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BIRTHS.

On the 1st Aug., at Ballygunge, Calcutta, the wife of J. Scott Elliot, Esq., of a daughter.

On the 9th Aug., at Runnymede, Coonoor, Neilgherries, India, the wife of W. H. Stanes, Esq., of a son.

On Friday, the 3d inst., at Bollington, the wife of Mr. William C. L. Oliver, of a son.

On the 10th inst., at Sutton Coldfield, the wife of Thomas Storer Eddowes, Esq., of a daughter, stillborn.

On the 11th inst., prematurely, the wife of Richard Capes, Esq., of Croydon, of a son.

On Monday, the 13th inst., at Kent-town, East Mousley, Surrey, the wife of Mr. A. P. Rubidge, J.P., of Portlock, Graaff Reinet, Cape of Good Hope, of a son.

On the 14th inst., at Malvern, the wife of George Christian, Esq., of a son.

On the 14th inst., at Blake Hall, Essex, Mrs. Robert Capel Cure, of a daughter.

On the 14th inst., at Donnington, Shropshire, the wife of Lieut. J. B. Sladen, 6th Royal Lancashire Militia, of a daughter.

On the 14th inst., at The Brook, near Liverpool, Mrs. William Lassell, of a son.

On the 15th inst., at Wisborough-green, Sussex, the wife of Henry Boxall, Esq., surgeon, of a son.

On the 15th inst., at Roccles, Sydenham, the wife of Henry A. Gray, Esq., of a son.

On the 15th inst., at Croydon, the wife of Marcus Henry Johnson, Esq., of a son.

On the 15th inst., at Billingshurst, Sussex, the wife of Mr. Joseph R. Kesterton, of a son.

On the 15th inst., at Gloucester-place, Greenwich, Kent, Mrs. Thomas Fry, of a son.

On the 15th inst., at Brompton, near Chatham, the wife of Dr. Burns, surgeon, R.N., and Medical Officer to the Chatham Convict Prison, of a son, prematurely.

On the 16th inst., the wife of John Knowles, Esq., of Herne-hill Dulwich, and Moorgate-street, London, of a daughter.

On the 16th inst., at Upper Tooting, Surrey, the wife of Mark Cattley, Esq., of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

On the 21st Aug., at St. Luke's Church, Brooklyn, United States, by the Rev. J. W. Diller, Robert Bainbridge, Esq., of Brooklyn, to Martha, fourth daughter of Joseph Smith, Esq., of Clapham-road, Surrey.

On the 9th inst., at Sutton, Surrey, by the Rev. J. Maule, George Frederick, youngest son of the late George Young, Esq., of Knighton, Isle of Wight, to Charlotte, eldest daughter of Thomas Bedford, of Sutton, Surrey.

On the 14th inst., at the parish church, Badger, Shropshire, by the Rev. R. P. Boddington, rector, assisted by the Rev. George Bellett, incumbent of St. Leonard's, Bridgnorth, Alfred S. Trevor, Esq., of the Vinery, Bridgnorth, to Alice Louisa, eldest daughter of the late John Green, Esq., of the Heath, Badger.

On the 14th inst., at Goostrey Church, Sandbach, by the Rev. W. L. Dickson, the Rev. Richard Morris, vicar of Eatington, near Stratford-on-Avon, to Caroline, fourth daughter of Egerton Leigh, Esq., of High Leigh, in the county of Chester.

On the 15th inst., at Valleyfield, near Edinburgh, by the Rev. H. A. Stewart, Captain Charles William Wahab, 14th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry, to Catharine, third daughter of Charles Cowan, Esq., M.P.

On the 15th inst., at the parish church of Haigh, by the Rev. J. T. Browne, M.A., incumbent, John Thompson, Esq., M.A., of Wigan, to Sarah Elisabeth, eldest daughter of William Peace, Esq., of Haigh, F.G.S.

On the 15th inst., at East Bridgeford, Notts, by the Rev. B. W. Hutchins, rector, and the Rev. S. Broomhead Ward, rector of Teffont-Evyas, Wilts, Frederick, son of Thos. Asline Ward, Esq., of Park House, Sheffield, to Anne Charlotte, daughter of George Beaumont, Esq., of Bridgeford, of Bridgeford.

On Wednesday, the 15th inst., at Trouthock, Windermere, by the Rev. F. A. L. Foster, rector of Saxby, Lincolnshire, assisted by the Rev. William Taylor, rector of Swynnerton, Staffordshire, Thomas Barham, second son of the late Rev. Thomas Barham Foster, Chairman of Salford Quarter Sessions, to Mary Anne, only daughter of Samuel Taylor, Esq., of Ibbotsholme, Windermere, and Eccleston, Lancashire.

DEATHS.

On the 13th July, of cholera, at Macao, China, Joseph, second son of Capt. W. C. Naughan, Hackney.

On the 6th inst., at 3, Crawley-street, Oakley-square, after a long and painful illness, borne with Christian patience and resignation, Eleanor, second daughter of the late Mr. Richard Jones, of Cambrian House, Norwood, in her 32d year, sincerely beloved and regretted. Her end was peace.

On the 7th inst., aged five months, Samuel Herbert, much beloved and only son of Mr. Samuel H. Dixon, of 94, Hatton-garden.

On the 10th inst., at St. John's-wood, Regent's-park, Elizabeth Jane, relict of the late Joseph Buchwald, Esq., in her 81st year.

On the 12th inst., at Brighton, Anne, widow of Captain William Rugen Chase, R.N., of 7, Hallow crescent, Brompton, leaving two daughters to mourn their sad loss.

On the 12th inst., at his residence, Dover Villa, New-road, Hammersmith, William Bugby, Esq., aged 63.

On the 12th inst., at Croom's-hill, the residence of her great grandmother, Rebecca Mary, eldest child of Henry Fletcher Knight and Rosetta Margaret Rigge, of Wood Broughton, in North Lancashire, aged three years.

On the 12th inst., at the Ranger's Lodge, near Charlbury, Oxon, Elizabeth Charlotte, wife of the Rev. H. B. Swanzy, and daughter of St. Peter's, Northampton, and youngest daughter of the late Lord Churchill.

On the 12th inst., at Odessa, Mrs. Smaragda G. Tamvaco, aged 54, sister of Madame F. Ralli, of 5, Somaught-place west, and of D. P. Sparanga, Esq., of 43, Gloucester-place, Hyde-park-gardens.

On the 13th inst., at Boulak Lodge, Hammersmith, Miss Harvey, aged 65.

On the 13th inst., at the residence of her sister, 57, Euston-road, St. Pancras, after a lengthened illness, Miss Jane Chalkley Mitchell, aged 73, deeply loved and regretted.

On Monday, the 13th inst., at Lowestoft, Samuel Parr, Esq., of Knowle, Clyst St. George, in the county of Devon.

On the 13th inst., at Allanbank, Lucy Anne, daughter of the late Sir Robt. Preston, Bart., and relict of the late Thomas Boswell, Esq., of Blackadder.

On Monday, the 13th inst., aged 67, Mr. George Roberts, of Peckham-rye, Surrey.

On the 14th inst., in Wilton-place, Belgrave-square, the Chisholm of Chisholm.

On the 14th inst., at Pembury-road, Clapton, Samuel Roper, Esq., in his 70th year.

On Tuesday, the 14th inst., at Holly-hill, Hartfield, Sussex, Sarah Anne, Lady Shelley, aged 83, relict of the Rev. Sir Robert Shelley, Bart., of Norman-park, Bexley, Lincolnshire.

On the 14th inst., at No. 1, Marquess Villas, Canonbury, Caroline Harriet, the beloved wife of Mr. Charles Stow, aged 55.

On the 14th inst., at his residence, 69, Broad-street, Reading, Henry Chase, Esq.

On the 14th inst., at Baden-Baden, Edward P. Mainwaring, Esq., eldest son of Rear-Admiral Mainwaring, of Whitmore Hall, in the county of Stafford.

On the 14th inst., Mr. Samuel Latham, at his residence, Epping, Essex, aged 92, late of the Borough of Southwark.

On the 15th inst., at North-street, Hamilton, after a long illness, Emma, the beloved and affectionate wife of William Richards Hitchcock, aged 40.

On the 14th inst., at Cokethorpe-park, Oxfordshire, in her 64th year, Elizabeth Hughes, widow of the late Thomas Thornhill, Esq., of Woodleys, Oxfordshire.

On Tuesday, the 14th inst., after a long and painful illness, which he bore with Christian fortitude, aged 47, Mr. R. E. Nye, of the Duke of York, Gloucester-street, Clerkenwell, highly respected by all who knew him.

On the 15th inst., in Belgravia, aged 20, Harriett Elizabeth, eldest daughter of the late William Harper, Esq., of Stamford.

On the 15th inst., after a long and severe illness, Elizabeth, the beloved wife of Mr. Colk, of Fleet-street.

On the 15th inst., at Adlington Villa, Highbury, New-park, in his 86th year, George Brackenhill, Esq.

On the 16th inst., Mr. William Ferres, of Wandsworth.

On the 16th inst., Mr. J. M. Wright, of Albion-road, Stoke Newington, and 6, Mincing-lane, city, in his 42d year.

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MONUMENTAL SCULPTURE.—The Carrara Marble Works, 63, Quadrant, Regent-street.—MONUMENTS, tombs, tablets, fonts, communion tables, scagliola columns, &c., and every description of marble and stone work, executed in a superior style, and at reasonable charges. Export orders.—T. GAFFEY, 63, Quadrant, Regent-street; manufactory, Westminster. Established 1820.

NO. 83, (late 101,) GREAT PORTLAND-STREET, Cavendish-square, W.—C. P. BLACKBURN, Furnishing Undertaker, takes this opportunity to announce to his numerous friends that, in consequence of an order from the Metropolitan Board of Works, all the numbers of the houses have been altered, which has caused several mistakes and much trouble; for the future he will feel obliged if they will address him as above. C. P. B. begs to return his sincere thanks to his friends for the valuable support he has received for the last 30 years, and flatters himself, from the continued encouragement he has met with, that his system of business is approved of, and assures them the same will be pursued, and their interests faithfully studied, by which he hopes to obtain a continuance of their favours.

BIRTHS, Marriages, and Deaths, Next of Kin, &c.—Persons destroyed having a correct copy of their ARMORIAL BEARINGS, family history, &c., sent (verbal communication) by the Royal heraldic office. Plain sketch of arms, 2s. 6d.; in heraldic colours 5s.; parish records searched and family pedigrees traced, 10s.; crest engraved on seal or ring, 7s.; book plates, 7s. 6d. Guide to Heraldry, 400 engravings, 2s.—by T. CULLETON, genealogist, &c., 2, Long-acre, one door from St. Martin's-lane. Studio and library open daily.

MONUMENTS, Tombs, Chimney-pieces, &c.—The largest STOCK of MANUFACTURED MARBLE in Europe, on view at the Berlyn Marble Works, in the Valley of the Newman-street. Manufactories—Carrara, Brussels, and 17, Newman-street, Oxford-street.—EDWARDES, EDWARDS, and Co., Proprietors.

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SMALL IRON WORKSHOP, 12 by 6, with glass in front, for SALE, price £15. Also, a Photograph-house, all iron and glass, very portable, 12 by 7; price £16.—R. RICHARDSON, 99 Euston-road, London, lately called New-road.

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THE best and cheapest PAINT for PARK FENCING, all outside Wood and Iron Work, is MITCHELL'S ANTIper cent. Used largely now and for many years past by the West India Dock Company, for fencing, barges, &c. Recommended to the notice of gentry, stewards, land agents, &c. A liberal allowance to the trade, &c.—Manufactory Kennington-lane, Lambeth.

CATER LEAVES TOWN on Friday, 17th, for a fortnight.

HOW cruel it is for you to refuse to see your brother. Your further refusal will only give greater reason for self-reproach. Much can be done and saved now by your seeing him.

TO S——N.—You were seen in London on Sunday last. WRITE immediately to your brother, and state where a letter will find you, or he is afraid steps may be taken prejudicial to your future prospects.—R.

O. I. E.—No chance, I fear, of Australia. I am most unhappy, but hope against hope; can you do so? Will you sacrifice so much at least as to wait two years? Write as agreed. Letters will be forwarded. Whatever happens, remember the German Lenz.

TO LODGING-HOUSE-KEEPERS and others.—A LADY, aged 20, LEFT her HOME last Monday. She was dressed handsomely, and had with her a black box, with brass corners and nails, lady's saddle and bridle, &c. Supposed to have taken apartments near Torrington-square. Her distressed mother will receive the information with deep gratitude. Call or address Mrs. Brier, 11, Drummond-street, Euston-square.

LOST, a BUNCH of KEYS, supposed to have been left in a cab which set down at Cambridge-place last Friday. Whoever will bring the same to 2, Cambridge-place, Hyde-park, will be REWARDED.

LOST, a small BUNCH of KEYS (one a watch key), on Monday last, between Baker-street and the Bank. If the same are restored this week to Mr. Fisher, 7, Paddington-street, Marylebone, a REWARD of TWO SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE will be paid.

LOST, on the 15th of September, in Princes-street, Cavendish-square, a MAROON LEATHER PURSE, with elastic band, containing a £10 Bank of England note, £5 ditto, and sovereigns. Whoever will restore the same shall receive the REWARD of FIVE POUNDS. Apply at Mr. Portch's, 26, Princes-street, Cavendish-sq.

LOST, on the evening of Thursday, the 9th of September, or the morning of the following day, a £10 BANK of ENGLAND NOTE. It must have been dropped either in a cab between Charing-cross and Westbourne-street, or Westbourne street and the Euston Station, on Thursday evening, or during the journey by the night mail of Thursday from London to Carlisle. THREE POUNDS REWARD will be given for its restoration to Messrs. Waterlow, Parliament-street, S.W.

TEN SHILLINGS REWARD.—LOST, on Tuesday, Sept. 7, a small PARROT, gray head, yellow under the wings, back green. Whoever will return it to Mr. Whittaker, dealer in foreign birds, 70, Charlotte-street, Fitzroy-square, will receive the above reward.

TEN SHILLINGS REWARD.—LOST, between the hours of 5 and 7, near the park-gate, Marble Arch, Sept. 15, a BROWN and WHITE SPOTTED DOG; long ears, curly hair, large size, spaniel breed. Answers to the name of Dash, having a brass collar, with name and office, on. Whoever brings the same to 24, Upper Seymour-street west, W., will receive the above reward.

DOG.—LOST, on Sept. 11, a BLACK RETRIEVER BITCH, with collar on, very fine coat, and answers to the name of Topsy. Whoever will bring the same to 23, Cecil-street, Strand, uninjured, will be handsomely REWARDED. No further reward will be offered.

DOG LOST.—STRAYED from his home, on the morning of the 15th, a large BLACK DOG, between a retriever and Newfoundland; answers to the name of Hector. Whoever will bring him to Mr. Edgar, 10, Keeller, 13, Lower Porchester-street, Oxford-square, will be handsomely REWARDED.

BANK NOTE FOUND; will be given up on proof of ownership, and payment of expenses.—Somervell, Burr and Co., 35, Noble-street, city.

NOTICE.—Miss HUGHES, late of 34, Park-street, Grosvenor-square, is requested to CALL at 24, Edgware-road, as the things must be removed by the 23d of this month.—M. W., Sept. 16, 1858.

TO PARISH CLERKS and others.—WANTED, the MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE of THOMAS CHANDLER and ANN COOK, between the years 1851 and 1853; and Christening and Burial Certificates of Thomas Chandler and Ann Hay between the years 1777 and 1779. Any person forwarding this information to C. Aubrey, the Hale, Tottenham, N., will be REWARDED.

BANK of ENGLAND.—Unclaimed Dividends.—Application having been made to the Governors of the Bank of England for the unclaimed dividends on the undermentioned £2,356 Consolidated £3 per Cent. Annuities, heretofore standing in the name of MARGARET HOW, of Tiverton, Devon, spinster, and which dividends were paid over to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt on the Receipt of part thereof, having remained unclaimed since the 5th of January, 1841;—Notice is hereby given, that, on the expiration of three months from this date, the said Dividends will be Paid to Margaret Lane, wife of Captain Frederick William Lane (formerly Captain Lane), and Margaret How, who has claimed the same, unless some other claimant shall sooner appear and make out his claim thereto.

BANK of ENGLAND.—Unclaimed Stock.—Application having been made to the Governors of the Bank of England to direct the re-transfer from the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt of the sum of £50 New £3 per Cent. Annuities, heretofore standing in the names of CHARLES LAYTON, Esq., Rev. HENRY PLIMLEY, deceased, THOMAS DAWSON, gentleman, and JOSEPH SHARMAN, gentleman, all of Windsor, Berkshire, and which was transferred to the said Commissioners in consequence of the dividends thereon not having been received since the 5th of July, 1854;—Notice is hereby given, that, on the expiration of three months from this date, the said Stock will be Re-transferred, and the dividends thereon paid, to the Rev. Charles Buckner, sole executor of Mary Plimley, widow, the surviving executor of the said Rev. Henry Plimley, deceased, who was the survivor, who has claimed the same, unless some other claimant shall sooner appear and make out his claim thereto.

THE GREAT EASTERN STEAM SHIP.—Admission until further notice, 1s. each, except Fridays, on which day 2s. 6d. each person. JOHN YATES, Sec.

13, Gresham-street, August 27, 1858.

PANORAMA, from the RIGHI KULM, of Switzerland, at sunrise, is now OPEN, embracing the range of the sublime snow-clad mountains and beautiful lakes below them. Lucknow and Delhi are also open. Admission, 1s. to each view. Daily, from 10 till dusk.—BURFORD's, Leicester-square.

ROYAL COLOSSEUM, OPEN DAILY, from 12 to 5 and from 7 to 10.—The Comet will form the interesting Subject of a Lecture, in preparation by Dr. Bachhoffner.—Also Popular Science by Dr. Bachhoffner Magic by Mr. Taylor—Chairvoyance by Mlle. Prevost.—Entertainments by Professor Pepper.—Dissolving Telegraph, by Mr. Traice.—Chinese Views.—Three stupendous Panoramas, &c. Admission 1s.; children under 10 and schools half-price.

WILL CLOSE SATURDAY NEXT.—MUNICH GALLERY of ENAMEL PICTURES.—This rare COLLECTION, the works of Wuttlich, Chas. Delminger, Langhamer, Muller, Schadle, Feuchtle, and Mayer, is now EXHIBITING at 168, Piccadilly-street, one door from the corner of Soho-square. Admission 1s. to those not presenting cards of invitation. The collection to be sold, entire or separately.

MADAME TUSSAUD'S EXHIBITION, at the Bazaar Baker-street.—A Full-length Portrait Model of the Grand Duke CONSTANTINE, High Admiral of Russia, is nowadded, being a combination of celebrated characters of the present times which have exhibitions to the honour of being visited by strangers from all parts of the world.

ASTLEY'S ROYAL AMPHITHEATRE.—The Lessee respectfully announces that the THEATRE is CLOSED for the purpose of being entirely redecorated and embellished.—Mr. William Cooke begs to intimate that the great equestrian and dramatic establishment, with its incomparable company of artists, unequalled stud and cream coloured stud of horses, such as for extent, celebrity, and beauty have never on any occasion visited the provinces, pronounced by the press of Europe unequalled in the world, will visit Epsom, Tuesday, 21st; Dorking, 22d; Winchester, 23d; Reading, 24st; Wallingford, the 22d; Oxford, two days, 23d and 24th; Thame, 25th. The morning entertainment, commencing at 2 o'clock, will consist of the same Royal Programme and Equestrian Studies as represented by special command, on Tuesday, June 24, before Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, the King of the Belgians, the Duke and Duchess of Brabant, and Royal Family, at Buckingham Palace. The Evening Performance, commencing at 7, will present an elegant bouquet of equestrian gems, concluding with equestrian illustration to Sir Walter Scott's Kenilworth, or the Golden Days of Queen Elizabeth.

ALHAMBRA PALACE, Leicester-square.—Lessees, Messrs. ROWES and CUSHING.—The best ventilated Building in Europe.—Great Success.—Every Evening at 8 o'clock, will proclaim the enthusiasm of the numerous and delighted audience who daily and nightly throng the Alhambra to witness Mme. Delavanti in her graceful and daring ascent on a portion of the Atlantic Telegraph Wire to the Dome of the Alhambra Palace, being 100 feet in height and 200 feet in length, a feat never attempted by any other artiste. Wallett's celebrated Circus Company. Extraordinary and brilliant success of the unrivalled Equestrian and Gymnastic Artistes and the unequalled Stud of Horses. Two performances daily. Mid-day entertainment at half-past 2; evening at 5 o'clock. Private boxes, £2; stalls, 5s.; reserved seats, 3s.; boxes, 2s.; pit, 1s.; gallery, 6d. Box office open from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. No fees for booking places. Children under nine years of age half-price.

ROYAL BOTANIC SOCIETY, Regent's-park.—Notice.—The Fellows of the Society are informed that the AGAVE AMERICANA (American Aloe) is now in FULL BLOOM, and each flower stalk is 27 feet high. J. DE CARLESCOWERBY, Secretary.

Sept. 16th, 1858.

THE ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS, Regent's-park, are OPEN DAILY, except on Sunday. Admission 1s.; on Monday 6d. Among the recent additions to the menagerie are the Mooruk from New Britain, and the rarest of the British waterfowl, the Red-breasted Goose. Illustrated guide-book is sold at the Gardens, price 6d.

ROYAL SURREY GARDENS.—The Grand Display of Fireworks which gave such delight on the 4th inst. will be repeated THIS EVENING, at 9 o'clock. Saturday, 18th, the Messiah will be performed in the best possible style; and on Monday next the autumn season will commence with the best instrumental performance of the day.

ROSHERVILLE GARDENS, the Place to spend a Happy Day.—Dramatic Performances, Fêtes, and Ballets throughout September, daily at 3, 6, and 8 o'clock. Dancing in the intermediate hours from half-past 4 to half-past 10. Promenades on Sundays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays. Fine Music. Fireworks.

ROYAL GARDENS CREMORNE still continue to attract crowded audiences. Last week of the Cirque Oriental. Last Week of the Lauri Family. Last week but one of the Royal Marionettes. Monday and during the week, Grand Arena Entertainments—Double Ballet of Action, entitled Flora's Fête. Sweet Violets. New Extravaganza by the Marrionettes, called Alladin or the Wonderful Lamp—Vocal and Instrumental Concert—Fireworks from the Pyrotechnic Temple, &c. Open Sunday for Promenade. Table d'Hôte, at 6. Dancing on the Crystal Platform. Preparations are making for a Grand Closing Fête.

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HIGHBURY-BARN.—TheLEVIATHAN PLATFORM EVERY EVENING.

PORTLAND ROOMS, Foley-street, Portland-place.—Mr. H. C. FRERE begs to inform the nobility, gentry, his pupils, and subscribers his GRAND OPENING FULL DRESS BALL will take place on Wednesday, September 29th, and the usual soirées every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday during the season. Dancing to commence at 10 o'clock precisely.

A DELAIDE GALLERY CASINO, Lowther Arcade, Strand.—The above ROOMS OPEN every evening. The celebrated band of the Argyll Rooms will play, by particular desire, selections from Il Trovatore, La Traviata, and Rigoletto. Conductor, Mons A. LAMOTTE. Principal cornet-à-piston, M. Boulcourt. Leader, Mr. Charles Hall. Doors open at half-past 8, commence at 9. Admission 1s.

AMATEUR AUTHORS and ACTORS, or an Evening at Home NEW and ORIGINAL ENTERTAINMENT, as given at the Royal Polytechnic by D. FUSELEY, author of "Five Dramas," "The Rise and Progress of Australia," "The Poetical Register," &c. Terms for the delivery of the above humorous entertainment may be had of Mr. Fuseley, Rochester-road, N.W.

ENGLISH OPERA, DRURY-LANE.—A good BOX on the Queen's tier, to hold six persons, price 31s. 6d., can be had by the night at G. BUBB's library, 167, New Bond-street.

OVERLAND PARCELS.—September Mails:—To Calcutta, Madras, Ceylon, Aden, Mauritius, Singapore, China, Manilla, 4th and 20th; Bombay, Aden, 4th and 25th; Australia, New Zealand, Aden, Ceylon, 12th. Pre-payment optional, on certain conditions. Prospectuses, with rates and dates of despatch, apply to G. W. Wheatley and Co. (late Waghorn), 150, Leadenhall-street, E.C.; or Chaplin's, Regent-circus, W. Overland Guides, price 1s 6d.

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NEW ZEALAND and AUSTRALIAN COLONIES.—YOUNG and Co., Ship and Insurance and Freight and Passenger Brokers. The best information respecting the above colonies. Passages secured on the most favourable terms, and goods entrusted to their care promptly despatched by first-class ships. Letters of credit granted.—Colonists' rooms, 61, Cornhill, London, E.C. Pamphlets of all the New Zealand colonies without charge.

AUSTRALIA, East and West Indies, New Zealand, Canada, and America.—OUTFITS for all classes of passengers provided by Messrs. N. HEMMING and Co., 93, Gracechurch-street, city, the cheapest outfitting establishment in London. Copy the address. N.B. Cabins fitted up with every requisite. Lists of absolute necessaries for the voyage may be had gratis, either upon application or by post. Baggage warehoused and shipped.

SEA-BATHING.—AYCKBOURN's celebrated FLOAT, improved in construction and reduced in price, is the best swimming instructor and life-preserver that can be used by either sex. Price 8s. only, or sent by post for 9s. Wholesale and retail of WILLIAM HOOPER, 7, Pall-mall east, manufacturer of water beds and pillows, hose for brewers, farmers, and gas-fitters, portable folding baths, and every kind of Indiarubber article vulcanized or plain.

CRYSTAL PALACE.—THIS DAY, Friday, open at 12. Admission half-a-crown; children, 1s.

TO-MORROW.—Mme. CLARA NOVELLO, Mr. and Mme. Weiss, and Miss Ransford will SING some of their most popular songs To-morrow, at the CRYSTAL PALACE, on the occasion of the first of the two Early Closing Fêtes, for which a variety of other special entertainments are also provided. The Committee of the Early Closing Association, in expressing their hope that they will be well supported by their friends on this occasion, desire to draw special attention to the circumstance that instead of the usual high rate of charge to concerts of the above high character, the price of admission will be 1s. only. Doors open at 10. The concert will commence at half-past 12. Programme:—1, Overture, Martha; Pistow—2 Song, Hush, ye pretty warbling choir (Acis and Galatea), Mme. Clara Novello, flute obligato M. Svendsen; Handel—3, Aria, Love rules the Palace, Miss Ransford; Adam—4, Song, The Village Blacksmith, Mr. Weiss—5, Grand scena, Softly sighs (Freischutz), Mme. Weiss; Weber—6, New song, The beating of my own heart (expressly composed for Mme. Clara Novello), Mme. Clara Novello; Macfarren—7, Duet, Come, be gay (Freischutz), Mme. Weiss and Miss Ransford; Weber—8, Romance, Ma negli ostrani istanti (Il Giuramento), Mme. Clara Novello; Mercadante—9, Duet, Laci darem (Don Giovanni), Mr. Weiss and Mme. Clara Novello; Mozart—10, Old ballad, O, softly sleep, my Baby Roy, Mme. Weiss; Smith—11, Scotch song, Within a mile, Miss Ransford—12, English song, The Wolf, Mr. Weiss; Shield—13, Wedding March; Mendelssohn. A variety of other special attractions (see small bills at 35, Ludgate-hill. Admission 1s. For reserved seats, 2s. 6d. extra.

CRYSTAL PALACE.—Mme. CLARA NOVELLO will SING at the Grand Concert, To-morrow, September the 18th, to commence at half-past 3 o'clock. Admission 1s. Reserved seats half-a-crown extra. Tickets may be had at the Crystal Palace and at No. 2, Exeter-hall.

CRYSTAL PALACE.—Mlle. Piccolomini's Farewell to England.—The FAREWELL CONCERT of this popular artiste will take place on Tuesday, the 28th September (the day before her sailing for America), when will be given a grand miscellaneous concert, comprising the principal features of her repertoire. The concert will also be supported by Signor Giuglini, and other artistes from Her Majesty's Theatre. Admission by season tickets, or by day tickets if purchased on or before the 27th instant 2s. 6d.; by payment on the day of performance 5s., reserved stalls 2s. 6d. extra. Plans of seats now ready at the Crystal Palace, and 2, Exeter-hall, where, as well as at the usual agents, tickets may be had. Information of excursion trains from various parts of the country may be obtained at the Secretary's office, Crystal Palace.

CRYSTAL PALACE.—Picture Gallery.—The great PICTURE, by JAMES WARD, R.A., considered by the most eminent connoisseurs as the rival of the celebrated Paul Potter Bull, and which excited great interest at the Art Treasures Exhibition, Manchester, is now ON VIEW in the new gallery. Above 230 important ancient and modern pictures have lately been added to the collection now formed in the new gallery within the building.

The Photographic Exhibition, exhibiting in the Picture Gallery, is now open, and contains several hundred first-class specimens.

Applications for space for the exhibition of sterling works to be addressed to the Secretary.

CRYSTAL PALACE.—Ceramic Court.—Under the Direction of Thomas Battam, Esq., F.S.A.—The EXHIBITION of ENAMELS, Porcelain, and Pottery now contains examples from the collection of Her Majesty the Queen, the Duke of Devonshire, Earl Granville, Lord Ward, Baron Meyer de Rothschild, M. Danby Seymour, Esq., M.P., F. W. Fairholt, Esq., S. Addington, Esq., Dr. Sibson, F.R.S., J. Falcke, Esq., the Athenæum, Stoke-upon-Trent, Messrs. Rittener and Saxby, Messrs. Hewett, Madame Temple, &c., to cover nearly the whole of the manufactures of Messrs. Minton, Copeland, Kerr and Burns, Ridgway and Co., Rose, Phillips, &c., including the series of Ceramic works executed for the Art Union of London.

CRYSTAL PALACE.—ARNOLD'S FRUIT MODELS.—These perfect imitations of nature are now exhibited in the French Court; where specimens may be purchased, with descriptions by the Committee of the Gotha Horticultural Society.

MR. ELLIS ROBERTS, Harpist to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, assisted by Miss Annie Cox, will give his popular HARP ENTERTAINMENT, October 12th, Chelmsford; 13th, Colchester; 14th, Ipswich; 15th, Cambridge; 19th, Hitchin; 20th, Southwark. Secretaries of institutions and musical societies are requested to address their communications to E. R., 6, Eldon street, Finsbury-square.

MR. and Mrs. GERMAN REED'S POPULAR ILLUSTRATIONS, TO-NIGHT, 17th, Worthing; 20th, at Ryde; 21st, at St. Leonard's.

CHRISTY'S MINSTREL'S PROVINCIAL TOUR.—THIS EVENING, and every evening during the week, at Clayton-hall, Liverpool. All communications to be addressed to Mr. Mitchell's, Royal library, 33, Old Bond-street, London, W.

CANTERBURY-HALL, Westminster-road, OPEN EVERY EVENING, at 7. Selections from all the popular operas, &c. &c. Grand vocalist—Mesars. St. Alby, Lee, Hilms, W. C. Bernard, Senors Tivoli and Antonio, Miss Russell, Mrs. Lawrence, and Mrs. Anderson; comic—Messrs. E. W. Mackney and J. G. Forde. Musical director, Mr. F. Jonghmans. Suppers, &c., until 12.

CHARLES OKEY's PARIS—Parisians, their Peculiarities and Pastimes—German Springs—Piano, Diorama, and Real Water Scenes. Admission 1s., reserved seats, 2s. Every night, at 8.—Lowther Arcade Rooms, Adelaide-street, Charing-cross. Will close until the 27th.

MR. W. S. WOODIN, at Darlington, with his OLIO of ODDITIES, TO-NIGHT (Friday), Sept. 17; Richmond, Sept. 18; Wolsingham, Sept. 21; Sunderland, Sept. 23 and 24; South Shields, Sept. 25; North Shields, Sept. 27; Newcastle, Sept. 28 and 29; Brampton, Oct. 1; Carlisle, Oct. 4.

MR. and Mrs. HOWARD PAUL's comic and musical ENTERTAINMENT PATCHWORK, EVERY EVENING, at 8, at the Egyptian-hall, Piccadilly. This entertainment embodies 14 impersonations of character, Scotch, English, and Irish ballads, Parisian chansonnettes, whims and oddities, grabs from Punch, &c. Stalls, 3s.; area, 2s.; gallery, 1s. A morning representation every Saturday at 3. No extra charge for booking seats.

PROFESSOR WILJALBA FRIKELL, TO-NIGHT.—Polygraphic-hall, King William-street, Charing-cross. —TWO LECTURES on MESMERISM and CLAIRVOYANCE, at 8 and 9. Professor Frikell's departure on a provincial tour. Every evening at 8; Saturday afternoons at 3. Private boxes, one guinea; box stalls, 5s.; orchestra stalls, 3s.; area, 2s.; amphitheatre, 1s. Places may be secured at the Polygraphic-hall, and at Mr. Mitchell's Royal library 33, Old Bond-street.

PARIS, Marseilles, Brussels, Cologne, and the Rhine, by the DAY MAIL PACKETS, via Dover and Calais, leaving London-bridge Station at 1.30 p.m., and Dover at 4 p.m., daily, except Sunday. This is the most convenient and agreeable route, for families and travellers can either pursue their journey the same night or stop at Calais, and proceed by any train the next morning to all parts of the continent. Through tickets and every information as to passports, &c., obtained at the chief office, 56, Lombard-street.

PARIS, via Newhaven and Dieppe.—Shortest Route. Last Train from London-bdge Arrive in Paris weather permitting. Sept. 18, at 8.0 a.m. Sept. 18, at 11.15 p.m. Sept. 20, at 8.30 a.m. Sept. 21, at 5.6 p.m.

Through fares:—First class, 28s.; second, 20s. To Dieppe, 18s. and 14s.; return tickets to Dieppe, 27s. and 21s. Steward's fee, first class, 1s.; second, 6d. Apply at the Brighton railway stations; at the offices, 3, Regent-circus, Piccadilly; and at the Continental Railway Office, 8, International passports to Dieppe to

BRAZIL and RIVER PLATE MAIL STEAMERS.—The ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKETS leave Southampton on the 9th of each month conveying Her Majesty's mails, passengers, specie, &c., for CAPE DE VERDES, Pernambuco, Bahia, Rio de Janeiro, Monte Video, and Buenos Ayres. Return tickets issued with an abatement of 25 per cent. from the passage money. For any details and the Company's hand-book, giving information respecting the conveyance of the specie, goods, and parcels, apply personally or by letter to the undersigned, or to Captain Vincent, Superintendent of the Company, Southampton. R. T. REEP, Secretary.

55, Moorgate-street, London.

Specie, goods, parcels, or luggage sent to Southampton should be addressed to a shipping agent there.

WEST INDIES, Mexico, Colon, or Aspinwall, Central America, Panama, and the Pacific.—The ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET COMPANY'S VESSELS, with Her Majesty's mails, leave Southampton on the 2d and 17th of each month, conveying passengers, specie, cargo, and parcels. Return tickets issued with an abatement of 25 per cent. from the passage-money. Trains run daily across the Isthmus of Panama, and from Panama steamers start for California and the South Pacific. For any details, and for the Company's hand-book, apply personally or by letter to the undersigned, or to Captain Vincent, Superintendent of the Company, Southampton. R. T. REEP, Secretary.

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STEAM from LONDON to CONSTANTINOPLE and ODESSA, calling at Havre, Malta, and Smyrna.—The newand powerful screw steamer NORNA, 1,200 tons, 300 horse-power, EDWARD DIXON, Commander, is now loading at the East-lane Pier, for the above ports, and is intended to clear on Saturday, Sept. 18. Has superior accommodation for passengers. For freight or passage apply to A. G. Robinson, 64, Mark-lane; or to Smith, Sundius, and Co., 17, Gracechurch-street, E.C.

STEAM to ITALY.—The splendid and favourite screw steamer EARSDON, A 1, burden 420 tons, loads in the London Docks for GENOA, Leghorn, Naples, Messina, and Palermo. For freight apply to Pickernell, Brothers, 33, Fenchurch-street.

STEAM from LONDON to ITALY.——The very favourite fast screw steamer IMPERIAL, A 1, will be despatched punctually on the 30th Sept. for GENOA, Leghorn, Naples, and Messina lying at the Spirit Quay, London Docks. Apply to Alfred Laming and Co., 70, Cornhill, E.C.

STEAM NAVIGATION in the BLACK SEA.—The Steam Vessels belonging to the Russian Steam Navigation and Trading Company run regularly during the summer season between Odessa and Constantinople, Eupatoria, Sebastopol, Taita, Theodosia, Kertch, Nicolaieff, Kherson, Otchakoff, and vice versa. Also between Kertch and Berdianski, Marioupol, Yeisk, Taganrog, and vice versa. And between Kertch and Poti, Redout Kaleh, and Soukhoum Kaleh, and vice versa. For scales of freight and passage money apply to the London agents, Messrs. Somes, Mullens, and Co., 85, Old Broad-street, city, E.C.

STEAM from LONDON to St. PETERSBURG.—The splendid and powerful A 1 screw steamer GERTRUDE, 600 tons, R. R. MARTIN, Commander, will load off East-lane. Has good accommodation for passengers, and will sail on the 25th inst. For freight, &c. apply to Harrington, Hewett, and Co., 3, Leadenhall-street; or to Z. C. Pearson, Coleman, and Co., 34, Great St. Helen's.

STEAM to ST. PETERSBURG from HULL.—The steam-ship ATLANTIC, 1 800 tons and 400-horse power, Capt. THOMAS MARSHALL, is intended to sail about September 24. This splendid vessel is well known for her speed and superior accommodation for passengers. Apply in London at 33, Regent's-circus, Piccadilly; in Hull, Andrews, 44, Lombard-street, W.; or to Thos. Wilson, Sons, and Co., Hull.

STEAM to ST. PETERSBURG from HULL.—The splendid steam ship TIGER, 800 tons, B. P. BEAUMONT, Commander is intended to be despatched from Hull to CRONSTADT about the 27th September. The passenger accommodations of this fine vessel is of the first order, and replete with every comfort and convenience. Return tickets available during the season, granted for a fare and a half.—Brownlow and Co., Hull; or George Russell, 85, Lower Thames-street London, E.C.

IMPERIAL and ROYAL AUSTRIAN DANUBE STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of VIENNA.—The steamers of this Company are now running from Vienna to GALATZ, Odessa and Constantinople, in connexion with the steamers of the Austrian Lloyd's and the Bavarian boats, calling at intermediate stations. (See Bradshaw's Continental Railway Guide, page 174).

The Directors of this Company have made arrangements for carrying grain on the Danube, in iron barges towed by steamers, to the harbour of Sulina, and down the mouth of the Danube, which is intended to be laden at Galatz or Braila may avoid the risk and delay attending the navication of the Danube, while ships of larger size, which hitherto have been prevented from getting up the Danube are afforded the opportunity of loading at Sulina.

The freight is as follows:—From Ibrail or Galatz to Sulina, about 2s. 9d. per imperial quarter, exclusive of cost of loading and discharge; if across the Sulina bar, 3s. 3s. 6d. per quarter is charged, whether the own crews effect the discharge wholly or in part; these rates being, however, subject to reduction (according to circumstances) to be arranged with the Company's agent at Galatz.

Arrangements have also been made for the direct transmission of goods from Vienna to France, Germany, Holland, Belgium, Switzerland, and Foralberg; and also from Rotterdam and Amsterdam direct to Vienna and other places on the Danube, at fixed rates.

Contracts for the transport of grain can be entered into, and full particulars of rates of freights, transport, &c., obtained, at the agency for the United Hingdom, 81, London-wall, E.C., London.

Vienna, May, 1858.

HAMBURG, £1 5s.—The General Steam Navigation Company's first-class STEAMSHIPS leave from off St. Katharine's-wharf for HAMBURG every Wednesday and Saturday morning. Sept. 18th, at 9: 22d, at 11 morn. Saloon, £2; fore, £1 5s.

STEAM between LONDON and ROTTERDAM.—The fine powerful steam-ship SCHIEDAM, A 1 12 years, 400 tons burden, trades regularly between the above ports, leaving London every Saturday morning (leaving Friday), and Rotterdam every Monday. Has excellent accommodation for passengers. For freight, passage, &c., apply to Seewen and Co., Rotterdam; and to Lowe and Langford, 92, Cannon-street, city, E.C.

ROTTERDAM and the RHINE.—The General Steam Navigation Company's NEW STEAMSHIPS leave the Katharine-wharf for ROTTERDAM every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, at 11 morn. Saloon, £1 10s.; fore cabin, 17s. 6d.; London to Cologne, 19s. 9d.—Offices, 71, Lombard-street, or 37, Regent-circus.

ANTWERP, Brussels, Cologne, Hamburg, Berlin, Leipsic, Dresden, &c.—Sea Passage Five Hours only.—Reduced fare, 27s. 6d. The splendid 200-horse power Screw Steamship, Lord Raglan, well powerful steam ship BARON OSY, F. W. PEIRCE, Commander, leaves the St. Katharine's-wharf, Tower, every Sunday, at 12 noon, returning from Antwerp every Wednesday afternoon, at 2. Travellers may proceed by railroad from Antwerp to Cologne, Hamburg, Berlin, Leipsic, Dresden, &c., with the short sea passage of five hours only. All applications for the shipment of goods must be made to the London agents, Messrs. Lightly and Simon, 123, Fenchurch-street, where, as well as at the packet-office, 314a, Oxford-street, berths may be secured and every information obtained.

OSTEND, 14s.—The General Steam Navigation Company's STEAMSHIPS leave St. Katharine's-wharf for OSTEND, every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday morning. Sept. 18, at 9; 21st, at 12 noon. Saloon, 13s.; fore cabin, 14s.

DOVER and OSTEND, daily, by the MAIL PACKETS, en route to Brussels, Cologne, &c., Antwerp, Rotterdam, &c.—The new English mail packet PRINCE FREDERICK WILLIAM

Leaves Dover Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, 11.15 p.m.

Leaves Ostend Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 6.15 p.m.

In connexion with trains from London (Victoria) at 9 and 8.30 a.m., and to and from all parts of Europe. Information a 56, Lombard-street. Luggage can now be registered to and from London, Brussels, and Cologne.

SCOTLAND and LONDON.—The cheapest and quickest sea route is by the splendid new STEAM SHIPS of the London and Edinburgh Shipping Company sailing from Irongate-wharf, near the Tower, to Victoria Dock, Leith, every Wednesday and Saturday morning, at 10 o'clock. Fares:—Saloon, 15s.; fore cabin, 10s.; deck, 5s.; return tickets (28 days), 25s. 6d. and 15s. Sample at Spread Eagle. Regent-circus; or at Irongate-wharf, to David Thomson, wharfinger.

EDINBURGH, 10s.—The General Steam Navigation Company's paddle STEAMSHIPS leave St. Katharine's wharf, for EDINBURGH, every Wednesday and Saturday, at 10 morn. Saloon, £1; fore cabin, 5s. Deck, 2s. Return tickets, 30s. or 25s.

STEAM to ABERDEEN.—From Aberdeen Steam Wharf, 257, Wapping.—Fares, first-class, 30s.; second ditto, 20s.; deck (sailors only), 15s.; exclusive of provisions.—The splendid and powerful shins will leave as under (weather, &c., permitting):—

EARL OF ABERDEEN, Sept. 22, at 3 p.m.

CITY OF LONDON, Sept. 29, at 1 p.m.

Berths secured and small parcels received at the Spread Eagle office, Regent-circus; and at the wharf.—John Smith, agent.

DUNDEE.—Steam from Downe's-wharf.—Fares:—Main cabin, including fees, 30s.; fore cabin, 20s.; deck, 12s. 6d.; for sailors and firemen, 10s. Return tickets, entitling passage back, for a fortnight's stay, for main cabin, 15s. additional. DUNDEE, Sept. 22, 12 noon; PERTH, Sept. 29, 3 p.m.—Chaplin's Regent-circus; Swan with Two Necks, Gresham-street; and Downe's-wharf. Provisions supplied on board, at moderate prices.

NEWCASTLE, 5s.—The splendid iron steam ships, LIFEGUARD and BRIGADIER, leave Irongate Steam-wharf, for NEWCASTLE, every Wednesday and Saturday evenings, at 6 o'clock. Fares—saloon, 10s.; fore cabin, 5s.; or return tickets for 28 days 15s. and 7s. 6d. Apply to Laing and Stephens.

STEAM to DUBLIN, calling at Portsmouth, Plymouth, and Falmouth.—The superior steam-ship GENERAL A. TAYLOR Commander, is intended to sail from off the British and Foreign Steam-wharf, Lower East Smithfield, on Saturday, next, Sept. 18, at 8 a.m. Goods for shipment to be sent to the British and Foreign Steam-wharf, Lower East Smithfield, or 46, West Kent-wharf, Montagu-close, Southwark. For further particulars apply at the St. Petersburg Steam-ship Office, 64, Mark-lane.—A. G. Robinson

HULL, 2s.—The General Steam Navigation Company's steam ships WATERWITCH and VIVID leave London-bridge-wharf for HULL every Tuesday, Thursday, at 8 morning. Saloon, 6s. 6d. return tickets, 9s. 9d.); fore cabin, 2s.

STANHOPE PHAETON WANTED, suitable for either one or two horses, with head, lamps, &c. A good one by a London maker is required. Address C., 14, Wigmore-street, W.

HANDSOME circular BROUGHAM, Horse, and Harness for SALE. Price of the whole £115. No dealers will be treated with. Apply at 15, Upper Gloucester-street, Dorset-square.

CABRIOLET.—To be SOLD, for £14, a gentleman's CAB, in good order and of modern build. Inquire of the groom, R. Sharp, 2, Cheney-row, Grange-road, opposite Bermondsey-st., S.

BROUGHAM, a widow lady's, warranted, by an excellent town builder, not £10 worse than new. It must be SOLD at any reasonable offer. See front of The Times of 8th inst. Stands at 21, John-street west, Blackfriars-road, S.

A Good STOCK of CARRIAGES, just of the season's work, comprising broughams, sociables, phaetons, &c., may be had on HIRE, with or without Harness, by purchase, at a liberal deduction for cash. Apply at 26, North Audley-street, Oxford-street.

SUPERB pair-horse CLARENCE CARRIAGE for SALE. It has not been run 150 miles, is of the highest fashion and finish, and of very unique appearance. Offord and Co., of 79, Wells-street, will show it on application.

SOCIABLE LANDAU, opens instantaneously, without loose pieces; also a Circular Brougham. Both first-class carriages, were built to order, but for unforseen circumstances will be SOLD at a sacrifice. Apply at Hepburn's factory, 99, Marylebone-road, W.

BROUGHAM.—For SALE, a new light circular-fronted BROUGHAM, built to the order of a gentleman, for India. Of the best seasoned materials, and will be sold at a very moderate price. May be seen at the Baker-street Carriage Bazaar, King-street, Portman-square. (No. 1,380.)

FASHIONABLE and highly-finished CIRCULAR BROUGHAM, the property of an invalid gentleman, for whom it was built, from circumstances is OFFERED 40 guineas under its cost, although quite equal to new.—At the builder's, 25, North Audley-street, Oxford-street, W.

IMPORTANT to CARRIAGE PURCHASERS. BROUGHAMS, Sociables, Cart and Stanhope Phaetons, &c., new and second-hand, high will be SOLD at extremely low prices, to make room for repairing and extending the manufacturing departments.—At HOLMAN and Co.'s, 128 and 129, Long-acre.

BROUGHAM and CABRIOLET.—To be SOLD, the property of a gentleman going abroad. They are both very fashionable carriages, being nearly new, and will be sold at a great sacrifice to ensure an immediate sale. May be seen at the builder's, 71, Great Queen-street, Lincoln's-inn-fields.

HEADED SOCIABLE and CIRCULAR-FRONTED BROUGHAM. Second-hand.—A widow lady is desirous of DISPOSING OF the above CARRIAGES. They have been recently built, in first-rate order, by eminent builders, and will, from circumstances, be sold bargains. On view at 51, South Audley-street, Grosvenor-square.

AN excellent second-hand BROUGHAM for SALE, lined with drab silk, and patent self-acting steps. For sale at the coach factory, 269, Oxford-street. Also an elegant Gig, painted blue, with blue cloth cushions, lamps, and apron. Both carriages are by first-rate builders, and reference, if desired, may be made to the owner

FELTON'S BASKET CARRIAGES, Waggonettes, and Park Phaetons. Drawing of 34 on receipt of six stamps. Noblemen and gentlemen are invited to inspect the same, which will be found superior to any yet introduced. 100 may be seen in stock and building, from 10 guineas.—Factory, 1 and 3, Old-street-road. The registered Albert dog cart and other light carriages in stock.

COLLARD'S (improved) NEWPORT PAGNEL COARTS.—A variety may be seen at his manufactory, 9, Kinnerton-street, Knightsbridge. A splendid new Panuel Van, suitable for any light business, and a second-hand Pannel Cart, very strong and nearly new. Prices moderate and all warranted. N.B. Brougham wheels £7 per set, painted complete, equal to any made. All other sizes, and repairs at equally moderate charges.

MESSRS. LENNY and Co., Croydon, beg to call the particular attention of purchasers of close carriages to their REGISTERED HOLFORD and their Holford Coach, suitable for a cob, one or a pair of horses. Their lightness, comfort, or appearance cannot be exceeded. Building to order and on view. The saving to owners of horses is very great; a cob in these carriages can do the work of a large horse in the ordinary brougham. Carriages of every kind built to order or on hire, and for exportation. Carriages repaired and painted.

HORSES WANTED (a PAIR), 15 hands high, quiet to ride and drive; subject to Vet. Coll. examination and trial. Full particulars to J., post-office, 5, Brompton-place, S.W.

A Handsome well-bred BROWN GALLOWAY for SALE; equal to 14 stone, and goes well in harness.—At Salter's stables, Eaton-square, Pimlico.

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FOR DISPOSAL, a BLACK MARE, quiet to ride or drive, very suitable for any gentleman or lady who wants a steady animal to draw a brougham or phaeton. Apply to the coachman, 32, Blandford-mews, Baker-street, before 12 o'clock daily.

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HUNTERS for SALE or HIRE, with breeding and substance.—Mr. Gapp begs to inform the nobility and gentry he has some first-class HORSES, fit for any country. Can be seen and tried at his hunting grounds. Apply at the Great Western Royal Riding School, 29, Gloucester-crescent, Paddington.

SADDLE HORSE.—To be SOLD, the property of a tradesman, a beautiful CHESTNUT MARE, six years old, very docile, and a fine goer. Price 35 guineas. Or she would be exchanged for a nice animal, fit for a town cart. No dealer will be treated with. Apply at the Montrose Arms, Mortimer-road, Kingsland.

TO be SOLD, by the breeder, a superior BRIGHT BAY HORSE, six years old, suitable for a brougham; also a Dark Brown Colt, five years old, partly broken, with beautiful action and perfect in shape, calculated to carry a lady or light weight, 15 hands in height. Apply to Mr. Wakeman, South-end, Elsham, Kent.

THREE HORSES, for half their value:—1. Peacock, one of the handsomest Bay Geldings in England, 15 hands 2, good hunter, charger, and quiet in harness; 2. Bay Gelding, 15 hands 3, perfect brougham, phaeton, or riding horse; 3. Bay Cob, 14 hands, master of 14 stone. Warranted sound and fast in harness. Seven days' trial. Apply at the yard, next 519, New Oxford-street.

HUNTERS.—Messrs. BLACKMAN, Kensington-gate, Kensington, beg to inform noblemen and gentlemen that they have on SHOW and for HIRE, several superior and clever HUNTERS, some of which are up to weight and fit for any country. The hunting grounds and schools encompass seven acres, thereby affording the purchaser every facility of testing horses previous to purchase.

HORSES from IRELAND.—J. BENNETT, of Longdale-yard, Portobello-road, Notting-hill-gate, begs to inform noblemen and gentlemen and the trade that he has returned from the above country, and has ON SHOW, THIS DAY, HORSES, consisting of matched pairs of bays, and grays, and some shod-legged weight-carrying hunters and hacks, and a clever lady's mare. To be let on jobs, or sold.

TO be DISPOSED OF, a bargain, a very handsome GRAY COB, 15 hands high, quiet to ride and drive, with chaise harness complete, the property of a gentleman going to live in the country; also a very handsome Red and White Setter Dog and Pointer, well broken, staunch to the field, and shot over two seasons. A trial allowed. To be seen at the White Horse livery stables, Liverpool-road, Islington.

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ELEGANT EQUIPAGE.—BLACK COB, very handsome, has been driven by a lady, with Park Phaeton, scarcely soiled, and plated Harness. 50 guineas will be taken for the two. Owner retiring from business. To be seen at the Great Western Royal Riding School, 29, Gloucester-crescent, Paddington

THE FUNDS recently contributed to the BROMPTON HOSPITAL for CONSUMPTION are gratefully ACKNOWLEDGED. More are still required that the wards now vacant may be opened before the winter.
August, 1858. PHILIP ROSE, Hon. Sec.

SANATORIUM for CONSUMPTION and DISEASES of the CHEST, Bournemouth, Hants.—FUNDS are most urgently NEEDED to meet the expenses of the ensuing winter. Particulars may be had on application.
THOS. EYRE MORGAN, Sec.

SAMARITAN FREE HOSPITAL, for Women and Children, 18, Edwards-street, Portman-square.—The new premises are now completed, and the wards are full. The out-patient department is daily thronged by suffering women and sick children, for whose relief contributions are earnestly solicited.
The expenses of building and alterations warrant an earnest APPEAL to all willing to help the afflicted in their time of greatest need.

CANCER HOSPITAL, London and Brompton.—
Secretary's office, 167, Piccadilly.
Form of Legacy.
To those benevolent persons who desire to become benefactors by will to this institution, the following form of legacy is respectfully submitted by the Secretary, W. J. Cockerill.
"I give and bequeath unto the Treasurer or Treasurers for the time being of an institution known by the name of the Cancer Hospital, London, situate at 167, Piccadilly, and also at West Brompton, Middlesex, the sum of ——— to be raised and paid by and out of my ready money and personal effects, which by law I may or can charge with the payment of the same (and not out of any part of my lands, tenements, or hereditaments), to be applied in and towards carrying on the charitable designs of the said institution."

WESTMINSTER HOSPITAL SCHOOL of MEDICINE, Broad Sanctuary, Westminster Abbey.—Session 1858-1859.—The Westminster Hospital was instituted A.D. 1719, and incorporated by Act of Parliament A.D. 1836. It contains 175 beds, and affords relief to about 20,000 out-patients annually.
The SESSION will COMMENCE on Friday, October 1, 1858, with an Introductory Address, by Dr. Frederic Bird, at 8 p.m.
HOSPITAL PRACTICE.
Physicians—Dr. Basham, Dr. Fincham, Dr. Radcliffe.
Assistant-Physicians—Dr. Marcet, Dr. Reynolds.
Surgeons—Mr. Barnard Holt, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Holthouse.
Assistant-Surgeons—Mr. Hillman, Mr. Power.
Surgeon-dentist—Mr. Charles Tomes.
LECTURES.
Winter Term, commencing October 1, terminating March 31.
Descriptive and Surgical Anatomy—Mr. Holthouse.
Practical Anatomy—Mr. Christopher Heath.
Dental Surgery—Mr. Clendon.
Chymistry—Dr. Marcet, F.R.S.
Surgery—Mr. Barnard Holt and Mr. Brooke, M.A., F.R.S.
Physiology and Physiological Anatomy—Mr. Hillman.
Medicine—Dr. Basham.
Summer Term, commencing May 1, terminating July 31.
Botany—Mr. Smith, F.L.S.
Comparative Anatomy and Zoology—Mr. Pittard.
Natural Philosophy—Mr. Brooke, M.A., F.R.S.
Materia Medica and Therapeutics—Dr. Radcliffe.
Forensic Medicine—Dr. Fincham and Dr. Marcet, F.R.S.
Practical Chymistry—Dr. Marcet, F.R.S.
Midwifery—Dr. Frederic Bird.
Clinical Lectures.—In addition to the instruction given by all the medical officers during their visits, Courses of Lectures on Clinical Medicine and Surgery, in accordance with the new regulations of the Examining Boards, will be delivered during the Winter and Summer Terms, by the physicians and surgeons.
Clinical assistants, physicians' clerks, and surgeons' dressers, are selected from the most qualified students, without additional fee.
Any period of Hospital practice, or any course of lectures, may be separately attended.
The entire course of study (including Hospital practice and lectures) required by the College of Surgeons and the Society of Apothecaries, may be attended on payment of 70 guineas.
Further information may be obtained on application to
F. J. WILSON, Secretary to the Hospital.

ST. THOMAS'S MEDICAL SESSION.—A GENERAL INTRODUCTORY ADDRESS will be delivered by Dr. JOSEPH CLARK, on Monday, 1858, at 4 o'clock p.m., after which the Distribution of Prizes, &c., will take place.
Gentlemen have the option of paying £40 for the first year, a similar sum for the second, and £10 for each succeeding year; or £90 at one payment, as perpetual.
Prizes and Appointments for 1858-59.
Voluntary Matriculation Examinations are held on the three first days of the Session, and a Prize of £20 is given in each of the three following divisions:—
1. In Mathematics, Classics, and Ancient History.
2. In Physics and Natural History.
3. In Modern Languages and Modern History.
First Year's students.
The Treasurer's Prize. 1st, 20 guineas. 2d, 10 guineas.
Second Year's Students.
The President's Prize, 20 guineas; and a Prize of 10 guineas.
The 10 Dressers, and the 18 Clinical Clerks, selected by merit.
Three Prizes of £5, and One of £3, to the Clinical Clerks.
Third and Fourth Year's Students.
Three Clinical Assistants, a Prize of £10 and £5 to the two most meritorious.
Mr. Geo. Vaughan's Chesciden Medal. The Treasurer's Gold Medal.
Mr. Newman Smith's Prize for the best Essay on "Neuralgia."
The Two Resident Surgeons, the Resident Accoucheurs, and the Dressers, are provided with rooms and commons in the Hospital, free of expense.
Two Hospital Registrars at an annual salary of £80 each.
Students of each year are classed according to their respective total merits in the examinations, and all of the First Class receive Certificates of Honour.
Medical Officers.
Dr. Roots, Consulting Physician; Mr. Green, Consulting Surgeon; Dr. Barker, Dr. J. Risden Bennett, Dr. Goolden, Mr. South, Mr. Macmurdo, Mr. Solly, Mr. Le Gros Clark, Mr. Simon, Dr. Peacock, Dr. Bristowe, Dr. Waller, Mr. Whitfield.
Clinical Instruction is given at stated times by the Medical and Surgical Officers; and a systematic Course of Medical Clinical Lectures, by Dr. Barker; Medicine; Dr. Macmurdo; Midwifery, Dr. Waller and Dr. Griffith; Dental Surgery, Mr. Patient; Medical Tutor, E. Clapton, M.D.
Clinical Medicine, Dr. Barker; Medicine, Dr. J. Risden Bennett; Surgery, Mr. South; Physiology, Mr. Grainger and Dr. Brinton; Descriptive and Surgical Anatomy, Mr. Le Gros Clark and Mr. Rainey; Chymistry and Practical Chymistry, Dr. Rt. Dundas Thompson; Midwifery, Dr. Waller; Practical Midwifery, Dr. Griffith; General Pathology, Mr. Simon; Human and Comparative Anatomy, Mr. S. Jones; Materia Medica, Dr. Peacock; Forensic Medicine, Dr. Brinton; Public Health, Dr. Headlam Greenhow; Anatomical Demonstrations, Mr. Rainey and Mr. Ord, Assistant Demonstrator; Demonstrations of Morbid Anatomy, Dr. Bristowe and Mr. S. Jones; Microscopical Demonstrations, Mr. Rainey.
Students are resident with some of the officers close to the Hospital.
The patients are admitted daily at half-past 9 a.m., and the out-patients seen at that time.
To enter, or to obtain prospectuses and further information, apply to Mr. Whitfield, Medical Secretary, resident at the Hospital.

GOVERNMENT SCHOOL of MINES, and of Science applied to the Arts.
Sir RODERICK IMPEY MURCHISON, D.C.L., M.A., F.R.S., &c.
During the Session 1858-59, which will commence on the 4th October, the following COURSES of LECTURES and PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATIONS will be given:—
1. Chymistry. By A. W. Hofmann, LL.D., F.R.S., &c.
2. Metallurgy. By J. Percy, M.D., F.R.S.
3. Natural History. By T. H. Huxley, F.R.S.
4. Mineralogy. By Warington W. Smyth, M.A., F.R.S.
5. Mining.
6. Geology. By A. C. Ramsay, F.R.S.
7. Applied Mechanics. By Robert Willis, M.A., F.R.S.
8. Physics. By G. G. Stokes, M.A., F.R.S.
Instruction in Mechanical Drawing, by Mr. Binns.
The fee for a Course of Students (exclusive of the laboratories) is £30, in one sum, on entrance, or two annual payments of £20.
Pupils are received in the Royal College of Chymistry (the laboratory of the School), under the direction of Dr. Hofmann, at a fee of £10 for the term of three months. The same fee is charged in the Metallurgical Laboratory, under the direction of Dr. Percy. Tickets to separate courses of lectures are issued at £2, £3, £5, and £3 each. Officers in the Queen's and East India Company's service, Her Majesty's Consuls, acting mining agents and managers, may obtain tickets at reduced charges.
Certificated schoolmasters, pupil teachers, and others engaged in education, are also admitted to the lectures at reduced fees.
His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales has granted two Exhibitions and others have also been established.
For prospectus and further information apply at the Museum of Practical Geology, Jermyn-street, London.
TRENHAM REEKS, Registrar.

KING'S COLLEGE, London.—Military Department.—Officers' Class. Under the direction of Major F GRIFFITHS, R.F.P., Royal Artillery, for Officers wishing to prepare themselves for the Examinations for Staff appointments, &c.
Course of Instruction.—Professional mathematics, military history, French, German, fortification, and artillery, military drawing and surveying, military law, geology, chymistry.
Further information may be obtained from Major Griffiths, King's College, London. R. W. JELF, Principal.

KING'S COLLEGE HOSPITAL.—The Committee desire to express great thankfulness for the support they have so largely received, and to add that they still require the sum of £4,090 12s. 3d. to complete the new buildings, and pay the current expenses to the end of 1858.
R. W. CUNNINGHAM, King's College, London.
Sept. 14, 1858. J. S. BLYTH, King's College Hospital.
Subscriptions will also be received for the King's College Hospital Building Fund, by Messrs. Hemings, Messrs. Coutts and Co.; Messrs. Drummonds; Messrs. Hoares; Messrs. Williams, Deacon, and Co., Messrs. Barclay, Bevan, and Co.

KING'S COLLEGE, London.—Military Department.—CLASS for CANDIDATES for COMMISSIONS, under the direction of Major F. GRIFFITHS, R.F.P., Royal Artillery. For candidates for direct commissions, or for entrance into the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, or the Royal Military Seminary, Addiscombe.
Course of Instruction.—Divinity, professional mathematics, English language, French and German languages, classics, history—ancient and modern, geography, drawing, fortification, natural and experimental sciences.
Further information may be obtained from Major Griffiths, King's College, London. R. W. JELF, D.D., Principal.

KING'S COLLEGE, London.—The SCHOOL will RE OPEN on Tuesday, Sept. 21, when new pupils will be admitted. The School is divided into two parts:—
1. The divisions of classics, mathematics, and general literature, the studies in which are directed to prepare pupils for the Universities, for the theological, general literature, and medical departments of King's College, and for the learned professions.
2. The division of general education, including pupils intended for general and mercantile pursuits, for the classes of architecture, engineering, and military science in King's College, for the military academies, for the civil service, for the Royal navy, and for the commercial marine.
Pupils may be admitted by application to J. W. Cunningham, Esq., Sec. R. W. JELF, D.D., Principal.

ROYAL AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Cirencester.
Patron—His Royal Highness the PRINCE CONSORT.
President of Council—Earl BATHURST.
Principal—Rev. J. B. HAYGARTH, M.A.
Professors, &c.
Chymistry—J. A. C. Voelcker, Ph. D., F.C.S., Consulting Chymist to the Royal Agricultural Society of England
Zoology, Geology, and Botany—Jas. Buckman, F.G.S., F.L.S.
Veterinary Medicine and Surgery—G. T. Brown, M.R.C.V.S.
Surveying, Civil Engineering, and Mathematics—J. A. Jarman, C.E.
Practical Agriculture—J. Coleman.
Assistant to Chymical Professor—A. Sibson.
Students are admitted after the Summer and Winter Vacation, also in April and October. Fees for Boarders:—Under 16 years of age, 55 guineas per annum; between 16 and 18, 70 guineas; above 18, 80 guineas. The fee for out-students is £40 per annum. Prospectuses and information can be had on application to the Principal.

ST. JOHN'S-WOOD PROPRIETARY and COLLEGIATE SCHOOL, 43 a, Acacia-road, N.W.
Patron—The Lord Bishop of LONDON.
Head Master—The Rev. THOMAS MARKBY, M.A.
The School, which is of the highest character, is conducted by a committee of gentlemen resident in the neighbourhood, to whom reference may be made.
For particulars and prospectus application during the vacation to be made to Richard Hodson, Esq., Hon. Sec., 9, Marlborough-road.
The next term will commence on Tuesday, the 21st of September.

THE MIDDLE SCHOOL, Peckham, London, S.E., is adapted for first-class mercantile instruction. Every pupil is, as far as possible, well grounded in English, made to write a hand fit for business, and trained to do quick as accounts; while the modern languages, chymistry, and mechanics, are also liberally provided for. Terms 40 and 50 guineas. Eleven weeks in each of the four sessions.
J. YEATS, F.R.G.S., Principal.
N.B. During the past year youths from the upper divisions have been received into some of the largest mercantile, manufacturing, and engineering firms in the kingdom.

CITY of LONDON COLLEGE for LADIES, 4, Artillery-place, Finsbury-square.—MICHAELMAS TERM will COMMENCE in the Junior Department for pupils between the ages of 9 and 15, on Tuesday, September 21. This department is under the direction of several governesses and the professors of the College. The subjects taught are—English, French, Latin, history, geography, bible history, reading, writing, arithmetic, drawing, vocal and instrumental music; German is also taught to the more advanced pupils. The fees are £15 15s. a year, or for the first term six guineas, for the second five, and the third four for the first year, and afterwards five guineas each term. Instrumental music £1 11s. 6d. each term.
In the Senior Department the Term will Commence on Tuesday, October 5th.
Prospectuses, with further information, may be obtained on application at the College, to Mrs. Smart, the Lady Resident.
THOS. BREWER, Hon. Sec.

TO those who can SYMPATHIZE with the AFFLICTIONS of others.—A young clergyman is thrown into a state of painful pecuniary distress through the long and expensive illness of his wife, now in the last stage of consumption. Those ever ready to HELP are earnestly entreated to extricate him. Messrs. Cocks, Biddulph, and Co., bankers, Charing-cross, have kindly consented to receive contributions, however small.

PHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS complete, from £3. Price list sent post free. First Steps in Photography, by post seven stamps, at Gilbert Fleming's, 498, New Oxford-street. Stereoscopic Negatives purchased.

ST. JAMES, CURTAIN-ROAD, Worship-street, Finsbury square, Rev. W. MARKWELL, M.A., Incumbent.—Re opening of the Parish Church, which was greatly injured by the large fire in the Curtain-road on the 16th of June last.—(D.V.) on Sunday next, September 19th, TWO SERMONS will be preached in this Church. Morning service, which commences at 11, by the Rev. THOMAS JACKSON, D.D., Rector of the Parish of Sticke Newington, and Prebendary of St. Paul's Cathedral. Evening service, which commences at half past 6, by the Rev. HENRY STEBBING, D.D., F.S.A., Rector of St. Mary Somerset, Lower Thames-street, Author of the "History of the Church of Christ," &c. This is one of the largest and poorest parishes at the east end of London. Beyond the sum allowed by the insurance office an expenditure of £300 has been incurred for necessary repairs and improvements. Donations are earnestly requested, and will be thankfully received by Mr. Sidney Archer, 23, Worship-street, Finsbury, E.C.; and Dr. Hancorn, High-street, Shoreditch, the Churchwardens.

ST. GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL, Southwark.—Next Sunday, the 19th inst., being the Feast of the Seven Dolors of the Blessed Virgin Mary, ROSSINI'S STABAT MATER will be SUNG, with full orchestral accompaniment, after the Vespers, which commence at half-past 6 o'clock p.m.

IRISH CHURCH MISSIONS to the ROMAN CATHOLICS.—The present position of this Society must be made known to the Christian public. The payments to the missions for the present month require to be made at once to the amount of about £1,250. The funds in hand amount only to £300.
It rests with those who value the blessings of the Reformation, and possess the means of helping its advancement, whether the operations of this Society in Ireland shall be suspended, or its usefulness maintained. CONTRIBUTIONS are earnestly solicited and confidently looked for, inasmuch as it is evident that the blessing of God prospers the work of the Society in spite of all the difficulties and opposition with which it has to contend. Papers, giving information, will be gladly supplied on application to the Secretary (George Maxwell, Esq.), at the office of the Society, 11, Buckingham-street, Adelphi, London, W.C.—September 10, 1858.

INAUGURATION of the STATUE of Sir ISAAC NEWTON at Grantham, on Tuesday, the 21st September, by the Right Hon. the Lord BROUGHAM. The ceremony will commence at 1 o'clock, and at 3 o'clock there will be a dejeûner at the Exchange-hall. Tickets for the ceremony and dejeûner 5s. 6d. each, or for the ceremony only 2s. 6d., may be secured by enclosing a post office order or stamps to Messrs. Ridge, or Mr. Bushby, printers, Grantham.

BRITISH ASSOCIATION, 1858.—Leeds Meeting.—The next MEETING of the British Association for the Advancement of Science will commence at Leeds on Wednesday, the 22d, and terminate on Wednesday, 29th September.
Programmes and all information respecting the meeting may obtained by application to the Local Secretaries, 1, Russell-street, Parkrow.
THOMAS HINCKS,
W. S. WARD,
THOMAS WILSON, } Local Secretaries.

THE SCHOLASTIC PROFESSION.—A PUBLIC MEETING of this influential body will be held in the Board Room of the International Handbook, 2, Tavistock-street, Covent-garden, London, W.C., on the 18th inst., at 3 p.m., under distinguished patronage, to take into consideration the best means of remedying the grievances to which assistants and principals have been exposed in the conduct of negotiations, &c.
Communications—where personal attendance is inconvenient—may be addressed to Messrs. A. Nunns and Co., as above, or at their private residence, 1, Yelverton Villas, Twickenham, Middlesex.

HAINAULT FOREST.—Allotment of Commons Act, 1858.—I hereby give notice, that I shall hold a MEETING at the Angel Inn, Ilford, in the county of Essex, on Tuesday, the 12th of October next, at the hour of 11 in the forenoon, for the purpose of ascertaining and determining the persons entitled to common of estovers or fuel assignments in the late Forest of Hainault, and the value of such estovers. All parties interested are requested to forward their claims in writing to me at 3, Old-square, Lincoln's-inn, before the day of the Meeting.
N. WETHERELL, Commissioner under the Act.

LONDON DIOCESAN PENITENTIARY, St. Mary Magdalene, Highgate, N.—The Council earnestly SOLICIT AID in support of this institution. £200 are required to make up the amount necessarily payable within the present month.
Subscriptions and donations will be thankfully received by R. Twining, Esq., Treasurer, 215, Strand, W.C.; by the Rev. J. Oliver, Warden of St. Mary Magdalene, Highgate, N.; by the Rev. Geo. Nugée, Hon. Clerical Secretary; and by Alfred Trevor Crispin, Esq., Hon. Lay Secretary, at the office, 79, Pall-mall, S.W.

CITY of LONDON GENERAL PENSION SOCIETY: founded A.D. 1818.
Patron—Her Most Gracious Majesty the QUEEN.
President—The Right Hon. Earl STANHOPE, F.R.S.
Society's Offices, 3, Old Jewry, Cheapside.
The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Governors and Subscribers of this Society will be holden at the London Tavern, Bishopsgate-street, on Monday, the 27th of September, at 12 o'clock precisely, to revise the Rules of this Institution; to receive the Report of the Directors and a Statement of the Accounts for the past year; and to Elect Officers for the ensuing year.
ALEXANDER ACHESON, Secretary.
8, Old Jewry, Sept. 15, 1858.

GENTLEWOMEN during illness may, for a small weekly payment, receive the comforts of a HOME, combined with the best medical and surgical attendance. The establishment, No. 1, Upper Bedford-street. This establishment, which was opened in 1850, is patronised by Her Majesty. The Bishop of London is Visitor, and it is managed personally by Mrs. Thomson Hankey, Miss Alexander, Lady Hall, Mrs. Booth, the Viscountess Canning, the Lady Cranworth, and other ladies. All information respecting it may be obtained on written or personal application to the Lady Superintendent. Subscriptions received at the Institution; and by the Treasurer, E. Marjoribanks, jun., Esq., 59, Strand.
W. C. SPRING RICE, Hon. Sec.

WEST END of LONDON and CRYSTAL PALACE RAILWAY.—Trains leave the Pimlico Termimus at the foot of Chelsea New Bridge for the Crystal Palace daily at 9.5 9.30, 10.10, 10.50, 11.20, 11.30, 12.20, 12.35, 1.20, 1.30, 2.5, 2.20, 2.30, 3.5, 3.45, 4.30, 4.35, 5.35, 6.5. Returning from the Crystal Palace, the 9.15, 1.45, 2.12, 2.45, 3.12, 3.45, 4.12, 4.50, 5.10, 5.45, 6.20, 6.30, 7.15, 8.35, 9.5, 10.10.
The City and Iron Steamboat Companies' boats call at the station pier every 10 minutes from all piers on the river.
By order, EDWARD BELLAMY, Sec.
27, Great George-street, Westminster, Sept. 1, 1858.

MARGATE, Ramsgate, and Herne-bay, viâ Thames Haven, by EXPRESS TRAINS on the LONDON, TILBURY, and SOUTHEND RAILWAY, from Fenchurch-street Station, (Sundays excepted).
For Margate and Herne-bay, at 10.37 a.m.
For Margate and Ramsgate, at 12.37 p.m.
Fares—First class, 5s. 6d.; second class, 4s. 6d.; children, 3s. 6d.
Sunday Excursion to Margate, at 9.7 a.m., returning from Margate at 3.30 p.m., at single fare.
London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway.

GRAVESEND for 1s., return tickets 1s. 8d. (no tunnels; by the LONDON, TILBURY, and SOUTHEND RAILWAY, from the Central City Station, Fenchurch-street. Trains at 7.50, 9.37, 10.52 a.m., 12.7, 2.22, 4.15 (express), 4.37, 5.40, 6.40, 8.7, and 9.37 p.m., on week days. On Sundays—8.7, 9.37, 10 40, 11.22 a.m., 2.7, 3.7, 4 22, 6 52, 7.36, 9.22, and 10.7 p.m. Passengers for ships will find this the best route, as the Stations are at the Piers on either side of the river, and watermen always in attendance.
A Steam Packet direct to the far-famed Rosherville Gardens, on the arrival of the 10.52 a.m., 12.7, 2.22, 4.15, and 5.40 p.m. down trains, returning for the 7.25, 8.15, and 9.15 p.m. up trains, on week days, without carriage.
London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway, July 1, 1858.

SCOTTISH NORTH-EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY.—Notice is hereby given, that the next HALF-YEARLY ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Scottish North-Eastern Railway Company will be held within the Company's Offices, Guild-street, Aberdeen, on Friday, the 24th day of September current, at 12 o'clock noon, in terms of the Statute.
The Transfer Books of the Company will be Closed from the 16th current until after the Meeting.
By order, JOHN STIRLING, Chairman.
Aberdeen, Sept. 7, 1858. GEO. REITH, Secretary.

BERLIN, Dresden, Vienna, and Trieste.—The shortest and cheapest route is viâ ROTTERDAM and the DUTCH RHENISH RAILWAY. Through trains daily to Cologne and Germany. For full particulars see Bradshaw's Continental Guide, pages 162 and 163.

ROME and FRASCATI RAILWAY COMPANY.—The HALF-YEAR'S INTEREST on the Bonds of this Company, Nos. 1 to 120, due on the 22d of Sept. and 1st of Oct., 1858, will be PAID at the agency of the Company, Anglo-Italian Exchange buildings; or at the succursale of the same Bank, 30, rue Louis le Grand, Paris.
By order,
F. FREILIGRATH, Manager of the London Agency of the Banque Générale Suisse.

BUFFALO and LAKE HURON RAILWAY COMPANY.—Notice is hereby given that the HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the English Shareholders will be held at the London Tavern, Bishopsgate-street, London, on Friday the 8th of October next. The chair will be taken at 1 o'clock precisely.
By order of the Board of Directors
THOMAS SHORT, Sec.
80, Lombard-street, London, Sept. 17, 1858.

THE NEW YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY.—Treasurer's office, Albany, August 23, 1858.—Tenth Semi-Annual Dividend.—The Directors of this Company have declared a DIVIDEND of 4 per cent, on the Capital Stock thereof, out of its net earnings, for the six months ending on the 31st ult.
Stockholders whose stock is registered in London will receive their dividends on the 20th day of September next, at the Union Bank of London, at the rate, as heretofore, of 4s. 1d. to the dollar.
GILBERT A. WILSON, Treasurer.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY of CANADA.—The Directors are prepared to receive applications for the PERPETUAL DEBENTURE STOCK of this Company, bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, payable in London half-yearly, on the 1st of February and 1st of August, and convertible into the ordinary shares of the Company at any time prior to August 1, 1859, and at the rate of five £20 10s. shares for each £100 bond.
Also for the Mortgage Bonds, bearing interest at the rate of 5½ per cent. per annum, and redeemable in 1878, but without option of conversion. Interest payable in London half-yearly, on the 1st of April and 1st of October.
Both of these securities are authorized by an Act of the Canadian Legislature, and, in common with the existing bonds of the Company, are a first mortgage lien upon the railway, rolls, and other property, and sanctioned by a General Meeting of the Shareholders, held in London on the 7th of April last, for the purpose of raising the funds required to repay the balance of the loan made to the Company by the Provincial Government of Canada.
Application for either of the foregoing securities to be made to the undersigned, by whom any further information will be given.
BIDDULPH, BRACKENSTONE, and BAKER, Secretary.
126, Gresham-house, Old Broad-street, Sept. 13, 1858.

INDIA and CHINA by BRITISH COLUMBIA and CANADA.—The ATLANTIC and PACIFIC JUNCTION RAILWAY and LAND COMPANY (Limited).—Capital £6,000,000, in 240,000 shares of £25 each. A deposit of 2s. 6d. to be paid on application, with a further payment of 2s. 6d. per share on allotment.
The manuscript book is now ready for the second colonized line for free emigration, and by labourers brought to the spot at the charge of the Company during the making of the railway.
For the purpose of perfecting, at the earliest possible time, a communication by railway between the Atlantic and Pacific, and the opening of a direct and really overland route with the East, the lines of this Company will, in the first instance, be laid down in connexion with those existing railways in Canada and the United States which tend from the Atlantic seaboard towards the Pacific, so that, by associating with these and extending them, the Company may, in the shortest time, complete the chain from Canada to British Columbia.
A main branch line will be afterwards thrown out, by means of which a complete series of communication will be attained, commencing and ending in the British possessions alone.
Arrangements will be made with the Governments of Great Britain and Canada, and the Hudson's Bay Company, for the concession of 15 miles on each side of the line. This great continuous block of land will be the property of the Company, will be brought into cultivation by free emigrants and labourers, and will be located and leased for the benefit of the shareholders.
Prospectuses, with full particulars, are in preparation; in the meantime all communications may be addressed to
Messrs. TUCKER, GREVILLE, and TUCKER,
Solicitors to the Company, 28, St. Swithin's-lane, E.C.

MORTGAGE DEBENTURES.—Railway and Freehold Security Combined.—The GALVESTON, HOUSTON, and HENDERSON RAILROAD COMPANY are now issuing DEBENTURES on the following terms:—
The debentures are for the sum of £20 each.
They are payable "To Bearer," and pass from hand to hand without any form of transfer.
They are secured upon the railroad and the freehold property of the Company, the State having accorded a free grant of 10,240 acres for every mile of railway constructed.
The Company have already selected 500,000 acres of rich land, adapted to the production of all the cereal crops, and to the cultivation of cotton by free labour.
In addition to interest, at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly, there is attached to each debenture a free share of £3 fully paid up.
The debentures will be paid off, with a bonus of 10 per cent., by annual drawings, in a period of nine years, commencing March 1, 1860, the subscribers receiving the free shares. The capital of the Company will then be represented by free shares, which will become entitled to all the profits of the railway and the proceeds of the remaining lands.
The interest coupons are payable on 1st January and 1st July in each year, in London, Edinburgh, or Paris.
The opening of the second section of the railroad is fixed for the 1st of October next.
COMMITTEE of LONDON AGENCY.
P. P. Blyth, Esq., Director of the London and County Bank.
John Cross, Esq., Director of the South-Eastern Railway Company.
Robert Fulford, Esq., 6, Upper Belgrave-street, Belgrave-square.
W. G. Thomson, Deputy-Chairman of the South-Eastern Railway Company.
Fred. Twynam, Esq., Bishopstoke, Hants.
BANKERS.
The London and County Bank, Lombard-street, London.
The Commercial Bank of London, Lothbury.
The Commercial Bank of Scotland, Edinburgh.
Full particulars may be obtained on application to Messrs. Price and Brown, stockbrokers, Change-alley; and at the offices of the Company, 196, Gresham-house, Old Broad-street, London.

SECURE INVESTMENTS.—R. HORLEY and Co., 48, Threadneedle-street, Sworn Stock and Share Brokers, will be happy to forward a monthly revised list of good dividend-paying securities to those who may favour them with their business, and to suggest the safest investments. Business transacted in the English Funds at 1-16th per cent., and in all stocks, railway and mining shares, on the most reasonable terms.

RAMSGATE and MARGATE, by South-Eastern Railway.—CHEAP EXPRESS EXCURSION TRAINS RUN daily (leaving London at 12.30 p.m.; fare (first-class only), 10s., return ticket, 17s. 6d. 3.30 p.m., fare 5s., 7s., 10s. Corresponding trains leave Margate at 11.0 a.m. and 4.45 p.m. at same fares; return tickets, 8s. 6d., 12s. 6d., 17s. 6d.
Reduced fares by the 3.30 a.m. (15s. and 10s., return available by any train, 22s. 6d. and 17s. 6d.), and 9.30 a.m. (fares 10s., 7s., and 5s., return tickets 17s. 6d., 12s. 6d., and 8s. 6d.). Down Trains, and by the 7.10 and 8.10 a.m. Up Trains; and also by the 5.30 p.m. Down Train on Saturdays. An Excursion Train, 1st, 2d, and 3d class at 2.30. p.m. on Saturdays, returning on Monday mornings.

CANTERBURY by SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.—Further REDUCTION in FARES.—Three express and three ordinary trains daily; also the usual cheap fast trains to Ramsgate and Margate. For particulars see time-book.

HASTINGS and ST. LEONARD'S-ON-SEA, in Two Hours, viâ Tunbridge-wells.—A TWO-HOUR EXPRESS TRAIN leaves London-bridge at 4.20 p.m.; and Hastings and St. Leonard's for London at 8.40 a.m.
Cheap Saturday to Monday Tickets per 4.30 and 5.30 p.m. Trains from London-bridge. A Cheap Sunday Excursion.—See Time Tables for particulars.

SEA BATHING at BOULOGNE, Calais, Dover, and Folkestone.—SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.—The cheap FAMILY TICKETS to the SEA-SIDE are now issued. See Time-Book.

READING GREAT FAIR, on Tuesday, Sept. 21, 1858.—SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.—In addition to the ordinary morning trains, at 6.30, 9.30, and 11.30 a.m., a SPECIAL TRAIN will leave London-bridge Station, on the above day, for READING direct, at 9 a.m., arriving at Reading at 11.15 a.m.; returning from Reading to London-bridge, after the Fair, at 5.45, and 7.45 p.m.
Fares there and back:—Covered carriages, 3s.; second class, 4s.; first class, 5s. 6d. Children under 12 half fares.
Passengers can be booked from Reading to London by the above train, on Tuesday evening, at ordinary single fares.
C. W. EBORALL, General Manager.
London-bridge Terminus, Sept., 1858.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.—Reading Fair.—On Tuesday, September 21, by the 10.30 a.m train from Paddington, EXCURSION TICKETS will be ISSUED at the following fares:—First class, 5s. 6d.; second class, 4s.; third class, 3s. To return the same evening by the train leaving Reading at 7.25 p.m.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.—Cheap Excursion to the Sea-side.—On Saturday, September 18th, a TRAIN will leave Paddington at 2.30 p.m., for CHIPPENHAM, Trowbridge, Westbury, and Frome. Fares—First class, 10s.; second class, 7s.; Dorchester and Weymouth, 20s. and 10s.; to return on Tuesday, September 21st, from Weymouth at 7 a.m., and intermediate stations as per hand bills.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.—EXCURSION to OXFORD, Banbury, Leamington, Warwick, and Birmingham, from Paddington, on Sunday, September 19th, at 7.45 a.m., returning the same night. Fares:—Oxford, 6s. 6d. and 4s.; Banbury, 8s. and 5s.; Leamington and Warwick, 10s. 6d. and 6s.; and Birmingham, 12s. and 7s.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.—WINDSOR and BACK for 2s. 6d., from Paddington. Week days at 8.45 and 10.30 a.m.; returning at 6.35 and 8.5 p.m. On Sundays from Paddington at 9 a.m., returning at 7 p.m.
Taplow and Back on Sundays for 2s. 6d., from Paddington at 9 a.m.; returning at 6.57 p.m.
Henley and Back for 3s., from Paddington, at 9 a.m., returning at 8.55 p.m.

CHEAP EXCURSIONS to BRIGHTON and the SOUTH COAST.—EXCURSION TRAINS will run every Sunday from the City and Westend Termini of the BRIGHTON and SOUTH COAST RAILWAY, as under:—

Stations.	Leave London Bridge.	Leave Pimlico	Leave on Return for London Bridge.	Leave on Return for Pimlico	Fares There and Back. C'vrd. Carriages	2d Class.	1st Class.
	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.			
Hastings	7.45	7.30	5.25	5.30	5s.	7s.	10s.
St. Leonard's ..	7.45	7.30	6.30	6.30	5s.	7s.	10s.
Eastbourne ..	7.45	7.30	6.40	6.40	4s.	6s.	9s.
Newhaven ..	7.45	7.30	6.50	6.50	4s.	6s.	9s.
Lewes	7.45	7.30	7.20	7.20	4s.	6s.	9s.
Rottingdean ..	7.45	7.30	6.10	6.10	5s.	7s.	10s.
Chichester ..	7.45	7.30	6.40	6.40	4s.	6s.	9s.
Bognor(Wood-) Station)	7.45	7.30	6.50	6.50	4s.	6s.	9s.
Worthing ..	7.45	7.30	7.15	7.15	4s.	6s.	9s.
Brighton ..	9. 0	7.30	7.30	7. 0	3s. 6d.	5s. 6d.	7s. 6d.

The Coast Line trains call at East Croydon at 8.5 a.m.
The 9.0 a.m. train from Pimlico to Brighton calls at New Wandsworth, Balham, Streatham, Crystal Palace, and East Croydon.
Children under 12 years of age half-price.
Tickets not transferable, and only available by the excursion trains and on the date of issue.
A similar Cheap Excursion runs every Monday to Brighton only.
The above tickets can be obtained previously, at the office of Company, 43, Regent-circus, Piccadilly.

BRIGHTON and BACK for 3s. 6d., every Sunday and Monday, from the London-bridge Station, at 9.0 a.m., and from the Pimlico Terminus at 9.0a.m., returning from the Brighton Station to Pimlico at 7.0, p.m., and to London-bridge at 7.30 p.m. No luggage conveyed. Fares 7s. 6d., 5s. 6d., 3s. 6d. The above tickets can be obtained previously, at the offices of the Company, 43, Regent-circus, Piccadilly.

LONDON to PARIS for 20s., daily direct service, viâ Newhaven and Dieppe, from the London and Brighton Termini of the Brighton Railway. First-class, 28s., second class 20s. Passports and visas for Paris to be had of the respective agents at Newhaven.

EIGHT DAYS SEA-BATHING at the ISLE of WIGHT.—CHEAP EXCURSIONS to PORTSMOUTH, Gosport, or Southampton, for the Isle of Wight, by the SOUTH-WESTERN RAILWAY, from Waterloo-bridge Station.
On Monday, the 20th inst., and following Sunday, Sept. 18th, inclusive, first, second, and third class return excursion tickets will be issued at Waterloo-bridge Station by all trains to Southampton, Portsmouth, or Gosport, with liberty to return any day (except the day on which the ticket is issued) by any train (except mail trains) during the day of issue, at following fares:—First class, 10s.; second class, 15s.; first class, 20s.
N.B. These tickets will only be issued to parties taking not fewer than two tickets.
Fast trains leave London daily at 8, 11, 3, and 5 o'clock.
Children under 12 years of age half price. Third class passengers can only travel by trains to which third carriages are attached. Tickets are not transferable, and may be had at Waterloo-bridge Station, and 53, King William-street, city.
The ordinary weight of luggage allowed.
Waterloo-bridge Station, September, 1858.

CHANNEL ISLANDS.—SOUTH-WESTERN to JERSEY and GUERNSEY, viâ Southampton or Weymouth, are issued at the Waterloo-bridge Station, and 53, King William-street, city. Fares, rail and steam, 21s., or 31s. throughout.
Return tickets, available for one month, 35s., second class; 45s., first class.
Last train from Waterloo-bridge Station at 8.30 p.m. daily, except on Saturdays; on Saturdays the last

TAKE notice that the PARTNERSHIP lately subsisting between us, the undersigned, carrying on the business of artificial manure, and patent cattle-feed dealers, at Silver-street, in Leicester, was, on the 6th day of September instant, DISSOLVED by mutual consent. The said business will in future be carried on by the undersigned James Black, at 37, Granby-street, Leicester, upon his sole credit and account.—Dated this 11th day of September, 1858.
JOSHUA SHENTON.
JAMES BLACK.
Witness, Richd. Gamble, clerk to Mr. F. J. Hawker, solicitor Leicester.

NICHOLAS BIENVENU, deceased.—All persons having any CLAIMS upon the ESTATE of the late NICHOLAS BIENVENU, of Southampton, grocer, deceased, are hereby required to send the particulars thereof to Mr. William Brooks, accountant, 2, High-street, Southampton, within 14 days from this date.—Dated the 14th of September, 1858.—By order of the Administrator and Trustees.

THE late SURGEON ARTHUR CHARLES WEBSTER, 10th Hussars.—All persons having CLAIMS upon, or being indebted to, the ESTATE of the late SURGEON ARTHUR CHARLES WEBSTER, 10th Hussars, are requested forthwith to send the same to Mr. George Brown, 11, Princes-street, Hanover-square, W.

JOHN GIRVAN, Esq., late of No. 97, Wood-street, Cheapside, London, and of Berkeley Lodge, Clapham-park, deceased.—All persons having any CLAIM against his ESTATE are requested to send the same forthwith to Mr. Thomas Henry Smith, 1, Frederick's-place, Old Jewry, solicitor to the Executors.—Dated 15th September, 1858.

NOTICE.—All persons having any CLAIM or DEMAND upon the ESTATE of Mr. GEORGE HULL of Rugby, draper, deceased, are requested (by order of his executors) to send forthwith particulars thereof to me, in order that they may be examined, and if found correct discharged; and all persons who stand indebted to the estate are hereby desired to pay the amount of their respective debts to me without delay.
G. G. DAINTY, Solicitor to the Executors.
Rugby, August 23, 1858.

THIS is to give notice, that by an indenture, bearing date the 27th day of August, 1858, WILLIAM TAYLOR, of the borough of Newport, in the county of Monmouth, shipowner and merchant, hath CONVEYED and ASSIGNED all his ESTATE and EFFECTS whatsoever to Edmund Elmes Beckingham, of Newport aforesaid, bank manager, and David Price, of the same place, agent, as trustees, upon trust for the benefit of all the creditors of him the said William Taylor; and that the said indenture was duly executed by the said William Taylor and David Price on the said 27th day of August, and by the said Edmund Elmes Beckingham, on the 6th day of September, 1858; and the due execution of which indenture, by the said William Taylor, David Price, and Edmund Elmes Beckingham, was witnessed by John Cathcart, of Newport, in the county of Monmouth, solicitor.

NOTICE is hereby given, that HANNAH MORRISON, of Alnwick, in the county of Northumberland, ironmonger, did, by indenture of assignment, dated the 11th day of September instant, ASSIGN all her ESTATE and EFFECTS, unto Robert Straughan, of Alnwick aforesaid, butcher, and John Watson Bowey, of the same place, foundryman, in trust for the equal benefit of the creditors of the said Hannah Morrison; the execution of such indenture being attested by William Forster, of Alnwick aforesaid, solicitor; that the said indenture now lies at the offices of the said William Forster, in Alnwick aforesaid, for execution by the creditors, and that such of them as shall neglect or refuse to execute the same within three calendar months from the date thereof, will be excluded from all benefit to arise therefrom, and they are hereby requested to send statements of their accounts to the said William Forster without delay. And that all persons indebted to the said Hannah Morrison are requested to pay the amount of their respective debts, at the offices of the said William Forster forthwith.—Alnwick, 13th September, 1858.

NOTICE is hereby given, that, by an indenture dated the 26th day of August, 1858, made between Lewis Bingley, of No. 59, Dean-street, Soho-square, in the county of Middlesex, currier and leather cutter, of the first park, and Robert Robinson, of No. 15, Kilburn Priory, Edgeware-road, in the said county, Esq., trustee for himself and the rest of the creditors of the said Lewis Bingley parties thereto, of the second part, and the several other persons whose names and seals were thereunto subscribed and set, the said respective creditors of the said Lewis Bingley, of the third part, the said LEWIS BINGLEY ASSIGNED all and every the STOCK in TRADE, Goods, Debts, and all other the Personal Estate and Effects of him the said Lewis Bingley (except as therein is excepted,) unto the said Trustee, his executors, administrators, and assigns upon trust for the benefit of all the creditors of the said Lewis Bingley; and that such indenture was executed by the said Lewis Bingley and Robert Robinson on the day of the date thereof, in the presence of, and such respective executions are attested by, Frederick Duncombe, of No. 18, Devereux-court, Strand, in the city of London, solicitor, and by Charles Allen, of No. 17, Carlisle-street, Soho, in the county of Middlesex, solicitor.—Dated this 14th day of September, 1858.

PRINCE of WALES' HOTEL, 10, Leicester-place, Leicester-square, London; established upwards of 50 years. All the rooms light, clean, and airy. Beds and breakfast, 3s. 6d.; dinners, 2s. 6d. and upwards. A French cook. Night porter. Good tea kept.

WHITE HART HOTEL, Reigate.—Families desirous of visiting one of the most beautiful and picturesque parts in Surrey, are respectfully invited to the above hotel—which is within an hour by rail of London. Terms by the week if required.

ISLE of WIGHT.—KING'S HEAD HOTEL, Sandown Bay, is better situate than any other in the island, being close to the water, in the centre of that beautiful bay, where comfort and economy are studied. Bed and breakfast 2s. 6d., dinners 2s., teas 1s.—J. EVANS, Proprietor.

TALBOT HOTEL, Richmond, Surrey, under new management. The charges are modified to meet the requirements of the age. Families and gentlemen boarded by the week. Gentlemen using the coffee room, with bed and breakfast, one guinea per week.

BRIGHTON.—The SUSSEX HOTEL, Cliftonville, will be found highly respectable, quiet, and comfortable. The charges strictly moderate. An omnibus calls at the hotel in connexion with every train. Superior stabling and coach-houses.—H. JONES, proprietor.

NELSON'S PORTLAND HOTEL, Great Portland-street; W., within a few yards of Regent-street and Oxford-street. Drawing room and bed room, en suite, 7s.; sitting rooms, 3s.; bed rooms, 2s. 6d., 2s. 6d., 2s., and 1s. 6d. Attendance, 1s. per day. Tariffs forwarded on application. Not any charge for lights at this hotel.

PARK HOTEL, 10 and 11, Park-place, St. James's-street, S.W.—Season being over, handsome suite of apartments, two guineas per week. This hotel is central, quiet, and replete with every comfort, and has the advantage of a private entrance to the Green-park.

THE OATLANDS PARK HOTEL, near Weybridge 17 miles from London. Trains at all hours to the Walton Station. The billiard room, recently completed this week, and the tariff, upon the reduced scale, may be had upon application at the Company's offices, 2, Royal Exchange-buildings.

HEALTHY RESIDENCE.—THE ROYAL CRYSTAL PALACE FAMILY HOTEL Norwood, adjoining the Crystal Palace. Ladies and gentlemen visiting the Palace will find this hotel to possess its most convenient and convenient residence. Families boarded by the week if preferred. Proprietor, THOMAS MASTERS, confectioner, &c., 188, Regent-street.

SEA BATHING.—Douglas, Isle of Man.—Rail and steam-packet, via Liverpool, in 11 hours.—The CASTLE MONA HOTEL and FAMILY BOARDING-HOUSE, formerly a ducal residence, on the margin of the beautiful and picturesque bay of Douglas. Description, tariff, &c., sent on receipt of address and two stamps. See advertisement in Bradshaw, page 239.

PARIS.—GRAND HOTEL des CAPUCINES, 37, Boulevard des Capucines, near the Madeline.—To travellers visiting Paris.—Magnificent hotel, in the finest part of the capital, entirely fitted up with every comfort usually found in England. Splendid apartments on the Boulevard, at from 8s. to £2; bed rooms, 2s. 6d.; excellent dinner 3s. 6d.

MARGATE, Kent.—THE DUKE'S HEAD HOTEL and ROYAL THAMES YACHT CLUB HOUSE is most beautifully situate at the junction of the pier and jetty, commanding the most extensive sea and land views. This celebrated establishment is now under the entire superintendence of the Proprietor. Charges moderate. Wines of the best vintages.—A. CHILES, proprietor.

THE EXETER-HALL HOTEL, happily placed in the centre of the West Strand, contiguous to the new park of St. James's, the Palace of the Sovereign, the theatres, and the nearest first-class hotel to the South-Western Railway, is one of the most compact hotels in the metropolis. Breakfasts, 1s. 6d.; dinner, 2s.; bed rooms, 2s.; drawing room, including gas lights, with bed room attached, 7s. attendance, 1s. A night porter. A coffee room for ladies and families.

SANDOWN BAY, Isle of Wight.—SANDOWN HOTEL (THOMAS HALE, Proprietor,) delightfully situate, on the beach, with extensive sea views. Excellent accommodation for families and gentlemen. Charges moderate, which can be ascertained on application. Hot and cold baths. Post and telegraph offices within a few minutes' walk. Steam packets from Southampton and Portsmouth to Ryde, and coaches to the hotel several times daily: distance six miles.

DRAPER'S PRIVATE HOTEL, Sackville-street, Piccadilly.—All the advantages and enjoyments of a family mansion are to be found at this commodious establishment; at the same time the scale of charges is fixed, and on very moderate terms. The arrangements are under the immediate direction of the Proprietress, Mrs. Draper, who has spared no expense, with a view to the comfort of families and gentlemen who may honour the establishment with their patronage.

THE favourite spot to sojourn and visit is the HOTEL, Caterham, Surrey. Sporting and shooting on small preserve, free to customers. Parties are respectfully invited to see this beautiful spot, where are delightful walks and views, and excellent accommodation, at very moderate charges for carriages, either posters, or flys, &c. Only 17 miles from London, and close to the railway station on the Brighton and South-Eastern Line, viâ Caterham Junction.

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THE CLAREMDON HOTEL, Leamington Spa.—Mrs. HUGHES, in retiring from the Clarendon Hotel, Leamington, begs to thank the nobility, gentry, and public for the kind and extensive support with which she has been honoured during the last 7 years. Mrs. Hughes also solicits a continuance of their kind patronage on behalf of her successors, the Misses Hood, late of the North Western Hotel, Morecambe Bay, who, she can confidently state, will conduct the establishment with the utmost attention and liberality.—Leamington, August, 1858.

BOULOGNE-SUR-MER. HOTEL d'ANGLETERRE.—"This old-established and first-rate house deservedly recommended."—See Bradshaw's Continental Guide. "Recommended. Newly furnished."—Galignani. "Recommended. Charges moderate."—Murray's Guide through France. M. ZACHARIE, Proprietor. Families and gentlemen boarded by the week. A sitting room, with the use of a piano, at the disposal of boarders. English and French newspapers daily. The establishment (gratis) always in attendance on the arrival of the trains and boats.

BRIGHTON.—First-class Hotel, Marine-parade.—The ROYAL CRESCENT HOTEL is now ready for occupation, and contains a magnificent coffee-room, several suites of rooms, each dressing room of which has a self-supplying warm bath, also numerous sitting rooms and bed rooms, in the best style, a handsome billiard-room, extensive wine vaults, &c. This hotel has been fitted with the greatest care and judgment, possessing every capability for an extensive business. Full particulars, with terms, &c., may be obtained of Mr. Wellman, auctioneer and estate agent, 168, North-street, Brighton.

HOTEL des ILES d'OR, Hyéres (Var).—Mr. BRUN, the proprietor of this establishment (one of the finest in Europe), is noted for the urbanity of his manners and attention to his guests; his charges also are moderate. Baths, a glazed promenade gallery, carriages, English and French newspapers. Hyéres, built beneath a hill sheltering it from the north, and in full view of the Mediterranean, enjoys a still milder and healthier climate than Nice. The Protestant chapel and post-office are near this hotel. Mr. Brun also offers 12 comfortably Furnished Houses, with gardens, contiguous to his establishment.

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TO ANGLERS.—Gentlemen fishing in the waters of the Colne, between Uxbridge and Iver, may find excellent accommodation at the GENERAL ELLIOTT HOTEL, Cowbridge Moor, within 10 minutes' walk of the railway station. A well-supplied larder, superior wines and spirits, good beds, and moderate charges.

DEACON'S COFFEEHOUSE and READING ROOMS, 3, Walbrook, Mansion-house, city, E.C.—WM. HOWELL, Proprietor and Advertising Agent for all the London Provincial, Scotch, Irish, Welsh, American, Australian, New Zealand, and East and West India Papers; agent for Galignani Messenger. N.B. A List of Heirs to Next of Kin, &c.

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THE BUILDER, a Weekly Illustrated Architectural Journal, price 4d.—1, York-street, Covent-garden.

THE BUILDING NEWS, Illustrated, weekly, price 4d.—20, Old Boswell-court, Strand, W.C.

THE CARDINAL and THE TIMES.—Read the WEEKLY REGISTER of Saturday, Sept. 18, the recognized organ of the Catholic body. Price 5d. Office, 3, Brydges-street, Strand.

THE MUTINY in the BENGAL ARMY. By CHAS. W. KINLOCH, Esq., late Resident Judge, at Allahabad. Publishers, London, Simpkin, Marshall, and Co.; Smith and Elder, Torquay, Cockreen.

THE COMMON LAW DIGEST of the WEEKLY REPORTER will be published on Saturday next, Sept. 18. Price 2s. 6d. Part 2, containing the Chancery Digest, will be ready in a few days. Office, 59, Carey-street. Lincoln's-inn, W.C.

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MR. CHARLES DICKENS.—The CRITIC of Sept. 4, No. 426, contains a beautifully executed Portrait of Mr. Charles Dickens, printed on toned paper, after a photograph by Herbert Watkins, accompanied by a facsimile of his autograph and a biographical sketch. The same number contains a review of all his readings. Price 4d. A stamped copy sent for five stamps. Office, 29, Essex-street, Strand, W.C.

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SUDBURY, near Harrow, conferring the privilege of Harrow School.—To be LET, within an easy distance of the railway station, a detached VILLA RESIDENCE, commanding a fine view of the surrounding country. It contains dining and drawing rooms, four good bed rooms, kitchen, and the usual offices, and a large garden front and rear, well stocked. Rent £25 per annum. For further particulars apply at the Bell Inn, Sudbury; or to Mr. Lerew, 2, Cardington-street, Hampstead-road, N.W.

UPPER NORWOOD.—To be LET, in this healthy locality, on Lease or otherwise, an elegant RESIDENCE, situate within a convenient distance of the Crystal Palace and three railway stations, and commanding the most extensive and delightful views of the Kent and Surrey hills. It contains eight bed rooms, handsome reception rooms, and well-arranged domestic offices; double coach-house, stables, &c. Land can also be had if required. None but parties of the highest respectability will be treated with. Apply by letter only to Mr. Hutchinson, 21, Budge-row, city.

NORFOLK.—Gressenhall Hall.—To be LET, Furnished, a FAMILY MANSION, in good repair, and only vacated in July. Large reception rooms and about 16 bed rooms, good gardens, stabling. The church is in the park. The exclusive right of shooting over about 1,000 acres, of which 100 are wood, abounding with game; also the right of fishing. Two miles and a half from East Dereham, an excellent market town; trains from thence to London three or four times a day. Rent £200 a year. To be let for two or more years. Apply by letter to Y. Z., Farringdon House, near Exeter.

CROYDON.—To be LET, with immediate possession, an excellent detached FAMILY RESIDENCE, situate in its own grounds, within a few minutes' walk of both railway stations. It contains dining and drawing rooms, library, six large bed rooms, dressing room, very complete domestic offices; capital detached stabling and coach-house, with men's rooms; large well-arranged pleasure and kitchen gardens, with green-house. For terms and cards to view apply to Robt. W. Fuller, estate agent, 101, High-street, Croydon; or to Messrs. Ellis and Son, Fenchurch-street, E.C.

CLAPHAM-PARK.—To be SOLD, a modern, very sound, and unusually well-arranged FAMILY HOUSE, standing in the centre of about 22 acres of land, comprising well-wooded pleasure-ground, gardens, and paddock; contains 22 bed rooms, good reception rooms, and domestic offices; laundry and enclosed drying yard, stabling and coach-house (room for 12 horses and six carriages), cow-house, sheds, enclosed yards, and farm buildings. The whole in the very best condition. Distant about four miles from the city and west end, and one mile from a railway station. For further particulars apply to Mr. Clifton, Clapham-park, Surrey, S.

IN KENT, within 13 miles of London.—To be LET or SOLD, the LEASE and FURNITURE of a detached HOUSE, containing three reception rooms, eight bed rooms, with excellent domestic offices and cellarage, coach-house, stabling, loose box, cow-house, &c., a very well arranged garden, situate in a village within three miles of a station on the railway to London-bridge or west-end, surrounded by a beautiful country, with excellent drives and walks, and an extensive common adjoining. Society very select. Price 3—on lease, furnished, £250 per annum; for the lease, if seperate, £110 per annum; for the furniture, £1,800; or for the whole, £2,500. For further particulars apply by letter, addressed to M. M., Mrs., care of Mr. L. Williams, 69, Bankside, Southwark, S.E.

WEST HAM ABBEY.—To be LET or SOLD, extensive FREEHOLD PREMISES, occupying an area of two acres, situate at West Ham, Essex, a few minutes' walk from the Stratford Station of the North Woolwich Railway, and with the advantage of free water carriage to London. The buildings, which are of the most substantial character, were erected by the late John Tucker, Esq., but a few years since, and comprise the steam flour mill and granary, warehouses, enclosed yards, cattle sheds and stabling, and are admirably adapted for any manufacturing business: they are well supplied with water, and are within a quarter of an hour's ride of Marklane by rail. There is a large cooperage in the immediate neighbourhood. For further particulars apply to Messrs. Fuller and Horsey, 13, Billiter-street, E.C.

SEVENOAKS.—To be LET, Furnished, a HOUSE or APARTMENTS, pleasantly situate, contiguous to Knole-park. For particulars address Mr. Silas Corke, Sevenoaks, Kent.

WEST COWES.—To be LET, unfurnished, a semi-detached VILLA RESIDENCE, on a high, dry, and healthy situation. Apply to Mr. Moore, house agent, Cowes.

SURREY.—150 to 200 acres FREEHOLD BUILDING LAND for SALE, near Farnham. Part of the purchase-money may remain on mortgage. Price £15 per acre.—W. A. Oakley, 8 Regent-street, S.W.

CONNAUGHT-SQUARE.—To be LET, a comfortable well FURNISHED HOUSE, replete with all necessary requirements, having been painted newly and decorated. The whole or part for 6 or 12 months.—21, Connaught-square, W.

BERMONDSEY.—To be LET on LEASE, very extensive MANUFACTURING PREMISES, with chimney shaft, standing on a large area of ground, and a capital dwelling-house thereon. Apply to Mr. Peake, auctioneer, 44, Tooley-street, Southwark.

BROXBOURNE, near the Church and Railway Station.—A semi-detached VILLA, fitted with every convenience Drawing and dining room, five chambers, offices, and walled garden. Rent £35 Parochial taxes £3 3s. Apply to Richard Allen, Broxbourne.

BELGRAVIA.—Stabling.—Extensive STABLING and ROOMS over, with Loft and large Coach-house, to be LET, at the East Pavilion, Sloane-street. Apply on the premises, or to Mr. F. D. Godwin, 3, Halkin-terrace, Belgrave-square.

DULWICH.—To be LET, a nine-roomed comfortable HOUSE, in good repair, pleasantly situate, with large garden back and front, easy access by rail and omnibus. Rent £30 per annum. Apply at 1, Rosendale-road, Dulwich, S.

REIGATE.—A desirable FAMILY HOUSE, with good garden, within five minutes of the station, to be LET, Furnished, on reasonable terms, for two or three months, from the 3d of October. Apply by letter, or at the house, the Elms, Reigate.

FOR SALE, TWO eight-roomed HOUSES, in Islington; one let at £38, the other in hand. Lease 94 years. Price £700 the two. Apply at 14, York-place, City-road, E.C.

MANUFACTORY or WAREHOUSE, near Leadenhall-street, newly erected, well lighted, consisting of five stories, 65ft. frontage, with easy access, to be LET on LEASE. Apply to D. King, builder, 5, Mitre-street, Aldgate.

BREWERY, with Maltings attached; the best locality in the kingdom.—One or two gentlemen, with capital at command, will be treated with. Note there are no debts or liabilities in existence. Address B. and M., 3, Surrey-place, Hope-town, S.

LEASEHOLD INVESTMENT.—To be SOLD, immediately, for £130, TWO LEASEHOLD HOUSES, one a corner shop producing, clear of ground rent, £25 per annum, let weekly. Term unexpired 60 years. Apply to Mr. Lee, 1, Devonshire-sq., city. E.C.

FREEHOLD LAND, suitable for building purposes, delightfully situate, near Beulah-spa and the Crystal Palace, 81 ft. frontage by 194 ft. in depth, to be SOLD. For terms apply to Mr. Milner, surveyor and estate agent, 18, Queen-street, Cheapside.

LADIES' OUTFITTING and BABY LINEN.—To be DISPOSED OF, a good BUSINESS, in Bishopsgate-street, returning £1,200 per annum. Terms moderate. Apply to Messrs. Edwards and Smith, 19, Great Carter-lane, Doctors'-commons, E.C.

MILLINERY and MANTLE BUSINESS.—To be DISPOSED OF, in a fashionable west-end thoroughfare, a first-class BUSINESS, returning £2,500 per annum. As the proprietor is desirous of retiring, an immediate purchaser will be met liberally. Apply to Messrs. Edwards and Smith, 19, Great Carter-lane, Doctors'-commons E.C.

MILK.—FULL-PRICE FAMILY BUSINESS for SALE. 14 barn gallons per day. 20 odd years same proprietor: now retiring. Standing for 12 cows. £300 asked for lease and all.—B. Blumfield, 18, Upper North-place, Gray's-inn-road, near Guildford-st.

VILLA RESIDENCE to be LET, 25 miles from London, on the Brighton line, close to the Station. It contains nine rooms and scullery chaise-house; and stable, green-house, and about one acre of garden. Rent £30 per year, for not less than three years. Apply to Mr. Mease, Station Inn, Horley.

NINE per CENT.—To be SOLD, an eight-room HOUSE, situate in the most populous part of Notting-hill; let to a respectable yearly tenant at £26 per annum. Lease 94 years. Ground rent £5. For further particulars apply at 1, Alfred-terrace, Queen's-road, Bayswater.

HOTEL to be LET, situate in the most improving part of the city, doing a first-rate trade, and satisfactory reasons will be given for the present proprietor leaving. A respectable party will find it an opportunity that seldom offers. For particulars apply to Mr. Gardiner, auctioneer, &c., 17, Hatton-garden.

COUNTRY COTTAGE to be LET, for six months, cheaply Furnished, with large garden, eight rooms, deserted, healthy, dry, one mile from Gravesend, half a mile from rail. Terms 16s. per week. Apply to Z. Z., Messrs. Blacklock and Co.'s, 117, High-street, Whitechapel, E.

BUSINESS PREMISES, and Dwelling-house attached, 89, Blackfriars-road, to be LET. The house has recently been thoroughly repaired. The premises are suitable for a manufactory or warehouse, having excellent light, and good approaches from John-street west and Burrowes mews.

A BERLIN WOOL and FANCY REPOSITORY, established 27 years, in a fashionable watering-place. The STOCK and GOODWILL to be DISPOSED OF, in consequence of the decease of the proprietress. For particulars address H. L., care of Messrs. Hutton and Co., Newgate-street.

A BARGAIN.—To be SOLD or LET, TWO COTTAGES containing six rooms and wash-house. Price £195 each; £4 ground rent. Two others, let at £22 per annum, price £400; lease 99 years. Apply to Mr. James Cobden, 11, Durham-road, Seven Sisters'-road, Holloway, N., where the property is situate.

A First-class LODGING-HOUSE for DISPOSAL; no premium. The furniture of a 13-roomed house to be sold, for about £200, or at a valuation. Now fully occupied. Would suit a widow lady. For particulars apply by letter to M. H., post-office, Queen's-terrace, Camden-road, N.W.

A Ready-money MANUFACTURING BUSINESS, with Plant, to be DISPOSED OF, for 175 guineas. Any gentleman with £200 will find this a lucrative investment. No previous knowledge required. Apply in first instance to J. W., 19, New-street, Lambeth-walk, S., from 9 till 12.

AT ONE GUINEA per WEEK.—A well FURNISHED HOUSE to be LET, comprising dining and drawing rooms, four bed rooms, kitchen, and wash-house; garden at back; excellent supply of water, and good drainage. Apply to Mr. Carr, 28, Grafton-road, Kentish-town, N.

SHOP to be LET, with double side and front entrance, suitable for a furnishing ironmonger, draper, chymist, biscuit baker, oil and brush warehouse, or any first-class business. Rent low. Apply on the premises, 3, Belmont-terrace, High-street, Peckham; or Mr. Scale opposite.

MEDICAL.—An old-established MEDICAL PRACTICE, of £300 per annum, to be SOLD, immediately, with a proper introduction, for £200, the vendor wishing to retire on account of declining health. The place of residence is in a high and healthy part of Lincolnshire. Address Medicus, post-office, Grantham, Lincolnshire.

MANUFACTORY or WAREHOUSE, in Bishopsgate-street without, to be LET, at a low rent, free of taxes. It comprises three well-lighted stories, each 65 feet long, and a smaller stack, 36 feet by 21 feet, counting-house, two large warehouses on ground floor adapted for stabling, &c.; yard and good entrance. Cards to view and terms of Mr. Debenham, 80, Cheapside.

WAREHOUSES, four stories, about 45 feet by 25 feet, and cellarage 45 feet by 30 feet, yard and counting-house, to be LET. The premises are adapted for leather factors, wool merchants, slopsellers, or others requiring substantial warehouses, within a few minutes' walk of the Leather-market and South Sea-house. Apply to Mr. Jones, 27, Milk-street, Cheapside.

UNFURNISHED HOUSES, in excellent repair, containing 13 or 14 rooms, in Blandford and Harewood squares, pleasantly situate within 10 minutes' walk of Hyde-park, and five minutes' of Regent's-park. Omnibuses to all parts of London within two minutes' walk. Rent £70 per annum and upwards. Apply to John Heffernan, Esq., solicitor, 1, Devonshire-terrace, High-st., Marylebone.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT, to realize £146 per annum net for a term of 88 years.—FOUR nine-roomed HOUSES, with large walled-in gardens, in the best part of the Queen's-road, Dalston. Price £1,500, £1,000 of which may remain for four years at 5 per cent. Apply personally to Mr. R. Liscombe, 1, Albert Cottages, Albert-road, Queen's-road, Dalston.

FURNITURE, Bedding, and Upholstery BUSINESS for SALE, situate in one of the best west-end thoroughfares, and has been successfully carried on for some years by the present proprietor, now retiring. Price for lease, 9 years at a moderate rent, and goodwill, £500. A very superior opening for a young beginner. Apply to Mr. Thomas Young, auctioneer, 40, Fall-mall. (B 2,157.)

TOBACCONIST and CIGAR BUSINESS to be DISPOSED OF, situate in a populous neighbourhood, near the City-road; is suitable for a married couple without encumbrance, or a single person. Returns £7 per week, at good profits. Rent and taxes low. Sum required for goodwill and fixtures, £60; stock, £30. For cards to view apply to W. Cole, appraiser, &c., corner of Nelson-street, City-road.

WINE and SPIRIT VAULTS, in the North of England.—To be DISPOSED OF, a WHOLESALE and RETAIL ready-money WINE and SPIRIT ESTABLISHMENT, freehold property, in a large town in the north of England. This is a most desirable opportunity to secure an established ready money trade. The premises are extensive. Price £7,000. For further particulars apply to Messrs. Richard Hannaford and Son, sugar refiners, Brook-street, Holborn, E.C.

RESIDENCE, with Land and Shooting, four miles from a station on the Great Western line.—To be LET, unfurnished, a convenient stone-built RESIDENCE, encircled by a small park-like domain of 11 acres, on the summit of a hill, and approached through lodge gates. There are fourteen acres of arable land, and 1,000 additional acres of shooting to be rented on moderate terms. Rent £80 per annum.—Messrs. Smith and Taylor, auctioneers, 288, Regent-street, W.

A GROUND RENT of £48 a year, and the Rental of Three Houses, bringing in together a net and certain income of £73 a year, held for 45½ years from 1837, well secured on property worth £520 per annum, to be SOLD to pay nearly 12 per cent. Price £650. The property can be divided to suit the purchaser. This would suit any one in want of a safe investment. Apply to Mr. Robinson, shoemaker, 1, South-row, New-road, near St. Pancras New Church.

FARMS for SALE or to be LET.—Messrs. SALTER and KINGDOM give especial attention to this branch of their business, and are desirous of giving the benefit of the experience of 25 years enabling them to be of material service in valuations, improvements, drainage, &c. Parties having farm property for sale, or to be let, or requiring the same, are respectfully requested to forward particulars.—Land and estate agency, 17, Abchurch-lane, E.C.

FIFTEEN per CENT.—For immediate SALE, under pressing circumstances, to pay the above rate of interest, NINE substantially-built HOUSES, all well tenanted, and situate in a thickly populated neighbourhood, three miles from the city, where among the more respectable class of operatives punctuality in paying tenants will always be found. Apply to Bowes and Bellingham, auctioneers and estate agents, 27, Gresham-street, Bank.

ELIGIBLE INVESTMENT.—For SALE, TWO substantial brick-built DWELLING-HOUSES, each six rooms, garden, fore court, and water—in the improving neighbourhood of Hatcham. Old Kent-road; lease 85 years; ground rent, original, £5 12s. 6d. the two. To an immediate buyer, £160 the two. Apply on the premises, 2, Albert-place, St. James-street, down by the Rising Sun, New Hatcham, Old Kent-road. £100 may remain upon mortgage if required.

COTTAGE to be LET.—To be LET, a neat comfortable old-fashioned COTTAGE, detached, in a retired situation, near Maresfield-park, Sussex, half way between Uckfield and Tunbridge-wells, and four miles from the Uckfield Station of the Brighton Line. It contains two sitting rooms, kitchen, cellar, three bed rooms, two dressing rooms, and one attic; a small stable and chaise-house, good garden, orchard, cottage, and three acres of meadow land. Rent £22 10s. per annum: taxes low. Address X. Y., Warminster, Wilts.

A Delightful RESIDENCE, with Land, near Uxbridge, known as Belmont, to be LET. The house contains three reception rooms, eight bed rooms, with servants' apartments, and all necessary offices. The pleasure grounds immediately adjoin the house, in which are a conservatory and green-house; a walled-in kitchen garden, capital stabling and coach-house, gardener's and labourers' cottages, including a lodge entrance, farm buildings, &c., containing altogether 37 acres. For terms apply to Messrs. Sedgwick and Son, land agents, Cheshic-brider Farm, near Watford, Herts.

DETACHED NOBILITY'S BOX.—A beautifully situate detached villa, three miles from Hyde-park-corner west, famous for the salubrity of the air for invalids, and adjoining Signor Mario's, Mesdames Grisi's and Piccolomini's; stands in six acres of ground, well timbered, lawns, orchard, and shrubberies; three hothouses, summer-house, aviary, fish-pond, &c.; the drawing, dining, library, and principal bed rooms open on the lawn, and is considered one of the most recherché and delightful spots near London; there is a double coach-house, five-stall stable, and dairy, comfort and convenience for a respectable family—to be LET, Furnished; or the Lease, Fixtures, and Furniture, as it stands ready for immediate occupation, to be Sold. For cards apply to Mr. Smith, Drury-lane Theatre.

WATER-SIDE MANUFACTURING PREMISES, Millwall, Poplar, on the Thames.—To be SOLD, by Private Contract, the LEASE of extensive MANUFACTURING PREMISES, known as the British and Colonial Smelting Works, the greater part erected within the last six years, and well adapted for any manufacturing business requiring water-side premises, there being an excellent wharf, with considerable frontage next the Thames. The buildings are principally spacious ground floor erections. There are two dwelling-houses, and two lofty brick-built chimney-shafts. The plant, including two steam engines of 30-horse and 10-horse power, two steam boilers, furnaces, crushing mills, and machinery, may be taken or not, at the option of the purchaser. For further particulars apply to Messrs. Fuller and Horsey, 13, Billiter-street, E.C.

MOST valuable IRONSTONE and COAL PROPERTIES for SALE.—To Staffordshire Ironmasters and other Capitalists.—Ironmasters desirous of removing their works from Staffordshire, or capitalists wishing to embark in the iron trade, have now an opportunity of putting down a new foundation within eight miles of the Bute Docks, Cardiff, with all the material for manufacture on the spot. The property comprises a completely fitted colliery in full work of the best smithy coal in the Principality, extending under upwards of 200 acres and of 200 acres of newly discovered iron ore of extreme richness and value. Lime in abundance on the spot. Adjacent to two railways and a canal. Purchase money about £40,000. Apply by letter to N. F. Edwards, Esq., 103, Tachbrook-street, Pimlico, London.

COTTAGE to be LET.—To be LET, a neat comfortable COTTAGE, with coach-house and stabling, garden back and front. Rent only £30 a-year. Fixtures may be had at half their value, the proprietor being suddenly called abroad. Apply, post paid, to A. B., 11, Upper Brunswick-terrace, Barnsbury-road, Islington, N.

MONEY MARKET and CITY INTELLIGENCE.

THURSDAY EVENING.

The English funds opened this morning at a slight further improvement, but the closing prices were the same as those of yesterday. Consols were first quoted 97⅜ to ½ for money, and 97½ for the account, and the last transactions were at 97½ to ⅜ for money, and 97⅜ to ½ for the account. The diminished buoyancy at the close was attributed to the quotations from Paris being less favourable. The general transactions of the day were unimportant. India Stock left off at 216 to 219; India Debentures, 98⅜ to ½; New, 98½ to ½; India Bonds, 12s. to 15s.; and Exchequer-bills (March), 34s. to 37s.; (June), 24s. to 27s. premium.

In the foreign stock-market the transactions have again been numerous, and in some cases, especially Russian, Sardinian, and Peruvian Three per Cents., an advance has taken place. Turkish Six per Cents. were flat at 96½ to ⅞, and the Scrip stood at ½ to ⅝ pm. Brazilian Four-and-a-Half per Cents. were negotiated at 96½ and ⅝; Buenos Ayres Six per Cents., 78; ditto Deferred, 16⅝ and 17½; Chilian Six per Cents., 106; Mexican, for the account, 21⅞ and ⅝; Peruvian Four-and-a-Half per Cents., for the account, 91⅜; ditto Three per Cents., for the account, 71½ and 72; Russian Five per Cents., 111⅞ and ⅜; ditto Four-and-a-Half per Cents., 100½; Sardinian, for the account, 93; Spanish, 45⅜; ditto Deferred, for the account, 29½; Passive, 11½ and ½; the Certificates, 6½; Turkish Six per Cents., 97 and 96⅞; for the account, 96⅝, ⅞, and ½; ditto Four per Cents. Guaranteed, for the account, 104½; Venezuela Five per Cents., for the account, 39½; Belgian Two-and-a-Half per Cents., 57; Dutch Four per Cent. Certificates, 101⅞; and Peruvian Four-and-a-Half per Cent. Dollar Bonds, 76½.

The final quotations of the French Three per Cents. on the Paris Bourse this evening were 72f. 50c. for money and 72f. 80c. for the end of the month, showing a reaction of three-eighths per cent.

About 80,000*l.* in Australian gold was taken to the Bank to-day.

The half-yearly Court of the Proprietors of the Bank of England took place to-day, Mr. Sheffield Neave, the Governor, presiding. The profits for the six months ending August 31 were stated to be 628,770*l.*, making the amount of the rest on that day 3,676,868*l.* A dividend at the rate of 4½ per cent. for the half-year was declared, leaving the rest 3,021,983*l.* Satisfaction was expressed that, notwithstanding the low rate of interest lately prevalent, a distribution at this rate could be made.

At a meeting of Central American bondholders this afternoon, Mr. J. D. Powles in the chair, it was resolved to authorize the agents of the Government of Guatemala to deduct 2½ per cent. on all future dividends as a remuneration for the services of the British Consul there in adjusting the foreign debt of the Republic. A similar arrangement was also adopted with regard to the States of Nicaragua, San Salvador, and Honduras, to come into operation whenever a satisfactory settlement of the debts of those States shall have been obtained.

A meeting took place this morning of creditors of Messrs. Portelli, Schembri, and Co., a house in the Mediterranean trade, whose suspension was announced on the 21st of last month. The balance-sheet, prepared by Messrs. Quilter, Ball, and Co., accountants, showed liabilities expected to rank upon the estate, 42,060*l.*, and assets estimated at 9,357*l.* The accounts have been kept in a bad and imperfect condition, and it has consequently been found impracticable to ascertain if the house was identical with that of Augustus Portelli and Co., of Malta, previous to the reconstruction of the firm in June. Two days before the stoppage Mr. Schembri proceeded to Paris, having handed to his nephew bills to the amount of 700*l.* After the failure securities of the value of 2,000*l.* arrived, and were sent on to him. Mr. Quilter subsequently obtained about 1,500*l.*, back, but the remaining 500*l.* was stated to consist of a bill which had been sent to Marseilles to be cashed. Two bills were then handed over as part of the proceeds, but it turned out that these formed a portion of the 700*l.* given to the nephew. It was then affirmed that the 500*l.* had been transmitted to Malta, in which case it will be recoverable. An application on behalf of the creditors for the remainder of the 700*l.* was resisted on the ground of a set-off for disbursements in travelling expenses, furniture, house expenditure, &c. for Mr. Schembri. The latter has now left Paris, and his present residence is unknown. The house at Malta is the principal creditor, claiming 15,000*l.* on acceptances, and if this claim can be overturned by their being proved partners the estate will be relieved to that extent. Considerable discussion took place upon the precise connexion of the latter firm with Portelli, Schembri, and Co., and it was ultimately resolved to adjourn until further information shall have been obtained.

Acceptances of Messrs. Ascoli, Hartwig, and Co., of Manchester, were not met to-day. The firm were connected with Portelli, Schembri, and Co.

The European and American Steam Shipping Company have issued a circular to their shareholders, notifying that they have made an arrangement with Messrs. Croskey and Co. for the settlement of all matters in dispute between that firm and the board. Messrs. Croskey and Co. are to pay into the hands of the directors 30,000*l.* forthwith on the attachments being removed, and are to find the money for sending the Lady Jocelyn and Calcutta to sea—the two ships under engagement for the conveyance of troops to India. Their agreement is also to be reviewed and reconsidered, with a view to prevent future misunderstandings, and the board hope that these and other arrangements will enable them to put the remaining vessels into profitable employment at an early period. In the meantime, it is stated to be indispensable that parties should come forward to take up the debentures which the holders are not prepared to renew, and that the board rely on the shareholders coming forward to assist in the arrangements which have been partially made for that purpose.

As this is the period when tourists begin to return in large numbers from the continent, efforts should be made on the part of the railway companies to keep faith with the public in the time fixed for the departure and arrival of trains. It is stated that the South-Eastern Company are still distinguished for their disregard of punctuality. Complaints are made that the tidal trains are often nearly an hour after their time, especially in cases where the train is to arrive late at night, and when the annoyance to persons who have made arrangements to proceed by other lines to distant parts of the country is especially great. The delay, it is said, takes place at Folkestone, although the South-Eastern officials throw the blame on those of the Great Northern of France.

The shares of the Atlantic Telegraph Company have experienced a decline to between 420 and 460. It appears the recent experiments induce a belief that the fracture or fractures—for it is thought there may be two—will be found to exist at a distance of between 200 and 300 miles from the shore. For about 230 or 240 miles the depth is only 410 fathoms, and within that range the mischief could easily be repaired, but a sudden descent then occurs to 1,518 fathoms, where it is extremely doubtful if anything could be done. The probability seems that it is at this abrupt point the damage has been sustained.

TRADE REPORT.

THURSDAY EVENING.

SUGAR.—There was no alteration in the market to-day. At public sale 566 hhds. 406 barrels Porto Rico and 1,332 bags Bengal were partly sold, the former at 38s. to 44s. for low to good bright yellow, the latter at 42s. to 46s. for low to good yellow Gurputta, and 49s. 6d. for good bright yellow Cossipore. Of West India 640 hhds. have been disposed of at full rates. Privately, 1,200 boxes Havannah at 46s. to 51s. 6d.; 270 casks Porto Rico at 42s. to 45s.; and a floating cargo of 1,357 boxes Havannah for the United Kingdom at 30s. per cwt.

COFFEE.—263 casks and 146 barrels and bags plantation Ceylon realized full rates—from 66s. 6d. to 75s. for fine fine ordinary to middling bright bold colourv; 993 bags native Ceylon were bought in at 50s. for good ordinary.

RICE.—The market is quiet, and only about 1,000 bags of 4,870 bags Bengal brought forward found buyers, at 7s. 6d. for low middling white; 238 bags Arracan were sold at 6s. to 6s. 6d., and 46 casks fine Carolina at 24s. 6d. to 25s. Privately, 300 tons fine white Bengal have been taken at 12s. per cw

EAST INDIA-HOUSE, 15th September, 1858.

THE Finance, Home, and Public Works' Committee of the Council of India hereby give notice, that the DEBENTURES for the SECOND PORTION of the LOAN, Act 21 Vic., cap 3, will be READY for delivery at the Treasury, at this House, on and after Monday, the 20th inst. J. COSMO MELVILL.

ST. JAMES's THEATRE, King-street, St. James's.—This elegant THEATRE to be LET on LEASE, or for the Season. Apply to Messrs. Lewis and Lewis, Ely-place, Holborn.

ROYAL GARDENS, VAUXHALL, OPEN (wet or dry) EVERY EVENING.—TO-NIGHT, and during the week, the Concert, in the Handel Orchestra, will be supported by Mr. P. Corri, Master Haydn Corri, Mr. C. Sloman, Mr. Elijah Taylor, Mr. Russell Grover, and Mrs. Lawrence. In the Ballet Theatre, Mr. G. Thompson in his delineations of the Grecian Statues. Mr. James Robinson, the great American Bare-back Rider (last week of his engagement), in the Cirque Imperial, in conjunction with the new successful Company of Equestrians, under the direction of Her Majesty's Clown, H. Croueste. including Madame Blanche (the Equestrian Magnet). Clowns—Croueste and Felix Saffarine. Illuminations and Fireworks of unequalled brilliancy. Wonderful Tight Rope Ascent by Signor Duvalli. Dancing on the Leviathan Platform at 9, and after the fireworks. This Evening, a Grand Night Ascent of the Royal Vauxhall Balloon, piloted by Captain Adams, jun. Hours of admission—from Monday to Friday at 7. Saturdays at 3; Military Bands at 4. Chalmo's Troupe in Maypole and Country Dances until 6, when the usual Performances commence. Admission, 1s.; children, 6d. Open on Sundays. Refreshment ticket, 6d.

THEATRE ROYAL, DRURY-LANE.—Great Success of the Pyne and Harrison English Opera Company.—THE ROSE OF CASTILLE, and a Ballet Divertissement—EVERY EVENING. Application respecting the subscription for boxes or stalls for the season to be made at the box-office, open daily from 11 till 5, under the direction of Mr. E. Chatterton.

THEATRE ROYAL, HAYMARKET.—Repaired and Restored, and Open Every Evening.—In consequence of their great attraction, the entire performances with which the Theatre opened on the 6th inst. will be repeated every evening during the week.—Engagement for a limited period of the renowned Spanish dancer, Señora Perea Nena.—THIS EVENING, and every evening this week, the revived comedy of THE WAY TO KEEP HIM, in which Mr. Buckstone, Mr. Howe, Mr. W Farren, Mr. Clark, Mrs. Catherine Sinclair (who is engaged for a limited period previous to her departure for America), Mrs. B. White, Mrs. E. Fitzwilliam, and Miss Reynolds will appear. After which, a new Spanish ballet, entitled THE DAUGHTER OF THE GUADALQUIVIR, in which the renowned Spanish dancer, Perea Nena (who is engaged for a limited period) will appear, with Señor Moragas, Fanny Wright, and a numerous Corps de Ballet. With A WICKED WIFE: Mr. Compton, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Howe, and Miss Reynolds. Concluding with A KISS IN THE DARK. Box-office open daily, from 10 till 5.

MR. CHARLES KEAN's FAREWELL SEASON, as Manager of the Royal Princess's Theatre, will COMMENCE on Saturday, the 2d of October next, and conclude on Saturday, the 30th of July.

ROYAL OLYMPIC THEATRE (Lessees, Messrs. F. Robson and W. S. Emden) RE-OPENS To-morrow (Saturday, the 18th inst.)—A DOUBTFUL VICTORY; or, G. Vining; Miss Hughes and Mrs. Stirling. HUSH MONEY: Messrs. L. Ball, G. Cooke, F. Charles, White, and F. Robson; Mesdames W. S. Emden, Cottrell, and Stephens. TICKLISH TIMES. Mr. Griggs, Mr. F. Robson. Commence at half-past 7.

ROYAL LYCEUM THEATRE.—Great Success.—The new comedy of EXTREMES; or, Men of the Day—Mrs. A. Mellon (late Miss Woolgar), Mrs. Weston, Miss K. Saxon; Messrs. Emery, J. Rogers, E. Falconer, Barrett—EVERY EVENING. To conclude with the new farce, TOO MUCH FOR GOOD NATURE. Doors to open at half-past 6: to commence at 7. Box-office open from 11 to 5 daily.

GREAT NATIONAL STANDARD THEATRE. THIS EVENING (the FAREWELL BENEFIT of Mr. JAMES ANDERSON), THE STRANGER. The Stranger, Mr. James Anderson. To be followed by KATHERINE AND PETRUCHIO, Katherine, Miss Elsworthy; Petruchio, Mr. James Anderson. Mr. Sims Reeves will appear To-morrow Evening.

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THEATRE ROYAL, DRURY-LANE.
Under the Management of Miss Louisa Pyne and Mr. W. Harrison.
THIS EVENING, Balfe's ROSE OF CASTILLE: Miss Louisa Pyne, Miss Susan Pyne, Miss M. Prescott; Mr. Ferdinand Glover, Mr. A. St. Albyn, Mr. George Honey, Mr. Bartleman, and Mr. W. Harrison. Conductor—Mr. Alfred Mellon. To conclude with a Ballet Divertissement: Mdlles. Zilia Michelet, Pasquale, and Moriacchi.

THEATRE ROYAL, HAYMARKET.
Under the Management of Mr. Buckstone.
THIS EVENING, THE WAY TO KEEP HIM: Messrs. Buckstone, Howe, W. Farren, &c.; Mesdames Sinclair, B. White, Reynolds, &c. After which, THE DAUGHTER OF THE GUADALQUIVIR: by Perea Nena and the Corps de Ballet. With A WICKED WIFE. And A KISS IN THE DARK. Commence at 7.

ROYAL LYCEUM THEATRE.
Manager, Mr. E. Falconer.
THIS EVENING, EXTREMES, or Men of the Day: Miss Woolgar, Mrs. Weston, Miss Kate Saxon; Messrs. Emery, E. Falconer, J. Rogers, and Barrett. To conclude with TOO MUCH FOR GOOD NATURE: Messrs. Emery, J. Rogers; Mrs. Weston, Miss Kate Saxon.

THEATRE ROYAL, SADLER'S-WELLS.
Under the Management of Mr. Phelps.
THIS EVENING, THE JEALOUS WIFE. Mr. Oakley, Mr. Phelps; Major Oakley, Mr. H. Marston; Charles, Mr. F. Robinson; Russett, Mr. J. W. Ray; Sir Harry Beagle, Mr. C. Young; Mrs. Oakley, Mrs. Charles Young; Lady Freelove, Miss Victor; Tollet, Miss E. Travers. To conclude with MRS. WHITE.

ROYAL STRAND THEATRE.
Lessee and Directress, Miss Swanborough.
THIS EVENING, NOTHING TO NURSE: Mr. Swanborough, Mrs. Selby. Followed by THE LAST OF THE PICTAILS: Messrs. Selby, Blanchard, Clarke; Mesdames Swanborough, M. Keeley, Selby. A ROUGH DIAMOND: Mr. Parselle, Miss M. Oliver. To conclude with FAMILY JARS. To commence at 7.

SURREY THEATRE.
THIS EVENING, THE WRECK ASHORE: Messrs. Billington, C. J. Smith, Moreland, H. Sinclair, Butler, and Paul Bedford; Mrs. Billington, Miss Fielding. THE RENDEZVOUS, in which the Lauri Family will appear. And JACK SHEPPARD: Mrs. Billington, Miss Fielding; Messrs. P. Bedford, Moreland, Romer, H. Sinclair, Butler, C. J. Smith.

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The Treaty of Tien-sin is one of those facts which will grow larger as time wears on, and will be more conspicuous in the eyes of the next generation than it is in ours. We shall think no space misspent which can be employed in giving to this event its proper importance among the transactions of our age, and in informing the public mind as to its character and probable results. There are, doubtless, many circumstances of the antecedent negotiations which cannot now be revealed, and there are certainly some facts which could not be judiciously made the subject of public comment. We may regret this, for we believe that if we could have the same detailed knowledge of the negotiations at Tien-sin which DE TORCY has given us of the negotiations of the Treaty of Utrecht, we should be better able to render justice to the firmness and sagacity of Lord ELGIN, and to the prompt and intelligent zeal of the Secretary of Legation and members of the Staff. If our information be correct, the two most important articles of this Treaty—the Resident Minister at Pekin, and the right of Englishmen to go to any part of the empire for curiosity or trade—were in peril at the very last moment, and were obtained by England singlehanded, and only by a stroke of happy audacity. Whenever these stories of baffled intrigues become lawful history they will add another illustration to all we already know of Russian diplomacy, and tend to show the bad results of keeping doubtful company. When the Russian and American eagles take a companion flight the younger bird does the work and the elder eats the prey. There is, however, one fact connected with these strangely involved intrigues which is not without its interest. We mentioned some time since that KEYING, the negotiator of the Nankin Treaty in 1842, had acted a sort of independent guerrilla part in these negotiations, and having been countermined and exposed had gone back to Pekin. We now hear that the life of this poor old man has been sacrificed. On his way back to the capital the General commanding at Tung-chow arrested him as a deserter from his post. Two Princes of the blood Royal immediately memorialized that he might be executed. The EMPEROR ordered him to be tried, and the Court sentenced him to public disgrace and decapitation. Just as the advices left the decree had come down. The EMPEROR says that in his mercy he took KEYING out of disgrace and sent him to try to soothe the foreigner, believing he knew how to do so. Lo! the next he hears of him is that he has abandoned his post under a plea of having something important to communicate. When arrested, and ordered to write a defence and state his secret, it turns out to be merely a piece of advice to resort to a policy which, after trial, had been decided against,—probably the rousing of the population against us. For all this, and much more which is minutely detailed, the EMPEROR agrees to the sentence of death passed upon KEYING; but, inasmuch as it would give pain to him to see one who had once held such an honourable position left in the market-place a headless corpse, HIEN-FUNG, in his boundless mercy, "anxious to reconcile "justice and clemency," desires two high officers to visit KEYING and request him to put himself to death. This strange mercy ran its course. KEYING is dead. He was subtle, crafty, and false, and there is no great reason why we should pity him; but the Treaty of Nankin, which was so important to us, was ruin to him, and his name must always be connected with the rise of British commerce in the extreme East.

In the fate of KEYING we can read that the Treaty of Nankin was a more bitter medicine to Chinese pride than that which has just been concluded within hail of the capital. Not only was it the first step, but it had substantial points of difference from that of Tien-sin. It surrendered Chinese territory. It left Hongkong, Koulangsoo, and Chusan in the hands of the barbarians; and, although the Court of Pekin does not often make a few millions of dollars a turning point in a negotiation, the sacrifice of 21 millions must have left some scar in the memory of a Chinaman. The Treaty of Tien-sin, while it gives us all we want, does not cut very deep into the sensitive vanity of the race. The free transit was rather to be feared as a source of future danger than to be resented as the intrusion of a conqueror. The "fanquei," or "flitting "devils," were always unquiet creatures; they were always found scattered over the empire under some disguise. It is scarcely a novelty to tolerate by treaty what has in so many instances been tolerated by custom. Moreover, trading barbarians always bring a profit, and where profit is, there Imperial dignity will risk no collision with popular indignation. A Mussulman of China Proper would sell his Prophet's coffin, if he could get at it, for its weight in sycee. So, again, the increase in the number of ports involves no sacrifice of the national pride. On the contrary, we have found at Swatow and elsewhere that Commerce can always recommend herself to the good graces of the inhabitants of the city she is pleased to favour. Of the new ports upon the coast, the only one of any novelty is that of Neuchong, which has excited and baffled the curiosity of some of our commercial readers. Some maps do not show it. It lies at the head of the Gulf of Liautung, and is the seaport of Moukden, and the natural entrepôt of all Manchouria. We are told by those who have seen the place that the trade to it, in Chinese vessels, is enormous, and we know, from the nature of its exports, that the country abounds in pulse, beans, millet, barley, and also in timber and coal, all of which are in full demand in the provinces of Shantung and Chili. From Neuchong and from Tongchou we shall be able effectually to work the trade of the Corea, where millions of men are jammed together far closer than in China Proper; and it is important to observe that the climate is one which requires thick clothing and does not produce cotton. January and February bring to the Corea a winter as severe as that of Canada; and in the summer, while the denizens of Shanghai are almost in too great a state of lassitude to concoct a price-current, Neuchong, at the distance of three days' steam, rejoices in her environs of mountain scenery, wooded valleys, and a coast covered with a fine green turf. Undoubtedly, this is an excellent site for a Consular agency, and, perhaps, in time for a Consular establishment, and this new seat of commerce is obtained without any offence to the Chinese people.

Throughout this negotiation the pervading spirit on the part of the English and French has been one of generous forbearance. It must have been a great exercise of self-denial in Lord ELGIN to turn back after exercising himself so often on the broad road which leads by an easy journey to Pekin. He might easily have forced his way there; and we presume he has seen quite enough by this time to enable him utterly to despise the Sinologue vaticinations about the flight of the EMPEROR from Pekin, and the chaos that would follow upon the suicide of HIEN-FUNG or a change of his dynasty. These prophecies have been repeated until their constant failures have rendered them at last ridiculous. Lord ELGIN could doubtless have forced his way to Pekin had he chosen. It was great moderation and great forbearance that he did not do so, but it was a sound judgment. As it stands, there is nothing in this Treaty of Tien-sin which carries a deep wound with it. In the edict which authorized the Treaty of Nankin the then Emperor of CHINA sadly said, "It is but "one time of bitterness and trouble, but then "ease, repose, and peace may be reckoned on for "ever." Here there is no bitterness but that of having to repair an injustice, and no trouble but that of assenting to a freedom of intercourse which is equally advantageous to both the contracting parties. It is a consolation to feel that the Treaty of Tien-sin is a Treaty which may be easily fulfilled in good faith, and that in default of good faith we may with clear conscience compel its literal execution.

Paradoxical as it may seem, it is not only quite true, but inexpressibly important for us to recognize that the only enemy we have left unconquered in India is ourselves. Before European discipline, artillery, and stamina, the feeble ranks of our Asiatic opponents have gone down with an ease and a certainty which remind one more of the exploits of romance than of the sober realities of modern life and modern warfare. In India PROVIDENCE, contrary to the great FREDERIC's observation, has uniformly declared against the strong battalions; and so sensible have the natives become of this, that the army which was besieging MAUN SINGH fled at once because they only numbered 15 to 1. We are once more masters of India; but is it quite as clear that we are also masters of ourselves? The heat and struggle of the conflict are over, and the Sepoys reduced to a position which, in the case of men less deeply stained with innocent blood, would call forth and deserve our pity. They are described as loaded with plunder, and hunted down as eagerly for the sake of the spoils they carry about them as ever was the whale for its oil or the beaver for its skin. The English hunt them, the villagers murder them without mercy, they have no confidence in combined action, but dare not separate for fear of instant destruction. Like the Roman empire described by GIBBON, the continent of India, hemmed in by the sea and impassable mountains, offers them no retreat; and they wander from place to place, loaded and sinking under the burden of riches which they will never enjoy, and tormented by the constant apprehension of instant death. We have no longer an enemy to fear in India—at least, no longer a native enemy.

Where, then, lies our danger? It lies, as we think, in the fierce passions which the war has excited, and the altered feelings which it has produced. We fear that among the merits of the English character is not to be found the faculty of conciliating in social intercourse the confidence and affection of an inferior race. We are too conscious of our own superiority, too little worked upon by the circumstances that surround us. Our subjects in India have had to console themselves for much that is unusual and uncongenial in their conquerors by the solid advantages they have derived under our reign. We have been deliberate and impartial to a fault in the administration of justice and the infliction of punishment, slow to shed blood, full of tolerance for the feelings and prejudices of the natives, and doing everything upon principle and with a system as widely as possible removed from the violent caprice of Oriental Sultanism. If we have been disagreeable, we have been just; if we have been victorious, we have hitherto been merciful. No one can say how much of our past success and our present almost incredible preservation has been due to the impression which these qualities have left on the native mind; no one can say how much we should lose in safety and permanence if the present native opinion of our character were generally and greatly altered. We cannot conceal from ourselves that we run no inconsiderable risk of such a change at this moment. Whatever may have been the case with the vulgar herd of English in India who, true to the instincts of vulgarity, hated and despised the Hindoos for not being like themselves, it is quite certain that the tone of the intellectual leaders of English society in India has been one of undue praise rather than of unfair depreciation of the natives. It was an error, but a generous one; the question is whether it is, according to present appearances, likely to be repeated, or to be replaced by another and more fatal tendency—that of undue and unfair depreciation. It is, unfortunately, impossible to read the newly emancipated press of India without seeing in it the most melancholy proofs of the justice of these apprehensions. We had hoped to find some newspaper wise and generous enough to come forward and urge in the hour of triumph and of vengeance the claims of justice, mercy, and policy. Why is nobody found to remind the English in India that if we are to retain the country it must be by conciliating the good-will of its inhabitants? We can overthrow in battle it is true, but another war like the one we have just passed through would shipwreck our Indian provinces, and leave us no alternative between quitting the country or calling on the people of England to contribute their money as well as their blood to retain this remote and costly conquest. Will nobody point out to our countrymen that if they are to live among and upon the Indian people they must learn to assume at least the semblance of respect for them, and take some little pains to remove the not unreasonable apprehensions which the furious invectives of the press, the number of executions which still continue, and the general tone of conversation so naturally tend to excite? We have stipulated by a formal article in our treaty with China that we are no longer to be called "barbarians;" would it not afford a graceful comment on our own sensitiveness on such a subject if we were able to announce that we had discontinued the revolting practice of speaking of all Indians by the odious name of "Niggers?" Has all the blood that has been shed done nothing to atone for the wrongs which we had to avenge; or are we to go on from hecatomb to hecatomb until human life has lost its old sacredness in our eyes, till punishment ceases to inspire terror, and the breach between the two races is widened by inexpiable wrongs mutually inflicted and endured? That India is not to be retained by force alone is a proposition to which most men will agree in the abstract; we should be glad if any one would tell us what other means we are using for its retention.

These observations we address not to the heads of the Indian Government either in India or in England, who are, we believe, sincerely anxious to do all that heads of departments can to allay and discourage the spirit of chronic and confirmed hostility with which Anglo-Indian society seems to be penetrated. We rather address ourselves to that society itself, to all those who have the means of influencing it, and, above all, to men in authority in isolated situations, who hold in their hands the terrible issues of life and death, and who owe it to their own consciences, to their own souls, not to discharge that awful duty in an angry or vindictive spirit. It is not for us to preach a sermon on meekness, long-suffering, and forgiveness of injuries, but we may suggest one or two considerations which ought to have some weight. We are the injured party, and should therefore find it easier to forgive; we are victorious, and can therefore pardon without misconstruction of our motives; and, above all, we do not mean to leave the land that we have reconquered, but to dwell among its people, and to be their teachers and examples in every kind of wisdom and goodness. We give them a test by which to judge us. We place in their hands as a manual of our faith a Book which is as opposed to the proud superiority of race over race as to the merciless revenge of injuries. We can, if we will, reunite India to us, but it will not be by passing over the land with the Bible in one hand and the halter in the other. We must seek to raise instead of to trample down; we must learn to bless instead of to curse. In the place of a supercilious contempt we must cultivate sympathy with the subject race, however weak and degraded, for it can never be that man can subdue the inferior animals by studying their feelings and dispositions, but can only rule a race of men made like himself, in the image of GOD, by force, by terror, and by coercion.

Sir GEORGE GREY has made a sensible speech on reading-rooms and popular literature. He has said in effect that people, whether high or low, ought to be supplied with what they want to read, and not with what they do not want. This simple notion contains the whole theory of library formation, whether it be for scholars or coalheavers. And yet, like gravitation or free trade, it has only been enunciated, or at least accepted, after the wise and respectable have exhausted every artifice for the support of an erroneous and complicated system. As long as most of us can remember there has been much talk and some exertion in the matter of improving and instructing the adult population of this country. Independent of the efforts made to educate the young, there has been a laudable desire to give those who are actually labouring for their bread the opportunity of using the instruction they have received, and turning the accomplishments of reading and writing to some practical purpose. The benefits of reading-rooms, lending libraries, and periodical lectures obviously suggested themselves, and these institutions have been established in every corner of the land with more or less success. But we may say, without much fear of contradiction, that wherever there has been unequivocal success it has been owing to the adoption of the principle which Sir GEORGE GREY now recognizes, and that people have supported the "hall," or "room," or "institute" because it gave them what they desired in the way of intellectual nourishment. Unhappily, however, there has been in very many cases a pedantry of management which has revolted the simple literary appetites of the crowd. The fault has not lain with any particular party. The squires have had their share in the failure, their wives and maiden aunts a very great share, the clergy a greater share still; and these represent the forces acting in one direction. But, on the other hand, the positive men of the fact and figure school have been equally at fault in their zeal for hard utility. Indeed, one might think that well-to-do persons in this country considered what are called the poor and the labouring classes as beings of invincible cerebral strength and unflagging moral energies. What books do they provide for the poor fellow who has been mowing or clipping hedges all day, or sweltering at a glass furnace, or selling candles and half-ounces of tea behind a small dealer's counter? Religious works full of the hottest controversy or of the most technical dogmatism, keys to prophecy, thunderbolts to the Papacy, alarms to the unconverted, essays on Scriptural types, sermons, hymns, a missionary magazine, a collection of death-bed scenes, are the contributions of one class, while another religious element may make itself felt by the presence of little neatly got up volumes full of weak ecstasies about the "Church" and the "priestly office" and the symbolism of architecture. Most of this, we need not say, is utterly uninviting to the readers for whom it is destined, and it may be questioned without irreverence whether the exclusive reading of these "good books" would have the beneficial effect which their writers and admirers seem to contemplate. But of course there is another and much larger class of works. What is called "standard literature" is collected in masses by benevolent persons from the stalls of Holborn and Tottenham-court-road, and sent down for the intellectual improvement of the locality. It seems settled that no library for the working classes should be without *Robertson's America*, *Ferguson's History of the Roman Republic*, *Potter's Antiquities*, the *Spectator*, the *Rambler*, the *World*, the *Connoisseur*, *Glover's Leonidas*, the works of Bishop PORTEOUS, and all that exhilarating class of literature. Then, most of the books which have fallen stillborn from the press within the last ten years find their way to the working man's library. Some one once propounded the question "What becomes of all the "pins?" and we should be equally at a loss to know what becomes of all the stupid books, were it not for the number which linger on the shelves of such semi-public institutions throughout the country. "Tours in the South of Italy," "Trips to "America," "Metempsychosis and other Poems, "by a Young Lady," "Translations of *Horace*," "An Inquiry into the Principle of Nega-"tivity, by a Scotch Professor," are the class of books which generous individuals present to popular reading-rooms. But it is not only by what is contributed, but by what is excluded that the institution suffers. The love for works of fiction is the oldest, the strongest, and the most abiding form of intellectual craving. Men of education, who know that the narrative poet or the storyteller has been a principal personage among every infant race, still affect surprise that workpeople and their wives, and their sons and daughters, should desire to read a novel, and should be disappointed because novelists are excluded or only admitted sparingly, and in the persons of their dryest representatives, into the library. "Why," ask these overwise persons, "should you wish to read a work which "will give you no instruction?" WALTER SCOTT is conceded as telling something of history, but the patrons of the institution "feel "it their duty" to prevent the working classes from wasting their minds over less celebrated romances. Now, it would be easy to show that the curiosity for tales of adventure or manners is a very legitimate and healthy appetite, and we might remind the opponents of fiction that in their own class the reading of novels is practised almost universally and with no very terrible results. But the fact is, that this condemnation of amusing literature is a relic of the Quakerlike education which was in fashion till within the last twenty years. It is of a piece with back-boards and high chairs, and all the apparatus of the coercive school of instructors. In the old times a reading book for children was supposed to be estimable in proportion to the dreary morality of its contents. To put a child of seven to spell through the "Vision of "MIRZA," or the essay in which Mr. ADDISON tells us that he considers the human soul without education like marble in the quarry, was the orthodox system of LINDLEY MURRAY and Mrs. TRIMMER. Nothing more lively than a description of the earthquake at Lisbon or the grotto of Antiparos was ever allowed to be presented to the infant understanding. But now we have somewhat relaxed the rules of these stern instructors, and if children are allowed to read stories, there seems no reason why grown people should not read them too.

Sir GEORGE GREY also adverted to the introduction of newspapers. Why a reading-room should be solely for the perusal of books, and should banish broad sheets, we cannot well see. What essential and ineradicable difference there is between a history of events a hundred years old in octavo with calf covers and the history of what happened yesterday or last week spread out on a table that to furnish one and not the other should be the business of a reading-room, is certainly difficult to determine. A newspaper of the present day gives narratives of the most important events which are happening in a great age of the world's history, with comments by men who at least do their best to form a sound judgment. The quantity and the quality of the matter which a daily paper offers are such that a working man who reads it through may well be excused if he does not extend his studies much further. It may not, indeed, give him an acquaintance with any special branch of knowledge, it cannot remedy the defects of early education, and with the shallow and flippant the half-insight into a great number of subjects which it gives may only increase their vanity and confirm their incompetence; but to the great mass of the working classes especially newspaper reading is the best possible reading. The newspaper treats of to-day and the interests of the living, and the man who has his bread to earn by daily labour is perhaps better employed in understanding the present in news than studying the past in history or endeavouring to unveil the future by philosophy.

But to determine *à priori* what people ought to read is of little use; the question is what they will read, and, as Sir GEORGE GREY admits, they want newspapers and novels, and it is useless to deny them. There are publications containing tales more or less absurd to educated tastes, but which, nevertheless, sell their penny numbers in tens of thousands, and the newspaper press is becoming equally sought after by the great mass of the artisan class. It is from this natural demand for intelligence and amusement that we expect the greatest spread of a taste for reading. It is plain enough that the books which a higher class would impose are not accepted by the popular taste, and, in default of the light and periodical literature which has been so long tabooed, the working classes will not read at all. To make a man read we must tempt him, and when the school has given him the power it can only be preserved by such constant use as the reading-room affords. We have full faith in the upward tendency of taste and intellectual energies. If a youth has anything in him, he will soon rise from his melodramatic romance or his police report to a higher style of reading, and will take to history, or poetry, or science of his own accord. If he be what the vast majority must be, a plain and ungifted labouring Englishman, it is better that he should have his intellectual recreation, however humble, than find his only solace in gin and gossip, as he probably would do if his reading-room were full only of books beyond his powers or repulsive to his tastes.

The ratepayers of this great city have got into a very undignified predicament. We stand committed to an expenditure and, consequently, a taxation of several millions for the sake of our drainage, and we are absolutely in the hands of a certain Board which can deal with us and our purses as it thinks proper. The occasion would be a trying one to our firmness at the best. There is scarcely a man but feels, after taking a final decision, that he ought, perhaps, to have decided the other way. That is the very moment for misgiving, for doubt, for dissatisfaction, and for a host of sentiments by no means agreeable in character. Now, here are we, after years of doings, and undoings, quarrels, deadlocks, and difficulties, plunged at last into one tremendous project of drainage, when, just at the time that we need all the encouragement possible, we are favoured with a private and particular assurance to the effect that we could not have taken a more foolish or unpromising step. The engineers employed by Government to scrutinize the plans of the engineers employed by the Metropolitan Board have addressed a letter to the FIRST COMMISSIONER of PUBLIC WORKS, in which they quietly state, as the result of patient and accurate calculation, that we are all going to the bad; that the scheme of the Board will cost a vast amount of money, and will not answer its purpose after all; and that, in point of fact, we are in the wrong way altogether, and have no help for it. This is the deliberate opinion of Captain DOUGLAS GALTON, R.E., and Mr. JAMES SIMPSON, C.E., two gentlemen whose engineering reputation is so thoroughly established that they were selected by Government to aid and advise HER MAJESTY's Ministers in this very matter.

This is not very pleasant. As to the money likely to be wanted, we can only say that the first estimates are reckoned by millions, and everybody knows what becomes of first estimates as work goes on. Still, if we were really going to be rid not only of all our sewage and refuse, but of a controversy which is scarcely more agreeable to metropolitan nostrils than the subject of which it treats, we might make up our minds to the thing. As the Americans say, we might "grin and bear," but stoicism is a good deal more difficult if we are to be deprived of our confidence in its reward. However, there is hope left for us yet, if we look the matter steadily in the face. To say the truth, we don't attach much weight to the solemn remonstrance of the Government referees. Most of us understand what it is to hear the character of an artist or tradesman from a rival practitioner. As you step on to the quay at Boulogne or Dover, and consign yourself to the hands of a particular *commissionnaire*, you may easily learn from his competitor that your landlord will pluck you as clean as a pigeon, that you will get no comfort in his house, that you will be eaten up by vermin, half poisoned in your dinners, and visited with every calamity that a traveller can suffer. In the end, however, if you have exercised tolerable discretion, you probably find that you are as well off as you would have been anywhere else, and that a good deal of discount must be taken off statements when men are bidding against each other for custom. We are not much alarmed, therefore, by the ominous predictions of Captain GALTON and his colleague. In fact, we feel pretty well assured that, if their scheme instead of their opponents' had carried the day, we should have had a protest from Messrs. BIDDER, HAWKSLEY, and BAZALGETTE, the engineers of the Board, couched in terms equally grave, filled with auguries equally terrible, and based on calculations equally profound, to the effect that the Government referees were proceeding to expend infinite sums of money without the smallest prospect of a satisfactory return. The "outs" always think the country is going to ruin under the management of the "ins," and men of science, we fear, are at least as irritable as either politicians or poets.

We can acquiesce accordingly in things as they are without any desperate effort of equanimity. As to balancing the two schemes by any private comparison, the process would be impossible even if it were not useless. Government has "made "our game" for us, and so there is an end of our oscillations between black and red; but, besides that, the arguments employed in the correspondence are adapted to the cognizance of professional critics only. Ordinary ratepayers cannot enter into controversies about "hydraulic heads," "initial velocities," and other mysteries of hydrostatics expressed in the formularies of algebra. Probably on each side there is both right and wrong, though we cannot conceal from ourselves that there were considerations which might have given the Metropolitan Board a certain advantage over the Government referees beyond that due to the superiority of its project. Ministers, in bringing in a Bill for the execution of this long-delayed work, had to select not only a plan, but an agency; or, rather, they had to select an agency without reference to a plan. Now, the least objectionable agency was that of the Metropolitan Board of Works, which was representative and popular in its character, and which was more responsibly connected with those who were to find the money. It would have been a hopeless proposal to suggest that the FIRST COMMISSIONER, with two engineers of his own nomination, should have power to turn London upside down, and tax its population to the tune of five or six millions. This would never have done, and so Government naturally made choice of the Board of Works as its executive. But with the Board went the plan of the Board; for it was clearly out of the question to fix upon Messrs. BAZALGETTE and Co. as the engineers, and then to charge them with carrying out the scheme of their rivals; so that even if the plan of the Government referees had been the better of the two there were obvious reasons for giving precedence to the other. Moreover, Captain GALTON and his colleague did undoubtedly suffer from the comparative excess of their estimates. Possibly their proposals might have been more economical in the long run, but they were more expensive to look at, and in these matters, as in some others, first sight tells a good deal.

Our moral from all this is that the Metropolitan Board ought to make the most of its agency and the least of its plan. It owes its success, not to its proposals, but to its constitution—not to its scientific excellence, but to its representative character. It is the better authority of the two, there is no doubt; but we trust it will be content with this recognition of its supremacy, and enter upon its duties in a liberal and philosophical spirit. We are not suggesting that it should borrow the Government scheme instead of its own. That would be an unreasonable request, and, for all we can tell, an unwise one to boot. We simply hope that Mr. THWAITES and his colleagues will go to work without any prepossessions at all, and that they will avail themselves of every light which experience, reflection, or discovery may throw on the subject in hand. This, in fact, is what they were appointed for. They were left free and unfettered, in order that they might exercise a salutary discretion. They are not bound to their own plan, or to any plan. If they can devise or invent any scheme which will purify our city and cleanse our river without costing three or four millions in the lump, and perhaps 200,000*l.* annually, they are at perfect liberty to adopt it. If, as time wears on and new prospects open out, they can discern any method of utilizing instead of wasting all the metropolitan refuse, they will be public benefactors. It is not to be forgotten that, though the sewage of the metropolis is abominable under our noses, it is most desirable elsewhere. In itself it is as valuable a commodity as that for which we send fleets of merchantmen to the Pacific. It is only a treasure out of place. We cannot keep it where it is, but its intrinsic worth, for all that, remains just the same, and, according to the present plan, we shall be literally spending hundreds of thousand a-year in throwing away what is really worth as many hundred thousands more. That, we humbly think, is not a system with which we ought to be finally content. The first necessity, no doubt, is to get rid of the noxious element, but the next is to transfer it to a sphere where instead of being noxious it will be infinitely beneficial. If the Metropolitan Board will keep these plain things in view, all may go well, and they as well as we may be resigned and hopeful even under the gloomy warnings of the Government referees.

IRELAND.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)
DUBLIN, THURSDAY MORNING.

THE CARDINAL ON PAPAL AGGRESSION.

Cardinal Wiseman was banqueted in his half-native city of Waterford on Tuesday last, the Mayor presiding on the auspicious occasion. His worship, although by virtue of his office necessarily a layman, was not ashamed to give precedence to the Pope, the Queen's health following the toast of the foreign sovereign. Here is a bouncing specimen of corporate eloquence:—

"For 1,400 years (said the Mayor) the Irish church has been in connexion and obedient to the See of Rome. To preserve that connexion and that obedience what did she not go through? (Hear, hear.) Did she not, in maintaining the supremacy of the Pope, and in denying the supremacy of the temporal Sovereign in spiritual matters—did not our ancestors lose their lives, their liberties, and their fortunes ('hear, hear,' and applause)? and if we were called on to do what our ancestors did, would we do it? (Cries of 'We would.') Don't you think I have given good and solid reasons for giving the Pope's health as our first toast? (cheers)—that the spiritual allegiance which we owe to the church and to the Pope, as the representative of Christ's Vicar on earth, does not in the least detract from that loyalty and homage we owe to the Crown? (Cheers.) It is not necessary for me to dwell on the virtue, the talents, or the merits of the present Pope. Every man in this assembly is, perhaps, better acquainted with the history of that illustrious Pontiff than I am. (Enthusiastic cheers for his Holiness.) I will, therefore, without any further preface, as I know you are waiting for something worth hearing, give you the 'Health of the Pope.'"

Cardinal Wiseman, in the course of a speech set to the old tune which has been piped ever since his arrival in Ireland, made the following reference to that bold stroke of Papal aggression which led to the placing upon the statute-book the Ecclesiastical Titles Act, where it has lain a dead letter for a period of six or seven years:—

"Your excellent Mayor has been kind enough to allude to the restoration of the Catholic hierarchy in England. ('Hear, hear,' and loud cheers.) Now, I must disclaim any merit in that great undertaking, which was the pure and spontaneous work of the present Pontiff. (Cheers.) It occupied his attention for years; he meditated on it again and again, and made it the subject of fervent and frequent prayer. He then confided to me the details of the measure, and spoke of my returning to England with the title of Archbishop of Westminster. You must give to that illustrious Pontiff the glory of this great work (cheers), which is the highest act in one of the brightest Pontificates. (Cheers.) When charged with that solemn duty, with that work which could not be attended with the slightest personal feeling, and which was only a simple duty to be discharged, it would have been folly for me for one moment to waver or express any anxiety about it. (Hear.) I must acknowledge that I felt no fear in undertaking the task confided to me, and, therefore, I have no claim whatever to the possession of courage. When it pleased the Holy Father to raise me to the office I now hold, and to commit to me, as I have said, the details of that great work, I fixed the day on which I should arrive in London and take charge of my cathedral church, which was then St. George's. I announced the 6th of December as the day. When I left Rome for England I was requested by several to alter my plan of proceeding, as I intended to officiate publicly in the church in my new capacity. Even up to the day fixed for that occasion I received letters warning me against the steps I was taking, and assuring me that as soon as I should ascend the pulpit to preach a pistol bullet should be lodged in my corpse. I was told by Catholics that I was to be attacked in the church, and that those who would take part in the scuffle were intended to make away with me. Now, what was the consequence? The church was never more crowded than on that occasion, and never were the sacred functions performed with greater peace and tranquillity. (Cheers.) In all that I claim no praise beyond that of the most unshaken confidence in everything undertaken by the Church in the pursuit of the great interests of her children, in the discharge of her great mission, for Catholics may always repose with confidence on the promises and blessings of her Founder."

FATAL FACTION FIGHT.

The *Clonmel Chronicle* gives the following account of the revival of the old faction fights in the South, resulting in the present instance in the death of a farmer named Hayes:—

"Friday last the well-known Fair of Hospital, county Limerick, was held, and we regret to be obliged to announce that again the deadly spirit of faction was evoked before its close, and the result has been that human life has been sacrificed to this murderous feeling of vengeful hate. A farmer named Hayes is the unfortunate victim, after lingering a few brief hours in agonizing suffering from the brutal beating he received. The 'Three-year-olds' and the 'four-year-olds' met in deadly strife; despite the utmost exertions of the constabulary, sticks were freely used, and a large number of persons were injured—some severely—in the senseless conflict. Exasperated by feelings of animosity, and maddened by intoxication, they dealt around the most deadly blows, how determinedly the forfeited life of the unhappy Hayes can bear testimony. He was borne bleeding and senseless off the field, follow

SECOND EDITION.

THE TIMES-OFFICE, Friday Morning.

EXPRESS FROM PARIS.

The following is the letter of our Paris correspondent, dated yesterday (Thursday), 6 p.m. :—

Russia's Mediterranean Gibraltar has been a most successful *canard*. The papers are still full of it. Those of Germany have now taken up the subject, but some of them, and also the Paris *Patrie*, take a more correct and practical view of it than do those of your London contemporaries, who, with an imperfect knowledge of the real circumstances of the case, began inveighing against the ambitious designs of Russia, indulging in visions of formidable Muscovite fleets suddenly steaming out of Villafranca, invoking the names of Pitt and Canning, and vowing that, had Lord Palmerston been in power, Sardinia's unworthy cession of an important port to her Russian protector would never have been permitted. Here are several strong terms totally misapplied, and a great deal of good indignation utterly wasted. The *Kölnische Zeitung* and the *Patrie* are much nearer the mark when they discern in the acquisition, by a Russian mercantile company, of a few coal sheds on the north shore of the Mediterranean, a peril only to one power, and that peril of a political and commercial, but not of a warlike character. Russia, who, whatever may have been said of *rapprochements* between the Governments, seems to miss no opportunity of thwarting Austria, is preparing a formidable opposition to the Great Steam Navigation Company of the Austrian Lloyd's. Austria is uneasy at the approaching competition; she dreads the developement of the Russian commercial steam navy in the southern waters of Europe, fearing to see Eastern commerce change its track from Trieste to Piedmont. It is believed she is going to increase the subsidy to the Lloyd's Company. The public will benefit by the competition. Hitherto the Austrian Lloyd's has had it all its own way, has charged high prices, divided fat dividends, and done very much as it pleased. If the Russians are smart, and do their work well, they will find customers. It will be a novelty to see the Russian flag flying on a regular line of passage boats in the Mediterranean. If the tunnel through Mont Cénis succeeds, it will be an additional point in favour of the Russian enterprise. In short, Austria has grounds for discontent at any facility afforded to the new line; and, besides her commercial objection to the establishment of a station at Villafranca, there is the political displeasure which cannot but be caused to her by the fresh evidence of a friendly understanding between Russia and Piedmont. She is peculiarly susceptible to any demonstration of that kind. Italy is her most vulnerable side, on which the lightest touch occasions a twinge. Piedmont, little, but brave and stubborn, less formidable by her strength than by the many sympathies she enjoys, by her influence in Italy, and by the prudence and wisdom of her councils, is Austria's bugbear. To shake her by the hand is to give a slap in the face to Austria, who forthwith looks suspiciously at the friend of Victor Emmanuel. Austria cannot but feel herself much isolated, and she must have uneasy moments when reflecting on the future of her Italian possessions. The attitude of France doubtless appears to her particularly equivocal. If, as was last night reported, a renewal of intercourse between Naples and the Western Powers is by no means probable—the King, it was rumoured, declining to make concessions, and declaring that he had never found himself more comfortable than since the rupture—the French Government will have scope and a good opportunity to renew its amiable coquetries with the Italian cause; coquetries, however, which only the occurrence of circumstances, at present very unforeseen, could convert into a close union, and combined action between France and Piedmont. Hopes may soar high in Italy; but, notwithstanding its power and *prestige*, no Government in Europe would risk more by a war than would that of France. And from the consciousness of this most probably proceeds its increase of naval force, its sedulous attention to everything that concerns the efficiency and progress of the two services. It desires to show itself strong in order to deter others from tempting it to strife.

A Russian engineer has just visited the establishment of the Messageries Imperiales at La Ciotat, with a view to take hints from it for the organization of the Russian Company's establishment at Villafranca. There is nothing warlike in the arrangements at La Ciotat; it is a mere ship-yard of an ordinary kind.

A letter from Alexandria, in Egypt, says that in consequence of the representations of the English Legation at Constantinople the Sultan had addressed a letter to the Viceroy, urging him to take into consideration the inutility of the quarantine as applied to vessels proceeding from certain countries. The Viceroy had paid attention to this recommendation, and, on the same day on which he received it, the English vessel Vigilant had been admitted to pratique. It was said that the submarine telegraph between Constantinople and Alexandria would be completed in a month.

M. Duchesne de Bellecour, bearer of the treaty from China, left to-day for Biarritz.

We have not yet heard the last of the much talked of miracle of Lourdes—the White Lady, the healing fountain, and the rest of it. A difference of opinion between the prefect of the department, who was for putting an end to the humbug, and the Bishop of Tarbes, who was for gravely investigating it, and who appointed a commission for that purpose, has given rise, it appears, to serious discussion in the Council-General of the Hautes Pyrénées, and has just been referred to the Council of State.

Father Lacordaire has arrived in Paris for the purpose of celebrating the marriage of Mlle. de Montalembert and M. de Meaux, which is to take place in the private chapel of the Duc de Luynes' hotel.

According to the last news from Senegal, the officer commanding the French possessions on the Western Coast of Africa had just concluded a treaty with the chief of the Pahoins, or elephant hunters; a tribe dwelling high up on the river Como, and said to be the most powerful of that region of Africa.

The Utrecht papers mention that a sum of 30,000,000fl. will be allotted in the next budget to the construction of railways in Holland.

A letter from Brest, dated Tuesday last, informs us that the screw frigate Danaé is being prepared for sea. She is to replace the Pomone, in the Levant. The fitting out of the screw transport Garonne is being continued with great activity. The Russian squadron, commanded by Captain Popoff, Aide-de-Camp of the Emperor, which sailed from Portsmouth on the 6th, arrived at Brest on the 11th. It is composed of the steam corvette Ryndee, commanded by Captain Andreff, with a crew of 170 men; the steam corvette Griven, Captain Stremiloff, with 100 men; the steam clipper Optitschnin, Captain Federowsky, with 105 men.

The Three per Cents. closed to-day at 72f. 80c. for the end of the month, and the Four-and-a-Half per Cents. at 95f. 50c.; Orleans Railway Shares, 1,422f. 50c.; Great Northern, 995f.; Strasburg, 752f. 50c.; Paris to Lyons and the Mediterranean, 857f. 50c.; Bordeaux and Cette, 605f.; Lyons and Geneva, 645f.; Bank of Crédit Mobilier, 925f.; Austrian Railways, 687f. 50c.; Roman Railways, 510f.; Russian Railways, 506f. 25c.

Cours Authentique.—PARIS, Sept. 16.—Cash Prices.—Four-and-a-Half per Cents. (not reimbursable for 10 years), 95f. 50c.; Three per Cents., 72f. 90c. 80c. 75c. 70c. 50c.; Bank of France, 3,150f.; Crédit Foncier, 670f.; ditto, Obligations of 500f., Four per Cents., 457f. 50c.; ditto, Three per Cents., 427f. 50c. 430f.; Promissory Obligations of 1,000f. Three per Cents. (200f. paid), 965f.; Crédit Mobilier, 942f. 50c. 945f. 950f. 955f. 947f. 50c. 940f. 945f. 935f. 930f. 925f. 920f.; Discount Bank, 695f.; Piedmontese Five per Cents., 91f. 75c.; Roman Loan, 92¾. Exchange on London, at sight, paper, 25f. 20c.; money, 25f. 17½c.; three months, paper, 25f. 2½c.; money, 25f.

AUSTRIA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

VIENNA, SEPT. 14.

"The Danish Government," says a German diplomatist, "has, *in principle*, yielded to the Bund." The sentence, which is as vague as if it had been pronounced by a Delphic priestess, means that the Copenhagen Cabinet has returned an answer to the *ultimatum* of the Bund which is satisfactory only up to a certain point. The principal features of the Danish declaration are,—1st, the Danish Government declares that all those laws and regulations which were made and published without the co-operation and approval of the Holstein-Lauenburg Estates are null and void; 2d, the General Constitution *(Gesammt-Verfassung)* is to be suspended in Holstein-Lauenburg; and 3d, a separate ministry is to be formed for the management of the affairs of the Duchies. The Austrians profess to believe that the greatest difficulties are already removed, but a very considerable quantity of water will flow from the Eider into the Baltic before the relations between Denmark and the German Duchies are definitively settled. In its communication to the Bund the Copenhagen Cabinet does not neglect to express its resolve to maintain intact the privileges, dignity, and honour of the Danish Crown, but it says not a single word of the separate administration of the Holstein-Lauenburg domains, the intended sale of which was the principal cause of the present controversy. It is, however, understood that M. von Bulow, the Danish Minister at Frankfort, has made confidential communications to the united (political and military) committees which are more satisfactory than those which he made to the Bund itself. As has before been said, the Danish-Holstein controversy will be settled without the Diet being obliged to have recourse to compulsory measures; but it is by no means certain that it will be speedily settled.

Some reliable and important news has been forwarded to me from Servia. A powerful faction, which is incorrectly called the National party, is conspiring to overthrow the present Hospodar, and it is a patent fact that many men in office are well aware of what is going on. The agitators, who represent Prince Alexander as a mere man of straw, a thing without energy and spirit of enterprise, advise the nation to insist on a "*Skoupschina*," and the counsel is so much to the taste of the Servians that you may soon expect to learn that some 10,000 or 15,000 of them have assembled to take into consideration the affairs of the Principality. As every man carries arms in Servia, the chances are that a "*Skoupschi a*" would lead to the expulsion of Prince Alexander and the election of a new Hospodar. My correspondent is inclined to believe that M. Garaschinin, who is an ambitious as well as a talented man, is at the head of the present movement in Servia; but he is mistaken. Numerous agents are agitating in favour of Milosch Obrenovitsch, and not long since the Russian Consul-General drily observed, that, as the "*Skoupschina*" had ejected the Obrenovitsch family, and elected Prince Alexander in its stead, he did not see why it should not be at liberty to undo the work of its own hands. The ex-Hospodar Milosch must now be about 80 years of age, but a person who saw and conversed with him a short time ago states that he appears to be in full possession of all his faculties. Should there be disturbances in Servia an attempt will probably be made to prove that they originated with the Mussulmans, whose days in Europe appear to be numbered. From Bulgaria we learn that the inhabitants of that country are resolved, if possible, to emancipate themselves from the Greek Patriarchate at Constantinople, and "that they are sure of the support of Russia." The Bulgarians, who are of a mixed race (Sclave and Tartar) have belonged to the Orthodox Greek Church ever since the year 866, but it is not likely that they should desire to put their necks under the spiritual yoke of the Russian Holy Synod.

Since the conclusion of the Concordat between Wurtemberg and Rome there have been singular reports in circulation in respect to King William I., but they appeared so extremely improbable that no allusion has ever been made to them in my correspondence. Now, however, that notice has been taken of them by the King himself, I have no choice but to follow his example. The current rumour in Stuttgart—and indeed throughout Germany—was, that the ancient Monarch was about to embrace the Roman Catholic faith. A few days ago all the high dignitaries of the Protestant Church in Wurtemberg had an audience of the King, and the official *Gazette* of the 11th inst. thus accounts for their appearance at Court :—

"His Most Gracious Majesty summoned the Protestant prelates to his presence to desire them positively to contradict the malicious report which has been spread in the capital and in the provinces, that he either has or is about 'to change his confession,' (embrace the Roman Catholic faith)."

The *Wiener Zietung* of to-day has six columns filled with accounts of the doings of the Catholic Union at Cologne, but the correspondent has neglected to report the most interestiug things which proceeded from the lips of the enthusiastic speakers. Thus we are not told that M. Kolping made a violent attack on the political press, and wound up his speech by saying that as the censure had been abolished it was the duty of the Roman Catholic clergy to exercise a *surveillance* over their flocks, and if possible to prevent their taking in or even looking at any papers but those which were recommended by the bishops. The zealous gentleman was further of opinion that domiciliary visits ought to be paid, and a search made after newspapers; but some of his hearers appeared to think that the experiment might end badly, as many very devout Catholics can be "*kotsen-grob*" (as coarse as a rug). Another speaker, Mr. P. Reichensperger, was of opinion that things would never go well in the world until the Governments in all things followed the counsel of the Church. Strange to say, the eloquent Prussian neglected to cite the Papal States as a proof of the correctness of his thesis, that the greatest possible advantages are to be derived from ecclesiastical government. On the 7th inst. the Court of Appeal at Posen decided that the Roman Catholic priest who burnt the bibles of the prisoners in the Penitentiary at Rawicz should pay a fine of 15 dollars, or be imprisoned for a week. The money has been paid, but the priest is said to have been informed by the civil authorities that his services will no longer be required in the Penitentiary.

It is said in some of our morning papers that rooms are being prepared in the Imperial villa at Schönbrunn for the reception of the Emperor of Russia, but the assurance has to-day been given me that His Majesty is not expected here. The instructions given to M. de Balabine were to inform the Emperor Francis Joseph that the Emperor Alexander would be glad to see the Austrian army represented at the Warsaw manœuvres. As has already been said, the Archduke William is likely to be sent to the Polish capital. The cession of the four Austrian railways is not yet quite complete, as the representatives of the Lombardo-Venetian Company and the Board of the Francis Joseph Railroad Company cannot agree about the price at which the shares are to be issued. The former proposes 510f., the latter 530f.; and, naturally, neither party is willing to yield at discretion. The Minister of Finances yesterday declared that he was willing to act as arbiter, and the parties concerned, with the exception of Baron Anselm Rothschild, accepted his offer.

The races at Senago, in Lombardy, went off with very great *éclat*, and the people seemed intent on showing the authorities that they committed a political blunder when they prohibited them last year. As you were informed at the time, the Central Government approved neither of the prohibition of the races nor of the pic-nic which was to have been a substitution for them.

A few days ago the Queen-Regent of Greece signed an order for the resuscitation of the Olympic games. Not long since a "razzia" was undertaken against the soothsayers and magicians of Cairo, who had foretold the approaching death of the Viceroy, Said Pasha. According to these gentlemen, who, to the number of 76, are now on their way to Fasogl, in Soudan, Ibrahim Pasha, the son of Abbas Pasha, is to be the successor of Said. Three Turks, who were convicted of having set fire to the Greek brig Eftihar, were hanged at Alexandria on the 6th inst.

The premium on silver is 1 per cent., and bills on London at three months are at 9.58½.

PRUSSIA.

Advices from Berlin, of the 15th inst., state that on a formal and pressing invitation of the Emperor Alexander, the Prince of Prussia proceeds to Warsaw, where his Royal Highness is expected on the 25th. The Prince will probably return to Berlin on the 28th.

Another despatch of the same date says :—

"The King will leave for Italy on the 25th inst. His Majesty goes to Nice and Florence.

"His Royal Highness the Crown Prince of Wurtemberg and the Grand Duchess Olga, his wife, are expected at Berlin on the 19th.

"M. de Gerlach, the head of the *Kreuz Zeitung* party retires from public life."

THE PORT OF VILLAFRANCA.

"The *Piedmontese Gazette*," says a telegraphic despatch from Turin, "declares that the pretended sale said to have been made to Russia of the port of Villafranca consists in the simple gratuitous concession of an old abandoned establishment for convicts, which is to be transformed into a depôt of coals and stores.

THE PAPAL STATES.

Letters from Bologna state that the Marquis Davia, Mayor of the city, has resigned, on account of the Municipal Council having made a rule of opposing all his acts. This it did in consequence of the Roman Government having retained him in the mayoralty in violation of the law of 1850.

A letter from Rome, in the *Univers*, says :—

"The Pope, accompanied by Cardinals Barberini and Bofondi, went on the 10th to the church of Santa Maria del Popolo, to be present at the mass of the Nativity of the Virgin, celebrated by Cardinal Reisach. His Holiness was received by the Cardinal Vicar, and after the ceremony admitted the Rev. Augustine Fathers attached to the church to kiss his slipper. The affair of the advocate Bonnacioli, of Ferrara, who, at his death, bequeathed all his fortune to his own soul, to the prejudice of his brother, has just been terminated. The Pope, who had recommended the injured party to trust to his paternal equity, has decided that a sum of 350,000f. shall be taken from the property left by the testator, and handed over to the brother."

SPAIN.

The following private telegram has been received :—

"MADRID, SEPT. 15.

"The Chamber of Deputies has been dissolved, and a new one is convoked for the 1st December.

"The postal treaty between England and Spain will come into operation on the 1st of October next."

The Madrid journals of the 11th and those of the 12th have reached us. The Queen and Royal family have returned to Corunna from their trip to Santiago, and at the former place had witnessed a sham fight between land and sea forces. The *Gazette* contains three pages of dismissals and nominations of magistrates and judges by the Minister of Justice. "These nominations," says a Ministerial organ, "will be well received by the nation at large, as they are for the most part of men who were wrongfully deprived of offices in which they had spent the best years of their lives in order to make room for creatures of the Narvaez-Nocedal Cabinet, who were appointed without any regard to their qualifications, so that the administration of justice fell into hopeless confusion." Reports that the Minister of Marine was about to resign were current, but the semi-official journals say that they were unfounded. Some disturbances having taken place at Pinto on the occasion of a religious *fête*, the *Espana* ascribes them to Protestant agents, and denounces the different Bible societies of England for distributing publications which that journal declare "flatters the most detestable passions and sow impiety broadcast." The semi-official *Correspondancia Autografa*, referring to a statement made by one of the journals, says that it is not true that O'Donnell intends to break off with the Conservative party and join the Liberal one, but that his object is to act with both, so as to establish order and liberty. The Minister of the Interior has published a circular announcing that the publishers of novels and works that appear in numbers must never present less than 36 pages at a time to the public censor, in order to promote the despatch of business in his department. The Opposition journals represent the state of Catalonia as extremely grave, but a Ministerial organ says :—

"All accounts from that province concur in saying that, notwithstanding the tightness of the money market, the state of affairs is, on the whole, most satisfactory, and work abundant. In the agricultural district, the only places where Cabrera used to find recruits, everybody is tired of disturbances, the law is respected and authority obeyed, and everybody intent upon business."

AMERICA.

(BY ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.)

LIVERPOOL, FRIDAY MORNING.

The Cunard screw steamer Alps has arrived, with dates from New York to the 5th inst.

She has $1,650 on freight.

The Africa arrived at New York on the 2d inst.

The Propeller, steamer, from Galway, had reached Boston.

The Pacific had arrived off St. John's.

The steamer Ariel sailed from New York for Southampton on the 3d inst., with $187,444.

The Atlantic Telegraph *fêtes* took place on the 1st, and were very successful.

The quarantine buildings at Staten Island, New York, had been destroyed by a band of armed men.

At Havannah sugars were firm, with an upward tendency.

Advices from Vera Cruz report the suppression of all Opposition newspapers at the capital. A decisive action between the contending parties was looked for.

The Africans captured by the Dolphin were to be conveyed in the steam-frigate Niagara back to their homes.

The New York commercial advices report the stock-market as being dull and prices irregular.

The demand for United States loans was steady, without any change in values. Holders of Five per Cents. were willing to sell at 103⅞ to 104, but 103¾ was the limit offered. Sales had been effected of Ohio Sixes at 107; Missouri Sixes, at 84½ to 84¾; California Sevens, at 84; Indiana Fives, at 89; and Michigan Sixes, at 108. Sound railway securities and bank shares were well sustained, but were not pressed on the market. There was more demand for money for commercial purposes, at about previous rates.

Sterling exchange closed firm, at 109½ to 110.

Cotton waz active, at ⅛c. advance.

Ashes firm. Flour and wheat had slightly improved. Sugar firmer, but no change in molasses. Freights unchanged.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

On the 13th the Alps passed the Lady Clinton, bound west; and on the 16th the Lowden, Rhine, and John Stuart, from London, off New York.

Alleghananeen, from Shields; Escort, from London; Hero, from Rotterdam; Zephyr, from Palermo; and Ottawa, from Marseilles—at New York.

Helen and Frances, from Liverpool, at City Point.

John L. Dimmock, from Newport, at Portland.

The Two Boys, from Marseilles, put into Rockland on the 30th ult. to repair rudder.

Itzstein and Weleker, from Baltimore, for Rotterdam, off the Horse Shoe.

The Laura Campbell, from Santa Cruz, for London, with mahogany, went ashore on the Twelve League Keys, and was got off considerably damaged, returned to Santa Cruz condemned, and would be sold.

THE WEST INDIA MAILS.

(BY ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.)

SOUTHAMPTON, FRIDAY MORNING.

The Magdalena steamer, with the West India and Pacific mails, passed Hurst at 9 a.m.

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPHIC DESPATCHES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

SOUTHAMPTON, FRIDAY MORNING.

Wind S.W.; weather hazy and damp.

Arrived, Sept. 15.—Marquis Bute, Supply, and West Lothian, from Sunderland; Dispatch, steamer, from Jersey; Sarah, from London.

Arrived, Sept. 16.—Alliance, steamer, from Havre; Atalanta, steamer, from Jersey; Charles Napier, from Sunderland; Duke of Cornwall, steamer, from London.

Sailed.—Courier, steamer, for Jersey; Duke of Cornwall, steamer, for Dublin; Havre, steamer, for Havre; Argyll, steamer, for Carentan.

A telegram from Hamburg, received here this morning, announces that the steam-ship Hammonia, which left there on Wednesday, and was to sail hence on Saturday for New York, had put back, having met with a slight accident. She was expected to leave Hamburg again on Sunday.

LIVERPOOL, FRIDAY MORNING.

Wind S.

Arrived.—Tapley, from Bonny; Augusta, from Havre; Margaret Jane, from Huelva.

Sailed, Sept. 16.—Pelican, screw steamer, for Rotterdam; Arno, screw steamer, for Bordeaux.

(BY SUBMARINE AND BRITISH TELEGRAPH.)

GRAVESEND, FRIDAY MORNING.

Wind E.; first hours' ebb; light and cloudy.

Arrived, Sept. 16.—Crispin, from Guernsey; Libskiaf, from Trois Pistol; Caroline Susan, from Wyborg.

Arrived, Sept. 17.—Adonis, from Bremen.

DEAL, FRIDAY MORNING.

Wind S., light.

Passed.—Her Majesty's ship Dee, from the westward, for the river; Williams, from Hull, for Malta.

Sailed.—M. B. Harriman, for Fredrickstadt.

STOCK EXCHANGE.

FRIDAY MORNING, 11 O'CLOCK.

Consols for Money	...	...	97¼ to 97⅜
Ditto Account (Oct. 12)	...	...	97⅜ to 97½

THE OXFORD MIDDLE CLASS EXAMINATIONS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Sir,—"A Member of the London Committee" deserves the thanks of masters of schools for pointing out the inequality of merits on the part of candidates obtaining certificates in the Oxford Examination. As head master of an important school for some years, and having sent up many successful candidates for honours to the three great Universities, I confess I was astounded at the result of this examination. I knew the qualifications of several of the candidates, and the character of several of the schools from which they came, and the success and failure of several equally astonished me.

I have not been able yet to see a certificate, in order to learn how it is worded, but it certainly does seem to me an injustice that a certificate should be equally attainable by the *minimum* which your correspondent describes, and the *maximum* which the statutes permit.

I had myself but one candidate, who passed honourably, but in Class 2. Now, as many others may be in the same position, permit me to state for the information of the public what this lad took up for his examination. I should say he went in at his parents' desire, not by mine, and is as intelligent a lad, was as well taught, and knew his subjects as thoroughly (for his age) as any boy who ever left me to take honours at the University of London. I mention this university, as the age at which youths are examined there for matriculation and the nature of the examination most nearly correspond with those prescribed by the Oxford delegates.

In addition to the necessary papers in English and in elementary arithmetic, and that in divinity (which by some strange rule goes for nothing), this candidate took up the Greek, Latin, and French subjects, besides the higher paper of mathematics, including plane trigonometry. The English papers I am myself not surprised to find were trying to many lads, as my own experience shows that their own language is more hardly learned generally by boys than any other. I think, indeed, one fault of the whole examination was that of being unduly long and severe even for the health, much more for the attainments of the generality of boys under the age of 15.

However, the boy in question seemed to find no real difficulty in any paper, except the trigonometry, in which he was certainly deficient, but having done so well in others I did not conceive a slight failure here would be of great disadvantage to him. I tested many, if not all, his papers, and was confident of a very high place in "Division 1 in order of merit," when lo! on looking at the published list, I find him with a mass of upwards of 100 others, among whom I also find a former pupil of no inconsiderable promise who went up from another school.

My surprise is not lessened when, on looking at Division 1, I find few schools of name and note which succeeded in placing their boys in this select body.

Persons in general are disposed to draw unfavourable conclusions from the result of this examination as to the state of education among middle-class schools in general; I do not think that the proportion of failures is any test. Half the boys at least, I will venture to say, were frightened out of their wits, and did not bring out half what they did know. If Oxford and Cambridge "men" of from 18 to 22 years of age are unnerved at *vivâ voce*, what must be the case with lads, many of whom, perhaps, never went through such an ordeal before in their lives, and were utterly ignorant even of the process of a public examination?

The nature of this examination, I am convinced, requires revisal, and the age ought to be extended, as at Cambridge, and at the London Matriculation examination, to 16.

Still the result of this year will do good. Whether it was a fair test or not of the relative merits or demerits of schools, there can be no doubt that middle class schools in this country are very frequently not what they ought to be. They offer no guarantee to the parent for the ability, the social status, or the other qualifications requisite in one to whom so important a duty as the education of young Englishmen is intrusted. Too often a broken-down tradesman or lawyer's clerk, failing in all else, starts a school, and if he has but unlimited power of humbug and a tolerably pompous manner has a reasonable chance of making a very comfortable living.

Parents have only themselves to thank for this state of things. They look for the cheapest market, and ought not to be surprised if the article is, after all, of a very inferior quality, if not altogether worthless. After all, this supposed cheapness is a mistake. I know of several specimens of this sort of school (one has, or had, 100 boys as boarders), where the "principal," utterly ignorant of anything but the simplest branches of elementary English and Latin, charges as high for his article as a parent would pay who would avail himself of the advantages offerded by the numerous excellent proprietary and revived grammar schools which are now to be found in most large towns.

If the education of the boy is bad, the parent is, probably, as much in fault as any one else, for if cheap (and bad) schools ceased to be supported they would soon cease to exist. And I think that in the end Oxford will do good service by bringing out the distinction between the genuine and the spurious article.

I am Sir, faithfully yours,

A HEAD MASTER.

P.S.—I enclose my card, not for publication, but for your own satisfaction.

BOOK-HAWKING IN DERBYSHIRE.—The first report of the Derbyshire Book-hawking Association states that 530*l.* worth of books has been sold, chiefly to cottagers,—including 900 Prayer-books, 304 Church-services, 256 Bibles, and 50 (New) Testaments. The "profane" literature, as some would call it, included *Edgeworth's Tales*, the *Memoir of the late Hedley Vicars*, *Webster's Dictionary*, Packets of Picture Cards, the *Pilgrims' Progress*, a *History of Joseph*, a *Spelling-book*, the *Life of Havelock*, *Annals of the Poor*, and, best of all, the immortal *Robinson Crusoe*. 288*l.* has been received as donations and subscriptions, but much additional capital is required. The hawkers travel about the country in donkey-carts.

THE ATLANTIC TELEGRAPH.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

VALENTIA, SUNDAY, SEPT. 12.

The sound of rejoicing for the completion of the telegraphic communication between England and America had hardly ceased on both sides of the ocean which has been so wonderfully intersected by the wire, and the ovations and festivities in honour of those who were instrumental in achieving the great work were still at their height at this side of the Channel, when a gloom was cast upon all by the sudden and unexpected announcement that intelligible signals had ceased to come through the cable. The public and those interested in the success of the undertaking have, doubtless, been much surprised that so many days should have been allowed to elapse since the announcement of the failure of signals without their being acquainted, either through the company or newspaper correspondence, of the progress of affairs at this terminal of the Atlantic wire. But the fact is, that, beyond the bare fact that signals were not received, there has been nothing to communicate until the results of the investigations of Professor Thomson, Mr. Edward Bright, Mr. Varley, and other scientific gentlemen, who have been experimenting upon the cable for the past few days, had transpired. Those experiments have not yet been completed, but sufficient has been done towards pointing out the exact position of and probable nature of the fault to justify the public being made acquainted with the facts. In order to make the present condition of the cable perfectly understood it will be necessary to trace its history from previous to the landing of the end at Valentia down to the present time. In a former communication containing the particulars of the last successful cruise of the Agamemnon it will be remembered that reference was made to a very serious electrical fault having occurred in the cable on Sunday, August the 1st, after about one-half of the distance from mid-ocean to the shores of Ireland had been traversed. Though that fault (which was apparently a break in the continuity of the conductor) gradually recovered itself after having caused great trouble and anxiety for some 13 hours, yet the electrical condition of the cable had evidently received a shock from which it never completely recovered. This was, however, regarded as a matter of very little consequence, as the currents which were both received and transmitted were sufficiently good for all the purposes of telegraphing. During the remaining three or four days which were occupied in submerging the remainder of the wire its electrical condition was very variable, being at times very good and occasionally indifferent. These variations were at the time referred to the effects of magnetic storms and earth currrents, but at no time was its condition so defective as in any degree to impair the telegraphic communication. From the time of landing the end, on the 5th of August, to Monday, the 9th, the cable continued in fair condition, though a slight defect, of no consequence in working, was observed in the insulation. Up to that evening nothing but alternate positive and negative currents had been received from Newfoundland, though words and adjustment messages had from soon after the landing been continually sent from Valentia. That evening, however, coil currents came with the words "Send slower and repeat" from Newfoundland, being sent by Mr. Whitehouse's instruments, and received upon his beautifully constructed recording relay. It was soon found, however, that Mr. Whitehouse's receiving relay, though admirably adapted for receiving messages through the cable, had been adjusted and constructed under the very natural belief that the cable, if landed at all, would have suffered little in its electrical condition, and it was found not to work with certainty with the comparatively feeble signals which arrived from the American continent. Professor Thomson's delicate reflecting galvanometer was accordingly substituted for it, though messages were transmitted from both ends as usual by Mr. Whitehouse's patent. It is necessary to mention these apparently trifling circumstances, in order to correct an erroneous impression which has doubtless unintentionally been created by a letter recently published by Mr. Whitehouse. No one can deny the inestimable services rendered to the cause of Atlantic telegraphy by Mr. Whitehouse in his capacity of electrician, or the energy and perseverance with which he pursued his electrical experiments through a long period, when it was more than doubtful whether the cable would ever be laid to render practical his discoveries and inventions. Whatever may be the merits of the dispute between Mr. Whitehouse and the Atlantic Telegraph Company, whether he has or has not been harshly treated, is a question between him and the directors, with which the public have no concern. It is necessary here to enter thus far into the question to correct the impression which Mr. Whitehouse's letter no doubt unintentionally conveyed, that his instruments alone were used in the receipt and transmission of all the messages which passed through the Atlantic cable. During the whole of the week, from Monday, the 9th, to Saturday, the 14th, various adjustment messages were received and sent through the line, though, in consequence of their constantly requiring messages from Valentia to be repeated several times, it was evident that in Newfoundland the signals were not read with the same facility as those in the contrary direction to Valentia. This circumstance tended to prove that the fault which was observable was somewhere near the Irish coast, for any defect more than 300 miles from either coast would affect the transmission and reception of signals equally at both ends. Accordingly the cable was underrun for the distance of about three miles from Valentia Island by Mr. Canning, cut, and tested through by Mr. Bartholomew, the electrical superintendent, who found that whatever fault existed was far out to sea. The ends were accordingly joined up again without a new piece of cable being laid between Dowlas-head and the shore. From this to Saturday, the 21st of August, the fault was very variable both in its nature and its apparent distance from the Irish coast, it first appearing something like 500 miles distant, and gradually diminishing until it became stationary at a point calculated with great accuracy to be nearly 270 statute miles from the Valentia end of the cable. All this period the electrical condition became daily worse and worse, and it was only with the greatest difficulty and by constant repetitions that the various official and congratulatory messages between the English and American authorities were transmitted to Newfoundland, the messages back to Valentia being in almost every case clear and distinct. The condition of the wire became daily more faulty until the 31st of August, when a Government message was despatched through the cable for the North American colonies, and on the morning of the 1st of September a second Government message was safely transmitted, but after it had been duly acknowledged the insulation of the wire became suddenly worse, and it was found impossible to make them understand at Newfoundland. Words and messages were continually transmitted, but it was soon evident that on the American shore they could only just distinguish that signals were being sent, for the only answer received at Valentia was "Repeat" and "Don't understand," and even these small phrases were only distinguishable at intervals; and since half-past 1 o'clock on the morning of Friday, the 4th of September, no intelligible signal whatever has been received. Occasionally, however, very distinct reversals (as regularly alternating positive and negative currents are termed) have been received, sometimes so strong and good that had they been sending words from Newfoundland they might have been distinctly read on the reflecting galvanometer of Professor Thomson. When the line is not in use for the purposes of testing words, short messages are continually despatched through the wire for an hour at a time, and then for the next hour the galvanometer is watched for the answers, which, excepting the reversals already alluded to, never come. From the time of the first cessation of the signals up to the present time Professor W. Thomson, Mr. Varley, and Mr. Edward Bright have been engaged day and night in testing, and have come to the conclusion that the defect is a loss of insulation about 270 miles (along the cable) from Valentia. This, calculating the amount of slack cable paid out during the later days of the submerging operations, would place the fault about 220 statute miles from shore, or somewhere upon the mountain range which divides the depth of the Atlantic from the comparatively shallow water leading from the Irish coast. Reference to logs and diaries kept by those on board the Agamemnon during the submerging operations show that this bank was crossed between 4 and 5 o'clock on the afternoon of the 3d of August, more than an hour before the expected time. It had been intended by Sir Charles Bright to allow a great quantity of slack cable to run out while crossing this point, in order that it might reach the bottom of all the inequalities which might exist there undiscovered by the sounding line. But, from some unexplained cause, the Agamemnon throughout the whole cruise steamed at a greater speed than was registered by the log-line. Owing to this circumstance the bank was reached at least an hour before the expected time, the first intimation received by those on board being a sudden decrease in the registered strain upon the dynamometer and an equally sudden falling off in the speed of the cable, the ship maintaining the same rate, as registered by the log-line. Sir Charles Bright's attention was called to the circumstance, and he, seeing at once that the shallow water was approaching, or had actually been reached, ordered the weight to be taken off the breaks, and allowed a large quantity of slack cable to go overboard. It must always remain a matter of doubt, however, whether the falling off of the strain on and speed of the cable was observable at all until the top of the bank had been reached, and had this been the case it is quite possible that the cable may have remained suspended upon some projecting points in the steep, and its insulation so oner become gradually injured by its own weight. This is, of course, only a probable conjecture, based upon the facts above stated. But at the same time it is impossible to account in any other way for the cable having become damaged since its submersion. Should the fault have originated in this way not the least blame is attributable either to Sir Charles Bright, his assistants, or the officers of the Agamemnon, the occurrence being solely referable to the defective and uncertain method of ascertaining the speed of a ship at present in vogue in the Royal navy. The steep range above alluded to is often mentioned as a sloping bank, upon what ground it is difficult to say, for but two soundings were taken upon it, one at the bottom and another at the top, and these two soundings, though only eight miles apart, show a difference in elevation of 7,200 feet. Of the nature of the intervening space no one can of course form any conjecture. Whether the sides of this submarine mountain (for it can be called nothing else) are broken by ravines and precipitous cliffs in the same way as the sides of the mountains on land are, nothing but a close and careful series of soundings can ever determine. That such a series of soundings were not made by Commander Dayman at the point in question, when he sounded across the Atlantic from the Cyclops, was, we believe, due to the prevalence of bad weather at the time. It is perfectly conclusive, according to the experiments of Professor Thomson and Mr. Varley, that the water has reached the conducting wire in at least one place not less than 220 miles from the shore, and as the currents received from Newfoundland vary from one two-hundredth to only one nine-hundreth part of the strength they should be, it would be deceiving the public to state that the fault is other than of the most serious nature. But still it is believed possible by some, with more delicate instruments, and with proper concert at both ends of the line, to work through during some part of each day, provided the condition of the wire becomes no worse. Negative currents of electricity are now used as much as possible in the transmission of signals, for were positive currents used the exposed portion of the wire, by decomposing the salt water in contact with it, would be oxidized through in a very short time. Mr. Henley, who has been for some days experimenting upon the cable, is sanguine of making the line again serviceable, by the use of his powerful magneto-electric machines, which are now on their way from London. It is as well that every expedient for working the line in its present defective condition be tried, as the chances of successfully underrunning the cable as far as the point of injury are unfortunately very small indeed. The extraordinary phenomena of the natural currents of electricity, which are continually traversing the surface of the earth in various directions, act by their inductive effects upon the great length of cable submerged, and disturb the needles and galvanometers at both ends of the line to a considerable degree. This nature and action, if properly observed and studied by means of the Atlantic cable, would, no doubt, throw considerable light upon the phenomena of diurnal magnetic variations, to account for which no satisfactory law has been proposed. On the night of Monday, the 6th of September, one of those extraordinary phenomena called magnetic storms must have passed over the track of the cable, for from half-past 11 to half-past 12 the reflecting galvanometer in connexion with the line was most violently disturbed. The reflections were so rapid and violent that it was only occasionally that the reflected ray of light could be distinguished upon the reading scale. These magnetic storms are of by no means rare occurrence, and as well as the earth currents already mentioned, sometimes cause great delay and annoyance on long lines of telegraphic communication.

There is still a very generally prevalent idea that one of the principal faults in the cable is comparatively near shore, and though this supposition is opposed to the very conclusive experiments of Professor Thomson and Mr. Varley, yet it is a question whether, for the full satisfaction of the shareholders, it would not be worth while taking up the cable for a few miles from either shore, and then testing through the middle portion. These operations would undoubtedly be attended with considerable expense, and it is, therefore, probably not thought advisable to engage in them until it has been ascertained how matters stand at the American terminus of the cable. Mr. Lundy, one of the electrical assistants, proceeds to Newfoundland on Tuesday, by the Prince Albert, from Galway, for the purpose of ascertaining the condition of the wire at the other terminus, and also for the purpose of arrangeing a day on which a certain know code of signals are to be sent at concerted times from both ends, and to endeavour thus to re-establish intelligible communication. Even looking at matters in the worst light, and supposing the cable as far as practical

THE NEW INDIAN DEPARTMENT.

We are now enabled to enumerate the principal offices in the new establishment of the Secretary of State for India, as just proposed to be constituted by Lord Stanley, and to furnish the names of the several gentlemen in charge, as secretaries, of the various departments. They are as follows :—

REVENUE—Mr. Prideaux.
JUDICIAL—Mr. Hawkins.
POLITICAL—Mr. Kaye.
RAILWAY AND TELEGRAPH—Mr. Danvers.
PUBLIC WORKS—Mr. Thornton.
PUBLIC OR GENERAL—Mr. Bourdillon.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

SECRETARY—Not yet known.
ASSISTANT-SECRETARY—Mr. Eade.

MARINE AND TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT.

SUPERINTENDENT—Mr. Plowden.
ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL—Mr. Friend.
AUDITOR—Mr. Sandoz.
CASHIER—Mr. Dunsmure.
INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF STORES—General Bonner.
AGENT TO ADMINISTRATOR-GENERAL—Mr. Clarke.
STATISTICAL DEPARTMENT AND KEEPER OF RECORDS—Mr. Hornidge.
CHIEF CLERK—Mr. Onslow.

OFFICERS OF COMMITTEES.

SECRETARY TO FINANCE, HOME, AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—Mr. Danvers.
SECRETARY TO REVENUE AND JUDICIAL—Mr. Prideaux.
SECRETARY TO POLITICAL AND MILITARY—Mr. Eade.

The gentlemen named as secretaries above have, we believe, all been in charge of the duties which they have now to perform under a different denomination. Mr. Prideaux was Assistant Examiner. Mr. Hawkins was also appointed an Assistant Examiner upon his retirement from the office of Secretary to the Indian Law Commissioners. He is regarded as a high authority upon judicial questions, having held important posts in the civil service of India. Mr. Kaye, besides the responsible office he has heretofore filled in the Examiner's Department, is known to literature as the author of *The Life of Sir John Malcolm*, and the *History of the Affghan War*. Mr. Danvers has been connected with railways and telegraphs from their introduction into India, and was the first witness examined by the Parliamentary committee of last session. Mr. Thornton was selected for the Public Works Department upon its formation a few years ago, and Mr. Bourdillon has been connected with the General Department, which embraces subjects connected with education, the Post-office, and matters of a miscellaneous character.

It will be observed that two distinguished men—namely, Mr. John Stuart Mill and Mr. Philip Melvill, both retire from the public service, with which they have been long and honourably identified, the former as the head of the Examiner's Department, and the latter as the Military Secretary.

THE INDIAN REINFORCEMENTS.

(From *Thacker's Overland News.*)

The bulk of the Indian reinforcements for this season having been now despatched, we are enabled to lay before our readers a tabular summary of the whole of the troop departures to India since the beginning of the year, showing the total force of each arm of the service embarked, with the route and destination of the several detachments. The following statement has been compiled from reliable sources, and the general accuracy of the details may be relied upon. The number of troops forwarded by each route includes officers, but only those proceeding overland with detachments are given.

From this source we learn that the total force despatched to India since the beginning of the year amounts to 26,414 officers and men, consisting of 1,205 artillery, 2,037 cavalry, 19,238 infantry, and 3,934 recruits of the Indian army. Of this force, 14,679 men, consisting of 541 artillery, 528 cavalry, 10,683 infantry, and 2,937 recruits Indian army, were sent to Calcutta ; 2,966 men, consisting of 105 artillery, 301 cavalry, 2,410 infantry, and 150 recruits Indian army, to Madras ; 6,373 men, consisting of 554 artillery, 1,044 cavalry, 4,069 infantry, and 847 recruits Indian army, to Bombay ; and 2,396 men, consisting of 5 artillery, 144 cavalry, and 2,056 infantry, to Kurrachee. The force despatched *viâ* the Cape amounted to 21,346 men, consisting of 899 artillery, 1,897 cavalry, 14,615 infantry, 3,934 recruits Indian army ; and the force despatched overland, 5,068 men, consisting of 306 artillery, 140 cavalry, and 4,623 infantry. With these reinforcements are included six complete regiments, one of cavalry and five of infantry. Of the former, the 6th Dragoons left England, *viâ* the Cape, in August ; the 66th and 99th Regiments are just embarking for the same route ; the 57th Foot, from the Mediterranean, left by the overland route in April last, and the 46th and 91st Foot, also from the Mediterranean, are now going in detachments overland. In addition to these, three other regiments from the Mediterranean, the 1st battalion of the 3d Buffs and the 28th and 48th Regiments, have received the route for India *viâ* Egypt, so that by the close of the year nine complete regiments will have been added to the army in the East, and the number given by the three last-named regiments, with some further detachments shortly to embark from the depôts, will make up the force despatched this year to over 30,000 men. Making every allowance for the heavy casualties in the ranks of our forces, from their arduous service during the late hot weather campaign, it is fairly computed that the European troops in India will be brought up towards the close of the year to fully 80,000 men, and that the Commander-in-Chief will be able to take the field with a force sufficient to trample out the last embers of the mutiny, and complete the settlement of our Indian empire.

1858.	Route.	Artillery.	Cavalry.	Infantry.	Recruits Indian Army.	Total.	Destination.
January	the Cape	81	..	1,069	300	1,440	Calcutta
	the Cape	..	..	166	..	166	Madras
	the Cape	..	..	200	..	200	Bombay
	the Cape	..	..	163	..	163	Kurrachee
February	Egypt ..	..	..	478	..	478	Madras
	Egypt ..	..	..	954	..	954	Bombay
	the Cape	..	..	450	..	450	Calcutta
	the Cape	50	35	230	..	315	Madras
March ..	the Cape	110	..	..	..	110	Bombay
	the Cape	..	..	181	..	181	Kurrachee
	Egypt ..	80	82	200	..	362	Bombay
	Egypt ..	..	..	138	..	138	Kurrachee
	the Cape	151	127	1,120	395	1,793	Calcutta
	the Cape	30	..	429	..	459	Madras
April ..	the Cape	..	..	..	500	500	Bombay
	Egypt ..	..	..	700	..	700	Calcutta
	Egypt ..	5	58	553	..	616	Kurrachee
May ..	the Cape	..	..	..	384	384	Calcutta
	the Cape	108	114	1,857	605	2,684	Calcutta
June ..	the Cape	..	90	141	..	231	Madras
	the Cape	..	..	444	..	444	Bombay
	the Cape	..	97	1,104	558	1,759	Calcutta
	the Cape	..	221	383	..	604	Madras
July ..	the Cape	70	176	472	..	718	Bombay
	the Cape	..	50	565	..	767	Kurrachee
	the Cape	91	70	934	695	1,790	Calcutta
	the Cape	..	..	250	..	250	Madras
August ..	the Cape	20	708	655	197	1,580	Bombay
	the Cape	..	26	312	..	338	Kurrachee
	Egypt ..	221	..	..	..	221	Bombay
	the Cape	110	120	2,649	..	2,879	Calcutta
	the Cape	53	78	344	150	625	Madras
Sept. ..	the Cape	..	30	164	..	194	Bombay
	Egypt ..	..	..	800	..	800	Kurrachee
	Egypt ..	..	..	800	..	800	Calcutta
							Bombay
	Total ..	1,205	2,037	19,238	3,934	26,414	

TOTAL FORCE DESPATCHED PER MONTH.

1858.	Artillery.	Cavalry.	Infantry.	Recruits Indian Army.	Total.
January	81	..	1,598	300	1,979
February	..	..	1,432	..	1,432
March	250	117	1,189	..	1,556
April	186	185	2,802	895	4,068
May	..	..	..	384	384
June	108	144	2,302	605	3,359
July	70	544	2,524	558	3,696
August	332	804	2,151	892	4,179
September	178	243	5,040	300	5,761
Total	1,205	2,037	19,238	3,934	26,414

TOTAL FORCE DESPATCHED TO EACH PORT.

	Artillery.	Cavalry.	Infantry.	Recruits Indian Army.	Total.
Calcutta	541	528	10,683	2,937	14,679
Madras	105	321	2,430	150	2,966
Bombay	554	1,044	4,069	847	6,373
Kurrachee	5	144	2,056	..	2,396
Total ..	1,205	2,037	19,238	3,934	26,414

TOTAL FORCE DESPATCHED BY EACH ROUTE.

Route.	Artillery.	Cavalry.	Infantry.	Recruits Indian Army.	Total.
Vià the Cape ..	899	1,897	14,615	3,934	21,346
Vià Egypt ..	306	140	4,623	..	5,068
Total ..	1,205	2,037	19,238	3,934	26,414

THE GREAT EASTERN.—Mr. Daniel Baker, chairman, Captain Harrison, and Mr. Yates, secretary of the Great Eastern Steamship Company, visited Bristol yesterday to inspect the site of the proposed docks at the mouth of the Avon, with a view to ascertain their capability of adaptation to the purposes of the Great Eastern. They were received by the Chamber of Commerce, a deputation from which body, consisting of Mr. W. Terrell, chairman, Mr. Leonard Bruton, secretary, Mr. M. Whitwill, Mr. J. M. Hyde, Mr. J. Bush, and other gentlemen accompanied Mr. Baker and the other representatives of the Great Eastern Company on board the Fairy Queen steamer to Kingroad. The plans for the proposed docks were submitted by Mr. Thornton, civil engineer, who has been actively engaged in the matter, and who also furnished various soundings which have been taken. Mr. Baker expressed his personal opinion, which was coincided in by Captain Harrison and Mr. Yates, that if the proposed accommodation were afforded, Bristol would be the most desirable port for the departure of the Great Eastern. It had been found that Liverpool and Southampton would be unsuited for such a vessel, and the only port presenting anything like the necessary requisites was Milford Haven. If, however, the new docks were made at Bristol, Mr. Baker stated that it presented so many other advantages that he should unhesitatingly recommend the adoption of that port for the Great Eastern.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

DONCASTER MEETING.

(WEDNESDAY'S RACES CONCLUDED.)

The PORTLAND PLATE of 200 sovs. in specie, added to a Handicap Stakes of 5 sovs. each. Winners extra. The second to receive 25 sovs. out of the stakes. Red-house in. (5 furlongs 152 yards.) 91 subs.

Mr. Saxon's the Ancient Briton, by Cotherstone, 3 yrs, 7st. (L. Snowden) 1
Mr. H. S. Hunt's Lottery, 2 yrs, 4st. 10lb. (Grimshaw) 2
Mr. W. S. S. Crawfurd's filly, by Teddington, dam by Gladiator, 2 yrs, 4st. 12lb. (Bottom) 3
Mr. St. George's Sans Culotte, 4 yrs, 7st. 13lb. (Ducker) 0
Mr. Merry's Lord of Lorn, 3 yrs, 7st. 9lb. (Bray) ... 0
Mr. J. Thompson's Blackthorn, 3 yrs, 7st. 7lb. (Bullock) 0
Captain Christie's Orchehill, 3 yrs, 7st. 7lb. (Cresswell) 0
Mr. Craven's Yaller Gal, 3 yrs, 7st. 5lb. (French) ... 0
Captain Gray's Duneany, 3 yrs, 7st. 5lb. (Charlton) ... 0
Lord Derby's Target, 3 yrs, 7st. 4lb. (Ryan) 0
Sir W. Booth's Beatrice, 4 yrs, 7st. 4lb. (Plumb) ... 0
Mr. R. Ten Broeck's Babylon, 4 yrs, 7st. 3lb. (Fordham) 0
Mr. Wilkins's Unexpected, 5 yrs, 7st. 2lb. (Dales) ... 0
Mr. R. Eastwood's Proud Preston Peg, 3 yrs, 6st. 13lb. (Challoner) 0
Sir L. Newman's Forget me Not, 4 yrs, 6st. 12lb. (Bradley) 0
Mr. W. King's Massacre, 3 yrs, 6st. 9lb. (Grimmer) ... 0
Mr. Mundy's Wouvermans, 3 yrs, 6st. 7lb. (Pritchard) ... 0
Mr. Shelley's Lord Berkeley, 4 yrs, 6st. 7lb. (Custance) 0
Captain Stewart's Miss Jessey, 4 yrs, 6st. 2lb. (Little) ... 0
Lord Glasgow's filly by Teddington—Maid of Masham, 3 yrs., 6st. 2lb. (J. Snowden) 0
Lord J. Scott's Gift, 2 yrs, 5st. 10lb. (Foster) 0
Mr. Dawson's Mrs. Stowe, 2 yrs, 5st. 8lb. (Madden) ... 0
Mr. Allison's Layton, 2 yrs, 4st. 13lb. (A. Edwards) ... 0
Mr. W. S. Crawfurd's Helia, 2 yrs, 4st. 12lb. (Reeves) ... 0
Mr. Gray's Maggie, 2 yrs, 4st. 10lb. (J. Daley) 0
Mr. J. Thompson's Precious Stone, 2 yrs, 4st. 9lb. (Entwistle) 0
Mr. Savile's Queen Charlotte, 2 yrs, 4st. 9lb. (Auckland) 0

Betting—5 to 1 agst Mr. Crawfurd's Teddington filly, 6 to 1 agst Ancient Briton, 8 to 1 agst Beatrice, 12 to 1 agst Lord of Lorn, 14 to 1 each agst Blackthorn, Yaller Gal, and Maggie, 16 to 1 each agst Target and Babylon, 20 to 1 each agst Layton and Queen Charlotte, 33 to 1 each agst Wouvermans and Miss Jessey.

A straggling start. Yaller Gal, Lottery, Beatrice, and Ancient Briton got away in front, and ran in the order named to the distance, where Mr. Crawfurd's Teddington filly—who got badly off—joined them. Ancient Briton, however, then came out and won by two lengths, three lengths between the second and third ; Yaller Girl was fourth, Maggie, Maid of Masham filly, Babylon (who was shut out opposite the Stand), and Beatrice were next.

HER MAJESTY'S PLATE of 100 guineas ; three-yr-olds, 7st. ; four, 8st. 5lb. ; five, 8st. 12lb. ; six and aged, 9st. 2lb. Cup course (2 miles 5 fur. 14 yards).

Lord Fitzwilliam's Ignoramus, by The Flying Dutchman, 4 yrs, 8st. 5lb. (J. Osborne)... 1
Mr. T. Parr's Fisherman, 5 yrs, 8st. 12lb. (S. Rogers) ... 2

Betting.—5 to 1 on Fisherman, who made all the running to the half distance, where Ignoramus headed him and won in a canter by two lengths.

THE SUBSCRIPTION ROOM AT NIGHT.

Business was carried on with much spirit, and on the Handicaps the betting took a wide range. Blanche of Middlebie was made the favourite for the Cambridgeshire, and attention was directed to Mr. Merry's other horses for their respective engagements. A good deal of money was invested on Vedette for the Cup at evens—at one time slight odds were laid. Closing prices :—

DONCASTER CUP.

Even on Vedette.
4 to 1 agst Saunterer (taken and offered).
8 — 1 —— Ignoramus (taken).
8 — 1 —— Black Tommy (taken).
10 — 1 —— Fisherman (taken).

CESAREWITCH STAKES.

14 to 1 agst Roman Candle (taken).
100 — 6 —— Prioress (taken).
30 — 1 —— Warlock (taken).
30 — 1 —— Turned Loose (taken).
33 — 1 —— Underhand (taken).
33 — 1 —— English Rose (taken).
33 — 1 —— Ancient Britton (taken).
33 — 1 —— Happy Land (taken).
33 — 1 —— Fearful (taken).
33 — 1 —— Fadladeen (taken).
40 — 1 —— Riseber (taken).
40 — 1 —— Queen Bess (taken).
50 — 1 —— Jordan (taken).
50 — 1 —— Brother to Bird on the Wing (taken).

CAMBRIDGESHIRE STAKES

8 to 1 agst Blanche of Middlebie (taken).
20 — 1 —— Ancient Briton (taken).
33 — 1 —— Eurydice (taken).
40 — 1 —— Lambourn (taken).

DERBY.

9 to 1 agst The Promised Land (taken).
25 — 1 —— Cavendish (taken).
25 — 1 —— Merryman (taken).
40 — 1 —— Touchwood (taken).

THURSDAY.

The JUVENILE SELLING STAKES, of 5 sovs. each, with 50 added, for 2-yr-olds. Half-a-mile. 11 subs.

Mr. Merry's Head Knowledge, by Melbourne (25*l.*) 7st. 10lb. (Sopp) 1
Mr. T. Dawson's A Pony (25*l.*), 7st. 10lb. (Bullock) ... 2
Mr. J. Stephenson's Grace Darling (25*l.*), 7st. 10lb. (Fordham) 3
Mr. Waller's Basilisk (25*l.*), 8st. (Charlton) 0
Mr. Singleton's colt by Slane—Peach (25*l.*), 8st. (Withington) 0
Sir W. Booth's filly by Rochester—Tremble (25*l.*), 7st. 10lb. (Plumb) 0
Captain Christie's Queen of Scots (25*l.*), 7st. 10lb. (Bray) 0
Mr. Copeland's Torta (25*l.*), 8st. (Cresswell) 0
Mr. J. W. Day's Orphan, 8st. (Noble) 0
Mr. Williams's Lansquenette (25*l.*), 7st. 10lb. (J. Snowden) 0
Mr. J. Osborne's Gnatcatcher (25*l.*), 7st. 10lb. (Challoner) 0

Betting.—7 to 4 agst Head Knowledge, 7 to 2 agst Gnatcatcher, 7 to 1 agst A Pony, 8 to 1 agst any other.

Won by a short head ; a length and a-half between the second and third. Lansquenette and Basilisk were fourth and fifth, close together ; Gnatcatcher was next.

The winner was sold to Mr. H. Johnstone for 105 guineas.

The SCARBOROUGH STAKES of 20 sovs. each, 10 ft., for 3-yr-olds. Certain penalties and allowances. One mile. 9 subs.

Captain Christie's Orchehill, by Ambrose, 8st. 7lb. (Wells) 1
Mr. S. Hawkes's The Peer, 8st. 2lb. (Pearl) 2

The betting opened at 5 to 4 on Orchehill and closed at 2 to 1 on him.

After cantering nearly half a mile the Peer went away with a lead ; Orchehill waited to half-way up the distance, when he challenged and won a fine race in by a head.

HANDICAP SWEEPSTAKES of 10 sovs. each, h. ft., with 50 added ; for 2-yr-olds. Winners extra. The winner to save his stake. Red-house in. 28 subs.

Mr. T. Wadlow's The Dane, by Jericho, 6st. 7lb. (Bray) 1
Mr. J. Thompson's Solomon, 8st. (Bullock) 2
Major Houston's Broadbrim, 7st. 2lb. (Cresswell) ... 3
Mr. J. Bates's Raspberry, 8st. 11lb. (J. Osborne) 4
Mr. Beseley's Charlotte, 7st. 5lb. (Wood)... 0
Lord Ribblesdale's Northampton, 7st. 5lb. (F. Adams)... 0
Captain Verner's Martello, 6st. 10lb. (Ducker) 0
Mr. Saxon's Lily, 6st. 10lb. (J. Snowden) 0
Mr. H. S. Hunt's Lottery, 6st. 9lb. (Challoner) 0
Mr. Ewbank's Tom King, 6st. 7lb. (Custance) 0
Sir W. Booth's Artless, 6st. 7lb. (Pritchard) 0
Mr. T. Dawson's Gay Lass, 6st. 4lb. (Madden) 0
Lord Ribblesdale's Petra, 6st. (Adams) 0

Betting.—4 to 1 each agst Lottery and Tom King ; 8 to 1 each agst The Dane, Northampton, Gaylass, and Lily.

A fine race in, won by a neck, a head between the second and third, same distance between the third and fourth ; the others, with the exception of Petra and Martello, were close up with Raspberry.

The CLEVELAND HANDICAP of 20 sovs. each, 10 ft., and 5 only if declared, &c., with 60 added ; certain winners extra ; the second to save his stake ; one mile. 37 subs., 23 of whom declared.

Mr. Copeland's The Argosy, by Pyrrhus the First, 3 yrs, 8st. 7lb. 1
Lord Glasgow's Colt, by Hernandez, — Physalis, 4 yrs, 8st. 12lb. 2
Mr. J. Thompson's Broadlands, 3 yrs, 8st. 11lb. (Bullock) 3
Mr. Parker's Bianca Capella, 3 yrs, 6st. 7lb. (F. Adams) 4
Mr. R. Ten Broeck's Babylon, 4 yrs, 7st. 11lb. (Fordham) 5
Mr. T. Gordon na Swale, 3 yrs, 7st. 11lb. (Hardcastle)... 6

Betting.—7 to 4 agst Babylon, 4 to 1 each agst Bianca Capella and Argosy, 6 to 1 each agst the Physalis colt and Broadlands.

A dead heat with the Physalis colt and Argosy ; Broadlands was beaten two lengths, a bad fourth.

Deciding Heat.—6 to 5 on The Argosy, who won by a head.

The EGLINTON STAKES, of 10 sovs. each, 5 ft., with 100 added, for 2-yr-olds, 7st., and 3-yr-olds 8st. 12lb. Certain penalties and allowances. The second to receive 20 sovs. out of the stakes. T.Y.C. 49 subs.

Mr. Payne's Pandora, by Cotherstone, 2 yrs, 6st. 11lb. (L. Snowden) 1
Mr. G. White's Shafto, 2 yrs, 7st. (Challoner) 2
Baron Rothschild's Mentmore, 3 yrs, 8st. 12lb. (Wells) 3
Mr. W. S. S. Crawfurd's filly, by Teddington, dam by Gladiator, 2 yrs, 6st. 4lb. (Bray) 4
Lord Clifden's Chanoinesse, 3 yrs, 8st. 9lb. (A. Day) ... 5
Mr. J. Dawson's The Hadji, 3 yrs, 8st. 12lb. (Aldcraft) 6
Mr. La Mert's Zitella, 2 yrs., 6st. 11lb. (A. Edwards) ... 7
Admiral Harcourt's Gildermire, 3 yrs., 8st. 9lb. (Bates) 8
Mr. J. Osborne's Proud Preston Peg, 3 yrs., 8st. 9lb. (J. Osborne) 9

Betting.—3 to 1 agst Shafto, 4 to 1 agst The Hadji, 6 to 1 agst Pandora, 7 to 1 agst Mentmore, 8 to 1 agst the Teddington filly, 10 to 1 each agst Gildermire and Zitella.

The Hadji led to the bend, where he was passed by Shafto and Pandora, the filly heading Shafto opposite the stand and winning by half a length ; about four lengths between the second and third ; the others finished close together about half-a-dozen lengths from Mentmore.

SWEEPSTAKES of 10 sovs. each, with 50 added, for 2-yr olds ; colts, 8st. 7lb. ; fillies, 8st. 4lb. Winners extra. The second to receive 20 sovs. out of the stakes. T.Y.C. 26 subs.

Admiral Harcourt's filly, by West Australia — Ellerdale, 8st. 4lb. (Bates) 1
Colonel Smyth's Uralian, 8st. 7lb. (Ashmall) 2
Mr. Henry's Flitch, 8st. 4lb. (Fordham) 3
Mr. Copeland's The Woman in Black, 8st. 8lb. (including 4lb. extra) (S. Rogers) 4
Sir C. Monck's Gamester, 8st. 11lb. (including 4lb. extra) (Ewart) 5
Captain Gray's Glen Buck, 8st. 7lb. (Basham) 6
Mr. W. King's Quicksilver, 8st. 7lb. (Charlton) 7

Betting.—3 to 1 agst Gamester, 4 to 1 agst Flitch, 4 to 1 agst The Woman in Black, 6 to 1 agst Uralian, 10 to 1 agst the Ellerdale filly.

Won by a head, same distance between the second and third, good fourth.

(BY ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.)

The ZETLAND STAKES of 50 sovs. each, h. ft., for 3-yr-olds; colts, 8st. 7lb. ; fillies, 8st. 3lb. One mile and a-half. 4 subs.

Mr. G. Wentworth's The Cheery Chap, by Chanticleer, 8st. 7lb. (Ashmall) 1
Lord Ailesbury's Compromise, 8st. 7lb. (Flatman) ... 2

Betting.—6 to 4 on Compromise. Won by a head.

LATEST CUP BETTING.

DONCASTER, THURSDAY, MIDNIGHT.

6 to 4 on Vedette.
7 — 2 agst Saunterer.
8 — 1 —— any other.

Chaucer, 2 yrs, is struck out of all his engagements for which he is now handicapped and for which he is not nominated by Mr. Merry.

GREAT AMATEUR ROWING MATCH.

Those gentlemen of the great London Rowing Club who rowed on Wednesday for the first prize again contended yesterday for the second and third prizes, a salver and a claret jug, the winner of the first prize being barred. As before, the attendance was very large, and the rowing was very fine.

Race for the SALVER (second prize).

The second and third in the heats of the previous day started and came in as follows :—

Mr. J. J. Iles 1
Mr. W. Dunnage 0
Mr. W. H. Lowe 0
Mr. A. B. Rocke 0
Mr. D. Smith 0
Mr. W. H. J Drake 0
Mr. N. H. Vertue 0
Mr. G. Hunt 0

It was from Putney to Hammersmith, and was a splendid race. Mr. Iles took the lead, followed closely by Mr. Lowe, Mr. Dunnage being third, and Messrs. Drake and Rocke well up. Towards the point Mr. Dunnage became second, and tried very hard for first place, but was beaten by four or five lengths ; Mr. Lowe three lengths astern of Mr. Dunnage.

Race for the CLARET JUG (third prize) ; from Putney to Hammersmith. The winner of the second barred.

Mr. W. Dunnage 1
Mr. W. Lowe 0
Mr. N. H. Vertue 0
Mr. D. Smith 0
Mr. A. B. Rocke 0
Mr. W. Shirreff 0

Six others started. Mr. Dunnage took a slight lead, but Lowe and Vertue came up, and they were all level to the Crab Tree, when Mr. Dunnage drew away,—Mr. Lowe following and coming in three lengths behind. Mr. Vertue was some distance ahead of the others, some of whom did not go the distance.

IRISH GRAVEYARDS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Sir,—During a year's residence in Ireland, in 1853-54, I had opportunities of observing the disgusting way in which human remains were exposed in some of the village graveyards. I was told that the careless burials were in a measure accounted for by the fearful mortality in the time of the famine and cholera, but it appears matters have not improved.

I remember particularly the graveyard adjoining the little chapel at Aghadoe, Killarney, referred to by a "Tourist" in to-day's impression of your paper, and five years ago it was in a state very similar to that described by your correspondent.

The exposure of the dead is, I think, largely accounted for by the practice, much too common, of depositing the bodies above the surface of the ground in rudely constructed tombs, these tombs being sometimes mere heaps of stones, apparently without mortar, which soon become dilapidated so as to expose the inmates.

The graveyard of Ennistimon, in the county of Clare, in the autumn of 1853, exhibited such a scene as one would not wish long to remain in the neighbourhood of ; there were several of these above-ground tombs in such a state of decay that portions of the inmates were distinctly visible—one in particular, of greater pretension than the rest, had recorded outside the names and virtues of the several persons exhibited in *propriâ personâ* within.

It will, I fear, be a long time before the sanitary measures but too slowly applied in England will be commonly extended to the frightfully dirty towns of the sister country, but I trust that the calling of public attention to such an outrage of common decency as that referred to by your correspondent will not be without good effect.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
Swindon, Sept. 15. E. W. M.

A REAL NUISANCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Sir,—The Thames and its pollutions have so occupied the attention of sanitary reformers that I fear they have forgotten a grievance of greater intensity, which poisons an atmosphere that myriads breathe in one of the most open and otherwise most healthy parts of this metropolis.

Immediately south of the new cattle-market, and about midway between the Caledonian-road and the Camden-road, there is an establishment for boiling down horses. How long it has been in existence I cannot say, but a lofty turret has been erected, within the last 15 months as I hear, which is said to be intended to consume the intolerable stench and to do away with its murderous effects upon the surrounding population. How far it has succeeded in lessening either the extent or the intensity of the nuisance is very problematical ; but it is an indisputable fact that families residing in the neighbourhood are obliged to close their doors and windows against this floating pestilence, though the green fields and the open prospect around offer them a melancholy temptation to make a compromise with the death-pest. If the houses are hermetically sealed nausea and headache prevail ; if the polluted atmosphere is admitted these sufferings are varied by depression and low fever. The passengers by the North London Railway instinctively close their windows and hold their noses as they pass the polluted district, and a mechanic whom I met this afternoon told me that it "fairly knocked him down," and wanted to know if nothing could be done.

I would repeat his question, and would ask you to have mercy on this neighbourhood by drawing attention to this crying evil. Does not recent legislation give powers to suppress such nuisances? And will not a word from you rouse the proper authorities to a sense of the duty which such powers entail?

I remain your obedient servant,
St. Paul's-road, Camden-square. CURATOR.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer acknowledges the receipt of a bank-note, value 10*l.*, from "J. G. F.," on account of income-tax ; also the second halves of bank-notes, value 15*l.*, for unpaid income-tax, from "L. P. L."

THE REPRESENTATION OF GREENWICH.—Last night Mr. Ernest Jones, the eminent Chartist leader, addressed a large meeting of the inhabitants of Greenwich, convened for the purpose in the Lecture-hall there. He was accompanied by a Mr. Swan, and others, members, like himself, of what is called the Political Reform League, of London, embodied chiefly at the instance of Mr. Jones, towards the end of last year, with the view of uniting the middle and working classes together in one body as a means towards a successful agitation for a measure of reform likely to be satisfactory to so large a body of the community. The audience, composed in great part of artisans, was good-humoured, though occasionally exhibiting a tendency towards uproar. There was at the outset a scene in settling who should be chairman, the supporters of the distinguished Chartist nominating one man, and a part of the audience another. Mr. David Bass, the popular favourite, "declined the honour," as he termed it, and eventually a Mr. Layton, who had been originally proposed, was installed in the chair. This little preliminary squabble over, one Mr. Theobald, who looked like a respectable shopkeeper, propounded a resolution to the effect that registered manhood suffrage, vote by ballot, triennial Parliaments, and a more equal arrangement of electoral districts were requisite for the good government of the country, and should be embodied in any future Reform Bill. But pronouncing the word "triennial" triennual, and "electoral" electorial, the company laughed so immoderately that he was fain to resume his seat after an ineffectual attempt to speak to his own motion, but not before a costermonger had rushed upon the platform, saying he was ashamed of such abuse of the Queen's English, and, snatching at the resolution, made even a worse attempt at reading it, and then retired amid the derision of the audience. The resolution, after being relieved by a sensible and temperate speech of Mr. Swan from the ridicule into which it had fallen, was at length put to the meeting and carried. Mr. Ernest Jones then stood up to speak, and was cheered as he did so. Proposing a resolution, pledging the meeting to use all fair and equitable means of sending a member to Parliament in favour of the Political Reform League, Mr. Jones dwelt with his accustomed energy on the necessity of a union between the middle and working classes as the means of securing a Reform Bill that would give satisfaction to the whole country, and deprecated any attempt to revive obsolete distinctions of class on the eve of another grand effort to bring about a fair and full representation of the people in Parliament. A man in the crowd asking him what was his bill of fare, he said one of the principal ingredients of an election would not be included in his bill of fare, and that was the universal "pot of beer" by means of which nine elections out of 10 were won. He then entered upon an elaborate defence of the ballot, as the only means of shielding the poor voter from the coercion exercised over him by the aristocracy at elections for members of Parliament. He reminded the meeting of the vast numbers of intelligent and well-to-do men who had no vote, simply because they had no fixed residence, but still he contended that to give a vote to that class of persons without also giving it to the poor, who had it not now, would simply aggravate the existing evils in our representative system. On that ground he urged that it did not follow that every instalment in the extension of the franchise was a step in the right direction. He explained which of the points of the charter he had recommended the Chartist body to give up for the present, as a means of attaining that unity of action between the middle and working classes of which there was now more need than ever, and he urged them to move forward hand in hand in the true path of reform. He denied that he was a mouthing declaimer or a ranting demagogue, and said that for 13 years he had served the working classes and the Chartist body, but had never during that time held a paid office or received a sixpence for any speech or lecture that he had delivered. The resolution he had moved was then put and carried like its predecessor. Mr. Barker then submitted a motion, that Mr. Ernest Jones was a fit and proper person to represent the borough of Greenwich in Parliament, and pledging the meeting to support him at the election ; but an amendment, by Mr. Stonehouse, that it would be premature at present to give any such pledge was at length carried after some angry altercation, and the meeting separated at 10 o'clock.

SIR GEORGE GREY, M.P., ON MECHANICS INSTITUTES AND POPULAR EDUCATION.

ALNWICK, SEPT. 15.

The annual conference of the Northern Association of Mechanics Institutes was held in this town yesterday under the presidency of Sir George Grey, M.P. There was a considerable gathering of delegates from all parts of the Northern counties, among whom were Mr. Joseph Cowen, jun., of Stella House, Mr. Ingham, M.P., Dr. Embleton, Beadnell ; Mr. Tate, F.G.S., of Alnwick, and other friends of education. The report was read by Mr. J. L. Thornton, the secretary to the association, which stated that the itinerating library had proved very successful throughout the rural districts ; that there was an increase in the number of societies in connexion with the union ; and that the council had arranged a plan for a concerted series of lectures during the season. The report further alluded to the fact that the Universities had instituted examinations for young people, and suggested that by way of making the lectures delivered in the institutions more attractive they should be interspersed with music. After the reading of the report an interesting discussion took place on the subject of classes, in which Mr. Ingham, M.P., Mr. Joseph Cowen, jun., Mr. Tate, and other delegates took part. Mr. Joseph Cowen, jun., gave an interesting account of the successful efforts of the Blaydon institution to extend popular education among the pitmen, keelmen, and other workmen in that Tyneside village.

Mr. JOSEPH COWEN said, that at the meeting at Gateshead last year a proposition was made, he thought by one of the delegates from Gateshead, that, as efficient teachers were not forthcoming at the village societies, some attempt ought to be made to have one teacher for the different societies in the neighbourhood of Newcastle ; that he should visit them in turn ; and that by the different societies paying him a reasonable remuneration for his services it would be worth his while to devote his time to the institutions *seriatim*. The institution which he (Mr. Cowen) represented acceded to this proposition, but few societies felt disposed to take it up. His society, however, determined they would do something on their own responsibility ; and at the commencement of last winter issued notices of the commencement of classes for instruction in geography, history, and drawing, and he was glad to say that their first meeting for the establishment of these classes was extremely successful. After a week or ten days they were unable to afford accommodation for the number of pupils who attended. They therefore took an old building, previously used as a chapel for Wesleyan Methodists, and converted it into an efficient schoolroom, and there, for five months of last winter, and for five days in the week, they taught regularly a night-school, with, he was glad to say, complete success. The only difficulty they had was to find accommodation for the number of pupils that attended. (Applause.) They had an average attendance of something like 100, and the results were most satisfactory and gratifying (applause)—gratifying to the gentlemen who were kind enough to undertake the part of teachers, and exceedingly useful to the pupils. He was persuaded that if similar efforts were made in other places similar results would spring from them, for in village societies it was practically impossible to get such an attendance at lectures as would be remunerative to the societies and lecturers. Lect

MASSEY'S HISTORY OF ENGLAND.*

Mr. Massey's second volume is a decided improvement on his first, meritorious in many respects as the latter appeared to us. It is written with a more obvious purpose and with greater freedom, is broader, more vigorous, more fluent, and more definite—in short, it seems to bid with more emphasis for a classic position. Its style is pure and simple, its method consistent, with one exception, which we shall presently mention, and, considering its grave and unimaginative character, its interest is fairly sustained. Extending to nearly the same length as the volumes of Lord Mahon, which comprise the same interval, from 1770 to 1780, it may fairly stand by their side without suggestion of superfluousness. It is not so pleasant or picturesque, so full of "ana" and of information derived from sources peculiar to the author, but it has the merit of taking a view more indicative of his public position and political pretensions. Both writers may claim to be statesmen as a common qualification, but Earl Stanhope is still more a man of letters, while Mr. Massey combines with his statecraft the professional bias of a constitutional lawyer. On the latter ground he is preeminently competent to deal with such a subject as the American revolt, and the successive stages of the road to Independence, with the relations thereto of the King and Parliament of Great Britain.

His main object is evidently to simplify the whole narrative of these ten years, by keeping steadily before us the injurious effects of George III.'s attempt to govern this country himself, instead of by his Ministers, and he attains this object fully, the whole volume being, in fact, a preamble to the motion of Dunning, which we reach at its close "that the influence of the Crown during this interval had increased, was increasing, and ought to be diminished." On this route we may follow Mr. Massey with the more advantage that he has, as we have observed, the claims of an "expert" to conduct us on such public highways of our history. But before he undertakes to lead us in this direction we are detained by a preliminary chapter, which constitutes the exception to which we referred above, and which, with all its merits, we regard only as an interesting digression. The changes in our manners from the middle ages to the reign of George III. are too large a theme to be dealt with in a single chapter of a book otherwise proportioned fairly to its subject-matter. Mr. Massey may have desired and promised to consider these at starting, but they range too wide of his main purpose to combine with it otherwise than incongruously, though we accept what he has written in this behalf as so entertaining that it recalls a similar chapter of Mr. Macaulay's without invidious disparagement.

His natural starting-point, however, is our constitutional *status* in 1771, when, after an arduous struggle of ten years, the King had at length prevailed over the Whig chiefs of party. The latter were now formidable no longer. Disunited by jealousies, their phalanx was dissolved, and joint action was precluded by mutual antipathies. The defection of Wedderburn to the Court betrayed their hopeless prostration, and they beheld the Ministry otherwise strengthened at their expense with anger that was impotent and a dismay that was but too well founded. Even the famous struggle to exclude reporters from the House of Commons failed to combine or revive them. The Court and City fought over the bodies of the contumacious printers, and the King retreated without advantaging his enemies. "Onslow," says Mr. Massey, with that temperate piety which befits a constitutional writer, "instead of crushing the printers, became a humble instrument in the hands of Providence for extending the liberty of the press." Yet Providence was otherwise, to all appearance, supremely indifferent to the principles, as well as to the interests, of the Constitutional Opposition. Lord Chatham was obliged to abandon his proposal for a Reform of Parliament, which he aimed at by means of an increase in the county representation. Though there was not in 1771 that absence of trading communities adapted to political organization which Mr. Massey supposes, they were not exclusively attached to the Whigs or to their policy. In fact, some of them liberally requited the excessive jealousy with which the Whigs regarded any element more popular than themselves. The latter, in fact, deprived themselves of their natural allies by their insufferable *hauteur*, such as the demeanour of Lord Chatham on a well-known occasion exemplified. The Grandees even denounced the Society for the Support of the Bill of Rights with a virulence of which the courtiers never were the object; "and rather than obtain victory by the aid of such allies they were content to yield the triumph to the Court," so that they could hardly reproach the Court for consequences to which they perversely contributed. Where they did maintain their principles, as in the attempt to amend the law of libel, they wrangled over the letter to the loss of the substance. Dowdeswell's Bill anticipated that of Fox by 20 years in making juries judges of the law as well as of the fact in such cases. But Dowdeswell conferred the right to do so by express enactment, while Chatham vehemently contended for its assertion in a declaratory form; and, though Burke properly treated the dispute as verbal, the quarrel helped to lose the Bill, while it provoked the derision of the Ministry and their supporters. Lord Chatham, moreover, through the disunion of the Whig aristocracy, so failed in the House of Lords on moving an address for a dissolution that Mr. Massey describes him at this period as "almost as forlorn in the debate as in the division." In short, the Whig party was broken up, and broken up by its own selfish intrigues and quarrels. The Opposition could neither agree upon any plan of administration themselves, nor offer any effectual resistance to the inroads upon our constitutional liberties to which the Court uncontrolled inevitably tended. The ancient laws of the land were not, indeed, openly violated, but under the form of a free constitution and the hollow semblance of responsible Government the will of the Sovereign, both in the Legislature and in administration, became practically absolute and supreme. Constitutional government, so interpreted, was speedily put upon its trial, and the immediate effect of this system was the dismemberment of the empire.

It was at this stage that the Royal Marriage Act was enacted, and that, for the sole purpose of exalting the prerogative, a servile Parliament was found ready to encroach upon the law of nature. Mr. Massey's reprobation of this statute is just and emphatic, and his criticism affects a question which may possibly be reopened in our day. The Lord Chancellor himself, in introducing the Act, challenged some such distant revision of its consequences. "If any inconveniences arise," said he, "Parliament will take care to remedy it a hundred years hence," and the hundred years will, in fact, have passed before all the Royal Princes at present in existence are married or restricted from marriage by its provisions. Even at the time it was passed it was distasteful to the country, and was vehemently assailed in Parliament, though only by Lord Folkestone on the ground of its contemptuous treatment of the English nation. The recent mesalliances in the Royal family were merely its pretext, while the recital in the Royal message to the effect that the matrimonial alliances of the Royal family had been always under the control of the Sovereign was even historically untrue. The Act was really framed in the spirit of a German law peculiar to the Royal families of the Teutonic race, and unknown in England before the accession of the House of Hanover. Indeed, many of the English Sovereigns, from the great founder of the Anglo-Norman Monarchy, who was not even sprung from the marriage bed, were born of subjects. Our most popular Monarchs, the greatest Tudor, and the latest Stuart, were one the granddaughter and the other the daughter of a subject. Of all the Royal Houses of Europe the Princes of the empire alone treated such marriages as derogatory to their degree, and when such took place made ceremonial arrangements for their recognition as something better than concubinage, but far inferior to honourable wedlock. In a kindred spirit the English Act was framed, and its effect was to prevent the Princes of the House of Hanover from forming connexions beneath them in degree, and not to preserve them from connexions which were still more disreputable. Their choice was to be limited to the class of Royalty, and practically, if not designedly, they have since been confined to one circle of Royalty, and that by no means the most popular or august. Their affections have been checked that their dignity might not be compromised, and considerations of nature and humanity have been sacrificed to the desire of maintaining a petty *status* and a circumscribed connexion.

Mr. Massey declares himself unable to discover any sufficient reason of policy why the head of the first family in the empire should be allowed a more extensive control over the marriage contracts of its members than the general law of the land allows to the head of any other family. We are inclined to add, that we see less reason for giving such control in this case, and that it was especially absurd to restrict members of the Royal family from choosing a wife before they were 26, when they might be Regents at 21 and Sovereigns before that age. The only reason is the hackneyed sarcasm which appeared in a *jeu d'esprit* of the day, and which the gravity of Mr. Massey's argument does not permit him to quote:—

"Quoth Tom to Dick, 'This Act appears
"'Absurd, as I'm alive;
"'To take the Crown at eighteen years—
"'The wife at twenty-five.

"'The mystery how shall we explain,
"'For, sure, as Dowdeswell said,
"'Thus early if they're fit to reign,
"'They must be fit to wed?'

"Quoth Dick to Tom, 'Thou art a fool,
"'And little know'st of life;
"'Alas! 'tis easier far to rule
"'A kingdom than a wife.'"

If, however, it is expedient to provide that the throne of these realms shall not be shared by an unworthy consort, then is the Royal Marriage Act deficient in the most essential particular, for it leaves the member of the Royal family, when he has become Sovereign, under no other restriction in this respect than the single qualification of creed which is imposed by the Act of Settlement. There is nothing in the Royal Marriage Law of George III. to prevent the Sovereign of these realms from elevating the meanest of the human race to be the partner of the throne. It only empowers him to interdict any person in the line of succession to the Crown, taking George II. as the common stock, from marrying before the age of 25.

In this and other respects the result shows the pretext to have been beside the question, for the Act has not sufficed to prevent subordinate members of the Royal family from forming connexions derogatory or degrading. If, indeed, it had,—if the Act had not been evaded,—if every marriage contracted under its conditions had proved fortunate,—if in every instance in which it postponed or defeated an unpromising alliance the public welfare could be shown to have been concerned, the law would still remain indefensible on those high considerations of policy as well as humanity upon which it was originally opposed. But, while we agree with Mr. Massey in respect of principle, we must also quote his statement of the results which have followed or accompanied this law in point of fact:—

"The true character and tendency of King George's law developed itself in the first generation upon which it took effect. The respectability and happiness of his own children were in a great measure sacrificed to it. Perhaps it may be too much to say that any law, human or divine, could have had any material effect on the character of the heir apparent. But it is certain that the Prince of Wales had recourse to an illegitimate marriage to obtain possession of the only woman whom he ever sincerely loved—a woman, also, qualified to adorn a throne, if personal merit can ever be worthy of such preferment; and that this connexion was afterwards rudely severed for the purpose of a lawful alliance with one of the most degraded of her sex. The fate of those ill-omened nuptials in the very hour of their consummation, the disgrace and misery which ensued, the public commotion which shook the throne—all these are within the memory of living men; and these were the first fruits of the Royal edict. The next son of George III., and heir presumptive to his throne, was brought to open shame and disgrace by the infamy of a paramour into whose arms he had been driven by the policy of his father. The Duke of York afterwards contracted a marriage in conformity with the Act of Parliament, without choice and without affection. This profane and dismal mockery of the relation at once the dearest and holiest which human beings can form was protracted, cold, and lifeless during many weary years. The third son, in like manner, who afterwards ascended the throne of England, passed the best years of his life in open concubinage. The son of George III. most remarkable for spirit and intelligence, like his elder brother, committed a deliberate breach of the law by espousing a lady whose beauty and accomplishments did credit to his taste, and who, in birth even, was hardly his inferior; but, unlike the heir apparent, the Duke of Sussex, a man of honour and a gentleman, adhered to the engagement he had made. If we advert to the operation of the law as it affects and as it has affected the female members of the Royal family, it appears to be still more cruel and revolting. The rules of English society have subjected the gentler sex to restraints from which men are altogether free; but from the princesses of England a degree of self-denial is exacted which human nature is hardly fit to bear. Bred up in a refined and luxurious Court, surrounded by the most brilliant nobility in the world, these exalted ladies must resist all the attractions to which the female breast is more peculiarly susceptible. Bravery, gentleness, wit, learning, or any other accomplishments which can adorn a man, yea, even if these are accompanied by a name either of hereditary renown or rendered illustrious by its possessor, can constitute no pretension to mate with a daughter of England. Unless the German storehouse of princes can furnish some petty Grand Duke or Landgrave who, for the sake of her ample English dowry, will place her at the head of his paltry Court, she must pine in hopeless celibacy."

The Opposition, distracted and dispirited, could only protest against this insolent and unnatural law. The Crown was at this time the only power in the State, and carried out its family policy in this instance like its policy in other respects, through its complete ascendancy over Ministers and Parliament. Lord North was possessed of moderation and good sense, but from his fatal indolence and facility of disposition he became the mere agent of the King, and in the breach between England and her American dependencies the King's views prevailed, even to the dismemberment of the empire. Mr. Massey does not affect to follow in detail the steps taken successively by England and her colonies, but he marks nevertheless the chief positions they occupied in the conflict, and properly notes the changes in the colonial platform which cursory observers are apt to overlook. He ascribes the development of the American revolt into a war of independence to the vigilance and address of a particular party, who, though at first a minority, were so advantaged by the mistakes of the home Government that they were able to convert a partial remonstrance against a particular grievance into a patriotic demonstration against foreign rule. It was entirely, he says, owing to the incessant and skilful agitation of the popular leaders that the faint idea of national independence which existed at the commencement of the quarrel was fostered and developed until it became irresistible.

As an example of the unscrupulousness of the Ultras, he takes Franklin to task for his well-known abuse of private correspondence, in publishing the letters addressed to Whately by Hutchinson and Oliver. "If Franklin was not himself the thief, according to his own showing he must have received the papers knowing them to have been stolen." And he allowed them to pass into general circulation under circumstances in which he must have foreseen that any prohibition to the contrary was idle and illusory. This was one of the transgressions which led to the triumph of the more zealous party, and as a transgression it is properly recognized and recorded by Mr. Massey.

In the first congress at Philadelphia, in 1773, it is quite remarkable how slight was the preponderance against the mother country, which such acts as that of Franklin must have helped to determine. Mr. Massey has referred to the diary of John Adams for particulars, and these particulars deserve more attention than they have met with from historians of the American revolt. Graham has declared in his history that the resolves of this Congress were characterized by an unanimity which was chiefly the fruit of concessions made with profound policy by the more ardent and uncompromising partisans of liberty. But how stands the fact? That, had it not been for the wise precautions which they adopted of debating with closed doors, and of resolving that no division of opinion should appear on the record of their proceedings, it is probable that this famous Assembly would have separated without having arrived at any result, and certainly without having exhibited to their constituents and to England that formidable display of union, discretion, and firmness, which excited so much admiration and respect. It was not until after much animated discussion that the Congress could arrive at an agreement upon any point. When a proposition was made which fairly put the sense of the Assembly to the test, it was seen how uncertainly the majority inclined. Galloway, one of the members for Pennsylvania, having brought forward a plan for effecting a settlement of the conflicting pretensions of Great Britain and the colonies—a plan which was faulty in principle, and which could hardly have been reduced to a practical form—his proposal was eagerly supported by nearly half of the Congress; and, notwithstanding all the efforts and arguments of the Patriotic party, it was rejected by only one vote. So near was the quarrel at one time to a reconciliation, had not means been taken on both sides to inflame and exasperate it.

On the other side, as late as the Boston tea riots, even some of the King's Ministers concurred in the moderate sentiments of the Opposition; while others, the minority, it is believed, in numbers as well as in character and influence, were for extreme measures. The former openly spoke of the disturbances in Massachusetts as a commotion; while the latter were eager to designate them as open rebellion. Lord Dartmouth, who had succeeded Hillsbrough as Secretary of State for the Colonies, with Lord North himself, were all but avowedly for conciliation; while Suffolk and Sandwich thought fit to use the language of insult and defiance to the whole American people. For a moment it seemed doubtful which policy should be adopted, but the strong will of the King determined the wavering counsels of the Cabinet, and the Opposition, which might have controlled that will had they been united and patriotic, were disqualified for power. The option of reconciliation was at this time directly tendered by the Congress immediately following that of which we have just spoken. In their address to the people of Great Britain, so late as 1774, they made use of these expressions,—"You have been told that we are seditious, impatient of government, and desirous of independency. *Be assured that these are not facts, but calumnies.*" So late as October in the same year, Washington himself—and his sincerity will hardly be doubted—used expressions to the same effect. Nearly all the leading men in the colonies up to this time were of opinion that the representations which had been made to the English Government would result in measures of redress, and a settlement of the dispute upon fair and honourable terms. Such is the inference which Mr. Massey derives from *Elliott's New England History*, a recent work of much authority on both sides of the Atlantic. But subsequent events effected a rapid change in this feeling. The contempt shown to the petition of the Colonies by the King and his Government, the coldness with which their appeal to the generous sympathy of the English people was received, the insolence with which they were treated in Parliament, all conduced to the views of those who held that they had nothing to hope from the justice and moderation of Great Britain. It was, however, as we have said, the King himself who most largely contributed to the "levelling spirit" of which the leading colonists themselves were beginning to grow jealous, and who gave the victory to the provinces of New England, always the most hostile to the mother country. The events of 1775 made the breach irreparable; and at the commencement of 1776 sober, cautious, and loyal men were prepared to assent to the declaration of independence. But the policy which had produced the exasperating incidents may be traced to the King's influence by the directest inference. "*No advantage to this country,*" said he, in 1778, "can ever make me address myself to Lord Chatham or to any other branch of the Opposition." These were the sentiments which, in His Majesty's opinion, entitled him to "expect that the nation would stand by him," and upon which he appealed with confidence to the honour and fidelity of his Ministers. At length, in 1779, it came out that Lord North, to whom this appeal was addressed, had for three years past surrendered to this unconstitutional pressure his judgment, his responsibility, and honour to boot. Lord Gower, on quitting office, had represented to him that impending ruin must be the consequence of the existing system of government, and that the policy to which he had so long been a party was mischievous to the King and to the country. Thereupon the First Minister, in announcing to his Sovereign the resignation of the Lord President, declared that *he had himself for the last three years shared the opinion of his late colleague.* To this extent were the leading principles of the constitution effaced, and the consequences can be brought thus clearly home to the Royal usurpation of Ministerial responsibility guaranteed by the Revolution. As Mr. Massey properly points out, the King had not the excuse of the Stuarts for invading the privileges of Parliament, inasmuch as he had no other than a Parliamentary title. Nor had he any precedent for his attempt in the conduct of sovereigns of his own house.

"The predecessors of George III. had been content to observe the limits assigned to them by the constitution; and no statesman since the Revolution had held office on the terms which Lord North and his colleagues appear to have considered consistent with what was due to the country and to themselves. Godolphin, Walpole, Pelham were real Ministers, not political agents of the Sovereign. Even the querulousness of Grenville, the insolence of Bedford, and the waywardness of Chatham, which vexed the earlier years of George III., were far preferable to the opposite extreme of absolute deference to the Royal will and pleasure. The Whigs had too rigorously enforced the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility, which does not necessarily exclude the Sovereign from all participation in the counsels of his advisers; but the successors of the Whig statesmen practically surrendered the great doctrine of the Revolution when they consented to carry measures which were not only dictated by the Crown, but which they believed to be detrimental to the public interest. That such conduct was a breach of trust and a violation of plain constitutional law there can be no question. The doctrine of the King's friends transcended that which conduced to the destruction of the old monarchy."

And in this case, as we set out by saying, it occasioned the dismemberment of the British Empire. When next we are told that constitutional principles are on their trial, we may remember, therefore, that this volume of Mr. Massey's contains the clearest condemnation of the suggested alternative. Comparing the results with the experience of our own century, we can say that the former principles have saved the balance of power in the Eastern hemisphere, after the latter had sacrificed our colonial empire in the Western. Such, if we read them aright, are the great antitheses of our history.

In short, Mr. Massey is doing excellent service in even suggesting such conclusions by his straightforward narrative. It is remarkable, too, that in a volume written with such broad effect there should be so little to object to, question, or dispute. Mr. Massey must settle with the *Moniteur de la Flotte* the issue of Admiral Keppel's action in 1778, as during the recent fêtes at Cherbourg that distinguished authority claimed the victory for the French fleet. It will be obvious, too, that he criticizes the oratory of Burke and Lord Chatham from too modern a point of view to do perfect justice to either. At the same time, the hearty vigour of his own constitutionalism at times betrays him into acerbities of expression. Speaking of Horne Tooke, whose *Diversions of Purley* should have spared him the opprobrious epithet, "It was at the Speaker himself," says Mr. Massey, "that this *ribald priest* thought proper to fling his insult." Lord Stanhope calls him placidly "the Rev. Mr. Horne," but the fervour of Mr. Massey's devotion to the Constitution finds a vent in opprobrious expressions which require us to call him to order. We should observe, as some excuse for the irritation of a devoted M.P., that Horne insulted "*the Speaker himself,*" but he could scarcely have incurred more obloquy if he had insulted the Sovereign.

* *A History of England during the Reign of George III.* By William Massey, M.P. Vol. 2. Parker and Son. 1858.

THE METEOR OF MONDAY LAST.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Sir,—The value of your publishing such letters as appear in *The Times* of to-day, relative to the singular and brilliant meteor of Monday evening last, affording as they do a sort of table of the various localities where that meteor was observed, cannot be over-rated. It is by such publication that the astronomer is furnished with *data* that must aid him in forming a judgment as to the magnitude of such a body, its distance from the earth, &c.

May I be permitted to add to the information you have already published, by stating that I was one, probably, of many, who witnessed the same meteor at Brighton, and at about the same moment of time as that recorded by Mr. Roulett, jun., of Leicester—viz., 6h. 38m. p.m. The evening was beautifully clear—in fact, quite daylight, yet the appearance was most brilliant, differing in some respects from anything of the kind I have ever before witnessed. The body was of a bright primrose colour, the track luminous, and, as described by "T.W.," of a vivid white.

At this place its height was about 35 degrees above the horizon; its passage to the S.W., parallel with the horizon; in elevation a little above the moon's altitude; its diameter, as far as I can now recollect, about four or five times that of Jupiter, as seen by the naked eye; and it was in sight between two and three seconds.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
Brighton, Sept. 15. B. H.

THE NEWCASTLE LITERARY AND PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.—The munificent gift of Mr. Robert Stephenson towards the discharge of this society's debt is still fresh in the recollection of our readers. We have much pleasure in recording a similar act on the part of a gentleman of whom, as of Mr. Stephenson, the people of Newcastle are justly proud. Mr. W. G. Armstrong, of Elswick, through Mr. Dees, the treasurer, has intimated to the committee that he has placed 1,200*l.* at the disposal of the society, to be applied to the erection of a lecture-room. There is something in these deeds of generosity far above their money value. It delights us to find men like Messrs. Stephenson and Armstrong, who have attained to the highest position in their profession, desirous to aid the middle class of their native town in acquiring that literary and scientific knowledge which has greatly contributed to their own success in life. We trust that their example may be contagious, and that others of our wealthy townsmen, actuated by similar feelings, may be led to realize the benefits which it is in their power to confer upon the working classes by the formation of a public park.—*Newcastle Daily Chronicle.*

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Sir,—The most ardent lovers of sport need not apprehend one word from me in disparagement of a "fine old English gentleman" who has just left us, crowned with the honours of the field accumulating upon him till, like the hats of the Spanish grandee, they almost tumbled down over each other. I know how necessary it is that there should be men to be thorough representatives of everything that is doing in the world—art, science, amusement. There must be mighty hunters exactly on the same principle on which there are splendid scholars, enthusiastic agriculturists, great chymists, astronomers, and everything else, and one law produces our Halleys, Cokes of Norfolk, Porsons, and Assheton Smiths. No man knows what the fascinations of any pursuit are till he plunges into it. The aim at perfection is the common impulse. What a chace does this lead us! What improvements, elaborations, refinements,—refinements upon refinements, corrections corrected, does a perfect kennel exhibit! Perfect I say, but what kennel, like what anything else, ever was or ever will be perfect? No—there is endless progress in kennels, there is room for a perpetual succession of Assheton Smiths. A kennel is as insatiable as a Greek play. Who will see the final edition of the *Choephoræ?* Whoever does will have outlived the age and the need of insurance offices, for the world will not be worth a year's purchase. It is the *details*, I say, of the art or pursuit which bring out its power and show what it is. Nobody knows what it is till he is in its details. Details are the tendrils which grasp the mind and bind it to the subject,—they are the chords of love, the potent fascinators. When a person finds himself in the thick of a living growth of detail, perpetual great or small discovery, perpetual foresight, insight, artifice, contrivance, then, whether the material is the starry heaven or a kennel, he feels by the laws of nature the charm of the pursuit.

Making every concession, however, to the right of foxhunting to have its "representative men," I must question the limit to which the devotion of an intelligent man of large property, large responsibilities, and abundantly able to take his part in the serious business of life, should be bestowed upon the simple amusement of foxhunting. Ought a man to *live* for foxhunting? Mr. Assheton Smith was a man of considerable ability. He could in society throw off the foxhunter and come out as a good talker upon ordinary social subjects. No man, however large his property, could make himself the centre of a wide circle, and collect people about him as he did, unless he was a clever man. But though he acquiesced so far in the spirit of the age as to get up a conversational interest in the subjects of the day,—in public affairs and so on, it must be confessed that he *did* nothing but hunt, that the whole of the active principle in him was applied to this single amusement. What are we to say of a gentleman, respectable, liberal, generous, whose only fault was that he cared for nothing on earth except foxhunting? I ask the question in a spirit rather of perplexity than accusation. I own myself fairly puzzled. A man has a right to hunt, a right to be fond of hunting, a right to take it up as an art, a right to consider himself to a certain extent its representative, and busy himself in the improvement of it. Has he a right to consider that this may fairly absorb the whole of his energies, and that as a moral agent the purpose of his existence is completely satisfied by success in the field? One sometimes sees men who are evidently born for another age than the one in which they live, whose standard of right and wrong, and of the object of life, and of what makes one man superior to another, would have been perfectly sound in a former age or under some other religion. There have been religions which have consecrated sport, and made not only a serious but a divine thing of it. Doubtless, with the old Norsemen hunting was religion; the vital forces in our nature which that exciting field of action brought out received an impersonation as divinities, and these created deities in turn were specially delighted with a bold hunter, being ready to reward him for his splendid feats, not only in this life but in the next too. This was very convenient. Lord Nelson, we believe, promised Heaven freely to all his sailors, the spiritual effect of a cannon-ball being as infallibly to shoot them in a moment to the empyrean as its physical effect was to take off a man's head. I do not put this quite on a par with Odinism, because there really is something in a man dying for his country. The simple and pure foxhunter, then, bold, restless, and insatiable, impatient of everything but sport, who at the age of 81 had, besides four public days in the week, two bye days, was eminently adapted to find favour with a Northern divinity, in whose eyes he really would have been something of a saint. But modern civilization is founded on Christianity. We have other ideas of duty, of what a man owes to society and what he owes to himself. A hunting hero or saint looks now rather like an obsolete insertion from a very noble and mystical, perhaps, but still rather rude age.

There appears to me, then, something artificial and unnatural, in this day, in this extreme businesslike devotion to one amusement, in a gentleman getting a European reputation and a kind of immortality simply and solely as a foxhunter, without the intermixture of any other element whatever in the case. Nor, from what I hear, was this eccentric phenomenon wholly without injurious effects. Mr. Assheton Smith was a kind and excellent neighbour, so far as his one absorbing passion allowed. He wanted everybody to hunt,—farmers, clergy, farmers' sons, clergymen's sons, to say nothing of the village doctor and lawyer. This was good nature. He wanted, as many excellent people do, everybody to be happy, and, as he could not conceive happiness apart from hunting, everybody must hunt. But they must be happy in his way, or he would see and know nothing of them. The erection of an exclusive and imperious hunting standard in a neighbourhood is not apt to be beneficial either to clergy or farmers. In the case of the former there is an obvious reason why it should not be. In the case of the latter it has a great tendency to lead to extravagance and idleness. Nobody would wish to deprive any class of its proper recreation, and there is no possible reason why farmers should not hunt; but gentlemen of position and influence should think before they give encouragement to the special type of the "sporting farmer." He is by no means a pleasant kind of man. He easily sinks into a hanger-on of the turf. Everything in moderation. When the great man of the neighbourhood carries on sport simply as a gentlemanly amusement, recognizing other duties and other standards as well—this moderate standard keeps the whole neighbourhood properly together. But when he makes hunting everything, he divides a neighbourhood at once into two irreconcileable sets who see no more of each other than the antipodes, and he raises secret murmurs of discontent in numbers whom he not only elevates by admission to the hunting field—which is legitimate enough—but, what is very different, by encouraging them to despise everybody who does not hunt, but who, when they leave the hunting field, find themselves sinking to their natural level, and feel disgust at the discovery.

Mr. Assheton Smith doubtless never realized any such results of the simple pursuit of his favourite amusement. Like other enthusiasts he saw everything on the bright side in connexion with his great object. The battle that he carried on with nature for this purpose operated as all difficulties do with determined men, it only raised his enthusiasm the higher. The imported Welsh and Irish foxes that were first incarcerated in the caverns of Chidbury-hill, and then kept in artificial covers on Salisbury Plain, only signalized his triumph over the retrogression of nature, and the pleasures of the field received additional piquancy from the fact that they were derived from a kind of artificial insertion of savage animal life in the midst of cultivation. But it is still a question what we are to think of such enthusiasm at the present day. Is a man who has 40,000*l.* a-year, who has all kind of public duties falling to him, doing his duty by devoting himself to the single pursuit of fox-hunting? Such a devotion may show originality of character, independence, and a determination that the world shall not dictate to him the source of his happiness and interest. Still such a man is, at the present day, like an insulated fragment of some former period of society inserted in the scene, pleasing perhaps from its picturesque associations, but wholly uncongenial with the objects around it, and looking strange and uncouth simply because it has unfortunately slipped out of its proper place.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant, X.

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL.

Yesterday the first Court since the vacation was held for the despatch of public business.

The Deputy Town Clerk read the following letter, addressed to the Chamberlain by the Belgian Minister:—

The Belgian Minister presents his compliments to the City Chamberlain, and would feel extremely obliged by his kindly procuring for him, if possible, a copy of the rules and tariff on coal, or metage dues and street tolls, in the city of London; the object of the Belgian Minister being to report to the town of Brussels the system on which those municipal taxes are established and collected by the city of London.

"50, Portland-place, Sept. 14."

Upon the motion of Deputy HARRISON, seconded by Deputy OBBARD, it was ordered that the necessary information be furnished to the Belgian Minister under the direction of the Corn, Coal, and Finance Committee.

THE VISIT OF THE KING OF SARDINIA TO THIS COUNTRY.

Mr. H. L. TAYLOR.—I thank your Lordship for the opportunity you have afforded me of making known to the Court what I believe they will consider a very gratifying circumstance. I have recently received a letter, through Count Louis Carte, Secretary of Legation, from the Minister of the Household of His Majesty the King of Sardinia, and as that letter, although personally gratifying to myself, has at the same time reference to the entertainment that was given by this corporation to that illustrious personage, I am quite sure that anything in connexion with that auspicious visit of His Majesty to this country, and the entertainment given him by this corporation, and the enthusiasm with which he was received by the citizens of London, will be treated by this Court with all proper respect. (Hear, hear.) The Court thought proper to perpetuate that event by the striking of a medal, a copy of which was sent to the King as well as to some of his Ministers, and I may say that His Majesty is also anxious to perpetuate the event by a similar act. Under these circumstances I am quite sure that the Court will like to have the letter read, and my desire is, and that of the Court, I apprehend, will be, to enter it upon its Journals. (Cheers.)

The following is a copy of the letter:—

"Turin, 7e Août, 1858.

"Cabinet Particulier de Sa Majesté.

"Monsieur,—Dans les premiers jours de l'année je reçus, par l'entremise du Ministre des Affaires Etrangères, votre rapport sur la réception faite à l'Hotel de Ville, par la Municipalité de Londres, à notre auguste Souverain lors de sa visite à Sa Majesté la très gracieuse Reine des Iles Britanniques. Je me suis fait un devoir de mettre cet intéressant travail sous les yeux du Roi, convaincu de lui faire chose très agreable, sachant combien il s'entretient avec plaisir de toutes ce qui a rapport à ce voyage. En effet, Sa Majesté rappelle, avec un sentiment de vive satisfaction, l'accueil, aussi cordiale que brillant, qu'il reçut à Guildhall, et, comme les soins empressés du Comité Directeur de cette fête donnée pour elle en pouvaient passer inobservés, il voulut que le President de ce comité reçût de lui aussi un souvenir de cette solennité, et un témoignage de sa réconnaissance, et daigna m'ordonner de faire executer, et de vous transmettre de sa part, Monsieur, la medaille ci-jointe qui porte d'un côté son auguste effigie, et de l'autre une inscription indiquant l'heureuse circonstance qui en fait le sujet.

"Je suis charmé, Monsieur, que le Roi m'ait fait l'honneur de me charger de cette agréable tache. En accompagnant Sa Majesté dans sa visite en Angleterre je me suis trouvé même d'apprécier tout ce qu'il y avait de noble dans l'accueil du peuple Anglais, tout ce qu'il y avait d'exquis et de courtois dans la réception de la cité de Londres, et c'est avec un vrai bonheur que j'obéis aux ordres gracieux de sa Majesté, et que je me permets d'ajouter l'expression des mes souvenirs et de mes sentimens de consideration la plus distinguée.

"Le Ministre de la Maison du Roi, "NIGRA."

"Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, London.

Mr. H. L. TAYLOR.—I move that the original letter and the translation be entered on the Journals of the Court.

Mr. Under-Sheriff PARKER seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

The medal is in gold. It bears on the obverse the head of the King of Sardinia, and on the reverse the following inscription:—

"Vittorio Emanuele II., Rè di Sardegna, à Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, Souvenir de la réception à Guildhall, le 4 Xbre, 1855."

"Victor Emanuel II., King of Sardinia. To Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor. A remembrance of the reception at Guildhall the 4th of December, 1855."

THE RETIREMENT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

Mr. H. WELLINGTON VALLANCE, Chairman of the Officers and Clerks Committee, brought up a report from that body upon the subject of the retirement of the town clerk, and recommending an allowance to that gentleman of 1,400*l.* per annum. Mr. Vallance, in moving that the report be received, said,—My Lord Mayor, it will be in the recollection of most of the members of this Court that this matter has been before them on two or three previous occasions, and that the subject was referred to the Officers and Clerks Committee a very long while ago. The committee, upon proceeding to consider the state of the town clerk's office, found it desirable that some arrangement should be come to with the town clerk himself, so that in endeavouring to create a proper amount of efficiency in that office, they should be left free to the exercise of such a discretion in their recommendation as should be likely to induce a beneficial result to the corporation. (Hear.) The committee communicated with the town clerk, who ultimately came to the determination mentioned in the report. The committee, upon an interview with the town clerk, took the whole matter into consideration; they took into consideration the number of years that that gentleman has filled his present appointment, and the position in life he enjoys, and they came to a resolution to recommend this Court to grant him a pension of 1,400*l.* a-year. I believe it is pretty generally admitted, however much we may regret it, that the town clerk's health has not been restored to such a degree as to render it desirable that he should have again imposed upon him the cares and duties of his responsible office. So far as the amount of pension is concerned some members are disposed to think perhaps not with the committee. They will therefore have an opportunity of discussing the propriety of agreeing to this recommendation. I move that the report be agreed to. (Hear.)

Mr. Deputy CORNEY wished to know whether it was a suggestion from the town clerk that the large pension of 1,400*l.* a-year should be granted him upon his retirement?

Mr. H. W. VALLANCE.—I can have no hesitation in answering that question frankly at once. I mentioned that the committee conferred with the town clerk upon the subject of what should be recommended to the Court, and we heard what he had to say upon the subject. In the absence of the town clerk the committee considered the amount they would recommend. After they had arrived at their resolution the town clerk was informed of the circumstance, and he expressed his grateful sense of the consideration shown him by the committee.

Mr. H. L. TAYLOR said, he could testify, he might say, to the very handsome manner in which the town clerk had dealt with the whole subject. That gentleman had placed himself entirely in the hands of the committee, and, therefore, the recommendation of 1,400*l.* a year as a retiring pension was the sole act of the committee, and did not emanate from any suggestion on the part of the town clerk. The Court had hitherto acted too liberally in granting pensions to its officers, and the time had arrived when this system ought to be put a stop to. (Hear, hear.) He was disposed to be liberal, because he maintained that the town clerk of London was a man of high character and repute—a man whose name had been connected with a distinguished corporation for a great many years. The corporation, therefore, having had the benefit of his services and the prestige of his name for a lengthened period, ought to be liberal, but not extravagant. Mr. Taylor concluded by moving, as an amendment, "That the retiring pension of the town clerk be 1,000*l.* per annum."

Mr. ABRAHAM said, he should second the amendment, not because he thought the sum proposed was the right sum, but because he was quite sure that the Court, looking at all the circumstances, would hardly concur with him if he proposed a smaller amount. He was of opinion that an officer of the Court who for years received so large a salary as nearly 2,000*l.* a-year ought not to have a retiring pension at all.

Mr. LOW said, he should vote against the amendment, because he thought 1,000*l.* was not sufficient. Thinking, however, that 1,400*l.* was too much, he should hereafter propose that the retiring allowance of the town clerk be 1,200*l.* a-year.

Mr. BLAKE said, he should vote against the amendment.

Mr. Deputy BOWER was quite sure the Court would consider that 1,000*l.* a-year as a pension for 15 years' service was quite sufficient.

Mr. BERNAL thought the proposal of 1,000*l.* a-year a very liberal one.

Mr. T. H. FEW and Mr. BESLEY expressed themselves in favour of the amendment, the former gentleman saying he thought 1,000*l.* a-year a very handsome pension, and one for which the town clerk ought to be very grateful.

Mr. Deputy HARRISON.—If you pay an ample salary to an officer, you ought not to be called upon to pay him a large retiring pension. (Hear, hear.) I am opposed to the recommendation of 1,400*l.*, which is absurdly and monstrously large; 1,000*l.* a-year, I believe, a great deal too much. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. VALLANCE replied.

The amendment was put and carried by an overwhelming majority.

Several reports of no public importance were received and the Court adjourned.

PASSENGERS FROM INDIA.—The following is a list of the passengers by the Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamship Pera, Captain Jamieson, which is unusually heavy, as she brings those from Bombay (on account of the early arrival at Suez of the Ottawa), in addition to the Calcutta and China passengers. The Pera also brings the heavy portion of the mails from all the places named. She may be looked for at Southampton early on Monday:—From Calcutta—Mr. Dodgson, Captain Cafe, Dr. Boyd, Mr. Cowell, Major M'Donald, Captain Browne, Captain Barker, Captain Moore, Mr. Silverlock, Lieutenant Twyford, Captain H. Ximenes and lady, Mr. H. A. Brown, Captain Scott, Colonel Corfield, Mrs. Diaper, Mrs. Mullens and infant, Lieutenant-Colonel Robertson, Dr. Bradshaw, Lisutenant Knight, Mr. Plank, Captain Uniacke, Major Bruce, Lieutenant St. John, Major Hume, Mr. Matthews, Mr.

MILITARY AND NAVAL INTELLIGENCE.

Yesterday morning a party of non-commissioned officers and men of the Royal Sappers and Miners, who have been selected to proceed to British Columbia, left head-quarters, Brompton Barracks, Chatham, and proceeded to Southampton, at which port the expedition is to embark, for the purpose of taking charge of the stores for the Royal Engineers which have been accumulated there to be despatched with the expedition. The stores which have been selected for the use of the Royal Sappers and Miners in British Columbia comprise every requisite for carrying on the works in which they will be engaged. They include an electric telegraph apparatus and wires, printing-press, photograph apparatus, portable boats for crossing streams and rivers, waterproof tents, an immense assortment of mining tools, and also tools for carpenters, smiths, bricklayers, &c. The day originally fixed for the embarcation of the expedition was Wednesday last, but, owing to some unforeseen delay, they are not expected to leave Chatham until Monday or Tuesday next. In a former notice in *The Times* it was inadvertently stated that the expedition would be armed with the Enfield rifle; this was an error, as the rifle they will take with them is the Lancaster rifled musket, in the use of which the Royal Engineers have attained such a remarkable degree of skill.

Agreeably to an order received at St. Mary's invalid depôt, Chatham, from the War-office, a large party of wounded and disabled soldiers left that establishment yesterday morning, having received their discharge from the service. With but few exceptions those discharged received their wounds or injuries in India, from which they have just arrived. Several men have lost either a leg or an arm, and many are suffering from musket or sabre wounds. The pensions granted them are on a liberal scale, according to the nature of their wounds and their length of service.

The paddle-wheel steamer Adder, Mr. J. Minchin, second master, in charge, came alongside the dockyard at Chatham yesterday afternoon, and embarked 140 convicts from the convict establishment at St. Mary's, for conveyance to the True Briton, chartered convict ship, at anchor at the Nore. On embarking at the dockyard the convicts set up a loud cheer, which they repeated at intervals as the Adder steamed away with them. They will proceed in the True Briton, with a number of other convicts from Millbank, to Bermuda, where they are to be employed on the public works in progress at that island.

The Prussian squadron, under the command of Admiral His Royal Highness Prince Adalbert, whose flag is on board the Thetis, put into Falmouth on Wednesday, on their way to Brest, and for the yacht to replenish her fuel, for which purpose she entered the inner harbour. The usual salutes were exchanged between the ships, the garrison of Pendennis, and Her Majesty's ship Russell.

The Calcutta and Lady Jocelyn, screw steamers, arrived at Spithead at 11.30 a.m. yesterday from the Thames, to embark troops for Calcutta. The Calcutta embarks 790 rank and file of the 67th; the Lady Jocelyn 740 of the 99th, exclusive of officers.

The Russian screw steam line-of-battle ship Retvizan, 84, from Cronstadt for Brest, passed the Isle of Wight early yesterday morning.

A court-martial was held on board the Victory, in Portsmouth harbour, yesterday morning, to try Richard Snape, a private Royal Marine on board Her Majesty's ship Rodney, for mutinous conduct on board that ship at Greenock, Scotland. The Court found the charge proved against the prisoner, and sentenced him to receive 50 lashes on board his own ship, and to be imprisoned and kept to hard labour in Winchester gaol for 18 calendar months from the passing of the sentence.

The screw-steam gunvessel Lapwing, 4, Commander Montagu F. O'Reilly, which arrived at Plymouth on Tuesday from Jamaica, brought 30 invalids and some supernumeraries. She left the paddlewheel steam-frigate Leopard, 18, Captain James F. B. Wainwright, at Greytown.

Her Majesty's screw steam corvette Challenger, 21, steamed down the river from Woolwich yesterday, to try her machinery of 600 horse-power, fitted by Messrs. Penn and Co., and subsequently proceeded to Sheerness to be placed in the second-class steam reserve of that yard. She is fitted with one of Messrs. Delpech and Co.'s pumps, which is capable of discharging 600 gallons of water in 52 seconds, as verified by experiments in Woolwich dockyard, extending over a series of trials during the last four months. It has a gun-metal working barrel of 11¾ths of an inch internal diameter, and was purchased, it is understood, for the sum of 120*l.* Two smaller pumps of the same description were also tested in the dockyard from the same manufactory, one of which (a double-barrel pump, each barrel double acting), giving the result of four barrels combined, attracted considerable notice, and threw a very large quantity of water to a great height.

The second battalion of the 18th Royal Irish, stationed in Londonderry, were inspected on Monday last, at the barracks, by Major-General Gough, C.B., who, it appears, had been sent down by Lord Seaton to examine into disturbances created by some ill-conducted men in the regiment. At the close of the inspection the General briefly addressed the men, alluding to the recent disturbances, and exhorting them for the future to take pride in maintaining the high character of the regiment.

THE LAND TRANSPORT CORPS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Sir,—A week having elapsed since you published a letter from me, called forth by your leading article of the 8th inst., and no attempt at contradiction having been made, the facts contained therein may be fairly considered as admitted.

In that letter I stated how the civil staff of the corps was raised, and how those who escaped death were rewarded for their integrity and zeal. Fearful as the ravages of sickness therein enumerated may appear, many of the horrors of their position were omitted, such as the massacre of an agent and family at Marash, and the exposure of all to similar treatment, while known to be unprotected and in possession of vast sums of bullion.

No guarantee was required of these gentlemen; more than a million sterling was disbursed by them. Even their clerks were at times intrusted with large sums of money; their operations were conducted in a country where corruption is almost universal; little or no check could be brought to bear on their accounts, it was only by their general satisfactory result that their correctness could be seen; this was seen and acknowledged, and yet they were dismissed without a promise of future employment. Surely this is not the way to encourage that integrity for which British *employés* are so deservedly famed, and which is mainly attributable to the very different manner in which they are generally treated? Moreover, should we ever have to send out accountants again to co-operate with our consuls, what weight could they have with them or with the native officials when it is known that, do what they will, in a few months they will be cast off?

My object in writing is that men whose efforts met with such signal success when those efforts were of vital importance to the army in the East should be rescued from neglect. Many blunders were unavoidably committed by some who were connected with this corps. It was, therefore, broken up, and the military train organized in its stead; but while it may be generous to pass a sponge over the blunders of men who were energetic and did their best, it is neither just nor politic to do the same by those to whom no such errors are attributed.

If the War Department cannot employ these gentlemen in a manner suitable to the position they have shown themselves qualified for, why not give them some more tangible reward than testimonials? and why not take advantage of this very exceptional case to commence a new system when dismissing public servants, by recommending them to other departments who may want them, for they cannot change their profession more easily than other people? British Columbia would probably be glad of such men as gold commissioners, &c. Good accountants and active men of integrity are always wanted in some branch or another.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
X. Y. Z.

DELIVERANCE OF A WHITE WOMAN FROM SLAVERY.—The Maysville (Kentucky) *Eagle* of the 26th of August says:—"One of the most remarkable and intensely interesting cases ever brought before a court of justice was tried and disposed of in our Circuit Court last week. The plaintiff, Ann Goddard, was a handsome young woman, about 21 years of age, perfectly white, with long, luxuriant, and straight hair, graceful and easy in manners, and having all the appearance of an accomplished and well-bred lady. Her features bore the highest marks of European perfection, and there was not the slightest indication of African blood in her veins. She brought suit here for freedom, alleging that she had been forcibly arrested by the officers and lodged in the negro gaol of the late James M'Millan, under the claim of the defendant, Mary Goddard, that she was a slave, "when in truth she was a free white woman." The suit was brought nearly two years ago by the Hon. R. H. Stanton, and prosecuted by him, with the assistance of the Hon. W. H. Wadsworth, and Judge J. D. Taylor, and defended by the Hon. H. Taylor and Mr. T. C. Campbell. When the jury was sworn, the only testimony relied on by the plaintiff was the exhibition of her own person for their inspection, her counsel claiming that her appearance was *primâ facie* evidence of her freedom; and the presumption thus being raised, of course the burden of proof rested upon the defendant to prove her a slave. An attempt was then made by the defendant to prove her the daughter of a mulatto named Matilda, by whom the plaintiff had been reared from infancy; but in this they did not succeed, as no witness was introduced who was present at the birth of the child. The case was ably argued on both sides, and much feeling was manifested in the community on behalf of the plaintiff. When the jury brought in their verdict, to the effect that she was a 'free white woman,' the judge was compelled to address the audience upon the impropriety of any demonstrations of applause in a court of justice, in order to keep down a universal impulse to show the satisfaction given by the result."

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE HORSES FOR THE INDIAN ARMY.

"Good," as theologians say, "is ever educed from evil, and the atrocious mutiny just suppressed in our Indian empire has, among other benefits, present and prospective, elicited some valuable and highly interesting information on the subject of horseflesh. A blue-book which we have just received from the Cape of Good Hope—for the Cape has its blue-books as well as the Palace at Westminster—purports to contain "Papers relating to the Purchase of Remount Horses at the Cape for the Army in India," compiled from voluminous documents presented to "both Houses of Parliament" (how home-like is the phrase!) by his Excellency the Governor of the Colony.

It hence appears that between the 12th of August, 1857, and the 15th of May last 2,067 horses were shipped at the Cape of Good Hope for Calcutta, of which a very few died at sea; that 502 were shipped for Bombay (between October 1857, and April, 1858); that 450 horses were at the date of the return shipped on board vessels fitting in Table-bay, and that 40 remained in the remount stables, thus making a grand total of 3,059 horses, according to the return of Lieutenant-Colonel C. E. Goad, the "assistant remount agent." 104 mules were also shipped and despatched on board the Henry Ellis to Calcutta, in December, 1857 (of which 99 were landed in good condition), and 200 "remounts" have been purchased since the publication of the papers before us.

Mr. W. Hope, in a report from the Audit-office at Cape Town, dated June 12, 1858, states, in fine, that the number of horses thitherto purchased amounted to 3,300; and he refers to a letter of Colonel Apperley as supplying valuable information on the subject of the breed of horses. The Cape horse, says Mr. Hope himself, is better than he looks, and ought not to be judged by his appearance only, or by books, as the endurance of many is far beyond what might be supposed from their appearance. The horses which had been thitherto shipped to India by private persons were entirely stallions, and these are in general use in and about Cape Town as saddle and carriage horses. The officers of the Indian service were the best and chief customers for the handsomest of these stallions, and many were shipped to India. The sleekness of coat, the roundness of shape, the fine appearance, the docility, and high carriage of these noble stallions make them very attractive to the eye, compared with the rougher coats, shyness, and general "ruggedness" of the geldings, whose show and appearance are very inferior. Hence the gelding was a "despised and rejected" beast among those who looked to appearance only. But the gelding makes up for lack of "looks" by other excellent qualities, due to the difference of his early rearing for horses, like children, must be "trained up in the way wherein they ought to go." The most promising colts at the Cape are generally kept as stallions. They are stabled at two years of age, and never more run loose. They are often badly fed while growing, and seldom regularly exercised at the farmhouses, and hence their muscles are not fully developed, nor does their bone increase as it should do. The stallions are round-barreled, plump, and full about the quarters, but deficient in depth of chest and ribs; they are low in the withers, and when fat apt to be too heavy in the fore-hand to be "pleasant" as saddle horses, but as beasts of traction or draught horses none can surpass, if equal, them. The stallion, if reared as the geldings are, would be a far finer animal.

The geldings, on the contrary, are left to nature; they run loose in the field all day, inhaling the purest and driest air; their bones and muscles increase and develop as they grow; they are exposed to all weathers and extremes of temperature and the consequence is that they become very hardy, and admirably adapted for military service. "A stallion," add Mr. Hope, rather pithily, "is more of a gentleman, and has been accustomed to better (more artificial?) treatment, and the fineness of his coat makes him feel exposure at night."

The shape of the gelding is superior to that of the stallion; he is deeper in the chest and in the ribs, broader in the hips lighter and deeper in the shoulder, and often not so straight; he has more bone and muscle in his legs, and is stronger in the fetlocks and pasterns. He is lean and oft wry-necked, this being considered to be a proof of endurance. He carries a fine head, if well bred, and his eye and ears are "game" and intelligent. In a word, he is hardier and more useful than the stallion.

The gelding shies under the saddle when put into "condition," but he is courageous in a team, and in a body, as a trooper, will face the very devil. Eight or ten geldings attached to a wagon will think nothing of plunging into a flooded river up to their breasts or backs, swimming across without swerving, and dashing up the opposite steep bank in the finest style.

The fitness of the geldings for troopers was tested at reviews last year, when the farmers' horses charged repeatedly up to the squares of infantry under their fire and that of two howitzers, and stood (many of them) while their riders cut at the bayonets of the square. The Governor expressed his marked approbation, both of the horses and their riders, in a general order of the day issued on the occasion.

The majority of the horses sent out to India by the remount agents were geldings, and, although in that country there is a feeling in favour of stallions, the excellence of the geldings as troopers or artillery horses has only to be tested to be freely acknowledged by all impartial persons.

The superiority of the gelding is due to his being reared as nature intended, and it is admitted that if a stallion were similarly trained he would be the superior steed. Upon the whole, says Mr. Hope, the gelding will be found the most serviceable horse for the army. Mr. Hope's opinions are based on 12 years' experience and observation of Cape horses, and he is willing and desirous, for the good of the service, that they should be well "ventilated."

Mr. Hope's remarks are followed by the letter addressed to him (8th of June, 1858) by Colonel W. W. Apperley, the remount agent. This officer fully testifies to the excellence and especially to the wonderful "bottom" of the Cape horses, which will travel 60 or 70 miles a-day (on the journeys of the farmers) with only an occasional drink of water and a roll in the sand, which is supposed to make them quite fresh again. For the present breed of horses the colonists are indebted to the late Lord Charles Somerset and the present Mr. T. B. Bayley, who infused valuable English blood into the native stock of steeds. To the many good points possessed by the Cape horses may be added a wonderful soundness of constitution. Fever in the feet is exceedingly rare, although hundreds of horses in work have never been shod in their lives, while blindness and broken wind are unknown. Colonel Apperley has the highest opinion of the present Cape horses, particularly as regards their fitness for the ranks of the Indian army, but there is much (he says) for the breeders to consider with reference to the parent stock, and the use of Arab stallions is strongly deprecated.

Colonel Apperley adverts to the necessity of keeping the horses in good condition, in the event of any remount agency being set up at the Cape, as no agent is justified (he observes) in buying a single horse if he is not in proper condition for immediate shipment. The farmers appear to be very remiss in the "keeping" of their steeds during many months of the year, and this is one great drawback to the success of horsedealing in the colony. If the farmers would but feed their stock liberally, their horses would be larger and stronger, and their returns certain. At the moment when Colonel Apperley wrote he was actually forced to suspend his purchases, because "all the horses in the country were out of condition, and as thin as hurdles."

Colonel Apperley refers to the report of Colonel Bower and Captain Gall as containing much valuable information for Cape breeders and farmers. War prices, he adds, must now cease, and the continuation of the demand from India for horses will become a mere matter of £. s. d. The Colonel thus concludes:—

"The unsatisfactory results from committees at different times assembled to report upon Cape horses in India have been so ably explained away by both Lieutenant-Colonel Bower and Captain Gall that I shall only record my opinion that I feel satisfied when the Cape horses that I have sent on have had time to recover, after the sea voyage, and have been fairly tried in the ranks, they will be as favourably reported upon as those formerly purchased by Colonel Havelock were after 11 years' service. They arrived in the Crimea in better condition than any other horses in the regiment! A committee had disapproved of these horses, And much fault was found at first with the horses the 7th Dragoon Guards were mounted upon during the Caffre war. After a period that regiment was reported by Colonel Richardson to be as well mounted as the average of cavalry at home, and no privation or fatigue could make General Cathcart's horses succumb, although the men in marching order averaged over 19 stone! In the face of such facts members of remount committees should pause before they condemn untried horses, and the professional gentlemen should bear in mind that Professor Coleman's opinion of what constituted a sound horse was 'a horse that could perform the ordinary labours of an ordinary horse,' beyond which he could not pronounce any horse sound. If the Cape gentlemen will accept my humble advice, I hope they will continue to breed from as much good English blood and bone as their money will procure, and cross their mares that have Arab blood with the best description of Norfolk trotting or Cleveland stallions procurable. No other cross will restore size and substance from that description of mare until the Arab blood becomes absorbed in many successive generations. By paying a little more attention to the feeding of their horse stock generally the breeders will find a ready market and remuneration, unsurpassed by any other speculation that this colony is capable of."

Mr. Hope, in another paper, hopes that the question of the capability of the Cape colony to supply the Indian army with horses to a very large extent may now be regarded as settled for ever. He adds:—

"It is to be hoped, also, that the Governments of India and England will permanently establish a remount agency at the Cape, leaving the agent to make his purchases in the manner he finds most advantageous, as circumstances may change, without binding him to one prescribed course. If such an agency be established, the farmers will breed up to the demand, and the description of horse required, and the supply for the army could be in a great measure kept up without the risk of being disturbed by war with Persia. It is to be anticipated, also, that the breeders in the colony will exert themselves to supply the demand, and to enable the colony to fulfil the expectations thus held out in a manner that should give no cause of regret to the Government for having looked to the colony to supply the wants of her army in India."

The blue-book before us contains a variety of other papers, principally descriptive (in detail) of the proceedings adopted by the Government at the Cape of Good Hope for the procuring of horses for the Indian service. Captain Gall (already referred to) concludes as the result of a deliberate and studious inquiry,—"1st. That the Cape colony is able to furnish an unlimited supply of horses, fit for all military purposes; 2d. That, while the horses will be procurable at a price not exceeding that given for our present remounts, a great economy will be effected from their being equal to draw or carry heavier weights, with an activity second only to that of very select English horses; 3d. That all the evidence we have only warrants a conviction that the decisive experiment, founded on better knowledge, remains yet to be made, as shown by our partial success, when 'excellent' horses were supplied to the Hussars in Bombay, but at an exorbitant price; and by our partial failure at Madras, where the price was moderate, but the horses were condemned; 4th. That the intervention of contractors, brokers, and stablekeepers must be forbidden."

He says that very superior horses, fit for the Artillery and Dragoons, might be landed at any of the ports of India for 400 to 430 rupees. At the Cape they would average (inclusive of all charges) 28*l.* each, and from 12*l.* to 15*l.* for freight, feed, and attendance to India. This would be the *maximum* for the first year, after which Captain Gall thinks that the price would descend, and range from 385 to 415 rupees, for reasons assigned. Lieutenant-Colonel Richardson is quoted as giving strong evidence of the fitness of Cape horses for military purposes.

"Let the Cape horse," concludes Captain Gall, "be introduced (and it is my conscientious belief that if the experiment be fairly tried it must succeed); you may then boast of a cavalry in this portion of the Queen's dominions not only 'averagely well mounted with the cavalry at home,' but as superior in horses as we confessedly are in equipment to any army that could possibly be brought against us through adajcent countries."

THE ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Sir,—In your impression of this day appears a letter from Messrs. Kumpf and Eckenstein, stating that they have obtained no final reply from this company to a complaint made by them of an error committed in the transmission of a telegram from London to Cologne. Those gentlemen refer to several letters exchanged between their firm and this office, and among others to one from me, which informed them that we had traced their message to Brussels, and found that this company had forwarded it to that point with perfect correctness, the error lying between Brussels and Cologne. I further, under date the 14th of July, stated that we had requested the Belgian Administration to pursue the inquiry. Up to the present moment no answer has been received from Belgium, although, contrary to usual custom with the continental authorities, a reply has been urgently requested.

The faults of error and delay therefore rest with the Governments abroad, and not with this company. I can perfectly understand and sympathize with Messrs. Kumpf and Eckenstein; but those gentlemen, being acquainted, as I suppose, with continental arrangements, are no doubt aware that no company in this country possesses control over any department of the different Governments abroad, and that all the public telegraphs on the continent are exclusively the property and under the control of the State. Of course, under these circumstances, all this company can do is fully to represent the matter and await the determination of the Government concerned.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
L. WALTER COURTENAY, Secretary.
Sub-Marine Telegraph Company, 30, Cornhill, Sept. 16.

GREAT FAILURE AT KIDDERMINSTER.—We are grieved to report that the old and respectable firm of Messrs. Pardoe, Hooman, and Pardoe, carpet manufacturers, have been obliged to suspend payment. The books are in the hands of Messrs. Kettle and Daniel, accountants, of Birmingham, who are preparing a statement which will be laid before the meeting of creditors on the 17th. The liabilities, we believe, are about 100,000*l.* The principal creditors are the Stourbridge and Kidderminster Bank, 21,000*l.*; the London Life Association, 18,000*l.*; Messrs. Crossley, about 4,000*l.*; Mr. Henry Curzon, manager of the works, 4,000*l.*; Mr. G. B. Lea, between 3,000*l.* and 4,000*l.*; Messrs. Grierson, Bridgnorth, 2,000*l.* to 3,000*l.*; the Bewdley Bank, 3,000*l.*; Ross, Cameron, and Co., London, 2,600*l.*; Messrs. Briggs, 2,000*l.*; Messrs. Thatcher, Oldham, 2,000*l.*; Messrs. Whelan and O'Brien, Dublin, near 2,000*l.*; Mrs. T. Pardoe, late of the Copse, and daughter-in-law of the senior partner, 1,500*l.*; Mr. Wilkinson, Leeds, 1,000*l.*; Mr. Whitworth, Halifax, 800*l.*; Mr. Shelmerdine, Manchester, 700*l.*; Mr. Croucher, Worcester, 600*l.*; Mrs. Groves, Caldwall, 500*l.*; J. Humphries and Son, 200*l.*; Messrs. Baldwin, Stourport, 200*l.* The firm, until a few years back, banked at Bewdley, and the account above named as owing to that bank is the balance remaining when they removed their account to the Stourbridge and Kidderminster Bank. The assets cannot be ascertained at present, but we fear they will be such as will only realize a small dividend. The accounts with the firm, we are told, are not supposed to exceed 3,000*l.* or 4,000*l.* The premises, machinery, &c., belonging to the firm are extensive, but we understand there are three mortgages upon the property, one to the London Life Association for their advance of 18,000*l.*, the second to Mr. T. Pardoe, and the third to the Stourbridge and Kidderminster Banking Company, which we are told is the only security they hold for the 21,000*l.* overdrawn account. The Manchester Union Bank holds bills to a very large amount. There are various creditors in the neighbourhood to smaller amounts than those we have mentioned, by whom the loss will be more severely felt than the larger sums by some of the other creditors. There are a few peculiarly hard cases. There are several shopkeepers in the town from whom the firm had been in the habit of obtaining, for checks, change every Saturday for the purpose of paying their hands. On Saturday se'nnight they obtained change as usual, 70*l.*, we believe, from Mr. Cole, 60*l.* from Mr. T. Lloyd, and 20*l.* from Mr. Findon. When the checks were presented at the bank, at the beginning of the following week, the bank refused to cash them. The firm was the oldest in the town; it was established upwards of 80 years ago by Mr. James Hooman, who was father of the present Mr. G. Hooman, and realized a large fortune from his business, the time of his operations being the palmy days of the carpet trade. The present firm consists of Mr. T. Pardoe, Mr. G. Hooman, Mr. J. Pardoe, and Mr. James Hooman. Until within the last eight or ten years they were extensive manufacturers of Brussels, Kidderminster (or Scotch), Venetian, and tapestry carpets; but upon the introduction of the power-loom tapestry, they disposed of all their Brussels and other looms, and embarked entirely in the steam tapestry manufacture, carrying on, however, their spinning mill at Caldwell. There is reason to believe that the deficiency has been accumulating during a long period. They suffered an immense loss upon their old stock of hand-looms and machinery, which, by the transition of the manufacture from hand to steam, became nearly valueless; and they were put to vast expense in providing power-looms and the machinery for driving them. In their manufacture they were burdened with a royalty to be paid to the patentees of the looms, while those patentees were rival manufacturers. Tapestry, as is well known, is an imitation of the fabrics of the Brussels looms, and comes into competition with the cheaper articles from those looms, and with other printed imitations. In these cheap goods the competition in the markets has of late been very strong, and, moreover, tapestry carpets have somewhat lost favour with the public. It is not surprising, therefore, that, loaded with debt and encumbered with royalty, the firm should have succumbed in the struggle. They suffered severely during the late panic. At the time when the stoppage took place they had no less than 786 persons in their employment. There is little or no prospect of the firm resuming business, or that it is likely to be carried on by others; for, with the exception of the large spinning mill at Caldwall, the whole of the plant and machinery is adapted for tapestry alone. Tapestry manufacturers are but few in the kingdom, and except Messrs. Pardoe and Hooman, Messrs. Brinton and Lewis are the only manufacturers of that article in Kidderminster. On Saturday last the majority of the hands were discharged, but between 200 and 300 of the weavers, who had work still on their beams, returned to the factory on Monday, and they will leave as they clear their looms. On Saturday Mr. G. B. Lea, the extensive spinner, advanced the money necessary to pay the workmen (500*l.*), and received a consignment of manufactured goods as a lien. Mr. Grosvenor, another manufacturer, has guaranteed the required sum for the present week. We may add that Mr. G. Hooman has been a magistrate for many years, has held various public offices, and has always stood high in the estimation of all parties. Mr. J. Pardoe was recently added to the commission of the peace.—*Worcestershire Chronicle.*

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ALDERSHOTT CAVALRY BARRACKS.

More than a twelvemonth has elapsed since, in an article on the Aldershott barracks, we expressed an opinion that the whole of this noble range of buildings would be completed and occupied by the spring of the present year. The time has elapsed, however, and yet there is still in parts a most unfinished look about the place, though in reality very little remains to do now beyond inhabiting the buildings that are almost finished. Already the infantry barracks are, and have been for some time, tenanted by about 4,000 men of various corps; 47th Regiment Stirlingshire, East Kent, and 3d West York Militia, and two batteries occupy the buildings and stables set apart for the use of the field artillery. The cavalry barracks, however, with all their costly rows of stables, forges, riding-schools, &c., are still empty, though it was positively fixed that the mounted troops were to quarter there in spring, then in summer, and now it is asserted, with the same confidence, and we almost fear with only the same foundation, that they must be occupied by the end of October or the beginning of November. Beyond all doubt the country is losing the interest of the large sums which have been lavished on these barracks in their being left thus empty, and the cavalry themselves are losing the benefits which would accrue to the regiments from occupying the finest, and certainly the handsomest, if not the most perfect, barracks of their kind in the world. That such repeated delays should have arisen ere the troopers could take up their new abode is not due to the contractor or builder under Government. As far as Mr. Myers is concerned, he could have finished the buildings twice over, if the money had only been forthcoming with as much promptitude as he could have spent it. But this, unfortunately, as very frequently happens, was not the case, so the buildings have languished as the supplies fell low. At the present day, however, the amount required to fit them up perfectly for the reception of men and horses is so small that really no excuse remains for their being longer left unoccupied a prey to the wear and tear of weather which empty buildings of such magnitude must always undergo. Before winter sets in we trust to see them fully tenanted for good and all. The whole range of permanent barracks, as many of our readers doubtless know, is situated on the extreme verge of the south camp, running parallel with the Winchester-road, and leading to the two or three obscure huts which a short time since comprised all that was known of Aldershott as a habitable place. On the north side of this stand the infantry barracks, in three massive blocks, with barracks and stables for the field batteries, the school-rooms, reading-rooms, married men's huts, libraries, canteen, and non-commissioned officers' coffee-rooms, being all distinct buildings, standing apart from the main blocks. On the south side are the cavalry barracks, also in three large blocks, with horse artillery barracks facing those of the field batteries, and with all the stabling and out-buildings for the horses in rear, as with those of the infantry quarters. Between the north and south barracks extends a noble parade ground, which can be used by either horse or foot, or both together, for it is no less than three quarters of a mile long by nearly 200 yards wide. The cavalry buildings last year were in a very backward state as compared with those for the infantry, which were nearly finished, but now the former are almost complete, and quite complete enough to enable us to judge of their merits or demerits of accommodation. The first thing which strikes and impresses the visitor is the great superiority of accommodation enjoyed by the cavalry over the infantry barracks. The latter are substantial, plain buildings, of humble brick; the former handsome and expensive edifices, with decorated Italian fronts, faced with Portland stone. Their superiority is still more striking on an internal examination. The infantry mess rooms are, indeed, larger than those of the cavalry, as being meant to accommodate nearly, if not quite, double the number of officers; but size is their only recommendation. In all other details the cavalry have the advantage. The infantry officers' rooms are fine, though plain; the mouldings and cornices of the rooms for the cavalry are exceedingly rich, and would well become a handsome London club-room. No other barracks, probably, in the world have anything like them. Again, infantry officers are only allowed one room, and that, though large enough, by no means errs on the side of spaciousness. In the cavalry barracks each officer is allowed two—one large sitting room and a bed room. Now, during a campaign a much smaller number of troopers are required to stow themselves away within the narrow limits of a bell tent than is the case with the infantry, but the reason for this difference is plain—the cavalry have to find room in their tents for their horse equipments as well as for themselves. But, because there is this difference made between the cavalry and infantry privates in tents, it scarcely seems a sufficient reason why there should be such a wide discrepancy between cavalry and infantry officers' accommodation in barracks, and we can imagine no case in which the one room of a senior captain of infantry would not afford sufficient accommodation for the wants of a junior cornet of cavalry.

The stables in rear of these officers' barracks are all that could be wished. There are four distinct buildings or blocks of stables allowed to each regiment. Each block contains eight large stables, and each stable has stalls for 16 horses. Thus each regiment has accommodation for 512 troop horses (exclusive, of course, of officers'), or about 112 horses more than any cavalry regiment that has ever been at camp has possessed at one time fit, or not fit, for duty. The stables are beautifully built and admirably planned. The horses are only divided by swinging bales. The racks and mangers are of iron, and fixed low, perhaps too low, for once or twice the horses (in the artillery barracks, where the stable arrangements are of course the same) have managed to get their heads into them and complicate them with the iron work in such an extraordinary manner as to break their necks in desperate efforts to free themselves. The floors of the stables are well paved, sloping outwards to deep drains. The stones, too, are set in asphalt, so that even the smallest interstices are water-tight, and thus thoroughly good drainage is insured. Under the mangers and along the roofs are passages for ventilation, which circulate a cool current of fresh air at all times, and prevent the heated atmosphere affecting the rooms above the stables. In these latter the men are quartered, each man as nearly as possible sleeping over his own charger. This arrangement is undoubtedly not a good one, but what was to be done? The men must be near their horses (so it is said), and as the horses could not be got upstairs, the men have to go instead. In rear of the troop stables are the officers' stables, in every respect like those of the men, with the library, forge-house, ball court, and riding-school; and behind all the infirmary for sick horses, both officers' and men's. A riding-school is allowed to each regiment, and each of these schools is nearly twice the size of the largest now in use, and about one-third larger, we believe, than the private riding-school of Her Majesty at Windsor. Each is 216 feet long by 58 broad, and 27 feet high, and each is strewed with tan to the depth of 18 inches. At the entrance to all the schools are saddling-rooms, with rooms for the riding-master and officer on duty. With such accommodation as this it seems a pity that these barracks should have been allowed to remain so long unoccupied. The troops in the infantry barracks are beginning to settle down, and like them better than they did at first. Above all, they, like the spacious covered-in quadrangle roofed over with glass and iron connecting the blocks together, which affords them an area 240 feet long by 80 broad, where they are protected from the wet at all times and seasons. They do not, indeed, like their rooms being over the kitchens, which is about as bad and almost as unwholesome an arrangement as for the troopers to sleep over the stables. But beyond these drawbacks they do well enough in their new quarters, and we trust that before the winter is over all the blocks will be fully occupied. They are in all intended to accommodate about 7,000 men, 4,000 infantry, 1,600 cavalry, about 1,000 artillery, and a full staff, with Engineers and Military Train.

An article appeared in our columns in August last, in which it was stated that the usual winter reduction of the troops in camp was about to take place, and that the effective force maintained at Aldershott during the winter would not probably exceed some 8,000 or 9,000 men of all arms. This statement, it seems, created no little surprise among military circles, in which the extent of the intended reduction was unknown, and where it was disbelieved as totally erroneous. In order to remove all further doubts on the subject we subjoin the state of the camp in August and as it is at present. On the 20th of last month there were 21,000 men of all arms at Aldershott, consisting of five cavalry regiments, six infantry regiments of the line, 12 regiments of militia, one troop of horse artillery, three field batteries, and detachments of the Military Train and Royal Engineers. Since that date two regiments of cavalry and four of infantry have already been sent off,—viz., the 2d Life Guards to Windsor, the 11th Hussars to Brighton, the 1st battalion Grenadier Guards to Windsor, 60th Rifles to Dover, Limerick Militia to Weymouth, and City of Dublin Militia to Shorncliffe. In addition to these there are now under orders to move for various destinations one cavalry regiment, two regiments of the line, and five regiments of militia—viz., the 67th and 99th to India, on Thursday or Friday next; the 10th Hussars, to Exeter, as soon as the barracks are ready; and when quarters are prepared, the following regiments will also leave:—Kerry Militia to Weedon and Chester, the Louth Rifles to Yarmouth, the 2d Warwick Militia to Plymouth, the 2d Cheshire Militia to Glasgow, and the 3d West York to Shorncliffe. Thus, then, almost within a month, the camp force has been, or will be, reduced by no less than three regiments of cavalry, four regiments of the line, and seven regiments of militia,—or about 12,000 men in all.

After this reduction the effective strength of the camp will probably be short of 9,000 troops, including the North Down Militia, which will come in from Shorncliffe immediately. The force then at Aldershott will consist of the 4th Light Dragoons, 4th Dragoon Guards, 47th and 36th Regiments of the line, the 1st York Rifle Militia, Stirling Militia, 1st Staffordshire Militia, North Down Militia, and the Militias of Oxford and East Kent, together with the Artillery we have mentioned. It is quite possible that even more troops would be put into winter quarters if all the barracks in England were not already fully occupied, for the forces now in Great Britain muster stronger than they have done at almost any one time since the Peninsular war, and at no time have they ever been in better, and rarely in as good discipline as at the present moment, when the bulk of our army proper is scattered all over the world. Since the establishment of the camp at Aldershott the South-Western Company have sent up and down their line, backwards and forwards to Aldershott, nearly 300,000 soldiers—cavalry, infantry, artillery, and militia—with a proportionate number of horses, women, children, and baggage, without any accident of any kind whatsoever or loss or injury to baggage. Such a fact speaks for itself as to the admirable manner in which all the arrangements of this line are conducted, and it reflects no little credit upon the skill and caution with which Mr. Garry at Farnborough must regulate and dispose of this somewhat embarrassing passenger traffic. On almost all occasions of particular interest and difficulty we have had to bear the same testimony to the Farnborough arrangements.

The ACCIDENT on the OXFORD, WORCESTER, and WOLVERHAMPTON RAILWAY.

Yesterday the inquest in this case was resumed at 11 o'clock.

At the commencement of the proceedings a charge was made by one of the solicitors who appeared for the injured persons against the foreman of the jury, to the effect that before the inquiry he had been engaged in the interests of the company in inducing several of the sufferers to accept compensation. The foreman (who is a Baptist minister), gave a long explanation of his conduct, from which it appeared that he had been present on two occasions at interviews between two of the sufferers and the agent of the company, when the question of compensation was being discussed, and that he had taken some share in them. Ultimately, in deference to an expression of opinion from the jury, the foreman withdrew, and the inquiry was continued without him.

Mr. E. Wilson, engineer of the Oxford, Worcester, and Wolverhampton Railway Company, gave evidence similar to that of Captain Tyler and Mr. Craig with regard to the experiments made subsequent to the accident. The side chains and couplings were made of the best iron. His opinion as to the accident was that it was caused by the break not being put on until the train had got a considerable way back, and until it had attained a great speed.

Mr. Alexander C. Sheriff, the general manager of the Oxford, Worcester, and Wolverhampton Railway.—I was at the station at Worcester when the train arrived in the morning, but not on the platform. The train arrived about half-past 12. An hour or two afterwards I received information from Mr. Adcock, who said that in coming up the train had got to too great a size, that one or more of the chains had broken, and that he was going to remedy it in going back by dividing the train into two parts. I did not see the trains depart in the ev