and so they ought all to have a holiday and a cake.' The plea being put aside by her Majesty, and the double demand for a holiday and a cake being met by a refusal of both, the wilful little lady declared with an indignant sense of injury, and torrents of angry tears, that nothing should make her learn any lessons that day, and so resolutely did she stick to her determination that she preferred being sent to bed for the rest of the day, to learning any scrap of a lesson on 'Alex's birthday.' The Royal children being all blessed with active dispositions, and brought up in the habits of constant activity, being sent to bed in the day-time appears to be the punishment of which they stand most in awe. But even this dire infliction was powerless to compel poor little Beatrice to consent 'to be good,' and to do her lessons on so very special a day as 'Alex's birthday.'"

8. THE PRINCE OF WALES IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS.

The following account of the ceremonies attendant upon the Prince of Wales taking his seat in the House of Lords for the first time, is taken from the *Times* of the 7th inst:

At a few minutes after four o'clock the procession entered. coronet of his royal highness was preceded by Sir Augustus Clifford, Usher of the Black Rod, and by Sir Charles Young, in the glittering robes of Garter King-at-Arms. Lord Edward Howard, deputy earl marshal, was also present. His royal highness wore the scarlet robe, with ermine bars proper to his rank as duke, over the uniform of a general in the army. He also wore the George and the Star of the order of India. Taking part in the procession, and attired in their robes as peers, were the Duke of Cambridge, the Duke of Newcastle, the Duke of Argyle, Earl Grenville, Earl Spenser, Earl St. Germans, Lord Kingsdown, Lord Willoughby D'Eresby, Hereditary Lord Great Chamberlain, and Viscount Sidney. As the escort entered the House the Peers rose en masse. His royal highness bowing his acknowledgments, advanced to the woolsack and placed his writ of summons in the hands of the Lord Chancellor.—

Then proceeding to the table, the oaths were administered to him by Sir Shaw Lefevre, Clerk of the Parliament, and his royal highness signed the roll of peers. The procession then moved toward ness signed the roll of peers. The procession then moved toward the throne, and the Duke of Cambridge, pointing to the chair of state on the right of the throne, bearing the well known Prince's plume and motto, his royal highness took his seat there covered.—Rising immediately afterwards, he again advanced to the woolsack and shook hands cordially with the Lord Chancellor, who offered his congratulations, and his royal highness then retired by the peer's entrance. The oaths were afterwards administered to the Archbishops of Cauterbury and York, who were introduced by the Bishop of London. The sitting was then again suspended. At five o'clock when the House resumed, the galleries were filled with ladies, and the attendance of peers was very numerous. Shortly before business began the Prince of Wales, accompanied by the Duke of Cambridge, entered, and took his seat on the cross-benches.

V. Educational Jutelligence.

- MECHANICS' INSTITUTE CLASSES .- The soirce closing the winter sessions of the Mechanies' Institute classes, came off last night in the Music Hall and was attended by a large and respectable audience. The Chairman, after explaining the way in which the entertainment originated, called u; on Mr. Carnegie, the chairman of the classes committee, to read the report, which stated that arrangements had been made for permanently establishing the classes during each winter season, and the great success which had attended them during the past winter. The Mayor then presented the prizes to the most proficient students. The books presented were richly bound and some of them were by the best authors. The sum of \$116 were expended in providing those books, \$100 of which was given by the Northern Railway Company. The various students, as they carried away their prizes were loudly cheered by the audience, a compliment which must have proved highly flattering to them, and which must have proved, in addition to the book prizes, some reward for their perseverance in the different studies in which they so successfully engaged. The Mayor after paying a high compliment to Mr. Wm. Marling, who obtained a diploma, a large number of books and an apprenticeship admitting him to the machine shop of the Northern railway for his great proficiency in the different branches, said as his pleasing task was over he desired to congratulate the President of the Instittue, as well as the gentlemen connected with him for the success which had attended their efforts in promoting education in the city. He referred in a few and well chosen practical remarks to the advantages derived from a sound English education. The necessity for young men studying book-keeping was, he thought, very great. Every one engaging in mer-

cantile pursuits should not be ignorant of it. A knowledge of mathematics, he was of opinion, was of paramount importance, and although there was a danger of young men engaging in the study of it ever diverting their minds from that to any other study, yet the knowledge of it was so necessary to a mechanic that he ought never to be ignorant of it. The Rev. Dr McCaul followed in a speech of much practical interest and ornate, as are all the Doctor's speeches. After speaking in a congratulatory manner of the large amount of money expended on education in Canada, he then referred to an unfortunate class of children, which he called the "Arabs of our streets," and for whom no law had as yet been made to meet their case. The subject has often been referred to but no remedy had yet been found. If, said he, it be the case that those poor children were prevented from attending school for want of proper clothing, then in Gud's name let ragged schools be established. If it be the case that their parents are careless about their education, then in God's name let there be a compulsory law. The reverend gentleman after a few further remarks, resumed his seat amid loud applause. Mr. F. W. Cumberland, the Managing Director of the Northern railroad, followed in a few remarks on the subject which brought them together. The Directors of the Mechanics' Institute then ascended the platform to receive an address from the pupils attending the classes. It was read by Mr. Lillie, and was couched in grateful langange for the benefits bestowed on them by the Directors in the institution of the classes .- Leader.

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