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FOREIGN ITEMS.

Thirty cardinals presented holiday greetings to the Pope this morning. Leo replied with a firm voice, and is apparently in his usual health. He expressed his satisfaction at the loyalty of Catholics throughout the world.

GERMAN COURT SCANDAL

Crown Princess of Saxony Seeks Flight

Unhappiness Growing Out of Faithlessness

Of Crown Prince - Has Affection for an Actress

Geneva, Dec. 23.—The Crown Princess Louise of Saxony is at the Hotel Geneva here with her maid and a French tutor. She becomes a mother in May. The father of the child is supposed to be an American dentist. She was accompanied here by her brother, the Arch Duke Leopold and his mistress, a French dance-hall singer. The princess received a visit today from two arch dukes, sent by Emperor Franz Joseph, asking her to return home immediately.

Suffered from Nervous Excitement.
Accompanied by the Crown Prince the Princess went to the castle of Emperor Francis Joseph, near Salzburg, a month ago. A week after their arrival at the castle the Prince broke his leg while hunting, and was brought back to Dresden. The Princess, however, remained at the castle. Why she did so the people of the court did not know, except that with gloomy tenacity the Princess usually does what she pleases.

For a little while this explanation sufficed; then fragments of gossip began to reach Dresden. It was said that the Princess had surrendered herself to periods of nervous excitement, and that her eccentricities of deportment caused much concern to her suite, and to some of her Austrian kinsfolk, who were staying at the castle with her. It is now believed that she was under surveillance, and that, if this is

true, it makes her disappearance the more extraordinary.

Dummy in Her Bed.
The narrative of the events at Salzburg during the night of December 11-12, as told in Dresden, is that the Princess, who appeared to be in an unusually tranquil mood, retired before 12 o'clock. Three hours later, when a maid looked into the room, something in the appearance of the bed prompted her to go closer and examine it. Instead of the Princess, the maid perceived a dummy figure. She awakened the ladies in waiting, and the latter, with other members of the Princess' suite, searched all the neighboring apartments, the entire castle, and finally the grounds of the castle, for the Princess, but no trace of the missing woman was found.

Her Husband Faithless.

Vienna, Dec. 23.—The flight of the Crown Princess of Saxony has caused great excitement here. It is reported that Archduke Ferdinand, accompanied by one of the court chamberlains, went to Geneva, whither it was supposed the Princess had fled. The Princess' brother, the Archduke Leopold Ferdinand, is said to be with her, but nothing can be ascertained as to her whereabouts.

It is officially explained that the Princess' disappearance is due to mental derangement. There is little doubt, however, that it was caused by domestic discord, growing out of her husband's relations with an actress of the Dresden Court Theater. It is asserted here that the Princess frequently threatened flight on this account, and that she was incensed with her father, the Grand Duke of Tuscany, for counseling her to forgive her husband. She is said to be enceinte. It was rumored here last night that the Princess was accompanied by a French tutor of her children.

It is reported that the dentist lover of the Princess is said to be a prominent Philadelphian.

One Thousand Earthquake Victims.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 23.—An official dispatch today places the number of dead and injured from the earthquake a week ago at nearly 1000. Seventy-five bodies have been interred. The seismic disturbances continue.

IMMENSE DAMAGES BY FIRE

Several Costly Buildings Destroyed

During a Fire Panic Girls are Severely Injured

Inmates of Apartment House Seriously Burned

Bradford, Pa., Dec. 23.—The Odd Fellows' brick block burned this morning. The upper floor was occupied by sleeping rooms. During the fire, and while a fireman was on a ladder assisting the people from the upper stories, they were precipitated to the ground by the breaking of the ladder, and one person was killed outright, and others

seriously injured. The loss is \$200,000.

Fire in Apartment House.
Cincinnati, Dec. 23.—A gas explosion, followed by a fire, in an apartment house this morning, created a panic among the inmates, when eight were seriously burned, and three possibly fatally. The loss is small.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 23.—A fire broke out in the Chase Candy factory this afternoon. In the panic which ensued six girls jumped from a third story window, of whom three were fatally injured. The oldest, aged 19, and three aged 15, had both legs broken. The loss from the fire is \$100,000.

Loss in Wholesale District.
Bellair, O., Dec. 23.—A fire in the wholesale district today destroyed property worth \$100,000.

Money Buried Beneath Debris.

Beatrice, Neb., Dec. 23.—A fire this forenoon destroyed the three-story brick Masonic Temple, the Beatrice National bank and several smaller buildings, and is still raging. In the vaults of the bank, buried beneath the debris, are \$300,000. The damage, so far, is about a half million.

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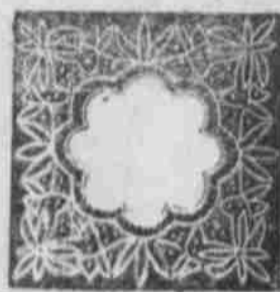
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