

NOTABILITIES.

During the carnival at Rome the horses got away in the race a little too soon, and two people were killed and others injured.

The Princess of Wales is very fond of making up her own bonnets. She will purchase half a dozen bonnets from as many different modistes and remodel every one of them before she will consent to wear them.

Glaestone's father used to say his son William would "ruin his country and die in a madhouse." The old baronet left him a handsome fortune of \$500,000, most of which has been lost in disastrous mining investments.

The committee having in charge the fund for a monument to the late Earl of Beaconsfield reports a surplus of \$10,000 and are in doubt what to do with it. The case is unprecedented in the history of monument building.

The late Lady Essex had drawn a jointure from the Essex estates for forty-three years. Dowry is a terrible draught on many English landowners' incomes. Many have to pay two, some three, and there have been instances of even four.

Mlle. Rhea was in Boston. She patronized the Soldiers' Bazaar during the closing exercises, under the escort of her manager, and in looking for places some one proposed that they should go to the "rear gallery." "What!" said the delighted lady, "the Rhea gallery! Has there been a gallery named for me?"

The will of Mr. Bernal Osborne, the veteran English M. P. who died recently, which bequeathed the greater part of his fortune to his grandson, Lord Osborne Beauchamp, is revoked by another, according to which he leaves it between the younger children of the Duke and Duchess of St. Albans, with the exception of a legacy of £4,000 to the children of his eldest daughter, Mrs. Blake.

The Emperor of Brazil has been systematically visiting and examining the factories and workshops of Rio and its vicinity, with the object of judging, by personal investigation, and by hearing the views of the proprietors and of experts, of the claims put forward by the manufacturers for higher protective taxation of foreign products of a similar kind and of a reduction of the import taxes on substances employed in the Brazilian manufactures.

The London Lancet corrects the common impression that the Queen is merely the nominal head of the empire. "Actual and heavy state business," it says, "passed daily through her hands and taxes her attention severely. Her Majesty has never been in the habit of attaching her sign manual to unread papers. It is real burden she bears—a burden, a care and anxiety—and no human being could fail to feel the continuous strain the bearing of such a burden necessarily produces."

The Governor of Gold Coast says that nobody there has heard a word as to the King of Ashantee killing 200 girls to use their blood for mortar, and that such a proceeding would have been impossible for him. Mr. Bamernan, son of an Ashantee princess, told the Governor that "the King has no power to kill 200, or even two girls, under such circumstances, and for such purposes as those alleged that the Governor has himself, and that the whole story is a fabrication exported from Cape Coast."

The late Earl of Lonsdale, according to the London Truth, was a gentleman of curious manias, but by no means wanting in generosity and a full sense of his own importance. He was very fond of hares, and his park at Louth was full of them, for he had given the strictest orders that they were not to be shot. The present Earl lived hard by, and used to ignore this mandate, often returning home with a cart load that he had poached in the park. The keepers were always in terrible perplexity when these rails took place; they did not like to offend the Earl in esse, or the Earl in posse. So they held their tongues.

Lord Wilton, just deceased, was brother of the late Marquis of Westminster and Lord Ebury, and succeeded his natural grandfather in the Earldom of Wilton under a special patent. He also inherited from him very valuable estates. He was a voluptuary, and in early life a debauchee, and was never of the slightest use to the body politic; but, inasmuch as he rode well to hounds at Melton, and gave undeniable dinners, especially to turfmen, in Grosvenor Square, it was the fashion among a certain class in "high life" to estimate his qualities very highly. He married for his first wife an aunt of Lord Derby, by whom he had several children.

Escaping from Siberia.

An ex-professor of mathematics in a Russian university, who escaped from Siberia a few months since, says that to an exile in Siberia, under certain circumstances, escape offers no great difficulty. It is more an affair of money than anything else, the distance being so great and the population so sparse that very close police surveillance is impossible; but escape from penal servitude is a terrible undertaking, and is very rarely accomplished. Sophia Bernina, who recently found her way into Switzerland, is the only woman that has yet performed the feat.

Sleeping on Your Side.

Dr. Delaney says if you sleep on your right side your dreams will be old and faint remembrances; the dreams are apt to be childish and illogical; sleepers on the right side also compose verses. They send them to the newspaper the next day. Sleepers on the left side dream intelligent dreams about recent events. So if a man wants to dream what his wife used to say to him and about him before they were married he must sleep on his right side; if he wants to dream of what she says to him now, he must sleep on his left side.

"There is nothing like settling down," said the retired merchant confidentially to his neighbor. "When I gave up business I settled down and found I had quite a comfortable fortune. If I had settled up I should not have had a cent."

NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

Five Minutes' Select Reading.

Summary of Foreign, Domestic and War Items—Concise, Pithy, and Pointed.

DOMESTIC.

Wooden houses are being made in Ottawa for the North-west.

At the Picton Assizes a woman is suing her father-in-law for slander.

Numbers of people left the vicinity of Acton for Manitoba.

Mrs. Manahan, of Belleville, has been seriously hurt by a locomotive.

Three pickpockets arrested in Hamilton have been committed for trial.

A drunken farmer named Scott laid down on the rails near Acton and was run over and killed by a train.

It is reported that the Government Engineers have reported in favor of the Presqu'Isle route for the Murray canal.

A young girl near Ottawa sued a young man for \$10,000 damages for breach of promise. Recently they met, renewed their vows, and were married.

W. J. Meakin, who was refused a license for his saloon in the aristocratic quarters of Montreal, threatens to start a boiler shop and a soap factory.

It is stated that negotiations are in progress between the Senecal Syndicate and the Richelieu Company for the purchase by the former of the latter's wharf at Quebec, to be used for the ferry.

Information has been received by Rev. Dr. DeSola, the Jewish rabbi in Montreal, that Sir Alex. Galt is interesting himself in London in directing the stream of Jewish emigration to the North-west.

A woman staying at a principal hotel, Ottawa, and having the entree to society here, recently obtained a considerable amount of jewellery from a Sparks-street jeweller under false pretences. She was made to disgorge.

A Montreal detective says that the woman Miss Romaine, who is now taking a libel suit against Mr. McLean, of Ottawa, is the same who posed as an escaped nun here a few months ago, and won Protestant sympathy while she played the part of a persecuted Catholic. She is pronounced a clever adventuress.

UNITED STATES.

Small-pox has appeared at Erie, Pa.

The Hillsdale crew leaves for England in May.

Two emigrants in Kansas shot three railway men.

Trains are badly blocked by snow on the Central Pacific Railway.

The strike of coal miners in Virginia promises to be a very large one.

Playing brakeman was the cause of a little boy's death in Detroit.

An entire negro family has been drowned in Arkansas, while fleeing from the flood.

Five boys dug a cave near St. Joseph, Mo., it fell in and crushed them all to death.

The first cash distribution consisting of \$65,000 has been made to the Michigan sufferers.

J. W. Johnson of Illinois, an applicant for the Swedish Consulship, has committed forgery and fled the State.

Serious charges are made against President Sherman.

The schooner Bellerophon, of Gloucester, Mass., absent on a halibut trip, has been given up as lost with a crew of fourteen men.

A Chicago petition for the pardon of Sergeant Mason, said to be signed by seventy thousand people, has been sent to Washington.

Capt Wilde, chief of the United States secret service at New Orleans, while shooting boys who were robbing his fruit trees, shot and killed a boy aged 12.

The report of the United States Senate Committee investigating the Treasury contingent fund scandal goes to show that the charges against the ring are more than sustained.

Several men approached the jewellery store of Casper, Field & Cleveland in New York recently. One smashed the window and the rest grabbed \$1,000 worth of diamonds. All escaped.

Arkansas City was visited by a terrible storm. Two houses were blown down. A house occupied by two negro families was lifted from the foundation and set floating. The inmates were rescued with difficulty.

An unsuccessful attempt was made the other night to assassinate Dr. Gray, of the Utica Lunatic Asylum, and well-known as an expert on insanity matters. He was one of the principal witnesses on the Guitteau trial, and the would-be assassin is a lunatic who labored under the delusion that he was an ambassador from heaven sent by Guitteau and others to shoot Dr. Gray.

GENERAL.

The British navy estimates for 1882-83 call for £10,484,000.

Austria is said to be determined to annex Bosnia and Herzegovina.

J. Bryce, of Killen, Ireland, has been released from imprisonment.

A report that the Porte has suggested to Germany a Turkish occupation of the Balkans is denied.

Arrangements has been made for a Danish polar expedition which will start for the Arctic regions in July.

At Bellmullett, Ireland, Carter, a justice of the peace and an extensive landlord, has been fired at and seriously wounded in his leg.

The time during which the imprisoned suspects are to be kept in solitary confinement daily has been shortened an hour and a half.

Skobloff took part by invitation in the christening of the Grand Duchess Helene, infant daughter of the Grand Duke Vladimir, the Czar's brother.

The friends of Dr. Lamson have instructed his solicitor to prepare a memorial praying for a respite on the ground that the evidence regarding acemline was inclusive. The fact that Count Von Moltke, Chief Marshal of the German Empire, will shortly leave on a furlough to Switzerland is looked upon as an indication that there is no fears of war.

The Queen will spend a full month on the Continent, the probable date of her re-embarkment being April 15th. Her Majesty and the Princess Beatrice arrived at Mentone the other day.

The Czar is said to have convincing proof that the Nihilists have determined to abandon the policy of assassination. It is stated that in consequence a policy of clemency will be adopted by the Russian Government.

Styles in Canes.

An interviewed cane merchant said: "Styles in canes? Why, they change almost as often as the cut of women's dresses does. I have been in this business since it was established by my father in 1841, and since that time I have learned that new shapes in sticks must be invented every year. A good cane is an old man's friend and a handsome one is a young man's pride. One might as well be out of the world as out of the fashion, and the young man nowadays who doesn't carry a 'crook' may as well go to the nearest dock and throw himself into the river. When I say 'crook' I mean the latest thing out in canes. It is in similar shape to the curved-handlestick, which has always been in vogue, but generally carried by old gentlemen. There are two styles, the shepherd's crook, shaped like a fish hook, and the Zulu crook, a plain curved handle. Both styles originated on the other side, as do most of the fashions in canes. The Zulu is from Paris, and the Shepherd from London. They were introduced there last spring, and took the place of the crutch, which was so popular last year. These new styles are made from natural wood, with handles, and yet there are a great many made with chamois and buffalo horn handles. When I was a young man a whalebone cane was the proper thing, and since then there have been the agate-topped Malacca, the bamboo and barked sticks of different shapes. The makers here get woods from all over the world, the most expensive being the Malacca, which comes from the swamps in the Straits of Malacca, and the leopard wood, olive and shake wood, from Africa. America can supply the wants of the world for pretty barked wood. For canes, the ash plant very popular among Englishmen, comes from Great Britain, where it is cultivated for cane use alone. When used as a walking stick it is never varnished, but used just as it was pulled. The fancy woods, such as Malacca, Penang and Wauke bamboos, are generally mounted in gold or silver, with hammered head, and often cost as much as \$30."

"FATHER," said an inquisitive boy, "what is meant by close relations?" "Close relations, my son," replied the father, "are relations who never give you a cent."

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