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TOPICS OF TO-DAY.

The best advice which the Detroit Free Press can give to those who are fretting at the prospect of an iceless summer is to keep cool. It is easier to do this now than it may be a few months hence.

The record of salmon catching in English waters the past season shows a falling off in size and number from previous years. There were many catches, however, of fish weighing from 10 to 60 pounds.

The English Government is transporting young trees by the wholesale from Scotland to the Isle of Man, where Grebla Mountain is being thickly planted with them as an experiment with practical forestry on a large scale.

Tea or coffee made hot (not at all scorching) before the water is added, is much stronger and more fragrant. By putting three or four teaspoonsful of tea in a pot and setting it in a warm place before using, it will be as strong as if made with five or six spoonfuls without the warming and be much more fragrant.

Mr. Herbert Spencer, the British philosopher, lives all the year round in boarding-houses. Sometimes the clatter and chatter grows unbearable, but the philosopher rises to the occasion. He has two little systems designed by an artist and made exactly to fit his ears. When the noise grows too great he thrusts them in. No sound can pass those barriers.

A new crime has developed at Manchester, England. It is called "cutting," and consists in a party of young men and girls lying in wait for notorious fellow workmen or for "scabs," and hustling, beating and kicking them upon the public streets. It has got so common that the magistrates have inflicted severe sentences upon several girls and young men, for the purpose of breaking it up.

The clerk of a Edinburgh court has just been sentenced to imprisonment for abstracting from the records of the court papers relating to a famous case of a century or so ago and peddling them out among antiquarians and curiosity dealers. It has been discovered that many other documents of the same sort are missing, and it is supposed that this peddling of theft has been extensively practiced by other court clerks.

The police of Grenoble, France, have a mystery on hand in the case of a glove-maker named Lynnet, a woman named Juliette Gabet, whose house he lived, and another woman, Madame Raymond, a friend of Gabet's, all three having been found dead with bullets through their brains and a revolver tightly clenched in Gabet's hand. It is supposed that the two women were first killed by the man, who then committed suicide, and that the whole three were murdered by theft.

The theater for the performance of the Oberammergau Passion Play this summer is now almost ready, and rehearsals have begun. Josef Mer again takes the part of Christ. A few days ago a wooden cross, some 40 feet high, which has long been a conspicuous object on the summit of the Kofel—a hill which overshadows Oberammergau—was blown down during a violent storm. The catastrophe is held by many of the villagers to be a sign of the approaching performance of the Passion Play will be the last.

Mr. Henry Russell, the well-known composer of "Cheer, boys, cheer," was walking through Ipswich, England, a short time ago, when he saw the following announcement placarded upon the entrance of the Town Hall: "Lecture on the late Henry Russell." Much interested, he walked in, took a seat, and quietly listened as the eloquent lecturer, whom he had never seen before in his life, proceeded to deliver his lecture. "I can scarcely describe my feelings as I stood by that open grave, and watched the coffin that contained all that was mortal of my dear old friend, lifted to the yawning gulf beneath. Eyes were quite lost to sight, I dropped my humble tribute to a simple wreath, the last testimony of my affection for the composer of 'Woodman, Spare That Tree,' and of many other songs we know and love so well." At this point Mr. Russell, convulsed with laughter, darted from the hall, leaving behind him an irate lecturer and a scandalized audience.

A new sort of women's exchange recently established in New York is an exchange not of women's handiwork, but of her services. It is called the New York Ladies' Guide and is a bureau where a lady is modeled after a similar institution in successful operation in London. The bureau provides lady guides and chaperons to all places of interest throughout the city, on shopping expeditions, to entertainments—anywhere that a stranger, a young, or an elderly lady may not wish to go alone. In addition competent persons are sent out on request to read during an afternoon to an invalid, or to stay with the baby that the over-anxious mother will not or cannot leave with a servant. Skilled nurses for the sick are supplied. Experts are provided to superintend or advise the decorating of interiors, and to select pictures, musical instruments, or books for libraries. Servants are trained, and marketing and every need of the household, indeed, temporary or permanent, supplied. It is expected that the bureau will be able to provide work for many cultivated women desirous of self-support for which they are well adapted, and in which their gentility will be an excellent guarantee of success.

La Grippe headaches instantly cured by Hoffman's Harmless Headache Powders. Sure and safe, don't affect the heart.

Rosamond cures chapped hands, salt rheum, frost bites, indigestion after shaving. Large bottles, 25c. Sold at Barker's drug store.

Why will you allow a cough to lacerate your throat or lungs and run the risk of filling a consumptive grave, when, by the timely use of Bickel's Anti-Consumptive Syrup the pain can be allayed and the danger avoided? This Syrup is pleasant to the taste, and unsurpassed for relieving, healing and curing all affections of the throat and lungs, coughs, colds, bronchitis, etc.

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## FAIRY-FOOTED EMIGRANTS.

Barnum Bringing 500 Ballet Girls Across "the Briny."

The Bank of England's Discount Rate Reduced.

Sara Bernhard to Assume a Religious Role—Biographical Sketch of Mr. Biggar.

A Theater Burned. AMSTERDAM, Feb. 20.—The Communal Theater was burned last night with a valuable library.

Rate of Discount Reduced. LONDON, Feb. 20.—The Bank of England has reduced its rate of discount from 6 per cent. to 5 per cent.

Allopp vs. Standard. (Via Dalziel's News Agency.)

LONDON, Feb. 20.—The directors of the Allopp's Brewery Company (limited) have sued the Standard for libel on account of a misstatement published about their business.

The French Budget.

PARIS, Feb. 20.—Le Matin says M. Rouvier, Minister of Finance, will ask the Chamber of Deputies for a vote of 700,000,000 francs for the purpose of bringing about a balance in the budget.

A French Colliery Disaster.

PARIS, Feb. 20.—An explosion occurred in a colliery near Decize, Department of Nièvre, France, Tuesday night. It is not known how many lives were lost, but 34 bodies have been recovered.

Cretan Councillors Punished.

CANICA, Crete, Feb. 20.—Three members of the Cretan Council have been sentenced to seven years' imprisonment each for resigning their posts under threats made by the Cretan Commissioner at Athens.

Disaster to a Steamer.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—The steamer Highgate collided with the ship Sovereign in a fog off Lundy Island, yesterday, and sank. Thirteen persons from the steamer have landed at Milford Haven. A boat containing six others is missing.

Bernhardt in a New Role.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—The Chronicle's Paris correspondent reports that Harcourt's poetical drama, "Le Mystere," will be performed on Easter Sunday. Sarah Bernhardt will play the Virgin Mary and Garner will play the part of Christ.

The Irish Land Question.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—The new Land Purchase Bill will not be limited to £100,000,000. It will provide for combining the Landed Estates Court and the Land Commission into a single great tribunal for the settlement of all disputes, and will simplify and cheapen the transfer of land.

On Board the Teutonic.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 20.—The steamship Teutonic took yesterday 1,100 passengers, of whom 250 were in the saloon. Among the latter was Lord Morpeth, eldest son of the Earl of Carlisle, who is going to make a tour of the United States; Howard Potter and family, and Duncan McIntyre, of Montreal.

Missionaries for the Dark Continent.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—The English missionaries in South Africa are vastly outnumbered by the American, who are much better organized. Fifty curates of small parishes in Scotland and Wales have been ordered to sail from Southampton next week for the Dark Continent. The Irish Roman Catholic Church also intends to send a contingent to Nyasaland.

Portugal in a Ferment.

(Via Dalziel's News Agency.) LONDON, Feb. 20.—All news which reaches here from Lisbon gives indication of a highly disturbed state of affairs in Portugal. Among many rumors is one that the British ambassador to Portugal has declared that if the Marquis of Salisbury does not concede the justice of Portugal's claims revolution would be imminent at Lisbon.

Barnum's Farewell to London.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—Barnum gave a farewell luncheon to the members of the press on board the Furnessia. The octogenarian showman was in great form, with a long roll of funny stories and reminiscences to amuse his guests. Bailey and Peasey sail to-day on the Trave, while the remainder of the show, including 500 ballet girls, will cross the ocean in the Ethiopia and Furnessia. Barnum remains in London for ten days.

Sunday Amusements of Royalty.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—D. H. Harris, the owner of the performing collocation that has been entertaining the visitors at Barnum's, was invited to Marlborough House last Sunday with his dog, where the animal performed all his tricks in the presence of the Prince and Princess of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of Fife and a number of other equally exalted. The Princess was most extravagant in her admiration of the dog, patting and kissing it repeatedly, while the Prince showed Harris about the house. The dog ate a hearty meal of sweetbread and the Duchess of Fife fed it with candy. The Princess jokingly suggested that the Prince purchase the dog, to which Harris quickly responded, "I should be most happy to present the animal to your Highness, but it would be parting with my dearest and truest friend."

Bulgaria's Debt to Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 20.—Russia has demanded of Bulgaria 3,000,000 roubles, less the arrears of money due on account of the Russian occupation of 1878 and 1879. The demand is in part related to the constitution under one government of Bulgaria and Eastern Roumania. By the Treaty of Berlin it was provided that Russia, whose armies had conquered for these countries their freedom from the Ottoman dominion, should maintain military occupation of Eastern Roumania for nine months. The object of this was to guarantee the tranquility of the country. The expense of maintaining the troops was to be assessed upon the province. Russia has never pressed the debt, but demands the money now apparently under a sense of irritation.

Ireland's Loss.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—By the death of Mr. Biggar the home rule cause loses one of its stoutest fighters. He was prominently identified with the movement at its inception, and labored with Isaac Butt until that

leader's death in 1879, although always advocating a more vigorous policy than Mr. Butt approved. When Parnell was chosen one of his most active lieutenants, and by his efforts in Parliament and out contributed much valuable aid to the cause. He was a keen fighter, and always a source of much tribulation to the Government side. Joseph Gillis Biggar was born in Belfast in 1828, and educated at the Belfast Academy. His school days over, he entered the store of his father, a provision merchant, ultimately succeeding to his business. He had a strong liking for politics, and became a member of the Belfast Town Council, though not until he had been badly defeated in one election. In 1874 he was elected to Parliament from county Cavan, and was still representing that constituency at his death. He retired from business in 1880, from that time giving his entire attention to the home rule cause.

Socialistic Activity in Germany. BERLIN, Feb. 20.—Excitement is running high in the electoral campaign, especially as regards the Socialists, who have apparently converted riotous demonstrations all over the Empire to such an extent as to call for the intervention of the military powers. In Saxony, Alsen, Silesia and Prussia the Socialists have been posted on the walls and torn down by the police. At Schneidemühl a man caught in the act of posting every class in order to collect data. It is unlikely that Russia or the United States will be invited to the conference.

Attempt to throw the Paris and Cologne express train off the track was made near Chartres. Two heavy boards were used to block the rails.

Emperor William, it is said, has studied the labor question for eighteen months. When he was convinced European peace was assured he began to collect data. It is unlikely that Russia or the United States will be invited to the conference.

Port Huron, Mich., Feb. 20.—Joe Haggan, the slayer of Anton Schilling, in the assault on the turnkey in the jail here, was run down and arrested Tuesday night at Watford. On his way to the jail, he had the bad luck to fall at Watford.

Not the Man.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—J. B. Kelly, arrested in St. Louis, charged with complicity in the Cronin tragedy, arrived here last night. Mrs. Cronin and Frank Scanlan, who saw the man who was charged with the crime, drove away the night of May 4, both failed to identify Kelly as the driver of the white horse. Scanlan was positive Kelly was not the man.

Four Miners Instantly Killed.

ASPEN, Col., Feb. 20.—Last night while Martin and Hugh Brainerd, brothers, were working in the mine, the mine was struck by a gas explosion, and the four miners were instantly killed. About the same time James Lyons, a miner who was in the mine, was killed by a rock falling 400 feet, and striking him on the head.

Two Murderers Hanged.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 20.—Jacob Schoep, the slayer of Anton Schilling, and Thomas Cole, the murderer of Walter McAllister, were hanged together in Moyamensing Prison at 10:04 o'clock this morning. The hanging took place in the corridor where the cells of the condemned murderers are located, and where both men had listened to the clatter of the gallows' drop when Mrs. Whiting was hanged June 25. Both men manifested courage, and their last words were an air of religious devotion for several weeks past.

Suicide at Sea.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 20.—Mrs. Ida Walker, the wife of the late John Walker, a British Prince, which arrived in port from Liverpool yesterday, committed suicide on Feb. 11 by taking an overdose of laudanum, and was buried at sea the following day. She was the wife of a well-known English bicyclist, and was 25 years old. Mrs. Walker suffered greatly from sea sickness. From what could be learned among the passengers, the suicide appears to have been premeditated, and is said to have been caused by domestic troubles.

Convicted of Murder in the First Degree.

MARQUETTE, Mich., Feb. 20.—John McDonald was convicted in the Circuit Court yesterday of the murder of Mollie Beveridge, and sentenced at once to imprisonment for life in the Branch State Prison. The jury was out but 40 minutes. Prosecuting Attorney Hais demolished the theory of semannihilism set up by the defense. McDonald remained unmoved when sentence was passed and only said, "I am not guilty." He makes the second life convict sent to the new prison, Holzhay being the first. A motion for a new trial was made.

Sensational Story Spoiled.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Ex-President Cleveland was asked yesterday what he had to say regarding Governor Ferafer's statement that in 1887 the War Department had asked him to send troops to be sent into Canada. "This is the first I ever heard of such a statement," he said, "nor do I see anything of particular moment in the matter. If the War Department made any such request it has escaped my memory. It may have been done as a mere routine matter. Certainly if there was a speak of war on the horizon in 1887 I would have known it and would remember it."

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

## CURRENT CONDENSATIONS.

CANADIAN.

The printers employed on the St. Catharines Journal are on the strike.

Malignant diphtheria is epidemic at Wellington, Ohio, and the public schools have been closed.

The Duke Connaught and his party will leave Yokohama by the Abyssinia for Victoria, B.C., on May 8.

A meeting of Ottawa citizens voted to establish a training institute for nurses. The building will cost \$20,000.

The Railway Committee of Hamilton City Council recommended a bonus of \$275,000 to the T. H. and B. Railway.

An association for the preservation of places of historical interest or beauty throughout Ontario was organized in Toronto on Wednesday.

A dispatch from Port Huron, Mich., says: About 25 carloads of ice from Orillia, Ont., pass through the city daily, mostly going to Cincinnati.

James Wansel, of Sarnia, who was arrested at Bradford for the non-support of his wife, has been fined \$50 and costs—in all over \$80—or six months in jail.

Mr. B. E. Walker, general manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce of Toronto, has subscribed \$1,000 to the fund to restore the library in the University of Toronto.

Mrs. Margaret Pazis, wife of Alex. Pazis, living in a miserable cottage on Walnut street, Hamilton, was found dead Tuesday morning.

A joint stock company has been formed for the erection of a new roller mill in Hagersville. The parties interested are farmers of Walpole and Oneida, and stock to the amount of about \$11,000 has been subscribed.

Edward Hall, a Hamilton hospital patient suffering from typhoid fever, escaped from the ward Tuesday, ran out on the balcony and jumped out on the hard-frozen ground. The patient became unconscious. No bones were broken, but it is feared the shock will have a serious effect upon him.

AMERICAN.

The Detroit Tunnel Company is prepared to proceed at once with the tunnel under the Detroit River.

The American Seed Oil Company has filed articles increasing its capital stock from \$20,000,000 to \$30,000,000.

It is reported that Armour & Co., of Chicago, have invested \$80,000 in land on the salt mining district at York, N. Y. To sink a shaft and establish a plant of this kind will cost \$1,000,000.

The manufacturers of land in their testimony in Washington admitted that the land exported is compounded and not genuine land, but they claim that it is of pure material, and that they now label it as compounded.

St. John's Roman Catholic Church, Greenbush, N. Y., was burned to-day (Thursday). All the vestments were destroyed. An addition costing \$35,000 was completed Wednesday night. Damage \$75,000; insured for \$42,500.

A terrible explosion of dynamite cartridges occurred at Wm. Taylor's house, Birmingham, Ala., on Wednesday. The house was wrecked and the furniture destroyed. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor and two children were seriously injured. A boarder placed the cartridges in a stove to dry. The boarder fled.

"A BAD DREAM."

Scant Prospect of the Panama Canal Being Finished by French Enterprise.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Mr. Germain, Cousin and Lagout and Dr. Chalemet, French engineers, have arrived here from Panama en route to the district of Muscoka, Mr. French enterprise.

Mr. Germain, who is called the president of the Commission, was reserved about talking about their report. "How can I tell about our opinion," he explained, "when it interests all France? If I stated that I were to make a statement, it would be a statement of the shares of the canal before we reached France."

The young engineers were not so polite as their chief. While they did not say positively that the report would be unfavorable, their declarations were equivalent to that.

Lagout said: "The Panama Canal is but a dream. A bunch of money has been wasted that I don't believe the scheme will ever be revived."

Cousin said: "If the canal is finished I am to be hanged, and I don't think I don't think I will ever see the canal again."

Killed by Lightning.

TAMPA, Ill., Feb. 20.—Mrs. Ezzell, wife of Milton Ezzell, a well-known Democratic politician, was killed here yesterday by lightning.

The Gentiles Rejoice.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Feb. 20.—Police closed here for the season by a grand torchlight parade and fireworks display last night in honor of the Gentile victory. A party of men ascended Esplanade Peak and made bonfires there and burned colored lights.

Twice Hanged.

BELLEFOURTE, Pa., Feb. 20.—Wm. Seeley Hopkins was hanged here this morning for the murder of his wife and mother-in-law. He was hanged in the gallows at 10:15. The rope broke, and the condemned man was again fastened up. The drop fell successfully the second time at 10:18.

Train-Wreckers at Work.

PORT HURON, Mich., Feb. 20.—An unsuccessful attempt was made Sunday night, near Capas, to wreck the Chicago and Grand Trunk passenger train which passes there at 9 o'clock. A number of ties and fence posts were placed upon the track, but were discovered in time to prevent any accident by a west-bound freight train, which removed the obstruction.

Mr. J. R. Allen, upholsterer, Toronto sends us the following: "For six or seven years my wife suffered with Dyspepsia, Constipation, Nervous Headache, and other ailments. We tried two physicians and any number of medicines without getting any relief, until we got a bottle of Northrop's Lyman's Vegetable Discovery. This was the first relief she got, and before one bottle was used the benefit she derived from it was beyond our expectation."

BRECHAM'S PILLS act like magic on a weak stomach.

## THE ONTARIO HOUSE.

Magistrate Spencer Criticized—Mr. Marter's Baseless Charges.

(Special to the ADVERTISER.)

Toronto, Thursday, Feb. 20. Colonel Clarke presided over the Public Accounts Committee this morning. Messrs. Clancy, French and H. E. Clarke stood out in confident hopes of being able to show that certain of the supplies for the Hamilton Asylum were purchased beyond current prices. The first item taken up was coal.

Dr. O'Reilly, on being called, testified to the satisfaction of the committee that the price paid per ton was according to its market value. Then the Opposition came down to minor items, such as cottons and tea. They raised an objection to the purchase from Murray & Co. on the ground that the firm were not in the wholesale trade. It was shown, however, that the Murray Company lay direct from the mills and are in the wholesale trade. The prices proved this, and then the Opposition closed their criticism by objecting to the purchase of tea from the same source.

This was the unkindest cut of all, and when it was explained that tea at 37 cents a pound was given to old people by way of a humane treatment, the Opposition prevailed. The Opposition are evidently not more successful in dealing with small matters than they are in attacking such a gigantic reality as the surplus. The committee will again meet on Tuesday.

At a meeting of the Library Committee, the Toronto University has offered the use of 300 volumes of duplicates, now in the library. The terms on which the books will be lent have not yet been decided.

The Private Bills Committee held a short session and advanced a number of bills, none of which are of much general public interest.

A deputation of Loyalists are here waiting to have an interview with the Government to urge that the old flag which braved battle and the breeze shall wave over all the schools on public and national holidays.

Toronto, Wednesday, Feb. 19. The House to-day put in a good deal of work and sat until 6 o'clock. The bill to consolidate the debt of the county of Middlesex—Mr. Ross (Middlesex)—was read the first time.

Mr. Marter moved again for a return as to the dues on pine trees.

Mr. Meredith also asked for information in connection with the same matter. He particularly desired to know if there was any order-in-Council reserving to the settler under the patent any number of feet.

Hon. Mr. Hardy said there was no such order-in-Council. The late Mr. Pardee had given instructions for the inspection of these lands when settlers were given these patents, and that was not more than 40,000 feet of timber it should be reserved for the benefit of the settler. It proved, however, that the settler, as soon as he got lumber from the crown, limit it had been withdrawn. Under these circumstances he had canceled the order for inspection and now paid them 25 cents per 1,000 feet for the timber. The honorable Commissioner said he intended proposing an increase from 25c to 35c.

Mrs. A. F. Wood and Mr. Armstrong also spoke in favor of the restrictions now imposed on settlers in respect to this timber being removed. Mr. Phelps said there were a great many bogus settlers. The names of the parties suffering should be given in every case, and no general charge of this kind should be made. The motion was passed.

On moving for a return regarding the appointment of W. H. Spencer as police magistrate of the district of Muskoka, Mr. Marter maintained that there was no necessity for such an official, in view of the fact that there is in the district a Judge of the Peace, and a police magistrate.

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