

OCTOBER 17, 1885.]

ECHOES.

FROM THE GERMAN PRESS.

Next Easter Sunday falls on the 29th of April, a fact which has not occurred since 1784, and will not occur again before 1943.

M. Rhangabé, the Greek Minister of Berlin, but recently recalled, has been re-appointed, and is shortly expected back in the German capital.

On November 10th, the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther, the municipality of Dresden will erect a bronze statue of the great reformer, after a design by Rietschel, in the New Market, in front of the Frauenkirche.

German papers comment favorably on the introduction of English customs and manly sports, but are less edified at that of the breach of promise suits, hitherto unknown and seriously objected to in the Fatherland.

Recent experiences in the Russian Government workshops have demonstrated the fact that the steel guns for the heavy marine and coast batteries cannot be made at home, and that, as heretofore, these orders had better be given to the Krupps.

News comes from Munich, from a highly credible source, that a private arrangement has been arrived at, according to which a sum of two million marks is to be taken annually from the Royal civil list, wherewith to pay the King's creditors, until final liquidation of his private debts, estimated at eighteen million marks.

The Prussian State Stud Administration, under the direction of Count Lehndorff, Master of Horses, is said to have recently acquired the French fifteen-year-old blood-stallion Flageolet, well known in Paris racing circles, for the sum of 80,000 marks—a sum which *connoisseurs* agree in considering a well invested one for the purposes of the purchasers.

FOR THE CINCINNATI "ZOO."

The one place to buy animals is in Hamburg, and it has really become the animal centre of the world. The largest dealer there is a man named Hagenbeck. His place is visited by showmen from all parts of the world, and his establishment is a wonderful exhibition itself. I bought from him the following animals for Cincinnati: One pair of camels, five years old, \$500; one camel gelding, the largest Hagenbeck ever saw, with a saddle which will carry six children, \$300; one pair of red Asiatic kangaroos, \$400; one male great kangaroo, \$375; one pair of zebras, \$1,300; one pair of hyenas and an E-quimaux dog (happy family), \$485; one pair of brown Russian bears, \$525; one pair of lion-slayer baboons, \$250; one male dog-faced baboon, \$275; one pair of iamas, \$400; two pair of Cashmere goats, \$350; 6 pair of Malagan geese, \$200; four pair of North Sea wild ducks, \$100; one Lowen-riger dog, \$225; one tapir, \$1,500; one pair of ant bears, \$400; one young chimpanzee, already partly trained, \$2,000.

I am also negotiating for and expect to receive, on the same steamer with the above, one pair of handsome black panthers, for which \$800 is the price; one pair of yearling tigers, \$800; and a single-horned rhinoceros, which I expect to get for \$5,000, and which will be presented to the garden by a New York city merchant. I have also hired from Hagenbeck four fur seals, which are now on exhibition in Paris. They are trained by a Dane, who will come with them. They are taught to fire a gun, lie on their backs and smoke a pipe, play a violin, and fire a cannon. They are on exhibition in a large tank, and the Dane throws his children headlong into the water, and when they cry for help the seals swim up to them and push them ashore, supporting them with their fins. They are now the wonders of Paris, and will, I think, be a great attraction in Cincinnati. I will also have an elephant which is trained to ride a velocipede, and fifteen ostriches and fifteen camels, which are ridden by thirty Zulus in a race.—*Mr. A. E. Burkhardt in the Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.*

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