

BELLIGFRENT COLONISTS.

ial Delegates Get Mad Over Britain' Policy in the New Hebrides-Quite a Scene Raised-The Queen's Title to be

Further Lengthened. A last (Friday) night's London cable ys: A meeting of the Colonial Confersays: A meeting of the Colonial Confer-ence was hold to-day, with Sir Henry Hol-land presiding, when the draft scheme for the increase of the Australian squadron was agreed to, as were the resolutions rela Vas agreed to, as were the resolutions rela-tive to laying a sub-marine cable between Vancouver and Australia. A discussion was invited by the President as to the pro-posal to extend the title of the Queen so as include distinct reference to the colonies The delegates were unanimously in favor of the extension of the title, subject to the Queen's pleasure, and suggested that the terms of the proclamation of 1858 should be adopted, viz., Queen of the United King dom of Great Britain and Ireland and o the Colonies and Dependencies thereof. A the close of the Conference an address wa presented to Sir Henry Holland, expressin, a sense of the manner in which he had pre-sided. Sir Henry Holland thanked th delegates for their kindness and courtesy The Conference will visit Cambridg to-morrow. The final sitting of the Con-

For the colonies, announced in the Colonia for the Colonies, announced in the Colonia Conference here on the 27th ult that the Government hoped to arrange with France for a joint naval commission for the gov ernment of the New Hobrides. The Com-mission, it was stated, would have power to protect the settlers, traders and m aries, and would also be empowered to land marines to punish the natives for com-mitting outrages and to maintain order, the marines, however, to be withdrawn when the special work—for which they landed was accomplished. If the scheme proposed was accomplianced. It is set to be arranged that the French garrisons now occupying the chief harbors of the New Hebrides should retire. The publication o the details is attributed to the indignation which the proposal has aroused among the Colonial representatives here, many of whom are said to be unable to conceal their anger at what they deem the sur-render of their claims to France. It is said that Sir Henry Holland's statement amazed the members of the Conference and almost led to a seene. The Australians all without exception deprecated any an without exception depredicted any policy which even seemed to recogniz French pretensions in the New Hebri acs.. Lord Salisbury, who was pre-sent, supported the speech made by Si Henry Holland in justification of the Government's proposal. The Premier's argument, however, instead of mollifying the incensed delegates, served but to intensify their wrath. His remarks implied that the their wrath. His remarks implied that the Australian demands hampered England in her negotiations with France. He main-tained that the colonists made a grave mistake in not accepting the compromise which the Earl of Rosebery proposed, and which, the Premier said would have pre-vented the extension of the evils complained of by the Australians, or arising-from the sending of French convicts to the South Pacific, and the rejection of which made it difficult for the English Government to approach France with any request that she approach France with any request that she curtail her liberty of action as to the uses to which she should put her own territory. "Surely," exclaimed the Marquis, "the Colonies do not desire to make the recidivist agitation a casus helli." The Premier's speech increased the dissatisfaction of the delegates to such an extent that - Si Graham Berry, the Agent-General of Vic toria, twitted the Prime Minister with having made a speech that would have been excellent coming from the mouth of the French Premier. M. Chauvat has been installed as French

resident at Walles Island, the capital of the Walles Islands group in the South Pacific, in view of a possible British or German occupation.

WHIRLED TO DEATH.

Horrible Death by a Young Woma Playful Carelessness

A Jersey City despatch says : A horribl accident occurred in the smoking and fir cut department of Lorrillard's Tobacc Factory, this city, about 2 o'clock, which resulted in the death of Mrs. Honor Perrine, a widow, employed in the factory At the time of the accident there were ove 250 girls in the room, many of whom were eye-witnesses to the frightful tragedy. There are ten packing machines on the floor. All of these except two were shut down and the girls were standing abou

SHOT AND ROBBED Plucky Fight of an Old Sandwich Hotel

keeper.

A Windsor despatch says: Captain John Horn, sen., of Detroit, has for the past two years conducied the Road House at Sand wich, a short distance above the mineral springs. Captain John is frequently the only person on the premises. Last night he was alone, his bedroom being just in rear of the bar, with an entrance to it from the dance hall. Between 1 and 2 o'clock this morning the more around the her hereits Mr. W. H. Smith announced in the House of Commons this afternoon that the Govern-ment had resolved that the allegation that the statement by the London *Times* that Mr. Diflon told a falsehood while denying in the Adouse of Commons that paper's utterances concerning his alleged relations with Sheri-dan, the Invincible, was not a breach of privilege and not sustained by presedent dance hall. Between I and 2 o'clock this morning he was aroused by burglars moving in the front part of the building. Jumping and grabbing his cash-box, which he kept at the head of his bed, he oppoid the door and found himself face to face with one of the burglars. The fellow had a cocked revelver in his hand and poking it into the landlord's 'face demanded, his mongy or his life. "I'll be _____ if you get my money," retorted the Captain, who, in spite of his 67 years, is able-bodied. He made a lunge at the burglar; the latter lowered his revolver in a twinkle and fired a bullet which passed through the fleshy part of his left thigh. "You've done it now," roared the stalwart old veteran, "but I'll fix you yet," and he snatched a lather's hatchet that was close at hand. The burg-lars retreated and darted out of the front door, which had been left open in case of anonise. Cart the fight of the soft dard burget. The fight of the soft of the fight of the soft dard burget. the invincible, was not a precedent. It would be against the dignity of the House to summon the *Times* to the bar without previously inquiring into the cir-cumstances. The gentlemen below the gangway, Mr. Smith added, asked that a gargeway, hir. Smith added, asked that a select committee be constituted to inquire forthwith into the allegations of the Times. The practice of the House had been to divest itself as far as possible of judicial duty. The Government thought such a committee as was asked for would be un-fitted to consider such grave questions as would have to be referred to it for decision. The Government, feeling it to be their duty

to endeavor to solve the question, had in-structed the Attorney-General and such others as he cared to associate with him to prosecute the *Times* for the libel on Mr. Dillon, who was at liberty to select such counsel as he saw fit. Mr. Smith door, which had been left open in case of surprise. Capt. Horn followed, and in the dim light. of the moon saw four men run-ning down the road. With nothing on but his nightshirt he chased them with the atchet about 40 rods and then lost sight urged the House to accept the course pro of them. On returning he sized up hi loss, which amounted to about \$200 wort of cigars, dressed himself and walked half posed. Mr. T. P. O'Connor condemned the Gov-ernment's proposal. He said he com-miserated the Government on their humiliating and degrading position. Their proposal was really for a collusive action at law made by the valor of a libel. Mr. O'Connor here produced a conv of the Times nile to the nearest doctor. This morning although suffering considerable pain, walked to Windsor and crossed to his ho

in Detroit

COLONIAL CONFERENCE

The Delegates Present an Address to the Queen-Handsome Gifts and Congratula-tions,

at law made by the valor of a libel. Mr. O'Connor here produced a copy of the *Times* containing the libel on Mr. Dillon, and flourishing it aloft he said : I purchased this copy of the *Times* at one of the book-stalls owned by the Right Honorable the First Lord of the Treasury. It is he speaking for the Government who says no breach of privilege was committed. (Irish cheers.) He is therefore deeply interested as a party in the case against the editor A London cablegram says : The Colonial delegates visited the Queen at Windsor to-day to present their address. Several valu-able presentai ons were made from the colonies, among them being a gold casket s a party in the case against the editor colonies, among them being a gold casket studded with Cape diamonds, which was presented by the Cape representatives, and of the Times. The two men ought to be in the dock together. The Irish members reject his proposal as unfair, unjust and unprecedented. The House of Commons ought not to be taken in by a collusive a casque of native woods, mounted in silver and jewels, from Natal. Both Sir Alex-ander Campbell and Mr. Sandford Flemction Mr. De Lisle, Conservative, rose to a obint of order. He said he had heard Mr. Canner (Home Rule member for Middle ing were present. The address stated that the Queen's subjects from distant back of the Empire, assembled in London to confer on questions affecting the Imperial possessions throughout th lork) say the "Conservatives are a damned orld, desire to avail themselves of the opot of cads.' Irish voices—" So you are." Mr. Speaker Peel—The Clerk of the House will please see that the words are world, desire to avail themselves of the op-portunity of approaching Her Majesty with humble, united and carnest congratulations on the approaching completion of the fittieth year of her reign. Mention was made of the growth of the population of India and the colonies, and that the in-crease of trade and the shipping revenue had been proportionate to the population. No one in the Queen's wide dominion is subject to any other sway than that of even aken down Mr. Tanner denied that he had used the ord "damned." He repeated, however hat the Conservatives were a lot of cads. Mr. Speaker said Mr. Tanner must with lraw the expression and apologize. Mr. Tanner said he would do so. Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt deno bject to any other swav than that of eve and impartial law. The address congratu-ated Her Majesty that after half a cen-ury's relign, amidst clanges of dynastics and systems of government in other coun-

he Government's proposal. Sir Edward Clarke, ex-Solicitor-General, noved au amendment to the Government's roposal, to the effect that the House did ot consider the Times statement concern-og Mr. Dillon a breach of privilege. Jusries, the principles of law, which have heir foundations in the past, still afford ther subjects safety and prosperty, and the important stability which claims the durination of the world. The delegates ssured the Queen of the continued loyalty addressive to the continued loyalty fying his action in offering the amend-tent, Sir Edward declared that there was to record of Parliament having committed a man to custody for breach of privilege and devotion of her colonial subjects, and prayed that her happy reign would still be prolonged, and the throne remain estab-lished in the land in justice and righteous-ness for generations to come. such as the action of the *Times* was now alleged to be. He added that he and the Attorney-General, were responsible for the advice on which the Government acted. He proposed to confine himself to the legal points of the case, regardless of party poli-

RAILWAY DISASTER.

An Intercolonial Express Wrecked by a Enormous Snowslide-Two Men Killed.

points of the case, regardless of party poli-tics. He then quoted precedents to show that the House was not the proper tribunal to deal with such matters. No corruption had been alleged of a member, nor had any contempt of the House been exhibited, such as had constituted the offence in previous cases where breach of privilege had been committed. The course of the prosecution would be left to such persons as the Irish members might nominate, both coursel and A Moncton, N. B., despatch says : Yes-erday's express from Quebec was five nours behind time. The delay was caused-by a fatal snowslide three miles west of by a fatal snowslide three miles west of Trois Pistoles. The west-bound accommo-dation struck an avalanche which had dropped on the track from a high bank in a clay cutting, and both engines and the four first-class cars ran off the track and piled in a heap of ruin. The fireman of one of the engines ramed Pierre Levasgeur was killed, and a brakeman named Alfred Lavard was so badly scalded that he died in a short time. The two engine drivers embers might nominate, both counsel and olicitors. If the Government were asked o appoint them they would interpose no objection. Sir Edward modified his amend-nent, making it read that the House declines to treat the Times publication as a

breach of privilege. Lord Randolph Churchill admitted that the case presented a *prima facie* breach of privilege, but he thought the House was not having was so baily scalled that he died in a short time. The two engine drivers and one of the firemen crawled out from the wreck with scarcely any injury. Their escape is simply miraculous. Mr. Mc-Donald, the superintendent, was on board, and invaviately cost for each first in the refusing a judicial inqury. The only dif-ference was as to the form of inquiry to be adopted. He regarded a resort to the ordi-

IRELAND'S CRIMES BILL would make that motion at once.

Mr. Gladstone said he was surprised at the suggestion, coming as it did from the Government leader in the House. For him (Mr. Gladstone) to make such a motion. at the present time would be only making con-fusion, and it would tend to obscure the issue if the course suggested by Mr. Smith were followed. A last (Wednesday) night's London cable ys: There was an unusually large at ndance in the House of Commons to-day strong interest was felt in the Dillo bel question. Mr. W. H. Smith announced in the Hous were followed.

On motion of Mr. Bradlaugh the debate vas adjourned.

Was adjourned. A last (Thursday) night's London cable says: In the House of Commonsthis after noon consideration of the question of breach of privilege in the *Times*-Dillon case was resumed. No member rising to speak on the motion of Mr. Lewis, that the con-duct of the *Times* was a breach of privilege on the motion of Mr. Lewis, that the con-duct of the Times was a breach of privilege and the House take notice 'of it, Speaker Peel put before the House the amendment of Sir Edward Clarke, Solicitor-General, that the House decline to treat the Times' publication as a breach of privilege. The Parnellites at once challenged a division. This resulted in a vate of 297, in

the rarnenness at once challenged a division. This resulted in a vote of 297 in favor of the amendment to 219 against it. The amendment then becane a substantive motion, and Mr. Bradlaugh resumed the debate.

Mr. Gladstone, who on rising was loudly cheered, moved an amendment, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the charge of wilful falsehood made against Mr. Dillon in the *Times* on Monday. He and, Dhion in the *Times* on Monday. He said he did not intend to suggest that the inquiry go beyond the article referred to. He objected to Lord Randolph Churchill's calling him the leader of the party of separation. He perfectly understood why Lord Randolph did not call it the party of Home Rule. There was a future before Lord Bandolph in which Lenge Balacher

Home Rule. There was a future before Lord Randolph, in which Home Rule plans night figure as convenient to propose Cheers.) Turning to the question of pri ilege, he said it was unfortunate that th vilege, he said if was unfortunate that the Government refused to inquire into the present charge against an Irish member, while inflicting upon the Irish people, by means of a permanent Coercion Bill, a while inflicting upon the Irish people, by means of a permanent Coercion Bill, a brand of perpetual dishonor. Why take the case into a court of law? Was it cer-tain that Mr. Dillon would get a verdict, whatever might be the proof, in a case where Parliament declared charges against a member no breach of privilege? Nearly thirty years ago he went as Commissioner to the Ionian Islands. The Times then said that the Ionian Assembly was committing treason and that the Commissioner was aiding and abetting the assembly. He

aiding and abeting the assembly. He thought these charges required redress, and he took the best advice on the subject, but

all of his advisers said he could not depend all of his advisers said he could not depend upon securing a fair verdict. The Irish members would be in a still more unfavor-able position in a jury trial, and it was no wonder they preferred the tribunal of the House. The House was a perfectly com-petent tribunal-sindeed the only competent one. The precedents were all on the side of the appointment of a committee. There was held that the accusation that members was held that the accusation that member were hungry for places to which were at-tached salaries and pensions deserved an inquiry. After citing a number of other precedents, in all of which the charges were less grave than those brought against Mr-Dillon, he challenged the Government to establish a single precedent where a prose-cution had been ordered without the House having previously condemned the Act upon which the prosecution was based. He appealed to the Government to alter their de-cermination, which otherwise might lead to a wrisis of the most serious and momentous importance. The Irish members, who had been maligned to an enormous extent, asked which for a particular course, which the majority refused, forgetting that they were acting gainst a minority representing a nation. Parnellite cheers.) The Government ould yet, on the grounds of reason, rudence and precedent accept his amend-nent, showing the country that they had letermined at last to give even the Irish embers full justice, even indulgent justice, eing that their honor and character were

iceling that their nonce and character were it stake. (Cheers.) Sir Richard Webster, Attorney-General, ulmitted that Mr. Gladstone had put the issue in the clearest possible way, but the opinion of the law officers of the Crown was

shaken. An examination for precedents owed that there never was a case parallel the present, that there never was a case where the Government directed an inquiry nto a charge where the authorship was admitted and the party accused of Hbel corressed willingness to justify. (Cheers.) The House had never dealt with a charge of falsehood as a matter in which it should interfere. Not a single case existed in modern times in which a similar libel upon a member of the House had hear tracted as a breach of

A METEOR AT SEA. THE The Narrow Escape From Destruction of

Vessel-Peculiar Experiences A New York despatch says : The Mail and Express says : It has often been thought A New York despatch says: The Mail and Express says: It has often been thought by mariners and those intimate with astronomical phenomena that many of the sudden and mysterious disappearances of vessels lost at sea could be accounted for by their being struck by meteors and meteoric stones. The theory appears to have some foundation by the following statement by Captain Swart, of the Dutch barque J. P. A., bound for Quebec, and one of the first statements of the kind ever-made public: On March 19th the ship, while in lat. 37 degrees 39 minutes north, and long. 57 degrees west, experienced a severe storm. About 5 o'clock in the after-noon a meteor was observed flying through the air. It presented the appearance of two balls. One was very black and the other very brightly illuminated. The latter appeared as if ready to drop on board amidships. The vessel was hove to under storm sails and the meteor dropped into the sea close alongside, making in its flight a tremendous roaring noise. Before falling into the water the upper atmosphere was suddenly darkened, while below on board servithing apmeared

upper atmosphere was suddenly darkened, while below on board everything appeared like a sea of fire. The force of the meteor on striking the water caused the latter to form heavy breakers, which swept over the vessel working the force of the start over the form heavy breakers, which swept over the vessel, rocking her fearfully. At the same time such a suffocating atmosphere was caused as to force perspiration to run down the faces of all on board, and greatly oppressed the breathing from the amount of sulphur in the air. Immediately after solid lumps of ice fell on the deck, and the decks and rigging became covered with an icy crust, caused by the immense evapora-tion, notwithstanding the fact that the thermometer registered 66 degrees. The barometer during the phenomena oscillated violently, so that no reading could be taken. After close examination of the ves-sel and rigging no damage was found on taken. After close examination of the ves-sel and rigging no damage was found on leck, but on the side where the meteor foll into the water the vessel appeared all black and some of the copper sheathing was terribly blistered. The affair was llowed by an increase of the wind to huricane force.

WATCHING THE FISHERIES.

The Canadian Cruisers Find No Trouble in Looking After the Americans.

A Halifax despatch says: The cruiser Triumph, on the station occupied by the Terror last summer, called into Barrington yesterday. She has visited within the past for days all the harbors and usual resorts of fishing craft between Liverpool and Bar-rington, and is now on her way to Pubnico, the western limit of her beat. Capt. Lor-way reports having boarded and hailed fifty American schooners since he assumed his present command. All these vessels came in for the purpose of shelter or re-pairs. The crews always manifested the utwest will some a came in the theory of the second utmost willingness to comply with the regu-lations, and in every instance so far had promptly carried out their instructions. The recent rough weather had caused an nusual number of American fishermen to eek harbors along the section of the coast seek harbors along the section of the coast, but all took the first opportunity of proceed-ing to sea and required no extra warning. All intercourse between such vessels and the shore is carried on strictly by day and subject to the excellent rules adopted by Capt. Lorway, of having the boats row alongside the Triumph and report both go-ing and returning. No dissatisfaction was ever expressed at this plan, which prevents all possibility of violating the customs laws. Capt. Loway had seen no disposi-tion on the part of fishermen to create any trouble. The station was a difficult one to oversee, on account of its great extent and numerous harbors. After the cruise to westward is finished the Triumph will pro-ceed to prospect the eastern boundary of the patrol, in order to look after vessels in

THE RIDGWAY TRIAL.

want of bait.

The Publisher of the Black Pamphlet

Assessed in 2500 Damages. A last (Tuesday) night's London cable says: The trial of the suit of Sir John Brennon against Wm. Ridgway, the pub-lisher, for libel, in accusing the plaintiff of Deing a Fenian and a former ally of the Invincibles, was continued to-day. Mr. Ridgway then stated he was unable to call witnesses who could prove his charges, because the disclosing of the name of the writer of the Black Pamphlet, in which to extin the charges were made, would endanger his life. Neither could he call in the de-

NANAIMO CALAMITY. Searcely Any Hope of Saving the Imprisoned Miners.

AGONIZING SCENES ABOVE GROUND

Hundred and Fifty Miners at th Bottom of the British Columbia Mine -No Hope of Safety-Heart-Rending Scenes.

A Nanaimo, B. C., despatch says: A A Manamo, B. C., despatch says: A terrible Explosion of gas took place on Tues-day evening in the No. 1 shaft of the Van-couver Coal Company's mines, in which there were upwards of one hundred and fifty miners at the time. The first inti-mation those on the surface had of the ex-plosion was a torwise absorb full. plosion was a terrific shock, followed by an outburst of thick black smoke through the air shaft. This was quickly followed by a second one stronger than the first, carrying pieces of wood, miners' lamps, etc., hundreds of feet into the air. In a few minutes flames commenced to issue through the air shaft with a loud, roaring noise. In

a short time the fanhouse caught fire and was quickly consumed. In the meantime nine white men and four Chinese were brought out through the hoisting shaft. scuing parties attempted to reach the entombed men, but have been unable to rescue more than fifteen up to this hour. The rescuers were overcome with the after-damp and had to be rescued themselves by others. Sam Hudson, one of the rescuing party, succumbed to the effects of the deadly after-damp. The scene around the shaft head is most heartrending, the air being filled with the lamentations of the friends of those imprisoned below looking for the missing. At this hour, 2 p.m., but little hopes are entertained for the safe. of the imprisoned men. The fire is still, raging, but it is thought it will soon be got under control. The rescuing party will escue more than fifteen up to this hour.

raging, but it is thought it will soon be got under control. The rescuing party will again attempt to go below. Our Ottawa correspondent telegraphs this (Thursday) afternoon: Mr. Gor-don, M.P., British Columbia, re-presents the district where the explosion took place at Vancouver Coal Company's mines. Every miner in the pit, he tells me, was a personal friend of his own, and consequently he feels very ill over the calamity. The mine belonged to an English company and was worked by a perpendicular shaft. Two small explosions took place at this mine before. There were also several cavalities. It is understood also several casualties. It is understood that the Davy lamp only is to be used but as miners can see better and consequently do more work with a naked light, it is just quite possible that some Chinaman disregarded the rules and award the avalacian Gibson the under caused the explosion. Gibson, the under-round manager, who had so narrow an scape, was Mayor of Vancouver. The explosion evidently took place in the air shaft, thus destroying the van. so that r oure air could be sent into the mine Go

on has telegraphed for further particulars. Latest Particulars.

A despatch from Nanaimo, B. C., this fternoon, says: Jules Michael, who was Attendon, says: Jules Michael, who was injured in the explosion in No. 1 shaft of the Vancouver Coal Co.'s mine, says he was sitting in the cabin at support in No. 2 was sitting in the cabin at supper in No. 2 shaft when he felt the concussion. All scrambled out, but became insensible, and only one was saved of his four companions whose dead bodies came up in the cage with him. Several could hardly appreciate their miraculous escape, owing to the dazed feeling which all felt who came out from the deadly pit. He represents the explosion as having been terrific. Everything heerage s having been terrific. Everything becan lark at once. John Lynch, who was badl dark at once. John Lynch, who was badly injured about the face and head, and had his hip fractured, has been demented ever since the explosion occurred. His talk is about work in the pit. It is thought he will not recover, having inhaled gas. The others were not injured seriously, though all were badly shaken up. Samuel Hud-son's heroic death is unaccountable. He was a miner of great experience.

was a miner of great experience, while those who went down with him to rescue their fellows were comparatively in-experienced. He died from the effects of after damp. His brave deed was one of the bridth thing in the mer of the about 100,000. the bright things in the carnival of miser The Ladies' Favorite. All day yesterday gangs of mene andeavored to extinguish the flames in No. 1 shaft, and it is believed the fire is under con-trol. The Merryweather steam fire engine did good work in pumping The Ladies' Favorite. The newest fashion in ladies' hats will doubtless cause a flutter of pleasurable excitement among the fair sex. Ladies are always susceptible to the changes of a work in pumping fashion plate, and the more startli ter from th arbor down the It is absolutely impossible to think of get the new moder Dr. Pierce's Favorite Pre-scription is a positive cure for the ills which afflict females and make their lives ing at the imprisoned men until the fire is ubdued. There is danger of the gas being riven into the fire and a second explo miserable. This sovereign panacea can be relied on in cases of displacements and all functional derangements. It builds up the poor, haggard and dragged-out victim, and Even now fears are entertained that the whole place will be blown up. If it should occur the catastrophe would be the greatest recorded in the history of coal mining. pool, haggard and dragger-out victim, and gives her renewed hope and a fresh lease of life. It is the only medicine for woman's peculiar weaknesses and ailments, sold by druggists, under a positive guarantee from the manufacturers, that it will give satis-forction in currents. All hope of rescuing any one in the min as been abandoned. It was proposed to aut a ditch to the salt water so as to at cut a ditch to the salt water so as to at tempt to put out the fire in No. 2 shaft by urning a stream of water into it, but th ction in every case, or money refunded. scheme was abandoned. The mines extend Read printed guarantee on bottle wrapper. out from the shore more than a mile be eath the waters of the harbor, and as on poks over the waves it is hard to imagin It Didn't Take, A Sunday School teacher asked a little girl of her class if she had been baptized. that beneath are imprisoned many dead fathers and sons of this city. "Yes," said the little girl, "two times." "Two times? Why, how could that be?" "It didn't take the first time," said the AROUND THE SHAFT THE SCENES ARE HARROW ING IN THE EXTREME. little girl.-Wide-Awake. Mr. Ridene and Mr.º Scott, of th Wellington mines, went down yesterday Afternoon, at the risk of their lives, in an andeavor to make an investigation as to the manner of procedure. Mr. Chandler, -Miss Rose Elizabeth Cleveland, sister of the President, has accepted a place as first assistant in a school for young ladies in New York city. of the Wellington mines, has been inde-fatigable in his efforts to assist in the work -The longest continuous run on any railway in the world is that made by the fatigable in his efforts to assist in the work of rescue. Several physicians are in at-tendance tendering all the assistance in their power. The business houses are closed. The collieries are shut up and the entire population. is gathering at the scene of the disaster. Wives, terror stricken, crying children and sorrowing fathers hover in the vicinity and mourn their terrible affliction. Oc-casional showers of rain cast a dreariness new Saratoga limited train on the road from New York to Troy, which runs the entire distance-148 miles-without a stop. Mr. Joseph Dennis, an engineer on the Iichigan Central, at St. Thomas, has in-Michigan Central, at St. Thomas, has in-vented a fire-proof and safety stove for railway coaches and applied for a patent for Canada and the United States. The stove hal showers of rain cast a drearing is so constructed that in case the ghastly scene. e imprisoned miners were all old occurs hot water passes into the fire box, extinguishing the fire. rs, their faces were familiar on the THE ECONOMICAL GIRL s, and there will be a void in many The toto out of the state of th streets, and there will be a void in many homes. The cause of the explosion is un-known. It is generally supposed to have been an explosion of coal dust. The tale will probably never be told. A last (Friday) night's Nanaimo, B. C., despatch says : One more body has been brought up, that of Andrew. Hunter, mule driver on No. I level. Six other bodies were seen there. Scott, of Wellington, has been carried out and is doing well. Samuel entrancing, lew back to courtship, Most bewitchingly entrancing. And my thoughts flew back to courts! Many happy years ago; Soon her gaze grew foud and fonder. And I then began to ponder Some sweet words I'd whisper to her Ot a liberty I'd take; But she suiled a suile plotonic And she said in words laconic; "What a splendid lot of carpet rags Your overcoat would make!" een carried ont and is doing well. Samuel Iudson was buried at 3 p. m. by Rev. Mr. food, the Odd-fellows and the Masons perorming the ceremonies. There is no hope of saving any more of the men. M. Zola, who held for some years the pen of a dramatic critic, always persistently maintained that the stage ought to be an exact copy of real life and that it was quite as possible to be true to nature in a theatre This is the saddest day ever known in the history of British Columbia. There are very few people in the city that have not

are. Dense volumes the secontinue to ascend from this shaft. A large gang of men, principally sailors, size down this shaft fighting the fire with desperation. It is hoped the fire will scon be under control. One thousand five hundred feet more fire hose are being sent by special train from Victoria, which will be let down the cage shaft and salt water pumped down. The are. Dense volumes ascend from this shaft shaft and salt water pumped down. The bodies of William Campbell and Michael

shaft and sait water pumped down. The bodies of William Campbell and Michael Lyons were recovered to-day horribly mangled. The latter was discovered 700 yards from the shaft. Other bodies were seen a little further in, but could not be reached. The men are working in four hour shifts. All possible is being done. It would be madness to penetrate the mine, as another explosion might occur. The mine extends for miles under the harbor, and looking at the peaceful water it is diffi-cult to imagine the frightful catastrophe enacted a few hundred feet below. The worst has yet to come, when the bodies are brought up. People do not yet realize the dreadful catastrophe that has blighted the city. The mouth of the shaft is eagerly watched hour after hour by an eager crowd of men, women and children, Chinese and Indians, all too terrified to talk above whispers. Relief is much needed and can-not come too soon, as the destitution will be terrible. Many of the men leave lärge families, who have not the necessaries of life.

STRANGLED TO DEATH

ussian Noble Alleged to Have Murdered His Parisian Paramour.

A Paris cable says: A most horrible mitted in this city by urder has been com a Russian at one of the principal hotels. As in the case of Pranzini, the woman who was the victim belonged to the frail sister-hood which abounds in Paris. Had she Was the victim belonged to the frail sister-hood which abounds in Paris. Had she discovered some terrible secret of her lover? Up to the present there seems no motive for the crime, since her lover was a man of immense wealth and very high position, both in social and official rank. Whatever be the cause, she was discovered in his rooms at the hotel, her neck showing indubitable traces that she had been strangled. The Lothario was arrested, but was released after a few hours' detention. The reason publicly given for not proceed-ing against him was that there was not sufficient evidence to hold him. The real reason, however, was that immediately after his arrest one of the highest officials of the Russian Embassy called on the Procureur.General, the Jude d'Instruction and the Prime Minister. At the present moment the Russian entities in the term and the Prime Minister. At the present moment the Russian alliance is of more value to France than the life of a mere cocotte, hence the murderer has been allowed to go scot, free and to leave for Italy, although his name and rank and his crime are on everybody's lips, both in France and in Russia.

To-Day's Church News.

Rev. L. Newton, a graduate of McMaster Iall, has accepted the pastorate of the ictoria Baptist Church.

Victoria Baptist Church. The fötal amount paid in to the endow-nent fund of Knox College to date is \$152,-135, 88. The total amount subscribed is 198,095.17. The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Fictorial to the second s

Fisherville village will shortly be furnished with a new pipe organ, built by Mr. Spencer, of Hamilton. It will be 10x0x13, contain-ing 416 pipes, and will cost \$600.

ing 416 pipes, and will cost \$600. Among the prominent clergymen who are mentioned as likely to succeed Right Rev. Dr. Binney in the Bishopric of Nova Scotia the name of Rev. John Langtry, rector of St. Lüke's Church, Toronto, appears. Mr. Langtry was Prolocutor of the Lower House at the last meeting of the Pr Synod.

Archbishop Corrigan, of New York, is Archoisnop Corrigan, of New York, is one of the youngest prelates in this coun-try. He is now 47 years old, but was only 133 when made Bishop of Newark. His man-ner resembles that of the lafe Cardinal McClosky. He is an indefatigable worker and is quick to make designer and art and is quick to make decisions and put them into execution.

The Vatican at Rome has 25 chief courts, The Vatican at Rome has 25 chief courts, 8 principal stairways, 200 minor stairways and 30,000 windows in its 11,000 chambers. The library has on its shelves 26,000 manu-scripts. Of these 16,000 are in Latin, 500 in Greek and 3,000 in Oriental tongues. The printed volumes in the library number elacut 100,000

chatting, waiting for the paymaster to come along. While waiting for the pay master Mrs. Perrine went over to the opposite end of the room to chai with her friend, Miss Cosgrove Only two of the machines were and the two inch belts from all th shorts had been detached from the pulleys and were hanging loose on the revolving shaft. Despite the warnings of Miss Cosgrove, Mrs. Perrine sat in one of the loc beltings and began swinging as she would have done in a scup, holding fast to the belt with both hands a little way above her head. The girl's weight acted as a pressure upon the belt, which suddenly com nenced to revolve, and she was born upward with a crash to the ceiling, ten feel above, with a frightful crash. The girl's shoulders struck the ceiling and her hands and arms became entangled in a shaft revolving 350 times in a minute. The girl fell in almost the same spot in which she had stood. She lay in a mass upon the floor and a great stream of blood trickled out through her clothing upon the floor and she died soon afterwards.

CZAR AND NIHILIST.

He Will Commute their Sentences-Deter mination of the Prisoners.

A St. Peterburg despatch says: It i reported that the Czar has decided that th sentences of death pronounced against the Nihilists, convicted of complicity in the recent attempt to assassinate him, shall b recent attempt to assassinate him, shall be commuted to imprisonment at hard labor for life in the cases of all but two of the condemned. Polianoksky, one of the con-demned, said he and his accomplices acted from firm conviction that what they set out to do it was their duty to perform. Another of the prisoners is a young student. He had just finfshed his studies with brilliant suc-cess, having taken the gold medal of the university which graduated him. The youth was so ardent in the cause of Nihilism that he sold his gold graduation medal to obtain funds to enable an accomplice to leave the Empire. All the prisoners pleaded guilty, and every one refused under threat or promise to betray any accomplice. The or promise to betray any accomplice. The evidence indicated the existence of four widely ramifying Xihilist organizations, having head contros at 8. Peterburg. Kief, Vilna and in Siberia. One of the witnesses was a woman. She admitted that she was the wife of one of the accused, although said she had never been joined in wedle

him by " unnecessary religious formali-s." She was, on this admission, arrested and conducted to prison.

The coat-tail flirtation is the latest. A wrinkled coat-tail, bearing dusty toe marks, means : "I have spoken to your father." During the next three days three thousand fore immigrants are expected to arrive in Montreal.

The Bishop of Ontario will not return from England until the middle of Septem. In consequence the Synod, which is ally held in June, will not be convened until after his return.

Two hundred houses have been destroyed by fire in the town of Nagy Karoly, Tran-sylvania. The castle of Count Karolyi narrowly escaped destruction.

mediately sent for n mals of the law one that would afford a better remedy than could be ob-tained from action by the House. He deprefor the auxiliary cars of St. Flavie and River du Loup. Owing to the awkward petition of the wreck between two banks ifty or sixty feet high, leaving no place to and the attack made by Mr. O'Connor on the Government leader in the House. No one outside Mr. O'Connor's own circle lump the debris, the clearing of the line wa a difficult matter. The accident was one which it was difficult to foresce, nothing of the kind having been known to happen before. The bank that fell is an enormous ould be expected to sympathize with him n such an assault. It was utterly unjusti-iable. From the very language used, Mr. sinith could well afford to ignore the ussault. - (Cheers.) If the Government one, and is composed of snow as hard and neavy as clay

leader in the House was charged with not taking primary action on behalf of the House for a breach of privilege committed Stabbed to Death. gainst one of its members, he could retort hat it was the leader of the Opposition

A New Westminster (B.C.) despatel A New Westminster (B.C.) despatch says: Between 9 and 10 o'clock yesterday morning J. E. Muir, who has been engaged for many years logging at Semiahmoo, was murdered on the railway wharf in this city by a man named Wm. Shearer. The cause of the trouble between them is supposed to be of long standing. Shearer, who was dis-claraging lumber from a scow, deliberately. who ought to have been expected to protect this friends, having taken the lead outside he House in an agitation for the repeal of he Union (Chemistican States) ne Union. (Cheers.) Mr. Gladstone—I emphatically repudiate

he assortion of His Lordship. Lord Randolph Churchill responded—It s true, however. He then proceeded to rgue that it would be unwise for the House be of long standing. Shearer, who was dis charging lumber from a scow, deliberately walked upon the wharf to where Muir wa walked upon the wharf to where Muir was standing, and without any words stabled him repeatedly. On Muir attempting to get away Shearer caught him by his coat-collar and forcibly held him until the murder was accomplished. The murderer then threw his knife into the water and quickly gave himself up. Muir died in, a few minutes, and on examination eleven stabs were found between the neek and the lower part of his body. to go beyond the action the Government had proposed. The action of the House, if the *Times* publisher should be brought before the bar, would in no wise curb or control the great power wielded by the

ress of the country. Mr. Storey (Radical), a newspaper proa can try to suppress the press

Ireland. Ireland. (Parnellite cheers.) Lord Randolph Churchill—How would a ower part of his body.

A Level Headed Father. First Man-Umph! The idea of spendin 200 for a bicycle for your boy! You" ruin him. Second Man—On the contrary, I desir

Lord Randolph Churchill—How world a committee of inquiry be constituted? Would it be proposed that members of the National League be put upon it? (Cries of "Certainly !!') If so, there would be nothing in the whole history of jury-packing like it. (Cheers.) Besides, the powers of a commit-tee would not be equal to those of a court of law. The committee, indeed, would be howelessly incomment to settle such are Second Man—On the contrary, 1 desire to keep him out of bad company. "What good will that new fangled com-trivance do any one. I'd like to know? He can go where he pleases with it." "Did you ever hear of a young man coming home drunk on a bieycle?" In have The commutee, indeed, would be hopelessly incompetent to settle such ques-tions of law as a court could. In a court the prosecution would proceed at the cost of the country, with the employment of any counsel the Irish members liked to name. -

-A certain current slang phrase has bee In this way the fruth would be arrived at and justice done the offenders. "Mr. Dillon said he did not consider the Bunyan. In "The Pilgrim's (Progress") occurs the passage : "When it is a cold day for them in a nation, then they lurk in -Mr. Dillon said he did not consider the ordinary tribunals of England in the pre-sent state of political feeling on the Irish question fairly open to the members of the Irish party in the House of Commons. He therefore maintained that he had a right to be heard before a committee. For six years the Parnellites had been held up to public odium as criminals. Some of them in the meantime had been imprisoned. Enough had been done and said in these six years to prejudice the minds of any English jury possible to impannel. He must decline to take proceedings in a civil action gainst the hedges, though their ordnance lie there as leaves that are dry and fallen down from

"There is something in this little fel --" There is sometring in this fitte fer-low I like." said an appreciative visitor to a young hopeful he was trotting on his knees. " Now," said the boy, " how did you know I had swallowed a penny?"

—In front of a grocery store in Bleecke street, New York city, is a sign on a baske of egg which reads as follows: "Fresh eggs guaranteed. Every egg dated." street. New York city, is a sign on a backet of eggs which reads as follows: "Fresh -"Define a monstrosity," said the teacher, and the children all replied in ringing cherus: "An insurance agent with the numps." An insurance agent with the freight trains will be running into London by the end of next week.

You can't judge an artist from the way he writes his name, nor a woman's disposi-tion by the size of her bustle. The Queen's Jubilee was celebrated in Teheran on Friday night with unworted splendor. The buildings of the British Legation were splendidly illuminated. Mr. Dillon. (Cheers.) Mr. W. H. Smith asked if Mr. Gladstone

Legation were splendidly illuminated.

ouse had been treated as a breach of established there would probably be a cach of privilege every week. It was lle to suggest that common justice should not be done in a case of gross libel. He uppealed to the House to ppealed to the House to affirm that the purse proposed by the Government was a lost honorable and adequate one, and that a court of law was the proper place in which to deal with the charges.

An application for the release of Father celler, the priest of Youghal, who was imprisoned in Kilmainham for refusing t estify regarding his connection with the Plan of Campaign, has been dismissed. United Ireland says that only a fool or a enemy of the Irish party would recommend the Parnellites to legally prosecute their

landerers. A last (Friday) night's London cable

A last (Friday) night's London cable says: In the House of Commons last night Mr. Hugh Childers followed the Attorney-General. He taunted Mr. Webster with entirely ignoring Mr. Gladstone's powerful argument that Parliament, had never orhe offence. He hoped, on the ground of precedent and fairness, that the House

ould agree to the appointment of a corr nittee The debate was resumed in the House

Commons this evening on Mr. Gladstone' motion to appoint a committee to inquir into the *Times'* charges against Mr. Dillon Mr. Healy said every possible question eemed worthy of inquiry by the Horse ex-ept a question affecting the character of its Taki

The Parnellites did not car whether they got this inquiry or not, but if the Government majority refused this in quiry the names of British gentlemen would be placed on a level with that of the Inčian to combat at once on this question. They would stand on no technical reference, but ould meet any charges brought against em. From the decision of the majority

of the House the Parnellites would appea to the people outside and to other, nations. The Irish people never sent them there to beg favors, but to demand their rights. Major Saunderson said he did not wonder that Mr. Gladstone tried to whitewash his He challenged Mr. Dillon to dis be *Times* evidence. rish friends, who were no Lea.

wrove the *Times* evidence. Mr. Dillon—" I have offered to enter not the charges fully before a committee. shall no longer exchange the lie with nembers of the House over them." (Cheers.)

A writer' says: "When you have Casion to say no, Can't ; no is negative.

Brevity produces some very remarkable of what the philosophers call nominalism. One of our correspondents had occasion to go into a store to inquire for Dr. Abercrombie's works, "The In-tellectual Faculties," and "The Philosophy of the Moral Feelings." When asked for them the bookseller solemnly replied: "I know I haven't any moral feelings, and I doubt whether I have any intellectual faculties!"—*Christian Advocate*. A good organist will know how to tune

his reeds and read his tunes.

octivos fro whom he obtained the info substantiate the allegation mation, to substantiate the alle against Mr. Brennon, because it woul nvolve a disclosure of secrets of the pro ession. The plaintiff had been by who dared not appear. Counsel for Mr Ridgway declared that the Black Pamphle was written by a Fenian whose destruction vould be-certain if his name became knows Mr. Brennon's evidence showed that h associated with and assisted the wors ssociated with and assisted the wors lynamiters in Paris. Counsel held this t

we proved the case against him. Th Judge, in charging the jury, said the de-fendant had not proved justification. The jury awarded the plaintiff £500 damages

Modern Newspaper Regulations.

Editor-Your spring poems have no een printed, sir, because you did not com

been printed, sir, because you due not com-ply with our regulations. Spring poet—May I ask where I failed ? "Certainly. The poems were signed with an assumed name. Contributors of spring poetry are required to enclose their rea name and address, birth record, baptisma record, police court history. marriage ecord, police court history, marriage ectificate, divorce proceedings, if any, ogether with a full and frank confession f all the evil they ever did in their lives." "My gracious! Do you need all that

s a guarantee of good faith ? ' No ; we want it for publication.' The Gamut of Theft.

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A Novel Easter Egg.

The Pope received a novel Easter egg. The egg was of ivory; the interior was ined with white satin upon which nestled imagnificent ruby and diamond ornament. The offering, the value of which is about 22,000, was made by Lady Herbert, of

An Editor's Experience.

"What is the question that we are asked ftenest in life?" demands a writer. The uestion most frequently asked in life, we hould say is: "Are you sure that yo ove me?"-*Boston Courier.* ost relatives or friends.

Veterans of the army and navy in Mon-real district, about 1,000 in number, are day he postponed his pleasure trip and went down into the fatal pit, never to naking arrangements to parade with the olunteers on Jubilee day.

terum alive. One gentleman from Victoria mas five brothers, a brother-in-law and an incle imprisoned in the mine by the deadly The magnetic power of soft iron is n twice that of lodestone and 1000 time

hat of ferric sulphate. Miss Marjory Kennedy, se as. There are 101 white men and 50 Chinese Mrs. Alexander Yule Fraser. Mr. Frase is mathematical master in the Edinburgh whites are married men with families. Some of the young wives with small child-ren are frantic with grief, standing around High School. Long life to them

"Yes, my child, yes; dun is the futur tense of due." Picot-edged ribbons are the most fashion

able for all sorts of trimming.

as in a book. One lady lost isband, father and brother, and is frantic -A medical authority says that in warm with grief. All she wishes now is to see her dead husband's face once more. He was to have taken a holiday that day and weather people will find their systems elganed and cooled very comfortably and beneficially by swallowing a gollet of fresh water, not iced, with a little table salt

lissolved in it. The threatened insurrection by the Greek population of Crete again Porte's authority has quieted down.

". It is the little things that tell,' says an old adage. Yes, especially the little brothers.

An old man named James, who is alleged to have wandered away from the London hospital and to have suffered greatly from he mouth of the fatal shaft. Others re dazed with weary watching and tears, ilently watching the cage ascending from tution, died last night. It is probable an silently watching the cage ascending from tution, died last night. It is proi the depths below, where their dear ones inquest will be held into the affair.

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