The Empress Charlotte.

WE regret to learn that the mental condition of the Archduchess Charlotte, Empress of Mexico, shows no signs of improvement. Under the stress of the peculiarly distressing symptoms with which meutal alienation is accompanied in her case, the committee who have been charged by the Emperor of Austria with the administration of her affairs and her personal charge, have proposed to have a consultation of eminent European alienists, naming for the purpose— Dr. Griesinger, Berlin; Dr. Morel, Paris; and Dr. Maudsley, London.—*British* Medical Journal, May 18.

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