It is the present fashion to give brides money instead of the traditional silverware and trinkets.

Mme. Carla Serena is the first woman who has ever been elected to membershi in the Imperial Royal Society of Austria She has just returned to Vienna from a long tour through Caucasus and Asia.

Miss Gabriella T. Stickney, who from a compositor's case in a Chicago newspaper office, became Postmistress of Collyer, Kansas, is now a notary public, and does most of the swearing for the village. Ladies who wear sealskin sacks are very liable not to wear season sacks are very liable not to wear them, for in Belgium rabbit skins are successfully prepared to resemble sealskin, and thousands of rabbits are annually killed in England whose pelts go to Belgium, and leave that country as nuine sealskins.

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Louisa Josephine Engenie, Princess
Royal of Sweden and Norway and Crown
Princess of Denmark, is one of the handsomest princesses in Europe. She is full
of life and spirits, and a model wife and mother. She has a very large private fortune and will, by-and-by, be one of the richest women in the world. She is the owner of a collection of the purest and argest diamonds known.

"Now look," cried the gay auctioneer,
"This carpet—one dollar I hear—
An 'alf—make it two—
Going—gone! ma'am, to you—
Dirt cheap—and you settle right here." Her name was called out rather loud :

She blushed there while eyed by the crowd;
Two dollars she laid,
On the desk, quite afraid,
And felt of her bargain so proud. How soon her sweet pleasure was marred For the auctioneer gazed at her hard; "Indeed? Well, I'm biamed—

Fatty more," he exclaimed,
"You bid, ma'am, two dollars a yard," Just as a member of the House of Lords and took the next train to Dover to pursue his eloping spouse; but there was no trace of her and he went home, where he found her sitting up as though nothing had hap-pened. He asked her what she meant by telegram. She answered that she meant just what she said, of course : "I tea with Mrs. —— in Dover street, Stay

Mrs. Gladstone, according to a London correspondent, is a clever, pleasant, earnest woman, but she dresses badly; her bonnets are of the dowdiest. Mr. Gladstone wears trowsers that are baggy at the knees; his coats never fit him; his gloves are always too long at the fingers; but when he goes down to the House of Com mons prepared to make an important speech, he is always well brushed, his hair oiled and he wears a flower in his button hole. Mrs. Gladstone always revises him before he leaves home on important occa-

Ladies will readily recognize the faithfulness of this picture of their latest sum-mer style of hat. It will be of straw. It will be knocked in on the froat, jammed in on the back, shoved in on the side and kicked in on the top. Then the rim will be jammed in all around to make the whole effect harmonious. It will be trimmed with strips of sheet tin, turkey wings, old with strips of sheet tin, turkey wings, old fruit cans and debris generally. It is an economical kind of hat, as it can be made by taking a boy's old straw hat, running a wheelbarrow over it a few times and hitch-

ing whatever comes handy.

A strange story is told of King Louis of Bavaria, certainly the most eccentric of monarchs. It is related that he was engaged to marry Princess Sophia, now Dachess d'Alencon, and sister of the Em-press of Austria, but being told that the ess cared more for the crown than for him, he broke-the engagement in a nover fashion. He ordered the court jeweller to make a magnificent regal crown, and sent it to the Princess, with a note running thus:—"Dear Sophia, I send you the crown which you covet, but I am sorry I can not give you the right to wear tas queen of Bavaria."

Mrs. Freenont, according to a Washing-ten coverenced at a still a remarkable

ton correspondent, is still a remarkable looking woman. She is stout in figure and her grey hair is abundant. She has a kind, benevolent expression, and is a fluent talker. Her style of dress is quite unique. It consists of a skirt made out of a camel's hair shawl, which was once magnificent; a black cashmere polonaise is worn with the Oriental skirt. Mrs. Fremont is the constant companion of her husband, acting as friend, private secretary and counsellor. She has a masculine mind for the details of hashess and of business, and has more than once straightened out the General's affairs.

A new and very beautiful style of decoration has, says the Continental Gazette, just been introduced for ladies' ball dresses consists of a skirt front of white silk, painted by hand with elaborate groups or garlands of flowers in water-colours, as finely finished as those on the most costly The outlines of each flower are then brought out by a slight embroidery in silk, the heart of every blossom being worked with beads of its own colour. The effect of this new ornamentation is singularly striking and artistic. Of course these painted skirt-fronts are costly, their price ranging from one thousand to fifteen hundred francs. One with the pattern, a close-set mass of roses in their The following pathetic wail from the depths of a broken heart or gizzard on other internal arrangements of a Brantford hues, was exceedingly beautiful. swain, we clip from the columns of the

Beautiful maiden of Brant Never with me, if I know it, Will you ride in a buggy and pair. My poor heart already is broken, And you say it is wholly my fault; But my confidence in you is sha And I won't drive you now ou Never on sofa or arm chair Will you and I sit talking love,

For, darling, I am going to prepare For the beautiful regions above. And when I am gone and you're lonely, Cast an eye on that vacant arm chair, And think when you sat with me only And said that I looked like a bear. One of the wedding customs of Rome re

One of the wedding customs of Rome requires that as soon as an engagement is made the man shall present his affianced with a ring, watch, chain, locket, ear-rings and bracelet—a complete set of jewellery. These presents are expected as a lady's legitimate trousseau. The husband furnishes the kouse and his family generally provides the house linen. The lady's dowry is scarcely ever paid down. It is either a claim on landed property, or the property itself is intrusted to the husband to administer during his wife's life, and he must be prepared to turn it over intact to his children, if he have any, or to his wife's his children, if he have any, or to his wife's family should he have no issue. No husband, therefore, can benefit by his wife's death in Italy, as the dowry he receives is merely intrusted to him during his wife's life. The husband, too, must insure the if he have any, or to his wife's amount of property. On the night of March 29, a shower of

On the night of March 29, a shower of iron fell at Cataria, in Sicily. For several hours there was a constant fall of meteoric dust, accompanied by rain, and this dust contained fragments of iron, either in a pure metallic state or in metallic particles surrounded by an oxidized crust. The fragments were of many shapes and size, and were readily attracted by the magnet. They only differed in size from a shower of aerolites.

The Fanny May Variety Company advertised to give in Topeka, kan., "the finest entertainment on earth;" but the audience, which was large and masculine, audience, which was large and masculine, soon found that it was exasperatingly poor. They pelted the performers with eggs and vegetables, drove them from the stage, chased them into their dressing-rooms, and were about to march them through the streets in their fanciful costumes when the police arrived and quelled theclair

LETTERS BY CABLE.

nother extra-ordinary performance. The 'Soldiers Chorus' in "Faust" was given by band, all playing militous—a boy's in-trument which has the effect of tissue

to-morrow at the Troisleme Theatra Francais. M. Rameau is to give a reading of the whole of Victor Hugo's new work. "Religions et Religion." He will be ac-companied here and there by appropriate alow music.

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FROM LONDON.

N. Y. HERRAD BURKAT, I.

London season is at its height.

Her Majesty the Queen is retiding in the metropolis and leves and drawing-rooms are the order of the day at Buckingham before the color of the day at Buckingham before the color of the day at Buckingham before the order of the day at Buckingham before

and several part songs, exquisitely rendered by Henry Leslie's choir. Lady Folkestone sang Arthur Sullivan's "Let me dream again," accompanied by the composer, and a composition of her own, "It was a thorn," with violoncello and organ accompaniment. The great event of the evening was Romberg's "Toy Symphony." Continuous applause greeted an array of well-known artists as they filed to the dais, bearing a number of paerile instruments—Randegger with his little drum, Dr. Stainer, organist of St. Paul's cathedral, with a penny trumpet, Sullivan with a cuckoo, Benedict with shells, and Ross with a second violin. The addience listened with amusement and wonder to this unique performance, Sulliwan mournful cuckooing, producing a very comic effect in the quaint finale, when all take instruments units in most singular but not inharmonious roar. The symphony was encored and repeated. In the second part of the concert, there was another extra-ordinary performance. The "Soldiars Chears." in Easter was another extra-ordinary performance. The "Soldiars Chears." in Easter was another extra-ordinary performance. The "Soldiars Chears." in Easter was another extra-ordinary performance. The "Soldiars Chears." in Easter was another extra-ordinary performance. The "Soldiars Chears." in Easter was another extra-ordinary performance. The "Soldiars Chears." in Easter was another extra-ordinary performance. The "Soldiars Chears." in Easter was another extra-ordinary performance. The "Soldiars Chears." in Easter was another extra-ordinary performance. The "Soldiars Chears." in Easter was another extra-ordinary performance. The "Soldiars Chears." in Easter was another extra-ordinary performance. The "Soldiars Chears." in Easter was another extra-ordinary performance. The "Soldiars Chears." in Easter was another extra-ordinary performance. The "Soldiars Chears." in Easter was another extra-ordinary performance. The "Soldiars Chears." in Easter was another extra-ordinary performance. The "Soldiars Chears." in Easter was another extra-ordin

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SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

Personnel of the British House

TRICKETT AND HANLAN.
(By Cable to The Marl.)

LATEST BEFTING ON THE DEEDY.
(By Cable to The Mail.) (By Cable to The Mail.)

LONDON, May 15.—The latest betting on the for the Derby stakes for three-year-old rold fillies, which comes off at the Epson Summer ing on the 26th, is as follows:—

5 to 2 agst Duke of Westminster's ch. c. Bet 6 to 1 agst Mr. Brewer's b. c. Robert the De 7 to 1 agst Duke of Westminster's ch. c. Muni 14 to 1 agst Mr. Sharpe's Valentino.

100 to 6 agst Lord Falmouth's Apollo.

18 to 1 agst Mr. Gretton's Drayoott.

200 to 5 agst Prince Soltykoff's Mask.

25 to 1 agst Mr. Rerard's Von der Tann.

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PARIS, May 16.—The race for the French Oak stakes at Chantilly to-day was won by the favourite Mr. C J. Lefsvre's b. f. Versigny, by Flageolet, ou of Verdure, Violette being second and Fisandrithird. Fred. Archer rode the winner, who was very strong favourite ode. A COLT TO GOLDSMITH MAID.

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Lacresse. APPOINTMENTS IN MONTREAL.

MONTREAL, May 15.—The following lacrosse MONTREAL, May 15.—The following lacrosse appointments are announced:—
May 22nd—Match for junior championship flags junior Montreal v. Independents.
May 21th, Quasin's Birthday—Caughnawaga In dians v. Montreal twelve. In the evening firework exhibition by Messrs. Hand, of Hamilton.
May 29th—International lacrosse; match, Union of Boston v. Montreal, at which it is hoped the his Excellency the Governor General will be presen June 5th—Annual spring handicap athlet meeting. mesting.
June 12th—Second swelve Montreal v. Ind.

saries remember these glowing promises and enquire when the golden era of "peace and plenty" is to begin. Billiards. VIGNAUX AND THE ENGLISH CHAMPION. (By Cable to The Mail.) (By Cable to The Mail.)

LONDON, May 15.—The Sportsman says:—" Vignaux, the billiardist, has arrived. He will concede to Roberts, the English billiardist, 500 points star in a game of 1,000 points up, French style, for £100 a side, and will accept Roberts' offer of 400 points start in a game of 1,000 points up on the English championship table for £100 a side. He stipulate the first game shall be played on an American table which is coming from Paris, and is the same table on which the championship match between Vignau and Sexton, the American billiardist, was player about three years ago. Both matches must be played on or before the 24th and 25th instant, a Vignaux has an important engagement in Brussels.

Cricket. THE KINGSTON CLUB. THE KINGSTON CLUB.

The following gentlemen have been elected officers of the Kingston Cricket Club:—President, Major S. C. McGill; Yice President, G. Drummond; Secretary-Treasurer, J. H. Betts; Committee, Mesers W. Carruthers, C. F. Smith, J. Birkett, H. O. Kennedy, J. P. Gildersleeve, J. B. Walkem, H. M. Mowat, A. Jones, J. Galloway, W. Gildden and F. Ireland. Practice will begin at once, and it is expected that the club will show a good record this year.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Benjamin F. Cox, a young Georgian just coming of age and a protégé of Aleck Ste-phens, is acquiring considerable reputation at Washington as a painter of large possi-

The American ArtiJournal of April 3rd prints an article on "Music and Immortality," but forgets to state it is copied from the London Musical Standard of December 23, 1878.

The plan of a Georgia couple to elope was discovered by the girl's father; but they did not know it until, after riding a while in the close carriage that was to have conveyed them to a clergyman, they alighted at her own home, and the driver revealed himself as the stern parent in discovered. A drunkard fled into the woods, near

mashville, Tenn., while wild with delirium tremens, dug a grave and was found lying in it dead. His wife was made frantic by the sight, and she loudly called upon heaven to let her die, too. It happened that, en her way home, lightning struck and killed her.

The last number of the Boston Musical Record has two special dispatches from London, dated May 6, as follows: "Mme. Christine Nilsson-Rouzaud yesterday signed a contract with Manager Mapleson to sing in the United States next season, alternating with Mme. Etelka Gerster."

"Mr. P. S. Gilmore will sail for New York to-day. He has engaged several musicians here, among them Hughes, the famous ophecilide player, who was a member of Julien's orchestra in the United States."

"Work to-day. He has engaged several musicians here, among them Hughes, the famous ophecilide player, who was a member of Julien's orchestra in the United States."

"Work there are 316 members of the new Parliament favourable to "local option."

"Of these, 148 voted or paired in favour of Sir Wilfred Lawson's motion; 57, while declining to commit themselves to details, have expressed themselves as favourable to popular control over the issue of licenses, This list includes Mr. Gladstone and the Marquis of Hartington. If this estimate be anything like correct thore will undoubtedly soon be some legislation in the way of restricting the sale of intoxloating liquors.

A Pomeranian lieutenant of Landwehr

doubtedly soon be some legislation in the way of restricting the sale of intoxicating liquors.

A Pomeranian lieutenant of Landwehr Cavalry and a Silesian student, both giants in stature and bulk, stalked into Landwost's restaurant, in Berlin, one afternoon in March, and called in stentorian tones for respective mugs of Pilsener and Münchener beer. Of the foaming contents of these vessels they promptly disposed by the so-called "cow-swallow" method. When they called for their bill, some three hours and a half later, it was found that the Pomeranian lieutenant had absorbed eixty-seven pints of Pilsener, while his Silesian fellow-soaker had only succeeded in furnishing accommodation for fifty-four.

Christian Shnader, of Lancaster, Pa., vowed to wreak a frightful vengeance upon his wife and Moore, who had eloped together. If he could only find them, so he said, he would instantly kill them both. His friend Ginder offered to search out the runaway pair if Shnader would promise solemnly to punish them with death. Shnader readily promised; but when the wife was found, and she put her arms around him, kissed him, and begged for forgiveness, he was overjoyed and took her home unharmed. He even thanked Moore for giving her up without trouble. The disappointed and disgusted Ginder cursed the late Marquis of Hertford's estates, a peer, but the Queen, it is said, objected, though so many of the first creations in the peerage were illegitimate children. Any honour to Sir Richard would be very popular in Paris, where he was brought up and has chiefly resided, and to which he has been a benefactor in many ways, especially by his munificent gifts of drinking fountains of clear water for the public.

pecially by his munificent gifts of drink-ing fountains of clear water for the public. It is quite common now at the cafés, when the waiter pours from the decanter on the absinthe or brandy, for the customer to say, "A little more Wallace, garcon, if

At the funeral service of Wieniawski, at Warsaw, his violin was placed on a cushion of violet velvet at the foot of the bier, and of violet velvet at the foot of the bier, and was environed with crowns of laurels presented by his brother artists. Speaking of Wieniawski, it may be stated as a fact known to but a few persons, that when in the United States he and Rubinstien had a serious quarrel, and did not exchange a word for many months. They were forced to meet "officially" for rehearsal and performance, but never talked together. Possibly this may have been to the advantage of the public, as each artist was stimulated to make himself the more famous.

Now that Sarah Bernhardt in Paris rest ittle of Lord Ardilaun, of Ashford, his seat in Galway. Sir Arthur's father restored St. Patrick's cathedral, at a cost of £200, 500, and the present baronet has done much to beautify the Irish capital. He employs, also, a large number of men in the beautifying of his own sest, on the Corrib, though the landscapes and gardening designs are not of the highest order. He has earned his peerage. This elevation will be very popular.

Policeman on tricycles will not present a dignified appearance, but nowadays dignity is not much thought about, utilitarianism being more appreciated. On this implementation of the explosive factory at St. Petersburg, the Russian Government is independent of Bellouive factory at St. Petersburg, the Russian Government is independent of the beautifying of his own sest, on the Corrib, though the landscapes and gardening designs are not of the highest order. He has earned his pearson to the car and society than Lord Dufferin.

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Since the recent completion of the explosive factory at St. Petersburg, the Russian Government is independent of Bellouive factory at St. Petersburg, the Russian Government is independent of the beautifying of his own sest, on the Corribon of the supply of torpedoes for the use of the navy.

Remains of lake dwellings have been discovered in a peat bog near Milan, and in a street in Milan excavations for a house have brought to light what are believed to be ves

of her sunny power. The coarseness and vulgarity of the French art, cultivated in the later years of the Empire, were exchanged for a high standard of dramatic study. The meretricious cleverness of a Schneider had to yield to the fame of the Sohneider had to yield to the tame of the coming actress. Licentious opera gave place to classical plays. The Bouffes Parisiens and the Varietés ceased to be popular, and once more the visitors to Paris flocked to the Theatre Francais. Paris nocked to the Theatre Francais.
Victor Hugo, so long placed on the shelf,
was taken down and dusted, and a Donna
Sol was at last discovered who thrilled an
audience with the nervous force contained
in an attenuated frame, and melted the
sympathetic ear with a voice that was
both musical and seductive.

The selection of Max Bruch by the

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thousand cavalry behind the Rhineland frontier, with intent to experiment practically on the rapidity with which the frontier line can be covened and held in force by this arm, pending the arrival of infantry, to repel invasion. The test will be exhaustive, including the marching, feeding and disposition of the troops, as if under the stimulus of an actual emergency. In the opinion of the London World the bestowal of the crder of Viotoria and Albert on the Duchessof Marlborough is a graceful recognition on the part of the Albert on the Duchesson Mariborough is a graceful recognition on the part of the sovereign of the great services rendered by her Grace in relieving the distress which existed in Ireland during the late winter. The Victoria and Albert is the decoration

the parliamentary seats. The latter measure, if passed, will necessitate a fresh appeal to the country, and already rumour has it that the new Parliament may not live more than two sessions after the close of that now approaching.

Allsop, of pale ale celebrity, who was defeated in East Worcester by Mr. Gladstone's son, is to be made a baronet, and Guiness, of double X celebrity, now a baronet, is to be made a peer, under the title of Lord Ardilaun, of Ashford, his seat in Galway. Sir Arthur's father restored

Now that Sarah Bernhardt in Paris rest under a temporary shadow, it would be most unjust to forget the value to art of this nervously susceptible lady. She came at a time when the stage was depoetized, and she flung across it the brilliant rays and she flung across it the brilliant rays are about to adopt the trivelle for the stage was depoetized. travelling. The authorities, it is understood, are about to adopt the tricycle for the inspectors, to enable them to reach and traverse their beats at night in quicker time than they could do it on foot, and the

travelling. The authorities, it is understood, are about to adopt the tricycle for the inspectors, to enable them to reach and traverse their beats at night in quicker time than they could do it on foot, and the servers of summonses are to be provided with the same means of transit to enable them to discharge their duties more expeditiously.

The question of the export of frozen meat is seriously occupying public attention in the Australian colonies. An official statement just issued shows that there are 6,000,000 sheep and 3,000,000 head of cattle in Queensland. This, after deducting the home consumption of meat, admits of a weekly exportation of 2,000 tons, provided the necessary shipping facilities were available. Refrigerating works are to be immediately erected, and arrangements made to obtain the shipping necessary for the requirements of the trade. A thousand sheep have been recently boiled down for tallow at Rockhampton, and cattle are almost unsalable.

Referring to the marriage of the Princess Frederica, of Hanover, and Baron Rammingen, a London correspondent writes:—"For his sake she refused more than one advantageous match. She would have him, she said, or remain single. It is

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It is said that Mr. Gladstone takes office right in the teeth of the advice of his medical advisers.

Mr. J. B. Booth has been elected a delegate from the Northallerion, Yorkshire, district to visit Canada and report on it for the benefit of Yorkshire farmers intending to emigrate.

From a return presented to Parliament by command, it appears that 7,573 miles, out of a total milesge of 9,509 of double line open on the railways of the United Kingdom in 1879, were worked on the abcolute blook system, or 80 per cent.

The new War Minister, Mr. Childers, is brushing up the manual and platoon exercise. He learned it when a bank manager in Australia; but not well enough, he considers, to enable him to take the command of the British army.

The latest plan for crossing the English Channel is embodied in a model now before the British Admiralty for a monster floating railway station, which is to carry trains, holding 2,000 passengers, across at the rate of fourteen knots an hour.

Cardinal Manning, says a Rome correst, hough fiving in much retirement, is, I am, assured, labouring assiduously for the attainment of special power which would give him in fact the supremeacy of the Catholic Church in England.

For the first time since the reign of Henry VIL, a military mass is new cellerated in the Tower of London for the brated in the Tower of London for the englity of the Roman Catholic officers and men of the Guards attained there. This sent that has been mainly brought about by the medical advised the supplementation of the manistrates at the mention of the Roman Catholic officers and men of the Guards attained there. This commending Sir William Call for resumit has been mainly brought about by the medical advised the supplementation of the same of the same in the upper ranks of society as to considerable sum of mover the British Admiralty for a monster floating results and worn in gambling. The reported loser of the money, Mr. Sydney Augustus Paget, sent a challenge to Sir Vicalian Admiralty for a monst

The difference between the Scotch and English law of marriage, which is so often ceming before the public, has been once more illustrated in the English Divorce Court. A lady who had applied to be divorced from her husband for the usual reasons, sought to amend her petition by asking for a decree of nullity of marriage on the ground that when her husband went through the form of marriage with her he was already married to another woman. Such proved to be the case, but it also turned out that he had been divorced from his first wife on account of his infidelity by the Court of Sessions in Scotland. Such a ground is not, as is well known, sufby the Court of Sessions in Scotland, Such a ground is not, as is well known, sufficient in this country when the wife is the petitioner, and therefore Sir James Hannen was asked to disregard the Scotch judgment altogether. As his Lordship pointed out, Mr Farnie, the respondent, though he magnid his father of the Wellthough he married his first wife in Wales, was demiciled at the time in Scotland, and therefore a Scotch tribunal had jurisdiction to dissolve his maniage. Such being the case, the grounds on which the judgment proceeded were for the Scotch Court alone, and Mr. Farnie had to be treated as a

graceful recognition on the part of the sovereign of the great services rendered by her Grace in relieving the distress which existed in Ireland during the late winter. The Victoria and Albert is the decoration which is always worn on state occasions by the Queen and by the members of the Euglish and German royal and imperial families.

No wonder the cost of the war in Afghanistan has greatly exceeded expectations were present and signed the marriage were present and signed the marriage. No wonder the cost of the war in Afghanistan has greatly exceeded expectations. A large quantity of rum lately arrived at Jhelum from Bombay, for transport by camels or waggons to Peshawur and the front. The spirit was greatly overproof, and an intimation was sent that before issue its strength was to be reduced 25 per cent. There was a terrible strain on the transport at Jhelum at the time, yet it will hardly be credited that the Commissariat officer at that place added the water requisite to reduce the spirit to its regulated strength before sending the rum off.

Anticipation is busy with the business it idely to engage the attention of Parliament when it assembles. A general land reform bill, it is thought, will be pushed forward, and a measure for extending the Bright clauses of the land act. Then a government bill is mentioned and a bill for extending the franchise and redistributing the parliamentary seats. The latter measure, if passed, will necessitate a fresh appeal of Oriental pearls.

Marshal MacMahon has just sold his house in the Rue Bellechasse, in order to pay debts contracted during his Presidency. There has never, says London Life, been a British Ambassador at St. Petersburg who has made himself more popular alike with the Czar and society than Lord Dufferin.

punctually and cheerfully. In contrast, Englishmen are great grumblers, and Italians are always in arrears, their treasury invariably being one-fourth short of its This year's Russian famine, for there is