

## IV.

Sharers of our glorious past,  
 Brothers, must we part at last?  
 Shall we not, through good and ill,  
 Cleave to one another still?  
 Britain's myriad voices call:  
 Sons, be welded, each and all,  
 Into one Imperial whole—  
 One with Britain, heart and soul,  
 One life, one flag, one fleet, one throne!  
 Britons! hold your own!  
 And God guard all.

The last part of the ode, as will be seen, makes significant allusion to the present crisis in British politics. At the conclusion of the ode the Queen pronounced the Exhibition opened, and passed out, the choir singing "Rule Britannia." Her Majesty received another ovation during her departure, and plainly indicated how greatly pleased she was with the enthusiasm which her presence evoked everywhere. The Queen's declaration that the Exhibition was opened was signalled to the public by a great flourish of trumpets in Hyde Park, followed by the firing of a royal salute.

The House of Commons has rejected a motion to abolish capital punishment by a vote of 117 to 52.

TERRIBLE storms and floods have occurred both in Europe and America, especially in Spain and in Ohio, where many buildings have been blown down, and villages swept away in part by floods. Many lives were lost, and the reports are most sad and heartrending.

THE recent storms in Ohio, Kansas, France, England, Germany, Spain and Italy have been unusually destructive. If one of the legion of weather prophets had happened to stumble on a prediction thereof, he would have made a reputation.

A BLOODY riot was led by Anarchists at Chicago and many policemen murdered; but the Anarchists were speedily routed and many slain. Herr Most, the other day, censured his brother Anarchist, August Spies; not for inciting the Chicago riot, but for getting arrested. Said Most: "He ought to have kept himself out of the hands of the authorities, as it is the duty of all leaders of great movements to keep themselves in a position that they can command the force." Herr Most soon afterwards took up a commanding position under a bed, whence the New York police, however, dragged him by the heels.

THE Marquis of Lorne, who, like most other people, knows that one of the principal designs of the resolutions in favor of Home Rule lately passed in certain cities of the United States, and also in Quebec, is to catch the "Irish Vote," has written a letter to the *London Times*, in which he says: "It is possible that over-

much weight is attached to the approval expressed by public bodies in America and Canada of Mr. Gladstone's bills. It is always political for the two political parties in America to enlist Irish sympathy."

THE Americans are fussing about the seizure of their fishing schooner "W. J. Adams," at Digby, N. S., for illicit dealing. But it is their own fault. They refused to renew a treaty on the fisheries, though Canada allowed them a whole year of grace. And now they find that we are not to be abused like the Chinese. They must submit to the old treaty or else get a new one.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway Company have contracted for the erection of a large hotel at Vancouver, B. C., the young town which is destined to be the terminus of the railway. The hotel will accommodate 300 guests. The Company also intend to erect two other hotels, one at the famous sulphur springs at Banff, the other in the Selkirk range. The first sale of the Vancouver town lots took place on Tuesday, and \$75,000 were realized on the first day's sale.

The Company are concentrating all their new rolling stock in Montreal, including their new palace cars, which are admitted to be the finest in the world, for the opening of the route. It is understood that as many members of the two Houses of Parliament as can be spared will be invited to the first trip. The service will be open to the general public the first week in June. The only cause of delay now is the erection of water tanks in the mountains for the locomotives. The annual statement is most favorably received by the street, and confidence in the future of the company is general. Credit is given to the energetic, hardworking vice-president and general manager and his assistant for the speedy termination of the work.

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