

FROM LATE ENGLISH PAPERS.

AERIAL CARRIAGES.—We stated, some weeks ago, on the authority of the Atlas, that a machine has been invented for travelling through the air, at the rate of a hundred miles an hour, and that a company has been formed for establishing a line between London and Calcutta.

SINGULAR PHENOMENON.—On Friday morning, last week, between the hours of four and five, a most remarkable phenomenon was observed by all the carriers approaching Perth, by the north and west roads.

METEOROLOGICAL CAUSES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MILDNESS OF THE SEASON.—The new comet in Draco was at its nearest point to the earth on the 15th of December. Its distance, however, even at that period, was seven millions of leagues.

SIR WILLIAM NOTT.—It may not be generally known out of Carmarthen that the father of the gallant General, the fame of whose glorious achievements in India will occupy so bright and distinguished a page in our military annals, was a very respectable innkeeper in this town (Carmarthen).

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AWFUL CATASTROPHE.—LOSS OF UPWARDS OF THIRTY LIVES.—The particulars of the following melancholy catastrophe are communicated by correspondents of the Evening Mail.

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was an immense concourse of people; the gallery, as is usual on Christmas mornings, was crowded to excess. One of the rails of the staircase, by the pressure of the multitude, was broken, and some persons in the vicinity having heard the crackling noise, gave the alarm, and cried out that the gallery was giving way.

THE CHINESE HEROES.—At the meeting of the Limerick Corporation on Monday week, Alderman Watson gave notice of a motion of thanks to the gallant officers, natives of Limerick, who distinguished themselves in China, namely—Sir Hugh Gough, Captain Bouchier, and Major Sergeant and his son, 18th Royal Irish.

DEATH FROM THE CORK OF A SODA-WATER BOTTLE.—On Tuesday, the 30th Dec., the inhabitants of Maghera were thrown into great consternation by the sudden death of D. G. McCullough, Esq., M. D., late of the royal navy and 84th regiment.

CURIOS ASTRONOMICAL FACT.—There is no new moon in the month of February, 1843, but there are two new moons in the month of March following. It is new moon on the 30th of January, again on the 1st of March, and also on the 30th of March.

THE REV. BERNARD SMITH, of Leadonham, has followed the example of the Rev. Mr. Sibthorpe, by resigning a living worth £900 a year, for the purpose of embracing the Roman Catholic religion.

MATTERS OF CONGRATULATION.—1. The termination of the Chinese war, and the consequent withdrawal of a large military and naval force from China.

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TAHUA, (the Christina,) but were prevented by calms from coming to anchor in the bay of Vaitahu before three in the afternoon.

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eruption of Mount Etna.—The following is an extract from a letter, dated Palermo, December 17:—"The day before yesterday, passing along the Marina, or public walk, that skirts the exquisitely beautiful bay of Palermo, and casting my eye over the range of the Madonian mountains, and beyond the picturesque hills of Termini, I saw resting above the snowy ridge of hoary-headed old Etna (which lies literally east of sunrise from here), a long line of feathery whitish cloud, which, from its peculiar treelike shape, I knew at once to be smoke from the volcano.

However, King Yotété could not keep all his subjects in order. One Pauaan was violently insolent to some Europeans, and the Admiral took away Timao, the King's son, as a hostage for the due exercise of the royal authority.

RELIGIOUS CEREMONY.—The Vigie de l'Ouest of St. Malo says—"A religious ceremony of great interest has taken place here. It was that of giving the benediction by the clergy to the brig, the Marie Joseph, bound with missionaries for the Marquesas Islands, and other countries in the same latitudes.

SPAIN.—The following account is given of the bombardment of Barcelona:—"At eleven o'clock on the morning of the 3d instant, the bombardment began from the fort of Montjuich, retained by the soldiery and commanding the town.

LAND ASSESSMENT.—TREASURER'S OFFICE, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, 17th January, 1843.

IN further pursuance of the Act of the General Assembly of this Island, made and passed in the Seventy-seventh year of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, I do hereby give public notice, that I have made Proclamation, according to the terms of the said Act, of the undivided Town Lots and Pasture Lots, and parts of Lots or parcels of land, in arrears for the non-payment of the several sums due and owing thereon to Her Majesty, under and by virtue of the before-mentioned Act, viz:

And the owners of the said Lots and Tracts of Land, or their rear and proclaimed as aforesaid, are hereby notified, that the sums charged on them by the said Act, together with the Costs which have been incurred, shall not be paid within the Days before the next Eastern Term of the Supreme Court of this Island, to be held at Charlottetown, which will commence on Tuesday the Second day of May next, application for adjournment to the Supreme Court, during the said Term, for adjournment against the said Lots and Tracts of Land respectively.

POST OFFICE.—THE MAILS for England, Nova Scotia, &c., will be made up every Tuesday morning (until further notice) at half-past Nine o'clock; and the Western Inland Mails will be closed at the same time.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE WANTED.—The Subscriber intimates to the Tenantry residing in the several Estates of the Earl of Selkirk, in this Colony, that he will receive, this year, in payment of rents, Wheat, Oats, Beef, Pork and Butter, of a good quality, if delivered immediately in Charlottetown. He will allow fair market prices for the same.

WILLIAM DOUSE, Land Agent. Charlottetown, Jan. 20th, 1843.

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flaming away with undiminished brilliancy and grandeur is the first that has been visible at Palermo since 1826. The night the mountain heaved and quivered like the midships of a three-decker, when she pours her first broadside into the ribs of the enemy. A roar succeeded, and rocky fragments shot up to the heavens. No lava had yet begun to flow. Many persons here saw, or thought they saw it floating down the flanks of the mountain to-day.

TURKEY AND THE EAST.—SYRIA.—The news from Syria is alarming. The Sheik Seeble Harien has escaped from the hands of the Ottomans, where he was detained on political affairs, and gone to the Druses and Maronites. This Sheik is one of those who gave Ibrahim Pacha so much trouble. Omer Pacha is collecting troops. The Druses and the Maronites took possession of several convoys, in which they found much booty, and munitions of war, and other things for Omer Pacha; the convoys were disarmed and made prisoners. The Sheik Harien and the Druses sent a petition to the Seraskier Pacha, in which they said that they were and always wished to be under the Ottoman government; but that they would not be governed by any other governor than their Emir Bechir, or one of his sons.

PREVESA, Nov. 15.—On Saturday morning, 12th, Mustapha Pacha returned, to the joy and exultation of the Greeks, and to the disappointment and chagrin of the Turks, especially the beys and agas, who were very ill at ease when they heard of his coming, as they had been doing their utmost to get him changed. The day after he arrived, in the afternoon, he sent for all the Turks, and had four firmans read out, the first of which was to announce the birth of the new Prince Abdul Ahmed, for whom illuminations and salutes of artillery are being made for seven days; the other three contained the imperial will for the exile of those chief beys and agas who were his enemies—Shakir Bey, Mehmed Aga, Osman Aga, Bahzi Aga, Ali Effendi, Shakir Aga, Gorbusha, Spinalonga, and Serapetra, for two, four, and five years, who were present at the reading of the firmans. Immediately afterwards, having harangued them in his room, he sent them off, without allowing them a moment to take leave of their families, or to arrange their affairs, in Greek towns, and in the hands of Albanians. Their crime had been the making of petitions against him, accusing him of being too partial to the Greeks, and of having armed the Greeks against the Sultan, when Crete was under Mehmed Ali. But according to the Turkish custom Mustapha Pacha mastered all opposition by money. It is said, however, that the Pacha does not intend to keep them there for more than six months, the Pacha's principles approaching to something like civilization.

ATHENS.—Our last advices from Athens are of the 11th November, but are of little interest. Government is on its last legs! Ruin, poverty, desolation, appear to surround the people. The Minerva and Siecle have been seized.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—We have received a letter from Constantinople of the 11th ult., which says—"I have this moment been informed that Sir S. Clarke has despatched Mr. SCHULBERG, the Cabinet messenger to the French steamer, with despatches to the commanders of our ships of war at Smyrna, Vourla, and Athens. The contents of these despatches is not known; but the intention is, that the squadron will be sent to the Syrian coast, probably for the purpose of intercepting any reinforcements that the Porte may think proper to send to Beyrout or Sidon, and consequently, to assist the rebels in the mountains. We have not time to enter into any observations on this vocal act of hostility; all I trust is, that we shall not have to pay too dearly for Sir STRATFORD'S philanthropy.—Morning Chronicle.

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