

FOREIGN ITEMS.

Drawing-Rooms—Horse Marines—Volunteer Corps of Great Britain—The Mines of Italy, &c., &c.

An impostor has been passing himself off as a member of the Volunteer Corps of Great Britain in London.

The Princess of Wales to receive the guests, and merely sends Princess Alice to gather the gossip of the ceremony.

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dents happened, resulting in 184 deaths and 121 seriously wounded. The most fatal accident recorded is one in the sulphur mines Gessolungo, in Sicily, where 100 persons were killed.

London Truth tells the following:—"A week or two ago one of our best-known actresses gave her maid a month's notice, accompanying the warning by a slap on the face.

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Almost half a century ago, Charles Dickens, in his "American Notes" wrote a large amount of gush and sentimentality over the unhappy fate of a certain convict with whom he was allowed to converse at the Pennsylvania penitentiary.

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