LATEST LONDON GOSSIP.

THE GLADSTONIAN VICTORY IN KENNINGTON.

Lord Randolph Churchill Continues to Puzzle Politicians and Plain People as Well—Spontaneous Enthusiasm.

LONDON, March 17.—By-elections are supposed to turn on questions of high policy, and they are discussed as if they did. There is immense exultation on one side, and depression on the other. Home Rule stock goes up or down as respectable gentlemen labelled Liberal or Tory get a few hundred more or less votes in suburban districts. A scoundrel like Pigott or a scamp like Gent Davis may do more for the Irish cause at a given moment than Mr. Gladstone or Mr. Parnell. Kennington, beyond doubt, will influence general opinion, whether it expresses general opinion or not. To use a phrase current on these occasions, it is a blow to the Government; The Daily News says a death-blow, but this Government has already received at least a dozen death-blows from that journal, and yet it miraculously and maliciously survives them all, and may even survive this.

Serious Tories do not pretend, as The Standard says, to minimize the importance of this defeat. All the explanation in the world will not deprive figures of their significance. Such explanations as that and other journals of like faith now give are of the usual kind. The Tories have not lost votes; there has been no changing from side to side; Mr. Beresford Hope polls more votes than did Gent Davis; Mr. Beaufoy's increased support came from what is called the reserve vote. Mr. Beresford Hope is a nephew to Lord Salisbury and a cousin to Mr. Balfour. Whether these kinships helped or harmed him seems uncertain. Mr. Beaufoy is a local man and employs a great number of Kennington workmen; the head of a firm of distillers, yet he had the support of the temperance party. Mr. Gladstone, when he sat for Greenwich, was junior colleague to a gin distiller.

But enough of details. It is sufficient to say that the Gladstonian victory in Kennington is a victory won by a far greater majority than the most sanguine hoped, and will give fresh vigor and volume to the Liberal cry for dissolution and fresh stiffness to the Tory resolve not to dissolve.

Randy the Sphinx.

LONDON, March 16. — Lord Randolph Churchill's attitude continues to puzzle the politicians, and puzzles plain people still more. His civilities to Mr. Stanhope on the Army questions were not, it appears, meant to go beyond Mr. Stanhope. Toward the Admiralty, and especially toward Lord George Hamilton, he is as implacable as ever. His letter to Sir Edward Reed has in it that note of personal as well as political antagonism which Lord Randolph seldom takes the trouble to conceal where it exists. "Such an exposure and confession," writes he, "of utter incompetence would insure prompt dismissal and probably professional ruin if Lord George were a private person." The exposure and confession are, of course, in Lord Randolph's mind, to be found in Lord George's speech on Admiralty affairs.

This morning appears another letter from Lord Randolph, explaining that he is not against all schemes for strengthening the navy, but against all bad schemes. This will not give much comfort to the Government.

$5300 Worth of Enthusiasm.

LONDON, March 17.—The Tory papers have got hold of a confidential circular sent out by the organisers of the National Protest against coercion. If you believe them, the spontaneous enthusiasm of Wednesday at St. James' Hall cost $5000. It was surely cheap at the money, but only a quarter of that sum has been collected, and the other three-quarters are urgently wanted. Hence the confidential circular.

The Albert Hall Ice Carnival.

LONDON, March 17.—The ice carnival at Albert Hall has the attraction of novelty, and brought together an enormous crowd to see the Duchess of Teck open it. It is a big bazaar, and not much else, but a dozen American ladies are helping their English friends in the selling, and people go to stare, as usual, at the English and Americans alike.

Paris Financial News.

PARIS, March 17.—With the exception of the transactions in rentes and foreign securities the Bourse yesterday was dull, being engaged in the settlement. Final transactions were made at 225 francs for Comptoir d'Escompte shares and 80 francs for Societe des Metaux shares. The directors of the principal financial houses of Paris met at the Ministry of Finance Friday night and again last night. It is reported they decided that the Comptoir d'Escompte should be placed in liquidation and reconstructed. It is said that 20,000 shares in the proposed new bank are already subscribed for. The employes of the Comptoir d'Escompte have been invited to withdraw their deposits in that bank, which from motives of delicacy they have hitherto left intact.

It was learned later that no decision was reached at the meeting in regard to the liquidation and reconstruction of the Comptoir d'Escompte. It is believed a further 20,000,000 francs will be necessary to save the Comptoir d'Escompte from judicial liquidation.

There was an exciting scene in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday. M. Laguerre of the Patriotic League made a speech attacking M. Constans, the Minister of the Interior, whom he accused of having engaged in doubtful transactions while acting as president of a financial concern in Lyons in 1882, and ended by calling him a fraudulent minister. The speech created a tumult in the Chamber and the Speaker formally censured M. Laguerre for his utterances.

M. Constans made an indignant denial of the charges and retorted upon M. Laguerre by saying that nobody quite knew where that gentleman's fortune came from. The matter was then dropped.

The Soir asserts that the Government has warned certain wealthy foreigners residing in France, who are known to have assisted Gen. Boulanger in a financial way, that they will be expelled the country unless they stop supplying him with funds.

The Bank of France will advance 20,000,000 francs to uphold the Comptoir d'Escompte provided another 20,000,000 francs is subscribed, of which 16,000,000 has already been promised.

France's Trade.

PARIS, March 17.—The French Board of Trade returns for February show an increase of 21,454,000 francs in imports and a decrease of 11,330,000 francs in exports compared with those of February, 1888.

A Stupendous Coal Syndicate.

LONDON, March 17.—A coal syndicate representing £100,000,000 proposes to purchase all the collieries of Cumberland, Yorkshire, Lancashire, Northumberland and Durham. The proprietors of the mines will meet soon at Manchester to consider the syndicate's stupendous proposal.

NOTES OF THE DEEP.

High Tide on the New Jersey Coast—Marine Disasters.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., March 17.—It has been many years since the tide has been as high here as it was yesterday. The water was away up among the cottages and the meadows were overflowed. The storm which has prevailed on the coast caused the high water and for a few hours Atlantic City was cut off from the world westward of it by the flooding of the railroad tracks which cross the meadows. The trains on the Camden and Atlantic Railroad tried to cross early in the morning but failed. The water was so high that the fires were extinguished, and with what steam they had the trains were compelled to return. Only slight damage has thus far been done in the city. The cellars of a number of cottages and the basements of several large houses were flooded but the foundations remain intact. About noon the floods receded and trains began to run again.

Collapse of a Life-Saving Station.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., March 17.—While the life-saving station at Far Rockaway was being taken on scows from Rockaway to Long Beach on Friday, a heavy gale washed it ashore, and yesterday morning the force of the waves caused it to collapse. Loss $10,000. The gale played havoc with the summer pavilions, a tug was stranded and 100 feet of the beach was washed away.

Many Days Overdue.

BEAUFORT, N. C., March 17.—Fears are entertained for the safety of the schooners Eunity R. Dyer, bound for New York, and George Taulane, bound for Baltimore. Both are overdue many days. For 60 hours past a northeast gale has prevailed.

Found Watery Graves.

NORFOLK, Va., March 17.—Captain W. T. Bernard of the Philadelphia tug Argus has found the wreck of the Portland (Me.) bark E. L. Pettengill, Captain C. C. White. She lies in Chesapeake Bay between the tail of the Horseshoe and Cape Henry in five fathoms of water in the track of vessels going out of and entering the capes. There is no trace of the crew and there can be but little doubt that the thirteen men who formed it have found watery graves.

Wrecks Off Samoa.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 17.—The steamer Zealandia reports that on Feb. 14 during a heavy gale the American barkentine Constitution struck a reef in Apia harbor, Samoa, and sank. A boat from the United States man-of-war Nipsic saved the Constitution's crew. She was owned by Nicholas Bischard of San Francisco and was freighted with a general cargo. The schooners Matanla, owned by Rugi & Co., and Tamasese were also wrecked. From other points on the island similar disasters to small crafts are reported.

Wreck of an Unknown Bark.

FORTRESS MONROE, Va., March 17.—The quarantine steamer Woodworth reports a bark sunk in the lower bay 10 miles out, in six fathoms of water.

At the German Capital.

BERLIN, March 17.—In addition to the new income tax which is said to be the subject of dissension between Bismarck and his colleagues, Minister von Gossler disagrees with the Chancellor on the question of the state granting financial support to the clergy. The subject of discord between Minister von Schloz and Bismarck is the currency question. The former advocates a gold currency while the latter favors bimetallism.

At the last meeting of the Provincial Council of Danzic, members of the council reproached the brother of Minister von Puttkamer for the wholesale expulsion of Poles which the minister had ordered. Herr von Puttkamer, defending his brother the minister, said the latter deplored the consequences of the expulsion on economic grounds, but he was overruled by Bismarck, who considered political interests of greater importance.

In receiving the Central Committee of the United Trades Guilds yesterday, Emperor William declared the sole object of his European tour had been to maintain peace, the only means by which trade could prosper. He believed he had ensured this result for years to come.

The Samoan conference is not expected to present formidable difficulties.

The Haffield Murder Trial.

WINNIPEG, March 17.—The medical testimony in the Haffield murder trial yesterday supported the theory that Mrs. Haffield died from suffocation after falling against the house. Counsel for the defence had not finished addressing the jury when the court rose.

McGarigle, the Chicago boodler, leaves shortly for Toronto. He speaks of the Weldon Extradition Bill in contemptuous terms and says it would not affect his case.

Cordial Reception of the Pilgrims.

NEW YORK, March 17.—The Catholic News has received this cablegram from Rome: "The pilgrims will be received by the Pope Monday. Yesterday morning the leader of the pilgrims, Very Rev. Charles A. Vissani, O. S. F., was received by Cardinal Rampolla, Papal Secretary of State. The Vatican authorities gave him a cordial welcome and expressed themselves pleased at the visit of the Americans."

The Prohibition Defeat in New Hampshire.

CONCORD, N.H., March 17.—Complete returns from all but one place show that all the constitutional amendments are adopted except the prohibitory amendment and that striking the word "Protestant" from the bill of rights. The vote on the latter was: Yes, 27,989; no, 20,880—not the required two-thirds in its favor. The prohibitory amendment was defeated by a vote of 25,273 yeas to 30,774 nays.

Patriotic League Plots Revealed.

PARIS, March 17.—The police have made further searches of the residences of members of the Patriotic League. It is reported they have seized papers showing that a plan had been matured for a descent by members of the league upon the Palais Bourbon where the sessions of the legislative chambers are held and the Elysee, the residence of the president.

Mahdists Defeated with Heavy Loss.

CAIRO, March 17.—A messenger who has arrived at Wady-Halfa reports that a battle between the followers of Senoussi and the Mahdists has taken place at Sinan, to the southwest of Bara, and that the former were victorious. Both sides suffered heavy losses. Among the killed were two Mahdist chiefs.

The Weavers' Strike.

FALL RIVER, Mass., March 17.—The first week of the weavers' strike closes without any appreciable change in the situation and the question now settles down to one of endurance.

Frey Wins the Pool Championship.

BROOKLYN, March 16.—Albert Frey won the pool championship of the United States to-night in Brooklyn, defeating James Malone in the final game 300 to 267.

A VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY

BENSON ACQUITTED OF THE MURDER OF HIS WIFE.

It is Said a Son of the Prince of Wales is Soon to Make an Extended Tour of Canada—Andy Maloney Arrested.

MONTREAL, March 16.—The trial of Benson for the murder of his wife, Bridget Doyle, was concluded to-day, when the jury returned a verdict of "not guilty."

The Star to-night says: "It is stated that Sir George Stephen will be accompanied on his return by a son of the Prince of Wales, who will make an extended tour of Canada and the United States."

Andy Maloney was arrested to-day on his arrival in town from Hot Springs. He is charged with the larceny of $14,000 worth of jewelry. Bail was refused and the case fixed for Monday afternoon. Reinholtz, who it is alleged lost the goods in Maloney's gambling house, was a traveler for P. W. Ellis & Co. of Toronto.

Her Brief Dream is O'er.

MONTREAL, March 17.—About three weeks ago the 21-year-old daughter of Mr. Stewart, a wealthy man who resides in one of the suburbs of New York, eloped with her father's coachman, who was exceedingly handsome. The two had carried on furtive flirtations unknown to the young lady's parents and one morning the latter woke up to find their daughter had left the house and that the coachman had also taken flight. Pinkerton detectives were engaged on the case, assiduously worked on it and were successful Friday in locating the pair living together in the little village of Bord a Plouffe. The runaway couple were surprised to be discovered in such an out-of-the-way place but the young lady voluntarily offered to return home with the officer. She was repentant and regretted the step which has caused her parents so much trouble. After saying farewell to the coachman she came to Montreal in charge of the detective and took the first train for home. The man was not proceeded against.

The Negro Exodus From North Carolina.

RALEIGH, N.C., March 17.—The negro exodus from this State is about to take the form of colonization of negroes in Arkansas. The negroes are holding mass meetings almost nightly. Negro orators and preachers of this section are especially active in the matter and issued a circular yesterday calling a meeting to organize the North Carolina Emigration Association for the purpose of securing organized action toward colonizing all the negroes in the State of Arkansas, where they are offered lands for a trifle. The circulars say that the white people don't want them here and they have determined to go. It is complained that the election law, school law, and other laws passed by the last General Assembly were passed to crush them out. They propose to colonize on unoccupied lands in Arkansas and follow agriculture.

Jersey City Officials Indicted.

JERSEY CITY, N.J., March 17.—The grand jury yesterday presented indictments against fourteen members of the Board of Freeholders and four members of the Board of Public Works. The charges in the case of the Freeholders were gross mismanagement of county affairs, wasting public money and general dereliction amounting to misdemeanor. In the case of the Board of Public Works the accused were similarly charged, and in addition it was alleged that they had shown favoritism in giving out contracts, awarding them to persons other than the lowest bidders.

The Last of the Buried Miners Rescued.

MOUNT CARMEL, Pa., March 17.—Peter Nearshalsky, after 50 hours' imprisonment in the Black Diamond colliery, was hoisted to the surface at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. His appearance was the signal for cheers from thousands of throats, which were heard for miles. He had given up all hopes when his rescuers reached the breast in which he was imprisoned. Strange to say his injuries, aside from nervous prostration, are not serious.

Evarts to Get the English Mission.

NEW YORK, March 17.—A well-known banker of this city, a friend of Senator Sherman and of Senator Evarts, who returned from Washington yesterday, said the President would nominate Senator Evarts for the English mission immediately after the assembling of the Senate to-morrow. This gentleman says he knows from the very highest source that this is a fact; that the President has already offered the place to Senator Evarts and that Senator Evarts has accepted it.

He Speculated in Stocks.

BOSTON, March 17.—Edgar Swan, teller of the City National Bank of Lynn, was locked up yesterday in default of $30,000 bail. He is a self-confessed defaulter, in what amount is not known, the officials declining to make any statement beyond the announcement that the net loss to the bank will be $35,000. Speculation in stocks is the cause of Swan's ruin.

Flagman Hannigan Acquitted.

MAUCH CHUNK, Pa., March 17.—Flagman Hannigan, charged with being responsible for the fatal collision of excursion trains at Mud Run station, was acquitted yesterday afternoon. The jury was out only half an hour. Engineer Major's case will come up for trial Monday.

Insane Over Spiritualism.

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 17. — Charles Naujack, an attendant at the City Hospital, committed suicide yesterday by shooting himself through the head with a horse pistol. He stood in front of a mirror and aimed the pistol. He was believed to be insane over spiritualism.

The Elusive Tascott.

WINNIPEG, March 17.—There is no doubt that a few days ago Tascott, the murderer of Millionaire Snell of Chicago, was in this vicinity. The report that Tascott was captured at Lake Winnipeg was due to the fact of some strangers being seen there. The best inquiries available indicate that the searchers for Tascott have gone to the Pacific coast.

A Raise For This Firm's Puddlers.

POTTSTOWN, Pa., March 17.—The iron puddlers employed by Ellis & Lessig, who are paid according to the price received for iron by the firm, will receive a raise of 25 cents per ton for puddling hereafter. This is the first advance in puddlers' wages in the Schuylkill valley for several years.

Scranton's Peril.

SCRANTON, Pa., March 17.—Eight chambers in the 14-foot vein and those directly above it in the rock vein of the Central Colliery Company have caved in and the crush is still in progress. The damage that may ensue cannot be determined as the cave-in is almost in the very center of the Hyde Park section of the city.

No Export Duty on Iron Ore For Sweden.

STOCKHOLM, March 17.—The first chamber of the Diet has rejected the bill for the imposition of an export duty on iron ore. The bill had before been rejected by the second chamber.

TORONTO TOPICS.

A Coroner's Jury Censures the Grand Trunk—Provincial Appointments.

TORONTO, March 18.—The coroner's jury which investigated the death of James Bracken, the fireman on the Northern Railway who was scalded to death the other day, returned a verdict of accidental death, with a rider attached blaming the company for not thoroughly inspecting the engine before sending her out. No blame was attached to the engine driver.

The following appointments are officially announced: Arthur W. Coe of Madoc, in the County of Hastings, to be clerk of the Sixth Division Court of Hastings, vice Dr. Loomis, deceased; Edward D. Hand of Fenelon Falls, in the County of Victoria, to be clerk of the Second Division Court, vice George Cunningham, resigned; Homer Stills of Cornwall, in the County of Stormont, to be a bailiff of the Third Division Court; W. R. McDougall of Alliston, in the County of Simcoe, to be bailiff of the Eighth Division Court, vice F. M. Woodcock.

Letter patents have been issued incorporating the Wallaceburg Electric Light Company, the Utterson Lumber Company, the Ontario Terra Cotta Brick and Sewer Company.

Late Saturday night Inspector Stephen visited a vacant house on the northeast corner of Victoria and Richmond-streets and there seized 35 dozens of beer, which he had removed to headquarters. So far no owner has turned up for it, but the police think that had the stuff been left undisturbed an ex-hotel-keeper in the vicinity might have come in on the deal.

Ellen Witouski is in the General Hospital and Jane Harding is at Police Headquarters with a charge of felonious wounding registered against her, of which the fair Ellen is the victim. On Saturday night Ellen paid a visit to Jane at the latter's residence, No. 119 Jarvis-street. A quarrel arose and Jane ordered her visitor out. The latter declined to go and Jane seized a kettle of boiling water and poured it over her enemy. Witouski's condition is somewhat serious.

Peter Glenn, a farmer from Markham township, put up at the Commercial Hotel on Friday night last. Saturday morning seeing nothing of him at breakfast, the proprietor forced open the room, to find the gas escaping at a high rate of speed and Glenn insensible on the bed. The ambulance took him to the General Hospital where he is slowly progressing back to life.

A week ago yesterday "Billy" Urie, better known as "Pig's foot Bill," from his peddling these succulent dainties, got into a dispute with a friend whose name he refuses to furnish to the police, in the course of which he was stabbed in the head. He neglected the wound until Saturday, when his condition became such as to necessitate his removal to the General Hospital.

At the General Sessions on Saturday John Martin, the expressman who stole a quantity of goods from a Front-street wholesale house, was sent to the Central Prison for two months. Thomas Hope, the seed wheat swindler, freely acknowledged his guilt and showed that he had made arrangements to recoup all those whom he had defrauded. He was allowed to go on giving bonds in the sum of $1000 to appear for sentence when called on. H. W. Simmons, found guilty on two charges of stealing from the trunks of fellow boarders, was given three years in the Penetentiary.

As Robert and William Parker were passing Fred Roberts & Co.'s jewelry store at 186 Queen-street west at 2.30 yesterday afternoon they saw a hard-looking man fumbling among the cases. They stopped to investigate, when the man disappeared. They ran around to the rear in time to see two men making off up the lane. They started in pursuit but had to give it up, afterwards reporting the matter to the Agnes-street Station. Policemen Tripp, Stewart and Martin proceeded to Mr. Robert's store immediately and were agreeably surprised to find the two men again in the place. Determined to make a haul they had returned just in time for the officers to catch them. At the station they gave their names as John and Patrick Doyle, and their address as the Model Lodging House. They have already served a term in prison for larceny. A number of gold rings and a silver watch were found on them.

Ex-Policeman Jarvis, who arrested Rev. F. W. Wilson because he would not move on, has been committed for trial, with his two brothers, on a charge of having, at Schomberg, Ont., brutally assaulted Robt. Hersey, a drover, who resides at Weston.

The Servant Girl Will Die.

ST. CATHARINES, March 17.—Emma Harrison, the servant girl who fell from a second story window while cleaning the windows at a residence where she was employed, is still at the general hospital in an insensible condition and recovery is hopeless.

INTERESTING ITEMS BY WIRE.

All is quiet in Samoa.

The total amount subscribed at New York to the Chinese famine fund to date is $13,000.

The Chicago Republican City Convention Saturday renominated John A. Roche for Mayor.

Right Rev. Winan Michael Wiggar, Bishop of Newark, N. J., is ill at Rome with pneumonia.

Methundy & Meyer, lumber dealers at St. Louis, have assigned, liabilities not known. Assets $248,500.

The Chicago Democrats have nominated for Mayor Dewitt C. Creiger, who was Commissioner of Public Works under Mayor Carter Harrison.

There was a $25,000 fire in the Architectural Iron Works of Campbell & Van Tassell, on West Thirty-third-street, New York, Saturday.

The British Channel squadron has arrived at Tangiar to support England's claims regarding the cable and other matters. The fleet will not depart until the Sultan's reply has been given.

Governor Wilson of West Virginia has decided to call an extraordinary session of the Legislature about June 1 next, to settle the gubernatorial muddle, and to act on certain other legislation.

Russell B. Harrison, son of President Harrison, has purchased an interest in Frank Leslie's Weekly from W. J. Arkell of Judge and will take charge of the western end of the business.

The Duke of Cambridge, commander of the forces, has issued a royal warrant, declaring the Queen is convinced of the Honorable Artillery Company's loyalty, and restoring to the Company its ancient privileges.

Ex-President Cleveland made his first public appearance as a private citizen at the 105th anniversary of the Friendly Sons of St Patrick in New York Saturday night. He respondad to the toast "The United States."

The popular hostility against syndicates is growing. In the House of Commons W. H. Smith, the Government leader, while refusing to interfere with the salt syndicate, declared that such combinations worked their own cure, and tended ultimately to reduce the price of articles the rates of which they temporarily raised.

He Couldn't Eat the Soup.

An elderly gentlemen in a restaurant, having been served with a plate of soup he had ordered said to the waiter:

"Look here, I can't eat this soup."

"All right; I'll get you another plate."

On receiving the second plate, the guest once more remarked:

"It's no use I can't eat this soup."

Then the waiter went to the proprietor and said:

"That old gentleman over there is complaining about the soup. He says he can't eat it."

"You don't know how to wait on people. I'll attend to him."

The proprietor went to the kicking guest and said blandly:

"I understand that you say that there is something the matter with the soup?"

"I didn't say anything of the kind."

"You said you couldn't eat it."

"Yes, I said I couldn't eat it."

"Will you tell why you can't eat that soup?"

"Certainly. I haven't got any spoon."—Texas Siftings.

An Irrepressible Bridegroom.

"Do you take this woman to be your wedded wife—" began a young divine who had been called upon to unite in matrimony a couple from the rural districts.

"Yaas," promptly put in the groom, not waiting for the complete question.

"To love—" went on the reverend questioner again as soon as he had recovered from the explosive affirmative so unexpectedly given.

"Yaas," came again with undiminished vigor from the groom.

"And to honor, to—"

A third "Yaas" came equally forceful and prompt, to the entire defeat of Mr. Brown's scheme of gliding into the next phrase.

"To cherish—"

"Yaas."

And so on through the entire paragraph.

It was quite evident that the young man was willing.

The same gentleman tells a story of a groom who after the ceremony slipped a two-dollar bill into his hand, murmuring, apologetically, "I'll do better next time."

A Dollar Easily Earned.

First Tramp—"Hello, Jerry, come in and have a cocktail."

Second Tramp—"What! Cocktail! You must be livin' on Easy street now,"

First Tramp—"Yes, I rather guess I am. I'm gettin' a dollar a day fer settin' in a show winder to advertise a new toilet soap."

Second Tramp—"Rats!"

First tramp—"Yes, I am on the dead square. I represent the 'before usin'.'"—Terre Haute Express.

TEMPERANCE WORK.

Items from All Over Concerning the Cause.

In Texas, during the past year, seventy churches adopted the use of unfermented wine for communion.

The total number of arrests for the year 1888 in Peabody, Mass., 232, of which 108 were for drunkenness.

In Switzerland seventy per cent. of the young men are said to be unfitted by the use of alcohol and tobacco for military services.

There is not a whisky shop in Tyrrell county, N. C., not a prisoner in the jail, and not a State case on the docket at the last court.

Dr Nathan Allen, of Lowell, Mass., for many years an earnest advocate of temperance and sanitary reform, died on New Year's Day.

Sir William Fox, of New Zealand, reports that the attempt to get up a gigantic government distillery in the colony is likely to prove a failure.

The Queen of Madagascar has presented Mrs Mary Clement Leavitt with one hundred dollars as an expression of her interest in the total abstinence work.

Every licensed bar-room is a compromise with wrong. Every permissive clause in our statutes relating to the sale of intoxicating beverages is a compromise with wrong. Every such compromise is a sin and a curse.

On a recent cold morning the very smallest size of a small boy went into a market and asked for five cents' worth of salt pork. It was portioned out, and then the child showed two cents more, and said it was for a soup bone. The bone was produced, and as the marketman handed it to the child, who was barefooted, though snow and ice were on the ground, he observed that he held in one hand a large pail, and inquired what he was to get in it. "Beer," said the small boy. To fill that pail with beer would cost fifteen cents, which was double the sum appropriated for the family's food for that day. This happens daily, and, of course, the father don't work.

Whenever you corner the devil he tackles you with an offer of a compromise. And it is curious how ready, under such circumstances, the good people are to make terms with their conquered enemy. They treat his "satanic majesty" with wonderful consideration. Why should we have so much tenderness and sentimentality towards the devil, and his agents, and agencies? He never has any towards us. When he gets a chance at a man, he puts him down, down, down, into the deepest, filthiest, most degraded, and infernal depths of ruin and perdition. Then when we get a chance at this mean, dirty, malicious fiend, somebody is sure to ask us to "not to be too hard upon him," "just be content with doing part of what you can do." You can nearly always get some Christian to stand up for the devil, when the devil gets into trouble.

White Fruit Cake.—Two cups of white sugar beaten to a cream, with one cup of butter, one cup of milk, two and one-half cups of flour, whites of seven eggs, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Mix thoroughly and add one pound each of sliced citron, raisins, blanched almonds and figs.

A Feeble Failure.

Many persons become feeble and fail in health from disease of the blood, liver, kidneys and stomach when prompt use of Burdock Blood Bitters, the grand purifying and regulating tonic, would quickly regulate every bodily function and restore to perfect health. 2

Teach your little ones that the little boy in rags has a heart in spite of rags.

The Family Scrap Basket.

Dip fish in boiling water and the scales will come off easier.

A new Russian cheese is copper-colored and is said to be very nice. It is called Vessetti.

A small quantity of alum dissolved in the last rinsing water, will, it is said, render clothing less inflammable.

Raw meat should be placed on an earthen dish before putting it into the ice-chest, and never laid directly on the ice or left there in a brown paper.

Onions are one of the most healthful and beneficial of all food products, but that is not the reason why so many people refrain from eating them.

Only sharp scissors should be used in trimming lamp-wicks if an even, clear flame is wanted. The wick should not be cut below the charred portion, but just at the point of change.

Clear wooden or bright tin pails, or paper, should be used for drinking water. Galvanized iron or tin is dangerous. The utmost care should be taken as to the cleanness and purity of water pails.

Mrs Blashfield, who writes the clever articles which her husband illustrates for *Scribner*, is also his model and poses for him with exhaustless patience. A handsome woman she is, with shoulders like a Greek caryatid and heavy white face framed in sculpturesque masses of black hair. Dora Wheeler, rarely hires professional models except merely for the general outline pose. The faces on her canvas are the product of her own strange and subtle imagination, or are the faces of women she knows in a social way. She gets hold of any one she meets who has a unique type of beauty, or even a suggestive and individual ugliness, and they are easily persuaded to sit for any picture she may have on hand, left unfinished until she found that every type of face to complete her ideal.

A REWARD—Of one dozen "TEABERRY" to any one sending the best four line rhyme on "TEABERRY," the remarkable little gem for the Teeth and Bath. Ask your druggest or address

Good men are thankful that good men are coming to the front. The acceptance by Mr Gibson of the portfolio of Provincial Secretary, will be hailed with pleasure all along the lines. Our Ontario Government has long been a good one, and lately has been getting better and better. We believe that Mr Mowat's Cabinet today has in it more of sterling integrity and sound principle than nearly any other similar body in the world. This means immense responsibility, and we earnestly hope to see that responsibility recognized in the approaching session of our Legislature, in definite progress on lines of sorely-needed moral reform.—Canada Citizen.

How a Dude Caught Cold.

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