His Remarkable Methods Detailed by a

Famous Scholar.

The word Mahatman is a very com-non Sanskrit word, so Max Muller

tells us, meaning, literally, great-souled, high-minded, noble; but it has also

in India a technical sense, being ap-

plied to what in the ancient language

of India were called Sannyasins, and

meaning one who has abandoned all

worldly affections. In the newspaper discussions of theosophy much has

been said concerning the Mahatmas,

mysterious beings who are supposed

to be inaccessible to ordinary mortals

and exercise what we are wont to

term supernatural powers over ma-terial forces. But Prof. Muller tells

us (Nineteenth Century) of a "real"

Mahatma, or aMhatman, who dwelt

in the suburbs of Calcutta until he

died in 1886. His name was Rama-

krishna Pararamahausa, and, unlike

most of the Sannyasins, he was not only a high-souled man, but a man of original thought and profound med-

itation. We quote from Prof. Muller's

"Protap Chunder Mozoomdar, the

leader of the Brahmo Somaj, and well known to many people in England,

tells me of the extraordinary influence which the Mahatman exercised

on Keshub Chunder Sen, on himself, and on a large number of the highly educated men in Calcutta. A score of young men who were more closely

attached to him have become ascet-

ics after his death. They follow his

teaching by giving up the enjoyment of wealth and carnal pleasure, living

together in a neighboring Matha (col-

lege), and retiring at times to holy and solitary places all over India,

even as far as the Himalayan Mountains. Besides these holy men, we are

told that a great number of men with

their families are ardently devoted to

his cause. But what is most inter-

esting is the fact that it was the Ma-

hatman who exercised the greatest in-

fluence on Keshub Chunder Sen dur-

ing the last phase of his career (when

the world, or was a man of the world,

even in the sense in which Keshub Chunder Sen was. He seems from the

very first to have practiced that very

severe kind of asceticism (yoga), which

is intended to produce trances (samad-

hi) and ecstatic utterances. We can

not quite understand them, but in the

case of our Mahatman we can not

doubt their reality, and can only stand

by and wonder, particularly when so

much that seems to us the outcome

of a broken frame of body and an

overwrought state of mind contains

nevertheless so much that is true and

wise and beautiful. Protap Chunder

Mozoomdar, who was fully aware that his friend was considered by

many, particularly by missionaries, as

a self-deluded enthusiast, nay, as an

imposter, gives us the following ac-

court of him when his influence was

at its height. 'The Hindu saint,' he

writes, 'is now a man under 40, he is

a Brahman by caste, he is well-

ormed in body, but the dreadful aus-

terities through which his character

manently disordered his system, and

the midst of this emaciation his face

an unspeakable sweetness of ex-

was often merged in rapturous ec-

he would burst into floods of tears

and break out into prayers, song,

and utterances that by their beauty

heart. Of these ecstacies Prof. Mul-

here described has been witnessed

again and again by serious observ-

Ramakrishna, no mere senseless hypnotic jabbering, but a spontane-

clothed in beautiful poetical langu-

scope of pearls, diamonds and sap-

hires, shaken together at random

but always producing precious thoughts in regular, beautiful out-

ines. To our ears, no doubt, much

of his teaching and preaching sounds

strange, but not to Oriental ears, or

to ears accustomed to the perfervid

poetry of the East. Everything seems

to become purified in his mind. No-

thing, I believe is so hideous as the

popular worship of Kali in India. To Ramakrishna all that is repulsive in

her character is, as it were, nonexistant, and there remains but the motherhood of the goddess. Her

adoration with him is a childlike

whole-souled, rapturous self-consecra

tion to the motherhood of God, as

represented by the power and in-

fluence of woman. Woman in her na-

brought crowds of people, who bitter-

ly cried when he cried, and could not

whom he prayed, that is the goddess

Kali, made him recognize every wo-man as her incarnation, and honor

each member of the other sex, either

young or old, as his mother. In one

of his prayers he exclaims: 'O Mo-

ther Divine, I want no honor from man, I want no pleasure of the flesh; only let my soul flow into Thee as

the permanent confluence of the

yoga (concentration); I am poor and

friendless. I want no one's praise, only let my mind always dwell in

the lotus of thy feet.' But what is

the most extraordinary of all, his re

ligion was not confined to the wor-

ship of Hindu dieties and the puri-

fiscation of Hindu customs. For long

days he subjected himself to various

kinds of discipline to realize the Mo-

hammedan idea of an all-powerful Allah. He let his beard grow, he fed

himself on Moslem diet, he continu-

an. For Christ his reverence was deep and genuine. He bowed his head at the name of Jesus, honored

the doctrine of his sonship, and once or twice attended Christian places of

worship. He declared that each form

and showing sincere reverence to

age. His mind seems like a kaleido

outburst of profound wisdom

"The state of religious exaltation as

and pathos would melt the hardest

Ramakrishna, we are further

retains a fullness, a child-like tend-

has developed appear to have per-

Their Peculiarities.

Parliamentary Practices in the Isle of Man.

An Independent Country With a Population of 130 People - The British House of Comme

A Longon correspondent writes: How many persons have ever heard of the Republic of Tavolara? Not many, I imagine, beyond its own latitude and longitude. Even that work of miraculous research-Whitaker's Almanac-has seemingly overlooked about in the Mediterranean to any ged edge of Sardinia-off the northeast coast of it-not more than thirteen miles away from it, indeed. For how came that speck of a neighbor of a kingdom to be a republic? Did any one ever hear of a Tavolaronian war? How, then, did the wee bit of a country contrive to set up in business for the world, in point of population, so at it should take to fisticuffs it would not stand much against the big lump of Sardinia, which almost rubs elbows with it. Tavolara is five miles long, and five-eights of a mile wide, and it has 55 inhabitants by strict count. Mr. Gilbert, in one of his whimsies, could do worse than prospect in Ta-

Until a baker's dozen of years ago Tavolara was a kingdom, with a real live king on a real throne. Have you ever heard of his Tavolarian majesty? Charles Albert, King of Sardinia, more or less august progenitor of Humbert of Italy, granted the tight little island That was in 1836, and the Bartoleoni who was at the head of the family a king of himself, and called mimself Paul I., Rex; and for nigh spon half a century he reigned withshould thenceforth govern themselves. from his long and honorable service. For four years the 55 inhabitants got along very well without any particular form of government, and then, think- that which pertains to the Speakering. I suppose, that they must be in ship of the English House of Common fashion, they made a republic and a The presiding officer of the "mother constitution, and elected a president." of parliaments" costs the nation \$70,to claim the throne, although these money by any means. Mr. Speaker good people had waited all that time pays his chaplain \$2,000 a year, his sector somebody to come along and put retary \$2,500, his train-bearer \$1,250, the crown on his head and say, "I one legal counsel \$9,000, and another govern you!" What a chance was there for some capable fellow with twoney in his pocket! He must needs have that for the kingship of Tavolara was not a profitable enterprise A nice the Speaker has \$30,000 a year left for was not a profitable enterprise A nice thingship of the speaker has \$30,000 a year left for the kingship of the speaker has \$30,000 a year left for the speaker had a year left for the speaker had a year left for the speaker had a year was not a profitable enterprise. A pic-turesque opportunity was missed, and the parliamentary palace. the throne and the crown went by de-

Who ever heard of another throne and crown passing out of the ken of men in this way, all because no one had the spirit or the ambition to claim it and style himself Thingumbob Rex? Well, the passion for being governed which prevails in the human breast. broke out at last even in peaceful Tavolara, and so one morning the people got out of bed and said to themselves: "As nobody wants to be king among us, let us proclaim ourselves republic." This they did very calmly and agreeably, and all in the way of good breeding, for the women claimed equal suffrage with the men, and they got it without any trouble or speechmaking. The latter fact shows the Tavolarians to be a sensible people beyoud any hitherto chronicled. Imagine a country where speeches are at a dis-count! It would be a difficult business to be a jingo there, and nobody could get up a cheap reputation for wit on strength of after-dinner eloquence.

And there are no spoils of office in the island. Not a penny of pay or perquisite is attached to any public post, and I dare say that everybody's yearning can be gratified by everybody becoming an office-holder of some sort. After that statement do you foresee a smad rush across the Atlantic on the part of "the boys" who are "out in the cold"? Anyway, there is Tavolara, as independent as you please, and with its independence recognized by the King of Italy.

But there is a smaller republic than Tavolara, in point of area, the Republic of Goust, the smallest one in the world. Andorra is an empire in comparison. Goust is about a mile square,

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does not trouble itself about our brave ite. Tiny Republics in Europe and in other people's affairs, and without listener on the bench below: reading the evening papers, or, so "Mr. Willis, Q.C., sat in Property of the control of the bench below: ones. one member of which is selected to see hat the business agreed upon is exer because nobody knows much about hem, and therefore they are unenvied.

day little country in the governenent way is the Isle of Man, of which everybody is supposed to know someing on account of the popularity of Hall Caine's novels. The Manx island is a rough slice of country stuck up in the middle of the Irish Sea, and, in the mind of the rest of the world, asociated with a curious line of officers alled "deemsters," and a breed of tailless cats. But it is not without other ceed in the Elaims to consideration. As thus: It is this is true: dozen miles broad and 34 miles long, the tiny state. And you may cruise and 50,000 people live upon it, chiefly for the reason that it never occurs to extent without happening upon the boat. Man though a British possession, is practically independent. It has a legislature of its own, called the Tynwald, as any reader of Hall Caine is supposed to know, and the Tynwald at the very top of his profession. ys being the other. Bills after hav-Il is not sent for the royal assent. rarely speaks, and only on topics of which he is master. \* \* \* Yet when ists of the Governor and two members he rises the audience with one concouncil, and the quorum of the sent begins to make excuse for not e of Keys consists of thirteen listening to him."
ers, 24 comprising the entire One peculiarity

the prescribed manner, and approv-d by the Queen-Empress, the measure loes not become law until it has been emptying of benches." ed condition! But even in the Manx country it can hardly be expected that "The late Mr. Joseph Gillis Biggar ut disturbance, and then he died. year, and the second Deemster gets as along without noticing these evidences Whether it was because he thought a much. The important person who gets of disinclination for further intergreat deal of himself, or a very little nothing is the Speaker of the House course, and lived long enough to find of his relatives, I do not know, but of Keys, and he seems to like it, as this intervention, on whatever subject when he died, fourteen years ago by the same man has filled the position might be before the House, hailed the calendar, he expressly stipu-lated that none of his rela-tives should succeed to the throne, him by the members, but that is the

This condition is very different from Nobody had appeared in the interval | 000 a year. But all this is not pocket

The Speaker of the English House, as we all know is not chosen for his partisan leanings; he is not the lord and master of the House; but its presiding officer in the strict sense-literbly its spokesman. It is necessary him to show the qualifications of judge rather than those of a poli-He is in no sense a leader. his official capacity he represents party. He is always a man of creat dignity-for tradition makes mation of all the dignity and power of the ancient House, and there are times when he is technically the House itself. It must be a dreary siness for him to preserve his dignity through the melancholy hours of bate, and the nights of oratorical neptitude, when the chosen of the are fearlessly brandishing their ignorance before a breathless But there he sits, imperturbably sizing up human nature. House, as you know, does not, like our representatives of wisdom at Washington, sit through the day.

meets at 3 in the afternoon, and i so enamored of itself that it cannot bear to adjourn before midnight. In old days members had less conceit of this sort; they met as early as possible, and departed as soon as they could. They began business as early as 8 o'clock in the morning, in ome reigns. In Charles II'.s time they met at 9 am. Up to the beginning of the present century 10 o'clock in the morning was the hour for the asmbling of the popular branch of Parliament. But early rising does ot suit the modern legislator; he prefers to stay up late.

I have known some travelers to call dy." It is hardly that. But it has a reater liking for formality than is e case with our own legislatures. ormality can cover a multitude of At any rate, the House bes in manner if not in manners. It nost most punctilious in its dress, gait, its ceremonial. To make a reach in its accustomed rites is almost as spocking as if a member were to commit burglary. Expressions which have been merely declared unparliamentary in Australia would raise here what the oredulous subeditors of London evening papers call a scene." In Australia it has been Corsica for the consumptive patients eccessary to curb the enthusiasm of the metropolitan hospitals. legislators by officially forbidding them to use such phrases as "This s a corrupt House, presided over corsavages of Bogons, whom he repre- lie. sual dulness by malignity."

The House of Commons is not near-power of any remedy to do me any so "stiff" a body as the superficial good."

"It is even abjectly eager to be eased. It will laugh heartily of the glass of water or an inkpot by an im-

and it houses 130 persons. It has been peroration by sitting down on his hat, independent these 250 years, and it he instantly becomes a prime favorthese 250 years, and it he instantly becomes a prime favor-

quarrels with Spain, nor about much | The member who sits on his hat else. It stands on the top of a mountain by the Spanish border, near the in another member who, with sweepedge of France, and it gets along very ing gesture, brings his clenched fist omfortably without ever mixing itself down on the hat of an unsuspecting

as I know, the morning for some sessions, and not ungenousthe delectable 130 gov
"Mr. Willis, Q.C., sat in Parliament for some sessions, and not ungenously contributed to debate, the stores ly contributed to debate, the stores themselves by a council, of a cultured mind finding expression in forcible, and, occasionally, eloquent language. But his parliamentary repcuted. Matters go along very smooth-y, and the Goustians are all the hapen speech from the bench immediately behind ministers, he thrice knocked off the hat of the solicitor-general, who sat below him. To achieve such a coup de main once in a parliament-ary career would be a distinction. To do it three times, with the same hat, in a maiden speech withal, placed the learned Q. C. on the pinnacle of imperishable renown. To be "a good orator at the bar," Macaulay said, is rather a reason for expecting a man to fail than to suc-

ceed in the House, and Mr. Lucy says "Perhaps the most striking example of the duality of position as maintained within the House of Commons them to get away, even by excursion and outside it is found in the case s two branches, the Governor and His services in important cases are council being one, and the House of purchased by astute solicitors at fabulous sums. In addressing the judges g passed both houses are signed by every syllable of his utterance is of the members, and then sent for the ast of Queen Victoria. Unless signed is exactly the same man when he the legal quorum of each House a rises in the House of Commons. He

nembers, 14 comprising the entire one peculiarity pointed out by Mr. Lucy is "that a man who is eagerly hich has passed through all the sought after by experienced promoters tages in both houses may, neverthe-ess, be blocked by the refusal of memiss sometimes howled at in the House ers to sign it. And even when signed of Commons, or laughed at, or, worse

oromulgated in the Manx and English anguages on the Tynwald Hill.

The public expenditure is \$30,000 less dice, and, from being regarded as an than the public revenue—a truly bless- insufferable bore, may grow into the

the officers should work for nothing. Was such a one. When, from far be-They have a good deal more than nothing. The Governor has \$9,000 a the parliamentary horizon with his year and a house, and his duties are ungainly figure, his harsh voice, his far less operous than those of the Governor of Massachusetts. Even our for ordinary courtesles, the House old friend, the Deemster, gets \$5,000 a angrily roared at him. But he plodded but that the inhabitants of the island only "picking" that has come to him of detail, in the case of the late Sir George Campbell."

Notes and Incidents

Sixteen cases of insanity in a thousand are caused by love affairs. Holy Island near Berwick-on-Tweed has five licensed liquor saloons for

its 400 inhabitants. At a dinner given in London by a South African millionaire each lady during dessert was presented with a large uncut diamond from the Kim-

America on Oct. 6, attending two or three State conventions before the stasy and outward unconsciousness National Women's Christian Temper- during the day, in the midst of which ance Union gathering at St. Louis in

Temperance people were represented by Ginn and Porter, solicitors, and ir clerk, named Beer, in opposing the granting of licenses lately at Dev-onport, Mr. Sturgeon, of the Fisherman's Arms, got his license renewed.

Which of the nations of Europe drink the most alcohol? A speaker at the Basle Congress on "Alcoholism" has tackled this question, with remarkable results. In amount of alcoholic liquid consumed, Britain or Germany would bear away the unenviable palm. But the important thing, according to the speaker referred to, is the strength of the liq-uids consumed. For this purpose he brings all drinks to a common standard according to the amount of al-cohol which they contain; and on this basis, he arrives at the following result: Annual amount of alcohol consumed per head of population—France. 13 quarts; Switzerland, 10 quarts; Belglum, 10 quarts; Italy, 10 quarts; Ger many, 9 quants; England, 9 quarts; Sweden, 4 quarts; Norway, 3 quarts; Clanada, 2 quarts.

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LIFE SAVED .- Mr. James Bryson Cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the my bed with inflammation of the lungtly." "That is a lie." "You robbed lungs, and was given up by physicians. A neighbor advised me to try Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, stating that o Parliament, we have only a dis-orderly mob." "He is possessed of itense personal malignity." "For on this advice, I procured the medi-ownright cheek, commend me to the other ownright cheek, commend me to the other ownright cheek, remained the mediember who has just sat down." "The me; I certainly believed it saved my Bogons, whom he repre- lie. It was with reluctance that I The member has relieved his consented to a trial, as I was reduced to such a state that I doubted the

inclined to think it. It is | Nothing pleased the small girl. She difficult for a newcomer to had not been to Sunday school all gain its good will; but that is as it should be the man must prove his mettle. On the other hand, the "Mabel," said the teacher, wearied fouse is an induigent audience, as with many complaints, "you are a himself on Moslem diet, he continuienry Lucy ("Toby," of Punch), has regular little pessimist." "No, I am ally repeated sentences from the Kor-

"It is even abjectly eager to leased. It will laugh heartily at the leased. It will laugh heartily at the leased, while the upsetting of a summer complaint if they have a bottle block, while the upsetting of a summer complaint if they have a bottle lock, while the upsetting of a least ready for use. It corrects all passioned or embarrassed orator, or the Cordial ready for use. It corrects all passioned or embarrassed orator, or the inadvertent breach of order involved in a member passing between vision of the speaker and the gentleman addressing the chair, is the signal for uproariors mirth or gravely affected indignation. As for the man who indignation, as for the man who in the speaker and the speaker and the signal for uproariors mirth or gravely affected in the most oppular to some of the man who in the most oppular gions of the world by seeing only medicine for cholera, dysentery, etc. indignation. As for utterance of his in the market.

every one who has suffered for the truth, for their faith in God, and for their love of men. He seems to have left nothing in writing, but his sayings live in the memory of his friends. He would not be the master or founde of a new sect. I float a frail halfsunk log of wood through the stream of the troublous world. If men come to hold by me to save their lives, the result will be that they will drown me without being able to save them-

FIGHT WITH A FISH.

selves. Beware of Gurus!"

One Man Came Out of It With Three Broken Ribs and There Were Other Bruises.

From the Omaha World-Herald. The 110-pound blue channel catfish that has been one of the many attractions in the fisheries building of the State fair was removed against his vigorous protest to the hatcheries on Sunday afternoon, and John Mere-dith, of the hatchery, has three bro-ken ribs; State Fish Commissioner Lew May carries several bruises, and Supt. O'Brien a study in moonlight coloring under his left eye.

The ponderous fish has been confined in a narrow tank at the exhibit. He is a wicked fellow, and this is pretty well known, as a cloth was folded about his head before an attempt was made to remove him from his tank. In lifting him out he struggled loose, and then began as exciting a three-cornered fight as has been seen hereabouts for many months.

The fisheries men labored with the big fish and the big fish labored with the fisheries men, and for a while it looked as though the reserves of the metropolitan police would have to be called out to quell the disturbance The men and the fish rolled over on the floor and every now and then the monster would swing its tail with the viciousness of Corbett's right. Whenever he landed one the men went down. He used his mouth, too, and Mr. May says that it looked like the entrance to the sub-treasury vaults, so large was it.

Meredith, during the melee, was struck by the tail and crushed against the side of the building, breaking three ribs, and was renoved to town for medical treatment O'Brien got a corner of the tail in the face that gave him a souvenir decoration, while the others were more or less bruised in the struggle. The fish was finally conquered and rolled into his tank and sent to the fisheries. The blue in the building, caused by the exclamations of the gentlemen will have faded into the world in the course of a couple of days. This is the first time that the has ever given any serious trouble, although he is always more or less difficult to handle.

The Negative Knott. Good Words.

To play on a man's name when dead is not uncommon, and these two are examples of this unfortunate fail-This world is but a shadow.

And so, alas, found poor Tom Meainflicted a debility, paleness, and shrunkenness upon his form and features that excite compassion. Yet in But changed to make it rhyme with

shadow. Some people delight to descant on a name, and turn and twist it in every erness, a profound visible humbleness, conceivable way: pression, and a smile that I have Here lies a man that was Knott born, seen in no other face."

His father was Knott before him; told, Yet lived Knott, and did Knott die, Yet underneath this stone doth lie.

Knott christened, Knott begot, And here he lies And yet was Knott.

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