stacle is that the New Zealand Gov- of the courses suggested would be

ernment has entered into an agree-cheap as the price of peace. Mr. ment for a long lease of a building Winston Churchill, who speaks

## NEWS SUMMARY.

### Auckland: A large attendance is expected at the

celebration of the jubilee of the battle of Orakau on April 1. The postponed celebrations in connec St. Patrick's Day were success

fully held on Saturday. The licensee of a Cambridge hotel has been fined for employing an barmaid in a private bar.

A district staff tour commences to-day, work being carried out in the neighbour-hood of Cambridge and Hamilton. Earl Grey, who arrived in Auckland or

Saturday, has been very favourably impressed by his tour of the Dominion. The Prime Minister is to be asked t address a public meeting at Whangarei when he visits that district next month. The construction of the new auxiliary

buildings to relieve the congestion at the Auckland Mental Hospital is being pushed It is expected that the Knox Home for Incurables at Tamaki will be completed in readiness for the official opening in about six or seven weeks.

The attendance at the Exhibition of Saturday was 9332, this making a total of 745,788 for the 16 weeks during which

A waterside worker named Thoma Quoi was injured on the King's Whatf on Saturday while assisting in discharging operations. He died in the hospital. The poll on the question of rating on the unimproved values taken at Otahuhu on Saturday resulted in the ratepayers approving of the proposal by a majority of 92.

The Auckland Hotel Employees' Union at a special meeting yesterday, decided to repudiate the agreement with the em-ployers which was entered into by the

late executive. The body of an unknown man, who had evidently fallen from the cliff above, was found lying on the rocks between the Orakei Basin and the cliffs at Hobson

No further light has been thrown the mystery surrounding the fate of the newly-born female child, whose body was found in the harbour on Friday under ci-cumstances pointing to strangulation.

New Zealand:

The steamer Taviuni is hung up at Lyttelton owing to a dispute with her

The Prime Minister states that he intends to visit England next year as the representative of New Zealand.

A wharf labourer named William Geary died at Wellington yesterday as the result of a fall in the street from an express. A six-year-old boy named Leslie Gosnel died at Wanganui yesterday from injurie

The Prime Minister delivered a politica speech at Hokitika on Saturday, and received a unanimous vote of thanks and

Eannan was killed on Saturday at Inver cargill by a fall from the roof of the rail

way goods-shed. The deadlock which occurred in Welling ton in November last between the Public Service Commissioners and the Post and Telegraph Officers' Association has been

A man named Green was arrested yester-day at Port Chalmers on a charge of firing shots at his wife, from whom he is separated. The woman was wounded, but the injuries are not serious.

A statement regarding the regulations under the Pure Foods and Drugs Act has been made by the Minister for Public Health. He says that, with certain exceptions as to existing stocks, the regulations are already in operation.

Two men were killed while crossing

An official announcement has bee made that, Australian coal being unsuitable for naval purposes, the ships of the Australian fleet will continue to use West-

A terrific rainstorm descended upor Sydney on Friday night. The streets were inundated, damage amounting to severa thousand pounds was occasioned and the

# British Empire:

Canadian trade for the year ender February 28 totalled £200,000,000.

The Governor-General of the Union of South Africa (Lord Gladstone) has signed the Martial Law and Deportation Indem

Strong objection to the proposal by Lord Willoughby de Broke to institute compulsory military training among the wealthy classes in Britain has been ex pressed by Earl Roberts. The various garrisons in Ulster are be

ing strengthened, while ball cartridge have been served out to many of the troops. Many military officers have resigned their commissions.

A friend of the Australian engineer Thomas Reeks, who was found dead at Wolverhampton recently, has handed to the police letters which it is alleged throw light upon the dead man's movements jus prior to his death.

The marriage of Prince and Princess William of Sweden has been dissolved. Feeling over the shooting of M. Calmette continues to run high in Paris, the funeral being marked by disorderly scenes.

A battle between the Mexican rebels

nder General Villa and the Federal coops is said to be pending at Torreon Two miners at Pottsville, Pennsylvania have been engulfed owing to a subsidence of earth over abandoned colliery workings

A letter written by the Kaiser in 1901 expressing strong feeling against the Roman Catholic faith, has been published in Berlin. Rumours are current in Russia of a

tempts to induce Germany to become a party to the European entente which now includes Britain, France and Russia. An optimistic view of the possibilitie peace treaties has been given by Mr. J. Bryan, the United States Secretary of State.

# Sporting and Athletics:

Anthony 212 and Moore 138 scored

J. Inkster, who was on the 50s mark on the Ponsonby Club's harbour race of

The partnership between Anthony and Moore put on 289 runs for Parnell against

The heavy-weight boxing champion Europe. Georges Carpentier, has been beaten in Paris by Jeanette in a 15-rounder

cricket championship on Saturday, but Eden A wins the premiership. Ponsonby won the second and third grade championships. Ponsonhy defeated Eden A in the senio

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THE DOMINION HOUSE.

THE letter of Mr. Harold Beau champ, published in to-day's HERALD, puts an aspect on the financial side of Earl Grey's Dominion House scheme which has not been sufficiently considered in New Zealand. Hitherto it has been feared that the cost would be heavier than New Zealand could well afford, and that we might be paying a high price to be overshadowed by Canada. The great Imperial advantages of the scheme have never been in doubt. The Aldwych site, over which Earl Grey and those associated with him hold an option which they have pledged themselves to give to the Dominions without profit, is unquestionably the best procurable in London. Earl Grey proposes that Canada, South Africa and New Zealand should combine to erect on this site of three acres a commanding building with a tower rising higher than the dome of St. Paul's. Such building, on such a site, could not fail to constantly impress upon Englishmen at Home the importance and value of the Overseas States of the Empire. There would also be great gain in the practical convenience of the offices of all the Overseas Dominions being concentrated on one site, while the proposed permanent exhibition of colonial products in a central position known by and easily available to every English PIANO buyer, promises to materially assist

all overseas producers in the marketing of their exports. So far as New Zealand oncerned the practical question or consideration is whether the benefits undoubtedly derivable from the scheme are commensurate with the cost. Mr. Beauchamp shows clearly the financial responsi bility involved by estimating New Zealand's contribution, on the basis of population, at £8000, a charge which may be reduced by rents drawn from private tenants. His appeal that the price is a small one in view of the advantages offered, will find ready support and should result in a fuller and nore detailed consideration of Earl

of a great Imperial ideal unless a Rule if Nationalists are prepared land's position in a combined building would be disadvantageous when by the larger Dominions, but we can hope for some give and take in the allotment of space and positions, and we can afford to sacrifice something would add to the importance and

cumstantial evidence brought for-ward that honours have been sold in handicapped in the improvement of a the interests of party funds has not park which is a great public asset. been openly challenged, and there is Under the system of rating on unwell as the more advantageous, park open to the public. course would be for the Government to admit it and give a guarantee that

assuring to have a frank statement of tenure a non-controversial one.

compared with the space occupied RATING OF SPORTS GROUNDS THE decision of Otahuhu to levy rates on the unimproved value for a dominating building which this system of taxation would impose would add to the importance and dignity of every Overseas State, and which, by fostering trade and comwere would tend to strengthen the which, by fostering trade and commerce, would tend to strengthen the whole Empire. In direct results, Otahuhu, but the pressure of taxathe Dominions may anticipate that loans sought by countries which in combination can maintain an impossing building in the heart of London could be floated on the easiest possible terms. It was recently stated by the Times that colonial stocks by the Times that colonial stocks practical purposes to consols. The continued confidence of the moneylenders, and a further appreciation of the value of colonial stocks, may of the city and suburbs the use made of the proper stock of the great far parts of the the Dominions may anticipate that tion may send it elsewhere, in which of the value of colonial stocks, may easily be one of the indirect results of the great advertisement the Overseas States would receive from upon overcrowding. These lands the erection of Dominion House. are not held against building; the The option over the Aldwych site has still over two years to run. If before the expiry of that period case it can be said that the recreation ground improves the neighbourCanada and South Africa have fallen in with Earl Grey's view, New Zealand should make every effort to belamber examption of athletic organisations from the weight of unimproved value taxation may, therefore, be safely commended to the consideration of the Government. A few months ago the case of Cornwall

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Deals was brought prominently into Canada and South Africa have fallen in with Earl Grey's view, New Zea-hood and makes it more desirable. in Feet Assis and continuity of employment the basket the child's body was found. Cottages, and continuity of employment the basket the child's body was found. The inquiry was adjourned till Friday for the farm workers on the Royal estate morning, April 3.

tunity afforded it by the questions public notice. The trustees of the Unionist members of the House of Commons to make a statement on the alleged sale of titles. The cir- in rates. It is not creditable to the proving the lot of farm labourers. THE OPEN SHIRT "We want to see that our new settlers an uneasy feeling that there have improved values payment of the go into the country," said Sir Gaorge been abuses. If there has been such rates might easily become impossible trafficking in titles, the candid, as unless by curtailing the area of the dency is to crowd into the towns. It is

presented that nothing of the kind will be permitted in future. The system of bestowing honours is being reviewed by Englishmen who blush at the thought of "the fountain of honour being political and a stigma on British political and social life, and for which both parties are probably blamable. Honours of great importance. They have conferred by the King have been reconstructed. The primate was a guarantee that all our new settlers road traffic when each train approaches reach train approaches road traffic when each train approaches. Some time ago the local bodies decided that a new bridge would have to be erected for stock and vehicular traffic, and of road traffic when each train approaches. Some time ago the local bodies decided that a new bridge would have to be development of the primary pursuits. Under-Secretary for Public Works, Mr. W. S. Short, should act as a commissioner to allocate the cost of the bridge to the various bodies concerned. His in the development of the primary pursuits. Under-Secretary for Public Works, Mr. W. S. Short, should act as a commissioner to allocate the cost of the bridge to the various bodies concerned. His in the development of the primary pursuits. Under-Secretary for Public Works, Mr. W. S. Short, should act as a commissioner to allocate the cost of the bridge to the various bodies concerned. His in quiry was to have been held this week. The administrative reforms of the primary pursuits. The train traffic when each train Massey Government are themselves conferred by the King have been reconferred by the King have been reconferred by the King have been reconsidered with pride by the nation, because in general they have fallen on men whose services to the State and to humanity have richly deserved recognition. It is all the more to be regretted that the suspicion is being widely held that in a few cases the number of State employees. The land legislation of the Government are themselves of great importance. They have of great importance. They have have fallen on a far more satisfactory basis than it was being widely held that in a few cases the fore, and are a safeguard against the dangers which Earl Grey reconstition. It is all the more to be presented with a signed portrait of King George, who is its that, no matter what the ebb may be, the flow of industrial progress will rise higher every time. The pendulum may awing backwards sometimes from sometimes this course has not been followed.

It would in the circumstances, be rehas practically made the question forward to the time when the two sides from the Government that contribu- These important achievements will tions to party funds will not influence be crowned next session. Mr. be erowned next session, Mr. they are frequently broken by both sides.

Massey anticipates, by the reform The essence of all nemar intercourse in

ndations for the honours of the Legislative Council. The business is the observance of agreements. In all industrial agreements the spirit of the contract should prevail rather than the word, and it would not then be THE SITUATION IN IRELAND. poning the majority of its appoint-THERE can be no doubt that the ately prior to the session may be Home Rule controversy is passing taken as an earnest of its intention through a critical stage, but there is nothing to exclude the hope that a peaceful settlement may yet be arrived at. Efforts have been pions of the nominative system, but made at a compromise, and although Liberals and Unionists, Massey master of the situation. In bosed new cottonfields in the Soudant declaring that the limit of concessions and declaring that the limit of concessions are all supplemented his tale of legisdeclaring that the limit of concession has been reached, considerable weight can be attached to the suggestion in our cable messages that pansion of trade, and general prothe extreme tension now being manithe extreme tension now being manifested in Ireland is due to the susother instance of far-sighted statesdecided that the three millions shall be pense existing over the next move. nanship had he announced that ad-the next move will be awaited in rantage would be taken of the for irrigation works, £1,600,000 for railall parts of the Empire with deep interest and concern. Mr. Asquith has offered to exclude Ulster for six years; Nationalists are declaiming against the concession. Sir Edward has offered to exclude Ulster for six years; Nationalists are declaiming against the concession. Sir Edward Carson has agreed to accept either a referendum or the exclusion of Ulster until Parliament otherwise decides; Ulsterman declare he has gone too far. There is surely room

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| has offered to exclude Ulster for six ying idle because it is shut off from markets, and the progress of the Dominion is to that extent retarded. Under no circumstances can the Dominion afford to keep the fertile generally tracks will be track will be between the White Nile and the Blue Nile, and dams will be constructed across the rivers to secure regular supplies of water. The railway construction and urrigation works will be very extensive, and the engineering schemes will yield a vast amount of employment: for the intention is not colour, and variously estimated the length of the length of the length of the first track will lie between the White Nile and the Blue Nile, and dams will be constructed across the rivers to secure regular supplies of water. The railway construction and urrigation works will be very extensive, and the engineering schemes will yield a vast amount of employment: for the intention is not chiefly over the Gezireh Delta, which has a five million acreage. The nile in track will lie between the White Nile and the Blue Nile, and the Blue Nile, and variously estimated the length of the intention of a mile. Two tands—the Garrison and the Church. Sports concluded the day's proposition of the

NOTES AND COMMENTS. LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

to be erected in the Strand. The gaily of "putting these grave mat-site is a suitable one, and if New ters to the proof," professes to be-RESULTS OF SYNDICALISM. Zealand is to maintain in London a lieve that Ulster is the tool of the home separate from the other Dor Unionist Party. A month ago this THE ruinous results of syndicalism were minions, the Strand offices will be a would have had more force than it strikingly exposed by Mr. D. A. Thomas, great improvement on the accommodation at present provided for the High Commissioner. It may be referendum favoring the Home dation at present provided for the High Commissioner. It may be worth noting, however, that neither the site nor the building is to be owned by New Zealand, and while Earl Grey is still hopeful of the realisation of his ideal of a Dominion House, we need not lose sight of the possibility of an advantageous lease being determined to the mutual satisfaction of lessee and lessor. Meantime, Earl Grey's scheme is not sufficiently forward to permit of any practical overture with a view to placing New Zealand in a position to share in it. Neither Canada nor South Africa has yet given its assent, and without their hearty coshare in it. Neither Canada nor South Africa has yet given its assent, and without their hearty co-operation Dominion House can never be what the patriotic enthusiasm of Earl Grey has pictured it. If their concurrence can be secured it is hardly likely that New Zealand will stand in the way of the realisation of a great Imperial ideal unless a Rule if Nationalists are prepared of a great Imperial ideal unless a
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to accept less than they demand or
operating with the other Dominions.

There is some danger that New Zeaof a referendum.

Modify their opposition to Home
take them another ten years to recoup
their loss by the increase they had obtained under the Minimum Wage Act.
He claimed as an economic proposition
that he, individually—and the same might be said of any large colliery owner-had done more to improve the material condi-tion of, and to provide means of subsist-ence for, the wives and families of the workmen in South Wales than all the iners' leaders together had done or were

INCREASED GOLD RESERVES. The chairman of the Union of London expressed six months ago, that, with a

THE KING'S LABOURERS. The King has more than anticipated the proposals of Mr. Lloyd George by establishing a minimum wage, a Saturday Colonial Sugar Company, and on o half-holiday, security of tenure in their the basket the child's body was

higher every time. The pendulum may swing backwards sometimes from some law of nature but it will swing higher in the opposite direction next time. I attribute as one of the results of industrial progress in Australia the present industrial unrest. I am a real democrat, both from heart and conviction, and I look forward to the time when the two sides will more thoroughly understand one another. It is to be regretted that where industrial agreements are entered into they are frequently broken by both sides. The essence of ail naraer intercourse in business is the observance of agreements. In all industrial agreements the spirit of the contract should prevail rather than the word, and it would not then be necessary to employ an army of legal men.

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which pointed to its having been strangled. The statements of Alexander Rollo (ship-

which is being displayed by the Govern-ment in producing the timber you will re-quire in annually increasing quantities."

The Waterside Workers' Industrial Union decided at a meeting held on Satur-day night to adopt a system of co-opera-

only because the fashion is towards high while has been outgrown by the requirements of the district. On stock sale days the fashion tend towards the open shirt. It is essential that all our new settlers road traffic when each train approaches

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necessary to employ an army of legal men to interpret them. I do hope that on both An event which attracted considerable tractiveness of the march past, which occu- the Civil servants is paid. nied over a quarter of an hour. Interested spectators lined the streets on each side, and variously estimated the length of the several accidents during the past week.

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Open St. There is surely room in New Zealand. There are, it must be admitted, difficulties in the situation is regarded without growing abundant crops of high class cotton of the policy which perpetuates this scheme will yield a vast amount of employment; for the intention is not only to flashed across the northern sky shortly given in New Zealand. There are, it must be admitted, difficulties in the way of the adoption of the situation is regarded without growing abundant crops of high class cotton of the particular quality required by Home manufacturers.

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A somewhat unusual experience was reorted by those on board the steamer Clan latheson, while on the voyage from Bunbury to Auckland, last week. The vessel was steaming in fine weather on Sunday night. March 14, but when about 150 miles over 560 bags of European, foreign, and Australian mail matter. The Southern Australian mail matter. The Southern portion of the mail was despatched by the Main Trunk express last night, while the Auckland portion will be delivered in the city and suburbs this morning. The Ulimaroa is due at Wellington from Sydney on Wednesday morning with Australian mails, the Auckland portion of which should arrive on Thursday morning. The seas were what are which should arrive on Thursday morning manner. The seas were what are termed "three-cornered," and the Clan ing. Mails from Europe, America, and Canada are due to reach Wellington by the Moana from San Francisco on Thursday morning.

termed "three-cornered," and the Clan Matheson shipped great quantities of water, the decks being frequently flooded The vessel continued to labour in the troubled waters for an hour and a-half, and at 10.3 p.m. she steamed clear of the tionships existing between two sections of waterside workers," was how Mr. F. V. Frazer, S.M., described a case submitted consider that the phenomenon was no

named William Lewis was charged with at sea.

having assaulted Arthur Edward Lang, an The officers of the Auckland military employee of the Harbour Board. It appeared that Lang, who is caretaker of the Waterside Workers' Union room on the Waterside Workers' Union room on the wharf, had occasion on March 19 to-grder Lewis out of the room, the latter not being a member of the union, and complainant's instructions being that none but members were to be allowed to use the room. As the man hesitated about going, though he had been previously warned in regard to the matter, complainant, in his own words, "assisted him gently" out of the room. About half an hour later Lang was leaning out of the bathroom window upstairs will be brought to a conclusion on Thurswill be brought to a conclusion on Thurs-

when he saw Lewis pick up a stone—the missile produced was somewhat bigger than a large-sized duck egg—and hurl it with all his force through the open window. Had not complainant dodged the stone, which was unmistakably meant for him, it would, he said, have split his head open. Lewis immediately afterwards disappeared into the crowd in Queen Street. Questioned by the accused, Lang denied threatening to throw Lewis downstairs. The accused said it was because the right to acquire such a charming contract to the right to acquire such a charming contract the most beautiful in the whole of New Zealand, "emphatically asserted the Mayor, Mr. C. J. Parr, at the St. George's Rowing Club's "At Home" at Judge's Bay on Saturday afternoon. Mr. Parr referred more particularly to the Gillies' Estate, which adjoins the beach, and for this reason he considered it would be a most regrettable occurrence should the city be forbidden the right to acquire such a charming contract. the right to acquire such a charming seaside property for public purposes. great number of people, he said, who had never visited the place, did not realise its waterside workers, because of the fact the club itself was evident, as the beach would be fenced off from the estate, and the club's freedom greatly restricted. Re-plying on behalf of the club, Mr. C. E. Tewsley thanked the Mayor for the lively fare of the club, and further referred to the excellent work he was doing for Par-

surrounding the tragic fate of a newly-born baby girl, whose body was found in the harbour on Friday, under circumstances Auckland Harbour Board has been given by Mr. J. S. Bond :-"That a return be furnished to the The statements of Alexander Rollo (ship-ping supervisor to the Colonial Sugar Company) confirmed the accounts already given of the discovery. Mr. Rollo had his attention drawn to a dress-basket float-ing in the water, near a lighter of the Colonial Sugar Company, and on opening (separately) using the said wharves, and the rate per cent, such revenue bears to

the prison camp, six miles from Rotorus, and was delighted to see the humane and progressive character of the prison administration. "In both your forest work and your prisons," he concluded, "you are setting a good example to other parts operative system would be conducted on the Empire" operative system would be conducted on lines similar to those followed by the The present combined road and railway bridge over the Waikato River at Ngaruawahia has been outgrown by the

chance of giving the world an example of An event which attracted considerable attention was Saturday's procession of Roman Catholic school children through Auckland's main thoroughfares, in the course of the deferred celebrations of St. Patrick's Day. Ove 2000 children are estimated to have taken part, there being contingents from each of the following schools:—Onehunga Boys and Girls, The Sacred Heart School (Vermont Street), Surrey Hills (St. Joseph's), St. Patrick's Convent. St. Joseph's Orphanese (Take increase of profits would enable them to Convent, St. Joseph's Orphanage (Takapuna), Ellerslie, Parnell, Otahuhu, Panmure, and Howick. Gaily-decorated banthe best men to the land. Of course, it variations in the colour scheme—green alternating with scarlet favours in the head.

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Zealand depends. Their profits are the dress and white frocks of the girls and the only permanent source from which the smart suits of the boys-added to the at- remuneration of the town artisan and all