NOTES AND COMMEETS.

The London Lancet in a recent issue expresses regret that the list of peerages announced on the Queen's birthto represent not only the great historical and landed families, but also the great men of all England, no matter

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Mr. W. E. H. Lecky takes occasion In his "Democracy and Liberty." condemn this discrimination against the princes of science and against those most useful servants of the public who apply special knowledge to the alleviation of suffering and the preservation of life. If we ask, he says, what England in the present century has contributed of most value to the progress of the world, competent judges would probably give a foremost place to physical science. In no other period of the world's history have the discoveries in this field been so numerous, so majestic, or so fruitful. In no other period has so large a proportion of the highest intellect taken this direction. In no other department have English achievements by the acknowledgment of the whole scientific world been so splendid. Nevertheless, the doors of the House of Lords were never opened to Stephenson, whose engineering genius did more than that of any other man dustrial condition of England; nor to ped from the heavens from the grasp the milldam, but afterward makes widto revolutionize the economical and in-Darwin, who transformed man's conof speculative thought. There is only a single very recent example of purely scientific eminence being recognized by a peerage; it is, of course, Lord Kelvin whom Mr. Lecky has in mind.

It has seen the discovery of anaesthe- to meet his ruinous levy, put up at neighborhood, the town or the city of tics, one of the greatest boons that auction massive silver tables and vases your residence? I will suppose that you have ever been bestowed upon suffer- of solid gold. A city captured by him. are a star of wit. What kind of rays do you shoot forth? Do you use ing humanity. It has produced the the inhabitants were brought out and that splendid faculty to eradiate the germ theory of disease; the antiseptic put into three classes-the first class, world or to rankle it? I bless all the treatment in surgery; a method of re- those who could bear arms, who must apostolic college humorists. The man moving ovarian tumors which has successfully combated one of the most terof brain which surgery has already achieved much and promises inestimable progress in the future. It has vastly extended our knowledge of disease by the invention of the stethoscope, the clinical thermometer, the laryngoscope and the ophthalmoscope. Xet, aithough England may justly claim a foremost place in this beneficent work, in not a single instance has this kind of eminence been recognized by a peerage. No room could be found in the House of Lords for Simpson, whose discovery of chloroform, has averted an amount of human suffering which it prostrate on their faces in prayer, and, called down fire and it did not come, would need the imagination of Dante a cloud of dust seen in the distance, a suggesting that their heathen god had to depict; nor for Chadwick, the father of that sanitary reform which has "It is the aid of God!" As the cloud feration could wake him, saying: "Cry already saved more human lives than of dust was blown aside the banners aloud, for he is a god. Either he is the greatest conquerors were able to

when it says that at the present day, and his army had given up the siege, themselves needed no improvements, please his bride, Amytis, who had when laws relating to the public health the flight of a stork and her young saying, "The whole reed not a physiengage so much of the attention of leg- by him as a sign that he was to cap- But what use are you making of islators, the exclusion of the medical ture the city, and his army, inspired your wit? Is it besmirched with proprofession from one House of Parlia- by the same occurrence, resumed the fanity and uncleanness? Do you em- race, till at the height of 400 feet there ment is especially regrettable. Rightly from which the stork had emerged fects for which the victims are not playing, the verdue, the foliage, the to deal with matters on which the pub- So brilliant was the conqueror in atlic health depends involves a knowledge tire that his enemies could not look mimicry used to put religion in cononly to be gained by the study and at him, but shaded their eyes or turn- tempt? Is it a bunch of nettlesome walking with his queen, among statues practice of medicine, and although there | ed their neads.

Slain on the evening of his marriage | Is it fun at others' misfortune? Is brought from distant lands, and drinkare in the House of Lords a few men by his bride. Ildico, who was hired it glee at their disappointment and ing out of tankards of solid gold or able to take a scientific view of health for the assassination, his followers be- defect? Is it bitterness put drop by looking off over rivers and lakes upon man have to be left to those who have silver and the third of gold. He was only a theoretical aquaintance with buried by night, and into his grave them. In certain cases expert advice were poured the most valuable coin fun of a hawk trying how quickly it to wormwood, and like them we go roll of the peerage catained the names of men learned it medicine as many medicine as medicine as many medicine as medicine as many medicine a names of men learned it medicine as men learned in the law.

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THE NATIONS KARMA.

THE CAUSES WHICH AFFECT THE DESTINY OF COMMUNITIES.

diplomatists, lawyers, clergymen, bank- tended it. Dr. Talmage chose for his which they are aiming for. And if my the undertaker orders for your funer- as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the ers, merchants, and manufacturers are text Revelation viii, 10, 11: "There fell discourse so far has been swinging al, in order to make the occasion rethird part of the rivers and upon the concerned. Nay, in our day we have a great star from heaven, burning as round and round, this moment it drops spectable, will be filled with twice as fountains of waters, and the name of seen a poet and a painter raised to it were a lamp, and it fell upon the question. Is your life a benediction to the peerage; we allude, of course, to third part of the rivers and upon the others or an imbitterment, a blessing There is an erroneous idea abroad Lord Tennyson and Lord Leighton. But fountains of waters, and the name of or a curse, a balsam or wormwood? that there are only a few geniuses. only one scientist, and not a single the star is called Wormwood."

> ry and Albert Barnes, agree in saying ing upon aff the opening enterprises of small. The circle may be like the that the star Wormwood, mentioned in philanthropic and Christian endeavor circumference of the earth or no larg-Huns. He was so called because he was mountains and valleys of our sin-cursed thing you are a star. What kind of a blue waters of Lake Ontario, on Thurshe imbittered everything he touched. We have studied the star of Bethle- Some of you are evening stars, and longest life on earth is not more than one of the most beautiful and rarest hem, and the morning star of the Re- you are cheering the last days of old a minute. What are embittering the phenomena witnessed in this climatevelation, and the star of peace, but people, and though a cloud sometimes domestic or social or political founmy present subject calls us to gaze at or unreasonableness of your old father or unreasonableness of your old father the Israelites in the wilderness com-

the world stood-300,000 dead left on pulpits cannot reach. and all the people took up the cry, or was asleep, and nothing but voci-

the city to pay heavy tax.

The London Lancet is obviously right failure to capture the city of Aquileia gesting that such perfect people like from the tower of the city was taken cian, but they that are sick."

wailed him not with tears, but with drop into a cup? Is it like the squeez- nations subdued and tributary crying. questions, such details as can only be blood, cutting themselves with knives ing of Artemisia absinthium into a thoroughly understood by a medical and lances. He was put into three draft already distastefully pungent? have built." man have to be left to those who have coffins—the first of iron, the second of Then you are the star Wormwood. is seen to be absolutly necessary, and and precious stones, amounting to the can strike out the eye of a dove. special committees are appointed to ob- wealth of a kingdom. The gravedig- But I will change this and suppose an optimist, and I expect that this special committees are appointed to obtain it, but much the and expense burial were massacred, so that it Then you have large opportunity. You descired to the continue to advance until the saved if bot branches of the might be saved if both branches of the would never be known where so much can encourage that artist by buying deceived! Our only safety is in rightlegislative body were partly composed wealth was entombed. The Roman his picture. You can improve the coursess toward God and justice toof men whose training gave them the empire conquered the Roman ampire. He fields, the stables, the highway, by ward God and justice toward man. If power practically to del with sanitary was right in calling himself a scourge, horse and cow and sheep. You can to this land and break his Sabbaths regulations. It appear that a distin- but instead of being the Scourge of bless the world with pomological and improve not by the dire disasters guished member of th Upper House God he was the scourge of hell. Be- achievement in the orchards. You can that have again and again come to us guished member of the Upper House cause of his brilliance and bitterness advance arboriculture and arrest this as a nation, and we learn saving lesacknowledges the destability of the commentators were right in bedeathful iconoclasm of the American son neither from civil war nor raging creation of medical peer. We refer to lieving him to be the star Wormwood. forests. You can put a piece of sculp- epidemic no drought nor mildew, nor

sinthium, is a perennial plant, and all crated wealth.

only one scientist, and not a single the star is called wormwood.

Stars, and you are making the dawnmember of the healing professions, has Many commentators, like Patrick and
ing life of your children bright with adaptation and quickness for some one been deemed worthy of a similar dis- Lowth. Thomas Scott, Matthew Hen- gracious influences, and you are beam- thing. It may be great, it may be and you are heralds of that day of gos- er than a thimble. There are thou-Revelation, was Attila, king of the pelization which will yet flood all the sands of geniuses, and in some one brilliant as a star, and, like wormwood, earth. Hail, morning star! Keep on star are you? You will be in this day night persons along the lake front

the star of Wormwood and my theme and mother it is only for a moment, plained that the waters of Lake Marah loup Islands, the entrance to Kingsmight be called "Brilliant Bitterness." and the star soon comes out clear again were bitter and they could not drink ton harbor, the masts of vessels, and Riddell, assistant Superintendent at A more extraordinary character his- and is seen from all the balcomes of them, cut off the branch of a certain the neighborhood. The old people will tree and threw that branch into the what appeared to be buildings like for- Montreal, and Messrs. Morris, Tiffin Major Francisco Varona has been killed tory does not furnish than this man forgive your occasional shortcomings, water, and it became sweeter and tifications hung suspended in the and Webster, district superintendents, in an engagement with the Spanish came limping along through the fields. it. Hail, evening star, hang on the tains that we can touch? edges of this sword the heifer had pressed by them until they can hold it of the god Mars, and its being given er and wider breach until it carries all before it with irresistible freshet? to him meant that Attila should con- Do not be too much offended at the fluence is felt to the furthest frontiers | quer and govern the whole earth. | noise your children now make. It will Other mighty men have been de- be still enough when one of them is lighted at being called liberators, or dead. Then you would give your right the merciful, or the good, but Attila voices or one step from the still foot. called himself and demanded that You will not any of you have to wait others call him the Scourge of God. very long before your house is stiller At the head of 700,000 troops mounted are so many homes not known to the on Cappadocian horses, he swept every- Society for the Prevention of Cruelty Turning to other and perhaps more thing from the Adriatic to the Black to Children, where children are put on important element of national well-be- Sea. He put his iron heel on Mace- the limits, and whacked and cuffed and ing, the great healing professions, Mr. donia and Greece and Thrace. He order and answered sharp and sup-Lecky points out that here also the made Milan and Pavia and Padua and pressed, until it is a wonder that unpresent century ranks among the most | Verona beg for mercy, which he be- der such processes they do not all turn illustrious in the history of the world. stowed not. The Byzantine castles, What is your influence upon the

> that makes me laugh is my benefactor. immediately enlist under Attila or I do not thank anybody to make me be butchered; the second class, the cry. I can do that without any assistbeautiful women, who were made cap- ance. We all cry enough and have tives to the Huns; the third class, the enough to cry about. God bless all aged men and women, who were robbed of everything, and let go back to all those who mirthfully surprise us with unusual juxtaposition of words. Thomas Hood and Charles Lamb and It was a common saying that the Sydney Smith had a divine mission, grass never grew again where the and so have their successors in these hoof of Attila's horse had trod. His times. They stir into the acid beverarmies reddened the waters of the age of life the saccharine. They make the cup of earthly existence, which is Seine and the Moselle and the Rhine sometimes stale, effervesce and bubble. with carnage and fought on the Cata- They placate animosities. They foster lonian plains the fiercest battle since longevity. They slay follies and absurdities which all the sermons of all the

the field! On and on until all those who They have for example Elijah, who could not oppose him with arms lay made fun of the Baalites when they bishop cried: "It is the aid of God!" gone hunting, or was off on a journey. of re-enforcing armies marched in to taking or pursuing, or peradventure help against Attila, the Scourge of he sleepeth and must be awaked. The most unimportant occur- They have an example in Christ, who her brazen gates and her embattled rences he used as a supernatural re- with healthful sarcasm showed up the walls, the splendor of the earth gather-

wormwood is extracted, Artemisia ab- has not glorious specimens of conse- of our nation's ruin, the pillars of our the year round it is ready to exude its But suppose you grind the face of more disastrously than when Samson oil. And in many human lives there is a perennial distillation of acrid expanses are due you make him wait for periences. Yea, there are some whose them because he cannot help himself. whole work is to shed a baleful in- Suppose that, because his family is that the free nation of the west arose fluence on others. There are Attilas sick and he has had extra expenses, in splendor which made the world day did not contain the name of at least one eminent surgeon or physician. The House of Lords is supposed to the state, and one-third of the state at the sta thing More Than the Individual- the waters of all the world, if not two- place to go and get it. Suggested by your high march. It reeled under the blow Worldly Fride Expressed by Them as thirds the waters are poisoned by the manner you act as though he were of calamity. It fell. And as it was falling of the star Wormwood. It is nothing and you were everything, going down all the despotisms of not complimentary to human nature Suppose you are selfish and overbear- earth from the top of bloody thrones Washington, June 21.—It was appro- that most men, as soon as they get ing and arrogant. Your first name began to shout, "Aha, so would we have rendered service or honor to their priate that this sermon on the destiny great power, become overbearing. The better if have rendered service or honor to their priate that this sermon on the destiny more power men have the better if country. On the whole, this theory of their power be used for good. The less wood, and you have imbittered onethe principle on which the upper chamber of untold agony, the scorn of ter show, on December, 8th, 9th, and betants with tears and ground agony, the scorn of ter show, on December, 8th, 9th, and betants with tears and ground agony, the scorn of ter show, on December, 8th, 9th, and betants with tears and ground agony, the scorn of ter show, on December, 8th, 9th, and betants with tears and ground agony, the scorn of ter show, on December, 8th, 9th, and betants with tears and ground agony, the scorn of ter show, on December, 8th, 9th, and betants with tears and ground agony. the principle on which the upper chairs of the uniting in the principle on which the upper chairs of the principle on which the upper chairs of the uniting in the principle on which the upper chairs of the upper chairs of the uniting in the upper chairs of the uniting in the upper chairs of the uniting in the upper chairs of the

> Some of you, I know, are morning There are millions of them. That is shining with encouragement and Chris- world but a few minutes. As compared with eternity the stay of the

thus referred to-Attila, the king of for they themselves several times lost slaked the thirst of the suffering host? sky. the Huns. One day a wounded heifer their patience when you were young and Are we with a branch of the tree of slapped you when you did not deserve life sweetening all the brackish founand a herdsman followed its bloody darkening sky your diamond coronet! Dear Lord, send us all out on that by hundreds of people, and then gradu-other day. track on the grass to see where the But are any of you the star Worm- mission. All around us imbittered ally faded away. Records of such track on the grass to see where the heifer was wounded and went on back the thrones paternal or maternal? bittered by hypercriticism, imbittered by hypercri farther and farther until he came to a Are your children everlastingly pecked by poverty, imbittered by pain, imbitsword fast in the earth, the point at? Are you always crying, "Hush!" tered by injustice, imbittered by sin. to be had. That of Thursday evening, downward, as though it had dropped to the merry voices and swift feet, and Why not go forth and sweeten them however, is said to have been the clear—which is falling into decay. their laughter which occasionally trick- by smiles, by inspiring words, by befrom the heavens, and against the les through at wrong times and is supnefactions, by hearty counsel, by est and most distinct seen in many The House of Lords has passed the prayer, by gospelized behavior? Let years from Oswego. A mirage on the second reading of the bill authorizing book microbes into their lungs." been cut. The herdsman pulled up no longer, and all the barriers burst us remember that that if we are lake is not infrequent in midsummer, marriage to a deceased wife's sister. into unlimited guffaw and cachinnation wormwood to ourselves, and our life but is rarely seen at this season of the Queen Isabella II. of Spain, possessed that sword and presented it to Attila. as in high weather the water has in high weather the water has will be bitter and our eternity bitterer. year. When first it was seen on Thurs-Attila said that sword must have drop- trickled through a slight opening in the gospel of Jesus Christ is the only day evening, it is said by some who cently sold at a London jeweller's for netent authorities consider that a ward sweetening power that is sufficient. It were on the old pier that the reflection \$5.750. sweetens the disposition. It sweetens of the sunlight upon what appeared to the manner. It sweetens life, be church spires could be plainly seen. It sweetens mysterious providences. It One large building, evidently a church, sweetens afflictions. It sweetens death, had the spires hanging down almost. It sweetens everything. I have heard to the water. people ask me in social company, "If The mirage is most frequently seen The coming Wesleyan Conference at you could have three wishes gratified, in hot climates, more especially on the Liverpool intends taking steps to exwhat would your three wishes be?" sandy plains of Egypt. It is a pheno- tend the terms of ministers on circuit tell you what they would be: menon of reflection which results from three to six years. First, more of the grace of God; sec- from the unequal density of the differ- The London, England General Omniond, more of the grace of God; third, ent layers of the air when they are more of the grace of God.

missionary in Amoy, China, there was the water, and no doubt Thursday afa tree called the emperor tree, the two ternoon the cool currents of air that characteristics of which are that it came into contact with it were exalways grows higher than its sur- panded. roundings, and its leaves take the To see the city of Kingston suspenda little higher than that tree and all very beautiful. spreads above it a crown. Would to God that this religion of Christ, a more shadow all your lives! Are you lowly in ambition or circumstance, putting Mr. Niven Will Start on an Interesting by invading the Transvaal Republic. over you its crown? Are you high in talent and position, putting over you its crown? Oh, for more of the saccharine in our lives and less of the

Tyre, the atmosphere of the desert,

wormwood and has fallen.

source and after three months' of lying, hypocritical Pharisees by sug- ed within her palaces, her hanging country and could not endure the flat country round Babylon-these hangsiege and took the walls at a point ploy it in amusement at physical de- were woods waving and fountains I pray that our nation may not copy

tila conquered the Roman empire. He introducing higher style of fowl and we forget the goodness of the Lord

national and state capitols will fall

A CITY IN THE SKY.

Oswego People Get a View of Kingston Over Lake Ontario.

A despatch from Oswego says:-Just before the sun sank to rest in the and from the lower bridge witnessed from Grimsby Village, by way of

It was a remarkable picture and was witnessed for more than half an hour

expanded by contact with heated soil In the dooryard of my brother, John, or water. The hot sun has warmed

be planted by a rosebush, it grows a its inhabitants walking about its The animals diseases bill, under unknown, for, though borings have been form of a crown. If this emperor tree ed in the sky over Lake Ontario, and land, little higher than the bush and spreads streets head down, is a sight seen but which Canadian live cattle are exclud- made by experts, they have as yet failed out above it a crown. If it be planted once in a lifetime. However, is was ed from Great Britain, passed its third to find the bottom. by the side of another tree, it grows not quite as vivid as that but it was reading in the House of Commons by

A NEW SURVEY.

Expedition in the Nipissing District-Important Results Expected.

Alex. Niven started out on Monday with a party to survey a line north- early British period. foam by the keels of her laden mer- This line has already been surveyed to contain correspondence which is ex- mile distant from the lake. As each chantmen, her markets rich with horses chantmen, her markets rich with horses a point 30 miles north of the Canadian and camels from Togarmah, her baraars with upholstery from Dedan, with Pacific Railway. Mr. Niven will con- wife. emerald and coral and agate from tinue the line thence towards James It was announced in London on By this process as much as 600 tons Syria, with wines from Helbon, with Bay, and it is expected that he will Thursday night that the British For- can be shipped in the day. After being mad-where now the gleam of her tow- complete 100 or 125 miles of it this year. where the masts of her ships? Let the unknown, but there are extensive areas ish Guiana, by the Venezuelans. fishermen who dry their nets; where of Huronian rocks, and it is not unupon the barrenness, where once she likely that they may be found to be in Frome, England, the agent of the challenged the admiration of all na- mineral bearing. Mr. Edward Burtions; let the barbarians who set their wash will accompany the party to ex- 4.810. The actual vote was:-Mr. Bartered—answer the question. She was amine it as to its geological structure low, 5,062; Lord A. Thynne, 4,763. a star, but by her own sin turned to with a view to making out the several rock formations and will do explora-Babylon, with her 250 towers and tion work for a distance of several miles on either side of the line and note carefully all occurrences of veins and minerals. The line will run down gardens built by Nebuchadnezzar to the head waters of the Montreal River, which is a promising field for mining possibly prove that here is a re- by Unionists as well as opponents. gion in that locality as large and as valuable for soil and timber as the tract of 50,000 square miles recently discovered on the Quebec side of the line between the two Provinces. In a summary report of the Geological Survey for 1895 Dr. Geo. M. Dawson says: There can now be very little doubt formation of Canada will sooner or latsiderable importance may yet be plant- returned a verdict of not guilty. the crimes of the nations that have ess." From a mining point of view it is a matter of great importance to know the locality and limits of the Huronian areas and the survey of the projected line would have that as one its principle objects. Mr. Niven will be engaged in the work for six or seven months.

Another Gold Vein Discovered.

says:-Mr. Proudfoot, civil engineer, Creation of the New Jork and grasshopper nor Lord Reay, one of the two simultaneous discoverers of the X rays, who, commenting at a recent linner on the commenting at a recent linner on the commentary and a recent line of the municipal police and carrying companies have not the mixed and carrying companies have not the commentary and a recent line of the municipal police and carrying companies have not the commentary and carrying companies have not the commentary and carrying companies absence of physicians and urgeons from "There fell a star from heaven; burn-church. You can put a missionary of making free government at times a about 10 feet wide, from which he points east and west. absence of physicians and urgeons from the House of Lords, decired that experts were needed there and that it would be better for the suntry if the would be supplied to the star is called Wormwood."

There iell a star from heaven, burner to that foreign shore. You can his foreign shore. You can his sing and a byword in all the earth; help ranson a world. A rich man with his heart right—can you tell me how his h

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CANADA. Representative stockmen of Ontario

J. E. Seagram, Waterloo, Ont., was dred thousand additional troops to Cuba

Upside Down-A Beautiful Mirage questions concerning communications tidal wave and earthquake in the that took place in the confessional. | northern portion of Japan.

undertaking the extension of the line the physicians of her country. Grimsby Park, to Beamsville.

lines east of Toronto, and Mr. Cotter begun in the summer. master of transportation for the lines west of Toronto, and that Mr. J. M.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Joseph Prestwich, D.C.L., F.R.S., the living thing will be choked with pole-

Dean Farrar is making an appeal for | zles" when perusing old books in the funds to restore Canterbury cathedral,

The Pan-Presbyterian Council, recent- bly near. ly in session in Liverpool, has accepted the invitation to hold its next meet-

bus Company has contracted for 5,000 Canadian horses, for which they will pay an average price of \$440 a head. Sir Donald Smith, the Canadian High Commissioner, and ex-Premier Mackenzie Bowell will dine at Windsor castle soon after the Queen's return from Scot-

232 votes to 75.

tons of three human beings were found is weighed and checked by a represenimbedded in chalk cliffs near the rail- tative of the Colonial Government, way station. They belonged to an after which it is hitched up to an aerial

eign Office is expected to take decided in the hold for a few days the pitch beaction in regard to the arrest of Mr. comes again congealed into a solid mass. ers, where the roar of her chariots, This tract of country is almost wholly Harrison, the Crown Surveyor of Brit- and on its arrival at the port of dis-At the recent Parliamentary election

> -Mr. Barlow, 5,064; Lord A. Thynne, The Canada Company has declared a company pays the Government £10,000

dividend of ten shillings per cent. The a year, and a royalty of 8s. on every ton business for the half year, compared with the corresponding period in 1895, shows an increase in the land values of During the last eight years the averthe company of 9 per cent.

cation bill in the British House of ready been taken by private proprie-Commons, but promises to reintroduce tors from a small portion of the lake explorers. This survey, when com-pleted to James Bay, will give useful it next year. The action is looked upon which, being Crown land, is not the information of a part of the Province as a tiasco, and Mr. Balfour's leader- property of the company. In spite, which is now little known. (It may ship of the House is severely criticized however, of this large demand upon its UNITED STATES.

Twelve tramps were killed by the derailing of a freight train near San

Great activity is reported in the Brooklyn navy yard, and it is believed preparations are being made to send At New York the jury in the case

er become an object of interest to the of Mrs. Fleming, charged with having prospector and that industries of con- poisoned her mother, Mrs. Bliss, has In Montpelier, Vt., a locomotive tire basis upon which the order of the Rusnorth, which for other reasons are at hangs in a church tower, and is used sian coronation ceremonies is founded as a fire alarm, giving a very clear and The ancient Byzantine Emperors were penetrating sound when struck by the presented with chippings of marble and

> Mount Vernon has decided that where as in a Roman triumph and the bassa secret society expels a member, the age of a mummy through an Egypticourt may enquire into the justice of an banqueting hall, being to remind the the expulsion.

A Wisconsin land improvement company, with a main irrigation canal 20 feet wide and six feet deep, has reclaimed 25 square miles of good farm-A despatch from Port Arthur, Ont., ing land in the Muskegon Lake region. All the New York anthracite produc-

GENERAL. The mother of the Emperor of China

The Czar of all the Russians is suffering from jaundice. board.

Former Chancellor von Caprivi will

be a candidate for the German Reichstag at the next election. The report of last year's Austro-Hungarian budget will show a large deficit, the first since 1889.

An impi of friendly natives has defeated a force of Matabele insurgents at the Naziane river with great slaugh-The Czarina of Russia has recently

ordered a typewriter with gold type bars and the frame inlaid with pearls. The Turks in Canea are marking the shops of Christians with a cross, and it is feared that a general massacre is in contemplation.

A duel was fought near Berlin the

found dead in his bed on Thursday by the end of the present year. morning. The deceased was 65 years | Advices received from Korosko say of age, and his death was caused by that cholera has appeared among the Egyptian troops in that place, and it Rev. Father Gill of Granby has won is feared that the disease will spread. his appeal in the case of Bouchard It is now stated that twenty-seven against Gill, the Court of Appeal up- thousand persons were killed and eight holding his right to refuse to answer thousand injured during the recent

The H. G. & B. Electric Railway | The Queen of Portugal's medical li-Company is asking the City of Ham- brary is the best of its kind in Portuilton to release the bonds of \$20,000 gal, and she is said to know as much held by the city, owing to the company about medicine and surgery as any of

The observatory on Mont Blanc is now complete with the exception of one It is reported that the Grand Trunk large telescope, which cannot be taken management will appoint Mr. Fitz- up the mountain until the snow is less a mirage. It was first discovered short- hugh master of transportation for the deep. Regular work will, therefore, be

insurgent leader has burned 5,000 tons

Professor Falb, of Vienna, announces A London costermonger was strang- that the earth will collide with a comet led by his shirt collar while asleep the on November 13th, 1899. The earth itself will survive the shock, but every National Library, "not because there is fear that they will bite the old volumes,

but to prevent the inhalation of the According to despatches from Madrid the Spanish Government is determined between the two countries is measura-

The struggle between British and Franco-Russian syndicates for the construction of railways and public works in China is being waged with varying success. Up to the present the Franco-Russians appear to be getting the better of the competition.

GREAT ASPHALT LAKE.

More Than 350,000 Tons Taken From It, Yet It Is Not Noticeably Reduced. The area of the Trinidad Asphalt Lake is only 110 acres, and its depth is

The pitch is taken out with the pick-The Bow street grand jury on Wed- axe in hard lumps about the size of a nesday found true bills against Dr. man's head, and thrown into large iron Jameson and his companions, on the buckets which stand on trolleys. These charge of violating the neutrality laws are conveyed to the company's buildings. where each bucket with its contents railway, which conveys it to the end of ward on the boundary between the dis- The new edition of Byron's works, the pier, about three quarters of a

charge has to be cut out with a pickax. The walls and bottom of the strip are washed before the pitch is loaded. and this prevents its clinging to the

The Trinidad Asphalt Company has a concession from the Government of Trinidad for a term of 40 years. The raised in excess of 30,000 tons per an-

age annual output has been 45,000 tons. Mr. Balfour has withdrawn the edu- so that more than 350,000 tons have alperceptibly reduced, though careful experiments have been made to ascertain whether this is the case.

ANCIENT BIT OF SYMBOLISM.

Among the many curious ceremonies of the coronation is the salutation by in the Archangel Cathedral. The learned in these matters consider the cuswith rich gold-embroidered cloths con-The Illinois Appellate Court at taining earth, the object in both cases life when he attains the summit of this world's glory he is yet but mort-

POLICEMEN IN BULUWAYO.

The municipal policeman in Buluto 15 shillings a day, or about \$100 a month. Tips are also regarded as a legitimate part of the income of a "bobby," and he can accept a gift with no fear of being called before

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