

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The meetings in favor of the workmen on strike in Great Britain have neither been as frequent or well attended as their promoters desired. The Republican League desire to show sympathy with those men who are honestly seeking a fair remuneration and a fair period for their labor, but the advances of these disturbers of the public peace were quietly declined on the plea that the working man had nothing to do with the politicians, so that the great Trafalgar Square scheme has proved an abortion. The foreign artisans and workmen imported to take the place of the strikers, are leaving the country with the satisfaction that the masters attempted to cheat them. Now, as those latter are the great supports of the Whig-Radicals, those friends of the people, *par excellence*, it displays a curious crook in human nature that they should seek to cheat the dearly loved and much abused British workmen. It is patent to all that chose to think on the matter that the true remedy for restoring the balance between capital and labor is to increase the demand for either, and for this emigration is the only remedy.

Mobocracy appears to be the latest craze of the English people, and it is encouraged by their weather-cock Gladstone; the old proverb says that the individual units eat a peck of dirt during a lifetime, but the English seem to be insatiable and are determined to swallow bushelsfull. The theory that the more ignorant and brutal a man may be the greater is the reason he should take a part in the government of the country, is that put in fact before the people of England with the confidence of a well-established axiom, so that it is quite possible that Mr. W. E. Gladstone may have Mr. Odger, the eloquent cobbler, as a colleague in the government of Great Britain or such portions thereof as may survive the shock; the capacity of the former is known, he is the exact copy of his illustrious prototype, Newcastle, "that ape in politics," and ten times more mischievous. Odger belongs to the Republican League, and his ability to rule may be known by the following programme of the party:

"The London Republicans have issued a programme in which they state their objects to be:—1. Application of the Federation principle to all Republican States. 2. Abolition of aristocratic titles and privileges. 3. Suppression of all monopolies. 4. Abolition of standing armies. 5. Compulsory gratuitous secular and industrial education. 6. Obligation of the State to provide suitable employment for all citizens able to work, and sustenance for the incapacitated. None to live upon the labour of others. 7. Nationalization of land. 8. Direct legislation of the people." Among the means to carry out the principles, including the unity of Republicans, establishment of Republican Clubs, and diffusion of Republican princi-

ples, is the following:—"The establishment of a high court of Republican equity, under the name of the Republican Areopagus, which shall judge all violations of the laws of humanity and the rights of man committed by crowned heads, statesmen, Parliaments, Law Courts, &c."

That intelligent class whose characteristics are defined as "petting their bull dogs and walloping their wives," are to be henceforth the arbiters of civilization, for such are the aspirations of *mobocracy* in England.

The Russian fleet escorting the Grand Dukes were in English waters on the 19th instant.

The journals speak of the manoeuvres at Aldershot as being nearly perfect, but it was an army manoeuvring without provision trains. The Calico Field Marshal Cardwell has probably found out the secret of making British soldiers live on air, and Sir H. Storks has brought Control to such perfection that transport has ceased to be a necessity.

A court martial has been formed to try the officers of the *Racer* for allowing her to go ashore at Cowes.

The *Morning Advertiser* blames the Americans for the war in Corea and says England will not interfere because she was not consulted. It is hard to condemn any power dealing with Asiatics for using the only logic understood by them, and that is force, so the Yankees are to be blamed on the sole ground that they did not use enough of it. Consulting England on the question was not necessary and the whole view of the affair as shown by the *Advertiser* is in the interest of the peace at any price party.

Every advice from France describes the condition of the country as dangerous, the political elements especially are in a state of confusion that portends no good, and as soon as the Germans relieve the people of the pressure of their presence, we may look for exciting times. Rochefort has been put on his trial before the court martial and it is to be hoped that Tribunal will deal sharply and decisively with the scoundrel.

The National Guards of the Departments of the Rhine and Loire have been disarmed. The military defences of the country includes the fortification of Champagne and the erection of a quadrilateral of detached forts around Mezières and Charleville.

Asiatic cholera appears to be on the increase in Prussia.

General Von Moltke has been created a marshal of the empire.

The Crown Prince and Princess have returned to Wilhelmshoe.

The army is to be reduced to 400,000 effective men.

The occupation of Rome by the Italian troops was celebrated on the 20th September amid great enthusiasm.

Our neighbors are still mainly exercised over the New York scandals, and they are of such magnitude as to make any sane person

ponder as to where all this will end; a populous and wealthy city, having amongst its upper classes some of the most learned and intelligent men in the world, is allowed to drift into the hands of a few vulgar conspirators who control its nominally democratic municipal government, and by the robbery of its people control the democratic legislature of its state, set all law at defiance and at their own will tax the community for their own profit. There is no redress, the mob is on the side of the robbers, and the intelligent republicans of the State of New York can exclaim like the Israelites of old "these be thy Gods; O Yankoes!" New York would be the Paradise of Karl Marx and Odger, because there alone property means plunder and the principle is acted on. With such an example it is no wonder that the people of Canada shrink from pollution. We are just democratic enough to respect worth and leave the field open to every man, but aristocratic enough to put down with the strong hand "the mobocracy." The evils of the States began in rebellion and republicanism and will end in anarchy.

Our autumnal campaign is just now the most prominent of topics. We have troops in camp at Prescott, Kingston and Sarnia, with the usual results of full musters whenever required.

A conference on the great question of the day, Emigration, is in progress between the Dominion Government and the representatives of the Provincial Executives, including our new Province of British Columbia. Canadian affairs prosper in every direction and under every aspect.

The United States Government has for some time past been engaged in dredging out the channel of the Upper Mississippi, and recent reports from that region state that large boats will hereafter be able to pass up from Dubuque to St. Paul, Minnesota. The channel has been scraped out to the depth of four feet over all the troublesome sand bars, and large and dangerous snags have been removed. At Red Rock Bar, however, the channel takes an abrupt turn and sets abruptly across the river, and the difficulty in navigation consists in turning the long boats without striking the points of the bars above and below. These obstacles, it is said, cannot be removed by means of the dredge-boats.

Her Majesty's ship *Galatea*, Captain His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, was paid off alongside Devonport Dockyard yesterday morning 2nd June, her captain being present at the pay table. When this important part of the business of the day was completed, a procession was formed, headed by the elephant which was given to His Royal Highness in India, and, accompanied by the band of the ship, the crew walked through the principal streets of the town to the Mechanics' Institute, where, at the expense of the Prince, the whole of the men, about 450 in number, were provided with dinner. The streets through which the procession passed were lined with people, who accorded the Duke and his gallant crew a hearty farewell greeting.—*Broad Arrow*.