THE CRITIC.

Lord Tennyson has started on a cruise in Lord Brassey's yacht Sunbeam.

It is stated that the Earl of Zetland has been offered the viceroyship of Ireland.

The strike of 160,000 men in Germany is probably the greatest strike on record. Mr. Parnell will visit Edinburgh on July 1, when he will receive the

freedom of the city. A conservative Irish lady near Dublin who died recently, bequeathed

£2,000 to Mr. Parnell.

Lord Dunraven's yacht Valkyrie was beaten by the yachts Irex and Yarana in a race last Tuesday.

John Bright's will contained no public bequests. His estate, valued at \$430,920, is all bequeathed to his children.

The executive council of the Swiss Confederation at Berne has promulgated an order forbidding exhibitions of hypnotism.

In the elections for senators in the Aisne and Doubs department on the 27th inst. not a single vote was cast for Boulanger.

The Courts at Sydney, N. S. W, have decided that no Sunday newspaper can sue for advertisements, the contract being illegal.

The British man-of war Surprise which rau ashore at Syracuse after colliding with and stnking the steamer Nesta, has floated off.

A great hurricane has swept a considerable extent of the coast of Australia with much damage and the loss of a number of lives.

An epidemic of yellow fever in Versailles is supposed to have arisen from germs in ported from South America in the plumage of parrots.

In consequence of the extensive orders sent abroad since the strike in mining regions, the German coal markets are overstocked and prices are depressed.

More than a third of the Board schoolmistresses in London get salaries of over \$1,000 a year, and there are altogether about 1,000 in the metropolis and the provinces together who receive \$650 or upwards.

Mrs. Maybrick, niece of Jefferson Davis, has been arrested at Liverpool on a charge of poisoning her husband. Arsenic has been found in the beef tea which she prepared for her husband, also in a bottle in an ante-room.

3,000 masons of Berlin are on a strike for nine hours a day, with an hour for dinner and half an hour each for breakfast and supper out of it, and discontinuance of labor an hour earlier on Saturday, with the same rate of pay as at present.

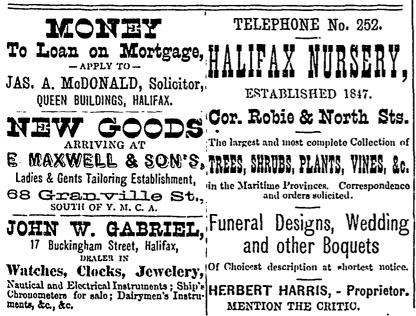
The persons taken into custody by the police at the raid on the Adelphia Club have been arraigned for trial. The proprietor was convicted of keeping a gambling resort and fined  $\$_{2,002}$ . The secretary of the club was fined \$1,000. The players were discharged.

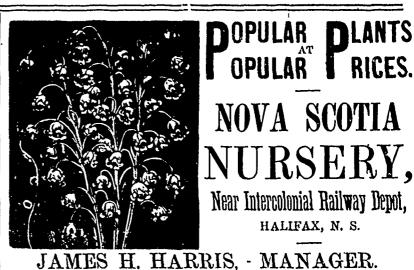
Mrs Gladstone was on the 24th inst presented by the Women's Liberal Federation with a diamond brooch containing a miniature of Mr. Gladstone copied from Millais' portrait. Mr. Parnell and a large number of members of the House of Commons were present.

It is announced that Admiral Sir John E Commercell will be in com-mand at the great naval review to be held at Spithead in July, during the visit to England of the Emperor William. Halifax will always feel an interest in the genial admiral who took so strong an interest in the city.

Yokohama papers give an account of the severe punishment of two Japanese journalists who published, with a sketch of the new liberal constitution, a picture of a skeleton on the Emperor's throne. One was sentenced to three years imprisonment and fined, while the other received one year in prison and was fined.

Queen Victoria is said to be by no means pleased at the prospect of having to defray all the expenses of the Shah's visit to London, which will amount to at least \$125,000. The Sbah, who will be accompanied by sixtyfive persons, will occupy the Belgian rooms at Buchingham palace. He intends to stay a month.





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