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DEADLY BATTLE WITH A MOB.

The Bloody Climax to the Attempted Raid by the Lord Gordon Rioters-A Financial Coup That Was Speiled by the Duchess of Marlborough,

No other banking institution has so romantic a history as that pertaining to the Bank of England, the "Old Lady of Threadneedle Street."

One of the bloody episodes in the history of the bank is that embraced in the story of Charles Walter Godfrey, one of its early partners in the bank. It appears that Godfrey while crossing the channel in the midst of a terrific storm and laden with £60,000 in drafts for the aid of King William, who was just then besieging Namur against the forces of Louis XIV, insisted upon his right to deliver the warrant for the money into the hands of the king, then in the trenches under hot fire. As he handed the document to the king, saying, in response to William's growl of remonstrance, "Am I, then, more exposed to danger than your majesty?" a cannon ball swept away his head.

Not so very many years ago there stood over the massive fireplace in the directors' room of the bank three rusty specimens of the old "Brown Bess," to gether with a number of roughly shaped bullets. In these relics was em bodied a picture of the November night in 1780 when the mob of Gordon riot-Do You Realize ers marched down from Newgate, setting fire to every Catholic chapel on the way and advancing with a force of

5,000 upon the bank itself. The clerks, armed with muskets, unprovided with shot. Before them lay rows of leaden inkstands, suggesting the possibilities of a new use. In less than half an hour the inkstands had been melted and turned Into bullets. The muskets were loaded. At every window of the bank stood two marksmen, their guns trained on the mob below. Yet the rioters came on until they were within ten yards of the bank gates. Then sharp and clear above the frightful din rose the order to fire, and from the win-dows poured a deadly volley. When the smoke finally cleared away 250 lay dead or dying in the open space now covered by the esplanade of the Royal Exchange. The attacking army wavered, stopped, broke line and fled, and the Gordon riots were at an end. During the first part of the reign of George II. it was the practice of all banks to give a receipt in payment of a deposit, the receipts being passed

from hand to hand and serving the same purpose as the check of today.

At that time Childs' bank, a private concern, which had the backing of a great part of the English nobility, exhibited such signs of future greatness that the Bank of England became greatly alarmed, especially in view of "Old Lady's" notes the fact that the were at a discount of 10 per cent. So little by little, through their agents, the managers of the Bank of England bought up every receipt bearing the Childs signature, allowing the collections to accumulate each year until the time should be ripe, during a shortage of gold, to present the receipts in one great mass for payment. It was deema certainty that Childs' would not be able to meet the demand and would

thus be ruined. The principal figure in the drama that ensued was no other than the famous Sarah Jennings, in whom Childs' bank found its stanchest supporter. One night there came a wild clanging at the bell of the great gate of the town of Blemein-a clanging that soon awakened every one in the town. A white faced travel stained man staggered into the ducal hall, begging an audience with her grace. When the duchess, in her dressing gown, appeared, demanding to know the reason for this unseemly visitation, the man explained that the Bank of England held the Childs receipts in the amount of £620,000, that those receipts would be presented for payment at toon following, that there was not at Childs' engugh gold to meet them, that unless the demand could be satisfied within eight hours Childs' was ruined and that there was but one person in the world-her grace-to whom they might

turn. Whereupon the redoubtable duchess sat down and wrote out a check, which she handed to the agent. It was an order on the Bank of England for the payment of £700,000. He was instructed to take this check to the Bank of England and to say that if it hesitated for a single instant in paying it the duchess would proclaim it as a de

faulter. At 12 o'clock that day there appear ed at the Childs' counter an agent of the Bank of England bearing a big bag ful of receipts and bland's singlesting immediate payment. At the same mo ment the Childs' agent was in Thread needle street receiving cash on the

check of the duchess. The cashiers at Childs' naturally took their own time in scrutinging the receipts, spending fully half an hour over the first batch alone. They were at the end of the first bundred when their messenger arrived. Then they quickened the procedure a little and within minutes the Bank of England had paid in its own com The net was that Childs' was many thousands of pounds richer. - Harper's

self!-Cleveland Leader.

Harmonious.

Mrs. Johnson. "Yes," said Mrs. Whilliger. "She's in deep mourning for Mr. Jelliffe. you know, so she has exchanged Tobey for

The resources of the scholar are pr portioned to his confidence in the attri-

THE GNU IS A PUZZLE

It Seems to Be a Cross Between the Horse, Cow and Deer Did you ever hear of a horned horse? It is called the gnu and is a native of South Africa. The gnu is a puzzle. We have called it a horse, but it is more like a cow. It really seems to be a cross between the horse, the cow and the deer. It has the head and horns of a cow, the tail, the mane and withers of the horse and the legs of a deer. Altogether the gnu is one of the most

singular creatures on earth.

The gnu inhabits the hilly districts of South Africa, roaming all over the country in vast herds. As far as trav elers have yet penetrated it is found, and it is fortunate that it is so, for the flesh of the gnu forms excellent food. Gnus are, however, extremely wild and, being very quick in their move-ments, are difficult to shoot. Upon the first alarm the whole herd scampers away in single file, following a leader. seen from a distance they look

like a troop of horses. _ Their speed is very great, and when first disturbed they do not exert it, but kick out their heels and begin butting at anything that comes in their way, exhibiting the greatest fury. Unless hard pressed they seldom show fight, but when brought to bay they will de fend themselves desperately. They dart forward upon their enemy with great fury, and unless he remains cool and collected he probably will not es-

STEALING A RAILROAD.

Not in a Financial Way, but by Carrying It Off Bodily.

No stranger theft was ever committed than the "lifting" of an entire railroad, twelve and one-haif miles in length, which once connected Birr and

Portumna, in Ireland. The line had cost \$450,000, and for years it did service for the Great Southern and Western Railway company until the year 1876, when the company, which had been running it at a loss, washed its hands of it. The line was derelict. Nobody wanted it. For a few years it stretched its use less length through north Tipperary. Then its neighbors began to turn cov-

etous eyes on it. Bolts and screws and other portable trifies began to vanish. A few prose-cutions were instituted, but the charges were withdrawn. Nobody seemed to care. The thieves, thus encouraged, grew bolder. Farmers brought their carts and horses and loaded them with spoils of rails, sleepers, switches and semaphores. One goodly station vanished, to its last brick and door, in a single night,

They were great times for Tipper-vary. Boatloads of booty, hundreds of tons of rails, were sent away from Portumna by unlicensed "contractors," and the work of spoliation went on until not as much as a turntable was left.—Argonaut.

Dickens' Den. Dickens' care for his material surroundings did not end with his bedroom. His favorite writing place at Gadshill was a Swiss chalet in the shrubbery, and this he fitted up in a most ingenious fashion. mirrors in the chalet where I write, he says in one of his letters, "and they reflect and refract in all kinds of ways the leaves that are quivering at the windows and the great fields of waving corn and the sail dotted river. My room is up among the branches of the trees, and the birds and the butterflies fly in and out, and the green branches shoot in at the open windows, and the lights and the shadows of the clouds me and go with the rest of the company. The scent of the flowers and indeed of everything that is growing for miles and miles is most delicious."

-London Chronicle. Judging the Colt. The Arabs have two methods of estimating the height to which a colt will grow, the first being to stretch a cord from the nostril over the ears and down along the neck and compare this measurement with that from the withers to the feet and the other method being to compare the distance between the knee and the withers with that knee to the coronet. In the first method it is considered that a colt will grow as much taller as the first measurement exceeds that of the second, and in the second method, if the proportion as two to one, the horse will grow no taller.

Pedestrians. A ceacher in a primary school was endeavoring to make clear to her class the meaning of the words "equestrian-ism" and "pedestrianism" when she

put this query to one small boy. "What is a pedestrian?" "He is one of those fellows," said the boy, "who makes an awful kick when an automobile runs him down. -New York Press.

No Further Delay. Abner Slopoak (desperately)—M-may
I name the day? Jemima Jones (decisively)—No! Abner Slopoak (in alarm)—Why? Jemima Jones (frankly)-Because if you put it off as long you did your proposal we never will be married. I'll name the day my-

"They say Mrs. Jelliffe has given up that pet white poodle of hers," said

a black and tan."-Harper's Weekly.

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APPLICATION TO PARLIAMENT

Notice is hereby given that an ap-lative Assembly for the Province of A Knowlton 75 Ontario at its next Session for an Act M Henderson 73 tawa and St. Lawrence Electric M Wing..... 69 Railway Company, and increasing the M DeWolfe 69 capital stock of the Ottawa and St. L. Curtis. 68 Lawrence Electric Railway Company 68 from one million dollars to five M Seymour 67 million dollars by the creation Percival 66 of forty thousand additional shares of G Sexton...... 66 the par value of \$100 each, and for G Dormer 65 power to issue bonds and borrow money to the extent of thirty thousand dollars per mile of the said Railway, and to extend the time for the commencement and completion of the said

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Notice is hereby given pursuant to "Statutes of Ontario" I. George V. Chapter 25, Sec. 55. that all creditors and others having claims against the content of the said Alfred Leopold Tackabery, who died on or about the twenty-eighth day of September, 1911 are required, on or before the fifteenth day of February, 1913, to send by post prepaid or deliver to T. R. Beale, of the Village of Athens, Ont. solictor for the administratrix of the said deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the ful particulars of their claims, the statement of their accounts, and the nature of the

of their accounts, and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after the ast mentioned date the said administralast mentioned date the said administrative will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the partiesentitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have notice, and that the said administratrix will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by her at the time of such dis-

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