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BIG AND LITTLE HEADS.

An Investigator Who Says Size Has Nothing to Do With Intelligence.

A tall, broad-shouldered man, writes a New York correspondent, with gray hair and whiskers, and the general air of a worldly innocence that characterizes the scientific person, visited the Aztec Fair. The matador's sword and caballero's spurs failed to attract his attention, and he was not interested in the frying of tortillas by some female descendants of the Montezuma. Adjusting his spectacles across his nose and taking a brief survey of the hall with his beaming blue eyes, he rubbed his palms together, and in a gratified way softly murmured, "Oh! this saves me quite a journey," and drew a note-book and small steel tape from his pocket. Marching up to the nearest hombre, who was industriously fashioning silver wire into delicate jewelry, the tall man gently but firmly drew the tape-line around the astonished grasser's head, carefully noting the measurement, and made an entry in his note book. Smiling blandly and reassuringly upon the exhibit he proceeded to measure the Mexican's head in various ways and make notes. Before the bewildered fellow could collect his wits the tall man had moved around to the next booth and slipped his tape around another skull, serenely oblivious to the sensation he was creating among the puzzled Mexicans. At last he tackled a vaquero who could talk English and wanted to know the purpose of the measurement. The investigator explained that he devoted his spare time to travelling over the world measuring people's heads, and some day he would write a book about it, showing what folks had the biggest heads of the lot, not counting promising young men newly elected Congressmen. The vaquero disappeared to learn that the tall man was not an eccentric American philanthropist with an amiable desire to present new souberrons to the whole crowd. The gentleman was Dr. Sims, who long ago retired from practice, and took up theorizing and inventing in reply to my questions the doctor said: "These chaps, I find, have very small heads and consequently small brains. They are not Aztecs, of course, but belong to the mixed Spanish and Indian race of Mexico. The fact that their head is small is only other proof of my theory, or rather of my generalization from long observation, that the largest heads are in the cold countries, and the size of the skull and weight diminish as you get nearer the equator. I have measured heads from Lapland to Egypt, and from India to New Zealand, and the results prove the truth of the general statement. The Laplanders have the largest heads and the equatorial races the smallest. But the Laplander is by no means a prodigy of mental activity. In fact, he is inclined to be rather stupid. Now, I have discovered that the brain has nothing to do with the operation of the thought. The mind, as it is called, is not located in the brain. The brain is merely a receptacle for the mind, and supplies heat to the body through the nerves. Sever the nerves in a sheep's neck and the heat of the body diminishes in regular proportion so many degrees a minute. The experience of Arctic explorers has shown that the brain is not necessary to endure the cold. It is the dynamo that sends heat and electricity along the nerves to all parts of the body. In cold climates more heat is required, and heart and brains are larger than in warm climates. People living near the equator require little body heat and their heads are small. But the intellect is not affected by the size of the head. Big men have big heads, but the smart men are by no means big. The biggest brain that ever existed weighed only four and a half pounds. The heaviest was that of Ivan Tourgenieff. The latter was Russian, and the Russians have big heads because their country is cold. I could cite facts by the hour to prove my theory, but I will only say that I will all agree with me that the old notion of brain power is entirely erroneous." The doctor sighted another foreign head across the hall, and, whipping out his tape-line, he disappeared in the crowd, walking over small people without noticing their protests in his anxiety not to lose sight of the new specimen.

SOMEbody BLUNDERED.

How the Italians Were Cut up in Sections by a Rome Cable says Gen. Geire, the Italian Commander at Massowah, reports as follows: Boretti, commanding at Saati, on January 25th, at 11 a. m., saw the heights occupied by thousands of Abyssinians, who disappeared on the firing of some shells. Boretti sent out a party under Lieut. Corno, who surprised and engaged the enemy. The latter advanced intrepidly, and within 300 yards of the Italian position. There was desperate fighting until 5 o'clock, when the Italian troops, applied for reinforcements, and Geire sent a column under Col. Decristoforis. The column was delayed by difficulty in transportation. Decristoforis asked for more men and guns. While the latter reinforcements were on the way, the Italian troops without noticing their own men were massacred after forming a square, defending themselves to the last man and cartridge. The relief party found the bodies lying in the order in which the men fought, and the enemy retiring. Many corpses were mutilated.

NEW THINGS JUST OUT.

Wood Wool-Sewing Machine Improvements-Cork Bricks for Partitions. The best quality of that growingly useful article, wood wool, is obtained from the Riga fir tree, by means of a machine specially adapted to the purpose. The improved machine consists of a cast-iron frame resting upon three iron supports, and carrying a driving shaft, which is actuated by two pulleys, fast and loose; to this shaft is fitted a fly-wheel, one spoke being provided with a pin that receives one of the extremities of a connecting rod, the other extremity being connected with the knife-carrier. This latter, which rests upon the iron frame, sliding in iron guides, is arranged a set of peculiar knives, so arranged that they cut the wood wool both the backward and the forward motions of the knife-carrier. The wood is held upright by the machine by suitable arrangements, permitting the introduction of blocks of a few fractions of an inch long; the wood is moved forward by means of the knives by means of a click, that causes it to advance the requisite distance at every revolution of the fly-wheel, every movement tending to perfecting the result.

John's Spelling. "How do you spell knee, mamma?" said a small boy, looking from his slate. "K-n-e-e, Johnny." Silence for several moments, while the letters were going down laboriously. And then he asked: "How do you spell grow?" "G-r-o-w." "More scratching with the pencil." "Now I've got it!" Johnny exclaimed. "K-n-e-e, n-e, g-r-o-w, g-reg-ro!" "You're Companion."

The Man For The Job. Simpson-Well, Muggins, how's business. Muggins (our artist)-Oh, ripping! Got a commission this morning from a clergyman. Wants his children painted very badly. Simpson (with that pleasant way of his)-Well, my boy, you're the very man for the job. They don't speak now.-Judy.

Let the Children Try This. I tell you a cure for dyspepsia that is neither patented nor original. "If the white bootblack blacks the black bootblack's boot, will the black bootblack's boot be blacked?" If the white bootblack blacks but one of the black bootblack's boots, what will the black bootblack do?" Directly-Drew in a young beak and then repeat the above cure as rapidly as possible.-Boston Globe.

The Successor of Cardinal Jacobini will probably be Monsignor Rampolla, the Papal Nuncio at Madrid. It is reported from Maine that the English sparrows are growing white, as a result of their becoming acclimated. Winter feathers have been often noticed this winter on the sparrows.

A bill has been introduced into the Tennessee Legislature offering to the United States the Hermitage farm, famous as the home of Andrew Jackson, as an asylum for disabled and invalid soldiers. The bill provides that Mrs. Sarah Jackson, the adopted daughter of Old Hickory, shall be allowed a home and maintenance upon the farm for life.

An Oregon woman, Mrs. Lillie Prok, of Oalla, has killed seven bears this winter. There's no danger of the young man who goes to see his girl striking for shorter hours.

Daniel Damer, of Mattison, Mich., lost a pet squirrel over two years ago. The other day it returned and resumed its old relations.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

There were 34 deaths in Kingston last month, eight of which were from consumption. Owing to a rumor that Dr. Abbott, of Bellevue, who died suddenly recently, had come to life, an investigation showed that his remains are still in the vault there.

Ottawa is likely to prove a formidable competitor with Kingston for the possession of the proposed School of Practical Science for Eastern Ontario.

Mr. W. Peters and his family, of Kingston, came near losing their lives on Thursday night by suffocation from cool gas. The members of the family are confined to bed.

Two Civil Service employees got well thrashed in the Windsor-Hotel, Ottawa, on Thursday night, by a stranger, whom they insulted because he would not shout for the Tory party.

A special meeting of the Toronto City Council was held yesterday afternoon, when the legislation to be asked from the Ontario Legislature at its present session was considered and adopted.

Miles Dempsey, who lived near Demorestville, Prince Edward County, was instantly killed on Thursday by a kick from a young horse which he was breaking. Deceased was 85 years of age and married.

An old gateman of the Grand Trunk Railway named John Woods lost his life at Montreal yesterday morning, being run down by a locomotive during the heavy snowstorm. He was an old employee, and attended the switches and semaphores.

McGill Graduates' Society Executive Committee offer a prize of \$50 for the best ode in honor of the Queen's Jubilee, to be read at the annual University dinner at the end of April. The competition will be open to all Her Majesty's subjects, manuscripts to be in before the 15th April.

At the meeting of the Kingston School Board on Thursday night it was decided to admit all Roman Catholic children to the Public Schools free whose parents are on the assessment rolls as supporters of the said schools. Heretofore 50c. per month was charged for each pupil.

Mr. James Foot, who was taken from the shore of the Ottawa River, near St. Thomas, in a boat during the recent floods, while suffering from a severe attack of inflammation of the lungs, died yesterday from the effects of the exposure. Deceased was 71 years of age, and had been a resident of that city for the past fifty years.

Mr. John Lytle, of Amherst Island, while driving home to Amherst Island, accompanied by Miss Wilson, broke through the ice. He managed to get out upon the ice, after which, with much difficulty, he seized the young lady by the hair and pulled her to safety. The team of horses were drowned. Miss Wilson is very ill from the effects of her wetting.

Edwin Sless, a hotel keeper at Courtland, a few miles from Ottawa, is in poor health and also financial difficulties for some time past, and on Thursday night he made no determined and successful attempt at suicide. Taking a loaded shot gun and locking himself in his bedroom, he placed the muzzle to his forehead and fired. The whole top of his head was blown off, and his brains scattered over the walls and floor. The report of the gun was heard by the family, and when the door was forced he was found lying on the floor dead. A razor was found in his pocket. He was about 45 years of age, and leaves a wife and four children.

The Anarchists threaten a dynamite campaign in France. Four hundred houses were destroyed by fire in Bangoon yesterday.

The proposition which has been put forward that the Pope shall be accepted as arbitrator in the Bulgarian dispute, is strongly opposed by Russia.

Sir Charles Dilke has been left by a wealthy cousin the sum of £10,000. The cousin died testate, and Sir Charles, a well-known man, and changed his will in his favor after the trial.

A despatch from St. Petersburg states that the Russian Mediterranean fleet has been ordered to rendezvous in Japanese waters, where Russia intends at the earliest possible moment to assemble a considerable squadron.

The Prince of Wales has notified the Governors of New South Wales and Victoria that both himself and the Princess find it necessary to recall their acceptance of an invitation to visit Australia this year on the occasion of the centenary celebration of the restoration of Charles II., and says it will be impossible for the Prince and Princess to leave England during the next twelve months.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, Chief Secretary for Ireland, in the House of Commons last evening, in answer to inquiries, such as the following: "Have the moonlighters had attacked the houses of three farmers in Mill Street, county Cork, and out of the hair of every woman met in the houses." The only reason given for the outrage, said the Chief Secretary, was that the women had been seen speaking to the police. Sir Michael also said the Government would not release the Crossmaglen convicts.

Court cases are in a state of enthusiastic expectancy with regard to the coming celebration of Queen Victoria's coronation. The greatest social feature of the Jubilee will be the magnificent State ball in costume. The last State ball, which took place in June, 1851, more than ten years before the death of the Prince Consort, was a costume affair. The dresses were imitation of the time of the restoration of Charles II., and it was the most splendid court spectacle of the present reign. It is hoped that this year's ball will be quite as grand, and every effort is being put forth to make it so. It is stated that the Queen designs that the costumes to be worn at the June ball shall be in the style of the middle of the reign of Queen Elizabeth, or about 1580.

William Robinson, who was bitten in the lip by a strange dog on December 28th, died yesterday in the agonies of hydrophobia, at Greenwich, Conn.

Thos. F. McGowan, a well known citizen of Lunenburg, from a private book to the orchestra in the Theatre Comique on Thursday night and was killed.

The coroner's jury has returned a verdict that the death of Raymond R. Belmont, who shot himself in the basement of his father's house in New York, was accidental.

The Council of Dakota yesterday defeated by an overwhelming majority the bill giving incorporation to the exclusive control of the liquor traffic within their limits. The same body passed the Local Option Bill by 33 to 10.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

Opening of the First Session of the Sixth Parliament.

THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.

Prospective Legislation on Important Public Questions.

The Speech from the Throne. I have great pleasure in welcoming you for the first time to your legislative duties as members of a new Parliament. The year on which you have entered is one of special interest throughout the British Empire as being the jubilee year of the reign of Her Most Gracious Majesty, who for half a century has so fulfilled the duties of her exalted station as to secure her devoted loyalty and affection of her people.

I regret that I am unable to announce to you any progress towards the final settlement of the boundaries of the Province. The legislation advised by their Lordships of the Imperial Privy Council for the confirmation of their decision has not yet received the concurrence of the Dominion Government; and my despatches of 1884 on the subject, and on the subject of our northern boundary, are still unanswered.

Soon after the last session of the Provincial Legislature the Court of Appeal unanimously affirmed the judgment of the Chancellor of Ontario negating the claim of the Dominion Government to the lands and timber in the territory within our boundaries as determined by Her Majesty in Council; but litigation has, notwithstanding, proceeded against the Province, at the public expense; and an appeal to the Supreme Court has been brought, which has been argued and now stands for judgment. There has been some correspondence between the two Governments which will be laid before you.

The Dominion Government having declined to agree to any method of putting beyond question the proper jurisdiction to deal with the subject, the Province, in the Provincial Factory Act of 1884, I thought it right to assume the jurisdiction without further delay and to issue a proclamation calling the Act into effect. Some further legislation is found to be needed for the effectual and reasonable working of the Act, and will be brought to your attention.

I am pleased to notice the prominent place taken by this Province at the Indian and Colonial Exposition last year by the magnificent display there made of the manufactures and natural products of the Province, as also by the attractive and most commended exhibit of the Education Department, evidencing the advanced position which the Province holds in educational science and appliances.

Amongst our agricultural products, the exhibit of cheese and butter forwarded by the Ontario Department of Agriculture attracted much attention, and cannot fail to be of great value to this growing and already important department of agriculture. For the success of this exhibit much credit is due to the zealous assistance of the officers of the Provincial Dairy Associations. The splendid exhibit of Ontario fruit, collected mainly by the officers of the Fruit Growers' Association, will do much to remove erroneous impressions in the mother land in regard to the severity of our Canadian climate. The Provincial Bee-keepers' Association also voted assistance to make the honey exhibit which reflects credit upon the Province.

I am glad to learn that the mineral resources of the Province are being steadily developed; that new and valuable discoveries have been made during the past year, especially in our northern and north-western districts; and that mining operations have made hopeful progress.

The Commission for consolidating and revising the public statutes of the last ten years have nearly completed their work, embodying the same in two volumes, the first of which will be laid before you at once, and the second on an early day. These volumes embrace amendments which the judicial or professional experience of the respective Commissioners has enabled the Commission to suggest, and to trust that you will find it practicable to adopt at this session the legislation necessary to give to the public the benefit of the work during the present year.

For several years there has been much discussion as to the best means of promoting the higher education of the people, particularly in the department occupied by the Universities of the Province; and it is gratifying to observe that, notwithstanding some differences of opinion as to the methods of attaining this end, there is no difference as to the duty of placing within the reach of every citizen, who may wish to avail himself of its facilities, a course of University education equal to that furnished by the best Universities of Europe or the United States. A bill having this object in view will be laid before you.

Amongst the measures to be submitted to you is a Bill for the gradual extension of the Land Titles Act to the whole Province as the public exigencies may render expedient and the local authorities desire. The report of the Master of Titles on the operations of the Act in the county of York and of Toronto will be laid before you.

Measures will also be submitted for your consideration respecting the appointment and jurisdiction of Police Magistrates, and to provide amongst other things for scientific instruction in the Public and High Schools of the Province as to the nature of Alcohol and its effects upon the human system.

Your attention is invited to the important subject of prison labor, and therein to the question whether the present system of letting out the labor of prisoners confined in the Central Prison to companies or private persons by contract, may not, with advantage to the discipline and reformatory influences of the prison, and without disadvantage to the public, be abolished by law, to take effect upon the expiration of existing contracts.

Since the last session of the Provincial Legislature, tenders were advertised for and received for the erection of the new Departmental and Parliament Buildings, and it was found that the needed accommodation will require a somewhat greater expenditure than was expected. To avoid injurious delay, a contract has been entered into for certain parts of the work, subject to a condition requiring your approval of the contract. Papers relating to the subject will be laid before you.

With the view of giving effect to the patriotic sentiment of our people, and following in this respect the example of the neighboring State of New York, the proceedings authorized by the statute of a former session for ascertaining the cost of improving the land in the neighborhood of the Falls of Niagara have been taken and are nearly completed, and a measure will be submitted for your consideration dedicating to the public in permanence the land on the Ontario side of the great world-wide and containing provisions for securing that object without material cost to the Provincial treasury. A report from the Commissioners will contain all useful information bearing on what is proposed.

The public accounts for the past year will be brought before you, and you will be pleased to learn from them that the expenditure has been less than was provided for by the estimates, and that the receipts have exceeded the amount anticipated.

The estimates for the current year will, at an early date, be submitted for your approval. They will be found to have been prepared with all the economy consistent with the demands of the public service. I trust that the legislative labors of this first session of the new Parliament may be characterized by the same patriotic care and intelligence as in the case of previous Parliaments.

A LIVING TARGET.

A New York Boy Shoots Another Boy's Hat With His Head in It.

A New York despatch says: Frank Rivers, 15 years old, was in the street practicing with a long-barrelled target pistol on Monday, when William Jackson, a colored boy, came along. Young Rivers wanted to fire at Jackson's dog for fun, but Jackson suggested that he try his skill on some of his neighbors' chickens instead. Rivers proposed a compromise. "You stand over there," he said to the colored boy, pointing to a tree, "and I'll shoot through your hat. I kin do it, and I won't hurt you." Jackson is only 13 years old and agreed to stand as a target, but Rivers failed in his part of the performance. He hit Jackson squarely in the forehead. The ball was a small one and had little force. It circled around under the scalp without penetrating the skull, but it disturbed Jackson to think how nearly he had been killed, and, with blood streaming down his face, he set up a most energetic yell. Rivers ran away and hid in the cellar of his house until Detective Madison found him and took him to the Harlem police court. "Excuse me there was plausible enough. He said Jackson's head ran up further into the hat than he had supposed, or he would not have hit him. Mrs. Rivers gave the required \$700 bail for her son's release.

A POOL CRIME.

A Husband Shoots His Young Wife—Her Body Cries Hoarse to Death.

A Boulder (Col.) despatch says: Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Mott, a young couple living eight miles from here, to all appearances had been very happy until three weeks ago, when their first child was born. Since then Mott has been very abusive and quarrelsome. On Monday morning Mott being under the influence of some coffee, drank it and sat down to smoke. His wife was still in bed with her child, and had fallen into a doze, when she was awakened by the report of a gun. She jumped up and fell to the floor unconscious, a ball having entered her shoulder and passed into her neck. In the meantime Mott disappeared. When Mrs. Mott regained consciousness she got into bed with great difficulty and sank into a stupor. When she came to herself again her child was crying, but she, having become paralyzed, was unable to reach it. The fire went out and the babe cried until midnight, when it died. Mrs. Mott's plight was not known until Tuesday night, when a relative called at the house. She cannot recover. Officers are in possession of citizens are in pursuit of the murderer.

Spring Assizes, 1887.

ARMOUR, J. Toronto (Civil) Monday, 14th March Toronto (Criminal) Monday, 14th March Toronto (Criminal) Monday, 14th March Milton Monday, 14th April St. Catharines Wednesday, 13th April

ROSE, J. Whitby Monday, 14th March Shelburne Monday, 14th March Nanawauke Monday, 4th April Picton Thursday, 7th April Brockville Monday, 14th April Cornwall Monday, 25th April Cobourg Monday, 25th April

GALT, J. St. Thomas Monday, 14th March Sandwich Monday, 28th March Sarnia Monday, 14th April Goderich Monday, 14th April Woodstock Monday, 25th April Chatham Monday, 25th April London Monday, 2nd May Watlington Monday, 9th May

CAMERON, C. Cayuga Monday, 14th March Berlin Monday, 21st March Shelburne Monday, 21st March Brantford Monday, 4th April Simcoe Monday, 11th April Hamilton Monday, 11th April Guelph Monday, 2nd May Stratford Monday, 9th May

CHANCERY SPINNING SITTINGS. Toronto, Prof. Cook, Tuesday, 26th April

WESTERN CIRCUIT. ROYD, C. Goderich Tuesday, 9th March Watlington Monday, 14th March Stratford Wednesday, 30th March Woodstock Thursday, 30th March St. Thomas Tuesday, 3rd May Hamilton Monday, 13th May Sandwich Friday, 13th May Chatham Wednesday, 16th May

MIDLAND CIRCUIT. PROCTOR, J. Barrie Monday, 7th March Owen Sound Monday, 14th March Brantford Monday, 14th March Simcoe Wednesday, 30th March Hamilton Monday, 28th March Whitby Wednesday, 13th April St. Catharines Monday, 16th April

EASTERN CIRCUIT. FERGUSON, J. Cobourg Monday, 4th April Lindsay Friday, 8th April Peterborough Wednesday, 13th April Kingston Monday, 19th May Cornwall Wednesday, 23rd May Ottawa Thursday, 2nd June

Latest from the Northwest.

The Masonic Grand Lodge met here to-night when the annual reports were presented. The Dominion and Provincial Governments are to be appealed to to secure information relative to the early settlement of the country from old settlers ere they pass away.

James Corrigan, a farmer at St. Andrew's, attempted suicide by cutting his throat with a knife. His recovery is probable.

WINIFREDA, Feb. 10.—The two rebels, Chief Big Bear and Big Belly, recently released from Stony Mountain, were sent on from Regina by Tuesday night's train to Swift Current, en route to Battleford. A supply of necessary provisions was given to them.

Rev. Sam Jones, who intends to visit Minneapolis next April, has consented to come on to Winnipeg and deliver at least one lecture here.

Coal is supposed to exist in Wapella District, Assiniboia, and tests will shortly be made to ascertain its quality and extent. If the tests prove successful, a strong company will be formed to develop the deposit.

A resident of Chester, Ill., has a pet crow that talks quite as well as any parrot.

Hugh Barnett, of Edwardsville, Ind., was so amused at a pun made by a neighbor that he laughed immoderately and fell dead.

Miss Elizabeth Atkinson, who recently died in Burlington, N. J., aged 98 years, had not been out of her room for eighteen years.

THE PLAN OF CAMPAIGN.

Vigorous Speeches by Mr. Redmond and Lord Hartington on Parnell's Amendment.

Mr. Redmond, Nationalist, resumed the debate on Mr. Parnell's amendment this evening in the House of Commons. He spoke as one soon to undergo, in company with John Dillon and others, a trial which would probably end in imprisonment for assisting in the operations of the plan of campaign. So far as the plan had been applied, Mr. Redmond said, not more than twenty estates had up to date been brought under its operations, and in no case was it proposed to deprive the landlord of his rent, but the aim was simply to enable the tenants to bank their money for protection in cases where the landlords refused to make fair reductions. In every instance in which the plan of campaign had been tried the landlords were finding it advisable to make concessions. It was mainly, therefore, the plan that was to be carried out by fewer evictions than for several years previous, and an almost total absence of outrages.

The Marquis of Hartington said the Plan of Campaign was not the main question before the House. To vote against Parnell's amendment was to vote virtually without confidence in the Government. The other questions raised, therefore, could not be discussed on their merits, but only with reference to the effect of the amendment on the fate of the Government. Admitting that the relations between the landlords and tenants in Ireland were far from satisfactory, it was no remedy to suspend or reduce or abolish the payment of rent. Such a plan would be found no better to the poor tenant. The plan of campaign, as Mr. Redmond said the real remedies for the agrarian crisis were to be found in providing larger productive employment for the people, or in voluntary emigration conducted and supported by the local authorities (Chiefs) 821, where landlords existed the law must be enforced. It would never be possible to get rid of the ultimate resort of eviction. The course of the Government in prosecuting the authors of the plan of campaign was right and straightforward. It was the duty of the Government to attack men employed in an illegal conspiracy, and prevent their leading astray tenants who were their dupes. Mr. Gladstone had declared that the plan of campaign resulted from the fact that the Government in refusing to adopt the suspension of the Evictions Bill. Could Parliament hold that, as a legitimate consequence, the rejection of any measure left the people morally entitled to take the law into their own hands and do what Parliament had refused to do? (Cheers.) If the plan of campaign was not illegal, if its enforcement was not stopped, there would be an end to all relations between landlord and tenant. It would cause an interminable war and result in the total destruction of the power of the landlord to obtain any rent excepting what the tenant chose to pay. The suppression of the "plan" was a necessity, if order was to be preserved. Mr. Parnell had referred to the probable recurrence of the plan of campaign. He admitted that Parnell was not in a position to control dynamic crimes, but he was in a position to disown them. (Cheers.) They were not disowned. Mr. Parnell contented himself with warning Parliament that if a certain course was pursued the dynamites might resume operations. As to Home Rule, there remained a steadfast, solid barrier of a hundred votes against Mr. Gladstone's scheme. (Cheers.) It was idle and useless for the Home Rulers to present a vague and indefinite demand on the ground that they had the confidence of the Irish people, knowing that they must secure the approval of the British nation.

Viscount Kilcourse (Liberal), Samuel Storey (Radical), and Hy. H. Fowler (Liberal) spoke in favor of the amendment. Mr. Sexton adjourned the debate.

Parnell's Amendment Defeated—The Debate.

London, Feb. 23.—Thomas Sexton, Parnellite, resumed the debate on Parnell's amendment, and stated that the Government on their inability to rule Ireland without the assistance of an army as large as the one needed in India. Parnell's amendment, Sexton contended, raised questions of vital and practical importance. The whole policy of the Government in Ireland—whether it was called reform of the criminal procedure law, or coercion—hinged upon the relations between the Irish landlords and their tenants. All on the part of the Government, and on the question of rents had been sprung, and the tenants now stood with their backs against the wall defying oppression, even the oppression of the law, because their position was morally impregnable. The tenants everywhere in Ireland were willing to pay fair rents, but the speakers believed if all the deposits banked under the Plan of Campaign by the small farmers (and which represented the utmost they were able to pay) were put into a common fund, the sum would suffice to pay three months' rent on the basis demanded by the landlords.

Mr. Matthews stoutly defended the policy of the Government. Sir William Vernon Harcourt made a vehement attack on the policy that had been pursued by the present Government in the management of Ireland, and supported Home Rule.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach replied. He said it was the duty of the Government to enforce the law in favor of the amendment. It was intended to extend the provisions of the Land Purchase Act, and measures were in contemplation for the development of the industrial resources of Ireland. The division was then taken, and Mr. Parnell's amendment was defeated by a vote of 352 to 246.

Something for the Sale.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., despatch: Henry Edwards, aged 20, joined the Salvation Army at this place last Christmas. He forsook his old companions in sin, and said he was going to lead a new life. For a while he was one of the most earnest workers in the Army, and secured many recruits from the society he formerly moved in. He went so far as to visit the mines and implore the young men to join the Army of the Lord. He continued his good work until last Friday, when he fell from grace and returned to his sinful ways. Sunday evening last he visited the Salvation Army barracks and laughed at the exercises. All of a sudden he put his hands over his eyes and cried out, "My God, what is the matter; I cannot see." Edwards was taken to his home by two friends. He was totally blind.

Cornelius Driscoll, of Lower Cove, N. S., is 101 years old, and hale and hearty. He eats well and daily does light work.

Prof. Udson, a violinist of Warren, O., was engaged to Miss Jenny Thompson, of Copenhagen, when he quit that city for America. A few weeks ago he sent for her. She came to visit the mines and implore the young men to join the Army of the Lord. He continued his good work until last Friday, when he fell from grace and returned to his sinful ways. Sunday evening last he visited the Salvation Army barracks and laughed at the exercises. All of a sudden he put his hands over his eyes and cried out, "My God, what is the matter; I cannot see." Edwards was taken to his home by two friends. He was totally blind.

Sam Temple, a colored citizen of Montgomery, sent his 8-year-old boy for a jug of whiskey. On the way home the boy thought that what was good for his father must be good for him, and he took a pull at the jug. Then he took several more and then he got home very stupidly drunk. His mother put him to bed, and he was undisturbed until the next morning. Then when she called him he was dead.

A yearling calf harnessed to a good-sized hand sled, and trained so that it will obey every command of its driver, is one of the attractions at Sioux City, Iowa.