

News of the Week.

EUROPEAN.

LONDON, July 17.—The Labor Conference had an exciting discussion last night on a Belgian proposal to unite with the Marxist Congress. The result showed that the American, Dutch and Belgian delegates were in favor of union. The others finished upon a strict examination of the credentials of the Marxist delegates. This implies a rejection of the proposal. M. Allemane, a French delegate, and Mr. Brown, an American delegate, have been jointly elected to the presidency of the Labor Congress. The Marxists have declined to amalgamate with the congress unless they are received unconditionally.

PARIS, July 17.—The newspapers most inclined to General Boulanger condemn the indictment against him as weak, wordy and ineffective. The only serious charge is that of abasement, which, the General declares, is easily refutable.

LONDON, July 17.—General Boulanger says the indictment found against him in Paris is a mass of falsehoods.

COFFRAGH, July 17.—Princess Augusta, sister of the Queen, died last night. An imposing funeral to the late Emperor Frederick was celebrated on Thursday last at Brno.

LONDON, July 18.—The government has accepted tenders for the construction of seventeen vessels on the Clyde, Tyne and Aberdeen.

LONDON, July 18.—In the House of Commons this evening Hon. Edward Stanhope, Secretary of State for War, read a communication from Gen. Grenfell, who is with the troops in Egypt. The communication contained the reply of the general's demands for the Derivatives. The reply says: "Your force is surrendering. I am sent to conquer the world, and I cannot stop. Now I call upon you to surrender. If you will do so I will protect you. Remember Hick's Paah and Gordon Fasha. Gen. Grenfell adds that Nad-Ei Jami's fighting men are well fed and in good condition."

LONDON, July 18.—At the inquest held on the body of a woman found murdered in the Whitechapel district yesterday morning, the fact was developed that, in addition to two large gashes, there were fourteen other wounds on the body. The greater number of the wounds, however, were only skin deep.

BRIDGE, July 18.—The Swiss Socialists have decided to send a protest to the Bundessrath against the action of the Prussian Government in proposing to appeal to the popular vote against the creation of a public prosecutor's department.

LONDON, July 18.—A new wedding anthem, "O Perfect Love," has been composed by Joseph Barnby for the marriage of the Princess Louise of Wales and the Earl of Fife. It is officially announced that the Queen will confer a dukedom upon the Earl of Fife.

PARIS, July 18.—The papers here consider that the King of Holland's address to the States-General, in which he asked that 68,000 troops be kept armed to defend Dutch neutrality is a grave event indicating expected German action.

LONDON, July 18.—In the Stewart contest at Wimbledon, which each marksman fired seven shots at the 200 yard range, Corporal W. D. Hadfield, of the Massachusetts team, won the prize with a score of 34 out of a possible 35 points.

LONDON, July 18.—The Government has accepted a proposal by John Morley that an increased allowance be paid to the Prince of Wales, enabling him to provide marriage portions for his children, be substituted for the proposed special grants.

AMERICAN.

CALAIS, Me., July 19.—Yesterday a deputy United States marshal served a writ on Henry F. and Chas. H. Eaton, owners of the American house, Calais, for violation of the alien labor law. The writ alleges that the Eatons contracted with a plumber from Canada. This will be a test case, and the result is awaited with great anxiety. Probably three hundred to five hundred Americans work in the mills in Milltown, N.B., and a large number of provincials come to Calais daily to work on the wharves and vessels. St. Stephen's people threaten to retaliate if the law is enforced.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., July 17.—The extensive French brewery at Fort Wayne was burned last night. The establishment was the property of C. L. Centerville. The ammonia tank of the ice machine exploded with great force, severely injuring three men. Alexander Duenning's leg was torn off. Loss, \$350,000.

BREWTON, Ala., July 17.—One Gaston, from Iowa, committed suicide here to-day by throwing himself upon a circular saw in a sawmill. He was killed instantly. The supposed cause was disappointment in love.

ATLANTA, Ga., July 17.—W. J. Pelet, a detective, while walking the street last night with Mrs. Wiley was shot dead by the woman's husband, who had suspected the pair.

NEW YORK, July 17.—The steamer Westland, which arrived on the 15th, is detained in quarantine by a case of smallpox among the steerage passengers.

NEW YORK, July 17.—Nothing has yet been heard of Edward D. Hogan, the aeronaut, who was in Peter Campbell's air ship yesterday and forgot to come down.

CHICAGO, July 17.—Another application for the release of John F. Bagge, the Cronin snuff, on bail was made to-day to Judge Altgeld, but was refused.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 17.—At eleven o'clock to-day a Cairo & Vincennes passenger train met with almost complete demolition. The fifteen passengers were seriously injured. The passengers were thrown in every direction and a perfect pandemonium ensued. Nearly all those on the train were more or less injured. Most of the passengers were extricated only by cutting into the coaches with axes.

LOWELL, Mass., July 17.—The large stable of the Lowell Hotel railroad was burned to-night with 120 horses, 30 cars, five sets of leads of hay and straw. The Hotel Belmont was damaged, and a building house over the stable was gutted. Several families living back of the stable were burned out. The loss to the car company is \$125,000.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 17.—Miss Lillie G. Holland, of Asheville, Ala., married to-day with Charles Lee, a negro, who has a wife and several children, while Mrs. Hol-

land leaves a husband. Mrs. Holland is said to be handsome, and is 15 years younger than Lee.

CHICAGO, July 17.—A United States marshal is looking for W. M. Edmeston, charged with violating the postal laws. It is said Edmeston is running a college of science which, for a small consideration, grants diplomas to servant girls. He has used the mails extensively, and many poor domestics complain that they have been swindled.

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, July 17.—Rev. W. T. Lewis died here yesterday heart-broken. He was born in England and graduated at Oxford. In 1881 at Washington he married a daughter of George W. Johnson, former manager of the old Madison Square theater. The lady had married earlier for the stage and played in several operas. She left her husband last October and has not been heard from since.

DEQUOIS, Ia., July 17.—John Elkins and wife were murdered last night in Kirk township. Elkins' second son, aged 11, slept in the barn, and states that he was awakened about 3 o'clock by a rifle shot. Going into the house he found his father dead in his bed, with a bullet through his brain, and his wife also in the bed with her head smashed in. A babe was still sleeping between them. Suspicion rests on the boy and his elder brother, aged 24, who both had a grudge against their stepmother.

CHICAGO, July 17.—A circular has been issued, bearing the signature of T. V. Powderly, general master workman; and John B. Hayes, general secretary of the Knights of Labor; Samuel Gompers, president of the Federation of Labor; W. M. Sargeant, chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen; and others, with the object of forming an alliance. The circular is the outcome of a conference held some time ago at Philadelphia. If the alliance is realized it will be the most formidable labor organization that ever existed in the United States or elsewhere.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., July 17.—This evening a train on the Pennsylvania road, carrying two hundred miners to their homes, was wrecked near this place. John Roush and Aaron Shippe were killed. Twenty persons were badly, some of them probably fatally, injured. A number of others were slightly hurt. The train was running at regular speed when miners standing on the back platform saw two freight cars, detached at some colliery, running wild down the grade. The miners shouted to their companions to jump, which many did from windows and platforms, but the runaway cars overtook the train before all were out, telescoping the cars.

ORANSTOWN, N. J., July 18.—Yesterday at Hibernia, a mining town, Martin Boynan brutally beat his wife and his mother-in-law. The latter died in a few hours. Boynan, was arrested. It is supposed that he also robbed his mother-in-law.

CHICAGO, July 18.—An explosion of a boiler in the planing mill of the R. V. Stone Lumber company this morning resulted in the death of three men. Several horses used in the establishment were also killed, and the building took fire.

BRADSTON, Ky., July 18.—Dr. T. Hourigan, recently convicted of the murder of his brother-in-law, J. H. Hays, and sentenced for life, escaped from jail here last night with Joseph Russell, charged with grand larceny.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., July 18.—Arsenic was placed in the food of the four children of Joseph Hunter, a painter living near Star City, Tuesday and three of them have died. The criminal and his motive are unknown.

DAYTON, Ohio, July 18.—Capt. Abbott and seven other secret service men this afternoon made a descent on the United States hotel, near here, to capture a gang of counterfeiters. Officer Donnelly was wounded twice in the head but not fatally. An escaping counterfeit was shot in the side. Two carpet sacks of counterfeit ten dollar bills have been found, and the search is not ended. The hotel belongs to Nelson Driggs, an aged and noted counterfeit.

COPEYVILLE, Miss., July 18.—Jim Gillman, a negro of Gravestert, at the last term of court in Grenada county reported quite a number of parties for gambling, for which they swore vengeance. Last Thursday night Gillman was murdered and his body thrown in Yallobaha river, where it was found on Tuesday. Several arrests have been made.

HARTFORD CITY, Ind., July 18.—One hundred men, wearing black masks, attacked the house of Nancy Vincent, a notorious resort at Mount Peter, last night. One male inmate was whipped with switches. The Vincent woman was caught and tarred and feathered and the house and furniture were demolished.

PITTSBURG, July 18.—Early this morning the bodies of Mrs. John McGregor and two children were discovered in ten inches of water in a creek near Youngstown, Ohio. The woman had first drowned her children and then herself. Her husband had left her in desolate circumstances and yesterday she had to beg for food.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., July 18.—To-day Judge Canning and Banker Thompson, having charge of the relief funds, began paying out money to the sufferers. Up to noon \$6,000 had been paid out most of the cheques being for \$50, the lowest amount paid to a single sufferer.

POINT PLEASANT, W. Va., July 18.—Misses Annetta and Miriam Boggs, sisters, living just over the line in Jackson county, committed suicide to-day by taking arsenic. They left a letter jointly saying there was nothing in life for old maids and they were tired of it. They were in fair circumstances, but had no relative living.

IRISH.

LONDON, July 18.—Before the Parnell commission to-day Matthew Harris stated that Egan and Brennan severed their connections with Fenians on joining the Land League. Dr. Charles Tanner, M. P. for the Middle Division of Cork, testified that he had never advocated the boycotting of women and children. He had tried to get land-grabbers boycotted. He admitted that he had denounced a certain land-grabber as a corrupt reptile and a creeping louse. The land-grabber was afterwards shot at. Witnesses always spoke against outrage. He had been boycotted himself by Cork Tories and his business had diminished, his patients forsaking him under pressure.

LONDON, July 18.—The election in the west division of Carmarthenshire to fill the vacancy in the House of Commons caused by the death of Walter Powell, Home Ruler, resulted in the return of Mr. Morgan, Gladstonian, who received 4,252 votes, against 2,533 for Mr. Drummond, Conservative. At the last election Powell received 4,181 votes, and Sir J. C. Lawrence, Liberal-Unionist, 1916.

LONDON, July 18.—Joseph Medhill, of Chicago, has written to the Earl of Aberdeen refusing the London Free Association that the sign of the Illinois address to Gladstone's wife, Fishman, and members of the Clan-na-Gael.

LONDON, July 18.—The Parnellites had a meeting to-day, at which Mr. Parnell presided, and decided to demand, at the earliest opportunity, the release of the prisoners arrested in the Dublin riots of the 11th of July. The Irish party claim to have evi-

dence proving that the Royal and Patriotic League planned and executed the whole business while Pigeot only acted as their tool.

LONDON, July 18.—Patrick O'Brien, M. P., and James Glinnely, M. P., have been summoned to appear before the Magistrate at Clonakilty, near Cork, on August 8, on which date the case of Mr. Wm. O'Brien, who was arrested on the 30th of last month for speaking at a proclaimed meeting, will come up. Mr. P. O'Brien and Mr. Glinnely were also speakers at the same meeting.

LONDON, July 18.—Mr. Bernard Charles Melloy, Home Rule member of the House of Commons for Brix, said in a speech the Parnellites possessed evidence of the existence of a conspiracy behind Pigeot, of which Pigeot himself was only the tool. This evidence will startle the English people when published, as it will be at the proper time. It was intended, he said, to lay all the facts before the Parnell Commission, where they could be thoroughly sifted by counsel on both sides and their importance duly weighed, but Judge Hannan's outrageous ruling prevented this plan from being carried out.

LONDON, July 18.—The match for the Echo Challenge shield at Wimbledon to-day was won by the Irish team, which scored 1,689; English team, 1,694; Scotch, 1,628. A ball was found in a field at Ballinclear recently. It is supposed to be 1,600 years old.

William Arthur O'Connor, of Sandford House, Causeway, has been appointed a magistrate for the County Kerry.

John McMullen, of Moneyvale, Co. Down, whilst working in a gravel pit, was smothered by the falling in of an embankment. Father McWilliams was one of the hardest workers to extricate the poor man.

The extensive felt works of D. Anderson & Son, Short Strand, Ballynacreevy, were recently almost totally destroyed by fire. The chemical works of J. A. Book adjoining were also injured to a great extent.

James McGovern, of Callies, Co. Cavan, was found murdered in his own stable. The instrument used was a four-pronged fork, and his son Henry, who suffers from insanity, is suspected for the deed.

The tenants on the Killingsly estate of E. F. V. Knox, Co. Down, entertained their landlord at dinner recently. Mr. Knox is a Home Ruler and related to the Protestant Archbishop of Armagh.

Patrick O'Connor, a car driver of Cork, was prosecuted for refusing to drive Policeman Pannery in order to "shadow" Tom Barry, a suspect. The magistrates not agreeing the case was marked "no rule."

Lawrence McGovern, of Cavan, was instructed by the Newry Guardian to treat some people who had got bitten by mad dogs, but when his bill was presented the Local Government Board stated they could not allow an illegal payment.

A gold mine is said to have been discovered at Durend, near Goleen, about six miles from Midway Head, Co. Cork. The property where the discovery was made is owned by B. L. Fleming, Newcourt, Skibbereen. Copper has also been found here in great quantities.

As a public meeting held in Armagh at which Patrick McLoran presided, the Local Commissioners and Government of the Liffey were represented and it was decided to erect a public subscription one ward in the Liffey to commemorate the terrible railway disaster.

There was a motion in the Queen's Bench Court, Dublin, recently to quash a sentence of 10 years' imprisonment passed on a man named Michael Fitzgerald of this county. The sentence will be reduced to about two years as there was a terrible mistake on the judge's part.

Mathias Walsh, employed in Richardson's bacon concern, Co. Waterford, recently got smothered whilst working up a hill. The sieve through which the salt gets down to the next floor; this unexpectedly opened and all the salt ran to the centre, covering Walsh and causing his death.

A man named Moore in charge of an evicted and boycotted farm at Kyle, Draughon, county Tipperary, shot a person named Navan in the knee. Navan and Moore got down to the case on foot. Moore succeeded in putting back Gillman was murdered and his body thrown in Yallobaha river, where it was found on Tuesday. Several arrests have been made.

Three emergency men, who are in charge of an evicted farm near Youghal, got drunk and when returning entered the house of Michael Terry, presenting a revolver to his head. They next visited the house of Mary Cadigan, where they acted in the same manner, and one of the emergency men fired five times into a crowd of men. They also attacked John Farrell of Fregmore, and his wife and threatened to shoot them. This is the style of person the people in the evicted districts of Ireland have to deal with now.

CANADIAN.

As an instance of the freedom of Canada from the most serious crime it may be mentioned that at present there is not a single prisoner under sentence of death.

About midnight Thursday night, as Mr. Thomas Rodden of Toronto was proceeding home, he was set upon by three ruffians and beaten and kicked into an insensible condition. His assailants have not been captured.

Messrs. Smith & Berklushaw, dry goods merchants, Yonge street, Toronto, have assigned to John W. Lawrence, acting for John McDonald & Co., who have been carrying the firm for some time. The liabilities are estimated at about \$30,000.

A scaffold at the new Rose Avenue school Toronto, collapsed about a quarter past three o'clock last Thursday afternoon, precipitating four men a distance of 80 feet. One of them, Alex. Carney, a bricklayer, was buried in the debris, and when extricated was dead from loss of blood. Of the injured, Samuel Garland and John Cowdy were the most hurt.

Mrs. Nolan, a matron from a Rochester insane asylum, came to Toronto Thursday, in charge of a lunatic named Mrs. Devin, whom she was taking to friends to Owen Sound. While here Mrs. Nolan got drunk and allowed her charge to escape, while she herself was arrested for being drunk. Chas. Brown, who claims also to come from Rochester, was arrested for attempting to rob Mrs. Nolan.

The Post Office department at Ottawa has received advice from Saint Ste. Marie, informing them of the finding on the 15th inst., of the mail bag stolen at Saint Ste. Marie Junction, while being transferred from one train to another on November 2, 1888. All the letters in the bag were missing. It contained registered letters amounting to \$1,087. The finder of the bag, amounting to nearly \$400, in a corner of the bag.

OTAWA, July 17.—Word has been received from Mr. A. Rodden, M.P.P., of Hull, that he is now in Paris. He was on his way to New York, but was detained in the Glenora Park case. Father Parnell is in the Glenora Park case, which he thought judgment should be given in his favor. The papers in the case have been received at the Department.

Justice, Ottawa, from Winnipeg. A lapse of time being provided for by law, the order for extradition cannot issue until July 26, and in the meantime the Minister of Justice will have an opportunity of considering the merits of the case.

HALIFAX, July 17.—The \$300,000 four per cent. loan Government loan, to run thirty years, has been taken at from 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 per cent. premium.

WINNIPEG, July 18.—The Board of Trade to-day passed a resolution urging the City council not to proceed with the law for \$400,000 to improve the Assiniboia water works, believing as they do that the work should be done by a private company.

QUEBEC, July 18.—A butcher named Jobin, of this city, was arrested at 2 o'clock yesterday morning for being drunk. He was subsequently brought before the Recorder's court and sentenced to eight days' jail, but he expired there during the night. An inquest was held this afternoon.

QUEBEC, July 18.—It is said that the nuns of the convent at Athabaska have suffered serious loss, a well known business man having absconded their confidence and let them in to the extent of over \$7,000.

OTTAWA, Ont., July 18.—Joseph Boiven, who arrived in the city yesterday on a raft of square timber from the upper Ottawa, belonging to Caldwell & Co., reported that six men were drowned on the way here. There were three different accidents. The first occurred at Roches Caplaines, four men losing their lives through the breaking up of a crib.

BRIARCLIFF, Ont., July 18.—A diabolical crime was perpetrated in the Meonachie church five miles north of this place last night. A person was seen coming out of the church at 9 o'clock at night and immediately afterwards fire was seen to come from the chimney. Mr. Manno Bean went into the church this morning, and on examining the stove found the head of a child with the body cremated. It had been saturated with coal oil.

HALIFAX, July 18.—The Nova Scotia barque Harriet Campbell, of Weymouth, was abandoned May 31st in lat. 31 north, long. 45 west, while on voyage from Monville to Buenos Ayres. The crew was rescued by the Norwegian barque Adelphi, from Buenos Ayres, and landed at Sydney.

A FIGHT FOR A FORTUNE.

Mr. Owen Murphy the Defendant in an Interesting Suit.

The New York Herald contains an account of proceedings in Supreme Court chambers, before Judge O'Brien on Wednesday, in which Mr. Owen Murphy, of Quebec, was defendant. Catherine M. Rikens, a widow, charges Mr. Murphy with an attempt to cheat her out of the bulk of her share in her deceased husband's estate, and the case came before Judge O'Brien on a motion made on behalf of Mrs. Rikens to make permanent an injunction against the Public Administrator from parting with the funds in his possession belonging to the estate, pending the trial of Mrs. Rikens' suit against Murphy.

Mr. William A. Shortt, counsel for Mrs. Rikens, said that in 1875 John M. Rikens was married in New York to the plaintiff in the present action. For two or three years they lived very happily together. Friends at length whispered to her of his waywardness, but she would not believe them. Finally, however, she got convincing proof of his infidelity. So at the end of two years they separated, she going her way and he his. She went to Montreal where she has ever since resided. There she opened a small millinery store at first and then a boarding house, and between the two managed to keep herself above water. Occasionally her husband would send her a few dollars.

But while she was eking out a mere existence, her fortune was smiling on the husband. He remained in New York in the employ of H. B. Clafin & Co., and being in the receipt of a liberal salary managed to lay up a considerable sum each year. With keen business intuitions he was prompt in turning his savings to good account through judicious investments. He foresaw the growth in real estate values, and turned his attention to buying vacant lots in what is now the annexed district of New York.

In the early years of his growing prosperity Rikens became infatuated with a young woman of striking beauty, and forgetting his struggling wife in Canada, showered upon her costly presents. Not satisfied with this he gave her a deed of his real estate so that all his valuable acquisitions stood in her name, thus making her his absolute and undisputed owner. It is estimated that the value of the real estate thus deeded away is in the neighborhood of \$200,000. On November 7, 1877, Rikens died, leaving a will giving all his property to the woman with whom he had for years been living.

Mr. Murphy came to attend the funeral. He was not slow in ascertaining the dispositions Rikens had made of his real estate and that any attempt to obtain possession of it would be futile. He read the will and saw at a glance, however, that it was invalid through having only one subscribing witness. There was some \$28,000 of personal property, and this was considered worth fighting for. Mr. Murphy, according to Mr. Shortt's further story, explained to Mrs. Rikens and her belief that it would not be admitted to probate. Two papers were then prepared which Mrs. Rikens was told the most eligible in order to begin proper legal proceedings. She says she was sick at the time and signed the papers before a notary without their contents being explained to her. One paper assigned to Mr. Murphy her entire interest in the estate of her deceased husband, with an agreement by Mr. Murphy to pay her an annuity of \$300 if he failed to get the property. The other paper was an agreement to let Mr. Murphy have two-thirds of the property recovered by him, and deducting from her one-third what had been paid to her as annuity and the expenses of the legal proceedings.

After the papers were signed Mr. Murphy again came to New York and employed counsel to resist the admission of the will to probate, which was successfully accomplished. A decree was entered directing payment by the Public Administrator of the entire fund to Mr. Murphy. There was paid to him \$6,000 on the strength of Mrs. Rikens' assignment. About this time Mrs. Rikens appeared on the scene and filed the Public Administrator with some rigid interrogatories. She says that she then first learned the fact that she had assigned her interest in her husband's estate to Mr. Murphy. It was not until her husband's death that she learned the contents of the second paper, in which she had assigned away two-thirds of her interest in the estate. Her husband left neither father nor mother, nor other relative, who was told that the entire estate belonged to her. She therefore employed counsel and began suit against Mr. Murphy to have the two agreements set aside and that she be declared entitled to the whole fund.

The papers in the case have been received at the Department.

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A FATAL PRACTICAL JOKE.

Two Men Masquerading as Burglars Shot Dead by a Colporteur.

The folly of practical joking has again been demonstrated by a terrible tragedy at St. Catharines. A colporteur of Montreal arrived in that place on Tuesday evening and went to stay at a friend's house, but found that they had gone to Montreal leaving only the daughter, a girl of 16, in the house alone. He told her to go to a neighbor's house and get a girl to stay with her, but the girl's mother refused to allow her daughter to go. In the middle of the night the girl was awakened by a loud knocking at the door, and on going to a window overlooking it saw two masked men who demanded her money. She went to the colporteur and told him, and he handed out his pocket-book and told her to give it to the robbers. She did so, but they said it was not enough, and when she went back to tell the colporteur he said he would stand to the matter himself. Taking a loaded revolver out of his valise he went to the window and shot both men dead. The girl ran to the neighbor's house to tell what had happened, and what was her horror when the woman cried, "That was my husband and my son." It had been intended for a practical joke.

A MILLION WIDOWS.

A Surprising Discovery in England.

From The San Francisco Call.

It appears from the latest statistical returns that there are about 1,000,000 more women than men in England, and that these are nearly all widows. This is a very surprising discovery. It may be explained, however, in England, as in all other settled countries, women predominate numerically over men, partly in consequence of the superior vitality of girl babies over boy babies; partly because of the large number of young men who go abroad and seek their fortunes, leaving their sisters behind; and partly because of the greater mortality among men, owing to the hazardous nature of the employments they follow. According to the tables more boys are born in England than girls, the figures being 103,811 males to 100,000 females; but at 10 years of age there are 100,000 girls to every 94,900 boys, and the discrepancy increases regularly for twenty years afterwards.

Why, however, should the excess of female over male be so great? In India a wife may not marry. It was probably to avoid the crowding of the market that the suttee was instituted. But in England widows may and do marry. In fact, they are addicted to the number of widows so largely predominates over that of widowers? The explanation is that there are more old men who marry young women than there are young men who marry old women. A large class of men postpone matrimony until late in life. They enjoy the desolate freedom of the bachelor; they are afraid of marrying on scanty means; they dread the loss of their freedom; they have never met the right girl. Thus they only resort to matrimony when they find they absolutely need female companionship. Such middle-aged men usually marry women of 25, or, at any rate, women under 30. It is obvious that, all other things being equal, the chances are that a woman of 25 will outlive a man of 45. The average life of a man in any circumstances is 60, the wife, if she married at 25, will be 40 at the time of his death, and she will have a fair prospect of twenty years more life. Hence the surplus of widows.

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1 PRIZE OF 25,000 is..... 25,000
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5 PRIZES OF 5,000 are..... 25,000
25 PRIZES OF 1,000 are..... 25,000
100 PRIZES OF 500 are..... 50,000
500 PRIZES OF 200 are..... 100,000

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