

MERRY OLD ENGLAND.

BY MAIL ABOUT JOHN BULL AND HIS PEOPLE.

Occurrences in the Land That are Supreme in the Commercial Field.

the Mart, Tokenhouse-yard, on the licensed refreshment premises known as the Load of Hay street, Paddington, were sold 71,000.

Commissioner Kerr, the senior court judge, has celebrated his birthday. He has been the City of London for 42 years.

staff of the Central Telegraph St. Martin's le Grand, last year, worked 747,775 hours the ordinary hours of being eight a day.

order to Lord Gainsborough in Exton Park, near Woking, a fine grass snake, which measured 3 feet 8 inches long and 4 1/2 round its body.

County Court bailiff distrained goods of the Methodist New Street church, near the road, in payment of the tithe charge, £1 10s. 6d.

Julian, who was the oldest 7 porter, has died at Lincoln, in more horses in his lifetime railway man in the county.

Thorp, Essex, Arthur Cook 20s. and 15s. costs on an prosecution for killing a pheasant without a game certificate. He had been in prison for 14 years.

River Wear Commissioners decided to purchase two additional dredges from a foreign firm at £40,000, just about one price that British firms had.

London School Board has decided to permit collections to be made in the schools towards the new being raised at the Mansour on behalf of the National Memorial.

Chancellor of the Exchequer is ring the advisability of allowing tax to be paid in quarterly instalments, but it is he will be able to make up.

John Thomas, for upwards of years head gardener to her Majesty at Frogmore has resigned. He will be succeeded by the King's head gardener, Liphagan.

of the heavy rate of infant mortality at Norwich, 600 children the age of 12 months having it year, the town council has appointed a female sanitary inspector.

Annual meeting of the Genoa Tea Estates, Limited, in said he felt pretty confident that this year was out to be a comparative success in London.

mer, in a report to be submitted to the London County Council of enteric fever in the Lambeth and Kennington parishes, thinks the evi- strongly suggests fried fish as a cure.

orge Netwens wanted to know amount whether the Duke and of Cornwall and York would title of Prince and Princess. Mr. Balfour informed him decision rests entirely with the King.

servants at Windsor Castle olved on a memorial of their late mistress, and have round sum, with which they endow a bed in one of the London hospitals to Queen's memory.

any years people have been led to go on the Govern- range at Fleetwood and spent bullets, which have been sold for old lead. Two picked them up were awarded 10s. this being the of the kind ever heard.

London County Council has that it is entitled by law to publish ID for each glass its and measures inspectors hitherto the charge has been zen, but it is probable that ge will now be raised.

the applicants for out-re- the Hampstead Guardians ble old man, who said that formerly in the employ of emaker to her Majesty the an Victoria and that he be first pair of shoes ever the German Emperor.

HIS BUMPS. are newly married, and were upon one of the friends of who had been particularly upon the occasion of their degroom, apropos of not- to talk about phrenology, how his wife had discovered prominent bumps on the is head. He was proud of was she, and she passed and that the host and host- feel the bumps and know istence. Then she explain- k on phrenology says that a good memory and genero- evident that she was proud cts and so was he. But being of an inquiring turn wished to satisfy himself, down a phrenological work of his library shelves, and labour found the bumps hart. Turning to the notes seriously at first, then un- The bride became suspicious was game and said: t out loud. Please do not read the most recent bumps are most frequently cats and monkeys pics consumed the refresh- visit, which was brief.

FOR AULD LANG SYNE.

"Should auld acquaintance be forgot?" The answer comes mechanically from every Britisher. Nor should new acquaintance be forgot. Remember that on the bloody fields of South Africa your brave soldier boys were on the firing line flanked by loyal British subjects from Ceylon and India. In the midst of danger lasting friendships were formed, and you, ladies of Canada have it in your power to cement those bonds. The Green teas of Ceylon and India appeal to you from sentiment. By using them you not only aid your brother colonists, but you get absolutely the best tea. Those of you who drink Green Japan teas have a revelation in store if you make the change. Blue Ribbon, Salada and Mousson packets may be had from your grocer.—Colonist.

CALTON.

Crowded out last week. Mr. A. Sutherland, of Dakota, spent a few days last week with his sister, Mrs. J. Cohoon. Miss Etta Brown, of Bay City, Mich., is at home for a few weeks. Miss Ida Van Velzor, of Hamilton, is visiting friends and relatives here. Mrs. W. A. Chute attended Methodist conference in St. Thomas. John Timpany has been laid aside by a kick from a colt one day last week.

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MAPLETON.

A very heavy thunder storm and by far the heaviest rain of the season visited this section on Tuesday evening last. Some of our farmers began haying last week, haying will be more general this week. Mr. Davidson, of Aylmer is moving Mr. P. Boughners barns and will move one for Mr. L. M. Brown, and will raise a barn for Mr. A. Hoover preparatory to putting a basement under it. Mr. Lewis McKenny lost a valuable cow by lightning on Friday night last. Miss Wintermute, of Alvinston is visiting friends and relatives in the village. Mr. Ferguson, of Yarmouth lost a very valuable horse by a stroke one day last week. Mr. and Mrs. James Warwick spent Sunday at Shedden with Mr. Warwick's sister.

Didn't Marry for Money.

The Boston man, who lately married a sickly rich young woman, for he got Dr. King's New Life Pills, which restored her to perfect health. Infatigable for jaundice, biliousness, malaria, fever and ague and all liver and stomach troubles. Gentle but effective. Only 25c at J. E. Richards' drug store.

EDEN.

A very successful barn raising was completed last week by Mr. Samuel Harp. It is a very large structure on a stone foundation. Ten pupils are being sent this week to Vienna to write on the Entrance Examinations. A lawn social will be held on the lawn of Mrs. Bennett on Thursday evening. Music will be furnished by the male quartette, of Tilsonburg. Leach Bros. are having acetylelene gas placed in their store for lighting it. The school picnic at Port Burwell proved a splendid success on Friday last. The weather excelled itself. The Eden baseball nine played Tilsonburg on 21st. Score 14 to 10 in favor of Eden.

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Whether it is brain fog, loss of memory, inability to concentrate the mind, or bodily weakness and general debility, Dr. Chase's Nerve Food will restore your old time energy, strength and health. Through the blood and nervous system, it reaches every part of the body and overcomes weakness, irregularities and disease.

LAKEVIEW.

Mr. Joe Chute drove his handsome new turnout down to Pt. Burwell the other night, tying the horse in front of the barber shop for a few moments. When he came out there was no handsome turnout in sight and no body knew anything of its disappearance. The horse and rig was found the next day north-east of Vienna, turned loose. No trace has been found of the person or persons who did the deed, but it is to be hoped they will be found and punished to the extent of the law.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

Gold Beneath Dross

Upon returning to his hotel, his messenger with a reply from the duchess was awaiting him. Hestmead tore open the envelope with a shaking hand and devoured its contents. He read:

Edwardsvale, 18— To George Hestmead, Esq. The Duchess of Beaufoot presents her compliments to Mr. Hestmead and assures him that she has received his note safely. The duchess, however, does not deem it appropriate to grant or deny him the privilege he solicits by answering via messenger. If Mr. Hestmead wishes to become a favored caller at Edwardsvale he must apply in person. In the meantime Mr. Hestmead is informed that friends of by-gone years are always welcome to call on the residents of Edwardsvale without any special invitation.

Vera Beaufoot. Hestmead went out and engaged another cab. His pulses were thrilling with mingled hope and fear, but still fear held a slight mastery over hope. Her note told him nothing on which he could base an assurance that he might yet address her with words of endearment, his heart being numbed by persistent denials, failing to see through the delicacy of the woman's messages to him. This time he alighted from the conveyance when he reached Edwardsvale, and with the courage that came to him always when he needed its fortification, he closed his lips and rang the bell. The door was opened by a beautiful young girl whose appearance proclaimed her to be hastening into the higher altitude of womanhood. She read Hestmead's card, and then smiled kindly, as she said:

"Her highness is in the grove near the tennis court, I think; if you will follow me I think I will be able to take you to her."

CHAPTER V.

Hestmead Forgets What He Intended to Say.

When the new duchess reached home after meeting Hestmead in Canterbury whatever of shadow had remained on her face after her interview with Father Antonio was absent from it now. Lady May was overjoyed at the change, and showed her gladness in her own happy demeanor, and when she parted with the elder woman at night to her usual good-night kiss, she added a warm embrace and these five words: "Oh, I am so glad!"

Before the elder woman disrobed she spent some time in the privacy of her own chamber in silent meditation. Before her glass she had satisfied herself that she could give to Hestmead a fuller beauty than he had valued in her when she had been a girl, and to that she could give him a true and honest heart, purified by the great volume of the love she bore him. How glad she was that she had had comeliness and nobility of her mature years to give him, in return for his great love for her. How glad she was that her virgin womanhood was to be given to him at last. He was worthy of it all, above all other men, and as she sat there musing a sweet sense of joy stole over her that at last she could requit him in supreme fullness for all he had suffered through his love for her. She sat there long the guest of a charmed mental reverie, feeling a great thankfulness that at last one could dash the cup of joy from her lover's lips, and waiting far into the night dreams of fancy, in the which she studied how best she could delight in the coming years the man who had loved her so intensely and so nobly. And at last when she laid herself down to sleep she prayed to God to give her dreams of Hestmead in the which she would be recompensing him for his years of grief.

On the morrow she received his note and answered it as the reader is aware, then she went to her boudoir to prepare for the interview with Hestmead that she felt would follow her letter to him. She dressed herself with great care, probably with greater care than she had ever bestowed on her toilet before. She put on a soft muslin dress, jasper in color, and fleecy in texture, which harmonized so perfectly with her delicate complexion. Upon her head she placed a broad brimmed walking hat trimmed with white ostrich plumes, from which the glory of her hair was allowed to fall unrestrained around her nymph-like shoulders. Then she took off all the jewelry from her hands and neck, excepting a plain gold ring which Hestmead had once given her, and which she now wore on the third finger of her right hand. Her toilet complete, she took a book and wandered out into the shrubbery that fringed the foreground of the meadows, first having instructed Lady May to show any one who wished to see her where she was to be found, ceremony having been almost entirely ignored in their retired style of living.

THE ROBIN AND THE ROBBER.

With twigs and strings and other things The robin builded it strong, And as it plaited them into shape It caroled a cheerful song.

"Why so busy?" the Jaybird asked, "What are you doing, pray?" "I suppose," said the robin, "I'm making a nest."

"For you, you blooming Jay!"

DEATH OF MR. ADELBERG, HAY.

Believed to Be Due to an Accident, Early Sunday Morning.

New Haven, Conn., June 24.—Adelbert S. Hay, son of Secretary Hay, and former Consul at Pretoria, was found dead on the sidewalk outside the New Haven House at 2:30 a.m. Sunday. Hay retired to his room at 1 o'clock, after spending the evening with friends, in apparently excellent spirits. At 2:30 a passer-by noticed the body of a prostrate man lying on the sidewalk on the College street side of the hotel. The night clerk at the hotel was immediately summoned, and recognized the young man as the one who registered as Adelbert S. Hay. Dr. Bartlett, the medical examiner, stated that the young man undoubtedly came to his death by an accident. The clothes in the bed had been turned, showing his intention to go to bed. His clothes had been folded. On the ledge of the window was found a partly burned cigarette. This cigarette, it is believed, was the one that Hay had lit before retiring, and went to the window to smoke it. Whether he was seized with a fit of dizziness or fell asleep on the window ledge cannot be determined.

A MOORISH STORY TELLER.

How the Professional Piles His Calling in the Market Square.

A writer in The English Illustrated Magazine listened to a professional story teller plying his calling in a Moorish market. By half past 9 in the morning the great square beyond the city gates, where the market is held, was crowded. Patient Arabs sat in front of their stock of fresh vegetables and maize or presided over a supply of fruit. Beggars claimed the attention of passers by. Presently down the dusty road from the interior came a man without whom the market would be incomplete. He was the story teller. He passed the beggars with a simple "Allah will provide!" that convinced them he had no intention of sharing the responsibility of providing and made his way to a corner beyond the circle now occupied by a caravan of camels.

There he seated himself comfortably on the ground. Within five minutes there was a circle of men and boys round him. A brisk conversation ensued. The writer gathered that they were giving the story teller directions concerning the tale they wanted to hear. This is very often done. The audience, knowing that the story teller lives by their support, is at times very definite in its demands, and not infrequently a plot must be altered in course of narration.

Soon the story started, and no knowledge of Arabic was necessary to understand that the narrator was a man of parts. The audience was deeply moved, the interest extending from the gray bearded veterans more than 60 years old to the 15-year-old boy.

Later in the morning, when the sun's rays were nearly vertical and most of the business was suspended, the story teller was still at his labors, and his audience had grown until the enlarged circle was four or five deep, the inner rings sitting down, the others standing. Traders had left their stock in charge of children, and beggars had forgotten their woes and were eagerly listening to the tale which one who understood explained to be about a beautiful princess, a wicked djinn, an old husband and a young man.

The story appeared to be more engrossing than wholesome in tone. To the cries of pleasure, their constant smiles and occasional jokes, the story teller was to be seen to take an intense delight in the development of his romance and never showed the slightest sign of sharing the emotions of his hearers.

Sharing the Glory.

"Henrietta isn't one of those women who want to put a husband in the background and make him stay there?"

"No, indeed!"

"Is she trying to make you prominent?"

"Yes. She is going to deliver a lecture to her club on how to manage husbands, and she wants me to come up on the platform and be an example."

To Have Him Pass.

"Well, good night," said Mr. Borem, finally breaking away. "I've had a most enjoyable evening with you, but I must expect to pass your house tomorrow evening, and I thought I might."

"I'll be delighted," said she quickly. "Good night."—Exchange.

Waterloo Was Disastrous.

Craddock, Cape Colony, June 23.—In an engagement at Waterloo, June 20, the British lost 8 men killed and 2 mortally wounded, and had 4 men seriously wounded. In addition, 66 men of the Cape (Colonial) Mounted Rifles were captured. The captain of a Boer squadron is reported to have been wounded, and one Boer was killed.

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Coal Fields Ruined and Thirty Miles of Railroad Washed Away.

Roanoke, Va. There was a great deal of excitement and anxiety created here yesterday when it was reported that an awful cloud and cloudburst had swept over the Elk-horn coal region in West Virginia. This territory is near the Virginia line, and is about 125 miles west of Bluefield, W. Va. The region visited by the flood was so devastated, and the Pocahontas coal fields are reported in ruins.

More than 30 miles of the railroad tracks of the Norfolk and Western Railroad are still coming into the general office of this system in this city, reporting washouts on the various sections of lines in the flooded districts. One of the breaks in the track will require a thousand laborers and several days' work to repair it.

Dead bodies could be seen floating along the valley by those who had gained a place of safety on the high hills. One messenger reported having seen 38 dead bodies. There are supposed to be many who will never be accounted for.

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The loss of life will probably reach 500 or 600, and possibly this number will be swelled when fuller details are obtainable.

Took Poison by Mistake.

Meaford, June 21.—Miss Minnie Johnston, a very estimable young woman, daughter of J. J. Johnston, ex-mayor of this town, died Saturday morning from the effects of a dose of poison, taken in mistake for a headache powder. The dose was taken ten days ago, and although an emetic was administered, the poison had done its work, and Miss Johnston is dead.

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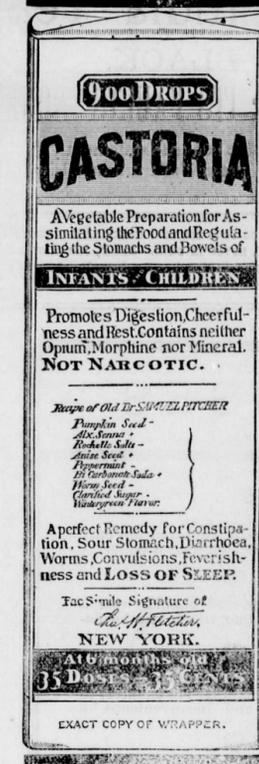
RIVALRY JOHNSTOWN FLOOD.

Conservative Estimate Says the Loss of Life Is 500.

The Property Loss Is \$2,000,000—Some of the Drowned in the Bluefield, W. Va. Field Are Among the Most Prominent Citizens of the Coal Fields.—The Little Keystone, Population 2,000, Has Been Wiped Out.

Bluefield, W. Va., June 24.—This entire section has just been visited by a flood, the extent of which in all probability will equal or exceed that of Johnstown in 1889, so far as the loss of property is concerned. Saturday night a heavy downpour of rain began, accompanied by a severe electrical storm, and steadily increased in violence until 10 o'clock in the morning, then ceasing for several hours, and beginning again with renewed violence. This continued throughout the entire day and night. Many miles of the Norfolk and Western Railroad tracks, and many bridges are entirely destroyed, and communication is cut off west of Elk-

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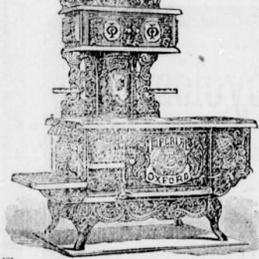
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