The Record has reason to believe that the revised version of the New Testament will be before the public in the early part of this

If any nineteenth century Sam Pepys is keeping a diary, this inundation of the Thames ought to furnish material for an in-The Liverpool City Council has accepted a tender of the British Electric Light Company for the illumination of some of the principal streets of Liverpool with the electric

Many years ago George Eliot wrete a work on the "History of the Ideas of Immor-tality." This work was never given to the public, but it is hoped that it will now see

the light. A coroner's jury returned a verdict of wil-ful murder against Charles Henry Sampson, file forger, Cumberland street, Sheffield, who, orains out.

Sir Alexander Galt will read a paper at the next meeting of the Colonial Institute, on January 25th, on "The future of the Dominion of Canada." Viscount Bury will take the chair.

At Birmingham a man employed in a menagerie was attacked by a lion while cleaning the cage, and seriously lacerated. He would have been killed but for the lion tamer, who eat off the animal. Prince William of Prussia's marriage is

now definitely arranged to take place on the 27th of February. The Prince and Princess of Wales and the Duke and Duchess of Conaught will be among the guests.

It is intended that Exeter Hall shall be transferred to the Young Men's Christian Association on the occasion of its jubilee, March 29 next, at which date all the improvements and alterations will have been effected. The Rev. Frederick James Jobson, D.D., a distinguished Wesleyan minister, died of paralysis on the 30th ult., in his 69th year, at his house in Highbury place. He was born in Lincoln, and entered the ministry in

The Birmingham Post understands that the English Watch Company of Lozells has this year carried off, in fair competition, the contract for watches for the Indian State railways, which has hitherto fallen to American

The briefs in the appeal of Castro, the "Claimant," to the House of Lords have been delivered to Mr. J. P. Benjamin, Q.C., as leader, and also to Mr. Atherley Jones, Mr. Hedderwick, and Mr. Spratt, on behalf of the appellant.

The Conservatives are trying to win back Lord Derby to their ranks. Some communications have passed on the subject, but it is said that Lord Derby has absolutely declined again to place himself under the leadership of aconsfield.

Mr. Samuel Plimsoll has written from Maderia to the owners of the Penygraig colliery, inclosing for the benefit of the widows' relief fund a cheque for £26, sent him by the editor of the Nineteenth Century, for his article on olliery explosions. Miss Evans, of Darley House, Derby, lately

lied at the age of 94. She was the owner of Boscobel, near Wolverhampton, where the Penderels, who sheltered Charles II., lived, and by her order a strong iron fence was put ound King Charles' oak.

A sad ice accident has taken place at Fenton, North Staffordshire. A number of children ventured on a pool, the ice being thin at the time. They had not been on long before it gave way, and seven of the children were submerged. Three were rescued, and four were drowned. Three of the deceased were little girls.

While two children, a boy and girl, named Williamson, were playing on the ice on a tidal loch at Gell, in Shetland, the ice gave way, and both were drowned. The accident was unobserved by anyone, but a dog which accompanied the children carried off the boy's cap and ran with it to the parent's house thus giving information of the accident. Both bodies were recovered.

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One of the most painful results attendant pon the incarecration of the refractory lergymen of the Church of England is the atroduction of a new fashion for ladies' resses. According to the leading journal of he modes, "the surplice or cassock mantle is ow fairly introduced." Woman—all symathy with suffering mankind—has donned he mantle of the imprisoned priest in his onour.

Mayfair was agitated recently by a rumour-that Lord Beaconsfield had been "Boycotted" at his new house in Curzon street. It turned this new house in Curzon street. It turned out, on inquiry, that the report originated in the peculiar performance of a presumable and nuffinman. This eccentric, after taking his tand in front of No. 19, had there performed long fantasia on his bell, followed by certain melodious utterances which the bystanders interpreted as a proclamation of "Boycotting," because the performer had no muffins with him to show the nature of his calling.

An association is about to be formed for the supply of hot food to the poorer classes of labourers at the docks and in large manufac-tories about London, who now experience great difficulty in procuring hot provisions at a low price close to their work. A number of barrows or trucks will be fitted with heatr barrows or trucks will be ruled with head-ng apparatus, and move from place to place, upplying soup, meat, &c., at the lowest pos-ible price. The Lord Mayor has promised is support to the movement.

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Gambling has been and still is very greatly in the increase in London. Two new bactrat clubs have been formed, where indicated a sea by fifteen thousand—and the rohibited game has found its way into clubs there by the rules it is prohibited. Difficulties about the settlement of accounts have bready resulted from this, and if it contines, lots of scandals similar to the Paget one way be expected.

already resulted from this, and if it continues, lots of scandals similar to the Paget one may be expected.

The death is announced of Mr. Cottrell-Dormer, a great English squire, whose ancestor was appointed by Charles I, hereditary Master of the Ceremonies to the King. At his seat, Rousham, Oxfordshire, is preserved, among many heiritoons, a medal, placed around the neck of Sir Charles Cottrell by Charles II, at his restoration. Another amestor entertained Queen Elizabeth, on her wan invitation, and records in his diary: "The Queen is gone, thank God I carrying if my best silver cup."

The Leicester coroner held an inquest on he body of Elizabeth Haws. The deceased ived at Ratby, and one morning woke her usband saying, "I've swallowed my teeth." Her husband took her to Leicester by the first rain, and notwithstanding every effort by the urgical staff of the infirmary, she expired rom exhaustion brought about by swallowing ter false teeth, two in number, with their astenings. The jury returned a verdict of 'Death from inadvertently swallowing false eeth during a fit of conghing."

Unusual precautions have been taken at hester Castle to prevent a Fenian surprise, in consequence of instructions from the War Office to exercise the greatest vigilance over he safe custody of the immense amount of mmunition and sbores sontained in the magaine, a local builder and a staff of workmen are of corps in Lancashire and Cheshire, has an removed to the Castle; and such portion the ordinance stores at the Castle as was at I in an accessible condition has been removed safer quarters, and double sentries have en posted. A detachment of the 8th Regient, consisting of two officers and 58 men, we arrived from Manchester for the purpose augmenting the garrison, which has been nationably reduced of tate, owing to the

THE PARSON'S OATH.

BY MRS. HENRY WOOD.

The day was drawing toward its close, and the young charity children, seembled in the newly remined school-room of the small vil-lage of Lattleford; glanced impatiently through the windows at the shadows cast by the declining sun; for none knew better by those shadows than they that five o'clock was near.

"First class, come up and spell," called out the governess from behind her table by the window. e window.

"There ain't no time, Miss," replied one of
e girls, with the easy familiarity apt to subt between scholar and teacher in rustic

five."

The governess, a fair, pleasant-looking young woman, dressed in mourning, and far too lady-like in appearance for the paid mistress of a charity-school, glamed round at the hour-glass, and saw that it wanted full ten minutes to the hour.

"There is time for a short lesson, children," she said. "Put aside your work and come up."

up."

The first class laid their sewing on the hench, and were ranging themselves round the governess' table, when a young lady, in a hat and riding habit, followed by a groom, galleped past the windows, and reined in. "Governess!" exclaimed a dozen voices, "here's Miss Rickhurst."

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"Go on with your work, children; what do you mean by pressing to the window? Did you never see Miss Rickhurst before? Jane Hewgill, open the door."

"How d'ye do, Miss Winter?" said the young lady they had called Miss Rickhurst, carelessly nodding to the governess as she entered. "How are you getting on? What class have you up now?"

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"Spelling," replied Miss Winter. "Jane Hewgill, why don't you shut the door?"
"Cause here's Mr. Lewis and his aunt acoming up," suswered the child. "Fin akeeping it open for them."
Miss Rickhurst hastily rose from the governess' seat, which she had unceremoniously taken, and went to the door to meet the new corners.

omers.

Mr. Lewis, the clergyman of the parish, was a meek, quiet man of 30 years. It is certain he was not ambitions, for he felt within him an everlasting debt of gratitude to the noble patron who had stepped forward and presented him with this village living and its stipend of £150 per annum. He had never looked for more than a curacy, and half the sum. His father, dead now, had been a curate before him, and he, the som, had gone to Oxford as a servitor, had taken holy orders, and struggled on. And when the Earl of Littleford, who had silently been an eyewitness of the merits and unassuming piety of the poor young curate, presented him unexpectedly with the little village church on his estate. John Lewis raised his heart in thankfulness to the Earl, who had thus under God put want away frem him for his span of life.

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recently his sister had lived with him in his cottage, no one else; but when Miss Winter found she wanted some assistance in the school she thought of Mary, compassionating the girl's lonely life, want of proper society, and weak health, and she took Mary to live with her. It may be questioned, however, if Miss Winter would have made the proposal to the girl had she foreseen that they should be inundated with visits from her brother.

brother:
When he came in Miss Winter put down the book she was reading, poured out some hot water into a basin, and began to wash up

"I fooling you on!" uttered Regina, in surprise.

"Well—let that pass. Why did you not tell me you loved the black-coat?"

"I—could not tell you what I—did not know," stammered Regina, a blush dyeing her cheeks.

"Bosh! don't make excuses to me. I'd stake my Skye terrier again his holding-forth sermon-book that there has been love between you two this many a month past. What is it you have got in that paper parcel?"

"It is only some work," said Regina. "Good morning, Brassy. Mary is gone home aiready. She will wonder where I am."

"Let her wonder. I say, Regina, you remember what I told you—that I'd taken an oath. I'll keep it yet, and have you, sooner

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And I don't know why, but Mary ith this last dream."

"You had better call to mind all the plants."

AMERICAN NOTES.

A half-breed Indian has become a member of the San Francisco Board of Trade.

The estimated cost of maintaining the police department of Chicago for the ensuing year is \$619,228.50.

Kansas harvested 25,000 acres of Egyptian or rice corn last year. If thrives in the driest soil and internest heat.

A Philadelphia saloon-keeper reports that but one of his engreeness has success of the

but one of his customers has sworn off this year, and that was a man he refused to trust

longer.

A woman at West Cornwall, Conn., failing to induce her husband to move out of a house she did not like, deliberately destroyed it by fire.

An eccentric old bachelor in West Chester, Penn., feeds nearly all the cats and dogs in town, buying for them the best meat he can find in the market.

An old settler in Colorado says that the climate appears to be changing for the worse every year. There is sleighing on the plains, and the flocks of sheep are suffering terribly.

The exports of grain from the port of New

The exports of grain from the port of New York during the year 1880 reached 107,000,000 bushels, an excess of nearly 13,000,000 bushels over the exports of any previous year.

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There is a way to make damp cellars profitable. A man in Delaware county, Pennsylvania, turned his into a mushroom garden. In two weeks he raised sixty quarts of mushrooms, which he sold for 75 cents a quart. A young woman married a helpleas paralytic, fifty years old, in La Grange, Ga., on the 12th inst. They are both Spiritualistz, and the local rumour has it that some spirit communicating through a mediumship desired their marriage.

A tombstone in a cemetery in New London, Conn., bears the inscription: "What sort of a man he was the resurrection morning will reveal." The question arises whether it was dictated by modesty or a very comfortable feeling of self-complacency.

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The G. N. M. A. J. B. P. A. B. A. O. N. A. is in session in Philadelphia. This imposing array of letters is understood to signify the Grand National Master and Journeymen Barbers' Protective and Beneficial Association of North America, which must be a very important organization indeed.

The Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia has had a lingering and painful death. In the form of what was intended to be a permanent fair it lasted until a few days ago, but the railroad companies would advance no more money to keep it alive, and the directors voted to let it die.

A St. Louis physician says that the poisoning of guests at a Washington hotel at the time of Buchanan's inauguration was by quail, which, owing to the heavy snow, had been compelled to eat poisonous berries. He adds that the conditions are the same this winter, and warns people not to eat quail.

Gov. Long, of Massachusetts, disapproves of capital punishment, but he despairs of inducing the Legislature to abolish it, and will endeavour only to substitute some easier means of death for hanging. He thinks that morphine might be used, and will officially recommend its use in place of the noose.