## THE EVIL GENIUS.

A DOMESTIC STORY. BY WILKIE COLLINS.

round, and started to her feet, "Oh, here's a lady! Shall I go away?" The curtains hanging over the entrance to the library were opened for the second time.

With composure and dignity the lady who had startled Sydney entered the room. "Have you been reading in the library?"

Mrs. Linley asked. And Mrs. Presty answered: "No, Catherine; I have been listen-

Mrs. Linley looked at her mother; her lovely complexion reddened with a deep

"Introduce me to Miss Westerfield," Mrs. Presty proceeded, as coolly as ever.

Mrs. Linley showed some hesitation. What would the governess think of her mother? Perfectly carcless of what the governess might think, Mrs. Presty crossed the room and introduced herself.

"Miss Westerfield, I am Mrs. Linley's mother. And I am, in one respect, a remarkable person. When I form an opinion, and find it's the opinion of a fool, I am not in the least whamed to change my mind, I have changed my mind about you. Shake hands, Sydney/respectfully obeyed.

"Sit down again." Sydney returned to her chair.

"I had the worst possible opinion of you." Mrs. Presty resumed, before I had the please pre of listening on the other side of the curtain. It has been my good fortune-what's your Christian name? Did I hear it, or have I forgotten it? Sydney, eh? Very well. I was about to say, Sydney, that it has been my good fortune to be intimately associated. in early life, with two remarkable characters. Husbands of mine, in short, whose influence over me has, I am proud to say, set death and burial at defiance. Between them they have made my mind the mind of a man, I judge for myself. The opinions of others (when they don't happen to agree with mine) I regard as chaff to be scattered to the winds. No. Catherine, I am not wandering, I am pointing out to a young person, who has her way to make in the world, the vast importance, on certain occasions, of possessing an Independent mind. If I had been ashamed to listen behind those curtains there is no infury that my stupid prejud as might not have inflicted on this unfortunate girl. As it is I have heard her story, and I do her justice. Count on me, Sydney, as you friend and now get up again. My grand

child thever accustomed to wait for anything since the day when she was born) is waiting dinner for you. She is at this moment shouting for her governess as King Richard (I am a great reader of Shakspeare) once shouted for his horse. The maid (you will recognize her as a stout person suffering under tight stays) is waiting outside to show you the way to the nursery. An revoir! Stop! I should like to judge of the purity of your French accent. Say an revoir to me. Thank You. Weak in her French, Catherine," Mrs. Presty pronounced, when the door had closed on the governess; "but what can you expect, poor wretch, after such a life as she has led? Now we are alone. I have a word of advice for your private car. We have much to anticipate from Alisa Westerfield that is pleasant and encouraging. But I don't conceal it from myself or from you, we have also some-

thing to fear? "To fear?" Mrs. Linley repeated. "I don't understand you."

"Never mind, Catherine, whether you nn-

derstand me or not. I want more information. Tell me what your husband said to you about this young lady." Wendering at the demon of curiosity Which appeared to possess her mother, Mrs.

Linley obeyod, Lastoning throughout with the closest attention, Mrs. Presty reckoned up the items of information and pointed the moral to be drawn from them by worldly ex-

"First obstacle in the way of her moral development, her father-tried, found guilty, and dying in prison. Second obstacle, her mother-an unnatural wretch who neglected and deserted her own flesh and blood. Third obstacle, her mother's sister-being her mother over again in an aggravated form. People who only look at the surface of things might ask what we gain by investigating Miss Westerfield's past life. We gain this; We know what to expect of Miss Westerfield in the future.

"I for one," Mrs. Linley interposed, "expeet everything that is good and true.

"Say she's naturally an angel," Mrs.

Fresty answered, "and I won't contradict you. But do pray hear how my experience looks at it. I remember what a life she has led, and I ask myself if any human creature could have suffered as that girl has suifered without being damaged by it. Among those damnable people I beg your parton, my dear; Mr. Ormond sometimes used strong Janquage, and it breaks out of me now and their the good qualities of that unortimate young person can not have always resisted the horrist temptations and contaminations about her, Hundreds of times she must have had deceit forced on her; she must have lived, through uncovernable four; she must have been left fat a critical time of nertife. mind b with no more warning against the insidious advances of the passions thanthan ...... I'm repeting went Mr. Pasty said of a niese of his own, who went to a bad school at Parist and I don't quite remember what comparisons that elognent man used when he was excited. But I know what I mean, I like Miss Westerneld: I be-Hove Miss Westerfield will come out well in therend. But I don't forget that she is going to lead a new life here—a life of luxury, my dear; a life of ease and health and happine in her, in her past life, may not spring up under new influences. I tell you we must be careful. I fell you we must keep our eyes open. And so much the better for Her. And so much the better for Us."

Mrs. Presty's wise and wary advice (presented unfavorably, if must be owned, through her, inveterately quaint way of expressing herself) failed to produce the right impression on her daughter's mind. Mrs. Linley replied in the tone of a person who was unaffectedly shocked.

"Oh, mamma, I never knew you so anjust before. You can't have heard all that Miss Westerheld said to me. You don't know her as I know her. So patient, so forgiving, so grateful to Herbert."

"So grateful to Herbert." Mrs Presty looked at her daughter he silent surprise. There could be no donot about it; Mrs. Linley failed entirely to see any possibilities of future danger in the grateful feeling of her consitive governess toward her hands band. At this exhibition of simplicity. the old lady's last reserves of endurance gave way; she rose to go. "You have an excel-lent heart, Catherine," she remarked; "but as for your head—"

"Well, and what of my head?" "It's always beautifully dressed, my dear, by your maid." With that parting shot Mrs. Fresty took her departure by way of the B brary. Almost at the same moment the door of the breakfast-room was opened. A young man advanced and shook hands cordially

remarkable for manly beauty. In stature he hardly reached the middle height, and, young as he was, either bad habit or physical weakness had so affected the upper part of his figure that he stooped. But, with these and other disadvantages, there was something in his eyes and in his smile—the outward expression perhaps of all that was modestly noble in his nature—so irresistible in its attractive influence that men, women, and children felt the charm alike. Inside of the house and outside of the house everybody was fond of Randal—even Mrs. Presty in-

"Have you seen a new face among us since you returned?" were his sister-in-law's first words. Randal answered that he had seen Miss Westerfield. The inevitable question followed. What did he think of her? "I'll tell you in a week or two more," he replied. "No! tell me at once,"

"I don't like trusting my first impression. I have a bad habit of jumping to conclu-

"Jump to a conclusion now, to please me." Randal smiled and gave away. "Your geverness," he replied, "looks out of health, and (perhaps for that reason) strikes me as being insignificant and ugly. Let us see what our fine air and our easy life here will do for her. In so young a woman as she is I am prepared for any sort of transformation, We may be all admiring pretty Miss Westerfield before another month is over our heads. Have any letters come for me while I have

been away?" He went into the library and returned with his letters, "This will amuse Kitty," he said handing to his sister-in-law the illustrated New York newspaper to which she had already referred in speaking to her hus-

Mrs. Linley examined the engravings-and turned back again to look once more at an illustration which had interested her. A paragraph on the same page caught her attention. She had hardly glanced at the first words before a cry of alarm escaped her. "Dreadful news for Miss Westerfield!" she exclaimed, "Read it, Randal,"

He read these words: "The week's list of insolvent traders includes an Englishman named James Bell-bridge, formerly connected with a disreputabridge, formerly connected with a disreputa-ble saloon in this city. Bellbridge is under suspicion of having caused the death of his wife in a fit of delirium tremens. The un-fortunate woman had been married, for the first time, to one of the English aristocracy— the Hon. Roderick Westerfield—whose trial for casting away a ship under his command excited considerable interest in London some years since. The melancholy circumstances of the case are complicated by the disappearance, on the day of the murder, of the woman's young son by her first husband. The poor boy is supposed to have run away in terror from his miserable home, and the police are endeavoring to discover some trace of him. It is reported that another child of the first marriage, a daughter, is living in England, but nothing is known about her." "Has your governess any relations in En-

gland?" Randal asked. "Only an aunt, who has treated her in the

most inhuman manner," "Serious news for Miss Westerfield, as you say," Randal resumed, "And, as I think, serious news for us. Here is a mere girl-a poor friendless creature-absolutely dependent on our protection. What are we to do if anything happens in the future to alter our present opinion of her?" "Nothing of the sort is likely to happen,"

Alis, Linley declared. "Let us hope not," Randal said, gravely,

The members of the family at Mount Morven consulted together, before Sydney Westerheld was informed of her brother's disappearance and of her mother's death.

Speaking first, as master of the house, Herbert Linkey offered his opinion without hesitation. His impulsive kindness shrank from the prospect of reviving the melancholy recoffections associated with Sydney's domestic "Why distress the poor child, just as she is beginning to feel happy among us." ie asked, "Give me the newspaper; I shan't

feel easy till I have torn it up." His wife drew the newspaper out of his reach, "Wait a little," she said, quietly; "some of us may feel that it is no part of our

duty to conceal the truth." Mrs. Presty spoke next, 1 the surprise of the family council, she agreed with her

"Somebody must speak out." the old lady began, "and I mean to set the example. Telling the truth," she declared, turning severely to her daughter "is a more complicated affair than you seem to think. It's a question of morality, of course; but-in family circle, my dear-it's sometimes a question of convenience as well. Is it convenient to upset my grand-daughter's governess just as she is entering on her new daties? Certainly not! Good heavens! what does it matter to my young friend Sydney whether her unnatural mother lives or dies? Herbert, I second, your proposal to tear up the paper with the greatest pleasure,"

Herbert, sitting next to Randal, laid his hand affectionately on his brother's shoulder. "Are you on our side?" he asked. Randal he shated. "Always the same," said goodhumored Herbert, "Randal never knows his own mind "

This was the view generally taken of the ounger brother's character. Relatives and friends never discovered that Randal Linley was one of those rare persons who possess an evenly balanced mind. A sensitive man in temperament, the impulses to which he was subject were held habitually in check by the sense of justice, which was the predominant sense in his moral nature. The result, looking at the surface only, produced an appearance of indecision, which was a false appearance in the strictest sense of the word. "I feel inclined to agree with you," he said to Herbert, "It does seem hard to recall Miss Westerfield to the miserable life that she has led, and to do it in the way of all others which must try her fortitude most cruelly. At the same fine-"

"Oh, don't spoil what you have said by seeing the other side of the question?" cried his brother. "You have put it admirably; leave it as it is."

"At the same time," Randal gently per-sisted, "I have heard no reasons which satisfy me that we have a right to keep Miss Westerfield in ignorance of what has hap-This serious view of the question in debate

highly diverted Mrs. Presty. "I do like that man," she announced, pointing to Randal; "he always amuses me. Look at him now! He doesn't know which side he is on, him-

"He is on my side," Herbert declared. Herbert consulted his brother. "What do

you say yourself?" "I don't know," Randal answered.
"There?" cried Mrs. Presty, "what did tell you?"

Randal tried to set his strange reply in the right light. "I only mean," he explained "that I want a little time to think."

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Herbert gave up the dispute and appealed to his wife. "You have still got the American newspaper in your hand," he said. "What do you mean to do with it?"

Quietly and firmly Mrs. Linley answered: "I mean to show it to Miss Westerfield."

"Against my opinion? Against your mother's opinion?" Herbert asked. "Have we no influence over you? Do as Randal doestake time, my dear, to think."

She answered this with her customers

happy-and it must be added too indelentto assert herself in the ordinary emergencies of family life, Mrs. Linley only showed of what metal sho was made on the very rare occasions when the latent firmness in her occasions when the latent firmness in her nature was stirred to its innermost depths. The general experience of this sweet-tempered and delightful woman, ranging over long intervals of time, was the only experience which remained in the memories of the persons about her. In bygone days they had been amazed when her unexpected readiness and firmness of decision presented an exception to a general rule—just as they were amazed now.

Herbert tried a last remonstrance. "Is it possible, Catherine, that you don't see the cruelty of showing that newspaper to Miss Westerfield?"

Even this appeal to Mrs. Linky's sympathies failed to shake her resolution. may trust me to be careful," was all she said n reply; "I shall prepare her as tenderly for the sad news from America as if she was a daughter of my own."

Hearing this, Mrs. Presty showed a sudden interest in the proceedings. "When do you mean to begin?" she asked. "At once, mamma,"

Mrs. Presty broke up the meeting on the spot. "Wait till I am out of the way," she stipulated. "Do you object to Herbert giving me his arm? Distressing scenes are not in his way or in mine."

Mrs. Linley made no objection. Herbert resigned himself (not at all unwillingly) to circumstances. Arm in arm he and his wife's mother left the room.

Randal showed no intention of following them; he had given himself time to think. "We are all wrong, Catherine," he said; "and you alone are right. What can I do to help you?" She took his hand gratefully. "Always kind! Never thinking of yourself! I will

see Miss Westerfield in my own room. Wait here, in case I want you." After a much shorter absence than Randal anticipated, Mrs. Linley returned. "Has it

been very distressing?" he asked, seeing the traces of tears in her eyes.

"There are noble qualities," she answered. in that poor ill-used girl. Her one thought, as soon as she began to understand my motive in speaking to her, was not for herself, but for me. Even you, a man, must have felt the tears in your eyes, if you had heard her promise that I should suffer no further anxiety on her account. 'You shall see no distressing change in me,' she said, 'when we meet to-morrow,' All she asked was to be left in her room for the rest of the day. I feel sure of her resolution to control herself; and yet I should like to encourage her if I can. Her chief sorrew (as it seems to me) must be-not for the mother who has so shamefully neglected her-but for the poor little brother, a castaway, lost in a strange land. Can we do nothing to relieve her anxiety?"

"I can write," Rangal said, "to a man whom I know in New York: a lawyer in large practice." "The very person we want! Write-pray

write by to-day's post?" The letter was dispatched. It was decided -and wisely decided, as the result provedto say nothing to Sydney until the answer was received. Randal's correspondent wrote back with as little delay as possible. He had made every inquiry, without success. Not a trace of the boy had been found, or (in the

The one event that had happened, since the appearance of the paragraph in the New York journal, was the confinement of James Bellbridge in an asylum as a madman under restraint without hope of recovery. VI.

Mrs. Presty had not very seriously exag-

gerated the truth, when she described her much-indulged granddaughter as "a child who had never been accustomed to wait for anything since the day when she was born.' Governesses in general would have found it no easy matter to produce a favorable impression on Kitty, and to exert the necessary authority in instructing her, at the same time. Spoilt children (whatever moralists may say to the contrary) are companionable and affectionate children, for the most partexcept when they encounter the unfortunate persons employed to introduce them to useful knowledge. Mr. and Mrs. Linley (guiltily conscious of having been too fond of their only child to subject her to any sort of discipline) were not very willing to contemplate the prospect before Miss Westerfield on her first establishment in the school-room. To their surprise and relief there proved to be no cause for anxiety after all. Without'

The secret of Sydney's triumph over adverse circumstances lay hidden in Sydney

making an attempt to assert her authority,

the new governess succeeded nevertheless

when older and wiser women would have

herself. Everything in the ordinary routine of life at Mount Morven was a source of delight and surprise to the unfortunate creature who had passed through six years of cruelty, insult, and privation at her aunt's school. Look where she might, in her new sphere of action, she saw pleasant faces and heard kind words. At meai-times wonderful achievements in the art of cookery appeared on the table which she had not only never tasted, but never even heard of. When she went out walking with her pupil they were free to go where they pleased without restriction of time, except the time of dinner. To breathe the delicious air, to look at the giorious scenery, were enjoyments so exquisitely exhilarating that by Sydney's own confession she became quite lightheaded with pleasure. She ran races with Kitty, and nobody reproved her. She rested, out of breath, while the stronger child was ready to run on -and no merciless voice cried "None of your laziness; time's up!" Wild flowers that shehad never yet seen might be gathered, and

no offense was committed. Kitty told her the names of the flowers and the names of the summer insects that flashed and hummed in the hillside breezes; and was so elated at teaching her governess that her rampant spirits burst out in singing. "Your turn next," the joyous child cried, when she, too, was out of breath. "Sing, Sydney—sing?"

Alas for Sydney! She had not sung since those happiest days of her childhood, when her good father had told her fairy stories and taught her songs. They were all forgotten now. "I can't sing, Kitty; I can't sing." The pupil, hearing this melancholy confes sion, became governess once more. "Say the words, Syd, and hum the tune after me." They laughed over the singing lesson until the echoes of the hills mocked them, and ned too. Looking into the school-room one day Mrs. Linley found that the serious business of teaching was not neglected. The lessons went on smoothly, without an obstacle in the way. Kitty was incapable of disappointing her friend and playfellow, who made learning easy with a smile and a kiss. The balance of suthority was regulated to perfection in the lives of these two simple creatures. In the school-room the governess taught the child. Out of the school-room the child towards the superpage. taught the child. Out of the school-room the child taught the governess. Division of labor was a principle in perfect working order at Mount Morven—and nobody suspected it! But, as the weeks followed each other, one more remarkable circumstance presented its She answered this with her customary entended by the family likeness as lierbert's brother, landal Linley was never-holes greatly Herbert's inferior in personal measurance. His features were in no way

insisted that her governess should take it and look at herself. "Papa says you're as plump as a partridge, and mamma says you're as fresh as a rose, and Uncle Randal wags his head and tells them he saw it from the first. I heard it all when they thought I was playing with my doll—and I want to know, you est of nice girls, what you think of your "I think, my dear, it's time we went on

"Wait a little, Syd; I have something else "It's about papa. He goes out walking with us-doesn't he?"?

"Yes." "He didn't go out walking with me-before you came here. I've been thinking about it; and I'm sure papa likes you. What are you looking in the drawer for?"

"For your lesson-books, dear."
"Yes—but I haven't quite done yet. Papa talks a good deal to you, and you don't talk much to papa. Don't you like him?"

"Then you do like him?" "How can I help liking him? I owe all my happiness to your papa."
"Do you like him better than mamma?" "I should be very ungrateful if I liked any-

body better than your mamma." Kitty considered a little and shook her "I don't understand that," she declared, roundly. "What do you mean?"

Sydney cleaned the pupil's slate and set the pupil's sum, and said nothing. Kitty placed a suspicious construction of her own m her governess' sudden silence.

"Perhaps you don't like my asking questions?" she suggested. "Perhaps you meant to puzzle me?" Sydney sighed and answered "I'm puzzled

myself."

VII. In the autumn holiday time friends in the south, who happened to be visiting Scotland, were invited to stop at Mount Morven on their way to the highlands, and were accustomed to meet the neighbors of the Linleys at dinner on their arrival. The time for this yearly festival had now come round again: the guests were in the house; and Mr. and Mrs. Linley were occupied in making their arrangements for the dinner party. With her unfailing consideration for every one about her, Mrs. Linley did not forget Sydney while she was sending out her cards of invitation. "Our table will be full at dinner,"

had better join us in the evening with Katy. "I suppose so," Linley answered with some hesitation. \* "You seem to doubt it, Herbert. Why?" "I was only wondering---'

she said to her husband; "Miss Westerneld

"Wondering about what?" "Has Miss Westerfield got a gown, Catherine, that will do for a party?" Linley's wife looked at him as if she doubted the evidence of her own senses. "Fancy

a man thinking of that!" she exclaimed. "Herbert, you astonish me."

He laughed uneasily. "I don't know how I came to think of it-unless it is that she wears the same dress every day. Very neat; but (perhaps I'm wrong) a little shabby,

a compliment which you have never paid to me! Wear what I may, you never seem to know how I am dressed." "I beg your pardon, Catherine, I know

that you are always dressed well. That little tribute restored him to his place in his wife's estimation. "I may tell you now," she resumed, with her gentle smile, "that you only remind me of what I had thought of all ody. My milliner is at work for Miss West Lield. The new dress must be your gift."

'Are you joking?" "I am in earnest. To-morrow is Sydney's birthday; and here is my present." She opened a jeweler's case and took out a plain gold bracelet. "Suggested by Kitty," she added, pointing to an inlaid miniature portrait of the child. Herbert read the inscription; To Sydney Westerfield, with Catherine Linley's love. He gave the bracelet back to his wife in silence; his manner was more se-

rious than usual-he kissed her hand. The day of the dinner party marked an epoch in Sydney's life.

For the first time in all her experience she could look in the glass and see herself prettily dressed, with a gold bracelet on her arm. If we consider how men (in one way) and milliners (in another) profit by it, vanity is surely to be reckoned, not among the vices, but among the virtues of the sex. Will any woman who speaks the truth hesitate to aeknowledge that her first sensation of gratified vanity rank among the most exquisite and most enduring pleasures that she has ever felt? Sydney locked her door and exhibited herself to herself-in the front view, the side view, and the back view (over the shoulder) with eyes that sparkled and cheeks that glowed in a delicious confusion of pride and astonishment. She practiced bowing to strangers in her new dress; she practiced shaking hands gracefully with her bracelet well in view. Suddenly she stood still before the glass and became serious and thoughtful. Kind and dear Mr. Linley was in her mind now. While she was asking herself anxiously what he would think of her, Kitty -arranged in her new tinery, as vain and as happy as her governess-drummed with both fists outside the door and announced at the top of her voice that it was time to go downstairs. Sydney's agitation at the prospect of meeting the ladies in the drawing-room added a charm of its own to the flush that her exercises before the glass had left on her face. Shyly following instead of leading her little companion into the room, she presented such a charming appearance of youth and beauty that the ladies stopped in their talk to look at her. Some few admired Kitty's governess with generous interest; the greater number doubted Mrs. Linley's prudence in engaging a girl so very pretty and so very young. Little by little Sydney's manner—simple, modest, shrinking from observation—pleaded in her favor even with the ladies who had been prejudiced against her at the outset. When Mrs. Linley presented her to her guests the most beautiful woman among them (Mrs. MacEdwin) made room for her on the sofa, and with perfect tact and kindness set the stranger at her eas When the gentlemen came in from the din-ner table Sydney was composed enough to admire the brilliant scene and to wonder again, as she had wondered already, what Mr. Linley would say to her new dress.

Mr. Linley certainly did notice her—at a

He looked at her with a momentary fervor of interest and admiration, which made Sydof interest and admiration, which made Sydney (so gratefully and so guiltlessly attached to him) tremble with pleasure; he even stepped forward as if to approach her, checked himself, and went back again among his guests. Now in one part of the room, and now in another, she saw him speaking to them. The one neglected person whom he never even looked at again was the poor girl to whom his approval was the breath of her to whom his approval was the breath of her life. Had she ever felt as unhappy as she felt now? No, not even at her aunt's school. Friendly Mrs. MacEdwin touched her arm. "My dear, you are losing your pretty color.

Are you overcome by the heat? Shall I take
you into the next room?"

Sydney expressed her sincere sense of the id was lydney was a true excuse—she had a headache, and she asked leave to retire to her room. Approaching the door, she found herself face to face with Mr. Linley. He had just

TEWS IN A NUTSHEL!

TEETLY SUMMARY OF DOMINION. UNITED STATES AND FOREIGN.

The grand jury at New York he indicted commissioners Squire and Maurice is, Flynn. Katties have brutally murdered a Bechmans offceman while hunting in the interior.

The Listowell band tournament was a financial success. The profits were \$1100. Preparations are being made to send large There is a shortage in this year's wheat supply in Great Britain of 00,000,000 bushels.

The Lewiston, Me., Steam Mill company has assigned; liabilities \$167,900. Judson & Co., carpet dealers of Chicago, nave failed; liabilities about \$140,000. John Fitzgerald of Nebraska, who has been elected to the Presidency of the Irish National League in America, is worth \$500,000.

Diphtheria is prevalent at Sillery, Que. Mayor Timmony's son, 13 years of age, has died from the disease. Vice-Admiral Lyons has been elected to suc

seed the Earl of Clanwilliam in command of the British squadron in North America. The American Car Association met in ninth anual convention the other day at Saratoga; iity members were present.

An oil train on the Jersey Central last night parted into two pieces and 100,000 gallons of oil were burnt. Loss \$50,000. Three British schooners have been seized by the United States steamer Corwin for violation of the seal fishing in Behring Sea. The longshoremen employed at Montreal distharging vessels struck for 30 cents per hope and obtained it.

Mrs. Gilroy, the new captain of the Salvation Army at Hamilton, has taken command of her

While Chas. Tizard, lighthouse keeper at tiope Island, was out rowing he was taken sick The Ministering Children's League of Ottawa

have decided upon establishing a Convalescent Home for children during the summer months Several Hindoo and French members of the on Army have arrived in Montreal. The Him...os in native costume excite great curios ity. Gen. Booth is expected on Sept. 28. W. D. Stroud, President of St. George's Society, lef: Montreal last night to attend the convention of the North American Union of St. George's Societies to be held at London, Ont.

Mayor Grace, of New York, has forwarded to Governor Hill a recommendation that Commissioner of Public Works, R. M. Squire, be removed from onice. The Canada Pacific Railway Company have purchased a large property in the west end of dontreal presumably for a depot, but nothing technite is known.

A Grand Trunk freight train of eighteen cars leit Montreal for Chicago on Saturday fore-neon, and accomplished the distance of 837 niles in 42 hours 24 mins. Leo Druxer, one of the ablest journalists of Austria, fell from a window of a hotel at Inter-aken and was killed. It is supposed he was a

semnambulist. A house in course of construction collapsed at Carl-ruhe the other day, killing eight workmen and injuring several others. The architect of the building has been arrested. The writs for the election of a member to the

Dominion parliament from Handimand have been issued. The nomination will take place on Sept. 1, and the election on Sept. 8. Viscount Cranbrook, Duke of Richmo Earl of Latham, Henry Matthews, Right Hon Arthur James Balfour and Lord John Manners have been appointed a committee on agricul

The second annual convention of the Society of American Florists opened at Philadelphia Thursday, Addresses were made by Mr. Thorpse, President of the society, and others, and interesting papers were read. The coroner's jury in the case of the infant ad in rear of a Jouse

Falls have returned a verdict of infanti-against Hattie Johnson, mother of the in-Black diptheria prevails to an alarming ex-cent in the village of Melville, Long Island. A large number of children and adults are ill with the disease and a number of deaths have

A young man named Cox had his left hand aken off the other morning by the pressing machine, while employed by the Campbell ewer pipe factory on Wentworth-street, Ham-

In answer to the question, "Who was Sir falter Scott?" on one of the entrance examin-ion papers, a Parkhill boy wrote, "A debrated Scottish novelist who was killed by

Messrs, D. Dunn and M. Shirley of Ottawa raction of that section of the Canadian Pacific fort Line Railway between Caughnawaga and arnham, a distance of thirty-six miles. Percy Myles, the well known Ottawa lacros ayer, was fooling in a house of ill repute at the capital when a window was broken. Ome

the glass entered his eyes and it is fear if he The Scottish Unionists have formed an Imorbil Union Club with headquarters at Glasow. The Duke of Argyle, the Duke of Montise, the Earl of Stair and secres of distintished persons have already joined the club. A large quantity of dynamite has been stole om a mine at lieutor, he r Hanover, ared it has been taken to England by

Adrian Iselin, the well known Wall stree oker, has been thrown our of a cabon Broady and dangerously injured. His horse milled and fell and he was thrown over the subcard. His shoulder blade was fractured the shoulder joint was distanted.

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In connection with J. C. Ayers & co.'s to the orth the Customs officials, J. Y. Whaters have een arrested. He will be tried for a crime a fire of \$10,000. It is stated that the case will ought to the end.

Numerous infractions of the game laws are eported to have occurred recently on the Onario side of the Ottawa river, opposite A; here it is said pot hunters have already great number of young ducks. The Channel fleet engaged in a sham attach the forts at Milford Harbor Thursday. As

ical Hewitt was in command. The flouredo boats, the incessant firing and lectric lights combined to form a brilliant The Socialist Williams, who was convicted of structing the streets of London, and sentenced pay a fine of \$100 or go to prison for two nonths, has declined to pay the fine and has een sent to prison. The Socialists have called a indignation meeting for August 29.

An action for heavy damages is said to be thout to be taken against the corporation of Stawa by a gentleman whose wife, a young acman, died a few days ago from the effects a fall received on a defective sidewalk at the

T. A. McKinnon, General Manager South Eastern Railway, has been appointed successor to Mr. Egan, Superintendent of the western section of the Cinadian Pacific, with head-puarters at Winnipeg. Mr. Egan goes to the st. Paul, Minnesota and Manitoba Railway. At a meeting of the Central Labor Union in New York on Sunday night the printers de-lined to parade under Home Club manage-nent at the proposed labor demonstration on cept. 6, but decided to get up a parade them-selves and invited all other trade and labor orcanizations to join them.

Preparations are being made to give Messrs. Stake and Mowat a hearty welcome to all parts that they will visit on their tour through clastern Ontario towards the close of the present month. At Metcalfe a banquet will be given in their honor on the evening of August it, which is the date of the meeting at that

Many French Canadians visited Woodcrest, near New York, on Sunday and gave a reception to Gabriel Dumont, who was Louis Riel's right-hand man in his hight with the Dominion Government. They presented him with a gold watch. Dumont is now with the Wild West Show at Erastina, A graceful act has just been done by General Lord Alexander Russell, now commanding the forces at Halifax, in requesting Col. Pope to cause the graves of Ensign Robert Dundas and Lieutenant Patten of the Royal Brigade, who died some twenty years are while onartered at

will be pitted against them.

J. Y. Ormsley of Oakville had a 3100 there wighbred cow die of an overfeed of wheat.

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M. de Giers, the Russian Foreign Minister, will not visit Gastein, but will prevably meet Prince Bismarck elsewhere.

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Earlyille. Madison County. N.Y., was nearly destroyed by fire Saturday. Loss \$100,000.

J. D. Buckner & Co.'s tobacco factory. New York, was burned Saturday. Loss \$50,000. The first grand wine exhibition ever held in Germany has been opened at Frankfort. The Nebraska Prohibition Convention have nominated a State and Congressional ticket

The Duke of Leinster has arranged to sell to his tenants a large portion of his Kudare estates on the eighteen years' purchase plan. The London Stock Market is buoyant under the influence of the speeches made by minis-ters in Parliament recently.

The assignment of S. R. Payson, Boston, shows assets of over \$1,200,000, while the liabilities are \$350,000, The Czar of Russia has donated \$20,000 to the Pasteur Institute fund, which now amounts to \$320,000.

The Dominion Coach Factory at 810 Craig-street, Montreal, collapsed on Friday. Nobody The story of the alleged tragedy at St. Jerome, Que., turns out on investigation by Judge Dugas to have been a canard. The P. R. R. employes that the leid their annual picnic at St. Rose care, on Saturday.

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George L. Garnett, a seitler, has been arrested at Prince Albert for holding up and robbing the Prince Albert mail stage coach some time ago. At Chicago Saturday, Frank Deman, a Bohe-mian laborer, murdered his wife and shot him-self.

Parson Downes of Boston, Mass., has entered suit against his traducers for libel, claiming \$10,000 damages. A terrific rainstorm occurred in Texas Friday night. A score of people were killed and m property destroyed.

A prominent figure at an anarchist meeting in Chicago on Saturday was Jackson, Louis Riel's private secretary.

Only \$2.80 was subscribed to the New York World's Gladstone fund on Saturday. The subscriptions all told amount to less than \$2600. The masters having agreed to their terms, the majority of the striking Staffordshire chair makers have resumed work. The German Empire will not hereafter issue

new loans at a higher annual rate of interest than three and a half per cent. La Patrie publishes a letter from Prince Victor Napoleon, declaring that the cause of the Imperial party is gaining in strength. Three young Scandinavians were drowned while trying to cross Lake Pepin, Minn., from Lake City to Kings Coolie during a squall Sun-Work commenced Monday at Montreal on the

new elevator for the Canadian Pacific Railway,
Three million feet of board will be used. Mr.
W. J. Ross will superintend the work. A despatch from Mandalay says the city is flooded. There is five feet of water in the bazaar. The loss of life and property is very great. A Chicago policeman discovered a bomb Sun-

day on the tracks of the Lake Shore Com-pany. At the Stock Yards "Y," later a second The Universal Peace Union of Mystic, Conn. yesterday adopted resolutions strongly favor-ing arbitration for the settlement of interna-

tional and other disputes. The British steamer Aberdeen, from Hankow for London with 5500 tons of tea, foundered while leaving the China Sea. The fate of her crew is unknown. The Philomathic Society of England banqueted Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes friday evening. Dr. Holmes subsequently embarked on the Aurania, which sailed Saturday.

Le Temps of Paris, in discussing the New Hebrides question, accuses the Australian colonies of wishing to establish a kind of Monroe doctrine in Australasia. The Irish Conservative members of the House held a meeting Thursday night, at which it was decided to ask leave to introduce bills re-lating to leasehold farms, the linen trade, etc.

The Sultan refuses to recognize the new Russian Consul-General at Salonica. It is rumored that the Sultan's action is due to Aus-The German Government offers an annual salary of 5000 marks to any young teacher who will go to Cameroon and open a school there for the instruction of the natives.

A hundred and twenty members of the Imperial Parliament have signed a memorial ask the Government to appoint a commission "Representative Philosophical Radicalism" is the long-winded title of a new magazine to be started in England and edited by Frank Hill, formerly editor of the London Daily News.

Messrs. Redmond, O'Brien and Deasy, the Irish parliamentary delegates, left Chicago for the Falls on Saturday night, and will sail for The Prince of Wales dined with the Duke of Cambridge and the Prince of Nassau at the Zoole gical Gardens, Berlin, Saturday, the gardens being brilliantly illuminated in honor of the oc-

Thos, and William Taylor, brothers, and John Hamilton, aged 14, were drowned at Orr Lake, Hillsdale, Aug. 16, while out fishing. Thos, Taylor has left a wife and four small Prince Bismarck has sent a memorandum to

the Bundesrath, calling its attention to the necessity of preventing methods of manufacture patented in Germany being infringed on Kilsvth, in Sterling County, Scotland, was visited Saturday by a shock of earthquake.

The shock was slight. It did no serious damage,

but threw the people into a state of greatitement for a while. The German Teachers' Association held meeting at the Holborn Restaurant, Londo Saturday. Agrand musical performance we given, and Augustus Einwald, the Africa traveler, delivered a lecture.

The Novoe Vremya of St. Petersbiors for the expulsion from Russia of denouncing them as soies. All the Parnellites supported Mr. Bradlaug motion in the Commons Thursday night, th

peers in the election of commoners be not The sittings of the Turkish-Bulgarian commission to revise the Roumelian organic sta-tute, have been temporarily suspended, owing to a divergence of views between the Bulgarian and Turkish members.

H. Tanner has been arrested at Teton Basin. Idaho, for killing it. Weller, Gus. Hamin and H. Eggerman, his associates in working a placer bar. He confesses, claiming it was in a meeting of his colleagues in the late cabinet at the residence of Earl Granville. The object was to discuss a plan of action for the present

session of Parliament. An archeological discovery that has just een made is exciting much interest in Athens A number of columns in a perfect state of pres ervation have been unearthed in the acropolis They belong to a period before the Persian

The Pope having indirectly learned that the French Government is about to recall the ambassador to the Vatican Cardinal Jacobini. Papal Secretary of State, has asked the Papal Nuncio at Paris to obtain an explanation of France's course.

The Marquis of Salisbury's speech defining the foreign policy of the British Government has created a favorable impression at Berlin.

England's desire to maintain Turkish integrity meets with a condital response in Berlin. An invitation has been extended by the Rus

sian Government to Gen. Von Werder, military attache of the German Embassy at St. Petersburg, to witness the army maneuvers in Poland. No other foreign officers have been At Philadelphia Saturday, Patrick Cahill.
a crank, called at the Mayor's office and insisted upon seeing the Mayor. John Dunn, the janitor, attempted to stop him, but the crazy man beat Dunn into insensibility. The Central Traffic Association at Chicago

authorized the abrogation of the switching charge of \$2 per car, heretofore enforced, taking retroactive effect from July 1. This will at once lower the tax on storage elevators for short periods and stimula e the movement through Chicago to a considerable degree. The London Daily News says the Irish convention at Chicago is becoming slightly ridiculars. When O'Brien represents England as atraining for a rift in the convention he over acts his part. Perhaps, on the whole, it would be as well if the convention should mind its own business, which seems mainly to be the collection of funds, and leave England to manage here.

The Chief of Police of Montreal has received a communication from San Francisco asking him whether the \$10 notes of the Consolidate Bank were forgeries or not. It appears these bills have been circulated in large numbers if the State of California. It is claimed that the bank never issued any \$10 notes.

Acting Secretary Fairchild has instructed the collector of customs at Suspension Bridge, N. Y., to admit free of duty material brought from Canada for use in the repair of the Niagare River Railway suspension bridge. The Canadian government has also authorized the free entry of all material needed for repairs of the bridge on the Canadian side which may be for warded from the United States.

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