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Sales at Auction This Day.

By J. B. Crozat, on Royal street, No. 36—Furniture.
By M. Cerren & Landry, at their auction mart, at 11 o'clock, Furniture.

McCerren & Landry will sell to-day contents of residence, corner of Orange and Camp streets. See advertisement.

MR. CAMPBELL'S BENEFIT AT THE ST. CHARLES THEATRE.—It will be seen that Mr. A. H. Campbell is to have a benefit at the St. Charles Theatre to night. Mr. Campbell has long been identified with theatrical affairs in this city, and in a name recalls some of the palmiest days and brightest pages in the history of the vaudeville drama. He has always proved himself diligent and careful, and in no slight degree discriminating and artistic in every line of performance which has engaged his professional efforts.

For the sake of a cherished past with which he is associated, and for the sake of his unpretending merit as an actor as well as his worth as a private individual, let not our theatre going population overlook the occasion of his benefit to night. The bill is one that gives assurance of abundance of entertainment. At least the beneficiary promises it by time generally to the patrons, and he is not a man to mock a promise of this sort lightly.

Mr. Lawrence Barrett, who was so promi nent a favorite at the Varieties theatre last winter, is playing a star engagement at Pike's Opera House in Cincinnati. He is pronounced by a paper of that city to be "the most brilliant of all our young actors."

Constitutional Convention.

THURSDAY, June 2, 1864.

The Judiciary question was discussed at great length, and by very large vote it was decided that the Judiciary shall be appointed for a term of six years for the Supreme Judges and four years for the Inferior Judges, except Justices of the Peace.

The Convention then adjourned.

Baton Rouge Items.

The *True Delta* of last evening contains a budget of late items from Baton Rouge, among which are the following:

Several tradesmen were charged with being connected in smuggling goods beyond the lines. For some time there was an option aroused, in to one could unravel the plot, but at last two negro ferry men divulged the secret. Proof was obtained, the gentlemen convicted in various fines, lyeill cut their eticks, and leave Baton Rouge for good. Thus we are relieved of some six or eight persons of Mud descent. The chief operators—that is, the principal residents in West Baton Rouge. One of them was fined $200, and to return here to more Yankees. Such, who is supposed to be a leading character in the affair, is thought to have taken to the swamps, as he has not been heard of since he supposed were taken.

The want of rain is severely felt by the planters in this vicinity. Dark clouds and distant thunders have tantalized us for now well nigh days, but the heavens refuse to refresh the earth with their tears. In many places the forage has commenced to fall from the trees and hedges. The cotton is fearful, and everywhere has it into the atmosphere, and this of course and hours are filled with an implement of destruction. Traveling to man and beast is all but suffocating. One day's special rain would revive all hearts, and revive the all but dead crops of the planters in this district.

Brig. Gen. Birge has been called to other parts, and Brig. Gen. Bisland succeeds to the command of the post of Baton Rouge.

Tantamount to a Declaration of War.

The Republican press of the North generally express the opinion that, after recent developments regarding the vessels constructed in France or ready for the East India trade, their departure from French ports would be a deliberate violation of neutrality on the part of the French Government. The *New York Evening Post*, indeed, goes so far as to say that such a contingency would be tantamount to a declaration of war—saying:

The French Government has, apparently wished from the first, Mr. Dayton, to furnish it with evidence as to the character and destination of these vessels, and until this was furnished, it placed reliance upon the representations of the builders, who are both in the employ of the French Government. As these persons have now been shown to have deceived their Government in a matter so serious as that if the deception had been successful they might have involved the country in a war, we may expect to hear that the Emperor, who is at once its head and its chief, has summarily punished and disgraced them.

It appears that the contract for these vessels was entered in April, 1863, by the notorious Captain Bonnaud, who was at the time starting at the house of Erlanger, the banker, who has since fathered the rebel loan in Europe. The pretence was that the ship were for the India, China and Japan trade.

They were ostensibly for conveying the mails, to have a speed of fifteen knots, and both of the ships in class as the most recent French armor-plate. Now, it might be said that the French builders were deceived by these pretences, and not unlikely for them, the *Opinion Nationale* publishes several letters which prove the contrary. In one, for instance, in an extract from a letter of Mr. Le Arman, one of the builders, which is in the possession of the French Government:

"BORDEAUX, June 10, 1863.

"Dear Mr. Voruz: I hereby acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th, and Bullock's draft for seven hundred and fifty thousand francs therewith enclosed. I am happy to give you full discharge of the sixteen per cent in the hands of Mr Bullock for the payment of the two vessels of four hundred horse power, which I am constructing for the "second of the Confederate States simultaneously with those which have been entrusted to you, and which you are causing to be built by Messrs Jollet & Babin, and Dubigeon.

"Accept, &c., L. ARMAN."

Here is one item in the redoubtable Captain Bullock fitness!

"LIVERPOOL, August 11, 1863

"I have, Mr. Voruz, received your letter of the 4th instant, with the statements of the price of the thirty-pounder and their accompaniments. It is impossible for me to say whether I can give you a decided and positive order for these guns before I shall have learned from Captain Bulloch how the matter in reference to his own model for rifled cannon has been considered. I should, however, be delighted to make a bargain with you if we can agree upon the terms. We shall discuss all that when I go to Nantes.

"It is my intention to continue my business to as few hands as possible, and I hope we shall agree upon all the essential points, so that our relations with each other may take a still wider range.

"Even in the event of peace, our government will, no doubt, for some length of time, look to France for the construction of her vessels and machinery, and, as far as I am personally concerned, I should be delighted if the transactions I have had with you should lead to still more important ones in the future.

"Will you, if you please, inform me how the gunboats are progressing, and when the second payment will be due?

"I shall write to you a week before my arrival at Nantes. BULLOCK."

From the following extract it would appear that Mr. Bulloch was also going into the China, Japan and India steamship business:

"PARIS, June 10, 1863.

"My Dear Voruz: After taking cognizance of the financial conditions offered you by the House of Erlanger, as also the letters interchanged between you and Messrs Arman, Bilsdell and Bulloch, we would beg leave to remind you of our verbal agreements, so as to define precisely our respective positions in this affair.

"P. D. JOLLET & BABIN.
"F. DUBIGEON & SON."

With such plain proof that these ships were destined to make war upon the United States, it would be a deliberate and inexcusable violation of neutrality in the French government to let them go to sea; and should, in fact, to a declaration of war against us.

ANECDOTE OF GENERAL BUTLER.—A correspondent of the *Tribune* says: "General Butler to-day sent a man of the name of Curtis, who has been a pilot on the James river, and who professed to know the position of the torpedoes, to Admiral Lee, with the characteristic suggestion: 'If he faithfully and truly performs his duty, and answers all queries, return him to me at Bermuda Landing; if not, hang him at the yard-arm.' This was dictated in the presence of Curtis, to whom the General then remarked: 'Now my good man, go.' you have your life in your own hands.' The individual certainly seemed to realize this fact, and it is to be hoped that Admiral Lee will follow out the injunction."

The Sunday Beer Question in England

INTERESTING DEBATE IN PARLIAMENT.

[From the London Times, May 7.]

Mr. Somes, in asking for leave to bring in a bill for restrictions on the sale of intoxicating liquors between the hours of 11 o'clock on Saturday night and 6 o'clock on Monday morning, said his bill of last session was for the total closing of public houses on the "Lord's Day." Agreed. He gathered from the debate on that bill the House thought some time was necessary for the people to get their dinner and supper beer on Sunday. [Hear, and Agree.] He proposed by his present bill to allow one hour—from 1 to 2—for obtaining the supply of dinner beer, and another hour—from 8 to 9—for obtaining the supply of supper beer. He could not conceive that the House should think it for the benefit of the working man and his family that he should have six hours extra for drinking in the public-house on Sunday. [Oh, oh.] The working classes themselves were in favor of this measure. [A laugh.] Last year, 2,207,287 persons or 1 in 20 of the inhabitants of England, chiefly of the working classes, were for the total closing of the public houses on Sunday. The police reports in Manchester and other towns showed that the cases arising on Saturday and Sunday exceeded in number those of all the other days of the week. Saturday, in fact, was the fete day of English drunkenness, when a working man went to drink the money with which they ought to provide for their wives and families. It had been said that he wished to interfere with the liberty of the subject. Was Scotland behindhand in the love of liberty? Yet in Scotland it was a penal offence law than the one he desired to enact for England. In New York for years the public-houses had been closed on Sunday, and such had likewise been the case in Sydney and other of our colonies. [Cries of Agreed.]

Mr. Hesse, in seconding the motion, said the subject of the proposed bill only required to be better understood to be better appreciated. It had been proved to demonstration that the chief difficulty all over England and Scotland in the administration had to contend with arose from the drinking customs of the country. He had the honor of representing a large constituency, and all classes had joined in requesting him to support the Bill. [Hear, hear.]

Mr. Roebuck would not detain the House for many minutes. He had no financial interest in this measure. His only desire was to protect his countrymen in the full enjoyment of their rights and liberties. [Hear, hear.] The ground of this Bill was two-fold. There was a body of people in this country who were Sabbatarians. There was also a body of tee-totallers. The one muddy stream had concurred. [A laugh.] Running side by side for a long time, they had at last united their waters, and now they form one flowing, muddy river, which it was difficult to stem, and very disagreeable to see. [An Hon. Member.—And to smell.] Aye, and to smell. [Laughter.] These two sets of people had joined their forces on the present occasion. Why did he oppose them? First and foremost because this was a law for the poor and not for the rich. [Cheers.] A rich, well-to-do man could have his own beer and wine in his own house, he could draw his beer or uncork his wine when he chose, but that was not the case with a poor man. [Hear, hear.] Parliament began with fiscal regulations. I had put a tax upon malt, and he had always voted with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on that subject, but he had always felt that he was pressing upon the poor man having his own beer in his own house. [Hear, hear.] He wished the House to understand that every man who went into a public house was not a drunkard. [Cheer.] The poor man who was compelled to go to the public-house was like the gentleman who sent down his butler for the glass of wine when he wanted it. [Hear, hear.] If the hon. member for Hull and his friends were really in earnest if they were anything more than casting hypocrites [laughter]—if they would propose a law for the rich as well as for the poor [Cheers]. Not only would they shut up every public house—not only would they shut up the Star and Garter at Richmond, and the Trafalgar at Greenwich, but they would also shut up every cabin in Lord's. [Cheers.] Would they have no more cakes and ale? [Cheers.] If not, how could they presume to say that they were the friends of liberty and justice? [Hear, hear.] He spoke in particular with feeling [Cheers and laughter.] He had no hesitation in saying that those who were endeavoring to bring in this Bill under the guise of being the promoters of morality were merely carrying out their own individual views of fanaticism to the annoyance of others. [Hear, hear.] We are told now, they exclaimed, "and therefore you shall have no more cakes and ale." [Cheers.] The introduction of the Bill would create disturbance throughout England. [Cries of "No, no," and cheers.] "Yes, yes." It would create the necessity on the part of those who thought as he did of uttering the sentiments of the people of England, and of defying the law. The seconder of the motion had talked of representing a large constituency. He represented a still larger constituency, and he opposed the Bill. He represented a small hard-working man who were confined to a smoky town all the week, and, as he said to these gentlemen, if he lived in Sheffield he should be unjustifiably called on on a Sunday to breathe a multitude of fresh air. A working man who had expended his week in hard labor was unjustifiably asked to get out of Sheffield for a few hours on Sunday, but not to hon. gent smoke. He passed he would find the most of every public house shut against him. That man was not, he repeated, a tippler. When right had they to say to that man that he should only have his luncheon at 1 o'clock, and not at 2, if he liked it best to do so? Public houses in the country were only open from 12 to 2, and from 6 to 11. When he was there in that. A working man in London went out on Sunday for a few hours recreation, and then there were gentlemen turned round on him, and said, "You ought to be at church." [Hear.] That was their creed—that if they kept a man out of the public-house they sent him to church. If a man were recklessly inclined he went to church before he took his walk into the country, and was it not a way of worship to join the great Creator to walk among his works and admire their beauty? [Hear, hear.] The Bill would not put an end to drinking, it would force men to break the law. There would be just as much drunkenness as ever, and a great increase of hypocrisy. [Hear, hear.] A learned gentleman had quoted the example of Scotland. Scotland was an ascetic country, with a peculiar flavour for what was called hebdomadal observance, and it was the most drunken country on the face of the earth. [Cheers and laughter.] A friend of his who had been in Scotland on a visit had brought back a very good story. He was strolling in the neighborhood of a very beautiful waterfall, and when Sunday came round, there was an interval between Kirk time and dinner, so he said, "I'll go and see your waterfall." "Gude sir," said his host, "it's the Sabbath." [Laughter.] "What, then," replied his friend, "can I see God's works on God's day?" "Oh, sir," said the host, "you may have seen many here on the Sabbath." [Laughter.] And no deference to his host the gentleman shut the doors and they sat down to spend the day in tippling. [Loud laughter.] That was a well-to-do house, where they could drink their own beer and whisky without having to send out for liquor for it. Did the hon. gentleman believe that he would make men worship God more completely by compelling them to abstain from walking abroad? What he wanted was to force this nation into a sour, ascetic, hypocritical people. [Hear, hear.]

Mr. Clay thought that the House ought to allow the bill to be brought in, if it were only out of respect for the immense number of petitions which had been presented in its favor [hear, hear]—more especially, as various parties in numerous additions had been introduced into it in deference to the opinions expressed in the House last year. [Hear, hear.]

Sir W. Jolliffe, though he had the greatest respect for the mover and seconder of the motion, and lamented equally with them the inclination to drink existing in this country, hoped that the House would not sanction the encouragement of an agitation such as had taken place before its consequence of legislation such as this. Eight years ago there was a sort of *emeute* among the three millions of the population in the metropolis, which led Parliament to change a recently passed law with more basis than was altogether sensible. A compromise was then agreed to, which had satisfied the public and the licensed victuallers. [Hear, hear.]

Mr Packe held that the bill condemned the innocent with the guilty. It would prevent the temperate man from enjoying his glass of beer, because there were people wicked enough to tipple and booze in public houses. That was a mode of legislation which he could not sanction, and he should therefore vote against the introduction of the bill. [Hear, hear.]

The House then divided. The numbers were:

Ayes.....87
Noes.....123

Majority against the introduction of the bill.....36

The House adjourned at 25 minutes to 1.

A Glimpse Into Mormondom.

A correspondent of the New York *Tribune*, who hails from Utah, tells this story about the peculiar institutions there:

I found the Bishops freely disposed to conversation—they have outlived concealment. If that ever was a characteristic. On every side just introduced, of present interest, there was no reserve. Perfectly satisfied with themselves, they seemed to be equally so with myself and companion, and when our board bill was paid, really a friendly "good-by" and "call again" extended to us. Polygamy was no subject of discussion, but seemed to have passed away to the rank of settled questions so far as they were concerned. On more than one occasion, allusion was made to the Congressional anti-polygamy bill, but no one seemed alarmed at five years' penitentiary residence and $500 penalty for the infraction of the law. It was only "something got up by old Crabtree." To the possible attempt at coercion, I heard from four different persons almost the same language: "We have got to be exterminated as a whole, or let alone on the polygamy subject, for the whole of our community, including a vast number of young men and young women actually born of the institution by ties of blood, are interested in its support." The resemblance of language in different places carried the idea of former discussions and a foregone conclusion.

Of one thing I was convinced—polygamy was no injury. In the city here, no stranger can tell anything of that relationship between the sexes; in the country it is never where payable. I heard a good story of one of the Bishops, with whom I passed a very pleasant evening. It is told of him that an elderly lady called up to him and—ahh! his counsel—Bishops are all no doubt, by virtue of their office. Accused mother stated that her stepping had a good reputation, of being married man was of good character, proper habits, &c., could keep her, and take good care of the family that he already had. To this the mother replied affirmatively, and the Bishop said: "All right, let her have the man of her choice." The work was nearly brought, the mother had to high, and inform the Bishop of the sentiment that he himself was the choice of her daughter! How much the Bishop flushed, blushed and stammered is not stated; but the damsel, in a few days after, became, from choice, the wife of her Bishop and counselor!

How feeble is education! Where in Christendom, could such an avowal be made by a blushing maid?

Yes, the virgins of Utah will at times ask and are given in marriage in the style, with as much coolness and perfect assurance as if none of the history of others was unknown. The necessity is not infrequent, and the maid is more a queen than less for the avowal.

A Form of Despair.

The precise origin of the following poem is not known. Like some of the most remarkable of the popular songs and religious hymns in the English language, that have been preserved from oblivion only through their intrinsic beauty or power, it is strikingly impressed. It is believed to have appeared first in the St. Helena Magazine, a good many years ago, when the horrors of a pestilence which almost annihilated the English army in India were vividly impressed on the public mind. Anonymous on first publication, it was soon afterwards copied into the London *Spectator* and other English journals, and subsequently often republished both in England and America, but never along with the author's name or any hint as to its probable authorship.

No history of any person could encounter it without a keen curiosity to know what munificent hand had carelessly thrown into the treasures of literature a gem at once so strange and splendid.

As a picture of that form of dispair—for dispair has many forms—which imports a sense of utter shipwreck and self-abandonment, a chilling, deadly sense of being forsaken by every help human or divine, of being separated, by an impassable barrier of fate, from all the affectionate ties, the warm sympathies and the inspiring hopes of life, and, withal, a wild fancy (for sports with uttermost misery and exults in the grim hospitalities of death, we know of nothing that surpasses it for vividness of description and aptness of imagery.

JEWELRY IN INDIA.

We meet 'neath the moonlight as now:
And the waves around us are bare;
As they break in their flight on the beach of light
It seems that the dead is there.
But stand! speak not! tread softly!
We stand to our countrymen true;
Quick! step to the dead silently,
And bury them where we find dee.

Not here are the pomp and the revelry,
Not here is the vintage crowned,
The cup that maddens the throng to sin,
And dash at the doors we infest.
But stand! speak not! tread softly!
And oh! shout our pennon high!
A cup to the dead silently,
Hurrah! for the land that dies.

Not a sigh for the lost that's fallen!
Not a tear for the friends that sink!
We'll shed our sighs and England's tears,
As much as the mine we drink!
So stand! speak not! tread softly!
The cup that the respite brings!
One cup! a cup to the dead silent!
Hurrah! for the land that dies.

V day sent,
Captain of Frigate,
Commanding the Colbert.

To General CORTINAS,
Commanding at Matamoras.

In answer to the above Cortinas wrote a very courteous letter, ending at the same time to Captain Colbert some newspapers from Matamoras in return for some from Vera Cruz. In this letter he declares that, being a soldier of the people, he wants no other fleet or ment than the one which has received the sanction of the people's election, and which will be recognized in 1865 by the French Government.

He knows the Commander of the Colbert that when the time shall have come to open the Mexican throne an Emperor many years will elapse before he can select, by a free vote, a ruler over the whole country, and that to do this he will have to assimilate nearly the whole Mexican population. He adds: "And, for my own part, I can assure you that, if I ever become a partisan of the Monarchy, it will never be to a foreign country that I shall look for a sovereign to whom I may swear allegiance."

Late News via Mobile.

The War in Virginia and Georgia—Official Dispatch from General Lee Claiming an Easy Repulse of an Attack on the 24th ult.—Perseverance of Gen. Grant—Sherman Panic-ked and Johnston Reinforced Preparing to Move Against Him.

[From the N. O. Times, June 2.]

We take the following from the Woodville (Miss.) *Republican* of the 28th ult. Although flavored to thicken the plot a little, it doubtless contains much that reveals success. The news was received at Woodville by telegraph from Mobile:

Taylorsville, where Lee's dispatch is dated, is a Mississippi village in Hanover county, Va., 22 miles north-east and considerably west of Richmond, situated at the junction of the Newfound and South Anna rivers, and of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Louisa (Central) Railroad. It is a very important point, and for the possession of it a great battle will probably be fought as at or near Louisa Courthouse, upon which Lee's left is probably resting.

Mobile, May 26.—No dispatches this morning, but the papers are full of correspondence, in consequence of the re-opening of mail communication with Richmond. Full accounts of a recent severe aggressly improved appreciation of the situation. The fall of the enemies of the Federal advance on Richmond have been more than checked. The raid from the Peninsula, and the attack by Butler, have been nobly defeated by the troops around Richmond and Beauregard. The intrepid Breckinridge has routed the columns under Sigel and Crooks in the Shenandoah valley. Lee has broken the back bone of Grant's army; his forces being whipped, it only remains to whip Grant himself, who is plucky to the last. He (Grant) says he will not recross the Rappahannock, while he has a man left to fight. All agree this blackness have been immense.

All accounts from Georgia are cheerful, Johnston being heavily reinforced. The gallant Pinsacola, of Florida, among others, has joined him with a heavy division.

Sherman grows weary of following Johnston, and begins to appreciate his position. Our army was quietly crossing south of Etowah, while the enemy seem to have returned to Kingston and Cedartville, where he is fortifying, evidently aware that Johnston is preparing for a forward movement. His supply trains are ordered up, also timber for the rebuilding of Etowah bridge.

An English View of the Danish Question.—Denmark to be Partitioned, Prussia Getting the Lion's share.—France Profiting by the Example to Acquire the Territories on the Rhine with the Consent of England.

[From the London Times, May 7.]

The Parisians see that the war is practically over, that the Prussians is at their mercy, and that, putting aside the intervention of the great Powers, the question whether Schleswig-Holstein shall be kept or given up depends up it and Austria alone. As for the Diet and the minor States which affect to have a voice in it, the two leading German Powers make no account of them at all. They look to the Frankfort Assembly only as giving a convenient excuse for interposing delays in connection with England. However they may question, they think, that Denmark and Prussia, the old acting man and the new pretender of the Duchies, and the only efficient defender of the Duchies, and the conqueror of Dybbol, may perhaps fancy that Austria will make no objection to their taking possession of provinces which he never has and which she could develope no more to the profit of Germany. Austria, they thought, had enough to take care of at home. She would not come to her assistance in 1859, and she would not be regarded as by the blood and treasure of his dominions. The Austrians have seen before that all considerable wars of Europe money which they could not afford, and there moreover, pledges to maintain the integrity of the Danish State. There may be some forced reasoning in appeals from which they are to read to benefit. But, on our side, there is no such while matter, we are disposed to think that if Prussia be resolute and skilful the Danish Duchies may virtually be transferred to Berlin. The people would probably be brought to vote to this effect, and though to the rule of Berlin is a fate which their present one would hardly desire to fall on them, that, as said by national dislike of the Danish they would prefer it to being restored to King Christian, once with guarantees for their political independence. As for the rest of Europe, it is not likely that its opinion would be asked. If the two arms could agree as to the terms which the Austrian assent in this case would be extended hereafter, there would be no temptation for Denmark to escape from the intervention of some great European Power.

So far, however, would probability in the long time leading to the retribution. Although the two allies are likely to be united in the Conference from which their hopes to obtain an armistice, there can be no doubt that the ascendancy of the Duchies by Prussia would lead to a great change in the balance of power in Europe. Prussia, too, led by a new policy as to the old times she was to Hanover, would have committed a which the great enemy of Germany would fail to take advantage. Indeed, it may be considered clear that from the mutual jealousy there is only one State that can derive any benefit, and that is France. The policy of the Emperor has hitherto been a safe one but masterly. He has done nothing, because by every step meeting he could best bring into hostility to each the States whose union would defeat the designs. By doing so long he has conciliated the love both just for the sons of Austria, he has had a sort of revenge on Lord Russell for not accepting his Congress, he has gained the good will of the people of Prussia, and the confidence of the smaller States that fought in it, and he has encouraged Prussia to acts which have broken the last feeble bond the German States to England. Lord Derby has indeed announced to France such an extension of territory by force as will not be allowed to set a precedent which will be so offensive to this country will, we trust, in such an event recollect that Continental changes have now little importance for Englishmen. And for the immediate interests of the Great Britain allow us to see with indifference any territorial gain Prussia may so succeed in, which do not threaten one own coasts.

Dangers to Germany of a War with England.

The Continental papers received by the last mails, especially those from Paris, treat of a war between Germany and England as a matter of an impossible event. Prussia, as it seems, evidently contemplates breaking up the Conference if the Northern Powers of the Baltic, and find the Eastern Question settled against which Lord Palmerston can now give without English consent. Prussia, on the contrary, anticipation and hostile in purpose. The Berlin cabinet has certainly shown throughout the whole of this business prudence, moderation, and impartiality. We can understand the apprehension of a great power in such a case. It has accomplished by its forbearance. We will not attempt to give advice to the Prussian nation. We see by reading the journals of Berlin that Prussia, altogether infatuated by the victories in Schleswig, and by the long and irritating retreat in which it had been kept by its adversaries, which is pronounced warlike adventure and contempt of glory—when Prussia, we say, has before her all the Scandinavian Peninsula, the whole of the Baltic, and that it will receive a terrible blow from the invincible cuirasse shot which King Frederick William

When a great people is a prey to such illusions it is useless to attempt to be reasoned with by its own councils. It must become wise at its own expense. But let Austria, which during the last few years has gone over to too many fields of battle to allow the fumes of powder to be new to her brain and inhabitants, ponder over the matter. Let her consider whether the English alliance, and if she will gain much by establishing the Prussians in Holstein at the risk of bringing before Venice the day which his just Rooted over the triumphs of Radetzki. Let the citizens of the provinces of Austria remember the annexationist doctrines which M. de Bismark pinned himself two years ago, and let them not themselves if it is not the Kays of Dresden, Hanover, Cassel and Darmstadt that Prussia has annexed at Radetzky, and Prince Eugene and Frederick. Let the German people themselves and their healthy in heart and mind, who must not be judged by the sickly metaphysics of the National Verein—reflect in what situation they would be placed by a war with England. Russia being side to bring only an alliance virtually useless, and France not having yet laid her secret. The fear of Germany will be great and it is all the German coasts ravaged with cost possession, or it is general war, that is to say, a war which will be regarded as a battle for the whole world, but which would have its certain and inevitable result, whatever might happen elsewhere, the dismemberment of Germany.

The *Austrian Gazette* and the *Botschafter* profess to believe that there is no agreement between England and France. "The minds of the French people themselves are in a state of excitement," says the former journal, "that soon as at war Louis Napoleon, and a Chamber of Deputies, upon