Plain Meaning of Salisbury' Language.

Mr. Gladstone Criticises the Irish Local Government Bill.

Loss of the British Steamer Dolores_All

on Board Saved A British Steamer Lost. London, May 24.—The British steamer Dolores, from Penarth, April 23, for La

Plata, has been lost at Castillos. All on board saved. Cholera in the Cashmere Valley. LONDON, May 25 .- A dispatch from India reports an epidemic of cholera in the

Cashmere Valley. There were 296 new cases and 146 deaths from the disease reported in Serinaga on Monday. Knighted.

LONDON, May 24 .- In accordance with custom, the Queen to-day announced a umber of birthday honors. Peerage is number of birthday honors. Feerage is conferred on Prince George of Wales with titles Duke of York, Earl of Inver-ness and Baron Killarney; also upon Gen. Sir Evelyn Wood and upon Sir Henry John Selwyn-Ibbetson, M. P. Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Minister at Washington, is made G. C. B.

A Victory for the Sikhs.

Singapore, May 24.—A detachment of Sikhs has defeated the force under the Malay leader Matkilan, who has taken an noportant part in the Pahang rebellion. The engagement took place a short distance from Raub, one of the Pahang towns in the possession of the British. Matkilan possession of the British. Mathimal, previous to the fight, burned several ages. The enemy has retreated to the

Morley Takes the Premier to Task. LONDON, May 25 .- Morley, in a speech delivered at Huddersfield, said he certain that the Parliamentary elections would begin before the end of the first week in July. He accused Lord Salisbury of trying to promulgate "vicious, pestilential tariff doctrines." If Lord Salisbury was insincere he was hoodwinking the cople, and if sincere, he intended, in the event of his return to power, to make tariff reprisals on other countries, a proceeding which would inflict the greatest injury on the country's industries. He could not escape country's industries. He could not escape the charge of political incendiarism by say-ing that his plea for Ulster, made in a recent speech, was merely a warning. The case in question was one where to prophesy was to incite and to warn was to provoke.

Gladstone on the Irish Question.

LONDON, May 24 .- The discussion of the Irish Local Government Bill was resumed in the House of Commons to-day. Mr. Gladstonesaid the House was in the singular position of discussing a bill that it was probable would not be proceeded with. In 1886 would not be proceeded with. In 1886 both Mr. Chamberlain and the Duke of Devonshire had promised Ireland everything short of an independent parliament. They spoke of provincial assemblies and of radically reconstructing the whole administrative system. They also spoke of a large devolution of national power to an Irish assembly. (Cries of "Hear, hear.") Now, all these promises were dissolved in the present meagre bill, which stamped Ireland with inequality as compared with England and Scotland, and ralisified rolics of those engagements which were taken by the country as the basis of the commission intrusted to the present Government in 1886. Ireland, Mr. Gladstone said, had not been sighing during the last six years for a local government bill, nor would she regret the loss of the measure now presented. The leader of the Government had warned the Irish members of Parliament that if they did not take this bill instead of the larger measure promised—if they prosecuted the object nearest their heart—it would be at the cost of civil war. Lord Salisbury's language distinctly encouraged civil war. If Lord Salisbury's language meant anything it was a plain incitement of a few misguided persons to resort to violence.

The bill passed its second reading—339 would not be proceeded with. In 1886 both Mr. Chamberlain and the Duke of The bill passed its second reading-339

to 247.

Lord Salisbury's language, Mr. Glad-Lord Salisbury's language, Mr. Gladstone said, distinctly encouraged civil war. Definite explanations ought to be given the House, and to some others who desired to know whether the Cabinet were generally of the same opinion as Lord Salisbury. Did the Ministers believe, he asked, that the people of Uister would rebel against the decision of Parliament or that the employment of the forces of the Crown to suppress such a rebellion would be such an outrage as would rend society in two? (Cries of "Hear, hear.") ornion would be such an outrage as would rend society in two? (Cries of "Hear, hear.")
Mr. Gladstone analyzed the joint committee's proposal showing that it was destitute of tine popular element and favored the landlords, heiping them to nullify all the acts of the county councils. The bill conferred on the Liberals one great advantage as tending to a clear issue. It gave the people power to measure and determine exactly the value of the splendid Conservately the value of the splendid Conservation. It was the one great compensation promised Ireland 1 at the time of the union for the loss of her own Parliament. Where was of the quality in this bill? (Cheers.) If the people of the country were misled concerning the treatment of Ireland with such evidence before them it would be their own fault. Was Ireland wrong, Mr. Gladstone asked, in rejecting the measure? No, the stamp of inequality was the brand of degradation. (Cheers.) If Ireland was capable of accepting a measure so stamped she was unworthy of the great rend society in two? (Cries of "Hear, hear.")

was capable of accepting a measure so stamped she was unworthy of the great men who had led her in times of adversity; unworthy of that happy, better destiny he trusted and believed she was about to accomplish.

he trusted and believed she was about to accomplish. (Cheers).

Mr. Baffour, the Government leader, referred to Lerd Salisbury's apeech concerning Ulster, and agreed with his Irish Propositions. He noticed the Liberals conceived that they would shortly be sent back to power for the purpose of passing the Home Rule Bill they contemplated. It was possible that Ulster might be coereed into submission. (Cheers.)

Mr. Gladstone here interrupted Mr. Balfour, saying that he had not uttered a syllable to that effect. He believed that a

few foolish people might act upon the opinion of Lord Salisbury.

Mr. Dillon described the bill as a mockery and a violation of pledges tending to confirm the Irish in their placing no trust in British faith.

Mr. Gladstone spoke for an hour. In his speech there were some fine passages, which awoke admiration on both sides. The Irish members cheered for several minutes after

members cheered for several minutes after Mr. Gladstone resumed his seat.

Disestablishment in Scotland. LONDON, May 25 .- In the House of Comnons yesterday the resolution introduced by Charles Cameron, Radical member for by Charles Cameron, Radical member for the College division of Glasgow, relative to the disestablishment of the Church of Scotland was rejected by 265 to 209. Edison Gets the Society of Arts Prize.

LONDON, May 25 .- The Society of Arts rize, consisting of a medal-the prize having been founded in memory of the Prince Consort—has been awarded to Thomas A. Edison. The medal had been previously awarded to Faraday De Lesseps and most of the great scientists. Monster Petitions.

LONDON, May 25 .- Two huge petitions have been wheeled into the House of Comhave been wheeled into the House of Com-mons. They bore the signatures of 138,-395 members of the Loyal Protestant League and others, praying for the ap-pointment of a committee to inquire into the condition of convents and monasteries in the United Kingdom. Davitt on Salisbury's Speech

London, May 25.—In speaking at Brad-ford Michael Davitt reviewed Lord Salisbury's Primrose speech on Ulster. He himself had dabbled in rebellion, and he number had dabbled in rebellion, and he would be sorry to see even his worst enemy in the piebald convict's costume. Lord Salisbury's language, however, justified every illegal act which he (Davitt) committed.

SIR ALEXANDER CAMPBELL. Death of the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario-His Probable Successor.

Toronto, May 24.—Sir Alexander Campbell, Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, died this afternoon at half-past three. The deceased experienced a severe attack of paralysis about three months ago, but contrary to expectations he regained strength so much until a few days ago that his death was not expected to result therefrom. Last week, however, he suffered a relapse

Last week, nowever, he suffered a relapse, which proved fatal. The funeral in Toronto will take place on Thursday, and in Kingston on Friday.

It is understood Hon. G. A. Kirkpatrick, M. P., ex-Speaker of the House of Commons, will succeed the late Lieutenant-Governor Campbell. Governor Campbell.

THE QUEEN'S 73RD BIRTHDAY

Generally Observed by Parades and Sports-Rain Interferes with the Celebration in Several Places,

MONTREAL, May 24.—There was no special celebration of the Queen's Birthday in Montreal owing to bad weather. The military review was cancelled, and also he lacrosse match. Exeter.—Her Majesty's Birthday was

celebrated here to-day by the trade and calithumpian procession, football match, foot races and other games. Though the weather was unfavorable everything passed

off quiet and orderly.

Quebec.—Her Majesty's Birthday was quietly observed in Quebec, there being no military turnout nor any extraordinary cvent to mark the occasion.

Cornwall.—At the Caledonian here to-day the lacrosse match

Cornwall Junior and Glengarry resulted draw, each team scoring one game. Toronto—Thousands of people gathered in Queen's Park this morning to witness

the review of the new regiment, the Seventy-eighth Highlanders, and Thir-teenth Battalion from Hamilton by the Governor-General and the presentation of colors to the former regiment. Windsor. - Windsor's celeb was a great success, surpassing tations. At 10 o'clock a grand

tations. At 10 o'clock a grand pheaded by the Grenadiers of Torc 500 strong, paraded the principal streets. In the afternoon the Grenadiers and Fusiliers of Essex marched to the Driving Park, where they engaged in trooping the

colors.
Washington.—Sir Julian Pauncefote, the Writish Minister, and Lady Pauncefote, gave a reception at the British Legation tenight in honor of the 73rd anniversary of the birthday of Queen Victoria.
Woodstock.—About 4,000 peeple witnessed the eighth annual meet of the W. nessed the eighth annual meet

A Big Fire in Spokane-Blaze at St. Catharines.

St. Catharines, May 24.—The Yale foundry was burned here this morning. Loss \$500; no insurance, Spokane, Wash., May 24.—Fire broke out last evening and burned the factory of the Spokane Mill Company. Three employes were injured and two are missing. The fire destroyed the Echo Roller Mills the oatmeal mills of Olney & Wadham and the huildings. Loss \$230,000.

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THE RACES.

A Rare Day's Sport at Queen's Park.

Opening Day of the London Turf Association Spring Meeting.

Interesting Trotting and Running Events-A Large Attenda The Winners-To-Day's Programme.

By some extraordinary means the daily rain managed to suspend operations for the greater part of Tuesday, a fact for which the directors of the London Turf Associathe directors of the London Turf Association are truly thankful. It was the opening day of the spring meeting, and the inaugural was a success. Between 1,500 and 1,800 people passed the turnstile at Queen's Park, and had it not been for the weather's threatening aspect the attendance would have been larger. The covered grand stands were comfortably filled, and when a few drops of rain began to fall those in the open ones comfortably filled, and when a few drops of rain began to fall those in the open ones were kindly permitted to go under shelter. The number of vehicles on the grounds was large. A pleasant feature was the attendance of the ladies, who were equally represented with the men. The programme was attractive and held the interest of the crowd during the four hours that it lasted. Contrary to expectations the track was in a very fair condition, the sandy nature of the soil and constant rolling having offset to a great extent the showers of the past few days. The running race was deferred in order to spare the track as much as possible fer the trotters. The starting judge was A. W. McEiroy, of Chicago, who evidently knows his business. He is an excellent starter and imposed fines liberally on the drivers whom Chicago, who evidently knows his business. He is an excellent starter and imposed fines liberally on the drivers whom he thought were to blame. Messrs. J. H. Brown and D. McMillan were the judges and W. A. Martin the clerk. The Cavalry Band rendered music acceptably during the afternoon. To-day and to-morrow should see large crowds on the park, as the programmes tor both days promise good sport and the enterprise of the Turi Association should be encouraged.

TROTTING—THREE-MINUTE CLASS.

There were four starters in the trotting event for the three-minute class, mile heats, best three in five, viz., Maggie C., Mamie S., Little Jake and Jannie. In the first heat Mamie S. took the lead from the first, and held it seally the extraction. and held it easily throughout, finishing a good distance ahead of the second horse. Little Jake held second for a while, but gave way to Maggie C. The finish for second and third place was close. Jannie was a poor fourth

ond and third place was close. Jannie was a poor fourth.

The second heat was a procession for the most part, the horses finishing in the same order as the first. Maggie C. forced Little Jake out of second place in the last quarter and kept it by a neck. The drivers of Mamie S. and Little Jake were fined \$5 each for tardiness in coming out on the track.

track. The third and final heat was uninteresting, Mamie S. taking first money (\$180) with ease, Maggie C. second (\$75), and Little Jake third (\$45). Following is the

Little Jake third (520).

summary:

Trotting, three-minute class, mile heats, best three in five; pure \$300.

W. H. Simpson's (Lindsay) b m, Mamie

J. Craig's (Hamilton) b m, Maggie C. 2 2 2

C. E. Guelick's (Ingersell) b K, Little

Time-2:143, 2:44, 2:44, TROTTING-2:28 CLASS.

Baldwin, Blackstone, Clarak, Dr. Livingstone and Five Points were the five entries in the trotting race, 2:28 class, mile heats, best three in five. The race proved interesting. In the first heat Clarak got off first but broke and finished fourth. Dr. Livingstone took the lead and came in a good first. Five Points, who was severely checked, surprised everybody by passing checked, surprised everybody by passing Baldwin on the home stretch and coming under the wire second. Baldwin, Clarak

and Blackstone were next in order. latter far in the rear.

The second heat was similar to the first as far as the result was concerned. Five Points again accomplished the trick of wresting second place from Baldwin by a spurt on the home stretch. Their finish was very pretty and aroused enthusiasm.

Five Points broke at the start and took the lead in the third heat, maintaining it by fine trotting. Dr. Livingstone got no further than fifth place, while Clarak advanced to second. Baldwin held third position throughout, with Blackstone behind. The leaders were pretty well latter far in the rear. hind. The leaders were pretty well bunched at the half-mile, but strung out

bunched at the half-mile, but strung out again, finishing in the order named.

A. A. here to-day. The half-mile, one and five mile broken.

GONE UP IN SMOKE.

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good start, but was soon overtaken by Five Points. There was a pretty dash for the leadership between the two and they were leadership between the two and they were almost neck and neck at the second quarter. Five Points pulled away, however, and came under the wire a length ahead winning first money (\$180). Clarak took second (\$95), Baldwin third (\$45). Dr. Livingstone, who won the first two heats, was pronounced distanced by the judges. Summary:

Trotting, \$228 class mile heats, best there is

Trotting, 2:28 class, mile heats, best three in five: purse \$200. Trotting, 2:28 class, mile nears, over the face pures \$300.
George Leroy's (Monticelle, Ill.) b s,
Five Points. 2 2 1 1 1
J. J. Burns (Toronto) b m, Clarak, 4 4 2 2 2
H. C. Knills (Port Huron) b g,
Baldwin, 3 3 3 4 3
J. J. Day's (Lindsay) bl g, Black
stone.

Berry for first place. Jim held the lead until Colonist passed him on the home stretch. The horse collided and Jim's rider claimed to have been fouled. Topsy B. came in third. Colonist and Jim Berry had the third and final heat to themselves. The race was pretty even for three-quarters of the distance, Colonist keeping about a length shead. After that Jim wasn't in it. Colonist accordingly got first money (\$120). Jim Berry second (\$50), and Topsy (\$120). Jim Berry second (\$50), and Topsy (\$120). Jim Berry second (\$50), and Topsy (\$120). Jim Berry second (\$50), m, when the day's events were finished, and the crowd made a rush for the street cars.

Smith.
Trotting, 2:40 class; mile heat; beat
three in five; purse \$300. Entries: Geo.
Johns' (Bothwell) b.s. Bay Billy; Phil.
McLeod's (Woodstock) b.g. Pete Curran;
Geo. S. James' (London) b.m. Epitaph; H.
Overmyer's (St. Thomas) c.m. Forest Girl.

erfect.

The crowd was saved tedious waits by

ONTAIN JOCKEY CLUB RACES.

TORONTO, May 24.—At Woodbine Park to-day when the bell rang for the first event fully 20,000 people had passed the turnstiles. The racing was good throughout with the exception of the steeplechase, for which only two horses started. In the contest for the Queen's Plate, the field was the largest on record, sixteen horses facing the starter.

Time—7:204.

Fourth race—Toronto cup, \$1,000, 1½ miles:
Fenelon, b h (J. W. Smythe).

Lady Pulsifer, ch m (Wm. Lovell).

Ballriggin, b f (M. J. Daly).

Time—2:17½.

announces that the time for receiving entries in the stake races—Nos. 4, 11 and 15—has been extended from May 20 to June 4.

OTHER OUTDOOR SPORTS CRICKET.

beginning of the season. For the visitors Whittaker scored 22, Travers 14, Simpson 17 and Strong 13. For the home team Dr. Williams made 15 and 15 not out in good form, not giving a chance in the two inings. Dr. Ross made 23, not out; S. D. Smith 10, not out; J. D. Encon 14, and J. H. Por. 12. For Galt has beginned. Smith 10, not out; J. D. Breon 14, and J.
H. Pope 12. For Galt the bowling of
Simpson, Travers, Woods and Trotter was
well on the wicket through the match,
while for the Asylum Thomas Gillean and
S. D. Smith did good work. Below is appended the score in full:

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Total	Total35
FIRST INNING.	SECOND INVINC

at Detroit yesterday.

To-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The programme to-day will be as follows:
Trotting and pacing, 2:35 class, 1 mile
heats, best three in five, purse \$300.
Entries: A. G. Bedford's (Chatham) b. g.
Star-Gazer; N. Wilkins' (Port Huron) b. g.
St. Patrick; George Decker's (Hillsgrove)
b. g. John L.; J. Cline's (Aylmer) b. m.
Lady Rooker; L. Wigle's (Leamington) s.
Texas Jack.

Three-minute pacing, 1 mile heats, best
three in five, purse \$300. Entries: John
Bryner's (Chicago) ch. m. Jean Miller; R.
H. Pounder's (Ottawa) b. g. Jimmie Mack,
A. G. Bedford's (Chatham) br. h. General
Jackson; George S. James' (London) Leslie
C.; T. McConnell's (Brampton) b. g. Dick
Smith.

Textitude 8.40 class wills best best

NOTES.

Secretary Dan Ferguson was a busy A bright sun to-day will make the track

the crown was saved tendous water by the commendable celerity of the judges. The driver of Minnie S. was fined \$5 for sponging his horse on the track.

There were very few pool-sellers or fakirs on the grounds.

The "clite" of the city were there.

ONTARIO JOCKEY CLUB RACES.

largest on record, sixteen norms starter.

Storter.

First race—Trial purse, \$400, \(\frac{1}{2}\) mile:

Stonemason, bh (J. K. Seagram). 1
Logan, bg (A. Shields). 2

Fleurette, bf (J. W. Smythe). 3

Time—1:84.

Second race—Queen's Plate, 1\(\frac{1}{2}\) miles:

O'Donohoe, be (J. E. Seagram). 1
Queen Mary, ch f (Orkner Stable). 2

Heatherbloom, br (W. Hendrie). 3

Time—2:22.

Third race—Woodbine steeplechase, \$500, 2\(\frac{1}{2}\) miles, twice over the water jump:
Evangeline ch m (A. E. Gates). 1

Mackenzie bg (Bay View stable). 2

Time—7:25\(\frac{1}{2}\).

Fourth race—Toronto cup, \$1,000, 1\(\frac{1}{2}\) miles:

Time—2:174.

Fifth race—Red-coat race, \$500, steeplechase 2! miles, twice over water jump:
Reseland, b m (A. Darling) 1
Mars, ch g (G. Gwatkin) 2
Surprise, b g (Dr. A. Smith) 3

Time—8:104.

Sixth race—Free welter handicap, \$400, 14
mile:

CRICKET AT LONDON ASYLUM.

The opening match of the season was played on the Asylum grounds yesterday between a very strong team from Galt and the Asylum eleven. The unfavorable weather interfered somewhat with the sport in the earlier part of the day, but the scores were above the average for the beginning of the season. For the visitors CRICKET AT LONDON ASYLUM.

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PEDESTRIANISM.

other two men's maneuvers. They are like Trojans while he took it easy and did not exert himself in the least. The three kept going for nearly fourteen hours with one stop of twenty minutes for lunch. About 10 o'clock last night they stopped until midnight. Maloney and Jones had About 10 o clock Maloney and Jones each covered 40 miles and Lacardo 33.

BASEBALL.

The hundreds of spectators who wit nessed the two baseball matches on the old nessed the two baseball matches on the old Tecumseh Park yesterday between the Alerts, of this city, and the Nationals, of Toronto, enjoyed a rare treat. Both are strong teams and play good ball. The showers of rain interfered slightly with the morning game, the ground being slippery. The afternoon match was the finer of the two. The Toronto team put on a left-hand pitcher, that some of the London boys had difficulty in hitting. The visitors had equal trouble in hitting Sheere. The Queen City ball-tossers were somewhat The Queen City ball-tossers were somewhat surprised at the results, the home teau winning both games with comparative case.

NATIONALS

Morning game

Totals.. Two-base hit-Stretton.
Bases on balls-By Sheere 4, by Sykes 5,
Struck out-By Sheere 6, by Sykes 5.
Umpire-T. Goulding.

Snyder, c... Downs, 1b. Mackrell, 3b. Anketell, 1f. Ward, r.f. Stretton, 2b. Cope, c.f. Thompson, p.

Afternoon game-

Totals 2 4 Alerts. 200014000-Nationals. 000002000-Earned runs-Alerts 4. Two-base hits-Player, Quinn. Bases on balls- By Sheere, 9; Thompson, 5, Struck out-Hy Sheere, 6; Thompson, 6. Umpire-Thos. Goulding.

The Athletics, of this city, defeated an ngersoll team in that town yesterday by a core of 6 to 4. The Beavers of this city took the "shine" The Beavers of this city took the "shine" out of the Diamond Rattlers of Sarnia yesterday by a score of 5 to 2, with an inning to spare. The players were: Beavers—Woonton, Patton, Coles, Nicholls, Costello, Styne, Sims, Howell and Kearns. Sarnia—Watson, Philip, Dunlop, Taylor, Marshall, Boyd, Laird, McGibbon and Cripp.

Crion.

NATIONAL LEAGUE—MONDAY'S SCORES,
At Cleveland—St. Louis 9, Cleveland 5,
At Baltimore—Philadelphia 8, Baltimore 4.
At Brooklyn—Brooklyn 6, Washington 5,
At Louisville—First game—Louisville 1,
Cincinnati 2. Second game—Louisville 3,
At Chicago—Pittshurg 5, Chicago 4,
At Chicago—Pittshurg 5, Chicago 4,

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W. T. Church, the Medium, Replies to E. J. McRobert.

Seeing in the columns of your most valuable and widely-circulated paper of the 21st inst. a communication from Mr. E. J. Mc-

inst, a communication from Mr. E. J. McRobert, in reply to a letter of mine that appeared a few days ago in the ADVERTISEM and other papers, in which he alleges that my entire communication so gar as relates to phenomena produced at his residence "is entirely without foundation," or the semblance of truth, etc. Now, sir, believing that a love of British fair piay will prompt to the second to me a limited space in vontrace of the second to me a limited space in vontrace. you to accord to me a limited space in your columns, I will in as brief a manner as you to accord to me a limited space in your columns, I will in as brief a manner as possible attempt to say a few words in my own defense, which I think will throw quite a different light upon the subject matter under discussion, and cause reflecting minds to think twice before accepting even the statements of Mr. McRobert as absolute truth. In the first place the letter in question was written some weeks ago at Mr. McRobert's own house, and when finished was, before being sent for publication, read to both himself and family, including a brother and sister-in-law, who heartily and unre-reservedly indorsed all therein contained concerning the phenomena said to have taken place at his residence. Furtnermore, he has made voluntary admissions to various persons whose names I could mention, of personal experiences he has had with certain invisible intelligences, far more wonderful than anything stated in my letter. How many personal daying the last wonderful than anything stated in my letter. How many persons during the last two months have listened with gaping letter. How many persons during the last two months have listened with gaping wonder and open eyed astonishment, as he would relate to them how precisely his little "Guardian Angel," who was ever present, could tell him of his every act, however secret, even to the repeating, word for word, the contents of a letter he had secretely written to a very dear friend, when neither the medium nor anyone else could have had any knowledge of the facts. In a letter to Mr. Wm. Hueston, sen., Thorndale, of April 12, Mr. McRobert writes: "Dear sir and brother: Last night, we had the first good night we have had in a month; Mr. Burton and a lady spirit came to us, illuminated, and my brother played a waltz on his violin, and they waltzed all round the room; you could see the forms and hear the drapery dispinctly, the heat in fact I ever saw.

see the forms and hear the drapery dis-tinctly—the best in fact I ever saw; my brother played two or three tunes, and they brother played two or three tunes, and they danced lovely in the light. Remember, the medium was securely fastened all the time; I am only sorry you could not see it." You will perceive, Mr. Editor, that I content myself with simply giving former statements of Mr. McRobert himself, and will leave your intelligent readers to infer whether the boisterous and belligerent attitude shown in his letter is not the result of an unknown personal pique or spite, rather tude shown in instance and unknown personal pique or spite, rather than from a sincere desire to put down fraud and establish truth. Most respectfully,

W. T. Church.

fully, Thorndale, Ont., May 23, 1892.

BETTER THAN OIL.

A New Method of Subduing the Waves of the Occan. Much interest is at present being mani-fested in England and France in an inven-tion which has been submitted to the French Salvage Society by Baron d'Alessandro. It consists in covering the surface of the sea with a specially prepared insubmergible and imputrescible thin netting. This reticular fabric does not rise sensibly above the surface, and does not offer resistance to the wind; and it plays, it is claimed, the part of a bed of oil in that it has the effect of

of a bed of oil in that it has the effect of stilling the waves and rendering navigation safer and less difficult.

Baron d'Alessandro's idea is born of the circumstance that sailors have frequently observed the calm produced by the floating seawed, technically known as filum, which is met with in various parts of the North Sea. His netting is said to imitate exactly the nature and characteristics of this nerve is met with in various parts of the North Sea. His netting is said to imitate exactly the nature and characteristics of this marine plant of the Algae class. Experiments with the new wave-stiller have been conducted outside the breakwaters of the Quiberon Peninsula. A netting 1,000 yards square, with a mesh of five centimetres, and edged with a strong boit-rope, was used, and the results obtained are stated to have been so satisfactory that the French Minister of Marine has appointed a special commission to investigate and report on the invention.

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