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NEW YORK'S BOSS

How He Got Control of America's Greatest City.

THE POWER BEHIND THE THRONE

Rules Manhattan With the Absolute Power of an Oriental Potentate-A Greater Than Croker.

New York, Nov. 13.-Immediately after the New York elections it was anounced that Charles J. Murphy was besieged by office-seekers, and that he was about to leave the city for a couple of weeks' rest, taking his "slate" with him. To one ignorant of the politics of the great city this brief note would be inexplicable. Who is Charles J. Murphy? the reader would inquire. He was not a candidate for office, nor an official. How was it that Mayor-elect McClellan was not applied to? Why should the movements of Murphy be worth chronicling? One answer suffices for all these questions-Murphy is the "boss" of New York. He rules the cit, as the Sultan rules Constantinople. His lower is absolute. The mayor is his creature, and it is very unlikely that Mr. McClelland would appoint a \$15 a week clerk before consulting Mr. Murphy. Everyone understands the usual situation described in the words, "the power behind the throne," and tecause this is not the situation in New York the phrase is not apt in the There is nothing "behind" about Murphy. His influence is not secret, nor his authority wielded by stealth. He is the master. Everyone knows this, and Mr. Murphy himself vould not disclaim responsibility. The mayor elected by Tammany is a nominal ruler, and accepts the situation

A FIGHTER AS A BOY.

Charles J. Murphy, the "boss" New York, is a Roman Catholic, born, of Irish parents, in the city that ne now rules. After a little schooling he entered Roach's shipyards, where his physical prowess soon became known. Like Kelly and Croker, he was a "slugger," but never developed the reputation of the latter, who has figured m more than one ring engagement. He was a "husky" sort of boy, though, and turned naturally to athletics. He could swim like a fish and run like a He organized a baseball club, which won an amateur championship and at the age of 17, a social club, known as the Sylvan. This continues to exist, and is a leading Tammany institution. Murphy left the ship-buildit.g as soon as he was able to get a job as car conductor. His newspaper historians say that he "soon had enough money to start a small saloon," and the truth of this statement cannot be denied. It is to be supposed that he got the money by saving his wages. "Charlie's Place," as he called his saloon, prospered and became a favorite gathering place for the young Democrats of the district. Naturally enough Murphy took an interest in "practical politics." He owed it to his llood, no less than to his business, but his first engagement was against Tammany. It was a trumpery little conflict, but Murphy happened to be on the vinning side. His conscience must have smitten him, for even in the first oppose the big machine again.

aim has been to make himself "solid" with Tammany. As his saloon business grew he began to spend money in furtherance of his ambition. His work was very quietly done. He was un-known outside his own district and even within it was no large figure in the eyes of the rank and file of his party. But to the leaders he was becoming invaluable. Soon he had four saloons, and his political prestige creased in the ratio of four to one. He was so strong in 1892 that, on the death of Edward Hogan, the leader of the eighteenth district, the saloon ing appointed in his stead. His fame spread abroad. Other districts began to hear of "Silent Charlie." Other leaders took council with him II. took council with him. He was a fine listener, a man of courage. He had money, and he would spend it. Above all, he was faithful to Tammany. It is not surprising that he forged to the Murphy was not in politics for his health? His chance came when Van Wyck succeeded Strong. Murphy was front. Is it necessary to say that Mr. wyck succeeded strong, Murphy was made Dock Commissioner. To quote the historians before-mentioned, "he is now worth half a million dollars."

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EICK CROKER'S NOMINEE.

When Mayor Low's election deprived Mr. Murphy of the means to earn his gaily bread his outlook could not have teen a very cheerful one, and yet the Low victory helped him far more than a defeat could have done. Tammany was staggered under the blow dealt it ty the Fusionists. Croker's health was "Get out of politics or make your will," said his doctor to him. Tammany was practically without a Murphy's time was coming. Lewis Nixon was appointed to succeed "Baron Wantage," but everyone knew that Nixon could not last. He was too good, too clean a man for Tammany. H∈ would probably think the looting of a city criminal. However, he filled the office for a term, and then, in disgust, resigned. Thus was Tammany without urcs to speak of and trade condition: In Hamilton this week, as reported. Then look as if Starter Fitzgerald will with and in there has been a good demand from country retail merchants to sort mothy. He suggested Charles J. Murphy as the leader of Tammany at the leader of Tammany as cher two were crowded off the stage. fair and call for good ranges, well and Mr. Murphy remained alone. His strictes in eleting George McClellan bas given him as strong a position as given him as strong a position as given him as strong a position as are very frm.

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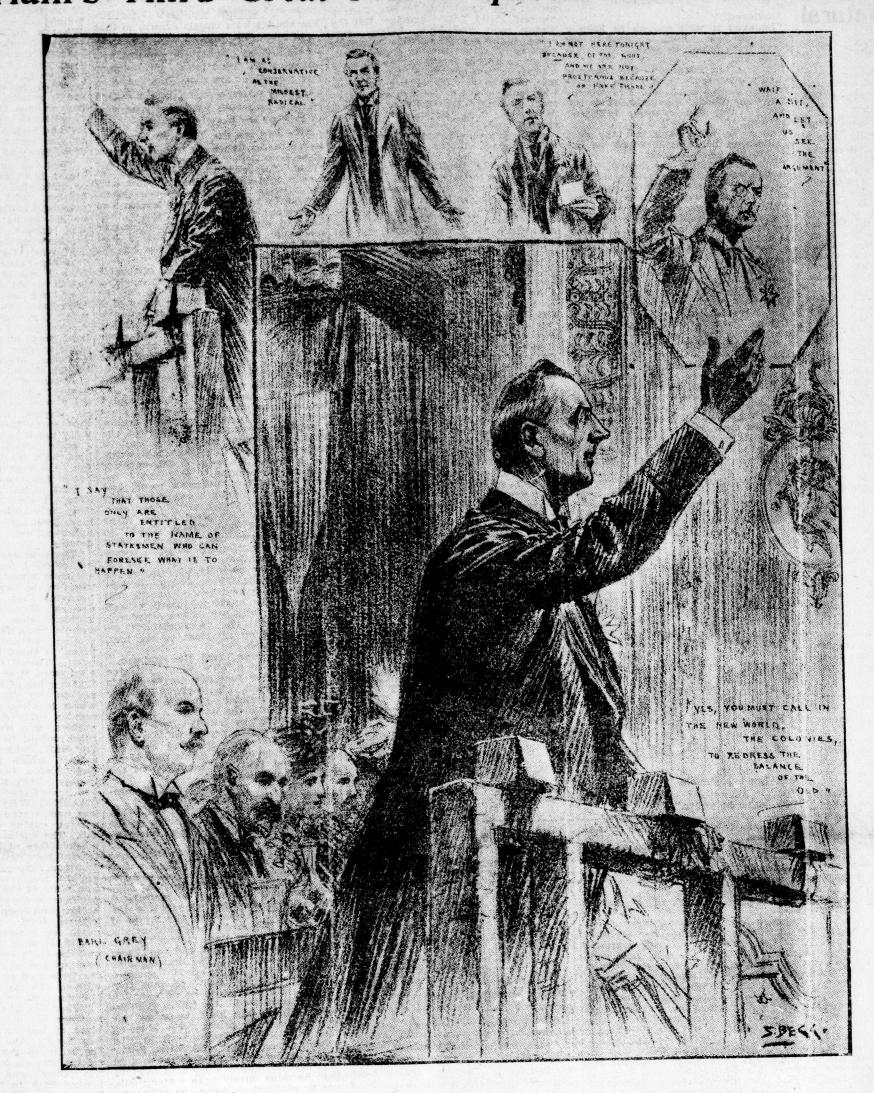
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[Sketches by S. Begg, in Illustrated London News.] MR. CHAMBERLAIN AT VARIOUS POINTS OF HIS NEWCASTLE ADDRESS, OCTOBER 20,

Mr. Chamberlain spoke to a vast audience in the Olympia Hall. Earl Grey occupied the chair. The speech was communicated to the local newspaper offices by electrophone, the flush of victory he resol ed never to receivers of which may be noted on the rail in front of the speaker. From the newspaper offices sixty telegraphists sent the speech throughout the country.

From then till now Murphy's great STATE OF TRADE IS SATISFACTORY

Remittances Are Good.

D'stributed.

Toronto. Nov. 13. - Wholesale trade Some people evidently had the idea in orders have been numerous. In some their heads that the appointment and branches of trade dealers are taking fortune were cause and effect. Mr. stock and report good increases in Murphy's administration was not free certain departments over last year. from scandal. Indeed, an impious at- Values of domestic staple goods are tempt was made to prosecute him. Vir- firmly held. There is a good demand tae prevailed, however, and nothing for money for the crop movement day. was made of the charge against him. now, and as the inquiry for stock exchange business is small, there is men appointed to the railway comno stringency in the market.

Wholesale drygoods firms at To-

ronto are now engaged in taking stock and report good increases in business over that of 1902. Business here this week has been good in spite of unfavorable weather, the temperature being high for this time of the year Reports of the retail trade arc encouraging, sales having kept up very Cotten and woolen goods are

held with increasing confidences in values. At Quebec, trade during the week has been fairly satisfactory. The de-mand for seasonable wear is on the increase and the outlook is encouraging. Remittances are reported fairty satisfactory. There have been no fail-

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son and payments are generally more satisfactory than in previous years at this time. The fact that the receipts of city taxes in Vancouver were largely ahead of any other year as recently reported, and bank clearings in the two cities are showing substantial increases, are proof of the more prosperous conditions of business. The fine weather in Manitoba for some weeks, while it enabled the farmers to get on with fall work, made pion Demands Retaliation. mercantile trade smaller than would otherwise have been the case. Colder weather the past week, however, has

goods are very firm. The amount of business in whole-

sale trade at Ottawa is satisfactory, all things considered, and the genera conditions of business are sound. The prospects for trade for the balance of the year are encouraging.

THE G. T. P. DEPOSIT

Government that they would be any new arguments. prepared to deposit the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway guarantee of \$5,000,000 with the Bank of Montreal on Mon-

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SAYS HE KILLED GLORY WHALEN

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Chamberlain Refutes Theory That Protection Means Corruption -Quotes the U. S.

ly of Joseph Chamberlain, who, he tirely independent of protection. said, had given up everything for what as, for instance, the Coates combina-The official announcement of the men appointed to the railway commension will be named immediately.

He considered the good of the British tion and the alkali trust. The system is likely to increase with growing tendency to cheapen production by like the navy, might be abused, but tendency to cheapen production by said he could not see why that conment from using either wisely. A hew situation, said the Premier, had sideration should debar the Governarisen since the present fiscal policy of the British Empire had been es-

tablished, and further developments of world conditions were sure to follow. It seemed to him little short of present situation, but if they did not prepare themselves for the dangers which were foreshadowed. Sir Michael Hicks-Beach followed

the Premier. The appearance of the

mier speech at Sheffield. He was and they were not nearly as good as

BUSINESS IS GOOD IN LONDON benefited the trade movement, and he a renewal of activity is looked for the next six weeks. Values of stapic

Bristol, England, Nov. 14.—Premier "Germany is free from corruption, while in the United States, where there Balfour was the principal speaker at the dinner here Thursday in celebrated by the presence of the Irish political ed by the presence of the Irish political of Edward Colston, the philanthropist, ment of the United States is concerned Railway Company yesterday notified fiscal question, but did not advance of the administration has been increas-

Premier Balfour spoke appreciative- system. The creation of trusts is en-

CASSIDY'S PLAN

System of Starting Horses and Is Pleased.

ated by Mars Cassidy. He tried it at a quarter of a mile east of the city South African Bandits Get Away Jamaica, and, to all appearances, it work- line at midnight. Four passengers Lall. He said that these were Mr. Croker's orders, but the recusant leaders felt that Mr. Croker was very stor away. They were fired of "bossess." So they elected three of them, and Murphy was one. In a few months the chert were were elected three of the months the chert was very stored that the present Government had still two or three years chert were recoveded off the scasor. The dispatch said of Sity.

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AN EXPRESS DERAILED

Four Passengers injured, Two of Whom Will Die.

GLAMIS CASTLE

Dread Mystery Which Clings to Seat of Lord Strathmore.

MANY THEORIES ARE ADVANCED

The Outside World Is Curious, But Its Curiosity Has Never Been Satisfled by Those Who Know.

Glasgow, Nov. 14.-It would be rather interesting to know whether Lord and Lady Strathmore's golden wedding festivities, held at Glamis Castle the other day, had any shadow cast upon them by the strange secret which for so many years has hung like a pall over this historic Scotch pile. What this secret is only three-or perhaps four-people in the world know, these being the Lord of Glamis himself, his heir, and the steward of his estate. For this secret in real life, like those in the old tales, is revealed by every Earl of Strathmore to his eldest son, when the latter comes of age, and he, in turn, passes

it down. Toward the solution of the mysterywhich is famous throughout Scotlandan uncommon number of theories have been advanced. It is known that the secret is connected with one of the rooms in Glamis Castle, and so most people believe that in this chamber, into which coming earls of Strathmore are taken solemnly on their 21st birthday-conceals some monster. fantastic and gruesome of the legends told throughout the countryside has it that it contains a human toad, and, moreover, that this monstrosity was imbued with something like immortality, for which reason it has had to be guarded from the sight of the world all this time. But a saner legend declares that the secret rooms holds the bones of a band of prisoners who, in Scotland's days of strite, were incarcerated there and starved to death. There really seems to be no doubt there is something that the Strathmores are unwilling to have seen. Some years ago, so say the Scotch peasants, workman was called in by the ear and set to repairing the castle roof. He had not been at work long, however, when he came down actually shaking with fright, evidently as the result of some terrible sight which had met his eyes, and, as soon as he had recovered his nerve to some extent, demanded to see Lord Strathmore. A long interview resulted, and the outcome of it was that the workman suddenly found himself possessed of the desire, and ra-ther more than the means to emigrate to Australia and to establish himself in that country.

THE MYSTERIOUS CHAMBER.

There is another well vouched for story of how some guests of the Strathmores once attempted to solve the mystery of Glamis Castle. The folks took advantage of the absence of Lord and Lady Strathmore, who were paying an afternoon visit away from the castle, to enter every visible room in the mansion and to hang a towel out of the window of each. Then they went outside the castle and got a rather unpleasant thrill when they noticed that, high up in one of the turrets, there was a casement from which no towel was banging. And though they re-entered the castle and hunted for the mysterious hidden chamber, it was all

in vain.

mier speech at Sheffield. He was opposed to both illegitimate cheapness and illegitimate dearness, through the operations of tariffs and trusts, but he favored the securing and the maintaining of matural cheapness. Simile and the bear of the considerably by a moving start; some of the most historic in Scotland, the arise and the density of the things of the kind he seem suggested to me, and the general purity of the administration has been three is a good dead of corruption, it is caused by the presence of the Irish political corruption of the Kind of the kind is seen that the desired that the distribution of the kind has ever been suggested to me, and the general purity of the administration has been increased by the presence of the Irish political corruption of the Kind has ever been suggested to me, and the general purity of the administration has been increased by the presence of the Irish political corruption of the Kind has ever been suggested to me, and the general purity of the administration has been increased by the presence of the Irish political corruption of the kind has ever been suggested to me, and the general purity of the administration has been increased by the presence of the Irish political corruption of the kind has ever been suggested to me, and the general purity of the administration has been increased by the presence of the Irish political corruption of the kind has ever been suggested to me, and the general purity of the administration has been increased of late years under the protection of the protection of the corruption of the kind has ever been suggested to me, and the general purity of the administration has been increased by the presence of the Irish political corruption of the kind has ever been suggested to me, and the general purity of the administration has been increased by the presence of the Irish political corruption of the kind has ever been suggested to me, and the general purity of th

the rear horses a chance to get into position, and makes the start even. It is by far the easiest way to start horses, and much less dangerous for horses and riders. It stops all that kicking and swerving around at the post that is customary with high-strung thorough-breds. Boys who are afraid of being kicked are not continually looking around to get out of the way of horses. They now attend to their business, and do very much better."

duchesses must, by this time, have been initiated into one of these venerable mysteries, the woman in question being the Duchess of Manchester. For Kimbolton Castle, the duke's seat, which has so many memories of Queen Catherine of Arragon, has also its secret which has been handed down, through the generations. This secret, however, unlike that of Glamis Castle, is known to the most important members of the Manchester family. In the castle there is a magnificent chamber, known as the Queen's, and in this room. on every Holy Thursday, the reigning duke, his duchess and his heir, foregather and go through with some cereworld kens not, but it is understood that a secret panel in the Queen's room plays an important part therein.

LOOTED TREASURE CAR