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IN A CORNER.

Have a Dull and Dreary moment?
dreary New York office, relieved by irregular and sleet against the sky high, but not sky by the jar and click, writer; relieved by the door banging and disappearing—careless faces, hurried faces, mark upon it of this we are all pursuing, ash at a result.
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await my turn upon the corner of the huge room salesman from one of the houses had pitched on. On the walls were illustrating the latest prints of ladies of a who, if they could sit in the corner of the world of marble lives and would pronounce the lightfully "bad form," gentlemen browsing their canes, curiously friend George Simpson; sleeves that will hide a Forty Thieves, preserve their jars, too; fashion composed of a thought collar that recall the robes exhibited in the for the amusement of us; bicycle suits that a question of woman's polished over old ideas fashion plates, fashion in and looked at them, al thoughts.

ere piled on shelves the ceiling, evidences ch the world spins. It e tell. But why this moment around work? ir the office had I looked up and, lo! of this barren work-ness of color and charm square on the check- little thrill and har- pale blue and soft ons. The office was winds of March had ay doors, and beyond laughed summer and was singing and soar! I stared again. I could e evidences of my two en fenced in the artist mental environment, the screen was a toss



STIC CORNER.
rds, of flower sprays ren sunlit, "Of Japan, wn on this low bitten an. And I have the g at "My own Hngi- from Japan!" Was ng and lifting to her? fragrant breath. No, on the artist's pipe as humming a quaint air as this is how he had

is deftly arranged he gain. It ran up ont by a narrow gilt against this sky back- were two branches of these gave you the May abilities of summer em of the office. And res of roses, and of e, but of all time, and lovers above whom n sat, glaring wish-wn—A Minerva look—the left side of the lit-artist's head was a Remington horse; on a of big white roses.

A tiny pen and ink was tucked in above onced in whose fair had sketched it and arked and coquetted ed like my lady's eyes little door above the as locked. I am won-keeps in the little letters of the lady ntar, who wore the ow looks away from drawing below?

But the little door it may absorb her hot lines from her as little "corner bis-va found. And the can be purchased for want the art and the LUCY CRELAND.

erald gives credit to ally more than any per in America. The ret Sullivan is one of e, and its New York woman, too, Mrs. pper. May every one rald's owners become the earnings of that

QUEEN VICTORIA WELL.

An Unfounded Rumor to the Contrary Which Caused Anxiety in London.

Lillookalani Finds a New Champion—The Press on the C. P. R. Report.

LONDON, April 4.—The city was excited for a short time to-day by alarming reports about the Queen, who were traced to the United States whence they originated with apparently no foundation in fact. The latest official report in regard to Her Majesty was received from Nice last evening. It said: "The Queen, accompanied by Princess Beatrice, drove to Beaulieu along the mountain road leading to the sea. She was accompanied by Lord and Lady Salisbury, and returned to Cimiez by way of Ville Franche. In the evening Her Majesty entertained Sir Edward Malet and others at dinner. Her Majesty was in good health and spirits." Another dispatch from Nice this afternoon says that the Prince of Wales attended the christening of the son of his groom-in-waiting, Sir Francis Knollys, who has been serving as minister in attendance upon the Queen. Lord Ripon will leave here for Nice on Saturday to fulfill a similar function.

No official references are made to the state of the Queen's health unless Her Majesty is ailing, but last evening's dispatch reported her to be in excellent health. A dispatch from Nice at 5:20 o'clock this evening says: "The Queen this forenoon visited the zoological gardens and on her return gave an audience to the Countess of Saxe-Coburg and this evening gave a small dinner party at the Cimiez hotel."

Arnold Morley, postmaster general, spoke in the House of Commons this evening concerning the business relations of the government telegraph lines and the newspapers. He reiterated the statement made by him last month before the Congress of Chambers of Commerce, that the government's annual loss upon press telegrams is £300,000. He was willing to institute an imperial inquiry, he said, if he could get the assurance that the press would abide by the result, and assent to legislative provisions of the kind.

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Joseph Hazzelock, William Labor M.P., has begun a liberal anti-Secretary of State, and ex-Treasurer Rogers, of the publisher of the Hibiscus. The Hibiscus contained charges that he proceeded fraud, theft and imposition in his relations to several labor organizations. Mr. Wilson has brought a similar suit before and has had two London editors in court, but without particular success.

The Standard will say to-morrow: "The Canadian Pacific report is not good reading from any point of view, least of all where the excuses regarding the reserves are given." The writer asks who is answerable for the losses of British investors. There was a sharp rally in Canadian Pacific shares to-day. The Canadian Pacific shareholders advise to hold the meetings in London instead of Montreal. The Pall Mall Gazette describes the fact that nothing new was disclosed at yesterday's meeting.

The Financial News will say to-morrow in leader on the Canadian Pacific report and meeting: "We fear that any facts that justify investors in putting their money into the company with the idea of any immediate return. We shall welcome gladly any signs of returning prosperity, but say-impertinently must see that such signs are present as so faint as to be almost invisible."

The Times' correspondent in Simonsville sends this dispatch under the date of March 31: "Military activity in Japan has not abated. Five transports with infantry and artillery were hurried away yesterday before the arrival of the Chinese. The conditions arranged indicate the desire of China to save Pekin at all costs. Simonsville is filled with police to protect the Chinese envoys."

From Hongkong the Times has this dispatch under to-day's date: "The Chinese are fleeing from South Formosa to the mainland and Hongkong. The Japanese are reported to be marching upon Taiwan. The Chinese army in North Formosa is about 8,000; of this force 5,000 are splendid troops well armed. The remainder are raw recruits, including even many beggars. Fighting is imminent. The foreigners are believed to be safe. Vigorous measures have been taken in Swatow and Canton to resist the invaders. Boats have been placed across the Canton river and torpedoes have been placed in Swatow harbor."

PARIS, April 4.—The European edition of the Herald has this dispatch under to-day's date, from the Herald correspondent in Vienna: "Telegraphic communication with Formosa has been suspended, as the cable is broken. A German warship, present during the operations at the Pescadore, reports that the resistance at Makung was feeble and the artillery was ineffective. The garrison at Tai Wan Foo consists of 30,000 Chinese. Six Chinese warships will remain at the Pescadore."

VENICE, April 4.—The president of the Nobel committee of explosives, announced at the general meeting in Vienna to-day the discovery and successful production of a blasting explosive which is not affected by fire damp and can be used with safety in the most dangerous mines.

MASOVAR, April 4.—Gen. Barattieri, commander of Italian forces in East Africa, occupied Adowa, west of Adigra, without opposition.

The haunts of happiness are varied, but I have more often found her among little children, home friends and country houses than anywhere else.—Sydney Smith.

NO HELP NEEDED.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—There is reason to believe that the British government has given Ambassador Bayard to understand, in response to his representation to the Venezuelan boundary matter, and on his suggestion that it be submitted to arbitration, that it must permit to regard the subject as one in which Great Britain and Venezuela alone are concerned.

Of course, the idea was set out very diplomatically and courteously, so as to avoid giving offence as far as possible, while still making it plain that the United States could not be regarded as having any proper interest in the matter.

There are indications that the British foreign officials are willing to discuss this feature of the case with Mr. Bayard at length, so things may drag along for many months unless a collision occurs between the British and Venezuelan claims in the disputed territory or the new Minnesota syndicate forces negotiations by beginning operations in the large Venezuelan territory.

The apparent efforts of Mr. Bayard's efforts are being watched with intense interest by the diplomatic interests of the South and Central American countries stationed at Washington. One of these representatives, in speaking on the subject, said a majority of the South American republics were unable to meet their obligations. The question confronting these countries is whether the United will stand by them in the creditor nations to collect these debts by force. Meanwhile, the United States, there is in progress among the smaller and weaker republics a movement to make it a matter of their own, so as to make it a matter of their own, so as to our people should any European power attack them.

THE CURRENCY PROBLEM.

LONDON, April 4.—The annual meeting of the bi-metallic league was held yesterday at the Mansion house, the official residence of the lord mayor of London. Sir Joseph Dimdale presided. Among those present were Lord George Hamilton, the Duke of Pite and Sir Donald McFarlane and Charles H. Vincent, members of the House of Commons, and Mr. A. J. Balfour, Conservative leader of the House of Commons, who made a strong speech in favor of the bi-metallic standard. He said that the belief in bi-metallicism is growing, not only in London and elsewhere in Great Britain, but throughout the civilized world. One great objection to the bi-metallic standard is that it is not a soundly based principle. It is seldom now asserted that bi-metallicism is intrinsically impossible. Some persons admit that mono-metallicism is a large portion of the world had depreciated prices and put a bond on imports.

For instance, Great Britain buys from the United States wheat at a price below the world's price. The fact that this is an advantage to the United States, and a disadvantage to the United Kingdom, is not a soundly based principle. However, that has been considered that nobody in the city is so foolish as to suppose the interests of Great Britain are benefited generally by an unlimited fall in prices.

The strongest argument of the mono-metallicists, said Mr. Balfour, is "that bi-metallicism is not a soundly based principle." But bi-metallicists ask, is it well enough? People talk of the excellence of the British system, but they find, although the gold standard obtained in Great Britain, that silver is the currency of Hongkong and the Straits Settlements, while in India debts are paid in something which is neither silver nor gold, but a mixture of the two. The strongest argument of the mono-metallicists, said Mr. Balfour, is "that bi-metallicism is not a soundly based principle." But bi-metallicists ask, is it well enough? People talk of the excellence of the British system, but they find, although the gold standard obtained in Great Britain, that silver is the currency of Hongkong and the Straits Settlements, while in India debts are paid in something which is neither silver nor gold, but a mixture of the two.

The league has decided to raise a monetary fund of £100,000 to be devoted to the propagation of the bi-metallic movement. Fifty thousand pounds has already been privately subscribed.

DENIED BY THE SENATOR.

MONTECAL, April 4.—(Special)—A nice, stylish looking young man calling himself Capt. English, private secretary to Senator Molines, of British Columbia, has been ordered a dash in this city for two weeks while awaiting, as he said, the Senator's arrival from the Pacific Coast to prepare for the opening of parliament on April 18th. He got the Canadian Pacific railway officials into a turmoil over his alleged loss of a portfolio, which he claims contained important political documents belonging to the senator, and enlisted the sympathy of several prominent citizens, whose names he made use of to enter exclusive boarding houses and secure an extensive wardrobe from fashionable tailors. A suspicious party-wired Senator Molines on the subject and received the following reply: "I have no private secretary in Montreal; know no such person as English." The smooth young man is not to be found now.

The history of Greek art begins, as some have fancied general history to begin, in a golden age, but in an age, so to speak, of real gold, the period of those first artists and painters of the previous metal—men who had already discovered the fertility of silver and the ductility of gold, the capacity of both for infinite delicacy of handling, and who enjoyed with complete freshness a sense of beauty and fitness in their work. The heroic age of Greek art is the age of the heroic age of Greek art.

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE.

Operations of the Mining Camps—Several Properties Change Hands at Good Figures.

Battle Could Not Make the Showing of Trail Creek—Trade on Solid Footing.

(Special to the Colonist.)

VANCOUVER, April 4.—The recent arrest and severe punishment of a number of chicken thieves does not seem to have put a stop to hen roost robberies. Mr. Cook had his valuable collection of fowls removed by a party of about six weeks. Mr. Macdonald's Bursary is expected to be sold by the estate of the late Mr. Macdonald, but not to obtain a crown grant for either, and everything is paid up. Two thousand dollars were sent East where it is the highest price yet paid for any mining property in Trail Creek.

The Trail Creek ore is dumped into the hopper when it leaves the Mine without being sacked or sorted. It is then transported to Northport, where direct connection is made from the wagon to the car, or to Trail, where a transfer is made. The ore is then by rail to the smelter. The ore is then by rail to the smelter. The ore is then by rail to the smelter.

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CAPITAL NOTES.

Insolvency Legislation Not Part of the Seasonal Programme—The Newfoundland Negotiations.

The New Canal at the "So" to Be Free—No Change in St. Lawrence Tolls.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, April 4.—The first conference with the Newfoundland delegates took place to-day. On motion of Mr. Bond, Sir Mackenzie Bowell, was elected chairman. It was decided to hold daily sessions. A scheme of union suggested by Chief Justice Winter in 1886 will be utilized as a basis for discussion. The Dominion government have asked the visitors to assume the management of the financial responsibilities of the Newfoundland government, which will be done.

It is stated on good authority that no insolvency bill will be introduced into parliament at the coming session. An order-in-council has been passed making the St. Lawrence free to vessels and their freights until otherwise ordered, the same rates will be imposed on the St. Lawrence canals as last year.

CANADIAN NEWS.

(Special to the Colonist.)

TORONTO, April 4.—E. H. Cook, ex-M.P., is among the converts who have been gathered in by Crossley and Hunter, now holding revival meetings here.

QUEBEC, April 4.—A disease which perplexes physicians has broken out at Herbyville, Lake St. John, and has become epidemic. A large number of deaths have occurred within a short time.

MONTECAL, April 4.—Mary Sutherland, aged seventy, was found dead this morning in her home on Dorchester street. In a little bag in her room there was \$328 and in a little hand hatchet \$25. An inquest will be held.

TORONTO, April 4.—The bill to allow women to study and practice law has passed the Ontario legislature.

TORONTO, April 4.—It is rumored that a defalcation to the amount of \$10,000 has been discovered in the crown lands department. The swindle was perpetrated during Meeker's administration.

NORTHWEST INDIAN TRAGEDY.

WINNIPEG, April 4.—(Special)—A Glouchester, Alberta, dispatch to the Free Press says: Frank Skynner, Dominion government member of rations on the Blackfoot Indian reserve, was shot down and killed by an Indian named Achiawan. A posse of mounted police went upon the trail of the assassin, who had escaped. The Indians on the reserve say that Achiawan is crazy.

A later dispatch reported the murderer extrajudicially behind the graves of Chiefs Crowfoot and Three Bulls. Several shots have been exchanged. The bodies of his child, whom he lost by illness several weeks ago, and for whose death he blames the whites. The burying ground is on top of the hill and the Indian had a commanding position.

At midnight a dispatch from Glouchester stated that the Indian had been shot dead by mounted police. He made a determined fight before his death. An inquest on both bodies will be held to-morrow.

GOLD EXPORT STOPPED.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The rate of foreign sterling exchange has reached 4.90, a point higher than for several years past. The point at which gold can be shipped at a profit is said to be around 4.87 and 4.88. At this point millions of United States gold has gone abroad, but the Morgan-Belmont syndicate is said to have such a thorough control over the gold export market that the treasury officials entertain no doubt at least for the present the syndicate is said to be ahead of its contract in supplying gold to the treasury and has succeeded in piling abroad a greater block of the \$65,000,000 recent bond issue than was at first expected. The treasury gold stands at \$90,500,000 with \$18,000,000 still owing by the syndicate.

Providence conceals itself in the details of human affairs, but becomes unveiled in the generalities of history.—Lamartine.
The monuments of the nations are all projects against nothingness after death.—Law Wallace.
The ordinary employment of artifice is the mark of a petty mind; and it is almost always happens that he who uses it to cover himself in the place uncovers himself in another.—Rochefort.
Commerce is no missionary to carry more or better than you have at home. But what you have at home, be it gospel, or be it fraud, goes with commerce, carries the world over.—E. R. Hale.
His words are bonds, his oaths are oracles; his tears, pure messengers sent from his heart; his heart as free from fraud as heaven from earth.—Shakespeare.
Some scientists have discovered a short path to celebrity. Having heard that it is nearly silly to believe everything, they take it for granted that it must be vastly wise to believe nothing.—Colton.
I would have a man generous to his country, his neighbors, his kindred, his friends, and most of all, his poor friends. Not like some who are more lavish with those who are able to give more than they.—Pitney.
By desiring what is perfectly good, even when we do not quite know what it is, and can not do what we would, we are part of the divine power against the world, the flesh, the devil, and making the struggle with darkness narrower.—George Eliot.
A college professor read a paper in Hartford the other day in which he charged that there are 27,000 venal voters in the State, and that in Presidential years the leading parties spend \$100,000 each in purchasing votes in Connecticut.

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