

The British View of It.

THE BURMESE WAR A DIRECT HINT TO FRANCE TO KEEP AWAY FROM INDIA.

The London Daily Telegraph of the 7th inst., thus explains the cause of the Burmese war: "Those who have watched the current of recent Indian politics know that, however much the government and the country are opposed to any increase of our territory, the force of circumstances and the necessity of self-defence, in this instance at least, will leave them no alternative to annexation. The Indian office is believed to be in possession of the clearest evidence that France was engaged in intrigues with Theebaw, not only to deepen the breach which has existed between him and this country for several years, but to go even farther. Behind her significant consular movements, it is broadly hinted, there are more extensive schemes, including the acquisition of Siam. Lord Dufferin, in view of the very grave state of affairs, was invested with the most plenary powers, and although for the moment France is unable to develop her far-reaching plans of conquest and colonization, it is nevertheless regarded as imperative that neither Theebaw nor any future Burmese potentate should be able to help her when she is once more at liberty to indulge those favorite dreams. Indian authorities are as one on this point, however they may differ as to the means of achieving the result, whether by a protectorate or the simpler method of annexation. Once gives France a commanding footing in Mandalay, it is urged, and we should not mar our chances of opening new markets in China, as well as Burmah, and Lord Salisbury has very distinctly stated how much he prizes fresh outlets for our commerce—but we should rise up a danger upon our north-eastern frontier which might, in some future contingency, limit the exertions demanded for our defence in the Northwest. In official quarters the idea that France still retains something of her old ambition in regard to India, and that she is not without hopes of her mastery in China, is not by any means scouted as the mere craze of alarmists. In any case, there seems to be no doubt that her recent action in Mandalay was such as to justify the Indian Government in taking very prompt and decisive measures. It is to be remembered that Theebaw's provocation is not merely of recent date. For seven years he has disregarded our remonstrances except when he chose to reject them with contumely. The astute gentleman who represents France at Mandalay knew how our hands were tied by reason of the troubles in Afghanistan, and we believe we are within the mark in saying that when papers on the subject are presented it will be found that the Indian Government has shown absolutely unexampled forbearance in dealing with Theebaw.

The United States Army.

Gen. Sheridan's annual report as commander of the United States army draws attention to the arduous duties of that much abused organization, even in a year of almost perfect peace. Of course the principle work was on the border, and included operations against the Apaches in the Southwest, who are yet unsubdued, the suppression of a threatened Ute outbreak, and of Cheyenne and Arapahoe disturbances, and many minor matters. Besides considerable scouting last spring along the Canadian boundary line to prevent the co-operation of American Indians with the hostile tribes, allies of the rebellious half-breeds, for which service the people of Canada have reason to be thankful. Gen. Sheridan, in drawing attention to the operations of the Oklahoma boomers, who sought to effect a settlement in the Indian territory, expresses a belief that these people were supported in their long fight with the authorities by subscriptions of interested parties and corporations who sought, by drawing the attention of the country and Congress to the fertility of the coveted region, to secure legislation that would open it up for their railway operations.

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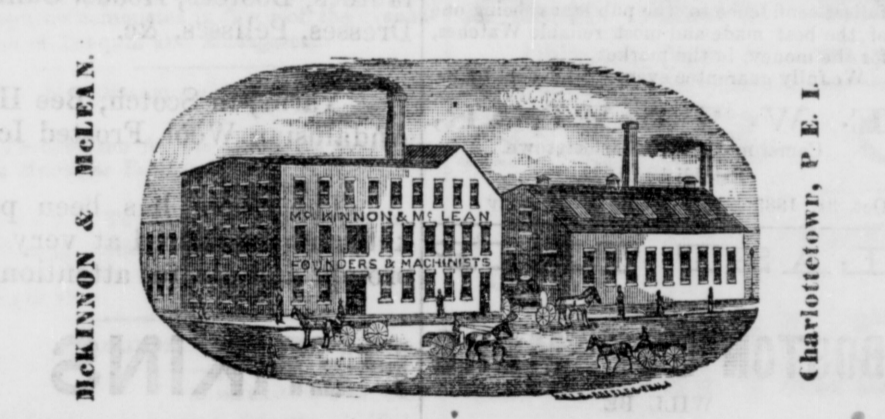
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