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## RECIPROCITY AND MANUFACTURES.

It is bad policy to strive to belittle the meeting of manufacturers which took place last week in Hamilton. The numerical size of the asterably is a minor consideration. Its representative character is what we must look at It is not necessary to regard it as an expression of the opinion of all the manufacturers of the Dominion, but quite sufficient, for all practical purposes, that it em bodies the views of an important section of the manufaccurers of the Dominion. As such, the meeting was highly important. The men who attended it hold large and varied interests in the country and are quite competent to discuss these in all their bearings. That they, after a full debate, marred by no partisan feeling, should have condemned the proposed Reciprocity Treaty, as at present drafted, is a fact which cannot be overlooked and which no amount of partisan newspaper criticism can counteract. If Mr. Brown imagines that he can, by a stroke of his pen, force his free-trade ideas upon the people of Canada, as he has endeavoured to do in the Treaty, he will find himself mistaken. On the other hand, if certain manufacturers hope to use their opposition to the Treaty, so far as to have their theories of Prohibition enforced, they will likewise soon discover their error. Moderate protection is the golden mean which the necessities of the country require and which the voice of the people will insist upon having. That is the conditio sine qua non of the progress of a young nation such as ours. That is especially essential in the case of Canada, placed by its geographical position in the neighbourhood of a great overshadowing country. Mainly because the proposed Treaty eliminates this condition, it cannot be acceptable to the manufacturers of the Dominion. A paper of this city makes light of the Hamilton meeting by saying that the Treaty will pass in spite of it, because it is favourable to the two major interests of the country—the agricultural and the lumbering. That is one of these sweeping generalizations which are often accepted without being proved. It is by no means a clear case that the agriculturists of Canada unanimously desire reciprocity and it is well known that the lumber trade will flourish, as it has flourished, whether the Treaty be enforced or not. Thus these the advantages to these two interests cannot be taken as off-set to allegyed disadvantages likely to accrue to the other interest stof the Dominion through the Treaty. We trust that the good example set by the Dominion Board of Trade at St. John, the Hamilton Board of Trade and the manufacturers meeting at Hamilton, in banishing politics from the consideration of the Treaty, will continue to be imitated, and that the opposite example set by papers, of both the leading parties, will be carefully eschewed. Otherwise, we make this prediction and publish it as a warning. If the proposed Reciprocity Treaty be made a party question, it will be carried through Parliament, by the Government majority, without a single change or modification.

We have reason to know that neither Mr. Brown nor the Government is disposed to alter a single clause in the Treaty. The only hope is that they will be found to do so by the absolute pressure of public opinion as expressed in the views of the most responsible classes, utterly irrespective of party. After all, the measure is one with which as such, politicians have nothing whatever to do, and from which they ought to be made to keep aloof. We repeat that it would be a thousand pities if they were allowed to use it for their own personal and selfish ends, perfectly regardless of the greater good of the greater number. Another possible source of comfort is that the United States Congress may make modifications in the Draft, thus setting an example which may shame our public men into imitation.



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#### EMIGRATION TO CANADA.

Since the commencement of the agricultural labourers' lock-out, and the consequent increase in the tide of emigration to the United States and the colonies, the English journals have been more than usually bitter upon the emigration question. It would seem, if one were to take their utterances as gospel, that the man who seeks to better his condition by removing to a new world, where all the chances of success are in his favour, is guilty of a heinous crime. Such a one, we are given to understand, is not only a victim to unreasonable discontent; he displays a glaring want of patrioti m towards a country that never yielded him anything but hardships, and gross ingratitude to employers who have always done their best to keep him down. The leader of the new anti emigration movement is, of course, the Times. And the particular victim singled out as a mark for the bolts of the Thunderer is, as was only to be expected, the Dominion of Canada. So little is known in England of this country, as compared with the other colonies, that it is a perfectly safe game for the Times to vent its displeasure upon Canada, and air its ignorance on subjects connected therewith. Naturally we in the Dominion are fully aware that the attacks in the Times are doing considerable injury to the cause of Canadian emigration. Nor are the United States emigration agents by any means blind to the fact. No doubt they fully appreciate the patriotism displayed by the Times in warning intending emigrants against an English colony, and they are not slow in using the expressions of the Times to induce such people to cast off their allegiance and throw in their lot with the United States.

The latest tirade in which the Times indulges in depreciation of Canada as a field for emigration comes to us in the form of a letter which sppears over the signature, "A Bohemian." And a remarkable letter it is in its way. An old proverb tells us that we must go abroad to get news of home. Certainly "A Bohemian's" communication contains much that will be news to Canadians, and to all those who are in the least degree acquainted with Canadian affairs. We do not suppose that the editor of the Times took the trouble to ascertain if his correspondent's information was correct. This would be too much to expect. The fact is, that journal has so frequently been caught tripping in laying down the law concerning Canada that its policy now appears to be to endeavour to show that after all the country is such a miserable place that it is really not worth while to know anything at all about it. A very comfortable theory indeed, but hardly one which does credit to the leading journal of Europe.

But to return to "A Bohemian's" veracious statements. He says:

"I found that manual labour was the only thing that could succeed in Canada, and this would never bring we lth without money in the first instance to back it; that, though the wages given at harvest-time were more than double those given to our agricultural labourers in England, yet the employment was only open half the year or less; and that there was quite as much suffering mother country; indeed, half the agricultural labourers who emigrate to Canada would give all they po sess to return sgain. A few, but a very few indeed, have succeeded in getting land and flocks and herds of their own; but the vast majority of Canadian emigrants are merely hewers of wood and drawers of water. The men who are prosperous are blacksmiths, car-penters, and a few other skilled mechanics, together with healthy agriculturists, who have taken with them means enough to exist for twelve months or more without realising anything; in this time they can clear plots of land which will produce sufficient for the consumption of a family."

With all due respect for the writer's, no doubt superior, knowledge of Canada and Canadians, we beg most emphatically to deny the truth of his assertions in the paragraph we have quoted. Manual labour is not the only thing that can succeed in Canada. And it has been

known to succeed, and that in not a few isolated cases, without money in the first instance to back it. There is by no means "quite as much suffering and want in this colony as there is in the mother country." And we have yet to meet the agricultural labourers who would give half they possess to return again. It is very evident that "A Bohemian" is unacquainted with the biographies of our great public men. Let him read these and he will find that scores, hundreds of them have reached the top of the ladder who began the ascent without a copper in their pockets. Take the wealthiest men in our cities, the most prosperous farmers in the country—what were they when they began life? They did not come into the world with silver spoons in their mouths. They earned all they are worth by hard, honest labour, such as "A Bohemian" and pessimists of his class would shrink from in dismay. As to the statement that "the vast majority of Canadian emigrants are merely hewers of wood and drawers of water," it is so patently absurd to all who know the truth as to need no contradiction whatever. But even were such the case, we should like to ask "A Bohemian" what is the condition of the agricultural labourer in England? By all accounts he is something even lower than a mere hewer of wood and drawer of water.

Again, this admirably-informed writer tells his readers thata "all who emigrate to America or British Colonies must expect to bear great hardships. They have to contend against the wily selfishness of those around them; they find very little sympathy in trouble or distress, and there is no provision for them if they fall into helpless poverty." This explains the tone of "A Bohemian's" letter. Like a very Bohemian he appears to labour under a constitutional distaste for hard work. According to his theory Canadians and Canadian emigrants who have made a position here by their own efforts should now turn to and prepare the way for new comers. We should set to work to clear the land, put in the seed, build farm-houses and stock them, and let a lot of lazy vagabonds come over to enjoy the fruits of our labours. This, however, is precisely the class we in this country wish to avoid. We want men who are willing and able to face their fair share of hardship. Such may rest assured that the end will crown their labour, and that in the meantime they will have nothing to fear from "the wily selfishness of those around them," and the other imaginary ills that "A Bohemian" conjures up to deter the faint-hearted from seeking to better their condition in a new, and, to them. unknown world. They may depend upon it that they will meet with far more assistance, far more sympathy, and far more success in this country than they ever dreamt of in the old.

We stated at the outset that the effect of the persistent endeavours of the Times to paint Canada in the most sombre of colours could only be to place the game in the hands of the United States emigration agents. The Times was, if we remember right, exceedingly indignant at the failure of a certain South American emigration scheme which turned out to be a complete fraud, owing to the misrepresentations of the agents. In the following extract from a letter written by a Roman Catholic priest in New York to a confrère in Ireland, we have a pretty expose of the kind of fraud to which the Times indirectly lends itself:-

"I entreat you to warn the people of your parish against attempting at the present time to emigrate to this country. At the present moment there are in this city alone thousands and thousands of able-bodied men standing idle and actually starving; nor can they get a stroke of work to do. What is true of New York is true of every large city all over the Union. Public works have been suspended; there are no roads in construction at the present time anywhere; no canals, nothing which can give employment to large gangs of labourers, owing to the extravagant freights charged by the railway monopolists. For grain and farm produce farmers raise only as much as suffice for domestic consumption, and, not being able to afford it, employ no hands. Hence provisions are dear in this city—everything at the present moment is going to the dogs in this country—the result of wild extravagance begun during the result of failures, of want of confidence in any speculation or speculators, and the result, too, of the strikes which labour unions and trade unions have so frequently made during the past three years. Where five years ago there used to be any amount of building and digging nothing is now done. Everything is at a standstill. For one situation, or for the work of one man, there are thousands of applicants, and this is true not only with regard to male labourers, but also with regard to female Female servants who have never been out of employment before are now looking in vain for places. The offices are filled with applicants and no chance of hire. How long this state of things may last I cannot tell, but I deem that it is the begin ing of evils, and that this country is likely to undergo a phase of misery the like of which no pen can tell. Warn the people, and let them know the truth. There are thousands this moment in this city who, had they means, would gladly return to Ireland. These men are willing to work, but no work can be had, for there is no work in opera-If they still persist in leaving, let them try Canada rather than the States, for if they come here they will only add to the aggregate misery which hows down the poor at present -no work! no work! no work! There is as much beggary to-day in New York as in any city in Ireland; as much destitution; and they who are reduced to this state are in general emigrants.

After all is said and done the one incontrovertible fact remains, that, notwithstanding the croakings of "A Bohemian" and his tribe, immigrants will come to Canada, and, once settled, are well content to stay. A better argument in favour of the Dominion as a field for emigration does not exist. Were the country and the people such as the writer in the Times describes them, it would speedily become known, and the result would be a rapid falling off in the tide of emigration. As it is, our emigration statistics show a constantly-increasing influx, while in the States immigration is fast falling off, and in some districts the people are even removing to Canada. This surely should be a sufficient answer to the forebodings of the prophets of the "Bohemian" stripe, and sufficient encouragement to those who are hesitating, half-willing, half-afraid to try their fortune in the Dominion.

The discussions provoked by the Draft Reciprocity Treaty have brought the lumbering interest of the country into the foreground, and the convention of lumbermen recently held in Ottawa has thrown light upon the importance of this leading branch of trade. From papers read at that Convention, we learn that the suicidal process of denudation has stripped the whole of the New England States of their forests, with the single exception of Maine, and even there, there is the best authority for stating that five hundred millions of feet, inch measure, or about a third of one year's production of Canada, would exhaust every foot of tim ber in that State. Of the Middle States, Pennsylvania is the only one which has retained something of its woods; but there also three years' stocking, at five hundred millions per year, would entirely exhaust the pine timber now standing. In the North and North West, Michigan stands at the head of the nine-producing States, its area being three and a half millions of acres-But as from two hundred and fifty to three hundred thousand acres are stripped annually, the supply of this State will be entirely used up in twelve or fourteen years. Wisconsin and Minnesota have together about as much pine timber as Michigan, but they, too, are rapidly stripping their territory, while the cost of transportation effectually excludes them from competition with Canada in the Eastern markets. Canada remains in undisputed possession of the lumber supply of this continent, and it only remains with her to husband her resources and make provident use of her opportunities. A lesson must be learned from past experiences. The section drained by the streams which empty into Lake Erie had pine timber enough on it to pay the whole debt of the Dominion, but it has been ruthlessly wasted, and now nothing is left. The Muskoka country, the Ottawa valley, and the St. Maurice district, are still the great nurseries of Canadian forests. The Ottawa and St. Maurice, with their tributaries, are said to comprise nine-tenths of the pine timber in the Dominion of Canada this side the Rocky Mountains, and if properly used, will in a few years possess a value, standing in the forest, for the American market, equal to what the same description of timber would fetch if standing in the neighbourhood of London, Liverpool, or Glasgow.

The first reading of Beecher's statement before the Investigating Committee leaves a decidedly favourable impression. There is a tone of fervency pervading it which at once enlists the heart. The charges of blackmailing against Tilton rouse indignation and cause the main issue to be lost from sight, while the bold defiance of the peroration has the ring of thorough conscious innocence. A critical examination of the document, however, leaves the mind colder. It is not precisely that one would like to ask Beecher for his sworn word, but there is a distinct feeling that the declaration would be stronger if fortified by an oath. Then the countercharges of blackmailing wear a curious air of unrealism. It is hard to believe that a man would, at different times, give another as much as \$7,000, even mortgaging his house therefor, and demanding no legal acknowledgment of the same, unless he had some distinct personal object to further thereby. The world views such charity and philanthropy with suspicion, and Mr. Beecher who, at his time of life and with his professional experience, knows the world, ought to understand that this part of his evidence will have to be buttressed by other testimony. But Beecher has committed another error in attacking Moulton. That gentleman professes to have shielded Beecher thus far. Even before the committee he refused to produce the longer of two documents which contained new facts bearing on the case. Now that Beecher has involved him in his charges against Tilton, Moulton may deem himself obliged, in selfdefence, to publish to the world all the evidence in his possession. Indeed, the general feeling is that until he does so, we cannot be said to have the last word of the mystery which enshrouds this unfortunate case.

# THE GREAT LAND BUBBLE

#### A LITTLE COMEDY IN TWO ACTS.

CHARACTERS.

CHARAMBAULT, - - Commissioner. D'NCERO. - - Editor. CENTREMISS, - - Mercantile Agent. CHAPBAW - - Solicitor.

Nomer - - - Minister.

ACT I.

SCENE I.

On the Mountain Side. Tanneries Church Below. Horse and Buggy in the Distance.

DANCERO AND CENTREMISS.

Dancero .- What a beautiful sight!

Centremiss.—Well, I don't know. Nothing extra, I guess. Dancero.—The grandest sight on the island. Knocks the Quebec citadel all to rags.

Contremiss -Pshaw! I know a spot beats this out and out.

Dancero -- Where, I'd like to know?

Centremiss.—Out here on the Cote St. Luc.

Dancere. Between that and Cote St. Pierre?

Centremiss -Yes, precisely.

Dancero .- Ha! ha! ho! ho!

Centremiss -- What are you laughing at?

Dancero.-Why, do you mean the old Dubuc property?

Centremiss.—I do, indeed.

Dancero.— Which has just passed into somebody else's hands, eh?

Centremiss.—What do you mean? How do you know? Dancero.-O, I know all about it. I dabble myself in real estate, in a small way, you see.

Centremies --- But-

Dancero.-Don't put on, my dear fellow. It was a good spec, a good spec. I know all about it. He! he!

Centremiss.—You think so?

Dancero.-I am sure of it.

Centremiss -Then I'm right in cracking it up.

Dincero-Certainly, only not at the expense of the property we are standing on.

Centremiss (looking innocent).—I don't understand your up? meaning, Dancy. I utterly fail to appreciate the distinction you wish to make.

Dancero.—Why, this is consecrated ground, man.

Centremiss.—Consecrated ground, the deuce. It doesn't belong to Tanneries Church, does it? I thought-

Dancero.-You thought right, my dear triend. This ground belongs to the Government.

Centremiss.—Ah! (with a sigh of relief.)

Dancero.—Come now, speak out. Isn't it a fine site? Centremiss. -- Well, that depends. If it were mine, I should A law office on St. James-street. A table, with papers and plans say it is a devilish fine site.

Dancero.-O, is that it? (aside) Here is my chance. I will sound him. (Aloud) But what would prevent its becoming yours?

Centremiss, (vivaciously). - Impossible, the Government won't sell it.

Dancero .- Bah!

Centremiss.—And what's more, Government can't sell it. The land belongs to the people.

Dancere.—Bosh! I gave you credit for more sense. That's all fine talk on the hustings before the unwashed, but here, on these heights, we have a clearer view of things. You ought to study more of the art of wire-pulling, sir.

Centremies (straightening himself up). -Wire pulling, sir him. wire pulling? What do you mean? I'd have you remember that I belong to the party of purity and honesty.

Dancero,-Ha! ha! he! he! that's delicious. what that means, don't we, old fellow, (nudging C.)

Centremiss.-Ho! ho! hi! hi!

(They nudge each other vigorously and laugh unto tears.)

SCHME II.

Same. Charambault stepping out of his buggy in the distance.

Centremiss.—Whom have we here?

Dancero.—Don't speak so loud. It is Charambault.

Centremies.-What, the great Commissioner? Dancero.-The same.

Pancero.—Not at all. He is the most affable of men. I party. That is the way to keep the party together. will introduce you.

How slowly he advances. He seems buried in thought. A favour our friend Dancero as well. C'est un comp de deux. stern statesman, I should say.

Dancere.-Not stern, but inflexible. An incorruptible man. Integer vites, ecclerisque vurus,

Contramiss.—Don't speak French, please. I can't understand it.

Dancero. —I only meant to say — but here he is (Charambault advancing). Good morning, Mr. Commissioner. Allow me to introduce to you my friend, Mr. Centremiss.

(All three shake hands.)

Charambault.-You are visiting this charming property, gentlemens. It is se finest, wisout doubt, on all se island. All se capitalists want to buy it. But the Government no. We keep it for se people. My friend Seer Alexandre Galt offer 40,000 dollar, and so Mr. Mullarky. Moester Brydges, Judah and Hart wants it also. But no, no. I give tree reason for not selling it. Primo, se land is not for sale; secundo, it is too near ze Tanneries; tertio, there is a quagmire below.

Dancero and Centremiss (holding up their hands in admiration). -Very proper! Most excellent reasons!

Charambault.—Is it not so, gentlemens? If you have any friends who wish to buy, tell them so same ting. We say

Centremiss (aside to Dancero).-That settles me.

Dancero (aside also).-Not at all, man. You Grits are the absurdest simpletons.

Charambault.—Vell, gentlemens, I vill go now. I came only a moment to see that se land was safe. I am satisfied. I vish you good morning, sar (bowing to Centremiss, and, after going a little way, calling Dancero to him).

Charambault.—Qui c'est que celui-là?

Dancero.—Un de mes amis.

Charambault.-- Un joli garçon.

Dancero.—Oh, il est très bien, je vous assure.

Chirambault.—Comment ce que tu l'appelles encore? Dancero -- Centremiss.

Charambault.—Centremiss! Centremiss! Mais c'est le Secrétaire des Grits à Montréal.

Dancero.-Le même.

Charambault.-Oh, grand dien! C'est trop fort. Je m'en vais. Bon jour. Prends ga de à toi. Tu es en mauvaise compagnie. (Hurries of to his buggy, while Dancero retraces his steps, humming the following ditty) :

> What jolly fraud these politics! But for them I don't care two sticks. Charambault thinks I'm in a fix : He cannot fathom all my tricks. Fal di ral, di ral, la, la.

These Ministers must pay me well; I've served them for a long, long spell; They owe me more than they can tell. Let them prepare for a mighty sell. Fal di rai, di rai, la, la.

Centremiss.—You're in right good humour, Dancy. What's

Dancero.—The Commissioner has just been saying the kindest things of you. You seem to have caught his eye.

Centremiss.—You don't say so? (Aside.) By Jove, I may get that property yet. Wouldn't old Brydges blow and Judah spurt. (To Dancero.) But what was it the Commissioner said about me?

Dancero .- I will tell you on our way home. Let us go. (They drive off.)

SCREEN III.

thereon, in the centre. Nomet and Chaplaw seated at the table.

Nomet .- Have you seen Dancero lately?

Chaplaw .- I have. Nomet .- Well?

Chaplaw.—I think it only right we should do something for him. He and his paper have made great sacrifices of late for

Nomet.—You know I am rather incredulous about the sacrifices of papers for anything. The disinterested newspaper man is a very rare bird in Canada.

Chaplaw.-Still it cannot be denied-

Nomet (smiling) .- Well, we will not discuss that matter now. Dancero is a fine fellow, and I am willing to do something for

Chaplaw.—After all, he only introduced his friend to us, and re are to treat that friend's business on its merits.

Nomet (smiling again).-I think Dancero will be more pres ing with Charambault than with us. He has reasons for that, you know.

Chaplaw (smiling also) .- Perhaps. At any rate that is Charambault's affair, not ours.

Nomet.—But this Centremiss? Have you seen him? Chaplaw.—Only casually. He, too, will have more to do with Charambault than with us.

Nomet.-Naturally. Still I am ultimately responsible for too far into it. In the first place, Centremiss is a Grit, and be granted the first chance should be given to one of our own

Chaplew .- True, but herein precisely lies the peculiarity of Centremiss. -Thanks, thanks. But how solemn he looks. the present affair. In favouring our enemy Centremiss, you

Nomet.—Ah! C'est comme ca! In that case let the point you. pass. The next question is, what will the people say?

Chaplan.—The people won't understand it, and hence will any money against you. say nothing about it. Besides, we have no account to render to the people. Our tribune is the Parliament.

Nomet.-Well said-well said, my son.

Chaplaw.—In Parliament only two enquiries can be madeone of ignorance, the other of corruption. As to the first, I

honestly and sincerely believe that the proposed exchange is fair and equitable.

Nemet (emphatically),-So do I.

Cheplan.-As to the second, I'd like to see the man that would accuse me of corruption.

Nomet.-So would I.

Chaplaw.-I steered clear of the Pacific Scandal. Nomet .- So did I.

Chaplaw.—These hands are clean.

Nomet (rising energetically).—So are these.

Chaplaw.—We have redeemed the honour of our party in this Province.

Nomet.-O, my son, come to my arms, Right nobly have you spoken. Tell your friend Dancero to go on with the business and I will see Charambault about it.

(They embrace with tears. Curtain falls.)

ACT II.

SCRNB I.

(Commissioner's office. Papers on table in confusion. Hat on the floor. Alpaca umbrella on window sill. Immense bandanna spread on back of a chair. Charambault walks

up and down excitedly.) Charambault.—What is se meaning of this infernal tapage? I did all for se best and have got into se worst of scrapes. It's all the fault of that Dancero. He forced me into it with his minoucheries. Ah! those newspaper men are se very deveel. They make themselves much too bigger than they are. Why did I listen to that Dancero? But it is too, late, too late. Centremiss now he got all he want, will laugh at me and Dancero will shed only crocodile tears. He is all right, while we are all wrong. Cent mille tonnerres! I cannot wait to see se other Ministers. They would devour me, especially Nomet. I will escape into se country. I will go to L'Assomption. (Takes his hat and umbrella and rushes out.)

SCREE II.

(Editor in his den counting bank notes.)

Dancera.—I have been very fortunate in my speculations so far, very fortunate indeed. That pays better than paper scratching. Still here is a hitch. I'd like to raise \$50,000, but don't know where to go for it. Friends all out of town. Might apply to X-but he already holds a little mortgage of mine. .... Somebody knocks. Come in. (Enter Centremies)

Centremiss.—Good morning, my friend. How do you feel after all this row they're kicking up?

Dancero.—Oh! blast their shindies. I don't care for them.

I am busy about something else just now. Cantremiss.—Some lucky speculation, eh?

Dancero.—Not precisely lucky, I leave that to you.

Contramiss.—Yes, Dancy, I have been exceedingly lucky. I have made a big thing and no mistake, and I shall be forever grateful to you for the hand you gave me in the affair. But you're not in any trouble, I hope.

Dancero .- No, not exactly that, only short of money.

Centremiss.—Oh!... may I ask how much?

Dancero .- A pretty stiff sum.

Centremiss.—What do you call a stiff sum. Dancero (hesitating) Well . . . . .

Centremies.-Don't hesitate to speak out, my dear fellow. I'm glad I called in this morning, on my way up to the office. I may be able to help you, as you helped me. One good turn deserves another.

Dancero.—You are very kind,

Centremies (laying his hand affectionately on D's shoulder).--And I have another reason for standing by you, Dancy. We had common sympathies on the intricate question of Mercantile Agencies, one of the great philanthropic questions of the age. You worked for me there against your colleague White, of the Gazette.

Dancero (sotto voce). - Alas! Poor White! He was blind on that great subject and besides he has gone against us in this last business. But I heed him not.

Centremiss.-Well, tell me now how much money you need. Be quick, I'm in a hurry.

Dancero .- I really don't like-

Contromiss.—Come, come, don't be absurd. How large is the sum?

Dancero (more and more coyly) .- Roally, really it is-

Contromiss.—Well, it is, it is-

Dancero (in a whisper).—Fifty thousand dollars.

Centremiss (rearing out).—Fifty thousand dollars! Is that the whole thing, and must look about me before we are drawn all? And you call that big? Here (writing a few lines) is an order on C and D for bonds to that amount. Now, no more about it. I've got lots of money.

Dancero (in ecstasies).—Centremiss, you're a brick. You're the best Grit I ever knew.

Centremiss.—And you the best Tory I ever knew, always excepting my friend the Commissioner.

Denocro-If ever you run for Parliament, I won't oppose

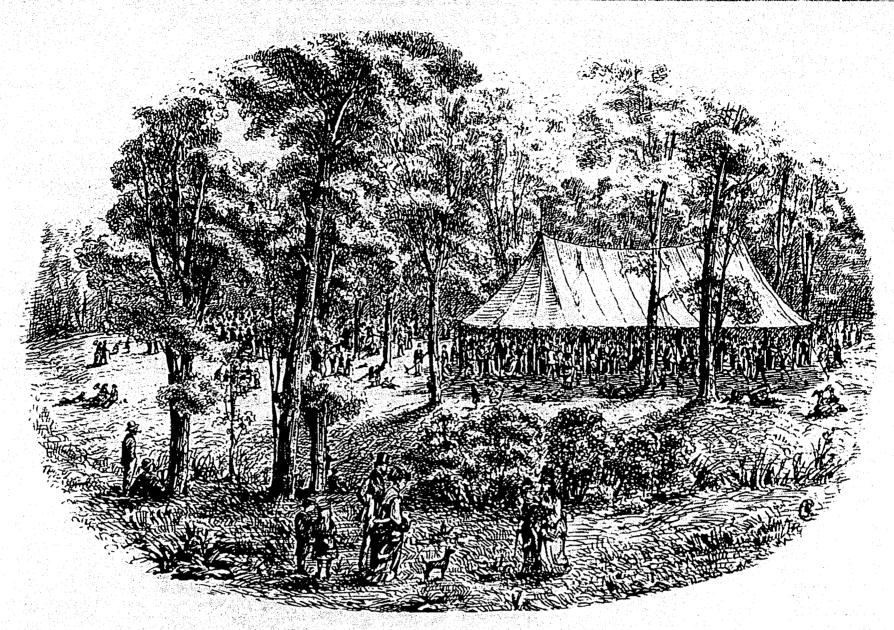
Contremiss.-If ever you run for Parliament, I won't spend

Dancero.—Here is my han . Contremiss.—And here is mu o.

Dancero.-Let us be friends.

Gentremies .- For ever !

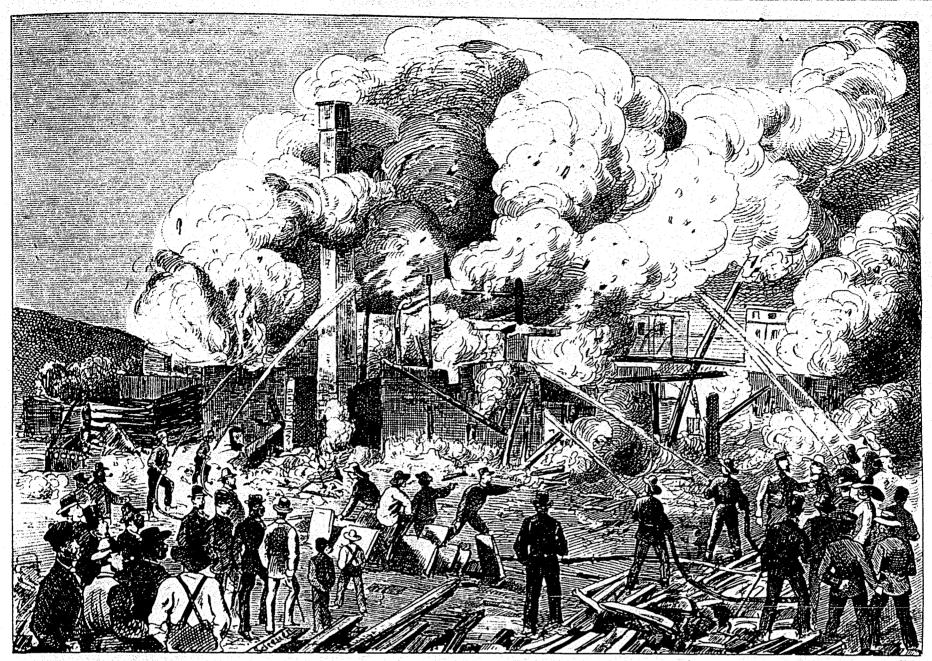
(They shake hands and Co. tremiss departs.)



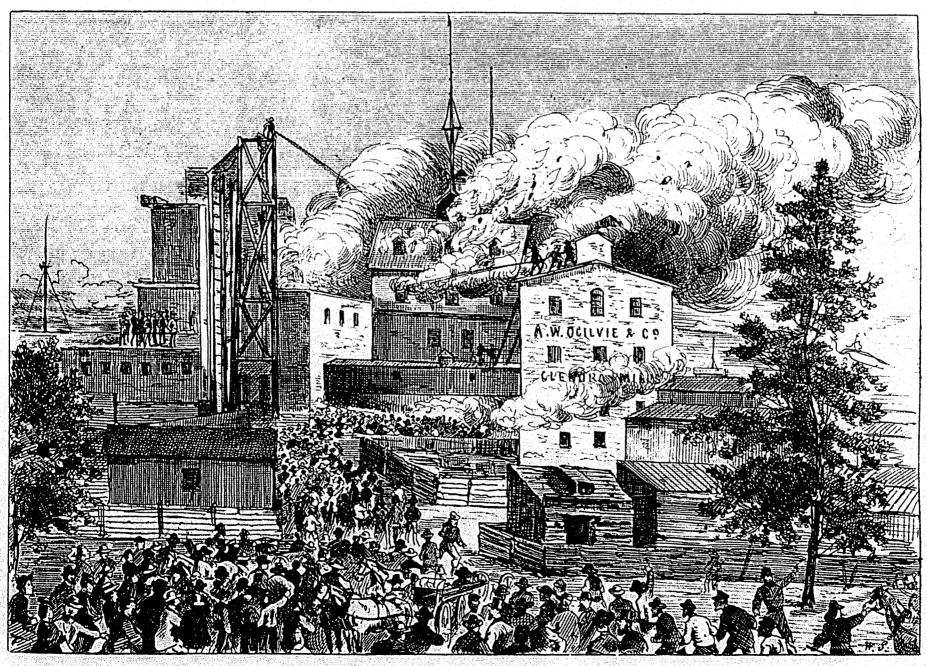
TORONTO.-THE YORK PIONEERS' PIC-NIC IN THE QUEEN'S PARK, Aug. 6.-FROM A DRAWING BY P. W. CANNING.



GERMANY.—OUTSIDE BISMARK'S RESIDENCE AT KISSINGEN AFTER KULLMAN'S ATTEMPT AT ASSASSINATION.



MONTREAL .- THE GREAT FIRE ON THE CANAL BANK, Aug. 9 BURNING OF HENDERSON'S SAW MILLS .- FROM A DRAWING BY W. SCHEUER.



MONTREAL.—THE FIRE AT THE GLENORA FLOUR MILLS, Aug. 13.—FROM A DRAWING BY W. SOMESER.

#### SCHNE III.

#### The Same. Dancero alone.

Dancero.—Fifty thousand dollars! What a providence! Danae's shower of gold! My fortune is made. Henceforth I am an independent man. I can now retire from the press gang when I please. That Centremiss is a glorious fellowthough, after all, it is nothing to what I did for him. Well, well, how things will happen, to be sure. Fifty thousand dollars! Mais c'est à n'y pas croire. And everything so strictly honest, so clearly above board. No one will be able to find fault with this transaction, at least, not even Lolo, the mouchard. Ha! I am safe (rubbing his hands). But to make assurance doubly sure, I will give the thing a certain air of publicity. I will get these bonds and deposit them openly in the Jacques Cartier bank, where I know that I have political enemies. Yes, that is a capital idea. It will disarm all suspicion. Bravo,

> What golden visions rise Before my eager eyes, At one s roke of the wand Waved by the necromancer O! Cry up and down the Tanneries' land, Pay or not the pipers O But I will be the Dancer O, The Dancer O! Cry up or down the Tanneries' land But I will be the Dancer O!

The Tories they may fume, And the Rouge; they may spume, But I am b rne away On wings of the entrancer O; And there in fortune's ray, I'll bask and sing an I frolic O, And be the happy Dancer O, The Dancer U! And there in fortune's ray, I'll be happy Dancer O!

The Min sters may fall amain, The country may be rent in twain, I spurn them with my heel, Like Sammy Dubble's prancer O! No one can charge me with a ste(a)l, I'll cling unto my treasure, O, And e'er will be the Dancer O, The Dancer O! No one can charge me with a ste(a)l, I'll e'er will be the Dancer O!

(Nomel's study. He enters in a rage. Hat in one hand and big

Nomet - Pest and malediction! All is lost! I have been ruined and betrayed! Hardly a week ago at the banquet, after the laying the corner stone of the Female Prison, I boasted that we were stronger than ever, and here we are down. Down, they have been given to the world before they had been put down, unexpectedly, unaccountably, irretrievably. Oh! what into proper shape, and the result is an amount of bad grammar have I done to merit such a stroke? It is too bad, too bad. And how our enemies rage! The Hrild has given up its namby-pamby queries—" Isit a job"—and comes out full blast. That can't be the work of the good natured old Senator. It is due to that irrepressible little fellow in the office, whom I always said we should watch closely, for he is an awful Grit. Then there is the Gazette. So long as its editor was down Board-of-Trade-playing in Charlottetown and St. John, it was either silent or meticulous, but when he returned, on the day of that infernal Chaboillez Square meeting, he caught up the popular cry and shouted even louder than the rest. David and by British troops, and its perusal will unfailingly give the McGauvran gave in at the first attack, as I knew they would, but I thought that Beaubien had more pluck. Starnes of course, followed the tide. He actually left the company of the ladies to come and make the most violent of the speeches against us. The English have risen and will oppose us. Oh! there is no hope. I must call in my councillors. This is too much for me. Garçon!

#### (Garçon appears.)

Nomet.-Call in Mr. Charambault!

Garcon.—Gone to L'Assomption, sir.

Nomet. The deuce he has. Just like him to be away when most wanted. Garçon!

Garçon.—Sir!

Nomet .- Call Mr. Chaplaw.

Garçon.—Gone to the United States, sir.

Nomet.-Holy snuff! But yes, I forgot, the poor fellow asked my permission. Garçon!

-Sir!

Nomet .- Call Mr. Dancero.

Garcon.—Gone to the seaside, sir.

Nomet.—Thunder and molasses candy! But this is distraction. They have all conspired to leave me here alone to breast the storm. And Robertson is away in England, financiering à la Dr. Bernard. And Fortin is away in Gaspesie. poration, but it was declined. And Irvine has left us like a traitor. There remains only Ross and he is of no use, for he knows nothing. Oh! I shall go crazy. Not yet two years in office and obliged to leave it.

\*The Living Link. A Novel. By Prof. James De Mille, Author of "Cord and Creese," &c. 8vo. Cloth. Illustrated. Pp. 171. New York: Harper & Brothers. Montreal: Dawson Bros. It is im ossible. It is outrageous. But I will not give up. Where is the good sword which I bore at LaRochelle? (Sinks into an arm chair) But it is --- useles , useless-Tout est perdu -(Swoons before being able to pronounce the last word and he curtain drops over it also.)

#### RECENT LITERATURE.

#### THE LIVING LINK. •

Professor DeMille's last novel is no improvement on his earlier productions. It would have been better for the author's fame if it had never been written, for in its pages the master hand that produced "The Dodge Club" is nowhere recognizable. Like his other works of fiction, "The Living Link" is intended to be intensely sensational, but, unlike its predecessors, it is sensational without being interesting. It has neither the fascination of "Cord and Creese," nor the sparkling verve and crispness of "The Dodge Club." But the feature most fatal to its success is the preposterous invraisemblance that characterizes the whole plot. From beginning to end, the situations are ludicrously forced, while the events upon which the story hinges are so glaringly unreal, so unlike anything that ever happened in the nineteenth century, that the effect is to extinguish utterly any little interest that may have been excited in the reader's mind by the perusal of the early chapters of the book. The heroine's imprisonment in her own house by her own father-who has assumed a false character in order to escape detection and the penalty that is visited on the returned convict-could only have been evolved by a most painful stretch of the imagination. The epi-ode of the murder and the finding of the body in the well reads like Charles Reade's description of the disappearance and supposed murder of Griffith Gaunt-minus Charles Reade's vigour and originality-and the subsequent events, the trial, the acquittal of the accused owing to the providential appearance of the supposed victim in the character of the victim—a character which he is allowed to assume without question or attempt at identification-form a tissue of the wildest conceptions ever put on paper. Miss Braddon is generally allowed to be the sensation writer par excellence of the day, but she is completely out-Braddoned by Professor De Mille. In his little volume of 170 pages he manages to introduce a forgery, a murder, a case of transportation, a returned convict, a persecuted heiress, a secret marriage, a supposed murder, a trial, a long lost wife, a ditto son, a villain, a private lunatic asylum, a maniac baronet, a family. A quantity of bran which was stored in the back of the warehouse is damaged. A bin full of flour in the mill, and son, a villain, a private lunatic asylum, a maniac baronet, a surfeit of sensations that would suffice Miss Braddon for half a which was of a funnel shape, received so much water that the extra pressure burst out the solid brick wall of the mill, and a dozen novels.

#### COOMASSIE AND MAGDALA. †

In a thick volume of over five hundred pages Mr. Henry Stanley has collected the facts relating to the Abyssinian and Ashantee expeditions as described by him in his special correspondence to the New York Herald. Both stories are naturally full of interest and are told with a vivacity and graphic power that make them doubly acceptable. Unfortunately, however, and vicious construction that would shame an ordinarily well educated school boy. In his preface Mr. Stanley states that much of what he formerly wrote—by which we presume he means the story of Magdala—was re-written several times. This is an unfortunate confession, as it irresistibly leads one to the conclusion that the errors with which the book is so plentifully bescattered are the result, not of carelessness, but sheer ignorance. With this one exception, fault there is none to find. The book is one of great value, as a record of two of the most brilliantly successful expeditions undertaken reader much satisfaction.

#### THE MAID OF FLORENCE. A TRAGEDY. ‡

This little work possesses considerable merit on the ground of its correct sentiment, elevation of thought, and general smoothness of versification. As a dramatic composition, it reads well enough, but is hardly adapted to representation on the stage. The story is one of life in Italy towards the close of the thirteenth century, and illustrates the peculiar social turbulent periods in its history.

#### OUR ILLUSTRATIONS.

#### STATUE OF JACQUES-CARTIER.

tion that the city should pay the cost of casting and the artist's travelling expenses—in all about \$5000. The offer is now under consideration by the Road Committee. The statue is to be of bronze, and will measure twelve feet in height. Seven years ago M. Rochet, who is, we understand, a descendant of Jacques Cartier, made the same offer to the cor-

† The Maid Of Florence. or, A Woman's Revenge. A Tragedy in Five Acts. Cloth, 120. Pp. 123. Price, 50 cents. London: Sampson, Lowe & Co. Toronto: Copp, Clarke & Co. Montreal: Dawson Bros.

#### THE YORK PIONEERS' CELEBRATION.

This Society, the members of which are all early settlers in Muddy Little York-now the city of Toronto-held their annual pic-nic on the 6th inst., in the Queen's Park, the spot selected being just north of the Ridgway monument. The gathering was not a very numerous one. A bazaar for the sale of useful and fancy articles was held, the proceeds of which were in aid of the Home about to be established for poor and aged pioneers. During the afternoon an impromptu meeting was held at which speeches were delivered by Col. R. Denison, President of the Society, who acted as chairman, Mr. J. Merritt of St. Catharines, and the Rev. Mr. Carroll.

#### THE FIRE ON THE CANAL BANK, MONTREAL,

The most destructive fire which has occurred in Montreal for many years past took place on the morning of the 9th inst., and burnt with great fury for over four hours, destroying property to the value of over one hundred and sixty thousand dollars, and at times threatening to destroy almost the entire business portion of the city situate on the canal bank. The fire commenced in Henderson's saw mill and lumber yard at the St. Joseph Basin, after destroying which it least across the road and consumed one of the Government flour sheds, together with a steamer, a corporation dredge, and a barge One man lost his life by drowning during the progress of the conflagration.

#### FIRE AT THE GLENORA MILL.

These splendid mills, known all over Canada as the property of A. W. Oxlivie & Co., were partially destroyed by fire in the forenoon of Thursday, the 13th inst. The mill property consisting of what is known as the little and big mill, destroyed, and the adjoining building is slight y damaged. Ten stroyed, and the adjoining building is slight y damaged. run of stones were on the ground floor. The fire originated in the elevator warehouse, and is believed to have been caused by the friction of new machinery. However, the mill was generally overhauled some two months ago, and everything, it is stated, was running well. The report that the upsetting of a lamp caused the fire is discredited. It appears that a labourer named Dionne, a comparatively young man, had been sent that morning to the loft of the mill for the purpose of gathering in the grue, a waste matter which is produced by the grinding of the wheat. He was up in the loft at the time of the fire commencing, and was not missed during the first excitement. About eleven o'clock the firemen managed to get into this loft, and there, right b-neath a window, discovered the boly of a man slightly burned. He lay face downwards in the grue, and appeared to have been smothered. He leaves a wife and liquid mess like starch, milk white, poured out over the grimy and charred timbers of the roof which had fallen down into the yard The damage is believed to amount to about \$30,000, though estimates run as high as \$4,000.

#### THE FIREMEN'S GATHERING AT HAMILTON.

The annual gathering of the firemen of Ontario took place on the 6th inst. at H milton. Brigades were present from Buffalo, N. Y., Lockport, N. Y., Niagara, Drommondville, St. Catharines, Cobourg, Oshawa, Napanee, Whitby, Ingersoll, Port Hope, Woodstock, Stratford, Bowmanville, Galt, Brantford, and Dundas. Several bands also visited the city, including three from Buffalo and one from Lockport. On the arrival of the righters the forman adjourned to the Communications. val of the visitors the firemen adjourned to the Gore, where the procession was formed. After parading through the city, dinner was served in the Crystal Palace, which had been specially decorated for the occasion; and in the evening a grand display of fireworks was given in the Palace grounds under the direction of Prof. Hand.

#### THE ATTEMPT ON BISMARCK'S LIFE

is an old story now. Our illustration may be relied upon as an accurate representation of the scene, as it is after a sketch by Herr Arnold, court painter to the Emperor, who happened to witness Kullman's abortive endeavour to take the Chancellor's life. Since the attempt the German papers are full of details about Kullman. The North German Gazette has scarcely had room for anything else since the date of the attack, and in its last issue it prints an anonymous threatening letter, written in illiterate German, and addressed to the Chancellor, which, if we may decide on internal evidence, can hardly be from the pen of the Catholic enemy to whom it is attributed. Nothing could be more unlike the arts of the Jesuits, who, we are assured, are at the bottom of the whole matter, than this very frank missive. The letter bears the post mark of Salzburg of (the native place, we are told, of the priest Hanthaler) 15/7, 74, and is as follows:—"Bismarck,—We Catholics have and political conditions of the country during one of the most just read that you have been struck by a ball, but are sorry you have received no injury, which is a source of great regret to all the Catholic clergy. We warn you that if war should break out you will be the first for whom a bullet is cast; for we Catholics owe it to you that there is conflict and disturbance among the people. You are not worthy of the high position you occupy in the Reichstag; and bear in mind that you are regarded with hatred by those of both high and low positions. One for all Roman Catholic Christians." The same paper which prints this letter says that the circular of This handsome statue has been offered by the sculptor, M. the Minister of Justice just issued expressly states that illegal ochet of Paris, to the Corporation of Montreal, on the condideeds, and even crimes like that of Kullman, are traceable to the influence of the Ultramontane agitation and especially to the press. The Gazette adds that instructions have also been issued by the Ministry to the police to keep a strict watch on the Catholic associations.

#### DE GROOF AND HIS FLYING MACHINE.

Another accident to swell the long list that mars the history of aerial navigation occurred last month at the Cremorne Gardens, near London. The victim was a M. De Groof, a native of Liege, who has spent a large fortune in repeated attempts to construct a flying apparatus on the model of a bird's wings. The unfortunate gentleman having reduced himself to penury by his efforts and experiments, sent lately to London where he gave an exhibition of his plans and machinery, with a view to obtaining pecuniary assistance in continu ng his experiments. His first attempt being moderately successful, a second exhibition was advertised when the "Flyig Man," and

<sup>†</sup>Coomassie And Magdala: The Story of Two British Campaigns in Africa. By Henry M. Stanley, Author of "How I Found Livingstone." 8vo. Cloth, Ilustrated. Pp. 510. New York: Harper & Brothers. Montreal: Dawson Bros.

his machine were conveyed aloft by a balloon starting from Cremorne Garden, where an enormous crowd assembled to witness the affair. When M. de Groof had been raised, with his "wings", to the height of 300, he signalled to the aeronaut of the balloon, Mr. Simmons, to cut the rope which held him up. He had gone up in high spirits, dancing to the music of the band in the Garden, and being loudly cheered by the spectaturs But this exultation was of very short duration. No sooner had the rope been severed than M. De Groof, whose machine did not seem to offer the slightest resistance to the air, fell to the ground with a heavy crash. He was rescued from his apparatus with the utmost promptitude, and conveyed to the nearest hospital, but, though still breathing, he never recovered consciousness and expired shortly af erwards. His wife had fainted on seeing him fail, and there was a terrible scene when she reached the hospital, only to learn the fital result. It was at first supposed that the apparatus was out of order, but this can hardly have been the case, as De Groof had carefully examined every part of it before setting out. Mr. Simmons states that De Groof bent forward when the cord was cut, and seemed to give it a push, as though to loosen his apparatus more promptly from his connection with the balloon; he thinks that in this De Groof may have lost his balance, and thus incapacitated himself from managing his apparatus. The latter is said to consist of a little platform for standing on, to which is attached a pair of great wings, in green oiled silk, worked by the arms, and intended to enable the "flyer" to make his way through the blue in emulation of its natural denizens.

#### ONLY AN OUTCAST.

A combination of circumstances led me to become a frequent passenger, in the summer of 18—, on a steamboat leaving the wharves of New York, whose destination was Boston. On one of these occasions, just before the boat started, a pretty girl of perhaps seventeen or eighteen stepped aboard, inquired for the steward, and secured a state-room, saying she was going through to Boston. Her manner was easy and self-possessed; yet a certain audacious sauciness in her splendid brown eyes, the junty way in which she wore her Turkish hat, her independent air, and a nameless suggestion of mischief which appeared to lurk in every movement arrested the observer's attention, and seemed to indicate that she was proficient beyond her years in the world's knowledge; that her tutelage, to say the least, had partaken more of lenience than of prudence. Her dress was rich and exq isitely becoming, but with no attempt at conspicuous ornament. Her hair was of the same rich brown colour as her eyes, and fell down to her waist, resting as lovely on her fair young shoulders as if each separate hair were endowed with electric life. As we swept out into the Sound she came on deck, where most of the gentlemen and several ladies were congregated, and directed a men and several males were congregated and directed a fusillade of small conversation at the captain, addressing him in a tone of rockless levily and with a familiarity which startled the ladies and amused the gentlemen, and otherwise conducted herself in a manner which left no doubt as to her social states. In less than ten minutes every lady on board was her avowed enemy, and not at all afraid to let it be known; but she chattered on in her rollicking way, regardless of smiles or frowns-apparently the irredeemable devotee of thoughtlessness and folly. We were all on deck shortly after tea admitting the sunset which flooded the sea and sky with a transforming splendour. It was a gay company; not a sad tace could be found amongst us all. The too intense heat of the day had subsided and a soft breeze had sprung up; to breathe the air was in itself an inspiration. Our irrepres sible and too confiding young lady passenger was there, and her childish laugh rang out above the rest. She had selected the good natured captain and one or two of his officers as the special objects of her flippant, though by no means vicious, raillery; and they permitted it, partly from an acquired habit of affability towards all passengers, and partly because they were amused by her irresistible vivacity. The lady passengers, of course, shanned and kept aloof from her as from a noxious poison, as if her very contact would breed postilence. The gentlemen did likewise to a great extent, more, I believe, from a tender regard for feminine opinion, than from any considerable instinct of horror. Suddenly the smile died on her lips, and her face became inexpressibly sad and earnest, and she gazed far out across the water. Her attitude and expression as she stood thus formed a picture which will never fade in my mem ry; she looked so innocent, so childlike, and so intensely serrowful. In a moment she turned to the cap ain, with something of her old manner. Reaching up her delicate white hands, she took hold of his abundant whiskers on each side of his face, as the reader has seen a pett d daughter caress her father, and, looking up into his face, asked with great solemnity:

"Did you ever want to die, captain?"
"Well, no, my child," he replied, somewhat surprised at her changed manner. "I can't say that I ever had a great desire to die."

"And if you had such a desire, what would you do?" "th, in that case," said he, as he loosed her hands and turned away, "I think, as it would be the most available me-

thod, I should jump overboard and drown myself."

Scarcely had he finished speaking, when she whirled past, rut one hand on the railing, and leaped into the Sound. The whole movement was so instantaneous that it was impossible for any one to a dicipate or prevent it. A cry of horror went up from those who saw the movement. Some stood transfixed and unable to move, while others hurried about in confused excitement. The captain had the boats lowered and manned almost instantly. A moment after her disappearance she came to the surface. There was nothing scared in her expression, and the made no struggle to save herself. I saw her face distinctly as she came up, an I faucied I could detect in it the same for rowful look it had worn a few moments before; though even that expression could not wholly deprive it of a certain jaunty g:a e which became it well. It was only a momentary glimp e which we had of her, for she disappeared just as the first boat touched the water. I think I never saw sadder men than those rough sailors when they pulled the heavy yawl al ingside and replied to a hundred simultaneous in errogat ories: "We found no traces of her at all." And those gentle ladies, who shrank with such aversion from her half an hour be ore, had many a tender utterance for her now, and could not voice their pity when they knew that while she laughed the loudest the homeless child's poor heart was breaking -Chicago

#### THE HOUSE OF PATTI.

A correspondent of the Chicago Post and Mail, writing from Washington, says:

Among the many curious people congregated here during the past session was a member of the celebrated l'atti family of musicians, It was Maestro Antonio Barili. He was a half-brother of Adelina and Carlotta, and their oldest living relative. He was very poor. The past twenty-seven years have been spent in composing and teaching music in America, but wi hout success, and he was now about to return, weary and sorrowing over his failure, to die in his sunny Italy A last opportunity to learn the interesting history of a very remarkable family was presented, and your correspondent took advantage of it. The maestro was found in a small room on the second floor of a modest brick dwelling in New York Avenue. Everything about the place denoted scanty means and almost abject poverty. The floor, as the visitors entered the apartment, was in a startling state of confusion. Music was scattered every-It lay in endless variety on the ragged carpet, and was piled up in unshapely heaps in the corners. A trunk and a valise half filled with dilapidated wardrobe stood Bending over the former, packing the little he possessed, was the maestro. He was in his shirt-sleeves. turned at the sound of approaching humanity and greeted his He was tail and slender, a little stooped, of well defined Latin features, and old enough to have his jet hair and Napoleonic beard sprinkled with gray.

"Well, I am about to leave this beautiful country of yours," he sai i, after seats were taken and cigars were lighted. "I am going home to my own sunny Italy; I am going home to die. Sad, isn't it? Nevertheless true. It is twenty-eight years now since I landed on these shores, a happy, hopeful boy. I go back sick at heart and poor in purse. And yet I have worked hard enough. I tell you, my friend, progressive as America is

she has much to learn yet, especially on the subject of music. But, no ma ter about that, I suspect you have come here to hear of my misfortunes. Am I right."

"You want our family history, eh?" he said after a pause and a response. "Well, it is not altogether a pleasant one. Indeed, there are many things in it which have never yet been published because they are not pleasant. As the circus people say, we were 'born in the band-wagon,' that is, our parents were show people. 'My father, Francesco Barili, was a celebrated composer of Rome. Among his works were the oratorio of 'Judah Maccabeo' and a number of very fine masses. He married one of his pupils. She afterwards became the favourite prima donna of Italy. She also travelled a season in this country and was popular here. As we musical meniusis or popular the orated a forces. Well of this marriage came on saying, she created a furore. Well, of this marriage came four children, all musicians, I think it is right to say, of note. I was the eliest. My father and mother were engaged by a Well, of this marriage came strolling opera troupe when I first saw light, my father singing basso and my mother the prima donna. It was a hard life for an infant. Many mishaps befel me; indeed, it now seems a wonder that I lived at all. I was cared for altogether by a nurse. Once each morning I was taken to see my mother. But such is the life children of opera singers

"And your brothers and sisters?" "I had two brothers and one sister by my father, Barili, and three sisters and one brother by my stepfather, Patti, making eight children of us in all, and all singers, and not indifferent players on musical instruments. I began study with my father when I was six years old, and received my diploma of professor when I was thirt en. I was given the last at the congrega-tion of Sta. Cecilia, in Rome, my native place, and was the youngest member of that body. My own sister, Clotilde, was also born in Rome. She received her first educa-tion in Milan, and Lafterwards taught her instrumental mu-ic. She made her début in Asti, Italy, when nineteen years old, and next year I took her to Algiers as a prima donna. It was a young pair, for I was only twenty-two, but we made a brave fight and won. Then we came to New York and Clotilde married Alfred Thorn of New York. He was lost at sea a few years later, and she married Signor Scola, but died shortly after in the West Indies. Nicola and Ettore, my two own by the three dearly in life, and have made own brothers, were both educated early in life, and have made fine musicians. Nicola is now in New York, and Ettore in Philadelphia.

"And now I come to the sad part of my life." said Signor Antonio, wiping a tear from his eye, and puffing the smoke from his eigar more rapidly. "I told you my father and mother were members of an opera troupe. Well, in that troupe was a tenor His name was Patti. Now you know all. It was the old story of the tenor and soprano. My father quitted the troupe and took to drink. It finally broke him clear down and he died, but none too soon. My mother, released, at once married Signor Patti, but also none too soon. My stepsisters Amalia and Carlotta were born, and Patti was their father. My parents moved to Spain, and there Carlos and Adelina were born. Adelina's native city is Madrid, not New York, as many suppose. You know the history of my half-sisters, eh? Amalia was a well-known prima donn i in this country, and Amaria of Strakosch. Carlos was a noted violinist of New Orleans and New York, and died not long ago. Carlotta and Adel-

ina have a fume which is world-wid.

"I have told you of Patti — he was the first curse of our family. Maurice Strakosch was the second. It was many years ago—perhaps in 1845. My mother was singing in the strange old city of Valencia, in Spain. Amalia was a young girl. My mother had been called to Valencia at a moment's notice. The former promet doena had made what we Italians call une grahnde feeask. It was a new opera, and Mme. Patti was called for the cond rendition. You know how it is there? Every opera has three chances. If it fails the first night, it may succeed the second or third. If it fails every one of the three nights, then it goes on the shelf. 'Soun mbula' failed the first night. You wouldn't believe it, would you? But it did. Well, as I was saying, my mother had been called suddenly for the second night. Of course she was kept very busy, and Amalia and myself were allowed to roam about the quaint old city as much as we liked. One day, while we were thus strolling out the crookked streets of Valencia, who should arrive, like Mephisto or the very old devil himself, but a tattered young musician in want of aid. He claimed to have talents, but no opportun-

"A benefit concert was proposed, and he jumped at it. Mother pitied him. He wanted Amalia to sing. Mother granted his request Her contract would not permit mother to volun-

teer, and Amalia was substituted. The tattered young ' maestro' was Maurice Strakosch, and so he came into our family. He has followed us ever since and been our ruin. From that From that benefit night in Valencia I date the fall of my family."

"And why?"

"Why fall? I will tell you. Soon after that concert, Patti, my mother, and the children sailed for America. We took an opera-house in New York and b gan a season of Italian opera. operations in New York and Sgun He liked none of his step-children. Nevertheless he was forced to keep me, as no other directors could then be found in this country. Finally Patti sold out to a Philadelphia gentleman, and the troupe continued another season. We did well and were making money. Suddenly who should come up through the trap but Mephisto Maurice. He had a brother; you have heard of him, Max. Well, Max was the best director in the world. I was displaced and Max came in. He knew as much about directing Italian opera as I do of preaching, and I am sure that ain't much. The company broke up, and the Patti family was out in the wet with no umbrella. Well, that was one instance. Maurice Strakosch has injured the Barili and Patti families at every turn. He could do it the more readily after marrying our sister Amalia and becoming one of us. I can't begin to tell you all he has done.

"I suppose you hear from your sisters now? "Oh, yes, occasionally. They are doing grandly. Of course I am proud of them. I met Carlotta when she was here. I think more of her than of Adelina. Although not nearly so well able, she has done much more for the family that made her what she is than Adelina has She helped my brother's son, Alfredo. He is a young planist, just beginning. Carlotta assisted him, and he now gives promise or being an ornament to our name. He is now, although but twenty years old, at the head of the Bavarian Conservatory and rapidly rising.

" Is Carlotta married?

"Yes. She has married a young man who has accompanied her on the violin for years."

"How do you like Caux, Adelina's husband?"
"Oh, well enough. He married Adelina for her money and she married him for a title. It is but a business contract named a marriage. I have no reason to either like or dislike the man.'

#### DRAMATIC GOSSIP.

Salvini is going to visit England before long.

Lydia Thompson opens with burlesque at the Charing Cross Theatre, London, next month.

Sardou is engaged on a great historical play for the Paris Gaité It is said that it will be called "Germana," and will cost about \$20,000 to mount.

Mdme. Nilsson will appear next February at the Hofopern Theatre in Vienna, and will sing there for the first time in the German language.

Mme. Nilsson assumed Valentina in "Les Huguenots" for the first time in England upon the occasion of her recent annual benefit at the Drury Lane Opera House.

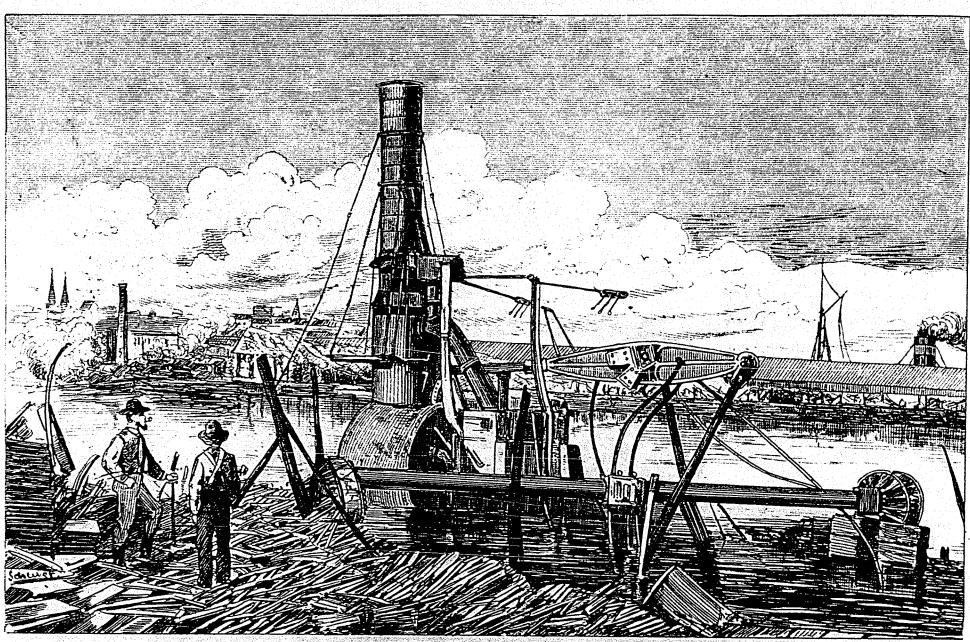
Among the stars who will appear in New York during the coming season are Mr. Toole, Mr. Boucicault, Ar. Clarke, Mr. Jefferson, Mr. Bootu, Mrs. Rousby, Miss Morris, and Miss Cushman.

The engagement of Madame Nilsson in Russia has been signed for two months instead of four. She will sing at St. Petersburgh and Moscow from October 20 to December 20, and immediately after will go to Paris. Madame Nilsson is to receive 112,000f. for sixteen performances.

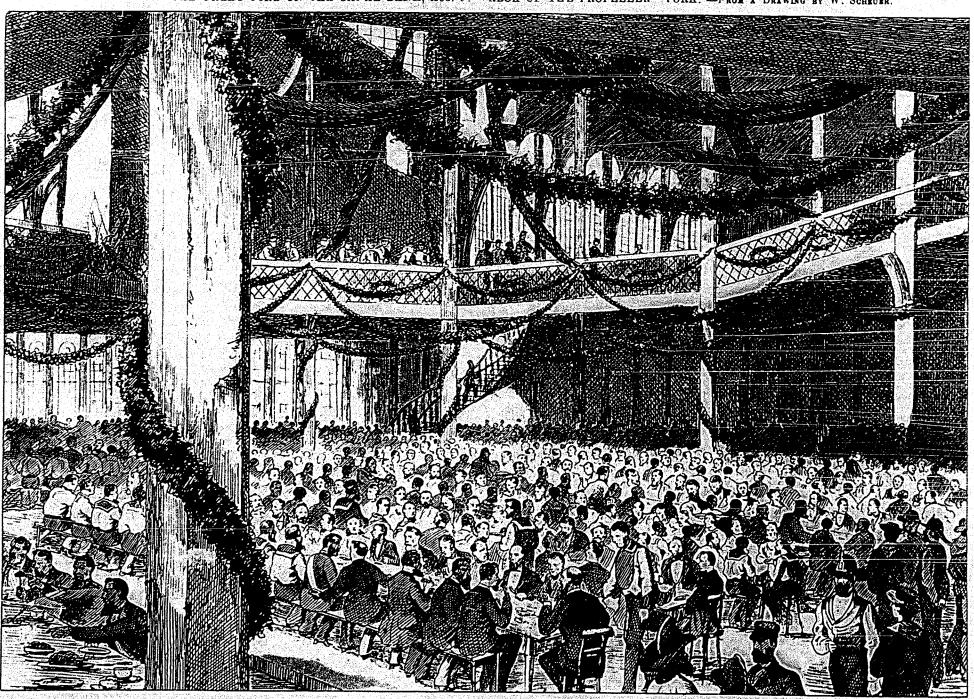
It may be interesting to note, as tending to show the relative popularity of the different composers, that at Drury Laue of 18 operas produced 7 performances were devoted to Rossini; to Verdi, 7; Bellini, 5; Doniz tti, 10; Beethoven, 6; Flotow, 4; Meyerbeer, 7; Gounod, 7; Auber, 4; Mozart, 8; and Balfe 10. At Covent Garden, of 83 operas produce 113 performances were given of Rossini; of Verdi, 13; Belliui, 11; Donizetti, 8; Flotow, 1; Meyerbeer, 15; Gounod, 4; Auber, \_; Mozart, 6; Ricci, 2; Gomez, 2; Thomas, 4; Weber, 2. The adoption of the lowered pitch at Drury Lane is considered a failure, and a return to the former state of things is probable next season.

The permanent company of the Court Theatre of Saxe-Meiningen has been playing at Berlin, where it made a re-markable sensation. The Duke of Saxe-Meiningen is a generous and intelligent patron of the drama. He has a summer residence on the Lake of Como, and is well acquainted with Italy; and, with a view to the better presentation of certain Shakespearian plays, has caused careful studies and judicious sk tches to be made of such Italian scenes as were involved in "Julius Cæsar," "Merchant of Venice," &c. The production of these works by his players, with their own scenery and mountings, filled the Berlin people with surprise and envy. The troupe was not so remarkable for the power of individual actors as for the harmony and success of the representation as

A young Hawaiian girl, who seems to possess an uncommonly fine voice, has just made a successful début in a concert in San Francisco. That city possesses a number of excellent musical critics, who appear, from the musical reports, to have been both astonished and charmed with the new singer's voice. The Sandwich Islands sent soldiers and officers during the late war, and a number of other valuable citizens; but they have been descendants of the missionaries. This time it is a native islander who comes. The San Francisco Alta Cal fornian says of her: "Her voice is clear, fresh, resonant, and sympathetic, giving assurance of a famous career if she shall receive proper musical education." Adelaide Miller is this new singer's name, and report speaks of her as pretty—a young Hawaiian beauty, in fact; while Madame Anna Bishop, to whom she was brought, asserts that she needs only training to take her place among the foremost singers of the day. Her San Francisco audience appear to have been pleased with her voice, and greatly interested in the ballads of her native home, of which she sang several in costume. It is to be hoped Miss Miller will make her way across the continent, and give the East an opportunity to see a native Sandwich Island singer, and hearher island ballads.

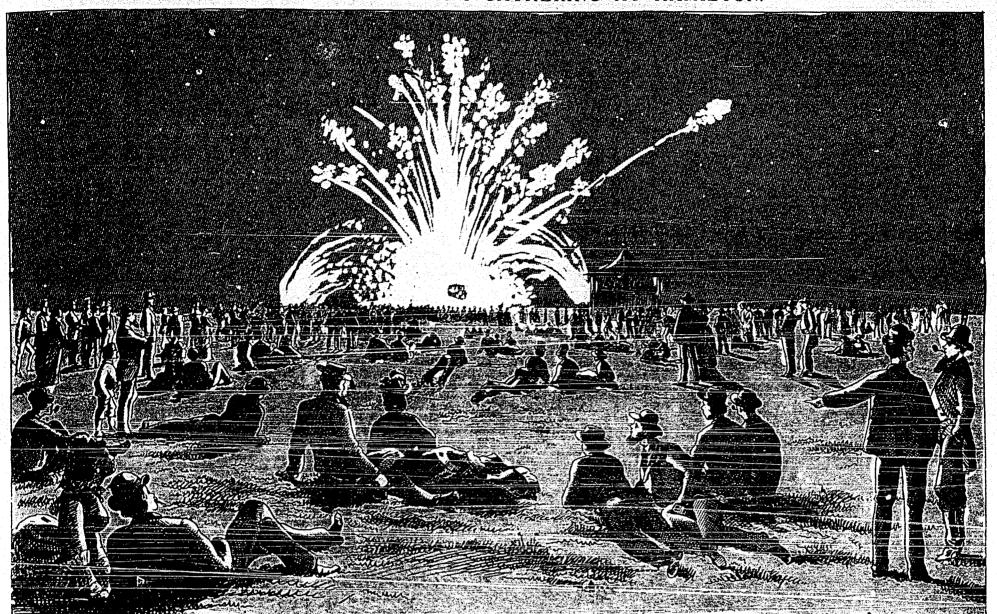


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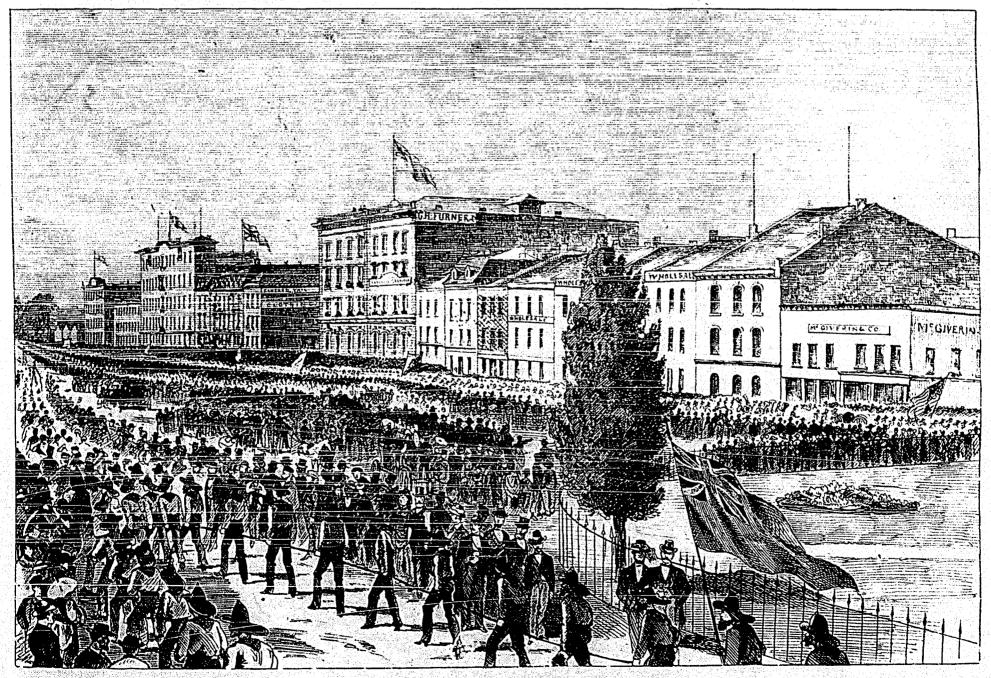


HAMILTON .- THE GRAND FIREMEN'S QATHERING ABO. THE DINNER IN THE CRYSTAL PALACE .- APTER A SKETCE BY F. M. BELL SMITH.

# THE GRAND FIREMEN'S GATHERING AT HAMILTON.



THE DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS IN THE PALACE GROUNDS - AFTER A SEETCH BY F. M. BELL SMITE



THE PROCESSION FORMING IN THE GORE .- AFTER A SECTOR BY F. M. BELL SMITE

- "There is a tide in the affairs of men, Said one whose lips were touched with living fire, 'Which leads to fortune.' It is true, but then, Each life has tide-marks whence the waves retire, We take the waters as they rise, and float, Hope for a guide, across a sunny sea; Each dancing wave that rocks our little boat, Brings nearer to the port where we could be. Some gain the haven that their spirits crave, The tide may ebb, but they abide secure; While some are stranded by the highest wave, On barren beach, with bleeding wounds past cure. The tide ebbs out that bore them to their fate, And leaves them wounded, lone, and desolate.
- "I have been stranded thus; my boat set out,
  Freighted with hope and love, to cross life's sea;
  But waves have washed my precious cargo out,
  And winds have shatter'd both my boat and me.
  I had not skill enough to guide the boat,
  I had not strength enough to use the oar;
  So all my treasures on the water float,
  And I am stranded on a horses the And I am stranded on a barren shore. I cannot lay the blame on wind or wave, I might have journeyed safe with thought and care,
  But I have lost the hope that made me brave,
  Foregone the love grown holy as a prayer.
  The tide ebbs out and leaves me to my fate,
  Weary and wounded, lone and desolate."

## FOR EVERYBODY.

#### Declined With Thanks.

The other day a pupil in one of the Dumfries seminaries was awarded a volume of Bunyan's *Pilgrim's Progress* for proficiency in writing. The teacher has had the volume thrown back on his hands with the note:—" I return the volume, as I consider it rather antiquated for a prize in this advanced

#### Irish Emigration

The total number of emigrants from Ireland in the first six months of the present year was 45,781, of whom 25,164 were males, and 20,617 females. As compared with the corresponding period of 1873, there was a decrease of 14,359. Since the 1st May, 1851, the total emigration from Ireland has been 235,746 2,252,745.

#### A Discount On Divinity.

Serious complaints are made by the Church papers in Prussia of the decrease in the number of students of divinity at the German Universities. Should there not be an early increase there is reason to fear that in a few years hence half the Protestant livings in the country will be unprovided with inoumbents.

#### A Substitute For The Telegraph.

These are fast times, and persons' wants are not met even by the electric telegraph, for advertisements are appearing in the English paper: to the effect that carrier pigeons, flying a mile per minute, for conveying business and domestic messages home from any spot at a distance of one mile to 500 miles, or as a means of communication with cities, lighthouses, ship at sea, &c., may be had at 2s.6d. each, or 25s. per dozen.

A new invention has appeared; cane swords first made their appearance during the reign of Napoleon I.; to-day pilgrims can be supplied with "cane candles;" on taking off the sheath of the cane, a wax taper appears, which can be raised or low-ered, as may be required, and guaranteed to burn for the space of two hours—the period the wax lights in a religious procession are expected to last.

#### Bismarck And The Conjuror.

Prince Bismarck owes his life to a conjuror. The conjuror made the Prince a bow, the Prince returned it, and at that moment he was fired at, the raised arm saving him. The conjuror, who is famous for the trick of catching a bullet with his teet h, was naively asked by the Prince how it was he did not catch that bullet. His repiy was, "Because your Excellency caught it." Good on the side of the conjuror.

#### The Origin Of Earrings.

According to the Mohammedans, Abraham began the practice of wearing earrings. In one of Sarah's jealous fits respecting Hagar, she dec'ared that she would not rest until she had dipped her hands in Hagar's blood. In order to quiet Sarah, and enable her to redeem her promise without further shaden had a shaden her by the sarah and upsetting her household, Abraham pierced Hagar's ears and drew rings through them. From that time earrings became Isabella's Would-be Assassin.

#### Germans In Paris.

Besidence in Paris is now perfectly unbearable for Germans. Germans who formerly lived in Paris find, on revisiting that Frenchman was called on by a German, and he returned the visit by leaving at the house of the latter a card bearing the words, in writing, " Au revotr à Berlin.'

#### The Tables Turned.

A Parisian practical joker, with a bald head, recently entered a hair-dresser's shop, and requested the man to "curl him." The coifeur hesitated a moment, then taking a splendid black wig from a block placed it on his customer's head, and proceeded vigorously to curi it. The operation over the would-be funny man asked how much was to be paid. "Ten sous for the curl and 5l. for the wig," was the reply. For once the joker found himself "caught," and taking the joke upon himself paid the himself paid the money.

#### Mormon Casuistry.

A one-legged soldier, a Mormon, recently asked Brigham Young to supply, by a miracle, the missing limb; but the apostle, not to be caught, made this reply: "I can in an instant produce a new leg in place of the old one; but then, you see, if I do, it will cause great inconvenience to you in Heaven, for after your exaltation to glory, the original leg will come back to the spiritualised body, mine also being of divine origin becomes immortal, and, in this case observe how very awkward a three-legged angel from Utah would appear among the inhabitants of the eternal world!"

#### Something New For Printers.

A company has been formed in London for the purpose of doing newspaper and book composition, dispensing entirely with the process of distribution, thus saving an important item of expense. A patent type casting machine converts fused metal into perfect type in two minutes' time, when it is transferred to a composing machine and the matter set up, the entire operation requiring but two men. The Printing Trae Journal of London speaks confidently of the success of the system, and says it "indicates the dawn of a new era in daily newspaper printing, it being an ascertained fact that the manufacture of new type daily for the composer is attended with less cost than the distribution and re-setting into lines for the Army Suicides.

#### The Champion Sneezer.

Earl Russell, now in his eighty-second year, and as full of fight as ever, has a passion for a hat with a broad brin and a bandana that is red. Ten years ago it was esteemed a bit of good fortune to hear this remarkable man sneeze. He seemed to concentrate himself, as it were, for a gigantic effort, would be bent nearly double by the force of the explosion, and would then dive down into the flaming banner of red silk, from which after several minutes' obscuration, he emerged with a countenance as vivid as the back of a scalded lobster. The late Lord Clarendon is reported to have once said, "When Lord John takes snuff, the consequence 'brings down the house.'"

#### A Novel Application Of Photography.

A very interesting and instructive exhibition is now taking place in Paris, and attracts crowds. By means of a most artistic application of photo-sculpture, the spectacle of Pompeii as it was eighteen centuries ago, and is now, is splendidly represented; the comparison is really curious; to complete the idea an eruption of Mount Vesuvius is exhibited, full of real-It must have cost much study and labour to thus materially construct, as it were, a city and its life lot so many ages ago. The Forum appears as it must have been; the street of the Tombs; the tragic theatre; the amphitheatre, the temples and baths, the villas and mansions of historical citizens, &c. In thus promenading among those imposing monuments, you with difficulty can believe in the illusion.

#### Novel Proposed Licences.

Dr. Sutherland, one of the enlightened town councillors of Edinburgh, has given the following notice of motion:—
"Whereas drunkenness is productive of extraordinary personal and relative misery, crime, and pauperism and disease, and whereas it is being conceded by those in the spirit trade as well as maintained by those opposed to that trade, that drunkenness must be abolished; and whereas no scheme or measure has yet been devised which will seem efficiently and equitably to accomplish this object, the town council resolves to remit to the Lord Provost's committee to consider the wisdom and expediency of petitioning Her Majesty's Government to introduce for this purpose a general measure, founded up n the principle of licensing the consumers instead of or in addition to the vendors of intoxicating liquors."

#### A Theory Of Assassination.

A propos of the attempt to assassinate Prince Bismarck, a singular theory is advanced to the effect that excessive heat increases the homicidal tendency against which every man has sometimes to contend. In illustration of the theory, a patient professor of Breslau has brought together instances of some of the more celebrated cases of regicide to show that they have generally been made in the month of July. Thus on the 12th of July, 1581, William of Orange was assassinated by Balthasar Gerard; on the 12th of July, 1764, the same tate befell Prince Ivan VI., son of Anne of Russia; 27th July, 1835, Fieschi fired his infernal machine against. Louis-Philippe; 18th July, 1844, Fritz Scherck, a burgomaster of Sorkov, fires two pistol-shots at the King of Prussia, but without touching him; on the 20th July, 1846, another attempt was made on the life of Louis-Philippe; on the 5th July, 1853, occurred Orsini's memorable attack on Napoleon III.; and on the 14th July, 1861, Oscar Becker fired at King William of

"Among the histories of unsuccessful attempts at political assassination," says the Paris Journal, "is one dating from the early part of the reign of Queen Isabella II. In those days lived at Madrid a man of family named Angel de la Vega, but as he was dying of hunger sullen anger filled his heart, and at city, that they are quite ignored by their former intimate last he fixed his hate on the Queen and resolved to kill her. upon her way, in custody to the searching nouse. I did not be the search of t When his trial commenced he disdained to defend himself, and was sentenced to death. The fatal day arrived, and he was about to be taken to the place of punishment when the Queen ordered him to be brought before her. Don Angel,' she said, 'I pardon you, but you must leave Spain at once and forever. My treasurer will furnish you with the means.' The man retired, filled with an emotion easy to comprehend, and, during ten years, nothing more was heard of him. At length the day of exile came for Queen Isabella, who took refuge in Paris. The first visit she received was from Don Angel, who, having become rich through speculations at the Paris Bourse, came to lay at the disposal of Her Majesty all he possessed. The Queen refused the offer of the old regicide, and the latter, deeply hurt, left for America, where he

The Borsen Ze tung of Berlin says that one of the chief ocsupations of the German Admiralty just now is to improve the shipbuilding industry of the empire. This is to be done, not only by having a censiderable number of ships of war built in private shipbuilding establishments, but also by applying almost exclusively to German manufacturers for the machinery and other articles required for naval purposes. It is hope i by this means in a few years to make the German navy quite independent of foreign countries, both as regards shipbuilding and its other requirements. The slight development which has taken place in the German shipbuilding industry during the last few years is regarded as a circumstance very prejudicial to the power of Germany at sea, and if the Government does not succeed in obtaining all it requires for the navy from private establishments, it will create factories of its own for that purpose. This will be especially necessary for iron plates and masts, which have hitherto invariably had to be procured from abroad. Last year Messrs. Krupp proposed to begin the construction of these articles on an extensive scale, but they seem now to have abandoned this project. As regards the construction of naval machinery, this is already being taken up by private establishments with very satisfactory results.

It appears that the returns of the mortality prevailing amongst the non-commissioned officers and men of the British army during the ten-year period, 1862-71, show 663 deaths by suicide, which gives a mean annual average ratio of 0.379 p er 1,000 of the strength. As compared with the civil male proportion of England, at corresponding ages, this ratio of deaths from suicide is excessively high. As compared with foreign armies, the ratio in the British army is found to be slightly lower than that of the French and Belgian armies; considerably lower than in the Prussian; and less than one-half of the ratio of the Austro-Hungarian army. In the British army, suicide is most common in the cavalry of the Line, and leat so in the Household cavalry. It is more prevalent amongst the troops serving in India than in any other portion of the forces. A marked difference is observable betwirt the military and civil population in the modes of committing suicide. In the former more than one-half the suicides are the result of gunshot wounds. It is noticeable that in 1870 a decrease occurred in the proportion of suicides, whi h was very probably connected with the promulgation of the Horse Guards'order directing the service ammunition to be removed from the men's pouches an | kept in regimental expense magazines.

#### Novel Music.

Samuel Woodworth Cozzens, in "Three Years in Arizona and Mexico," speaks of the mission church of San X wier del Bac and says: "In the evening I attended service, and was surprised and delighted by the music; it was novel and charm. ing. When the priest reached a certain portion of the service the air seemed suddenly filled with the warbling of ten thousand birds, whose melodious notes rose and fell and swelled and lingered through the arched passages of the church; now dying away, as in the far distance, and again approaching near and nearer, until the very air seemed resonant with the notes of the sweetest feathered song ters. Again I heard it, but so exquisitely soft and low that its cadences more resembled the wailings of an Æplian harp than music created by human agency. Once more it swelled into gran I and lofty pæans of praise, until it seemed that such exquisite music must be created by a celestial choir. As soon as we could withdraw from the service we ascended the gallery of the church and here we found, lying flat on their faces upon the floor, a dozen or more youths, before each one of whom stood a small cup of water in which was inserted the end of split reeds of different sizes, the other end of the reed being held in their mouths, and blowing through it they produced the sweet sounds which so enchanted us. It seemed impossible that such delicious music could be produced by such simple instruments."

#### An Artfully Artless Dodge.

of it."

A "Smuggler" relates the following:

"We shall be, my dear madam," said I to a fellow-passenger in the Dieppe boat, taking out my watch, but keeping my eyes steadily upon her, "we shall be in less than ten minutes at the custom-house." A spasm—a flicker from the guilt within—claneed from her countanance within-glanced from her countenance.

"You look very good-natured, sir," stammered she. I bowed, and looked considerably more so to invite her

confidence.

"If I was to tell you a secret, which is too much for me to keep myself, oh! would you keep it inviolable?"

"I know it, my dear madam—I know it already," said I smilingly—"it is lace, is it not?"

She uttered a little shrick, and-yes, she had got it there among the crinoline. She thought it had been sticking out,

you see, unknown to her.

"Oh, sir," cried she, "it is only £10 worth; please to forgive me, and I'll never do it again. As it is, I think I shall

"My dear madam," replied I, sternly, but kindly, "here is the pier, and the officer has fixed his eye upon us. I must do my duty."

I rushed up the ladder like a lamp-lighter; I pointed out the woman to a legitimate authority; I accompanied her, upon her way, in custody to the searching house. I did not saw her fined and dismissed with ignominy. having generously given up my emoluments as informer to the subordinate officials, I hurried off in search of the betrayed woman to her hotel. I gave her lace twice the value of that she lost, paid her fine, and explained:

"You, madam, had £10 worth of smuggled goods abou your person; I had nearly fifty times that amount. I turned informer, madam, let me convince you, for the sake of both of You have too expressive a countenance, believe me, and the officer would have found you out at all events, even as I did myself. Are you satisfied, my dear madam? If you feel aggrieved by me in any way, pray take more lace; here is lots

When I finished my explanation the lady seemed perfectly satisfied with my little stroke of diplomacy, though she would have doubtless preferred a little less prominent part in it.

#### A GREENBACK'S STORY.

A writer in the Chicago Tribune says:—"Since Douglas Jerrold wrote his pathetic 'Story of a Feather,' it has been the fashion to sketch the fortunes of the inanimate objects which circulate rapidly from hand to hand among men. that no one has yet written the story of a greenback? It would be full of interesting contrasts. Imagine the green paper pressed upon the engraved plates, and then quivering under the meteoric signature of General Spinner. The oblong product of rags and lamp-black is now—money. An almighty Congress has reduced the almighty dollar to this. The bit of paper goes into the Treasury vaults, that whisper to it of the time when they held gold. It is paid out, in a huge bundle of its fellows, to a contractor who has been furnishing shoddy to our army, then lying before Violenburg. to our army, then lying before Vicksburg. Plucked out of the bundle and placed in his pocket-book, it travels to the front whither he goes to see a general who is his silent and sinful partner. A battle begins. Our troops are routed. The scared contractor waves his money in his fingers, offering it all for a chance to ride to safety. The Confederate cavalry dash down upon him. He is caught, stripped, and sent to the rear. The particular greenback is dropped on the battle-field. Here groans, robbers of the dead, and monotonous moral reflections on the horrors of war may be inserted in great profusion. A on the horrors of war may be inserted in great profusion. A wounded man, clutching the ground in his last agony, unconsciously picks up the bill. His stiffened fingers close upon it at the moment of death. A prowler cuts it out of his dead hand. A doctor, searching for the wounded, detects the thief in the act and fines him the amount of the bill, which he appropriates to his own use. A few days afterwards a contagious disease attacks him in the hospital. He dies, bequeathing his effects to his betrothed. Here can come a sketch of a lovely heroine, Southern type of heapty loved by stalwart slaves, who have Southern type of beauty, loved by stalwart slaves, who have sworn to stay by her in her loneliness, and defend 'young missus' from harm. They do so—until the Federal army is near enough to make flight safe. Lovely heroine receives effects of days dead decided. fects of dead doctor; presses each article to her ruby (or coral) lips; kisses the greenback with especial fervour, reflecting that she can now buy a parasol; inhales infection from it and dies with as much pathos as Little Nell. The death must however, be rapid, in order that the bill may flutter to the floor and be at once picked up by Pompey, the faithful slave, who is thus rewarded for his single devotion to his young mistress. Pompey disappears ere morning with the green back. After an interval of some years, during which the bill sees various phases of Southern life, runs the blockade, is captured at sea, and brought to the North, it reappears as a vote persuader in the South Carolina Legislature. Once in-ured to this work it plays a prominent part in Washington. It attends the Credit Mobilier investigation, hid in the pocket of the 'statesman' it has bribed, and hears that ornament of our country declare that he is utterly innocent, and that the sudden swelling of his bank account at the time when Credit Mobilier dividends were declared was caused by generous donations from unknown but loving friends. He afterwards gives the bill to the temperance cause (the crusade being very strong in his district). It is paid out for crusade printing, and is next laid on a counter in payment for whisky. It falls the strong in the way of the strong of the st into the hands of a Communist, who makes a wild speech on the tyranny of calital and the injustice of interest that night, and tyranny or calital and the injustice of interest that night, and the next day lends the bill to a fellow working-man at 10 per cent. a month. It vibrates between hovels and palaces, between innoceance and vice. It helps pay a salary-grabber. It is waved in the sacred atmosphere of the Senate Chamber by an eloquent orator, who descants upon its blood-sealed beauties, and calls for the issue of millions like unto it. It talls the story in 1950 and closes it by saving. In 1900. tells the story in 1950, and closes it by saying: 'In 1900 I was presented at the Treasury counter, but the clerk said that was presented at the Treasury counter, but the clerk said that so many millions like me had been printed that the country never could pay them off, and that the wise men of the land had therefore decreed that gold should not be used, but that all the paper issued should be kept in circulation, and should be based on the faith of the nation. Then my owner said he had taken me some years before for a bad debt, and had been trying ever since to get rid of me, but nobody would give him the smallest thing for me. 'Well, yes,' said the clerk, 'the fact is that the bills have been—repudiated. Sad, very, but a necessity.' 'So my country has robbed me,' quoth my master. And that is the reason why my present possessor, who is a collector of worthless odds and ends, has a French assignat and a Confederate shinplaster and a Continental bill on the page of his album that holds me."

#### A CURIOUS CASE.

A curious patient is just now an inmate of Dr. Mesnet's ward at the Hôpital St. Antoine. His profession was that of a singer at the cafés-chantants. During the war of 1870-71 he was hit over the left ear by a musket bullet, which carried off about 2½ inches of the parietal bone, and laid bare the brain on the left side. This led to a temporary paralysis of the members on the opposite side, as is always the case; but he was eventually cured of this, while the tremendous wound on the skuli began to heal, so that after a time he could resume his professional duties at the cafés to the satisfaction of the public. Suddenly, however, he was selzed with nervous symptoms, lasting from twenty-four to forty-eight hours, and of such an extraordinary nature that it was considered safe to take nim to the hospital. His malady is easier to illustrate by examples than to define. When he is in his fit he has no sensitiveness of his own, and will bear physical pain without being aware of it; but his will may be influenced by contact with exterior obj Set him on they touch the ground, they awaken in him the desire of walking; he then marches straight on quite steadily, with fixed eyes, without saying a word, or knowing what is going on about him. If he meets with an obstacle on his way he will touch it, and try to make out by feeling what it is, and then attempt to get out of its way. If several persons join hands and form a ring around him he will try to find an opening by repeatedly crossing over from one side to the other, and this without betraying the slightest consciousness or impatience. Put a pen into his hand, this will instantly awaken in him a desire of writing; he will fumble about for ink and paper, and, if these be placed before him, he will write a very sensible business letter; but when the fit is over, he will recollect Lo-thing at all ab ut it. Give him some cigarette paper, and he will instantly take out his tobacco-bag, roll a cigarette ver cleverly, and light it with a match from his own box. P

them out one after another, he will try from first to last to get a light, and put up in the end with his ill success. But ignite a match yourself, and give it him, he will not use it, but let it burn between his fingers. Fill his tobacco-bag with her to her the light have to he let it burn between his fingers. Fill his tobacco-bag with anything, no matter what—shavings, cotton, lint, hay, &c., he will roll his cigarette just the same, light and smoke it without perceiving the hoax. But, better still, put a pair of gloves into his hand and he will put them on at once; this, reminding him of his profession, will make him look for his music. A roll of paper is then given to him, upon which he assumes the attitude of a singer before the public, and warbles some piece of his repertory. If you place yourself before him he will feel about on your person, and, meeting with your watch, he will transfer it from your pocket to his own; but, on the other hand, he will allow you, without any resistance or impatience whatever, to take it back again.

#### A GYPSY SORCERESS.

The Kingston Freeman says: "Some of the up-town chaps had their fortunes told by a handsome, brown-complexioned nad their fortunes told by a handsome, brown-complexioned woman, who called herself a gypsy queen. He name was Clara Stanley. She was tall, well-proportioned, with hair and eyes very black. In her hair she wore a silver comb, surmounted by a coronet of gold. Four gold chains were round her neck, from each of which depended one of the emblems of the zodiac. On her breast was suspended a large cross of Guinea gold. Her long, slender fingers were covered with fine gold rings given to her by the noblesse of England. Her feet were small and aristocratic. She was dressed in a habit of blue plaid, and she reigns over a tribe belonging to the of blue plaid, and she reigns over a tribe belonging to the Ninth Division of the Rommany. We cannot, of course, give the fortunes of all these young men, and must therefore confine ourselves to a description of an interview with a young legal gentleman. Said the queen, as she gently took his hand, "I tells yous character from yous face, from the way yous walks, from the haughty flash of yous eyes, and the quick way your lifts yous head. But when I tells yous past and yous future, I looks at the palms of yous hands, and by the marks and wrinkles reads what yous have been. Both yous were born under Mars, under Venus, and under Jupiter, which means war, love, and fortune. There's a very strange mixture in yous case. Yous are as full of contradictions as any man I have ever seen on this side of the water. Yous quick and high-spirited, and trusts yourself and then your friends. Yous never takes a love for any woman you can't take it off easy as you can put it on. Now yous like a bee—yous sip honey from many flowers, though yous very choice. Yous haughty, from many flowers, though yous very choice. Yous haughty, yous tender, yous would go through fire and water for those yous love, and smite those that offend thee.' Further than this she actually told the young man some facts that had taken leave the state of the st taken place a number of years ago, which astonished him very much, for they were actually true. How she became acquainted with these matters, which were supposed to be locked up in his own breast and that of only one other person, who is many hundred miles away, is pretty hard to tell. Yet she did it, describing persons and giving their full names."

#### , THE LITERARY WORLD

"George Eliot" is reported to be engaged upon a new novel, for which she has been offered £10,000.

A new Turkish daily paper is about to appear in Pera with the title of Medimouai Mearef ("The Record of Knowledge").

Mr. Harrison Ainsworth is engaged in writing a new romance for Bow Bells, which will commence running in Sep-

Lord Russell's volume of reminiscences of his political life is now in the hands of the printers, and will be published in

The Newsvendor states that "An Illustrated and Verbatim Report of the Tichborne Trial," edited by Dr. Kenealy, Q.C., is projected. It would be by subscription, at 3d. a number.

The second volume of Blanchard Jerrold's " Life of Napoleon III.," which is to be published in the autumn, will contain an estimate of the character of his Majesty, written by Lord Lytton in a fly-leaf of the " Idées Napoléoniennes" in 1839.

M. Brugsch, the well-known Egyptologist, will attend the International Congress of Orientalists, to be shortly held in London, as the representative of the Khedive, and intends to deliver a lecture on the Exodus, which will be of deep Biblical

The Senate of the University of Landon has adopted the following amendment, by seventeen votes to ten, on a proposal to obtain a new charter enabling the University to confer degrees on women: "That the Senate is desirous to extend the scope of the educational advantages now offered to women, but it is not prepared to apply for a new charter to admit women to its degrees."

A new romance has recently been published in Paris by Lacroix & Co., entitled "Souvenirs d'une Cosaque," which has already reached a second edition. The author is a lady, viz: Madame Olga de Janina, a pianoforte player of celebrity, but who adopts the nom de plume of Robert Franz. The principal personage, referred to under the letter X, is stated to be M. Liszt, of musical celebrity.

In 1824, the Athensum says, there were published in the United Kingdom 266 papers in all, thus divided: London, 31; in the country, 135; in Ireland, 58; in Scotland, 33; in the British Islands, 9. In the present year the aggregate number is 1,885. Estimating the news sheets printed in 1824, we can millions of 8 At the present period we do not doubt that the issue is six hundred and fifty millions of sheets per annum.

Not only is the National Library of France, situated in the Rue Richelieu, entitled to a free copy of every book published in the country, but also to posters, programmes, and hand-bills; these latter, however, it does not exact. The number of printed volumes is over two millions, and occupy a length of shelves equal to forty miles. The very bad and very nasty books are stored apart under safe lock and key, forming a kind of secret museum called Enfer. It is gratifying to know that this collection of pomography comprises but 340 works, represented by 730 volumes, since the invention of printing, so that the filth of the mind is not so extensive as might be sup posed. The costly, or rather priceless volumes, are preserved under lock and key in subterranean galleries; it is thus that the first book printed by Gutenburg is tressured.

#### ODDITIES.

Chicago is now called "Cremation City."

Receipt for a hot breakfast-Admire your landlady's new

Injun probabilities; "Mebbe snow next week: mebbe heap damn hot."

To secure a scowl of perfect disgust from a woman, tell her that a caterpillar is crawling on the back of her dress.

Col. Egerton, in the House of Commons, said philanthropy is so energetic that "it requires a good deal of influence now. adays to get hanged."

"Is them the common dog sassage?" inquired a venerable looking lady, as she surveyed a bunch of bananas over her spectacles the other day.

The Schoolmen of the *Evening Star* thus sharpen an old saw: "The young-man-who-parts-his-hair-in-the-middle and his money are soon parted."

A darkey, left in charge of a telegraph office while the operator went to dinner, heard some one "call" over the wires, and began shouting at the instrument, "De operator isn't yer!" The noise cea-ed.

The president of a cremation club in Iowa has named his last baby "Cinderella." His next boy he intends to name after the great lawyer Coke, and the next daughter Char-lotte.

The difference in natures was well illustrated at the Boston depot. Two sisters met. 'O my dear sister!" said one exhaustedly, as they embraced. "You've been eating onions," said the other, calmly and fearlessly.

At Fontanelle, Iowa, lately, a couple were married with the following brief service: "Join your right hands. Do you want one another?" Both replied "Yes." "Well, then, have one

Heroism is limited, after all. A girl who, the other day, jumped into Merrimac River and rescued a drowning child, fainted away when she saw her false curls floating down the

Alluding to the fact that three steamers have been fatally

weakened by additions to their length, the Christian Register says:— "Many fine sermons have been rulned in the same way."

It is reported that Brigham Young lately said, in an heroic moment, "If I thought it was really necessary, in order to the building up of the kingdom, I could bury every one of my wives without shedding a tear." without shedding a tear."

As to that paragraph about Esther Shaw of Davenport, Iowa, who worked thirteen years in a family without asking a cent, it becomes necessary to say that it was a very large family Esther worked in, and they boarded at the State Prison.

A benevolent physician in Laporte County, Indiana, gave a Fourth of July picuic to seven hundred calidren, not even such delicacies as cake, strawberries and ice cream, being omittel. He got back his outlay in colics, however, before the

A raw countryman, gazing at a garden in the vicinity of Box ton, in which were several marble statues, exclaimed: "Just see what a waste! Here's no less than six scare-crows in this ten-foot patch, and any one of them would keep the crows from a five-acre lot!"

One of the Professors asked a student to give him an example of a mixed metaphor. The boy confidently spoke out:—"When my tongue shall forget her cunning, and my right eye cleave to the roof of my mouth."

The editor of the Granby Gazette tells some queer yarns. Here is the latest: "On these moonlight nights our rural and shady places are vocal with the plaintive cry of 'Now, you quit that; que-ttt, I say!'"

The last euphuism out is that of a student, who remarked the other day of one in whose honesty he has no great abiding faith, that he will hereafter have opportunity "to examine the sulphur spectrum without building any special fire for the pur-

The proverb that "God helps those who help themselves The proverb that "God helps those who help themselves" was well paraphrased by a little fellow who tumbled into a fountain and was nearly drowned. Pale and dripping he was put to bed, and when his mother requested the young man to thank God for saving him, Young America answered, "I s'pose God did save me, but then I held on to the gwass, too."

A man in an adjoining county died recently who had taken his county paper for twelve years without paying for it. Upon the day of his burial the kind-hearted, forgiving editor called to see him a last time and stuffed a linen duster and a couple of paim leaf hats into the coffin. He was prepared for a warmer

A promising youthof nine summers, in western Massachusetts, at a school, recently relieved his over-burdened mind as fol-

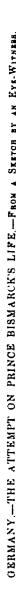
"Lord of love, look down from above, Upon us little scholars; We have a fool to teach our school, And pay her twenty dollars

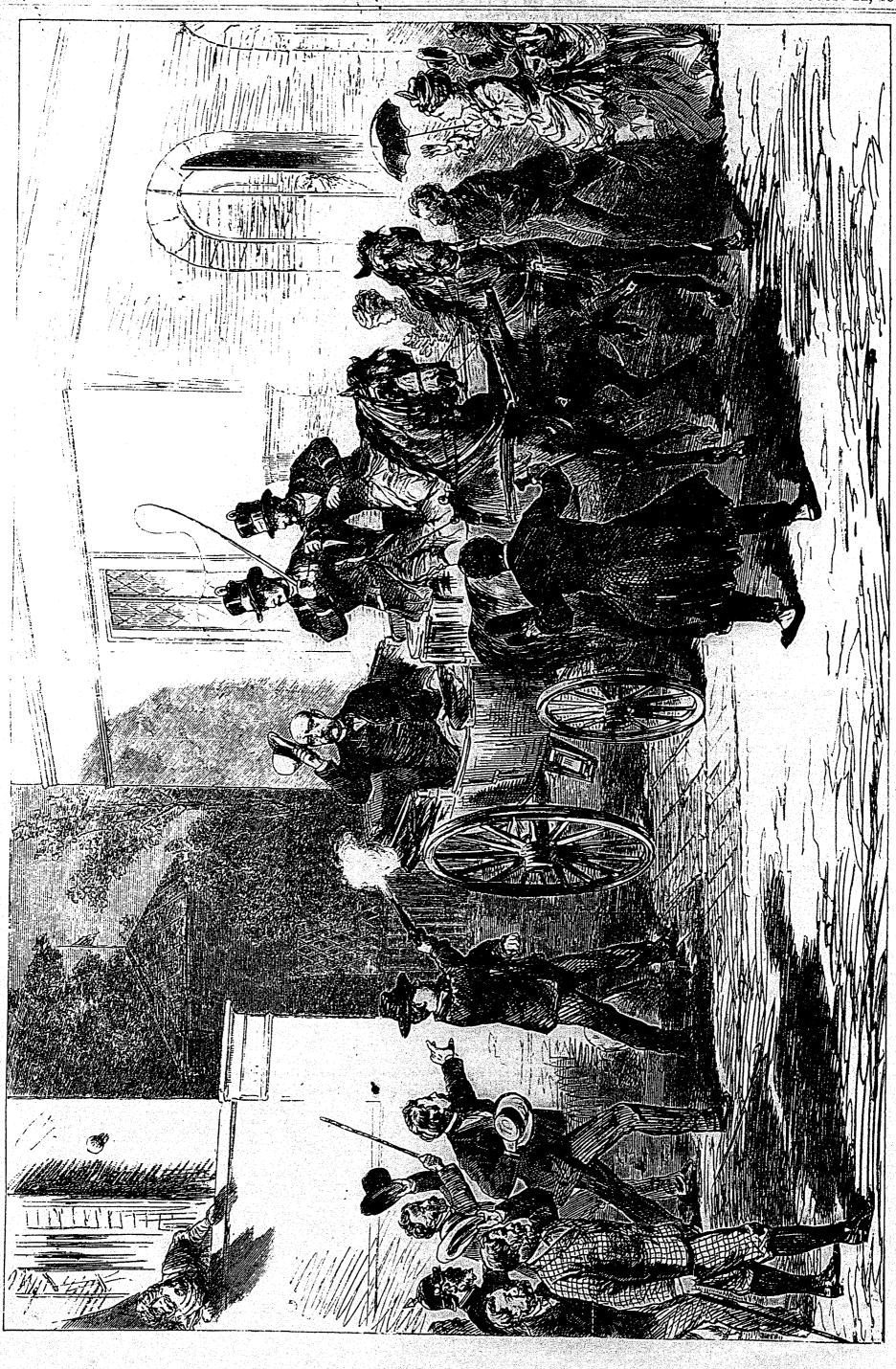
A Western philosopher discourses after the following wise: "Do you chew gum? The price of three pieces a week, at one cent spiece, amounts to \$1.56 a year, or in sixty-seven years to \$104.52. That sum will purchase a complete set of appleton's Cyclopedia, a marriage license, a black bombasine dress for your sunt, a German silver coffin plate, and a cheroot. Out this out, young man, and paste it on the back of your girl's photograph.

The editor of the Burlington (Ia.) Howkeye has discovered a woman who will get up at six o'clock, kindle the fire, get breakfast, rout out the family, wash the dishes and six children, sew a button on the neck of her husband's shirt and hunt his hat, go to a mission Sunday-school and teach a class, attend church, rush home and have dinner over and the things cleared away in time for afternoon Sunday-school, read the Sunday-school papers to the children, go to church at night, and talk on her way home about Sunday as a "day of rest."

Tom Raikes who w having one day written an anonymous letter to Count D'Orsay, naving one day written an anonymous letter to count Dorsey, containing some piece of impertinence, had closed it with a wafer, and stamped it with something resembling the top of a thimble. The Count soon discovered who was the writer, and in a roomful of company thus addressed him— "Ha, ha! my good Raikes, the next time you write an anonymous letter, you must not seal it with your nose."

He was eighteen, and she sweet sixteen, and they lived in Leavenworth, Kansas, Au inexorable parent forbade the banns. So he of the eighteen years succeeded in raising nine dollars, and with "sweet sixteen" took the cars for the friendly geus of Missouri. After paying fare for the round trip and \$2.50 to the parson, the twain made one, landed in Leavenworth with the large fortune of \$1 in greenbacks. Repairing to a saloon, icecream and cake were called for, reducing the cash to two nickels. Nothing daunted, two glasses of soda were swallowed, and the newly married couple started to begin life's wedded dream without a copper. This is enterprise.







ENGLAND.—THE ACCIDENT TO M. DE GROOF, THE FLYING MAN.

A fair child in the standing corn Upon a gleamy summer morn, Red popples in her bosom borne;

Her hair pale gold of dawning skies. Blue depths of innocence her e Stirred with a sudden light surprise.

A maiden standing pensively Beside a silver flashing sea, She beareth ocean-flowerets three;

sweet face on a stainless heaven Bright hair upon the bright wind driven. A foam-bow with its colours seven.

III.

A gray sky o'er a river-mead, A waving wall of flowery reed, White gleams that o'er the low plain speed.

Hark! some one singeth sweetly there, White water-lilles in her hair, The song's words are of promise fair.

# NINETY-THREE.

BY VICTOR HUGO.

#### PART THE THIRD. IN VENDÉE.

#### BOOK THE FIRST.

I .- PLUSQUAM CIVILTA BELLA.

"That of the 1st of May-yes."

- "You have ridden all day?"
- "Since dawn."
- "And yesterday?"
- " And the day before."
- "I can see that. You came by Domfront and Mortain." "And Avranches."
- "Take my advice, citizen; rest yourself. You must be tired. Your horse is certainly."

"Horses have a right to be tired; men have not." The host again fixed his eyes on the traveller. It was a

grave, calm, severe face, framed by grey hair.

The innkeeper cast a glance along the road, which was deserted as far as the eye could reach, and said, "And you travel alone in this fashion?"

" I have an escort."

"Where is it?" "My sabre and pistols."

- The innkeeper brought a bucket of water, and, while the horse was drinking, studied the traveller, and said mentally,
- "All the same, he has the look of a priest."

  The horseman resuned. "You say there is fighting at Dol?"
- "Yes. That ought to be about beginning."
  "Who is fighting?"
- "One ci-devant against another ci-devant." "You said?"
- "I say that an ex-noble who is for the Republic is fighting against another ex-noble who is for the King.' "But there is no longer a king."
  "There is the little fellow! The odd part of the business
- is that these two ci-devants are relations.

The horseman listened attentively. The innkeeper continued: "One is young, the other old. It is the grand-nephew who fights the great-uncle. The uncle is Royalist, the nephew

a Patriot. The uncle commands the Whites, the nephew commands the Blues. Ah, they will show no quarter, I'll warrant you. It is a war to the death."
"Death?"

- "Yes, citizen. Hold! would you like to see the compliments they fling at each other's heads? Here is a notice the old man finds means to placard everywhere, on all the houses and all the trees, and that he has had stuck up on my very
- The host held up his lantern to a square of paper fastened on a panel of the double door, and, as the placard was written in large characters, the traveller could read it as he sat on his horse.
- "The Marquis de Lantenac has the honour of informing his grand-nephew, the Viscount Gauvain, that if the Marquis has the good fortune to seize his person he will cause the Viscount to be decently shot."

"Here," added the host, "is the reply."

- He went forward, and threw the light of the lantern upon a econd placard placed on a level with the first upon the other leaf of the door. The traveller read :
- "Gauvain warns Lantenac that, if he takes him, he will have him shot."
- "Yesterday," said the host, "the first placard was stuck on y door, and this morning the second. There was no waiting for the answer

The traveller in a half-voice, and as if speaking to himself, uttered these words, which the innkeeper heard without really comprehending.

"Yes; this is more than war in the country, it is war in families. It is necessary, and it is well. The grand restora-tion of the people must be bought at this price."

And the traveller raised his hand to his hat and saluted the

second placard, on which his eyes were still fixed. The host continued: "So, citizen, you understand how the matter lies. In the cities and the large towns we are for the Revolution, in the country they are against it; that is to say, in the towns people are Frenchmen, and in the villages they It is a war of the townspeople against the peasants. They call us clowns, we call them boors. The nobles and the priests are with them." " Not all," interrupted the horseman.

"Certainly not, citizen, since we have here a viscount against a marquis."

Then he added, to himself—" And I feel sure I am speaking to a priest."

The horseman continued: "And which of the two has the

best of it?"

"The viscount so far. But he has to work hard. The old man is a tough one. They belong to the Gauvain family—nobles of these parts. It is a family with two branches; there is the great branch, whose chief is called the Marquis de Lantenac, and there is the lesser branch, whose head is called the Viscount Gauvain. To-day the two branches fight each other. One does not see that among trees, but one sees it other. One does not see that among trees, but one sees it among men. This Marquis de Lantenac is all-powerful in Brittany; the p asants consider him a prince. The very day he landed, eight thousand men joined him; in a week, three hundred parishes had risen. If he had been able to get foothold on the coast, the English would have landed. Luckills this Churwin was at hand, the other's grandeed. ily this Gauvain was at hand—the other's grandnephew—odd chance! He is the republican commander, an! he has check-mated his great-uncle. And then, as good luck would have it, when this Lantenac arrived, and was massacring a heap of prisoner, he had two women shot, one of whom had three children that had been adopted by a Paris battalion. And that made a terrible battalion. They call themselves the Battalion of the Bonnet Rouge. There are not many of those Parisians left, but they are furious bayonets. They have been incorporated into the division of Commandant Gauvain. Nothing can stand against them. They mean to avenge the women, and retake the children. Nobody knows what the old man has done with the little ones. Suppose those babies had not been mixed up in the matter—the war would not be what it is. The viscount is a good, brave young man; but the old fellow is a terrible marquis. The peasants call it the war of Saint Michael against Beelsebub. You know, perhaps, that Saint Michael is an angel of the district. There is a mountain named after him out in the bay. They say he overcame the demon, and buried him under another mountain near here, which is called Tombelaine."

"Yes," murmured the horseman; "Tumba Beleni, the tomb of Belenus—Bel, Belial, Beelzebub."
"I see that you are well informed."

And the host again spoke to himself. "He understands

"Twenty sous a post for a carriage, twelve for a gig, five sous for a van. You bought your horse at Alençon?"

"Yes."

Latin! Decidedly he is a priest."

Then he resumed: "Well, citizen, for the peasants it is that war beginning over again. For them the royalist general is Saint Michael, and Beelzebub is the republican com-mander. But if there is a devil, it is certainly Lantenac, and if there is an angel, it is Gauvain. You will take nothing, citizen?"

"I have my gourd and a piece of bread. But you do not tell me what is passing at Dol!"

"This. Gauvain commands the exploring column of the coast. Lantenac's aim was to rouse a general insurrection, and sustain Lower Brittany by the aid of Lower Normandy, open the door to Pitt, and give a shove forward to the Vendean army, with twenty thousand English and two hundred thousand peasants. Gauvain cut this plan short. He holds the coast, and he drive: Lantenac into the interior and the English into the sea. Lantenac was here, and Gauvain has dislodged him; has taken from him the Pont-au-Beau, has driven him out of Avranches, chased him out of Villedieu, and kept him from reaching Granville. He is manœuvring to shut him up again in the Forest of Fougères, and to surround him. Yesterday everything was going well; Gauvain was here with his division. All of a sudden—look sharp!—the old man, who is skilful, made a point; information comes that he has marched on Dol. If he takes Dol and establishes a battery on Mount Dol (for he has cannon), then there will be a place on the coast where the English can land, and every-thing is lost That is why, as there was not a minute to lose, that Gauvain, who is a man with a head, took counsel with nobody but himself, asked no orders and waited for none, but sounded the signal to saddle, put to his artillery, collected his troop, drew his sabre, and, while Lantenac throws himself on Dol Gauvain throws himself on Lantenac. It is at Dol that these two Breton heads will knock together. There

will be a fine shock. They are at it now."

"How long does it take to get to Dol?"

"At least three hours for a troop with cannon; but they are there now."

The traveller listened, and said: "In fact, I think I hear cannon."

The host listened. "Yes, citizen; and the musketry. They have opened the ball. You would do well to pass the night here. There will be nothing good to catch over

"I cannot stop. I must keep on my road."

- "You are wrong. I do not know your business: but the risk is great, and unless it concerns what you hold dearest in the world "———
- "In truth, it is that which is concerned," said the cavalier.

"Something like your son"——
"Very nearly that," said the cavalier.
The innkeeper raised his head, and said to himself—"Still, this citizen gives me the impression of being a priest." Then, after a little reflection—" All the same, a priest may have

"Put the bridle back on my horse," said the traveller. "How much do I owe you?"

He paid the man.

The host set the trough and the bucket back against the wall and returned toward the horseman.

"Since you are determined to go, listen to my advice. It is clear that you are going to Saint-Malo. Well, do not pass by Dol. There are two roads; the road by Dol, and the road along the sea-shore. There is scarcely any difference in their length. The sea-shore passes by Saint-Georges-de-Brehaigne, Cherrueix, and Hyrel-le-Vivier. You leave Dol to the south and Cancale to the north. Citzen, at the end of the street you will find the branching off of the two routes; that of Dol is on the left, that of Saint-Georges-de-Brehaigne on the right. Listen well to me; if you go by Dol, you will fall into the middle of the massicre. That is why you must not take to the left, but to the right."

"Thanks," said the traveller.

He spurred his horse forward. The obscurity was now complete; he hurried on into the night. The innkeeper lost sight

When the traveller reached the end of the street where the

two roads branched off, he heard the voice of the innkeeper calling to him from afar-" Take the right!" He took the left.

#### II.-DoL.

Dol, a Spanish city of France in Brittany, as the guide-books style it, is not a town; it is a street. A great old Gothic street, bordered all the way on the right and the left by houses with pillars, placed irregularly, so that they form nooks and elbows in the highway, which is nevertheless very wide. The rest of the town is only a net-work of lanes, attaching themselves to this great diametrical street, and pouring into it like brooks into a river. The city, without gates or walls, open, overlooked by Mount Dol, could not have sustained one. The promontories of houses, which were still to be seen fifty years back, and the two-pillared galleries which bordered the street, made a battle ground that was very strong and capable of offering great resistance. Each house was a fortress in fact, and it would be necessary to take them one after another. The old market was very nearly in the middle of the street. The innkeeper of the Croix-Brancard had spoken truly—a mad conflict filled Dol at the moment he uttered the words.

A nocturnal duel between the Whites, that morning arrived, and the Blues, who had come upon them in the evening, burst suddenly over the town. The forces were unequal; the Whites numbered six thousand—there were only fifteen hundred of the Blues; but there was equality in point of obstinate rage. Strange to say, it was the fifteen hundred who had attacked the six thouand.

On one side a mob, on the other a phalanx. On one side six thousand peasants, with blessed medals on their leathern vests, white ribands on their round hats, Christian devices on their braces, chaplets at their belts, carrying more pitchforks their braces, chaplets at their belts, carrying more pitchforks than sabres, carbines without bayonets, dragging cannon with ropes; badly equipped, ill disciplined, poorly armed, but frantic. In opposition to them were fifteen hundred soldiers, wearing three-cornered hats, coats with large tails and wide lapels, shoulder-belts crossed, copper-hilted swords, and carrying guns with long bayonets. They were trained, skilled; docile, yet fierce; obeying like men who would know how to command. Velunteers also, shoeless and in rags too, but volunteers for their country. On the side of Mon rohy, peasants who were paladins; for the Revolution, barefooted heroes, and each troop possessing a soul in its leader; the royalists having an old man, the republicans a young one. On this side, Lant-nac; on the other, Gauvain.

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rine Revolution, side by side with its faces of youthful giants like those of Danton, Saint-Just, and Robespierre, has faces of ideal youth, like those of Hoche and Marceau. Gauvain was one of these. He was thirty years old; he had a Herculean bust, the solemn eye of a prophet, and the laugh of a child. He did not smoke, he did not drink, he did not swear. He carried a dressing-case through the whole war; he took care of his pails his teath and his kair which we he took care of his nails, his teeth, and his hair, which was dark and luxuriant. During halts he himself shook in the wind his military coat, riddled with bullets and white with dust. Though always rushing headlong into an affray, he had never been wounded. His singularly sweet voice had at command the harsh imperiousness needed by a leader. He set the example of sleeping on the ground, in the wind, the rain, and the snow, rolled in his cloak and with his noble head pillowed on a stone. His was an heroic and innocent soul. The sabre in his hand transfigured him. He had that effeminate air which in battle turns into something formidable.

With all that, a thinker and a philosopher—a youthful sage.

Alcibiades in appearance; Socrates in speech.
In that immense improvisation of the French Revolution this young man had become at once a leader. His division, formed by himself, was like a Roman legion, a kind of complete little army; it was composed of infantry and cavalry; it had its scouts, its pioneers, its sappers, pontooners; and as a Roman legion had its catapults, this one had its cannon. Three pieces, well mounted, rendered the column strong, while leaving it easy to guide.

Lantenac was also a thorough soldier—a more consummate one. He was at the same time wary and hardy. Old heroes have more cold determination than young ones, because they are far removed from the warmth of life's morning; more audacity, because they are near death. What have they to lose? So very little. Hence the manœuvres of Lantenac were at once rash and skilful. But in the main and almost always, in this dogged hand-to-hand conflict between the old man and the young Gauvain gained the advantage. It was rather the work of fortune than anything else. All good luck even successes which are in themselves terrible—go to youth. Victory is feminine. Lantenac was exasperated against Gauvain; justly, because Gauvain fought against against Gauvain; justly, because Gauvain lought against him; in the second place, because he was of his kindred. What did he mean by turning Jacobin? This Gauvain! I his mischievous dog! His heir—for the marquis had no children—his grand-nephew, almost his grandson. "Ah," said this quasi-grandfather, "if I put my hand on him I will kill him like a dog!" like a dog!"

For that matter the Revolution was right to disquiet itself in regard to this Marquis de Lantenac. An earthquake followed his landing. His name spread through the Vendean in the landing of name and Lantenac at once her insurrection like a train of powder, and Lantenac at once became the centre. In a revolt of that nature, where each is jealous of the other, and each has his thicket or ravine, the arrival of a superior rallies the scattered leaders who have been equals among themselves. Nearly all the forest captains had joined Lantenac, and, whether near or far off they obeyed him. One man alone had departed; it was the first who had joined him—Gavard. Wherefore? Because he had been a man of trust. Gavard had known all the secrets and adopted all the plans of the ancient system of civil war; Lantenac appeared to replace and supplant him. One does not inherit from a man of trust; the shoe of La Ronain did not fit Lante-

nac. Gavard departed to rejoin Bonchamp. Lantenac, as a military man, belonged to the school of Frederic II.; he understood combining the great war with the little. He would have neither a "confused mass," like the great Catholic and royal army, a crowd destined to be crushed, nor a troop of guerillas scattered among the hedges and copses, good to harass, impotent to destroy. Guerilla warfare finishes nothing, or finishes ill; it begins by attacking a republic and ends by rifling a diligence. Lantenac did not comprehend this Breton war as the older chiefs had done; La Bochejacquelein was all for open country campaigns, Jean Chouan all for the forest; he would have neither Vendée nor Chouannerie; he wanted real warfare; he would make use of the peasant but he meant to depend on the soldier. He wanted bands for

strategy and regiments for tactics. He found these village armies admirable for attack, for ambush and surprise, quickly gathered, quickly dispersed; but he felt that they lacked solidity; they were like water in his hand; he wanted to create a solid base in this floating and diffused war; he wanted to determine the formula regularly drilled. ed to join to the savage army of the forests regularly drilled troops that would make a pivot about which he could manœuvre the peasants. It was a profound and terrible conception; if it had succeeded, the Vendée would have been un-

But where to find regular troops? Where look for soldiers? where to and regular troops? Where discover an army ready-made? In England. Hence Lantenac's determined idea— to land the English. Thus the conscience of parties compro-mises with itself. The white cockade hid the red uniform from Lantenac's sight. He had only one thought, to get possession of some point on the coast and deliver it up to Pitt. That was why, seeing Dol defenceless, he flung himself upon it; the taking of the town would give him Mount Dol and Mount Dol the coast.

The place was well chosen. The cannon of Mount Dol would sweep the Fresnois on one side and Saint-Brelade on the other; would keep the cruisers of Cancale at a distance, and leave the whole beach, from Raz-sur-Couësnon to Saint-Meloir-des-Oudes, clear for an invasion.

For the carrying out of this decisive attempt Lantenac had brought with him only a little over six thousand men, the flower of the bands which he had at his disposal, and all his artillery, ten sixteen-pound culverins, a demi-culverin. and a four-pounder. His idea was to establish a strong battery on Mount Dol, upon the principle that a thousand shots fired from ten cannon do more execution than fifteen hundred fired with five. Success appeared certain. They were six thousand men. Towards Avranches, they had only Gauvain and his fifteen hundred men to fear, and Lechelle had twenty-five thourand men, but he was twenty leagues away. So Lantenac felt confidence; on Lechelle's side h: put the great distance against the great numbers; with Gauvain, the size of the force against the propinquity. Let us add that Lechelle was an idiot, who later on allowed his twenty-five thousand men to be externinated in the landes of the Croix-Bataille, a blunder which he at cred for the greated. der which he atoned for by suicide.

So Lantenac felt perfect security. His entrance into Dol was sudden and stern. The Marquis de Lantenac had a stern rejutation; he was known to be without pity. No resi tance was attempted. The terrified inhabitants barricaded them-selves in their houses. The six thousand Vendeans installed themselves in the town with rustic confusion; it was almost like a fair ground, without quartermasters, without allotted camp, bivouacking at hazard, cooking in the open air, scattering themselves among the churches, forsaking their guns for their reserves. Lantenac went in haste with some artillery officers to reconnoitre Mount Dol, leaving the command to Gouge-le-Bruant, whom he had appointed field-sergeant.

This Gouge le-Bruant has left a vague trace in history. He had two nicknames, Brise bleu, on account of his massacre of patriots, and Iman's, because he had in him a something that was indescribably horrible. Iman's, derived from imanis, is an old bas-Norman word which expresses superhuman ugliness, something almost divine in its awfulness—a demon, a satyr, an ogre. An ancient manuscript says—" With my two eyes I saw Imanus." The old people of the Bocage no longer

know to-day who Gouge-le-Bruant was, nor what Brise-bleu signifies; but they know, corfusedly, Imanus; Imanus is mingled with the local superstitions. They talk of him still at Trémorel and at Plumaugat, two villages where Gouge-le-Bruant has left the trace of his sinister course. In the Vendée the others were savages; Gouge-le Bruant was the bar-barian. He was a species of Cacique, tattooed with Christian crosses and fleur-de-lys; he had on his face the hideous, almost supernatural glare of a soul which no other human soul re-sembled. He was infernally brave in combat; atrocious afterwards. His was a heart full of tortuous intricacies, capable of all forms of devotion, inclined to all madnesses. Did he reason? Yes; but as serpents crawl—in a twisted fashion. He started from heroism to reach murder. It was impossible to divine whence his resolves came to him—they were sometimes grand from their very monstro ity. He was capable of every possible unexpected horror. His ferocity was epic.
Hence his mysterious nickname—Imanus.
The Marquis de Lantenac had confidence in his cruelty.

It was true that Imanus excelled in cruelty, but in strategy and in tactics he was less clever, and perhaps the marquis erred in making him his field-sergeant. However that might , he left Imanus behind him with instructions to replace

him and look after everything.
Gouge-le-Bruant, a man more of a fighter that a soldier, was fitter to cut the throats of a clan than to guard a town. Still he posted main-guards.

When evening came, as the Marquis de Lantenac was returning toward Doll, after having decided upon the ground for his battery, he suddenly heard the report of cannon. He looked forward. A red smoke was rising from the principal street. There had been surprise, invasion, assault; they were fighting in the town.

(To be continued.)

#### AT HOME AND ABROAD.

Aug. 11.—"Fellowcraft" won the \$6,000 purse for the mile

and a half race at Saratoga.

The President of Peru has ordered the expulsion of the Jesuits from that country.

The Panama Railway track has been flooded, causing delay to the traffic. Commercial depression still exists on the Isthmus. The arbitrators in the dispute between the city of Toronto and ne Northern Railway, awarded a sum of \$119,538 to the

The quantity of timber taken out of the Ottawa district this year is said to be twice as much as in any one season for the

Serious trouble is impending at Austin, Tenn.; troops from Memphis and vicinity are leaving for that city to render assistance to the white men.

Admiral Cochrane, with the British Pacific squadron, has been ordered to San Jose, Guatemala, to demand reparation for the indignity lately offered to Consul Magee.

The Ithaca Journal contains a letter from T. B. Carpenter, denying the statement of the New York Sun, that he had offered

of the suppress Tilton's letter to Dr. Bacon for \$5,000.

Great excitement prevails in Paris over the news of the es-

cape of Marshal Buzaine from the Island of Ste. Marguerite, where he was last December sentenced to pass twenty years in imprisonment. The Marshal effected his escape in the dead of night by letting himself down the cliffs by a rope to where his

wife and a cousin were waiting with a boat, in which they rowed to the steamer. They are supposed to have landed at Genos.

Aug. 12. -Calcutta despatches announce the subsidence of the floods in Scinde.

Eighty persons formerly connected with the French Commune

have been arrested at Marseilles.

Bazaine arrived at Brussels on Sunday morning. Parisian journals call for his extradition.

The London Times contradicts the report of Serrano's intended

blockade of the Cantabrian coast. Latest despatches from Austin announce that the troops have

The reserve force at Bosnia has been disbanded, by order of the Porte, and the regular troops withdrawn from the Servian

By the consent of Great Britain to the matter, the negotiations or the recognition of the Spanish Republic have been completed. Difficulties between China and the United States are likely to

arise in consequence of the participation of United States service officers in the Island of Formosa affair.

It is stated that by the non-production by Moulton of all the letters of Beecher in his possession, matters will be so left as to save Beecher's reputation, preserve Mrs. Tilton's, and satisfy Tilton himself. Beecher's statement, which was to be given last night, it is said will fill eight columns of the Brooklyn Eagle.

Aug. 18.—The Carlists have made an unsuccessful attempt to

cross the Ebro. New tenders for the Pacific Railway Telegraph is to be called

Investigation into the circumstances of Bazaine's escape shew that the director of the prison is gravely implicated.

The Republican troops have been concentrated at Miranda, where they are confronted by eighteen battalions of Carlists.

The Cheyenne, Kiowa and Comanche Indians are getting

scared at the warlike preparations made to chastise them, and are suing for peace.

Aug. 14.—Bazaine is at present in Belgium. A Paris despatch

says the French Government will not demand his extradition.

News from Sioux City confirms the report of the discovery of gold at Black Hills, and though "Spotted Tail" considers the Custer expedition a violation of the Indian Treaty, he doesn't care to fight about it.

The Governor of Texas complains that Mexican Indians are

constantly raiding upon the people of Texas, murdering and plundering wholesale; that the United States troops are utterly inadequate to protect the Texans, and that they are obliged in self defence to protect themselves.

Aug. 15.—The Carlists have cut the railway and telegraph lines between Madrid and Saragossa.

Zabala has taken 24,000 men and 47 guns to the relief of Vittoria, besieged by the insurgents.

Two immense demonstrations took place in Scotland to-day in favour of Home Rule. The Cologne Gazette publishes a letter from Madame Bazaine,

in which she declares herself alone to have planned the Marshal's

Partial returns of an election to fill a vacancy in the French seembly indicates a victory for the Republican candidate by a very large majority.

Beecher has made his statement. He says he feels as if he had taken quite a load off his mind by his statement, and now means to go to the White Mountains and throw away all his troubles. Bowen has sailed to England.

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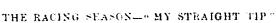
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