

Answers to Correspondents.

The Editors will be pleased to answer any queries under this heading, but should the answers be required by post a fee of 10 cents must accompany the inquiry. All queries must be accompanied by the name and address of the sender.

MAC.—There are eight millionaires in the Upper House and four in the Lower House of Parliament. In the House of Lords the millionaires are the Dukes of Westminster, Sutherland, Fife, Northumberland, Buccleuch (sitting as the Earl of Doncaster), the Marquis of Bute, Baron (Nathaniel Mayer) Rothschild, and Lord Brassey. The millionaires in the House of Commons are: Baron F. J. de Rothschild, member for Aylesbury; W. McEwan, member for the Western Division of Edinburgh; Isaac Holden, member for the Keighley Division of the West Riding of Yorkshire; and Sir Julian Goldsmid, member for St. Pancras, who on the death of his uncle, Sir Frederick Goldsmid, was said to have come into a fortune amounting to £10,000,000. There are 700 millionaires in the world, of which 200 are in England 50 in Russia, 50 in India, 100 in the United States, 100 in Germany and Austria, 75 in France and 125 in other countries. Last year five millionaires died in the United Kingdom, only one of whom was an M. P., namely, Mr. Christopher Talbot, known as the "father of the House."

H D.—An untrue statement disparaging a rival tradesman's goods, published without lawful occasion, is actionable if it has caused special damage to the tradesman in question. But it is not actionable to say that your goods are as good as his, or that you can make as good articles as any other person in your trade. If a rival publishes a statement which is injurious to your trade, you cannot recover damages against him unless you prove actual damage has been the result of the publication. But you can obtain an injunction restraining the continued publication of the statement without proving such actual damage.

QUERIST.—It is perfectly correct to talk of the Archbishop of York as "Primate of England." The Archbishop of Canterbury's title is "Primate of all England." What the exact force of the distinction is, we cannot tell you, except that of course the Archbishop of Canterbury is the (ecclesiastical) head of the Church of England.

There are 32 Bishops in England and Wales, whose salaries vary from £10,000 to £2000. The Bishopric of Durham was formerly enormously rich, but part of the revenue was transferred to endow other sections. Even now, however, the Bishop of Durham draws £7000, coming second only to the Bishop of London. Westminster and Windsor are Deaneries, but are as good in point of pay, and probably better in point of rank—social, if not ecclesiastical—than many of the minor Bishoprics.

YOUNG STUDENT.—*Pragmatic Sanction* comes from the Latin *Sanctio*—a decree with a penalty attached, and *pragmaticus*—relating to affairs of state; so that properly speaking a Pragmatic Sanction is a penal statute bearing on some important question of state. The term was first applied by the Romans to statutes relating to their provinces, but the French afterwards appropriated the phrase to certain statutes which limited the jurisdiction of the Pope; and generally it is applied to ordinances fixing the succession in a certain line. The chief instances you will come across in the textbooks are (1., that of Charles VII, 1438, defining the power of the Pope in France, by which the authority of a general council was declared superior to the dictum of the Pope; the clergy were forbidden to appeal to Rome on any point affecting the secular condition of the nation; and the Pope was forbidden to appropriate a vacant benefice, or to appoint Bishops or Parish Priests.

(2.) That of S-Louis (1268) which forbade the count of Rome to levy taxes or collect subscriptions in France without the express sanction of the king. It also gave plaintiffs in ecclesiastical courts the right to appeal to civil courts. This was, in fact, just the same in France as the Constitutions of Clarendon were in England.

(3.) That of Germany, (1439), making the succession of the empire hereditary in the house of Austria.

(4.) That of Naples (1759), by which Carlos II. of Spain ceded the succession to his 3rd son in perpetuity.

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