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BY TELEGRAPH.

To the New Orleans Bee.

The Franco-Prussian War.

Patriotic Tone of the French Journals.

McMahon Aware of the Crown Prince's Movements.

Committee of Defense Meets Daily.

The Capture of Paris Considered Impossible.

Action of the Corps Legislatif.

Prussian Dispatches Declare Bazaine's Communication Cut.

Bombardment of Strasburg Continues.

Interesting Dispatches to the New York Journals.

HOME NEWS.

Miscellaneous.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

Paris, Aug. 30.—The *Journal Officiel* complains that the numerous battles around Metz from minor engagements when the losses were serious, but the results indecisive.

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New York, Aug. 30.—Special to the *Tribune*:

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The Situation of the Armies.

There can be little doubt now that the Crown Prince's army has turned away from the direction of Paris and has united with those of Frederick Charles and Steinmetz. The entire Prussian force is in search of McMahon and Bazaine, if we are to believe the latest telegrams, and we think there is a great deal of probability that the movement is correctly reported.

A general battle seems to be imminent, if it has not already begun. The army of McMahon, we should judge, is drawn up not far from Mezieres and a few miles to the South of it, and the Prussian army is said to be north of Stenay. Bazaine is probably between Metz and Montmedy. Sufficiently near to co-operate with McMahon when the battle opens. The Prussians, if we have placed them correctly, will front towards the northeast, that is, towards Luxemburg, and the French will front to the southwest.

We refer to our telegrams for later information.

CANDIDATE FOR CIVIL SHERIFF.—We announce to-day the candidacy of the present incumbent, Thomas L. Maxwell, Esq., for the office of Civil Sheriff of the parish of Orleans, at the approaching election.

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LITTELL'S LIVING AGE.—The number for August 27 contains several instructive and valuable papers on topics of the day. There are articles on the war, and state of affairs in Belgium, from the *Spectator* and *Pall Mall Gazette*, carefully written, and discriminating notices of the late Earl of Clarendon and Prevost Paradol, and other selections of an interesting character.

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Other Western Papers.

French Successes Reported from Southern Sources.

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If the Prussians are repulsed they must retire behind the Moselle. France every moment grows more formidable; even now they are no longer to be invaded to take the field. Defatigued soldiers replace the *Opinion Nationale* says: "War is the last! Let not any Germans cross the Rhine. For centuries let Germany remember an enemy may enter, but cannot conquer."

Paris, Aug. 30.—The *Patrie* says military events of the utmost importance are preparing. Whatever may be the result at Verdun, France must mobilize her energy and create within all forces. Reserves which are published in Paris purporting to be from him are manufactured there.

London, Aug. 30.—A large number of Irish field hands suddenly left Lancashire for Ireland just at the beginning of the harvest. The circumstance excites fears of mischief brewing.

Steamer Darcia, Santiago de Cuba, Aug. 20.—There is continued rejoicing over the success of the new cable just laid.

FROM NEW YORK.

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