Mr. J. N. Warren, master of the fishing schooner Alice C. Jordan, has positively denied, on oath, the destination attributed to him of the nets of Nova Scotia fishermen.

A Mrs. Hammersly, new Little Price, of Troy, has become Duchess of Marlborough. The lady has \$100,000 a year. It is to be hoped she will not repent her bargain. The oscracism of the Duke from Court takes some of the gilt off the gingerbread to begin with.

The Writer, a Monthly Magazine for Literary Workers (Boston, Mass.) appears to be a useful work, convenient in size and attractive in appearance. Its advice and illustrative descriptions are valuable, and much to the point. Inexperienced writers will find in it many warnings of the pitfalls into which they are liable to fall.

The high license law in Philadelphia is reported to be working well. The Ledger says:--"To properly appreciate the real benefits which the law has conferred upon the community, it is only necessary for one to take an extended walk through those parts of the town which, a month ago, were fairly honeycombed by taverns, saloons and dives. That which is now everywhere apparent is that not only have large numbers of drinking places ceased to exist, but that, as a rule, there has been a wise and just discrimination shown by the court in granting and withholding licenses. Generally only the fittest survive."

The Austro-Hungarian Delegations have voted a war credit of nearly \$20,000,000.

The weather is favorable for the Egyptian cotton crop, which is equal to that of 1887. There are less worms than in former years.

The New Zealand Shipping Company's steamer Ruapeka, which arrived at Plymouth, on the 11th June, brought 23,657 carcases of mutton.

So far from the irrepressible M. de Lesseps being dead, he seems to be particularly energetic in floating his new Panama loan, which is quite lively.

The Emperor William is said to have renounced the idea of crowning himself and his consort. If so, he is manifesting good sense and moderation, in that particular at least.

The Emperor William is now credited with the purpose, should be arrive at a satisfactory understanding with the Czar during his approaching visit to St. Petersburg, of recommending a general reduction of armaments.

A Mr. Samuel Osborne has performed the feat of rowing across the channel by himself in a small boat, in three hours, from Dover to Folkestone. He intended to fetch Calais, but a strong wind drifted him west to Folke-

The Queen will leave Windsor Castie for Osborne about July 13th, and Her Majesty intends to reside in the Isle of Wight til. August 21st, when the Court removes to Scotland for the annual autumn sojourn of three months.

There seems to be a reaction in sparrows, their absence is bemoaned by Kentish (England) fruit farm 15, whose plantations have suffered from an unprecedented attack of inaggots, but we are not told what has caused the decrease of the omnipresent bird in Kent.

A despatch from Gibraltar says the denseness of the fog is unprecedented. Darkness prevailed here. Three British steamers, Glenderon, Leonel, and Earl of Dumfrees, have gone ashore since it set in, and another steamer, the Resolution, has arrived here with her bows much damaged.

The English and French Governments have agreed to work jointly on and after January 1st 1809, the submarine cables between France and England. The tariff will be 20 centimes a word. A direct cable between Laverpool and Havre will be established under the arrangement.

In London there is a new freak amongst women who go to concerts. They sit and knit. The other night a lady in a conspicuous position at the Princess Hall knitted vigorously; at all events her hands were in constant movement. The hands were white and covered with jewels!

After an agitation of nearly a quarter of a century, the London and North-Western Railway Company of England have decided to adopt the American system of checking passenger's baggage. Better late than nover. The English system, or utter lack of system, has been a discredit to the country.

The courts refused to grant an application for a summons against Matthews, home secretary and the chief of police, for preventing meetings in Trafalgar square. The judge decided that no right existed for holding a public meeting which interfered with free passage through the square by the people.

The Channel Tunnel craze having received a set back by the strong adverse vote of Parliament, the Bridge cranks are to the front again with a perfeeted scheme. The prevailing motive seems to be the dread of seasickness in a passage of two hours at the outside. Are English people losing their hardihood and becoming a nation of sick cats?

Mr. Gladstone has excited fresh dismay among his followers by his sudden discovery of the advantage of a land frontier. Lord Randolp Churchill crushed the channel-tunnel advocates by a ludicrous description of the assembled cabinet debating who should press the button to destroy the tunnel. To what fad will the G. O. M. turn a colte face next?

There was laughing in England when the Earl of Shrewsbury and Talbot went into the hansom cab business, but it has stopped. He started a new thing in cabs, they have cost too guineas apiece, rubber tyres and all the improvements. They are so well patronized that not one of his drivers the improvements. They are so well patronized that not one of the improvements. They are so well patronized that not one of the handless about has joined the big cabmen's strike which is now on, and his lordship is about July 2, 1879.

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