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# THE WEEK.

THERE is no question of the robustness of Sir WILFEID LAWSON'S political faith. Though some may lamenthe ever rejoices. Hope springs eternal in the worthy Baronet's breast-proof of which may be found in his speech on Saturday when he said that to cry out, as some people were doing, that the Liberal party was smashed and pulverised, was the greatest "bosh" that ever was talked. The Liberal party was immortal. As long as it supported true principles it could never die-its work was never done,and every rebuff that they received only consolidated and knitted them more firmly together, and determined them to go forward.

THE dry summer has had a remarkable effect on the Hanube. Its water is so low that rivertraffic has been practically suspended, except to l'esth alone more than a million cwts. of corn the water to rise. The price of wheat has been affected much as it would be by "a ring," though low prices have prevailed in all other parts of Europe. The Danube Navigation Company is suffering a good deal in consequence of the lowness of the water and the Roumanian commercial dispute.

It has long been evident that Russian bonds were in less favour in this country than formerly. But it has not until now been definitely pointed out that the decline in their holding in this country has been so marked. The dividends assessed to income tax in lair amounted to £2,360,872, but in 1884 the amount had fallen to £744,057. As the interest has remained at 5 per cent., the fall indicates a difference in British holding of £47,207,000 in 1877 and of £14,881,000 in 1884. The principal holders of Eussian bonds now are to be found in Germany, and it is therefore evident that any serious impairment of Eussian credit, such as a great war would entail, must produce a grave financial crisis in Germany.

MUNICIPALITIES will be greatly puzzled as to the best way to mark the QUEEN'S Jubilee, and a variety of projects appear to be under discussion already. Whatever may be their nature, however, they should be beneficial and permanent. At Stalybridge, a Free Library is the scheme that seems likely to unite all classes, and at a public meeting it has been suggested to raise £3,000 by public subscription for the construction of suitable buildings, and then hand them over to the Corporation. In other places, parks and hospitals, town-halls and statues, are under consideration. Public meetings, indeed, almost all incline to building projects, of a local character.

Thorners about the policeman's vote are continually cropping up in the registration courts. In some cases policemen's names have been retained, on the ground that they may cease to be policemen by such time as they may have a chance of voting. The absurdity of putting men on the register who cannot vote is selfexident A policeman who votes is liable to a fine of £100, which he might run the risk of if his name were on the register, say for some place where he is not acting as a policeman. He is thus tempted to break the law. The better plan is to leave off policemen until the present law be altered. The men themselves care very little about the matter.

The Panama Canal may prove a very splendid undertaking for anything that we know to the contrary, but it cannot be denied that it is absorbing money at a tremendous pace. The Surz Canal is 100 miles long, and it cost in round numbers 18 millions of money. The money raised to make the Panama Canal has grown in amount until it is in excess of what was at one time the maximum estimate of 45 millions, or a million per mile. But it is now stated that 70 millions will be required to bring the company manght of success. It must be very doubtful whether so costly an undertaking will pay a reasonable rate of interest for a good many years to come after its completion.

It is stated, and we should hope upon sufficient is the OUNEN'S Jubilee year also, we have some additional reason for looking upon the intimation—it would barely amount to a third. as more than usually probable. It would be a great gratification to her subjects if the QUEEN would not only open Parliament in person forget the seclusion in which she allows her loyal people so few opportunities of publicly testifying their regard.

It is humiliating to note that an effort is being made to begin a crusade against the Jews in Ireland. A placard has been published in Dublin intended to inflame the public mind against the Jewish community. Happily, it is being received with feelings of indignation and contempt. Ireland has suffered too much from religious persecution for the new movement to take any serious root. The Nationalists are in no way implicated in the movement, and the Freeman's Journal described it as " either the product of the imagination of some hare-brained fanatic, or, what more likely, the project of a set of ruffians, having some ulterior object in view." We should hope that it will not be received with sympathy by any creed or class.

We should hope the London Socialists will content themselves with their protest against the prohibition of their procession on Lord Mayors Day, and find some other method of making their demonstration. The idea of following the LORD Mayon's procession was a little bold and risky, and we suppose that was a part of its charm. But, surely, men of such inventive minds can hit upon some more pacific device than the one now officially condemned, persistence in which is not unlikely to create a disturbance. A big procession some other day, conducted with order and good temper, might excite sympathy, when one on the 9th proximo would probably lead to con-

THE Bishop of CARLISLE has made an important statement in respect to Cremation. This is a subject which is daily receiving increased attention .lngry discussions have arisen respecting it, and many theologians have shirked the question. Not so Dr. HARVEY GOODWIN, who, on Saturday practically gave in hisadhesion the to the theory and practice of Cremation. After the consecration of a burial ground the Eishop, who has always been noted for the courage of his opinions, said that if in the future it should be found in large towns that it was practically impossible to continue the present Fystem of burial, and that the only way to dispose of their dead was by cremation, then himself would allow no religious scruple, no feeling that could be called superstition, to stand in the way if it should be adjudged to be for the public benefit. These are courageous words and cannot fail to have weight in the future of this

"WHATEVER other results are achieved by Cabul, and their murch thither was attended by many signs of the high regard with which Englishmen are now entertained in Afghanistan. whom do we owe this beneficent change? the Ministers who surrendered Candahar. in spite of Conservative clamour at home. established ABDUR RAHMAN on the Throne of Afghanistan, and reversed the partition policy of Lord Beaconsfiring. Here, indeed, we have another and significant proof of the shortsightedness of Conservative policy, and the heated verbiage of much that passes for Conservative criticism. Liberal policy is once more vindicated. and the storm of opposition, in dying away, is shown to have been nothing better than party spirit, disguising itself as a loftier and bolder | Flymouth will have many tender thoughts of kind of patriotism. History, in fact, is as unkind as usual to Conservative judgments.

In the course of time a good many illusions will be dispelled. The work is proceeding at a would take the command of our forces in rapid rate, as far as the Irish question is con- Burmah, was premature and unauthorised. It is has been dealing with the matter in Suffolk deprive India, eventemporarily, of the services of lately, and he may be said to have pulverised the argument to atoms. Agricultural voters will not be caught by such clap-trap arguments a second

A FRENCHMAN, Dr. Lombroso, has discovered, or fancies that he has discovered, that all revolutionary movements are more inclined to occur tosts of very light draught. The corn trade has | in the heat of summer than at any other time. suffered beavily. A week ago there were in Further, he contends that all revolutionists are more or less insane, the Socialists especially so. waiting re-shipment, whilst above the city were. He is not alone in holding the latter opinion, strings of barges laden with corn, waiting for but he might as well extend it, in the spirit of "Great wits to madness nearly are allied.

And thin partitions do their bounds divide." Genius, in this view of it, is a species of insanity, but then the reply comes with crushing force, that the common-place oftener find their way into lunatic asylums. The brain, in fact, as often becomes diseased for want of use as by

LADY RANDOLPH CHURCHILL was, of course, bound to say sweet things to the l'rimrose Leaguers at Bradford on Monday. They expect The amount of flattery bestowed upon these otherwise unimportant persoasges is overwhelming. They apparently have done everything that mortals could do to make Conservawhat it is, which is not saving But they asso late themselves with charitable works, however praiseworthy, for the objects of the League were purely political, and she thought they ought to remain so." There was a danger that they should attempt too much, and fail. We think this is very likely. The novelty of the thing will have to be kept up by sensational means, and then the awful collapse will arrive.

THE great event on Tuesday was the meeting the National Union of Conservative Associations. The actual business done does not appear to have been very considerable, and nothing in the shape of a new departure is to be noticed here was, indeed, a proposal to change the name of the Conservative party, but it met with very little support. In the evening there was a great meeting, and amongst the gentlemen supporting Lord BANDOLPH CHURCHILL WAS Mr. HENRY CHAPLIN. A resolution of confidence in the present Government offered the CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER an opportunity of making another of his characteristic speeches. His reception was of a nature to confirm him and others in the popular belief that the noble lord is " the great man of the future," on the Conser-

THE plain English of General BULLER's action in Kerry was given at the fortnightly meeting of the National League in Dublin on Tuesday by Mr. W. O BRILLY. He stated that "the Government, through him (General Buller) were endeavouring to enforce abatements in rents in one way, while the National League were trying to secure reductions in another, and he believed the League plan was the best and most legal." The method adopted by General BULLER appears to be that of declining to render help in evictions until in all bad cases, of which he makes himself the judge, an effort has been made to bring about a compromise between landlord and tenant. That is, he constitutes himself a Land Court, and employs the dispensing power. The Gavernment, in fact, is acting on the principle of Mr. PARNELL's rejected bill.

THE dispute about the amount of farming capital per acre in England is interesting, as showing how easily all guessing people may deceive themselves. The Treasury estimate is £6 10s. an acro of cultivated land, and it proceeds on the assumption that the two estimates made in 1878 must be reduced to meet the fall in prices. For ourselves, we authority, that her Majesty, the Queen, will should very much doubt whether farming capital open the next tession of Parliament with full is now anything like £6 10s, per acre. In spite State ceremony. A similar announcement is of remissions of rent, more or less extensive, made nearly every year, and with almost as much farmers have been paying their rents, or a appearance of authority. There are real indica- portion of them, out of their capital for some tions, however, of more activity in Court circles years past, and they would not now fix their next year, and important preparations are being capital per acre at anything like £6 10s. already made for a busier season in town. As it We should doubt whether it is more than half that sum, and in at least a third of such cases.

> RENT reductions, voluntarily made, are becoming common in Ireland. Several have recently been reported, and an important addition has been made to the list. At Navan on Tuesday an unsolicited reduction of 15 per cent. was given to all Lord Boyne's tenants. The Marquis of LANSIOWNE has also made an abatement of 20 per cent. from the judicial rents of the farms on his Kerry estate His Lordship. in explaining to his agent his reasons for this step, says the strong appeal which has been made to the Irish landlords by the leaders of political opinion on both sides renders it incumbent on the landlords to spare no effort to diminish the difficulties of the coming winter. This is a cogent argument, which we trust will have due weight, and that other landlords, in view of the expected distress, may be induced to

> THE Wakefield Bishopric Fund is making very satisfactory progess. The holding of the Church Congress in the West Riding town which gives its name to the proposed See contributed substantially to the augmentation of the Fund. The Bishop of Rivon has laboured assiduously to forward the scheme, and his Lordship now writes that a very generous offer has just been made to him. A gentleman who desires only to be known as "A Friend" has stated that he will be responsible for half the sum still required to complete the endowment provided the residue be raised before the end of the present year. As only about £11,000 needed to complete the Fund, there can be little doubt that the small sum will speedily be raised. This would be a matter of satisfaction to all Church people. Thus there is every prospect that the first Bishop of Wakefield will enter upon his important duties in the Jubilee year of the Queen's reign.

THE unexpected death of Lord MONESWELL, better known as Sir ROBERT COLLIER, will create a strong impression in the West of England, where he was well known, and made his earlier political reputation. During the time he repre- and few Englishmen would care to invest any sented Plymouth, the noble lord was always capital whatever in Irish soil. With an Irish extremely attentive to his Parliamentary business concern, the feeling is the reverse. duties, upon excellent terms with his constituents. and ready to keep himself abreast of all political movements. The legal, compact, and historical way he had of treating public questions was Probably there are other persons who would the doubts of prominent local politicians were exhibited. It is not a little singular that, conlessened, if not wholly removed, by his clever | sidering the careful cultivation of the Conservaand lucid handling of the more delicate tive working-nian ever since 1873, not a single controversies of the time. When the question | specimen should have been returned to the of disestablishing the Irish Church was first House of Commons. 'the Liberals have assisted to his constituents was remarkable for its grasp and they have lent them a helping hand in gettof the whole subject, and for a presentation of ling into the House of Commons. By these each stage in the history and treatment of the | means they have shown the reality and depth "the Commission," says a correspondent, tele- question that settled the matter, as far as the of their convictions, in the face of all the world. graphing from Cabul, "it has certainly bound | convictions of the Liberals were concerned. We | Their opponents say fine things of the working "Afghanistan to England." There will be no may pass over his promotion to the Judicial man, and get his vote, but they take good care Committee of the Privy Council. The stir it to keep him out of the front rank. He is admirbeing the British Frontier Commission are made was out of all proportion to the issue able in working a constituency, in the interest of Cabul made entertained by the American involved, and it seems trivial now, on re- some one else, but no one dreams of sending him garding the able and faithful service he to Parliament, until he has made his was so ready to give, that it should ever way into the ranks of capitalists, and aspires to have arisen. His services on the Committee social dignities and titles. Mr. GLADSTONE says were of the highest kind, and that he contri- he would like to see an increase in labour reprebuted to it strength and learned acumen cannot be doubted, and stands proved by the judgments in excess. He adds that, as the cause of the he delivered. As a hard-headed, patient, and strewd lawyer. Sir ROBERT COLLIER made his way to higher honours, amidst the congratulat one of his legal and political friends. As a member of the Judicial Committee of the Privy | difference between the two principal leaders Conneil, he served his country well and unosten- and parties. It is scarcely possible that workingtatiously, and it was only last year that he was raised to the per rage as Lord Monkswall.

the sturdy man who battled so well for them

several years ago,

THE announcement that Sir F. ROBBRIS

cerned. The rush to invest money in Messrs, now stated that such an appointment is im-GUINNESS'S Dublin business exposes the hollow- probable. It would amount to an intimation ness about British capital leaving Ireland in fear that the situation in Burmah is graver than the of Home Rule, and the complementary Government is disposed to admit, were the statement that Irish labourers would come Commander-in-Chief to leave India. One of his over to this country in shoals, and divisional subordinates is almost certain to be flood the agricultural labour-market—an argu- appointed. Some one with Oriental military ment that lost the Liberals many votes in July - experience is required, and we are not so destiis also receiving its quietus. Mr. Joseph Arch tute of general officers that it is imperative to

> MR. CAINE is very indignant that the British public should wish to invest their money in the Dublin business of Messrs. Guinness. He thinks it a shame that no temperance scheme has ever been such "a boom." It is not very creditwe must confess, that l'orter should be such a favourite, but the fact is undentable. There is money to be made out of him, and Mr. CAINE is, for the nonce, in the political company of all the "brewers and bakers and candlestick makers" who swear by the Union. But if he ever talked about capital being driven from Ireland by the Home Rulers, he must now be a saider and a wiser man

THE Belfast Commission has asked for a return of the officers in the employ of the Belfast Corporation, with their salaries and religion. The document is in every way an interesting production, because it bears out the common accusation against Irish Protestantism for its narrowness and bigotry. There are eighty-four persons in the salaried employment of the Curporation, but only six are Catholics. All the rest are Protestants, with the exception of two, who return themselves as not belonging to any religious denomination at all. There are twelve departments, and in ten of them there is no Catholic. The population of Belfast is about 160,000, and, of this number, two-fifths are Catholics. The elected members of the Corporation, it is needless to add, are all Protestants. No city in Ireland exhibits such reckless disregard of the minority.

THE Archbithop of York was presented on Wednesday with a splendid portrait of himself, painted by Mr. Otless, R.A., in token of the high esteem in which he is held by all parties in his diocese. Lord WENLOCK made the presentation at the Residence, and the interesting ceremory was the outcome of a movement initiated three years ago. His GRACE has certainly worked hard and successfully all over his Diocese. and many persons who were unable to be present yesterday will feel a lively interest in an appropriate and opportune recognition. It will be seen from the language used by the various speakers, that the terms of the written Address do not extend beyond what is generally said and

THE French Crown jewels appear to give the Republicans a good deal of concern, which has its amusing sign to monarchical minds. The argument is that such jewels are to be disposed of because they are worth nothing to a Republic, and their existence may revive Imperial sentiments and aspirations. The Senate has accordingly agreed with the Champer that such of the jewels as have not artistic value over and above their ornamental worth, shall be sold. It is estimated that they may make about half a million of money. What is to be done with the money when the jewels are sold is to be decided by a later Bill. will be no lack of ways for spending the money when the time comes for the final settlement the question.

EXPERIENCE is the best schoolmaster, whether the lesson be learned by ourselves or from the career of others. At present the city of Derry is wisely taking note of the sad experience of the Ister metropolis, Belfast. A terrible example has been afforded by the sanguinary riots at the latter town, and the lesson has been laid to heart at Londonderry. Fearing that the result of the election petition trial might cause irritation in certain quarters, the magistrates have issued a proclamation probibiting party processions, and warning the people of the peril they incur by assembling in numbers in the streets and open spaces. We cannot but commend the prompt and sensible action of the local magistracy in the

LORD RANDOLPH CHURCHILL was hardly at his best. He had in reality nothing that was new to say. His account of the great revival trade in Yorkshire will remind the politicians o Lord Beaconsfield's story about chemicals. But we may doubt whether there is half as much truth in it. It is, as he admitted, "too soon to speak about the condition of Ireland with absolute confidence," and yet he drew some very large inferences from very little facts. Evictions cannot begin until next month, and pressure being put upon the landlords not to evict but to reduce their rents. On the "stern decision" of England about maintaining the Union, it was predicted that the question was settled, not once for all, but for one er two generations.

THE condition of the Liberal party and the so-called Conservative programme, provided the noble lord with something wherewith to eke out the poor matter of his speech. His fun about the former was not very telling, and he had a renunciation to make on the latter by saying, that it was a calumny to accuse him of adopting the policy of "three acres and a cow." Talking " fast and loose," he managed to make it appear that his party were wonderfully original, consistent, and progressive. But we may adopt his own words, "Wait and Fee." The waiting promises to be long, but the seeing will be

THE rush of investors to put their money in Messrs. Guinness's Dublin business indicates two very important things. In the first place, that there is abundant money awaiting profitable investment, and, in the second place, that Home Rule has had no disturbing effect upon Irish finance, or British belief in Irish investments. The firm announced their business for sale at six millions - an enormous sum all things considered, and a day and a half was set apart for applications. But before half the time had expired twenty-one times more money was offered than was required. It is a long time since there was any such financial rush in this country, and the promoters of the Manchester Ship Canal must marvel at the credulity. or caution, or whatever it is, of the British people. Home Rule would, it was said, impoverish Ireland, by driving away British capital. But Home Rule is in the air, and British investors apply for 127 millions worth of shares when only 10 millions are offered. Irish landowners may very well moralise over the incident. Their investments are getting less satisfactory every year.

LORD SALISPURY would "be very glad to see "Conservative working men in Parliament." especially helpful and forcible. Many a time | like to have a few choice specimens publicly brought forward. Sir Robert Collier's address | working-men representatives in various ways. sentation, and that he has no fear of it ever being recent diminution was "brought about by the "action of party," he has little faith in any arrangement for an increase that is not founded on a similar basis. These answers indicate the men will not form their own conclusions about such matters. Had it not been for the Unionists there would have been no falling off in the number of Liberal labour-representatives. The Conservative labour-representative is a being as yet unborn.

### A HERO IN SPITE OF HIMSELF.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1886.

BY ROBERT BUCHANAN. ATTHOR OF "SHADOW OF THE EWORD," "A CHILD OF them, driven by none other than Colonel Fotheringay NATURE," AND " GOD AND THE MAN.

### CHAPTER VIII.

ISABEL S PERPLEXITIES. The more Isabel thought of her old lover the less she liked him; or rather, the less she liked the idea of the people with whom he had become associated. It was very hard for her, of course, to believe ill of the father of her dear friend Angela Sloane, yet it was strange that the mere mention of his name should cause her friends to look uneasy; but it was so. Tue first time that Isabel noticed this was one day when she sat at lunch with her guardian and his wife, General and Mrs Collier. In general conversation she happened quite casually to mention Colonel Bloane's name. Immediately her guardian turned to her and asked :

"Do you know him, Isabel?" "Not in the least," returned Isabel; "but I know his daughter. She is a sweet girl. She was at school with me at Sunbury." After this Isabel questionel General Collier, but he knew noting -or professed to know nothing -whatever f Colonel Sloace. Yet for all that, there was an ex-

Do you know Colonel Fotheringay?" asked Isabel one day; and as she spoke she narrowly watched her guardian's face. This time it did not change. He merely shook his head. "Not at all," he replied; "but be seems to be

pretty well known here. They tell me he is a rich Englishman who is so lucky he succeeds in every-After this Isabel persued her inquiries no further: but the had already succeeded in arousing the

curiousity of her friends. They watched her movements, and soon discovered that her most constant visitor was Angela Sloale. Thereupon Mrs. Collier spoke as follows: " My dear Isabel, she said one evening, when the two were sione. "I fancy Colonel Sloane's daughter

comes here rather to often. If I were you I should see as little of that young lady as possible!" "Why?" saked Isabel. She is the most charming "That may be; but I fancy she is not surrounded

by charming people."
"Indeed, Mrs. Collier, you know nothing about them-the General said as much." "Nothing personally; but the General particularly wishes that we shall not get mixed up with that party." "Very well," returned Isabella, "I will not introduce Argela to you. She shall continue to visit At this he gave vent to a long, low whistle, which me as she has always done, in my own rooms." -This compact was the more easily kept, since

Angela evinced no desire whatever to be introduced to lambel's friends. "Indeed, I am very glad." she said one day, when Isabel said something about the General and Mrs. Collier being from home. "I would very much rather be with you alone, Isabel dearest. We can talk now about anything we like, whereas if Mrs. Collier were here, we would have to be so stiff and stupid. Indeed, as far as I am concerned, I hope she will be out pretty

Thus it was very easy for Isabel to keep the promise she had made to her guardian's wife. One day, a few day's after Isabel's last conversation with Mrs. Collier, Angela arrived at the hotel, and was shown as usual to her friend's private rooms. Dear Isabel, she said, rushing into her friend's arms, "I have got a request; I wonder if you will "Tell me what it is, Angy?"

I want you to dine with me to-night. Only a family party-papa, Colonel Fotheringay, and Mr. Melvin. Now, Isabel, don't hesitate. Papa is quite anxious to know you; do say you will come." 'I-I can't, dear '"

"Can't come?" "I don't know, I must think of it, that is, I must speak to Mrs Collier, she may have made other arrangements for to-night. But I will let you know. dear!" she added, feeling very guity as she looked at her crest-fallen friend. Then she began to question Angela a little about her father and Fotheringay, but she soon found that Angela know as little of the workings of their private life as the veriest stranger whom she might meet upon the road. She ent for some time reflecting after her friend had left her. Then she sens a note to Colonel

"DEARERT ANGELA (she wrote) -"Carnot possibly dine with you to-night. Come and pay an early visit to your loving friend. "ISABEL RAYMONO."

#### CHAPTER IX. A ROVING ENGLISHMAN.

Simple and ingenuous as Angela Sloane was by disposition she was young woman enough to have a secret-that secret, of course, concerning one of the opposite sex Residing in Long Branch at that very moment was a certain young Englishman, Jack Kelso by name, whom she had met casually in New York, and concerning whom, for reasons which I could only guess at, she had never spoken to her Now. Jack Kelso would have puzzled any one whe

saw in him anything more than an exceedingly hansome and attractive young man. He was an Englishman, and had come out to the States, he said, to seek his fortune; but beyond painting a little, apparently for pleasure, he seemed to do no manner of work. Besides being a painter, he was a very clever mineralogist, and foud of collecting specimens, with what view it was not quite clear. He dressed well through rather roughly, and did not seem to want for money, though he earned little or none. In appearance he was like a sailor, bronzed, and weather-beaten. with auburn hair and British beard, and his hands were rough as if with hard work, which might accounted for perhaps by the fact, of which he duly informed Miss Sloane, that he had worked his passage over before the mast.

But with all this, he was a gentleman, no doubt of that, both in manners and education. Be that as may, no sconer did Angela set eyes upon his hansome face, than she fell head over ears in love with him ; and he, in his bluff sailor-like way, responded. The two bad met frequently at Long Branch, at dances, on the beach, indoors and out, and always,

am bound to say, surreptitionaly. The Colonel, as I bave said, knew nothing of all this, for Angels hugged her secret with the tenscity so often possessed by such

Two days after the incident narrated in my last chapter, Mr. Jack Kelso was seated on a rock high up on a distant part of the beach, when he saw Angela approaching rapidly along the sands. It was a dark cloudy day, and she walked with her sunshade closed n her hand, her fair face delicately flushed with exercise and the sea breeze. He ran up to her, holding out both hands.

"At last! I was afraid you were not coming a

I could not get away," she replied. " Even when did, Mr. Melvin, papa's friend, wanted to ac-They walked along side by side; the sands were lite lonely at that hour. "By the way," said Jack, "I have found some-

thing. I wonder if it belongs to your father. As he spoke he handed her a piece of printed paper. It was a proof of the prospectus of the South Speranza Gold and Silver Mining Company, with some penci corrections and remarks written on the margin in pencil. Now, these remarks were curious, being t the following effect: "A mine of wealth; or misery. " Perfectly simple—is this sweet simplicity shared by the public?" "Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, fifty thousand pounds; fifth for

cat's-paw." And the extraordinary lines: "O sacl' insipiens! ambo Arcades. Five bundred thousand . . . Geese? No. dollars, please!" Angela looked at the paper in amazement, "Oh, Jack, what is it?"

"Upon my word, Angy, I don't know!" You see, they had got to the length of "Argy and "Jack" long before this meeting. I think," suggested Jack, "it belongs to your father. Will you return it to him?" "Ob, Jack, I can't. He'd ask me where I found , and then—"

She saused, blushing crimeon. You can tell him you picked it up, as I did, on he public road. Are the remarks in the Colonei's "But his name, you see, is on the prospectus,

suppose it's some 'good thing' in which he is con-"Very likely," returned Angela, carelessly. " He is always in speculations that I know nothing about." Yes," returned Kelso: "I wish he wasn't." You wish paps wasn't in speculations?" said

"Well, that's very foolish of you, Jack," continued

Argela, reprovingly, "because it is by speculating that men make money. And I want paps to grow rich-ever so rich," the added, opening her eyes their wides'; 'se rich as Miss Eaymond the heiress!" "Why, Argy," said the young man watching her gravely, " I had no idea you were so fond of maney! "Ah, but I am though," said Angela; "ever so fond of it. I don't like money for money's sake," she continued, as if trying to excuse herself; "but it gives one such power, doesn't it, Jack? With it one can do whatever one likes."

This time Jack did not reply. He was regarding her very strangely. Angela too seemed thoughtful. Suddenly she gave a prodigious start, and seized his arm.

"Walk on," she said hurriedly, "or let me hide. Ob, do, do something, please Jack!" During their conversation the two had left the beach together, and were now strolling idly along the road. Angela's eyes had been carelessly fixed before over this very atternoon." her, when suddenly they had fallen upon the object which caused her such alarm. It was Fotheringay's

splendid buggy, which was advancing rapidly towards "Jack !" cried Angela in despair, " he must not see me with you; if he does he will be sure to tell page, and then I don't know what will happen to me ."

" My dear Angy," he said, "don't excite yourse f but just drop behind a few yards, or I will. How is | Savernake has been a celebrity these five years. Lady he to know we have ever met? Hullo!" he added.

Kelso smiled.

A: d Le was right; the buggy, in fact, had very future, and how he would be taken up by the memnearly been overtureed. Relso looked, but all he bers of his order. Lord Savernake has had a friend could see was that the two horses, which had been | through life in his uncle, Lord Herry Brune. Lord running "tandem," had, in some mysterious way, got | Henry will have to be his guide, philosopher, and muddled up together; and having taken fright at the | friend in his new walk, novelty of the situation, had commenced kicking. plunging, and rearing, to the immineut danger of the on the newest acquisition to the House of Peers. I'm bystanders and of Fotheringay himself, who, white as | World it whales at peers and princes who err. Lord death, kept his seat, trying in vain to master the Savernake has many friends in the sphere of life restive brutes, while beside him was the small tiger. clinging on to the buggy with all his might, and after- his acquaintances were glad or sorry to learn of his ing heartrending cries.

Had the situation been less perilous, Kelso would have laughed. It was very curious to note the utter helpleraness both of Fotheringay and his diminutive | property was put into the market recently, but only | stand upon and now, being ousted, he can even sit, servant, while the bystanders, who expected every Frestion of mirgled disgust and annoyance on his face minute to see the buggy overturned and the occupants | Marquis of Ailesbury is also Lord Cardigan, and will whenever the Colonel's name was mentioned, and he have their brains dashed out by the restive horses, inherit the Cardigan estate in Yorkshire should be invariably contrived as soon as possible to change the rever made the slightest attempt to go to their "Ob, Jack, they'll be killed!" cried Angels.

> got the leader free : had brought both horses to the r normal state of tranquillity, and was quetly buckling the leader to the buggy. "Don't disturb yourself," he said to Fotheringay. who was about to descend; "they are all right now." "Thank you, my friend, thank you," said Fotheringay, grandly, after he had taken a look at the person who had certainly saved his life. " May I -ha-ask

"Jack Kelso." "Ah! indeed!" Fotheringay produced his eye-glass and looked at him again. Kelso's appearance evidently satisfied

him, for he immediately produced a resplandent card-case and handed him a card. "That, sir," he said lofully, "is my name and address. If you care to call upon me, I -ha-shall be pleased to see you. If at any time you think can do you a service, command me. From this day I am your debtor. Good day !"

The buggy drove off, leaving Kelso standing in the road with the card in his hand. He looked at

was interrupted by Angela, who came up panting and "Oh, Jack," she cried, " I thought you were

"COLONEL FOTHERINGAY."

"Not a bit of it," he answered, laughing. Then he looked at the card again. "What did he give you that for?" asked Angela, pointing to the card. "He asked me to call upon him!"

"And shall you?" "Yes, I think I shall. He is a man I want very nuch to know Angels looked uneasy.

"Don't be afraid, Augy," he said, noting the look. I shan't say anything about our meetings. Perhaps the Colonel may be got to jutroduce us; who knows?" The two walked on together for some little distance chatting merrily as they went; then Angela paused and held forth her hand. You mustn't come any further, Jack, she said

He took her hand, gave it a hearty squeeze, the suddenly he remembered the annotated prospectus which he had found, and produced it from the depth of his waistcoat pocket.

"You had better give this to your father, Angy "Indeed, no, Jack, I can't. You must keep it. am a wretchedly bad one at telling a tib, paps wo ce sure to find out all about us the moment I spoke, "All right, then; if he ever does want it, you" know where to find it!"

He folded the paper, and returned it to his wais! coat pocket; then he squeezed her hand again, an they started to persue their different ways. Sunderly Argeia ran back.

" Well Angy ?", "Where do you live?" "

" Eb? West a question!" "What is the name of your 'shanty,' as you call

address should I put?" " But you never do write!" "It's never too late to mend, sir, But serious" Jack, I must know. I may have to write to you. may want to see you at a moment s notice; so I want

That is, if I wanted to write a letter to you, who

to know where you will be." "Why Angy, what's going to happen?" "Can't say, I'm sure, returned Angela, " but thousand things might happen, and I want to be

prepared. Now give me your address, please; an He did as he was commanded, and again they separated, Angela nodding and amiling to him from beneath the shade of her parasol as she went

Passing through Long Branch, and walking inland Jack Kelso passed along the banks of the Shrewsbur River, until he came in sight of Pleasure Bay, on the river side. Here, in a small one-storied cottage, standing apart from the hotels, he had taken unpretentious ledgings. The river, covered with yachts, small boats, and fishing cobles, flowed before the door, in front of which there was a piece of gree sward and a wooden seat.

'Twenty minutes' smart walking brought him to this quiet retreat. The door of the cottage was open, and he walked straight into a large sittingroom, plainly furnished in the manner of amphibious ledging-houses, but containing, in addition to its ordinary furniture, an easel, on which was an unfinished landscape, paints and brushes, a number of books, and divers mineralogical specimens, some in boxes made for the purpose, others on the table and the mantelpiece.

Seated in this room was a young man, reading. He was short, snub-featured, and rather common-looking indeed, much more like a gentleman's servant than s gentleman, and more like a country groom than

He rose up as Kelso entered, and placed his book down on the table. "Hullo, Luke!" said Kelso, with a careless nod

" No, my lord," was the curious reply; but no soone and flushing, added, " Beg pardon, I did'nt mean i

Kelso walked over to the young man, and took his by the shoulders, "Now look here! Do you remember our compact In case you don't, I'll remind you. If ever that ex-

pression slipped out of your mouth in addressing me I was to give you a hiding; and if you don't care, "It's habit, that's what it is, sir. You came upon me sudden, and I forgot," "Very well, take care in future. You are Luke

Stafford, I am Jack Kelso." We worked our passage over together, didn't we?" "Yes, sir," answered Luke, rather lugubriously. "And don't 'air' me!" thundered Kelso. me Kelso, or Jack!

"I can't do it, sir, I can't, indeed! cried the other feebly. "It don't come nateral. I'll do anything you like--live with you, sit at table with you, though it goes against my stomach; but I can't be so orf: familiar! I wish you wouldn't ask me!" "What a mean spirit you have, Luke!" said Kelso laughing. "Can't you accept the position I offer you, like a man?" 'I try my best, sir, and you're very kind."

"Well, keep a close tongue in your head at any rate, and remember that, for the present, we are with his daughter, and a close friend of theirs is a man called Mr. Kyrle Melvin. Make a note of these names, Good. I want you, until further notice, to witch these people, especially Melvin, and to report

to me all their doings; what people they meet and

are it timate with; how long they are going to stay

here; what the hotel servants and Arc genus on as think about them; in short, every thing you can pick up in any quarter. Do you understand?" "Very well, Mr Kelso," said Luke, respectfull 'Am I-to watch the young lady too?" "No; leave her to me; confine yourself to her father and his friend. Don't be afraid of spending a few pounds. You are constitutionally stingy, Luke,

even with your master's money." Luke smiled; a rather hard, tenacious smile wa his, very charcteristic of the man, Looked at closely he was seen to possess close set lips, a sharp determined chin, cheeks somewhat puckered, and small soft eyes. He had a good, though not intellectual forebead, high and narrow. He was about five-and

His may ner towards Kelso was more than respect-

Wouly years of age.

ful; it might be described as sympathetic. In point of fzei, though these two men were widely separate in station, they had been brought up tozether, more or less intimate relationship, since boyho; More than this it would be premature to any concerning them; as my tale advances, the reader will be better informed concerning their antecedents. Luke moved to the door, and stood with his hand on the knob thereof. In this attitude he looked more

of a gentleman's servant, and less of a gentle near "When am I to begin, if you please?" 'At once,' replied Kelso; "you had better g

### LONDON GOSSIP.

(To be continued.)

(FROM THE " COUSTY GESTLEMAS.") The Lews of the death of the Marquis of Ailesbury set the tewn a-talking on Tuesday. Withersoever one wandered, there Lard and Lady Savernake and their affairs were found to be under discussion. Lord Savernake was known to playgoers as Miss Cester bewhat's the matter? The buggy doesn't seem to be fore she entered society. The world at once set out to inquire how the new Marquis would dress in the

I suppose we may I ok to the World for an article which he chooses to adorn. I do not know whether accession to the Marquisate and its concomitant bonours and responsibilities. He awas land and five dwellings in several parts of the country. The Badale one lot of many found a purchaser. The new outlive the present Countees.

We may look for many anecdotes of Lord Savernake. Mr. T. P. O'Couror, in his capacity of corres-In a me ment Jack was off; quick as lightning h. pendent to the Liverpool Daily Post, has started off was through the crowd, and the next moment he had with one or two werks of the imagination in the shape of Savernake paragraphs. The first is to the effect that the new Lady Ailesbury was reared by Mr. Hol lingshead at the Guiety, the second that the new Marquis dresses in pearlies and cordurors. Surely there was no need to exaggerate the eccentricity of my lord's attire. I wonder if, among the multitudes of tales, any will be strictly true. Lord Savernake was terribly cut up when he heard of the death of his grandfather. Not being a conventional young man, he was not able to hide his sorrow in a conventional manner.

Mr. Warton has had his reward. He has been sent West Australia. It is to be hoped that sould is seated near one another in church? The two close chesp there. Otherwise the gentleman who told furry stories in the House of Commons in the interest of Bridport may be unhappy. Mr. Warton was the most genial and most amiable place-hunter that ever went a-Lobbying. He was open to take | er-I see you well, Aged Aunt (who does not anything, from the Woolsack downwards. There being nothing going in the Woolsack way, Lord Hala. | ful of your and-bag, Cora. Stick to it tight. There bury looked at the other end of the patronage list and found the Attorney-Generalship of West Australia vacant. The pay is only six hundred a year, but there is a good deal of climate in the vicinity of Perth, and

FROM THE " WORLD. Lord and Lady Yarborough, having prolonged their stay abread, returned to Arlington-street last week. where they remained till Saturday, leaving early in the day for the "home-coming" at Brocklesby Park. It is a curious fact that the late Lord Yarborough married a Hare, and the present one a Fox, For the first time, probably, in the history of the

peerage four living peeresses enjoy the same rank and title. First amongst the Marchionesses of Ailesbury is, of course, the evergreen Maria "Lady A.," a Tollemache, who married the first Marquis in the early days of the reign of William IV. Next comes Marchioness Mary Caroline, a Herbert, who married the second Marquis in 1837; and then Marchioness Louiss Elizabeth, a Beresford, who married the third Marquis in 1834. Finally, we have Marchioness Dorothy, nee Tester (late of the refreshment department of the Theatre Boyal, Brighton, and more recently of the chorus at the Empire and elsewhere). who now shares with the above-named illustrious ladies the honour of belonging to the second degree in the peerage of England.

The Queen has decided, after some hesitation, that the thanksgiving service in honour of her jubilee is to be held on Monday, June 20th, at three o'clock, in Westminster Abbey, and not in St. Paul's Cathedral, as had been generally anticipated. Efforts were made to secure a different decision, but unsuccess- "And yet it isn't the only hankerchief of the sort in fully; which is greatly to be regretted, as St. Paul's | the world. See, this one I have in my broket is Cathedral is admirably adapted for such a cere- exactly like it. - Presecutor: "Very likely, your menial, while the Abbey is the worst possible place | honour; I had two stelen." for it. A service in the Cathedral (where it ought to be, according to all precedent) would have involved | they had had a duarrel and were reconciled, but a procession from one end of London to the other, Foote, nevertheless, was feeling still a little proposed. while a progress from Buckingham Palace to the | "Jemmy, said be, "you should not have said that I grand entrance of the Abbey will be no greater affair | had but one shirt, and that I lay in bed while it was than the opening of Parliament. At St. Paul's every- washed. "Sammy," replied the actor, "I comid not body could be quite well accommodated, whereas at have said so, for I never knew that you had a shirt to the Abbey the bulk of the congregation will be in the | wash nave, and as the organ-screen shuts them off from the choir they will neither hear nor see much of the service. It is to be hoped that the matter will be reconsidered, and that the Queen may be induced to consent to have this great solemn function in St. Paul's, which certainly is the proper place for it. Nothing has been settled as to the order of the

service, but it will be short and principally musical. with a brief sermon by the Primate. The Abbey will be given up to the Lord Chamberlain by the Dean, as on the occasion of a coronation, and all the arrangements will be made by the great officers of the Household. According to the exetch of the "order" of the proposed ceremony, there is to be a procession up the nave, and into the choir, of the Queen, Royalties, Ambassadors, great officers, Ministers, the Speaker, and other personages. service will also be attended officially by peers and peereeses, Privy Councillors, judges, members of the House of Commons, members of Convocation, Lords-Lieutepant of counties, the Lord Mayor of London, the Provosts of Edinburgh and Glasgow, the Lord Mayor of York, the Lord Mayor of Dublin, the Chancellors and Vice-Chancellors of the Universities, and others, all in full dress. Lord Lathom and his myrmidons will have all their work cut out to provide seats for the company, as practically only the

nave and transcots will be available, for the procession will occupy every inch of space in the choir. MARY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE DAY!"-On Wednesday, October 27th, to the Esri of Iddealeigh, G.C.B., born 1818; on Thursday, October 28th, te Mr. W. W. Fitzwilliam Hume Dick, ex-M.P., born 1805; on Friday, October 29th, to the Countess of Jersey; on Saturday, October 30th, to Mr. W. H. Grenfell, ex-M.P., born 1855; on Sunday, October 31st, to Sir Charles L. Young, Bart., born 1839; on Monday, November 1st, to the Marquis Headfort, K.P., born 1822; on Tuesday, November 2nd, to Mr. John Richard Robinson (Daily News), born

PROM "TRUTH. The Bishop of Chichester returned hame on Thursday, after a six weeks' holiday tour in Italy. Dr. Durnford, who is in his eighty-fourth year, is in good health, and still quite equal to all his duties. He preached in the Cathedral on Sunday afternoon. Lord Ailesbury used plaintively to lament his hard luck in having two large jointures to pay out of his diminished reut-roll—one to his father's widow, the other to his brother's widow. His successor is even more unfortunate, as he will find the estates charged with a third jointure—that of his grandmother, the

widow of the late peer. The fortune of the late Baron Meyer Rothschild. of Frankfort, is estimated at fifteen millions stirling. The art collection, which is one of the largest and finest in the world, is left to the Baroness Louisa for her life, after which it is to pass to Lord Rothschild. so it will find its ultimate home in England.

The Emperor William is beginning to display in rather eccentric ways those economical tendencies which have brought so much ridicule upon many members of the Hohenzollern family. The Emperor has taken of late to using a second time all the envelopes of the letters and documents which read him in shoals, and he audited the accounts of his trip to Ems and Gastein with unwonted rigour.

The Prince and Princess s first parties at Sandringham will include the Duke of Cambridge, the Duke and Duchess of Teck and Princess Victoria, Princess Louise and Lord Lorne, Lord and Ledy Salisbury, Count Karolyi, Count Hatzfeldt, Lord and Lady Randolph Churchill, Lord and Ludy Cadogan. Maria, Lady Atlesbury, Lord and Lady de Grey, friends and companions." As he spoke, Kelso threw Lord Fife, the Duke and Duchess of St. Albans, the himself on a sois, and continued, lying at full length, Duke and Duchees of Westminster, the Duke of "Now, I've get some work for you. There is a Portland, Mr. Christopher Sykes, Lord and Lady certain Colonel Sloane staying at Washington House | Charles Beresford, Baron Ferdinand Bothschild, Lord and Lady Alington, the Danish Minister and Madame de Falbe, Mr. and Miss Stonor, and Mr. Henry Chaplin.

> The Rev. T. Fisk, of Kidderminster, has created a sensation in that town by declining to serve on a committee to raise a memorial to the late Earl of Dudley, frankly stating that he "does not see Earl Dudley, with his enormous wealth, has done for the borough to deserve a memorial, or that his moral claims were of a sufficiently high order to

> The Marquis Tseng, late Chinese Ambassador, in a letter to the Society for the Suppression of the Opium Trade says it is due to the labours of the society that he was enabled to conclude between the British and his own Government the present negotiations. treaty, he admits, does not accomplish the desired result, but it will prove the first important step towards checking the use and abuse of opium. The list of applications for shares in the newly in-

corporated firm of Arthur Guinness, Son, and Co., Limited, closed in London, on Monday morning, although the prospectus stated that it would only be opened on Monday, and would close on or before Bank, in Bishopsgate-street, and rarely has a more animated scene been witnessed even in the city than that presented by the rush of applicants to the bank during Saturday and Monday. The total amount represented by the applications has not yet been excertained, but up to Saturday it had reached £100,000,000.

## COMIC CLIPPINGS.

WITH PAPER, 2D.

MARING THE BEST OF IT .- The Squire: " Well Mould, how about that horse I sold you? Was he quiet enough?" Undertaker: "Well, sir, he did give us a little trouble at first. We put him in one of the mourning coaches, you know; and parties don't like to be shock up in their grief. But we've put him in the carse now- and we hav nt card any complaints NEW NAME FOR THE COMMISSIONER OF CITY POLICE.

PROM " PUNCE.

-The Pointe Phraser, A RECENT IMPOSTOR .- They sucked in Dr. Keating's lies as easily as if they'd been Keating's

"THE GUINNESS STAMP. - In the City this week Bulling "has not been "in t" with Baring. Every one was rushing with sovereigns to buy Guinness. JUBILEE SUGGESTIONS, -" If a Church House be indispensable," observed Mr. Punch, "purchase the Crystal Palace, Splendid site," "Excellent, replied Lord Randolph, "because this would show

that the clergy gave in their adhesion to a Church MISSURFE. - The Skinners Company have offered to sell their (iii)(it) acres in county Lindonderry a real bargain, furgising all sins of omission to pay rent in the past and present. A Guild that behaves so liberally forfaits all claim to the title of "Skinners," OUT AND IN .- It was shown, in the course of the election petition trial, that Mr. Lewis hadren a leg to Awkward prestion! Mr. Punch congratulates Mr. Justin Mct arthy as being the only one Just in for

NOT WITHIN THE MEASING, -"Yes; but you guaranteed that he would not say before the discharge of a rathe, and he nearly broke my mack this morning, when he heard the firing." "Yes; but that was after the ouseharge; and I never guaranteed he

STRIKING GIVER - ITY - The self-ener H e of boxers is really something wonderful. There are very few who would not profer their upponents to have the newest, sollest, and best glaves, while they would put up themselves williams and hard pair. Is Had— Why is a i argue likely to weigh less than a workman ashore? Becroso he is almost always a lighter man. CHURCH NEWS - What is the difference between

their eyes, and the one eyes their clothes. FROM FUA. Unpleasant for De Lawrouge, -- Percy De Lawcourt: "Good evening, Miss Cors. I-er-trustknow there's been a little meeting before); "Be careis such a lot of howdacious swell-mobemen a-rampagin'

two sleepy young ladies and one wide-awake one

about in these ere Coliniliaries." When will Bulgaria cease to be a separate kingdom?-Why, at the end of the weak, of course. A WILFUL MISTAKE ON THE MAJOR'S PART. - Widow (with marriageable girls): "Julia has a most lovely voice, Major so powerful, you know; but for ringing, silvery tone, give me my second daughter's. Would you like to hear her sing 'Some Day'? Major (awfully bored): "Certainly! Delighted, I'm sure! Let's say some day next month; that is-er-unless

journal, collies have had their day, and terriers are now all the vogue. This will be terrier-ble news for the former class of dogs, and will doubtless make them feel melan-collie. The Czar's favourite little game. - Kid-" nap." The other day an Irish jury, after consulting for

To the Done, According to a semi-sporting

I'm unexpectedly ordered away anywhere."

"You say your brother is younger than you, yet he

some time, found the principal witness guilty, and

looks much older." - " Yes, hy has seen a great deal of trouble ; but I never married." After a christening, while the minister was making out the certificate, he happened to say, " Let me see, this is the 30th? meaning the date. "Thirtieth!

exclaimed the indignant mother; "indeed is is only

Court (to prosecutor): "Then you recognise this handkerchief as the one which was stolen from you?"-Prosecutor: "Yes, your honour,"-Court

Quin could overthrow even Foote. At one time

"Oh, ree, said the eldest Miss Culture at table d'hote the other evening, "I breakfasted y-sterday with Mrs. Brainwaite, and we enjoyed a delicious repast excellent coffee, superior bread and post torial globes done admirably, "What?" asked her friend. "Piscalorial globes," repeated the Boston miss. And what under the sun ere they?" "I believe," said Miss Culture, drawing herself up at it.

# ART AND LITERATURE.

believe uncultured people call them fish buils.

The poem of the week is by the author of "The Epic of Hades, Mr. Lewis Morris. It is a tragedy n five acts, and bears the title "Gycia." Mesers, Kegan Paul and Co, are the publishers. The Burnh Week! , a journal of Social and

to be issued by Messrs. Hodder and Stoughton. The first number will appear the first week in November. Miss Mary Anderson has concluded her sagagement at the Gaiety Theatre, Dublin, her last appearance being as i'unding in "The Lady of Lyons." Her visit to Dublin has been a great success. The recent visit of Mr. Mapleson's Opera Company to New York was a considerable financial success,

£1,000 having been taken during the week. The

expenses, however, must have been heavy, £70 per

Christian Progress, is the title of a new penny paper

night being spoken of as the salary of one lady of the The Forkshire Musician is the title of a new claimant to public favour, published by J. W. Birdsall, of Stanningley. Each monthly part contains a piece of original music, and very interesting and well selected letter-press. The new venture deserves

The Reverend Dr. Luckock, Canon of Ely, has just ready a page from history-" The Bishops in the Tower: A Record of Stirring Events Affecting the Church and Nor conformists from the Restoration to the Rebellion." Mesers, Rivington are to be the The "auto-biographical chapter" which is to be

included in Mr. Francis Darwin's life of his father is occupied mainly, it is said, with an explanation of the writer's religious opinions. The book, and "The Hayward Correspondence," will both be issued in less than a month by Mr. John Murray. The Council of the British Home Rule Association will hold its first meeting since the general election on Wednesday afternoon next, October 27th, at

the offices, l'aluce Chambers, Westminster, when a proposal for the amalgamation of the association with the United Kingdom Home Rule League will be con-It is understeed that the article in the new number the Cuarter's Review, on "English Literature at the Universities, is from the pen of Mr. Churton Colling, the author of a clever monograph on Bolingbroke, which was reviewed last May. Mr. Collins

was a candidate for the Merton Professorship of English Literature. The brilliant success achieved by Madame Marie Roze as Elsa, in Wagner's "Lohengrin," has already. it is said, attracted the attention of the impressari of Paris and Vienna, who are both seeking an ideal Elea for their "Lohengrin" productions. Madamo Roze's engagement with Mr. Carl Ross, however. preciudes her from entertaining any Continental

offers at present. Mrs. Charles Wyndham is busy with the preparations for the new remartic drama, by Henry Arthur Jones. to be produced at he Princess's Theatre a few days before Christmas. The play is in four acts and thirteen scenes, and the whole of its action takes place in and near the old country town of Maplebury. A strong company is being formed to support Mr.

Charles Warner, for whom the leading part has been specially written. Herr G. C. Schwade, for many years resident in England, has presented his native town of Hamburg with his magnificent collection, comprising 123 oil paintings. Amo g them are numerous works of art by some of the best English artistes, including Sir Frederick Leighton, J. M. W. Turner, Honry Woods, Sir Edwin Landseer, Philip H. Caldecou. W. Q. Orchardson, &c. The cellection is now being arranged in five rooms of the Hampurg

Art Hall, under the direction of several English M. L. Mayer will open Her Majesty's Theatre on the 6th prox. for a six weeks' season of French opera. The first production will be M. Gounod's "Faust." with Mdile. Devries as Marguerite, Among other celebrities who will appear is Madame Galli-Marié who will be heard in the title-rôle of "Carmen." which she created in the original performance of that opera in Paris. Other operas promised are "Rigolette Mignon," "La Grande Duchesse," and

"Les Cloches de Correville." Much fresh light will doubtless be thrown on the present state of Ireland in a new work by Professor Stokes, of Dublin, "Ireland and the Celti Church," Tuesday. The applications were received at Baring's which will be issued presently by Messra, H sider and Stoughton. It describes, from original authorities, the origin and introduction of Celtic Christianity, the social life of ht. Patrick's age, the invasion of the Danes, the doctrines, missions, and scholarship of the Irish monks; and it traces the course of the events which led to the concuest by Strongbow and the Normans.