THE UNIONIST CELEBRATION!

Held at Blenheim to Celebrate Victories in British Bye-Elections.

Balfour and Chamberlain Speak of Liberals as the "Rump" Party---The Alliance of Conservatives and Unionists, They Claim, Is Indissoluble.

would like him to do, and he sticks to

his post. Only last Wednesday he ad-

dressed a great Liberal meeting at

while he received numerous notes of

confidence from Liberal associations

throughout the country, and it would not be surprising if the autumn wit-

nessed a strong popular movement in

LIBERALS VOTING TOGETHER.

Where the war is not involved the

Liberal party still vote together

as before. They were unanimous, for

instance, in resisting Mr. Balfour's

proposal that whole classes of the es-

timates involving some of absolutely necessary and some of highly contro-

versial expenditures should be put together, but the war dominates everything after the war. Until the

opposition can agree upon its South African policy the government will

continue throughout as if there were

The Boers have an awkward habit

of upsetting both military calcula-

tions and current phrasing. Mr. Chamberlain has described the third stage

of their operations as "brigandage and

outrage," and General Kitchener has

proclaimed the day when the burgh-

ers must cease from lawlessness un-

der penalty of exile and distraint of property, and leader writers and mili-tary critics have protested against further softness and rosewater mag-

nanimity toward murderers and pillagers, who are not entitled to

official account of the capture of a blockhouse in the center of the Or-ange River Colony, after an attack

as bold as the assaults upon Steinacker's Horse in Swaziland. These three affairs, while trivial as opera-

tions of war, indicate that the Boers

are still fighting with desperate valor. Clearly the time has not yet come for

refusing the Boers belligerent rights,

especially when the fighting is described as severe at Brandfort, Lord

Equally significant is the renewal of

Boer activity on the railway lines in

Cape Colony. Even more ominous is the evidence of two fresh outrages,

final stage of the war will be char-

acterized by acts of wanton barbarity.

LORD MILNER'S DEPARTURE.

quietly at Southampton without other

public demonstration than the cheer-

ing from the wharf. He has not en-

here and in country houses and frank-

ly says that he will be well pleased

a capable officer, with marked

was the best commander under Gen.

Buller in the Ladysmith campaign

and has been named by military men

as Lord Kitchener's successor, either

before or after the close of the pres-

ent guerilla operations. Lord Milner's

return to South Africa will probably

be followed by more practical measures than Lord Kitchener's proclama-

tion, which the Unionist journals are

peace can be conducted will be facili-

THE MANCHESTER CANAL.

managers have reported that even

small vessels cannot leave the canal

for several hours after low water, and

consequently the entrance to the canal

must be deepened two feet and the

largest vessels can pass through it.

This costly work will involve excava-

tion of more than two feet all along

OSBORNE HOUSE.

King Edward is angry about ridic-

ulous statements which have been

published about his anxiety to sell Os-

of doing anything of the sort. Some

papers even went so far as to say

that Lord Rothschild had bought it,

but there is no truth in any of these

FOUR DAYS IN A WELL.

in a well at Illers, near Chartres, when

the walls of the well collapsed, bury-

ing him. Sufficient space, however,

was left him to breathe, and he was

able to give proof to those above that

he was not dead. A company of en-gineers proceeded to undertake the

excavation. They worked four long

days and nights without intermission,

and finally the unfortunate man was

released in a stage of great weakness.

He had been entembed 117 hours and

was found standing upright with one arm raised and with his back against

the pit. Simon was under the impres-

sion that he had been only 24 hours

WARSHIPS BREAK DOWN. A considerable sensation has been

A man named Simon was working

borne House. He has no intention

entire waterway dredged until the

Colenso and Magersfontein.

the line.

rumors.

to settle down to work.

talent for administrative detail.

Lord Milner, after keeping a private

no opposition at all.

London, Aug. 12.—The great Unionist | that is what some mischief makers celebration at Blenheim Saturday. was favored by the most pleasant weather. Peckham and energetically declined to recant a single word he had said about the conduct of the war. Mean-Its object was to celebrate the third] unionist victory in the bye-elections. One hundred and twenty members of parliament were present with some 3,-000 delegates from Conservative and Unionist circles throughout the country and others present made a total of about 7,000 persons. Mr. Balfour and Mr. Chamberlain delivered addresses, after luncheon, in the open air. Both were accorded a warm reception from the enthusiastic crowd.

During the course of his remarks, Mr. Balfour said that the erstwhile a!liance between the Conservatives and Liberal Unionists was now an indissoluble union. A large section of the opposition was avowedly unpatriotic and the country was not so moon-struck as to confide the conduct of public affairs to those who, so far as they had uttered any clear note, had uttered it against their own country. Mr. Balfour compared the opposition tactics to sniping and guerilla warfare in South Africa, and said both would end at no distant date.

Mr. Chamberlain spoke in a similar vein. The Liberal party were now only the "rump" party. They had sunk in the pro-Boer mud and could not extricate themselves.

THE "GARDEN PARTY."

Commenting on "The Blenheim Garden Party," as Mr. Redmond has styled it, the cable correspondent of a New York daily says it was converted into a celebration of the indissoluble bonds between the Tories and the Liberal Unionists. Mr. Balfour smiled upon Mr. Chamberlain, and told how much peace and joy there was in the har-Unionist household. Mr. Chamberlain was equally aglow with fraternal feeling, and supplied the imperial background for an alliance gun in opposition to legislative autonomy in Ireland. Each whipped the thistles in the neglected Liberal garden, Mr. Balfour denouncing the opposition as avowedly unpatriotic, and Mr. Chamberlain, with partisan ve-hemence, describing Sir Henry Camp-bell-Bannerman as a "wobbler," and what was left of Gladstone's party as

a "rump."
With these stump speeches the Duke of Marlborough's host of political guests was well content. The Duke guests was well content. and Duchess of Marlborough invited delegates from Unionist partisans far and wide, and entertained as many as 3,000 guests at luncheon. A series of special trains was running through the morning from London. At least 200 members of parliament from the government side were asked, and most of them accepted the invitation.

SAVED BY BALFOUR. This political picnic would have been broken up if Mr. Balfour had not closed debate in a drastic manner, for the house otherwise might have been kept

tramping through the division lobbies until 4 o'clock this afternoon, for as many votes might have been forced on the report stage as in committee. This catastrophe was avoided, and the Unionist members, headed by Mr. Balfour and Mr. Chamberlain, were en-abled to catch trains in good time and join the open air revival services in Blenheim Park. Spacious marques had been erected on the grounds, where luncheon was served, and the palace was open to all the political guests. There was no lack of oratory when Mr. Balfour and Mr. Chamberlain were present, and enthusiasm was unre-

HONORS FOR MARLBOROUGH. This remarkable political demonstration on the ducal grounds has brought the host prominently before the country as a candidate for honors. The Duke of Marlborough is known to be ambitious and desirous of playing a great part in public affairs. He has taken an active interest in the work of the Primrose League, and today poses as the patron and entertainer of the Empire Unionists organization. All the great places at court have been filled, but some ornamental appointment like that of viceroy of Ireland may be opened to him. The Duchess of Mariborough has become as keen a politician as her husband, and joined him in planning the day's festivities. Paragraphs, apparently inspired, are appearing in the press, stating that Blenheim has been restored and improved with the duke's own money and not with the Vanderbilt fortune.

CHAMBERLAIN'S GAME. Mr. Chamberlain knows his own game and plays it. He takes his cue from the loyalists of Cape Town, with whom Sir Alfred Milner is also in entire sympathy. They are for crushing the Boers altogether and settling the South Africa problem by subordinating the Dutch to the British. But the Liberals profess to be for equal rights and for this would give the utmost freedom in the annexed territories which is compatible with the maintenance of the imperial supremacy. Unfortunately the Liberals' differences of opinion, chiefly about the origin of the war, prevent them from crigin of the war, prevent them from acting together for a common purpose. Last Friday week they left him in possession of the field. They then created or fostered the impression that there is no one on their front bench who can stand up to the colonial secre-

THAT IS NOT SO.

Mr. Asquith has done it before now, so has Sir Henry Campbell-Banner-man, but the leader is not supported by his followers and is obviously powerless. Sir Henry would have been quite justified in resigning after that Friday evening, but he knows very well

caused in political circles by the com-plete breakdown of France's latest plete breakdown of France's latest cruiser, the Jeanne d'Arc, which cost 23,000,000 francs, and of the Chateau-Renault, which cost 16,000,000. Each vessel took nearly six years to build, two years more than the contract time. At the steam trials of the Jeanne d'Arc only 24 boilers out of her 36 could be lighted. The heat in the engine room rose to 149 degrees Fahrenheit. What the heat in the stoke room was nobody knows, as the stokers were forced to flee for their stokers were forced to flee for their lives. The vessel re-entered Toulon, going at three knots an hour. She will require completely new boilers. The Chateau-Renault's engines heated and melted and will be required to be replaced. The estimated expenditure on both vessels is put at several

STORY OF THE BIG GOLD STEAL

million francs.

Confession of John Winters Who Did the Job Alone.

After Confessing He Showed Where the Gold Had Been Hidden-Said to Have Been Promised Immunity From Prosecution.

San Francisco, Aug. 12.-Jack Winters, who was arrested as a suspect connected with the Selby Smelting Works rebbery of \$280,000 has confessed and, so far, \$141,500 worth of bullion has been recovered from the bay where it had been sunk.

For three days the detectives have tried all sorts of persuasion to make Winters' manner indicated that he out effect. Finally Winters asked to see Supt. Ropp, of the Selby works, who, he said, was the only friend he had. In his conversation with Ropp, Wintrs' manner indicated that he knew where the gold had been hidden. Ropp told Winters that they had a strong case against him and that he would be sent to prison for 30 years.

He said: You will be an old man when yo get out and it will do you no good to hide the gold. We know it is hidden in the water near the works and we will search every inch. You may be sure the gold will be found before you get out of prison."

Winters finally weakened and told
Ropp he would take him to the spot

where it was hidden. HE DID THE JOB ALONE. belligerent rights. Suddenly comes an

Winters in company with Supt. Ropp and a force of detectives, left on a tug for Crockett. There they waited all night for low tide. Winters pointed out the place at the end of the railroad wharf behind the coal bunkers, at the head of the Vallejo ferry slip.

Winters claims he did the job all alone. He says he made 14 trips from the vault to the wharf from which he the vault to the wharf from which he dropped the gold.

The tug with the detectives and the

afternoon. Winters, when he had made up his mind to tell what he knew about the Roberts' first halting place in his crime, was exceedingly willing to give march from Bloemfontein to Pretoria. all the information necessary cover the bullion. He practically assumed charge of the operations and led Capt. Seymour and Supt. Vonder Ropp to the dock. He acted more like showing that the Boer desperadoes cannot be controlled and that the one of the detectives employed on the case, than a prisoner. As soon as he arrived at the water's edge he called the superintendent to his side and

"Now watch what I am going to show you. Be careful that you get engagement in the country, embarked the locations right."

said:

MARKED THE PLACE. Stooping, he picked up three stones and pacing forward, tossed one of them into the water. It fell to the south of the spot where the prisoner joyed the process of being lionized Another stone fell to the eas and the third was thrown directly in General front of Winters. Lyttleton, who has sailed with him,

"That," said the prisoner, "will mark the water boundary of the place where your gold is hidden." Stepping to the left Winters drew a nail from his pocket and asked for hammer. He then paced off a few yards to the right and drove another nail in the timber.

"The gold," he continued, "will be between these two nails somewhere in line with the spots marked by the stones I just threw into the water." FOUND \$110,000.

making a brave effort to commend as A small boat was secured and into it statesmanlike. The resumption of Sheriff Vale, Detective Kimball, of the mining operations at Johannesburg on Pinkerton agency, and two laborers were taken. Winters assisted in the a large scale, and the widening of the areas where the usual occupations of search for the bricks. He got into the mud and water up to his neck, and tated as rapidly as possible. This will for an hour and a half groped for the missing bullion. Up to 10 o'clock \$110,000 worth had been recovered. be a practical method of meeting the Boer argument from Holland that the war is in progress, with no signs of This includes the four bars of fine abatement, and that the British army gold. Winters had put some of the of 250,000 men is held up virtually as bars in bags. He said one of the General Buller's army corps was after bags had been broken, and some small bars had dropped out. He talked glibly all the while. The deep mud finally put a stop to operations, and it was decided to build a coffer dam be-Manchester is finding the ship canal, which the corporation was compelled fore trying to recover the rest of the to finance and complete, an unceasing source of expense and anxiety. The

PLANNED LONG AGO. Winters told the officers that h planned the robbery long ago with minute detail. He had been two or three months working on his little tun-It had taken two nights' labor to cut through the brick wall of the smelter. Most of the boring in the bottom of the vault had been done in the night when the gold was taken. He carried the plunder, which was very heavy, from the vault to the water and deposited it where the water was from three to six feet deep at low tide. The distance from the vault to the cache was about a quarter of a mile and he made fourteen trips. was at work four hours on Monday night. Four small bars of refined gold he concealed among the stones of breakwater, at the mouth of the railroad tunnel. His purpose had been to use this gold for present needs.

Winters on his last trip had perceived that dawn was breaking. Not daring to complete the trip, laid on the shore the two gold bricks which were found Tuesday morning at the point where the robbers' boat was supposed to have landed. The trail of red pepper ending at that point

MAY GO UNPUNISHED. In view of the fact that promises of clemency were made to Winters in consideration of his unearthing the gold, it is thought his punishment will

Detective Gibson is quoted as saying that it was promised Winters by President Ralston of the Selby Smelting Works that he should not only not be prosecuted, but should receive \$25,-

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no evidence against him. All that has been drawn from him was secured by the detectives under promise that would not be used against him. Under such circumstances it would be tremely difficult to secure a convic-

EXPENSIVE FAD OF MOROCCO'S RULER

Sultan Pays an Exorbitant Price for Cameras With Which to Photograph His Wives.

News that the Sultan of Morocco has bought two cameras, one quarter-plate and one half-plate, costing \$10,500 and \$4,500 respectively, is regarded by amera experts in Chicago as suggestng that the Sultan of Morocco is a good deal more fond of spending money than is the Sultan of Turkey. doubted if he has any prettier harem than has the Turkish Sultan, and if he has it is argued by Chicago experts in camera goods that he could get just as good a picture of his favorites with a nundred-dollar machine.

According to the story of the sultan's purchases in London all the metal work of the quarter-plate camera is of solid gold, even to the screws and hinges, every piece bearing the British hall mark. Its total weight is 150 ounces. The half-plate instrument is of silver, with finest of mountings.
Dr. William H. Knapp, of Chicago, representing the manufacturers who made the lenses for the sultan's cameras, says in effect that the sultan paid through the nose for what he got, so far as pictures are concerned.

'For such cameras we couldn't make a lens that would cost more than \$100," said Dr. Knapp. "The best framework for a lens is brass, and one set in gold would be less adaptable for photography. We make the best quarterplate lens for \$77, with \$16 more added for a shutter. The sultan hasn't got anything better, thought it may be set

in solid gold. "But even in solid gold, wherever the metal could be worked in, it is hard to see how such a charge could be made for such a small camera as a quarterplate would be. It would take a photograph only 34x44 inches, and the half-plate would be only 41/4 x 61/2

"Counting gold as worth \$20 an ounce and the lens of the camera at \$100, the camera would have to weigh nearly 500 ounces to have \$10,000 worth of gold in it. That is, it would have to weigh more than thirty pounds avoirdupois. This is an absurdity. Carving, ewels, engravings and the height of ornamentation might make a camera cost as much as \$10,500, but you couldn't prove it by a quarter-plate negative." ELIJAH III.'S EXPENSIVE PHOTO-GRAPH.

In general the cost of a camera is in the lens. For a sneak thief there is scarcely a more inviting field than first-class photographer's studio. While men lock up bartenders in the icebox to raid a saloon cash registrar with \$6.85 in it, a sneak thief might easily unscrew a \$500 portrait lens from a camera and sneak out with the booty in his coat pocket. For a cost-ly camera the lens usually costs ten imes as much as the box, and it has not a hundredth part of the bulk. The largest lens ever made

turned out of the factories represented by Dr. Knapp. It was nearly nine inches in diameter, was ten inches long, and lens and metal casing weighed forty pounds. This lens, made under "Winters cannot be prosecuted," forty pounds. This lens, made under said Detective Gibson, "for there is the most trying circumstances, cost

\$3,000, and was designed for a plate 4x8 feet. The first photograph taken through it was a life-size photograph of Dr. John Alexander Dowie shortly before he was reincarnated into Elijah

The plate which registered this "coun terfeit presentment" of Elijah cost \$100, and it cost at least \$5 to develop and "fix" the negative, the prints from it costing about \$3 each.

The unusual size of the lens for this camera necessitated a camera box 4x8 feet and a focal adjustment of thirteen feet. In making the lens it was difficult to find glass sufficiently large and free from flaws, air bubbles and "striae." When one glass had been cut and adjusted it had to be thrown out because of one of those almost intangible blemishes termed striae. It is not a crack, not air space, nor foreign matter, but the mark suggests a string of infinitesimally small bubbles, representing a minute "milky way" across the glass. SKILL DISPLAYED PREPARING LENSES.

This glass for camera purposes is usually white and hard. It is made from a certain silicate sand, mixed with lead and other foreign substances and chemicals. One of its characteristics is to "bubble," but these small bubbles of air, seen in the lens, are hall-marks of superiority. The glass is cut in the rough by a saw made of zinc and coated with diamond dust. The lens polishing, fitting and finishing are done by hand.

In a lens of ordinary size the deviation of one-thousands of an inch in its thickness will make it useless for photography, causing it to distort images Testing these lenses, grinding and polishing and fitting them and correcting them to hairsbreadths is the work of humand hand and eye, but so accurately are these experts trained that in a box of a dozen lenses of the same style it is the boast of the manufacturers that no man needs search to find

In this work of making a non-achromatic lens, which shall be rectilinear and give the most accurate outlines upon a plate, two kinds of glass are used, one modifying the other in their dispositions to focus light rays. A flint glass is put outside and closely welded to it; behind is the composition glass, which comes from Vienna. One supple ments the other until the focal point is definite and unchangeable for all the rays of the spectrum.

ELEVEN YEARS' MARTYRDOM

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Northern, Ailsa Craig... Sept. 19-20
North Brant, Paris... Sept. 26-27
North and West Oxford, Ingersoll.
Sept. 27-28 Great Northwestern, Goderich Oct. 1-2
N. R. of Oxford, Woodstock. Oct. 1-2
North Dorchester Oct. 2-3
North Grey, Owen Sound Oct. 2-4
South Oxford, Otterville Oct. 4-5
West Nissouri, Thorndale Oct. 8
Peninsular, Chatham Oct. 8-10
Caledonia, Caledonia. Oct. 10-11
Norfolk Simcoe Oct. 15-17 Norfolk, Simcoe....

ANOTHER NEGRO BURNED. Savannah, Ga., Aug. 10 .- The negro assailant of Mrs. J. J. Clark was captured at Liberty City yesterday by R. L. Young, a section master of the Seaboard Air Line. Last night he was taken to Ways Station and positively identified by Mrs. Clark. While being removed from Ways

Station to Bryan county jail the prisoner was taken from his captors by a mob and, it is believed, has been burned at the stake. Positive news of the lynching is lacking. The advices come from the

man who captured the assailant of Mrs. Clark, who says that he was ordered to leave the vicinity by the men who took the negro from his custody. short time afterward he saw a fire the flames of which rose above the surrounding trees. He telegraphed that he has no doubt the negro has been burned at the stake.

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