

NEWS FROM MEXICO.

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By the arrival of the schooner *Oliver S. Breeze*, from Vera Cruz on the 26th. October, we have been put in possession of some late and important facts in regard to Mexican affairs. When the *Breeze* left Vera Cruz a report was prevalent in the city among the French that the Mexicans had recaptured Puebla.— There was no doubt of the truth of the report, although no particulars are given.

MAXIMILLIAN AND THE MEXICANS.

The Maximillian affair is looked upon by the whole Mexican nation, as a perfect farce from the beginning. The convention of "notables" consisted of five persons, as follows: General Forey, Count Saligny, Archbishop de la Bastie, Gen. Wohl, and Padre Mirands.— These five gentlemen met together in secret, unknown to and unauthorized by the people, and after disposing of a champagne supper, proceeded to discuss state affairs. The ex-officio president of the "Convocation" submitted the propositions, which are well known, to establish an empire; and as might have been expected under such circumstances, they were carried *nem con*. By this squad of five men; not one of whom could be said to be a representative of Mexico, the crown of the republic (then and there changed suddenly to an empire) was offered to an Austrian prince whose name could not be known to one Mexican in one hundred thousand throughout the whole country. It is even said that the Mexican portion of the convocation had not heard of him until his name was presented for imperial honor.

It is said that no respectable Mexican looks upon the action of these five "notables" as binding upon the nation.

DISCONTENT OF THE CHURCH PARTY.

A spirit of discontent has sprung up against the French among the Church party, on account of the little respect paid by the soldiery to church property. They have made stables of several of the churches, and taken from them the sacred chalices, and the jewels out of the eyes of the images.

In one church (the Inquisition) the diamond eyes from the image of Christ were stolen, and all the rich pictures, and the most sacred relics taken with the disregard for their sacred character, characteristic of infidel bandits. These things are having a powerful and exciting effect upon the superstitious minds of the Mexican people, who have ever shown a reckless determination to keep their churches free from the contaminating touch of infidel robbers.

OUTRAGES.

Col. Dupin, an instrument of the reactionary rebels, has raised a battalion of about one hundred and fifty men, who go about committing the worst of outrages—desecrating churches, pillaging houses, violating women, and entailing great sufferings upon all who have wealth and position, unless they have protection papers. His operations are confined to the roadside between Solidad and the City of Mexico. In going from one city to another, the victims of his outrages can be seen hanging from trees by their limbs and necks. Many are killed and others tortured.

HATE TOWARDS THE FRENCH.

Such acts have aroused a dangerous spirit of opposition, and the Mexicans now say that instead of the French coming to protect them their purpose appears to be only oppression and robbery. A very deep feeling of hate has been created, which will probably have the effect to unite the whole republic against the French and the reactionary (rebel) party.

THE EMPEROR'S EGYPTIAN AUXILIARIES.

A train of cars in passing from Mexico to Solidad, was recently fired into by men organized for the purpose, killing the commandante of Solidad, the parish priest, and several hundred others. Mr. Lyons, an Irishman, superintendent of the road, and Frank Farrell, chief-engineer, were mortally wounded. The military station of Texeria is guarded by the troops "loaned" the Emperor Napoleon by the Viceroy of Egypt. These colored troops are extremely hostile to the "Christian dogs," and have no respect for any one but Mahomedans. They have perpetrated numerous massacres.

At Madelin, another military station, these Egyptians expelled the priest.

PRIESTS AND MISSIONS.

Several priests in various parts of the republic have seceded from the Church of Rome, and have applied for power to act for the Greek Catholic Church of Constantinople. An American priest is now on his way to Constantinople to receive consecration from the hands of the patriarch archbishop, in order to be able to perpetuate the Episcopacy.

Several missions have already been established by President Juarez, and the prospects are good for a general prevalence of the power of the Greek Church, in the same manner as now prevails in Russia.