about \$10,000 which is a very fair increase in value in 80 years. Our arithmetic man is out; will some of our youthful readers tell us at what percentage the six dollars must be compounded for 79 years to amount to \$10,000.—Meadville Republican.

-Wm. Squires, of Nostocton, in writing to Hon. A. J. Dufur, Centennial Commissioner for Oregon, in relation to an exhibition of lumber at the Exposition, says: "I can furnish you at Tillamook Bay one fir plank, 12 feet wide, 100 feet long; one spruce plank, 8 feet wide, 100 feet long; one cedar plank, 7 feet wide, 100 feet long; one larch plank, 7 feet wide, 100 feet long; one hemlock plank, 5 feet wide, 100 feet long." Mr. Squires states that he can get much larger plank if transportation can be supplied. He can also supply planks of like proportions of chittim and other hard woods.

-The New York Times, a very cautious and conservative journal, not addicted to all to windy braggadocio or sensational expression, predicts an activity in trade in New York city next year—the Centenary—such as has not been witnessed since 1865. It says: "We are not building castles in the air, as our readers will acknowledge long before this time next year. We have, from the very first maintained the opinion that the Centenary would be the means of removing the last vestige of the panic of 1873. We hold to this belief more firmly than ever.

Information wanted—of the whereabouts of Richard Henry Key, alias John Wilson. When last heard from he resided at Alexandria, Va. His wife's maiden name was Bridget Carlon, who was married to said Key in New York. They kept a hotel at or near Alexandria called Virginia Cottage. They have been written to several times but letters all returned. Any person knowing of their whereabouts, either dead or alive, will confer a favor by addressing Mary Glennen, or Lawrence Glennen, Cameron, Cameron Co., Pa.

The latest count of the returns—official now in all but six counties—shows Mr. Bigelow's plurality over Mr. Seward to be 15,039, or some three thousand more than the Tribune announced on the morning after election. The parties in the three leading states New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio, are thus found on the eve of presidential election, so evenly balanced that a change of, say eight thousand votes in either of them, would reverse the result in these States.—[New York Tribune.

-The United States Navy is reported to be now, though small, in good condition, and especially is this the case with the ironclads, twelve or fourteen of which are sea worthy. Decayed wooden decks have been superseded by iron, and substantial repairs made in other particulars. Two years ago not more than two ironclads were fit for service.

-On Thursday, at Wilkesbarre, Pa., the Grand Jury returned true bills against Dr. Trimmer, the Prothonotary of Luzerne county, on three different charges, the first count charging him with altering, defacing, and embezzling election returns, the second with forging public documents, and third with altering, defacing, and destroying election returns. Two of his clerks are also indicted on the same charges.

-A sad accident occurred on Bully Hill, on Wednesday of last week. Mrs. Louis Seifer had occasion to go on an errand to house of a neighbor, and left her baby, a child two years old, asleep in its cradle, Mr. Seifer being at work near the house. In her absence the child awoke, and getting possession of a can of oil, its clothes were soon saturated with the fluid. It then put some on the stove, when the oil ignited, burning the child so badly that it died the next day.—Venango Citizen.

-The secretary of the navy has arranged that a United States war vessel shall call next spring, at convenient European ports, to collect and transport hither to the exhibition the works of American artists resident in Europe. Among the ports thus far designated, are Southampton for England, Havre for France, Bremen for Germany, and Leghorn for Italy, to which, if desirable, others may be added.

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