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**The French Assembly.**

PARIS, December 1.—M. Buffet was to-day again unanimously re-elected to the Presidency of the Assembly.

The annual message of President MacMahon will be read in the Assembly on Thursday. It is expected that he will again urge action on the question of the Septennat.

**A DIFFICULTY IN THE CABINET.**

The *Journal de Paris* and the *Presse* report that serious differences have arisen in the Cabinet over the forthcoming message of President MacMahon. A council of Ministers was held this morning. Different views were expressed by the members, and there was a warm discussion.

The *Times* correspondent at Paris telegraphs that the last letter of Count de Chambord has caused a division in the Cabinet. The Legitimist Ministers hesitate in consequence of the injunction to support the measure for the augmentation of the President's powers. On account of this announcement, the terms of the Presidential message have not yet been agreed upon by the Cabinet. The President will accept the resignation of the dissenting Ministers if they remain firm in their refusal.

**THE VICE PRESIDENTS OF THE ASSEMBLY.**

VERSAILLES, December 1.—The National Assembly to-day elected M. Martelle of the Left Center, and Kerdarel and Benoist of the Right, Vice-Presidents.

**A British Vessel Seized off Cuba by  
the Spaniards.**

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, November 22.—A Spanish gunboat arrived in this harbor to-day with a small schooner in tow flying the British flag. The vessel was found on the coast twenty-five miles from this port and two miles from shore. She still carries the British colors, although an armed crew from the gunboat is on board.

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**Visits of the Consuls and Pioneers  
in the Evening—Call of Gen.  
Hewston and Staff—Pro-  
gramme of To-Day.**

The heavens seem to smile on San Francisco and her royal visitor. Although the weather seemed to threaten rain night before last, yesterday was as fair a day as could be desired. His Majesty King Kalakaua entertained and was entertained as usual. Not to lay before the public the items of the courtly bulletin of the morning too minutely, it may be stated in a general way that the King arose, as on other days, donned his customary apparel, imbibed a kingly appetizer, breakfasted in state with his suite and one or two gentlemen of official station, then took a "constitutional" in the open air preparatory to the social duties incident to his lofty station. The incessant attention which he is receiving, though in a certain sense exceedingly agreeable, is physically wearisome, and beginning to tell upon His Majesty. Perhaps it would not be considered censorious, or even at all unwise, to suggest that official etiquette be a little less strained in future, and that King Kalakaua be permitted to have his evenings, at least, to be disposed of as his simple, gentlemanly instincts may seem to dictate.

**HIS MAJESTY ON THE ROAD.**

The formal business of the day began with a ride to the Cliff House, for which ample preparations were made by Mayor Otis. The carriages were elegant, and the horseflesh worthy of the reputation of the State. The party consisted of the King, Governor Dominis, Governor Kapena, Consul Severance, Mayor Otis, Ex-Mayor Alvord and J. C. Merrill. The morning was delightful for the excursion, and the route admirably chosen. The party were driven out the road to the Cliff House, thence to the Ocean House, and back through the Park to this city, diverging briefly to the Almshouse. The stay at each place was limited. His Majesty expressed himself as greatly pleased with all that he saw, and his suite were equally gratified. The party reached the city about 2 o'clock.

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up-gorously in cocked hats and gold lace, began to arrive, and were presented in due form by H. W. Severance, the Hawaiian Consul. The guests of the hotel, the ladies especially, took no pains to conceal their curiosity concerning such unrepublian doings, and crowded the corridor and main stairway fronting the doors of the parlors. The fair ones jostled and pushed for good points of view in a way to make a Democrat melancholy. They hung over the balustrade above, and stared viciously at anyone who dared to pinch for another inch of room. Brave men craned their necks and trod on each others' toes so catch a glimpse of royalty and its official representatives. Wine was set out liberally in the north parlor, and busy waiters in full dress ran about with the trays, finding all their agility necessary to keep pace with the thirst of the distinguished visitors. Several untitled persons, assuming a Consular air, attempted to deceive the champagne-bearers, but those high-toned chemists know a Minister Plenipotentiary when they see one, and all such dishonorable maneuvers were instantly thwarted.

**THE SERENADE.**

At a quarter to 9 the Presidio Band of twenty-four pieces arrived and, taking their places in the corridor, at a sufficient distance from the royal chambers to tone down the crash, began their serenade with the overture from *La Fille de Potsdam*.

The following selections were then rendered in the order given: "Kalakaua March," "Hop Collins," "The Devil Let Loose," grand fantasia from Verdi's *Macbeth*; "Blue Danube Waltz," Strauss; cornet solo; cavatina from the opera of *Neluchadzezar*; "Sounds from the Vienna Woods," Strauss.

The following were the Consular representatives who paid their respects to His Majesty: Argentine Republic, Chas. Baum; Austro-Hungarian Empire, G. Muecke; Belgium, Emil Gisar and S. Morhange; Bolivia, Costa Rica, Ecuador and Nicaragua, F. Herrera; Chili, F. Casanueva and H. Baroilhet; Equador, Edmond Breuil; German Empire, Charles A. C. Duisenberg; Great Britain, Wm. Lane Booker; Greece, Emil V. Sitter; Guatemala, Leslie C. Hanks; Italy, Count de Barrilli; Japan, C. W. Brooks; Mexico, Licenciado M. Azpiroz; Peru, Federico de la Fuente y Subirat; Portugal and Switzerland, Francis Bertou; Russia, M. Klinkolstrom; United States of Columbia, Señor Morales; United States Minister Pierce, and Japanese Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary Yoshida.

A delegation of Pioneers were next received, headed by D. J. Staples, Acting President of the Association, and Governor Low, one of the Vice-Presidents. A brief speech was made by Mr. Staples, to which the King briefly responded. A little girl of eight years, daughter of one of the Pioneers, presented the King a crown of beautiful flowers, with which His Majesty seemed greatly pleased. The Pioneers were received by the King in citizen's dress. He afterwards received General Hewston and staff in the elegant military costume and sword worn by him at the formal receptions of Monday. With the departure of the last the official business of the day ended and His Majesty soon after retired to rest, worn out with excess of etiquette.

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**The Reassembling of the Brussels Congress.**  
LONDON, December 2.—A Berlin dispatch to the *Times* says that Russia contemplates the reassembling next March in St. Petersburg of the International Law Conference lately held in Brussels. Exertions will probably be made to secure the consent of Great Britain and some minor States. The work of the Conference will be confined to the enactment of the more purely philanthropic measures proposed by Russia. If these endeavors fail, the Northern Powers may possibly settle the matter alone.

**Another Town Besieged by the Carlists.**  
HENDAYE, December 1.—The Carlists have laid siege to Beiga, fifty miles from Barcelona.

**Severe Engagement in Buenos Ayres.**

RIO JANEIRO, December 1.—Advice from Buenos Ayres report that a battle was fought on the 25th of November, near Lavorde, between the Government troops and insurgents. The national forces were commanded by General Arras and the insurrectionists were under General Mitre. The engagement was severe, lasting three hours, and closing without decided result. Four hundred Government troops were killed and wounded. The loss of the insurgents is unknown. Colonel Balzas of the Government army was wounded.

It is reported at Montevideo that General Mitre has sent a representative to Buenos Ayres to negotiate with the Government for a cessation of hostilities.

**SPARKS FROM THE TELEGRAPH.**

At Manchester, N. H., yesterday morning, the thermometer was down to zero. Twenty-one lives were lost on the Scottish coast alone during the gale of Saturday and Sunday.

Brevet Major-General Robert O. Tyler of the regular army died yesterday at Boston, where he was stationed.

The *Mayflower*, an oyster boat, was run down in Chesapeake Bay on Sunday, and six men were drowned.

The President's message, it is said, will be laid before his Cabinet at the next regular meeting, on Friday.

The verdict of the New Jersey Presbytery, now trying Rev. J. S. Glendinning for the seduction of Mary Pomeroy, is expected to-day.

At Cloverdale, Md., on Sunday, Thomas Martin shot and instantly killed his wife and fatally wounded a neighbor, Adam Stanton, who attempted to protect the woman.

Herz Sigel, editor of the Berlin *Vaterland*, has been sentenced to ten months imprisonment for asserting that Kullman's attempt on the life of Bismarck was a sham plot, planned by the police.

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**THE DRESSING.**  
Was extremely handsome. Most of the gentlemen were dressed *de rigueur*, with swallow-tail and white gloves, though there were a few tasteful exceptions. The officers of the army were partly in uniform and partly in ordinary civilians' dress. Those of the navy were in full-dress uniform, as at the more formal receptions at the Grand Hotel on Monday. The band played operatic and popular selections at intervals during the entire reception, and there was some dancing, in which officers of the army and navy principally participated. Rare flowers, in bouquets and in baskets, were distributed here and there about the house. The feast, provided by Haubrich, was a royal repast indeed, creditable to the entertainer and worthy of a King. The doors of the dining-room were thrown open a little before 4 o'clock, and thereforward for an hour there was little done except feasting, which was with an artistic appreciation of the good things provided. Dancing was afterward resumed and continued from time to time until all had departed. His Majesty left a little before 5 o'clock, accompanied by his suite, the band repeating the Hawaiian Hymn. At 5 o'clock the mansion of Mayor Otis was vacant of its many guests. The reception was unexceptionably elegant, and the more creditable to the Mayor that he consented to take upon himself a necessary social burden that the city would, perhaps, have borne unwillingly.

**THE GUESTS INVITED.**  
The following invitations to the reception were issued: The Foreign Consuls; Gen. Schofield and wife; Rear-Admiral Almy and staff; Rear-Admiral Rodgers and staff; the officers of the *Benicia*; the officers of the *Saragat*; the officers of the *Portsmouth*; Lieutenant-Commander Sanders; General Brooks of the Presidio; Major and Mrs. Throckmorton; Captain Hasbrouck; Lieut. Garrard; Colonel Nelson; Lieutenant Smith; Lieutenant Nichler; Colonel and Mrs. Wherry; Captain and Mrs. Morris; Colonel Spaulding; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Low; Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Low; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bacon; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Colt; Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Blanchard; Mr. and Mrs. Tallant and Miss Tallant; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Tubbs; Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Norris; Mr. and Mrs. John O. Earl and Miss Earl; Mr. and Mrs. W. Foster; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sillen; Mr. and Mrs. Rathbone; Mr. and Mrs. Busell; Mr. and Mrs. Bonyngo; Mr. and Mrs. Gray; Mr. and Mrs. George Howard; Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Selby; Mr. and Mrs. John Ames; Mr. and Mrs. Fisher Ames; Mrs. Wm. Hooper; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Ralston; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Haggin; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Tevis; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Haggin; Captain and Mrs. Eldridge; Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Boswell; Dr. and Mrs. Horatio Stebbins; Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Haight; Dr. and Mrs. Hastings; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tilden; Mr. and Mrs. I. Friedlander; Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Bowie; Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Kittle; Mr. and Mrs. John Riddle; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. T. Coleman; Gen. and Mrs. Simpson; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Burling; Mr. and Mrs. James Burling; Mr. and Mrs. D. McKuer; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew

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**ACROSS THE BAY.**

Hotel accommodations at Oakland Point are very scarce.

There were thirty-five marriage licenses issued in Oakland during November.

The streets of Livermore have been surveyed for the purpose of laying water pipes.

A mile race track is to be constructed on the land owned by A. Bernal, near Pleasanton.

The "First Popular Concert" of the Oakland Lyceum will be given on Friday evening.

One hundred and twenty-three cases were tried in the Oakland Police Court during November.

The University ball is to be held in Brayton Hall, Oakland, on the evening of December 23d.

The licensees of Montgomery Queen's clinic, now in winter quarters at Hayward, are prolific. A few weeks ago a *Bullseye* gave birth to five cubs, and last Sunday another brought forth three more.

There is an increased number of men employed at the shipyard, West Oakland. The roll of employees now shows as follows: Ship carpenters, 70; laborers, 59; machinists, 25; on the pier-driver, 10; on the dredge, 10. Total, 165.

Alexander White of San Pablo, father of Miss Jennie White, who was fatally injured by an accident in San Francisco last Saturday, has had his share of affliction. While coming to this State he lost his wife and a daughter in Nicaragua by stray bullets during a flint-stone engagement with the natives. His son had part of his foot taken off. Miss Jennie was the sole surviving daughter.

**No Coroner Elected Yet.**

The Board of Supervisors met yesterday morning and labored again to bring forth a Coroner. The effort was abortive. After some electioneering eulogies on behalf of Drs. Grover and Stillman the balloting began. The first ballot resulted as follows: Dr. Grover, 4; Dr. Stillman, 2; Dr. Swan, 6. After this ballot Dr. Stillman's name was dropped and his supporters gave their votes to Dr. Grover, making the vote stand 6 to 6. Fourteen ballots were taken without changes. The balloting was then deferred until the regular meeting of the Board on Monday evening. Dr. Rice has yielded possession of the office pending his appeal to the Supreme Court from Judge Sharpstein's decision removing him from office. Justice Pennie, who is now acting as Coroner, will continue to discharge the duties of the office until the Board of Supervisors elect some one to the position.

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The contract for the Superintendent awarded to Spaul was \$1.70 per page.

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