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TOPICS OF TO-DAY.

It is said that a large proportion of the plumes worn by the ladies who attend the Queen's drawing room are hired from a shop which makes a business of renting out plumes. The feathers are worth from \$4 to \$10, and the rent of them is \$2.50 for each occasion.

The rheumatism from which Queen Victoria is suffering, which has become chronic, has caused a contraction of the muscles of the leg. It does not impair her general health, and she looks well, but every one admits who sees her that she has aged much in the last two years.

Sixty-five cardinals have died since the present Pope became the head of the church, and the Sacred College is now composed almost entirely of new men. Only sixteen of the present cardinals were there under the late Pope, and one of these is seriously ill, while several others are over 80 years of age.

Two women were elected to the Council of Middlesex county, Eng., but the Chairman declared that they could neither be admitted nor excluded, because the law was mute on the gender sex, and, as settling the point, the two women took seats of their own accord in the Council Chamber.

Lieutenant-Governor Royal, of the Northwest Territories, has furnished a return to the Department of the Interior of the special permissions for the importation of intoxicating liquors into the Northwest Territories, which is under prohibitory law. The total amount of spirits taken to the territories in 1889, under the permit system, was 11,680 gallons; wine, 1,422 gallons; beer, 25,527; porter, 571; per cent., 112, 448 gallons, or a total of 151,929.

The Empress of Austria has caused her wedding dress to be cut up and made into a set of vestments for the Church of St. Matthew, in Perth. The dress was of white brocade with silver threads, embroidered all over with beautiful garlands of roses in silver. Her brilliant dress encircled an embroidered picture of the Virgin, which is to be hung up in the Loretto Chapel of the same church, which the Empress selects for her devotions. The vestments will be used for the service in honor of the Virgin Mary in May.

F. W. Evans, the New York Shaker philosopher, made the following odd appeal: "I beg doctors to keep their patients in health and not to keep them sick. In China that is the custom; when a person is sick the salary of the physician is stopped. I do not think that is the best. Give the physician a regular paying salary. A well man can better afford to pay a physician than a sick one. Until every man is a physician or a fool, let the doctor be young and give him a good living, so that he can afford to keep you and yours in good health. With a good doctor and a generous priest all sickness of soul and body will be taken away from the people. Physical infirmities should be sought for and not be feared; moral and spiritual sins there should be."

The Prince of Wales is one of nine men who are compelled on certain occasions to wear the uniform of the Admiral of the fleet. Five of these are over 70, three over 80, and one is about to enter upon his 100th year, so that they manage to escape the duty more than the Prince does. This is the uniform: The full dress coat has a white collar edged with three-quarter inch gold lace, cuffs trimmed in one place with lace and in another with three-quarters, and in another place with lace one inch wide, while above each cuff there are four rows of lace, each five-eighths of an inch broad. The skirts and flaps of the coat are also gorgeously embroidered. There are numerous buttons, and the blue foundation of the whole is lined with white berymmer. On the shoulders are epaulettes, with heavily embroidered straps. The trousers have gold lace one inch and three-quarters wide, and the coat is covered with lace, and has tassels of bullion. The sword knot, a sash of gold and blue, is 23 inches long. The sword-belt is covered with oak leaves and acorns embroidered in gold. The light of the uniform, without sword, is twelve pounds.

THE RAILWAYS.

The shops of the T. H. and B. Railway will not, as has been reported, be located at Munich.

The new C. P. R. transfer steamer will be taken to Windsor next week from Owen Sound and at once go into service.

Newfoundland Bail Not Repealed.
HALIFAX, N. S., April 5.—The Newfoundland Government has decided to repeal the Bail Act, and hereafter French, American and Canadian fishermen will be permitted to freely purchase bail in Newfoundland harbors upon payment of tonnage and license fees, but the exportation of salt to St. Pierre Miquelon will be prohibited.

Bottom Up in the Bay.
TORONTO, April 5.—A yacht, supposed to be the Idler, believed to belong to Hamilton, was seen yesterday capsized in the Bay of the Exhibition Grounds. Six men from the new fort went out in a boat to the wreck, but they were unable to tow her in. The sails had the appearance of having been lately used, and it is believed the yacht was capsized in the gale here this afternoon. Nothing has been heard of her crew.

A Serious Charge.
HAMILTON, April 5.—A case which comes under the operations of the Charlton Act, was tried before the Police Magistrate yesterday. Vin. Lahie, a young French-Canadian, was charged with seducing Anna Dunford, 22 years of age, an imbecile, who was away from home from Sunday Hill Wednesday morning when she was seduced, making an excuse for her absence. The charge resulted in Lahie being arrested and committed for trial at the Assizes.

Show-room opening, Tuesday, 8, Wednesday, 9, and Thursday, 10, at SHARP'S, 129, Dundas street.

REPUDIATION

Likely to be the Result of the Land Purchase Scheme.

Churchill Repudiates the Idea of Its Being a Tranquilizing Measure.

Bernhardt Reads "La Passion" Before a Parisian Audience.

A Scene of Intense and Turbulent Excitement.

Proposal to Submit the Newfoundland Dispute to Arbitration.

Dom Pedro Seriously Sick—Dueling Forbidden by Emperor William—The O'Shea Divorce Case Said to Have Been Settled.

Bulgaria Backs Down.
LONDON, April 5.—Bulgaria has yielded completely to the demands of Serbia, and appointed a new agent at Belgrade.

The O'Shea Divorce Case.
LONDON, April 5.—It is rumored that the O'Shea divorce case, in which Mr. Parnell is co-respondent, has been finally settled.

An Alpine Tourist.
BERNE, April 5.—A young professor named, connected with the Lausanne Academy, has been killed while making the ascent of the Alps.

A Tobacco Monopoly.
LONDON, April 5.—The Shah has signed a concession to Mayor Talbot for a tobacco monopoly with exclusive rights in Persia. Talbot is on behalf of English capitalists.

Counting the Germans in Paris.
PARIS, April 5.—It is reported the Government has ordered that a census be taken of the Germans residing in the suburbs of this city. It is understood this step is taken so that German residents without means of subsistence may be sent to Germany.

The Vatican's Instructions.
ROME, April 5.—The Vatican has instructed the Papal Nuncio at Berlin and Bishop Kopp to act in energetic and decided manner in the German Centerist party, and to yield to the Government on no point, without securing in return a real and adequate concession.

Dueling Forbidden in Germany.
BERLIN, April 5.—In accordance with the views expressed by the Emperor recently by a Cabinet order has just been issued forbidding dueling in the army except in cases where a council of men of honor, to which all the circumstances shall have been referred, shall declare that a duel is necessary.

The Newfoundland Dispute.
LONDON, April 5.—The Chronicle's Paris correspondent says: The French Government is considering the advisability of endeavoring after the recess to settle the Newfoundland dispute by arbitration.

French Conquest of Dahomey.
PARIS, April 5.—M. Etienne, Minister of the Colonies, said yesterday that the French forces in Dahomey were sufficiently strong to cope with their adversaries, and that no reinforcements were necessary. The French troops, he said, would shortly make an attack upon Whydah, the coast town of Dahomey, where the Dahomians obtain their arms. The Government has prohibited the landing of arms.

A Hoax.
LONDON, April 5.—Dr. Acland, a well known physician, denies that there is any truth in the report that Mr. Shannon, the Dublin solicitor of the Times, who conducted the negotiations with Pigott, has fled from the country. He says the whole story is a hoax. A friend of Dr. Acland left Shannon in Canada early in March, and his now on his way to rejoin him. Shannon's family, according to the same authority, is aware of his whereabouts, and there has never been any secrecy about his movements.

Dom Pedro's Illness.
CANBES, April 5.—The illness from which Dom Pedro is suffering has assumed a critical phase. He was in a comatose state during the greater part of yesterday. His condition was so serious that it was deemed necessary to administer the last sacraments of the church. His physician, Prof. Charcot, of Paris, says, however, that though his weakness is extreme, he is in no immediate danger. The Prince of Wales, who has just arrived at Cannes, has paid a visit to Dom Pedro.

The Prince of Wales in Paris.
PARIS, April 5.—The Prince of Wales, who is here on his way back from Berlin, and who is very popular in Paris, is now received with even more than usual enthusiasm. It is noted, however, that the Prince, although only 48 last November, is aging rapidly; that he has a worn-out, worried look, and walks like a feeble man, being obliged frequently to stop and take breath. These evidences of physical decay the Prince is seriously ill.

Turkey Must Pay Up.
LONDON, April 5.—Russia has notified Turkey that the sums paid on account of the arrears of the war indemnity and the securities given for payment thereby are not sufficient, and that therefore, if the new loan which Turkey proposes to raise is subscribed for, she will demand priority for the payment of her claims before the money is devoted to other purposes.

The Sultan of Turkey has signed an irade providing for new negotiations with England for a convention based on the withdrawal of the English from Egypt. It is stated at Constantinople that Lord Salisbury and Rostom Pasha will immediately commence negotiations, having that object in view.

Where is the Viscount?

LONDON, April 5.—Hon. Henry Boyle has started for a cruise in search of his older brother, Viscount Boyle, who, through his father's sudden death, has become Earl of Spanton. Seven years ago Viscount Boyle resigned his commission in the army, when he was joined by his brother Henry in purchasing a ranch in Western Canada. The undertaking proved a failure, and Viscount Boyle returned to England. The latter gentleman returned to England, and through an inn-keeper who saw him once two years ago in a mining camp. Efforts were made last year to discover his whereabouts without any result, which is most inexplicable, as he was once a well-known member of the Canadian Parliament, and he was supposed to all the family titles and estates.

Indicted by Randolph.
LONDON, April 5.—Lord Randolph Churchill ridicules the proposition that the Land Purchase Bill is a tranquillizing and pacifying measure. He says it is certain to lead to jealousy and repudiation of rent among tenants whose landlords refuse to sell. Lord Randolph estimates that five years of continuous repudiation would exhaust the cash guarantees, which would mean the throwing of Ireland into a condition of anarchy worse than that contemplated by a result of the repeal of the Union. It is impossible to suppose that the Parnellites who have shown such surprising intelligence and such little scruple to attain their ends, will not be keen to discern the splendid opportunity and resolute enough to bring about a repudiation and the state of things which would result from a government to Ireland. Lord Randolph promises to advance proposals of his own for a land purchase scheme.

Trouble in Russia.
LONDON, April 5.—Advices from St. Petersburg confirm the reports of the serious condition of affairs in Russia. They declare the Czar is suffering from nervous fever. The scheme for the Russification of Finland is received with distrust. He was in that country and doubtless the universities in Russia have been closed by the Government. The students of the Potemkin are on strike, and the St. Petersburg police, who went to the university to quell the disturbance, were treated with disrespect and rough manner. He was thrown to the floor, and while lying prostrate was kicked a number of times. The St. Petersburg students have proposed to hold the attendance being too small. A number of the students who have been interviewed persisted in that declaration, and to yield to the agitation arises solely on account of educational matters. In proof of this declaration the students assembled at the University and Technical Institute, and the Czar is greatly incensed because of the disturbances, and has signified his intention of closing the universities for a year. It is feared by the Russian officials, however, that a year's idleness will foster the growth of disaffection and sedition.

Still They Come.
SAN FRANCISCO, April 5.—A local paper which has been investigating the matter of Chinese immigration from Mexico, states that the Chinese are almost constantly engaged in bringing Chinese from Lower California to San Diego and landing them at night, whence they make their way to the United States and other points. Several hundred Chinese and a number of Chinese women are believed to have found their way into California by this method during the past year.

Complete Wreck.
BALTIMORE, Md., April 5.—While a freight train on the Mineville track of the West Virginia Central Railroad was on a steep grade the engine lost control and left the track at a short curve near Sharpe's Station, making a complete wreck of everything. Just before the cars left the track, Engineer Edward Lippencott and Fireman Z. E. McCabe jumped. McCabe was killed. Lippencott was severely wounded, and also Conductor Dunk, Flagman Kiely and Brakeman Miller and Sherrill.

Roasted to Death.
PATERSON, N. J., April 5.—Mrs. Carrie Young, aged 40 years, was found dead in her room, on Northwest street in this city, on Friday morning. The woman had been ill for several days, and was visited and cared for until a late hour by friends. When discovered her body was lying in the center of the room, and almost to a crisp. Beside it was a broken lamp. She had left her bed and attempted to walk with the lamp in her hand, when being overcome by weakness, she fell and her clothing caught fire, and she was slowly roasted to death. The woman's husband had deserted her.

A Skiff Capsized.
TORONTO, April 5.—The ferry boat Mascott was on her return trip from the Island about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon a small sailing skiff capsized in the lagoon, just east of the Point. Capt. Livingstone turned the Mascott about and rescued the skiff's occupants. There were two young men, brothers, Fred and Frank Smith, who live in Parkdale. Fred was unconscious when taken aboard the ferry, and his brother was almost in a bad condition, but by the time they reached the city they were all right. It was during the squall that the accident occurred.

A Remedy for the Bins.
Sydney Smith used to say: "Never give way to melancholy; resist it steadily, for the habit will encrease. I once gave a lady 25 remedies for melancholy. One was a medicine to keep a box of sugar plums on the mantel-piece and a kettle simmering on the hob. I thought this mere trifling at the time, but have in a life of experience found true it is. These little pleasures often banish melancholy better than higher and more exalted objects; and that no means ought to be thought too trifling which can oppose it either in ourselves or in others."

Steamers Arrived.
From:
April 4. Rep. Antwerp
Lahm New York
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Dunsmuir New York
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Queenstown New York

WIND AND WATER.

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A TOWN COVERED BY WATER.
To a depth from eight to twelve feet can hardly be imagined. The Catholic Church, the town hall, the school house, and the building was flooded to a depth of eight feet. All of the furniture was also blown away. Three or four residences were treated likewise. The river is falling again, and if it should continue for a few days the outskirts of the overblown city along the crooked bayou would be sufficiently relieved for planting operations.

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THE PRISONER ACQUITTED—Minnie Johnston's Story Discredited.

GODERICH, April 5.—The Whitley poisoning trial was resumed at the Assizes yesterday. The court room was crowded. The counsel for the prisoner put in the box Dr. Shannon and Dr. Appleton, who agreed in the main with the opinions given by Dr. Reeve from what they had heard of the symptoms in Whitley's case with Dr. Reeve's diagnosis of his ailments—examination by Mr. Johnson resulted in an admission of the similarity of the symptoms of arsenical poisoning to those of the disease diagnosed by Dr. Reeve, but they held that the leading symptoms of arsenical poisoning were absent in Whitley's case as described, while the more prominent indications of the acute yellow atrophy were present.

This evidence closed the defense and Mr. Cameron proceeded to address the jury. He dwelt mainly on the utter unreliability of the testimony of the girl Minnie Johnston, who, if her statement was true, they would be told by the Judge was an accomplice in the crime, and on her corroborated testimony in a verdict of guilty. Her story was widely improbable.

It was inconceivable that a woman of the prisoner's intelligence should, openly, in the presence of this girl, attempt the crime with which she stood charged. On the other hand he advanced the testimony given by Dr. Reeve, who had unequivocally expressed his full belief that yellow atrophy of the liver and not poisoning was the cause of Whitley's death, and the ailment he suffered from previous to his death. He concluded an eloquent appeal for the release of the prisoner to rejoin her present husband, who was anxiously watching the result of the trial in the court, and to her son of tender years.

Mr. E. J. B. Johnston, for the Crown, proceeded to show the strong points of the Crown and the weakness of the theory of the defense.

ACQUITTED.
The jury after a brief retirement returned to the court room with a verdict of not guilty. The prisoner, who during the progress of the trial had betrayed little emotion or interest in the proceedings, was completely overcome and had to be assisted into an adjacent room by her present husband, Mr. Edwards, and other friends.

WORK AND WAGES.
BUILDING TRADE DIFFICULTIES.
TORONTO, April 5.—The condition of affairs in the building trades remain practically the same. The general work is slack pending further negotiations with the Master Builders' Association. Yesterday at noon the 48 hours' notice given by the builders' laborers expired.

DETROIT, April 5.—The Trades and Labor Council are advising a boycott of employers who employ carpenters to work more than eight hours a day after May 1.

SUNDAY SHAVING.
DETROIT, April 5.—The Trades and Labor Council is making an effort to induce barbers to give Sunday work.

LONDON SOUTH.
Through some mistake the usual Good Friday service at St. James's Church was advertised at 7 o'clock p.m. At the morning service Rev. Canon Davis gave out that it would be at 8 o'clock. Numbers of people looked there at 7 p.m. and found that they were too early by an hour. The Bishop preached a sermon appropriate to the day, dwelling on the sufferings of Christ on the cross.

Tons of Texas Beef for Great Britain.
HOUSTON, Tex., April 5.—Geo. Dobson, agent for the Liverpool Trading Company, arrived in Galveston yesterday and entered into negotiations for fortnightly shipments of 640 tons of refrigerated Texas beef. Cattle men will meet forthwith April 10 to consider another and larger proposition.

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