SERIOUS CONFLAGRATION.

puts smothering hand on lip and nostril of the wan and wasted also mounts | as good eyesight and as good capacity? the palace stairs, and, bending over the pillow, blows into the face of a young He said: "Thy brother shall rise like this: You are seated in the evenprince the frosts of pain and death. again?" It was as much as to say: Tears are wine to the King of Terrors. Alas! for David, the king. He can neither sleep nor eat, and lies prostrate on his face, weeping and wailing great home circle. Well, now, that until the palace rings with the outery of woe.

torious armies, or conquered provinces, we go to sleep, shall we not know under such circumstances? What to any parent is all splendid surrounding better then than now; "for now," says when his child is sick? Seven days the apostle, "we see through a glass have passed on. There is that great house two eyelids are gently closed, two little hands folded, two little feet ed and glorified body. quiet, one heart still. The servants come to bear the tidings to the king, but they can not make up their minds to tell him, and they stand at the door, region of positive certainty, and no whispering about the matter, and David more keep saying, "I hope it is so; hears them and he looks up and says to them: "Is the child dead?" "Yes, he is dead." David rouses himself up, know it is so!" washes himself, puts on new apparel and sits down to food. What power hushed that tempest? What strength because the rejection memory. Can it was it that lifted up that king whom be possible that we shall forget forgrief had dethroned? Oh, it was the thought that he would come again into the possession of that darling child. No keen blade hew away this faculty of could get this theory into your heart gravedigger's spade could hide him. The wintry blasts of death could not put out the bright light. There would be a forge somewhere that with silver hammer would weld the broken links. In a city where the hoofs of the pale horse never strike the pavement he would clasp the lost treasure. He wipes away the tears from his eyes, and he clears the choking grief from his throat, and exclaims: "I will go to the fact that we are to have our not spell heaven as you used to spell

Was David right or wrong? If we part on earth will we meet again in the next world? "Well," says some one, "that seems to be an impossibility. Heaven is so large a place we never could find our kindred there." Going a million eyes. It will be immortality sod of the cemetery, cheer up at the 2 per cent on the preference stock and into some city, without having appointed a time and place for meeting, you might wander around for weeks and months, and perhaps for years, and never see each other; and heaven is vaster than all earthly cities together, and how are you going to find do you think we will be bigger fools light. They sing. They quiver with your departed friend in that country? It is so vast a realm. John went up on one mountain of inspiration, and he looked off upon the multitude, and he said: "Thousands of thousands." form of religion planted it? No form and then all the loved ones gather in Collegiate Institute building is com-Then he came upon a greater altitude of religion, for it is received under all a great circle around the throne of pleted. of inspiration and looked off upon it forms of religion. Then, I argue, a God-fathers, mothers, brothers, sisagain, and he said. "Ten thousands" times ten thousand." And then he came on a higher mount of inspiration, and looked off again and he said: "A hundred and forty and four thousand and thousands of thousands." And he came on a still greater height of inspiration, and he looked off again, and exclaimed: "A greater multitude that no man can number.'

Now, I ask, how are you going to find your friends in such a throng as that? Is not this idea we have been entertaining after all a falsity? Is this doctrine of future recognition of friends in heaven a guess, a myth, a whim, or is it a gigantic foundation upon which the soul pierced of all ages may build a glorious hope? Intense question! Every heart in this audience throbs right into it. There is in every soul here the tomb of at least one dead. Tramendous question It makes the lip quiver and the cheek lush, and the entire nature thrill Shall we know each other there? get letters almost every month asking me to discuss this subject. I get a letter in a bold, scholarly hand, on gilt-edged paper, asking me to discuss this question, and I say: "Ah! that is a curious man, and he wants a curious question solved." But I get another letter. It is written with a trembling hand, and on what seems to be a torn out leaf of a book, and there and here is the mark of a tear, and I say: "Oh, that is a broken heart and it wants

The object of this sermon is to take this theory out of the reign of surmise | work. These Christian men and woand speculation into the reign of posi- men who have been toiling for Christ, tive certainty. People say: "It would have they seen the full result of their death!" be very pleasant if that doctrine were | work? Oh, no. true. I hope it may be true." But I There is a mother before the throne telieve that I can bring an accumula- of God. You say her joy is full. Is it? tion of argument to bear upon this You say there can be no augmentation matter which will prove the doctrine of it. Can not there be? Her son was of future recognition as plainly as that a wanderer and a vagabond on the there is in any heaven at all, and that earth when that mother died: He the kiss of reunion at the celestial broke her old heart. She died leav- mik, which is easily tamed and trained gate will be as certain as the dying ing him in the wilderness of sin. She to look after a flock of sheep or take riss at the door of the sepulcher.

What does my text imply? "I shall pass and the son repents of his crimes go to him." What consolation would and gives his heart to God, and beit be to David to go to his child if he comes a useful Christian, and dies and bird it may be implicitly trusted to would not know him? Would David enters the gates of heaven. You tell take them to their feeding places in the the Bank of England. have been allowed to record this an- me that mother's joy cannot be augticipation for the inspection of all mented. Let them confront each other, morning and bring them safely home ages if it were a groundless anticipathe son and the mother, "Oh," she tion? We read in the first book of the says to the angels of God, "rejoice with Collect any stragglers. The yak-a-fifty feet, and were killed. to his people. Jacob died and was lost is found. Hallelujah! I never mik displays all the traits of characgathered to his people. Moses died expected to see this lost one come ter usually associated with the faith- with such vast hordes of undesirable and was gathered to his people. What back." The Bible says nations are to ful sheep-dog. It can be amusing, too, Germans, Poles, and Italians, that Engthing else. So in the very beginning of the Bible four times that is taken for granted. The whole New Testament is an arbor over which this doctrine creeps like a luxuriant vine full of the purple clusters of consolation.

I beg your pardon, answered the other of a dead man!

Returns issued by the British Board of Trade for January show an increase of a to the meaning of your work that is taken they not know Bavid Brainerd?

I beg your pardon, answered the other of Trade for January show an increase of Trade for January

"Don't cry. Don't wear yourself out with this trouble. You will see him again. Thy brother shall rise again." would be a very queer home circle where the members did not know each other. The Bible describes death as What are courtly attendants, or vic- | sleep. If we know each other before each other after we wake up? Oh, yes. We will know each other a great deal darkly, but then face to face. It will be my purified, enthroned and glorified body gazing on your purified, enthron-

> Now, I demand if you believe the Bible, that you take this theory future recognition out of the realm of speculation and surmise into the have no idea it is so; I guess it is so. Be able to say, with all the concentrated energy of body, mind and soul: "I

There are, in addition to these Bible arguments, other reasons, why I accept this theory. In the first place, ever these with whose walk, look, manner we have been so long familiar? throned remember?

glances and sympathies; and I suppose rection victory. the joy of heaven is to be augmented by O heaven! sweet heaven! You ter there. Here I see you with only fore, in songs and hallelujahs. spirit in colloquy with ransomed spirit you have to tell them when once you the half year ending December 31st. -victor beside victor. When John meet them. Evans, the Scottish minister, was seat- Oh, how they bound in, these spirits we will know each other in heaven?" | controllable weeping for joy. Some He turned to her and said: "My dear,

in heaven than we are here?" sentiment of feeling, an anticipation ters, sons and daughters, lovers and universally planted, must have been friends, hand to hand around about the writes: "Who would not part with a victory, "until the day break and the

I could even be able to die often." Again, I adopt this theory because there are features of moral temperament and features of the soul that will In heaven they say: "Give him a merely by the color of the eye, or the say: "Hoist him on a throne." On length of the hair, or the facial pro- earth it is: "Farewell, farewell." In portions? Oh. no, It is by the disposition as well, by natural affinity, And so I see a Christian soul coming using the word in the very best sense down to the river of death, and he dust our body should perish and lie resurrection, still the soul has enough Christ, "this is not death." And he features and the disposition has enough | wades still deeper down into the features to make us distinguishable, I can understand how in sickness a man will become so delirious that he will not know his own friends; but will we Christ says: "No, no, this is not be blasted with such insufferable idiocy that, standing beside our best down until the wave comes to the girfriends for all eternity, we will never | dle, and the soul says: "Lord Jesus, is guess who they are?

Again. I think that one reason why we ought to accept this doctrine is because we never in this world have an opportunity to give thanks to those to whom we are spiritually indebted. The joy of heaven, we are told, is to be inaugurated by a review of life's

is before the throne of God now. Years

James John and Peter followed Christ to be here." A voice from a throne order

ILIFE BEYOND THE GRAVE, heaven on that mountain and lifts it into the celestial. Christ's garments glow and His face shines like the sun. The door of heaven swings open. Two spirits come down and alight on the mountain. The disciples look at them and recognize them as Moses and Elias. Now, if those disciples standing on the earth could recognize these two spirits who had been for years in heaven, which shall go to Him," found in II. Samuel, xii, 23. He said:

There is a very sick child in the abode of David, the king. Disease, which stalks up the dark lane of the poor and lane the dark lane of the poor and land lane the same way the dark

very frigidity of splendor, whose peopie stand on cold formalities and go a population of 50,000. around with heavy crowns of gold on What did Christ mean in His conver- their heads. No, that is not my idea sation with Mary and Martha, when of heaven. My idea of heaven is more ing-tide by the fire-place; your whole family there, or nearly all of them there. While you are seated talking and enjoying the evening hour, there is a knock at the door and the door opens, and there comes in a brother ed out. that has long been absent. He has been absent, for years you have not up your mind that it is certainly he than you leap up, and the question is who shall give him the first embrace? That is my idea of heaven-a great home circle where they are waiting for ther's voice there? She who always will not slip called you by your first name long after others had given you the formal "Mister?" You were never anything alien labor law. but James, or John, or George, or Thomas, or Mary, or Florence, to her. Will you not know your child's voice? She of the bright eye and the ruddy cheek, and the quiet step, who came in from play and flung herself into your lap, a very shower of mirth and beauty? Why, the picture is graven on your soul. It can not wear out. If that little one should stand on the other side of some heavenly hill and call to you, you would hear her voice above the burst of heaven's great orchestra. Know it! You could not

Now I bring you this glorious conso-Will death come, and with a sharp, lation of future recognition. If you memory? Abraham said to Dives: it would lift a great many shadows 'Son remember." If the exiled and that are stretching across it. When the lost remember, will not the en- was a lad I used to go out to the railroad track and put my ear down on You know very well that our joy in the track and I could hear the express any circumstance is augmented by train rumbling miles away, and comthe companionship of our friends. We ing on; and to-day, my friends, if we can not see a picture with less than only had faith enough we could put four eyes, or hear a song with less our ear down to the grave of our dead, than four years. We want some one and listen and hear in the distance the besides us with whom to exchange rumbling on of the chariots of resur-

friends with us when there rise before it, h-e-a-v-e-n, heaven. But now, us the thrones of the blessed, and when you want to spell that word, you when there surges up in our ear the place side by side the faces of the lovjubilate of the saved. Heaven is not ed ones who are gone, and in that ira contraction. It is an expansion. If radiation of light and love and beauty I know you here, I will know you bet- and joy, you spell it out as never betwo eyes, but there the soul shall have ye, whose hearts are down under the gazing on immortality- ransomed thought of this reunion. Oh, how much | 1 per cent. for the common stock for

stand speechless in their shock of excessive gladness. They gaze on the Again, I accept this doctrine of fu- temples, on the palaces, on the waters, ture recognition because the world's ex- on each other. They weave their joy ages this theory is received. What umphal arches, they strike on timbrels, of \$10,000 or \$15,000 more when the God-implanted and if God-implanted it throne-the circle, hand to hand, joy it is rightfully implanted. Socrates to joy, jubilee to jubilee, victory to great deal to purchase a meeting with shadows flee away. Turn, my beloved, Orpheus and Homer? If it be true that and be like a roe or a young hart upon this is to be the consequence of death, the mountains of Bether.' Oh, how different it is on earth from

the way it is in heaven when a Christian dies We say: "Close his eyes. heaven it is: "Welcome, welcome." waters until the flood comes to the knee, and he says: "Lord Jesus, tell me, tell me, is this death?" And he death." And he wades still further is not." And deeper in wades the soul departing one cries: "Lord Jesus, is is not." But when Christ had lifted this soul on a throng of glory, and all the pomp and joy of heaven came surging to its feet, then Christ said: "This, oh transported soul! this is

BIRDS AS SHEPHERDS.

In Venezuela there is a species of crane, called by the natives the yak-acare of the inmates of the poultry yard. When these are placed in charge of this

The new directory Peterson, Tait & Co., have purchased the Beaver Line of steamships. The bronzes for the Macdonald

statue have arrived at Kingston. The entire force of workmen at the Springhill mines, N.S., is out on strike. Mr. McEachran reports that hog cholera in Essex is thoroughly stamp-

pany of Montreal has gone into liqui-The Hamilton Cattle Company has secured incorporation, with a capital of

The Dominion Type Foundry Com-

Mrs. Western, of Hamilton, has in- in Chicago, on Wednesday. us. Oh, will you not know your mo- vented and patented a bicycle tire that The Ottawa Board of Trade is discussing a resolution in favor of an cide at New York, on Thursday,

Rev. Dr. O'Meara has been appointed \$2,000.

Dean of Rupert's Land, succeeding the Bishop of Qu'Appelle only \$1,528.50. In the last six years They had attempted to "hold up" great Mohammedan Empire of Sokolo. the losses were only \$20,351.

The national India famine fund now amounts to \$40,000, and a draft of 100, 000 rupees has been forwarded to India. An epidemic of grippe is being experienced in Ottawa. Sir James Grant says he never knew the disease to be so pre-

An increase of \$10,000 in the Hamilton Board of Education estimates will be required this year, mostly for teach-Hon. Dr. Borden, Minister of Militia,

dent near Doncaster, N.B., two weeks ago, is at Halifax. Rev. Ira Smith, of London, called the duty as citizens to clean the slush off | nesday night.

their sidewalks,

gone to England. Rene Dabin and Fred Corier, two Frenchmen, who had a piggery miles from Port Arthur, Ont., were burned to death on Wednesday night. The C.P.R. has declared dividends of

News of a discovery of an enormously rich deposit or copper and gold on ed in his study, his wife came in and before the throne! Some shout with both sides of the Canadian boundary said to him: "My dear, do you think gladness. Some break forth into un- line has been reported at Spokane. both sides of the Canadian boundary Charcoal, the Indian condemned to be hanged for the murder of Sergeant Wilde, it is reported at Winnipeg, may not live till the date of his execution. The Hamilton Board of Education pectancy affirms it. In all lands and into garlands, they spring it into tri- has a deficit of \$20,000, with a prospect

> The governors of the Hamilton General Hospital propose to build a new residence for the nurses and use the present nurses' apartments for pati-

It is intimated that the Dominion Government intends to abolish the of- | gees. fice of Deputy Commissioner of Paof Mr. Richard Pope.

Of the fifteen Maxim guns in the possession of the Dominion Militia Deothers will be handed over to the city itation is excellent. battalions.

and not in the bad sense; and if in the steps into the river, and the water mates, so that the Government can sub- will be doubled. comes up to the ankle. He says: "Lord mit the estimates early, and ask supthere forever, and there should be no Jesus, is this death?" "No," says plies while the tariff is being prepared. Dr. Selwyn states that he was misrepresented at the meeting of the mining engineers in Montreal. He is a believer in the gold fields of British Columbia, and called attention to their good prospects in 1885.

C. P. R. was attacked by four foot- of Saghalien. this death?" "No." says Christ, "this pads at Montreal on Tuesday night on his way home. He fought the men as till the billow strikes the lip, and the long as he could, but they got away with his gold watch and chain. Mr. this death?" "No." says Christ, "this Drinkwater received some injuries in the encounter.

GREAT BRITAIN. The Mansion House fund for the suf-

\$5,000,000 mark. Prof. Crookes, the eminent English scientist, boldly announces his belief in telepathic phenomena. The steamer Angloman, reported at

London to be ashore on Skerries' Island, will probably be a total loss. Mr. Thomas Sexton, anti-Parnellite, who resigned his seat in the House of Commons last year, refuses to re-enter

Through the collapse of a viaduct on

London at present is being flooded

tion for the disastablishment and dis- came and took him away.

endowment of the Church of England was rejected by a vote of 204 to 86. John Chandler, of London, England, who confessed having forged bills of exchange on Messrs. S. F. McKinnon and Company of Toronto, was on Tues-day sentenced to five years' penal

Mr. Balfour stated on Thursday that the Government intended to make a public holiday for the occasion of the Queen's diamond jubilee, but it was not proposed to make the day a permanent holiday.

of the columns of the Royal Niger Company's expedition against the Emir of Nupe. The fighting in the vicinity of Bida, the Foulah capital, which was stopped by darkness on the evening

Mr. Curzon stated in the British Commons that the reported massacres at Crete were unfounded. There had been some small disturbances. A report from Canea says 200 buildings were burned, and 5,000 Christian refugees from the morning of January 27. Half of the British forces, which consisted of 500 troops, six Maxims, 26 mounted officers, and 900 carriers, were gives Hamilton fugees from the city have been taken ordered to cross a ravine near the ridge on board the British and Greek war- on which the troops of the Royal ships in the harbor.

UNITED STATES.

Mr. Richard Croker is the probable crossed the ravine it was noticed that Tammany candidate for Mayor of New.

The Ohio river at Cincinnati is fast verging on the danger line, which is

It is stated that after the inauguraion of President McKinley, Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland will start on a tour around the world. Warren W. Linney, after reading Hamlet's soliloquy, thrust a dagger

through his heart in his mother's home | peared, even covering the sugar Capt. McGiffin, who commanded the rama in their semi-barbarous cos-Chinese warship Chen Yuen in the battle of the Yalu River, committed sui-

Two armed robbers in Chicago on ly surrounded by 30,000 cavalry and The Winnipeg Public School Board Tuesday night held up and robbed An- footmen. The reduction from the eshas asked the Council for \$123.256 for toine Boenert in his steamship ticket timete of 30,000 made on January 26 office in La Salle street. They got was due to the death of two of the was extended and completed during the

A mail clerk on a Santa Fe train lem States, allies of the Mohamme-near Los Angeles, Cal., on Tuesday shot dan Emir of Nupe, and vassals like Brantford's fire loss last year was one burglar and wounded another. the Emir of Nupe dependent on the

> The cattle dealers of Buffalo and vicinity are jubilant over the abrogation of the quarantine of Canadian cattle, and large importations are being made. posed to the proposed two dollars duty on the white pine, as in the event of its verse of the slope, and continued to imposition they fear Canadian retalia-

Albert Hess of Ipswich, Mass., disthe Foulah sharpshooters, who daringappeared suddenly with \$7,000 of other people's money. He sent his wife of the square. Swarms of the enemies word to return to her parents in To- cavalary charged on the Royal Niger who was injured in the railway acci-

> 'Armand Castlemary, an actor, fell owing to the effective use of the dead at the close of the final scene of Maxim guns. At 10.30 the artillery the opera "Martha" at the Metropoli- bombarded the town, six Maxim guns

Mrs. G. W. Baldwin, nee the Hon. Governor Murray of Newfoundland, Lady Carey, granddaughter of the late is a wealthy citizen of Houston. Business during the week has been a little more favorable; prices are more steady and there is a better demand for labor; in the Eastern and Middle States leather are more active, with an ad- exploded among the members of the leaky, and the water service was very staff of the Emir, killing two men who | weak. vance in values. While a lower range were sanding within a foot of him at of prices is reported for a few articles. the general return quotes figures as the time. All the Foulah Princes fled being mostly firm, and in many lines in the direction of Sokolo.

as higher and advancing. GENERAL.

ton. Governor of the Fiji Islands, is announced at the age of 61. The death of Sir John Bates Thurs-Two men were killed and nineteen seriously wounded in a strikers' riot at Hamburg.

an Senate and a well-known electrican is dead at Rome. A British troopship has been de-

spatched from Malta with a fortnight's food for twelve hundred Cretan refu-Wm. Donna, the American artist, it sar centuries before such a thing ex-

to be an officer of the Legion of Hon-An extensive forgery of Bank of Eng-

The distress in the Jubbulpoor dis- | er " with the lines: The various Dominion Government trict of India is appalling. About 120,departments have been asked to push | 000 are now receiving Government aid, forward the preparation of the esti- and by the month of May the number

Archduke Otto of Austria, nephew of Emperor Francis Joseph, and heir presumptive to the throne of Austria, is at present visiting Emperor William in The building of the trans-Siberian

railway will give the convicts of Sib- as this. eria such facilities of escaping that they Secretary Charles Drinkwater of the | will likely be transferred to the Island The German Government has ordered the prosecution of several university

professors who recently signed a declaration in favor of the striking dock labourers of Hamburg. turbances in Crete were stirred up by Greek agitators, that the Christians ferers in India will likely reach the were the aggressors, and that war be-

> from Greece, under command of Prince George, has caused the greatest enthusiasm among the populace, and a

Prince Bismarck, when asked to give an academic opinion on arbitration treaties said that he did not believe that in questions of vital importance The death is announced of Mr. Frank nations would stake their existence on May, who for twenty years previous to the decision of an arbitration court, November, 1893, was chief cashier of which had no means of enforcing its judgment.

EXTREMELY LIBERAL

It is related of a certain very mat-If you move, said the burglar, you

FIGHTING THE SAVAGES.

tional details concerning the advance of the columns of the Royal Niger

When these two Princes and rulers

were killed by the shells of the Bri-

ish their forces withdrew from the

The Royal Niger troops continued to

took up a strong position on the re-

ly advanced to within a hundred yards

ABSURD ERRORS

Number, Shakespeare.

Within the nether tip."

ABOUT JEWISH WEDDINGS.

The Jewish wedding ceremony is al-

most the same to-day as it has been

for centuries, simple and impressive,

ies. Religious Hebrews prefer to get

married in the open air, under a canopy

cession is the rabbi, carrying a glass

takes her place at his right hand, while

the rabbi is singing a song of praise.

army of the Emir of Nupe.

Brilliant Work of the Niger Expedition Against Nupe. DESTRUCTIVE FIRE IN THE DOMIN-ION PARLIAMENT. A despatch from Bida gives addi-

> Mansard Roof of the Western Block Entirely Destroyed - Valuable Records Were Burned-The Hydrants Were Frozen and There Was Difficulty in Getting Water. The Western Departmental block at Oftawa, caught fire on Thursday after-

of January 26, was resumed at daynoon. The building contains seven of the departments of the Government, namely, Railways, Inland Revenue, Public Works, Militia, Trade and Commerce, Customs, and Marine and Fisheries. It is situated at the western Niger's Company's expedition had been side of the Parliament grounds. To stationed during the night. As they the north stand the Parliament buildings proper, devoted to legislative purthe Foulah scouts were watching. The poses. On the east and west are two troops accordingly formed in a half blocks, which, together with the Lansquare, the guns following. The rear gevin building, afford accommodation half of the force then closed on the for the small army of public employer front half, forming a complete square. who attend to the Executive and Ad-The British forces advanced steadily, ministrative functions of the Public halting every 200 yards, for the purpose Service. These buildings are fortuof allowing the guns to keep pace. The nately at a considerable distance from massed forces of the enemy soon apeach other, and consequently a fire in slopes, constituting a splendid panotumes. The square of the Royal Niger Company's forces was soon complete-

one does not necessarily endanger the others. The largest block is the western structure, which is partly demolished, and which had a narrow escape of being completely reduced to ruins. The erection of the building was commenced before Confederation, and it

important Princes, rulers of the Mos-Mackenzie regime. It cost about two million of dollars. ORIGIN OF THE FIRE. The origin of the fire is involved in some mystery. Early in the afternoon the smell of smoke attracted some attention near the architects' office in the advance slowly until they reached a Public Works Department, but it could The Michigan lumbermen are op- ridge commanding Bida. They then not be traced to any particular source. Shortly after four o'clock smoke began to issue opposite the elevator shaft reconnoitre throughout the day, Their forces were constantly harassed by from some trap doors that opened the was to steam pipes beneath the floor, It is supposed that the heat of the pipes had ignited the wooden rafters, and eral hours before it was discovered. The building, being some thirty-three

forces, but they were badly shattered, that the fire had been amouldering sevattention of his congregation to their tan Opera House, New York, on Wed- playing on the gradually retiring mass- years old, had accumulated cobwebs ines of the enemy. At noon the ad- numerable, and dust between the wellvance company of the troops entered dried wooden rafters. These lent Bida, which is a town three miles themselves to the rapid spread of the who it was reported was about to visit | Duke of Brunswick, has filed suit for | square. Bombarding of a portion of | flames, which entrenched themselves in Ottawn on annexation business, has divorce at Houston, Texas. Her husband the town was resumed, however, last- nooks and crevices, where it was most ing until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, difficult to reach them. The fire was when one-half of the Houssa troops immediately over Mr. Tarte's office. took possession of the town. Only 15 | As the building is provided with hose of the Houssa troops were wounded, and a water service for cases of such The losses of the Foulah forces were an emergency, the first thought of the particularly works are reported to be enormous. The brother of the Emir officers of the Architects' Department opening up. A demand for pig iron at of Nupe and many of the Princes were | was to use the appliances near at hand. Pittsburg is also noted. Hemlock and severely wounded by a shell which The hose was found, however, to be

> HYDRANTS FROZEN. Finding that the even incipient con-

flagration was too much for them, private alarm was given to the city fire brigade. The firemen were promply on hand with the hose reels, and they were laid out to the hydrants on the grounds quite convenient to the build-Made By Noted Authors, and, Among the ing. Ladders were placed against the walls, firemen started upwards with the hose, and word was given to turn Shakespeare's anachronisms certainly on the water. But no water came, and give him the palm for the greatest numstill the fire was growing and spread-Galileo Ferraris, member of the Ital- ber of mistakes. Some of them are al- ing. The chief of the brigade was calling for water, and the spectators were so strikingly absurd, as, for instance, indignant at the delay, but still there the allusion to Cato in Coriolanus, supwas none Upon investigation it was posed to have been made two centur- found that every hydrant under the ies before Cato was born, and the allu- control of the Public Works Departsion to a striking clock in Julius Cae- ment was frozen. There had been gross mismanagement and neglect somewhere. Valuable time was lost in tents, made vacant by the recent death is reported in Paris, will be promoted isted. These may, however, be put removing the hose to the city hydrants down to carelessness and the chaotic on Wellington street, which in cold state of chronology in Shakespeare's weather are systematically tested. Betime, and none of them are either as fore the pressure could be obtained partment, some six or seven will be land twenty-pound notes is taking place absurd or as indefensible as the error from this source it is said that from distinguish us forever. How do we down in the ground." In heaven they kept on hand for emergencies, and the continent of Europe. The im- of which Coleridge was guilty, when he twenty minutes to half an hour had know each other in this world? Is it down in the ground." On other will be handed over to the city itstical in average to the city itstical in average to the city itstical in average. marred his immortal "Ancient Marin- elapsed, and what was a very simple fire to cope with had gained a footing "The horned moon with one bright star | in the building which defied all the efforts of the firemen to dislodge. The For such an astronomical monstrosity delay of those few minutes cost the as this to have been visible, either the country a quarter of a million dollars, star must have been on the earthward for the loss on the building and the side of the moon, or else it must have destruction of 25,000 documents which shone through the solid body of our if required, it will be impossible to resatellite. What makes it all the more place. Some time ago Mr. Tarte disabsurd is the fact that an educated man i missed the man whose duty it was to ike Coleridge could hardly have been look after these hydrants and put in ignorant of such an elementary fact his place an inexperienced party friend The result of this economy is a greater loss to the country than Mr. Tarte's dismissals would save in a century. No doubt the fire will be the subject

of a Parliamentary enquiry. THE ENGINES AT WORK. At five o'clock it seemed that the flames could be confined to the portion of the building in which they had It is now stated that the recent dis- but quite different from our ceremon- started. There was no breeze astir to fan them, and they were confined to a limited area. But as soon as the brigade extinguished the fire in one tween Turkey and Greece is very pro- of silk called the huppat, which is sup- part of the roof it broke out in anothported at the four corners of the square | er. Three fire engines were brought The despatch of the torpedo flotilla by poles. The first in the wedding pro- into requisition. Word was received from Montreal that the Mayor of that city had placed four fire engines on goblet of wine. Next come four bear- board cars to be shipped the moment feeling of grave alarm among the Euro- ers carrying the canopy, each holding word was received that they were wanta pole. Next come the parent of the ed. But the offer was not accepted. bride and groom, and behind them the When it seemed that the fire had been bride and groom, arm in arm. The can- got under control about 5.30, it broke opy is balted and held at the desired out afresh with increased fury. The spot, the bride and groom going under flames had crept along the wooden it. The groom stands still and the bride | rafters, and supports while the brigade walks around him three times, then was working elsewhere. It was considered that had a section of the roof been demolished by the brigade the Then the bridegroom takes his bride's fire might have been checked in its hand and slips on her finger the plain early stages. The brigade was assistgold wedding ring, saying in Hebrew: ed by the Dominion police, which did Thus do I make thee my wife accord- excellent work. But, in spite of their ing to the laws of Moses and the cus- efforts, the flames steadily pursued the night by a burglar at the foot of his toms of Israel." Both bride and bride even tenor of their way, obliterating bed, who pointed a revolver at his head. groom take a sip of wine from the gob- everything above the concrete barrier. et the rabbi holds, after which the The building was simply treated as though it had been levelled down one drops it on the ground and crushes it flat by the hand of man.

SHIFTING THE BLAME.

The Host-I am afraid, old man, that the dinner wasn't very satisfactory. The Guest-Well, old fellow, you must remember that you didn't know I was