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131 BODE IN A SACK.

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PORTHCOMING PUBLICATION.

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Let's hear what the J +358 policeman said in effect was disagreement with the pot-disagreement with the pot-le. M. Tilley, was drunk and de-dome. He preferred to stop domain on the mouth, so he

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## WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Warrington to-day appointed er of a partnership business carried 400,000,000 PEOPLE.

mion's Legal Stories Pithily Remarkable Records of the Empire's Growth.

MORE MEN THAN WOMEN.

There are more women than men in most European countries according to the reoff his debts, it port just issued of the Census of the instalment British Empire taken in 1901. In Western instalment British Empire taken in 1901. In Western "Four strong men tried to keep me out 102, a month on Australia, however, there are sixty-two of my room," she said, "but I managed to force my way in." was quite sure, he males to every forty females, and in Hongkong the men outnumber the women by nearly three to one. In the aggregate at the chemist, males exceed the females, but this is due to cry. Her sisters and mother below males exceed the females, but this is due to cry. The Judge. You have been very brave up

and appearance, in a to the Asiatic populations. The first British Empire census was made in 1861, and England and her posbox and pay it."

Sessions then comprised 8,500,000 square miles. In forty years the aggregate area of the Empire has increased by 40 per cent., and in 1901 amounted to 11,908,378 square miles, or rather more than one-fith of the land area of the globe.

The population in 1861 was about 259,000,000. In 1901, exclusive of North Western Rhodesia, for which no estimate could be obtained, it reached 400,000,000. Of this huge total 294.361.056 are contained.

Australia increased her population in Mr. Luscomba's one introduced her population one instance only has the population of any British possession decreased. In 1871 the population of Gambia was recorded as

14,190; in 1901 it had shrunk to 13,456. DENSITY OF POPULATION. In regard to average density of population there are 33.5 persons to the square mile throughout the British Empire; the most densely populated districts are the Isle of man and the Channel Islands, 496.3 to the square mile; the most sparsely, Australia, with 1.3

Calcutta is, next to London, the most population was put at ten or twelve thou-

population was put at ten or tweive thousand; five years ago the figure reached \$48,000.

The asked that an enchange rhould attend and To-day the official over 235,400,000 are either natives of Indian emigrants. iomate in question or descendants of Indian emigrants, 3,500,000 natives of Ceylon, and a further 1,500,000 natives of other East Indian has had a pass out, possessions.

In religion the report classes 395,000,000

In regard to lunacy the report states that in nearly all the Colonies the propor-tion is much below that in the United Kingdom. The proportion of lunatics and jobs are not as a rule feeble-minded to the 10,000 is as follows:-

As an example of some of the difficulties experienced in classifying a people by religions a long list of the terms by which some persons designate their religious belief is given. It contains such strange denominations as Millennial Dawnite, touched, and furthermore it complicated they sowed. Mr. Lane Ambrosia, Tipon, Dipper, Tunker, Conditional Immortalist, and Christian Meta-Act of Parliament under which it would

in India, 23 are married, and one already a widower: of the girls, 62 are married,

JUDGE'S "MISTAKE."

County-court Defendant Who Flashed £100 Worth of Banknotes.

Some remarkable statements were made IRELAND'S NEW GREAT SEAL Some remarkable statements were made to-day during the hearing of a judgment summons at the City of London Court.

The plaintiff said that when the defendant, a man of colour, ordered the goods—two suits of clothes—he flashed £100 worth of banknotes in his face, and said he was just off to buy a few sticks for the was just off to buy a few sticks for the was just off to buy a few sticks for the wife.

Judge Rentoul: And being dazzled by the money you asked nothing further about him?

IRELANUS NEW GREAT SEAL.

The new Great Seal of Ireland, concerning the design of which a question is to be asked in the House of Commons on Monday next, is, the London correspondent of the "Birmingham Post" says, distinguishable from the English emblem in a very small particular only.

This is that in the conventional border beneath the table a crowned harp is substituted for a trident.

It is also an interesting fact that the

money you asked nothing further about him?

The Plaintiff: I certainly did not think it necessary. I have since made inquiries about the gentleman, and find that he has already been sent to prison from Lewes Police-court for obtaining jewellery and goods under false preferees. The worst doubtfaily; "it went clean goods under false pretences. The worst of the matter was that he dragged his young wife into it, and she was sentenced young wife into it, and she was sentenced with him.
Judge Rentoul (to the defendant): Is it

true that you have been imprisoned for obtaining jewellery?—Yes, but it was all a mistake. (Laughter.)

Judge Rentoul: Who made the mistake?

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Well, you see, the charge was a mistake. Judge Rentoul: I suppose it was the judge who made the mistake. (Renewed laughter.) I will make an order for payment at 10s. a month, or in default twelve days' imprisonment.

SCHOOL FOR MOTORISTS.

kept neat and clean insects seldom get the upper hand.

First comes the slug, as is pointed out by E. F. T. in the "Mirror"; the damage it does is enormous. Lime sprinkled on the soil in the evening (a damp one for choice) will do much good. Wireworms are best got rid of by digging up the ground and picking them out.

The green-fly, always found on roses in the summer, can be destroyed by syringing the plants with a solution of soft soap.

The trial was continued at the Old Bailey to-day of Riske Medarvar and Grigg Raymond Kerr, who were charged with conspiring to defraud a number of persons in connection with the Motor Bicycles seem to be something of a terror in Orkney, judging by a story told by a "C.T.C. Gazette" correspondent. At the top of the very easy descent inte Finstown stands a caution board of the C.T.C., which must have been put up at the request of the inhabitants, for that eminent body would never have erected one at a similar spot in England.

Buf this is not enough There is a re-Drivers' Union. Medarvar was the proprietor of the business, and Kerr the secretary.

FATAL WEST-END FIRE.

There was a small outbreak of fire in the floor over a fruiterer's establishment in Glasshouse-street, Piccadilly, to-day, and woman was burned to death. When the firemen broke open the door When the aremen proke open the door of the room whence smoke was issuing, and had sufficiently subdued the flames, they came upon her dead body. To all appearances she had been suffocated. The woman's name is Helena Mitchell. She was about fifty years of age.

SUICIDE BEFORE ARREST.

When the police called upon George Gilbert at Harleyford-road, South Lambeth, they held a warrant for his arrest upon a

painful charge.

He rose from bed, partially dressed him-self, and then became ill and died. ()n the floor stood a glass that had contained poison, and a verdict of Snicide during temporary insanity was returned at the inquest to-day.

CLERICS' BREWERY SHARES.

Speaking at the National Council of the Evangelical Free Churches at Birmingham, the Rev. J. Q. A. Henry asked if the pastor drank and had money invested in the manufacture and sale of drink, how pastor drank and had money invested in the manufacture and sale of drink, how and repentance had inhigh ground against the curse?

From inquiries made by the "Evening News" it appears that the number of clergymen holding shares in the principal firms are as follows: Messrs. Bass and Co., 25; Messrs. Ind. Coope, and Co., 25; Messrs. Meux and Co., 11; and in the City of London Brewery, 42.

Ville in the "Graphic."

People travel about with large families, and the American, German, and Spanish the Wre the bowl and the American, German, and Spanish the Wre the bowl and undisciplined. They swarm all over the hotel, play games in the public rooms, run up and down the passages wildly, occupy all the seats in the garden, where they shout and career about in unchecked liberty, and on rainy days render it impossible for anyone to read or write tion Mide value and Co., 25; Messrs. Meux and Co., 11; and in the City of London Brewery, 42.

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LONDON GOLF TOURNAMENT. special provision for the fittle ones, reserve of the content of the hotel for them, keep a playfore, Darlington, Clive, Tomline, Disraeli,
from where they can romp to their hearts' Botfield, Ackers, Forester, Gaskell, Whitcontent, and provide a private dining-room. Over the Mid-Surrey Links to-day Hun-tare brachers, whose names were tard. Prince Charles Frederick and Jercy Whit Child, the latter and because he was born on a Whit: Foursome Tournament. At the end of the first round of eighteen holes Hunter-

#### THE HIRE-PURCHASE SEIZURE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

said, Oetzmanns' man remarked, "If you do not sign we will send our vans down and clear you out. The witness then went on to refer to the matters already dealt with in her sister's evidence.

After telling her story with great composure Miss Annie came to the seizure

The people at the back of the court began The Judge: You have been very brave up

"ORDER OF THE BATH."

An Unrehearsed Scene at an East-end Theatre.

to the present moment. The case was adjourned.

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Attwell, an attendant at the theatre, being charged with assaulting George Croker.

In 1861 the population of the United Kingdom was 28,927,485; in 1901 it was reformance at which one of the Turns or in bulk of figure comes Canada.

Next in bulk of figure comes Canada. Bath." In this one of the women char-esti-esti-ent upon discovering a man behind a in screen she screamed loudly. This coream In was imitated by some of the audience, and of there were cries of "No more." One man was put out in consequence, and Croker was also ejected. While he was being put out he alleged that Attwell struck him in the face, which still bore marks of severe treatment. He denied that he had called out "No more" to the

lady on the stage.
Mr. Cluer, who s Mr. Cluer, who said that "The order of the Bath" reminded him of a scene in "Fra Diavolo," said Croker should not have been ejected. He fined the defen-dant 40s. and 23 costs.

TRAGEDY OF PUSSY.

Pretty Young Woman's Application to Magistrate.

A pretty young woman, smartly attired in furs, timidly asked the advice of the Willesden magistrate to-day concerning her Persian cat, cruelly done to death at the hands of a heartless fellow-lodger. Poor pussy died weeks ago, and her Poor pussy died weeks ago, and her death was shrouded in mystery until a servant girl in the house confessed to seeing the young man lodger one Sunday, approaching the hour of midnight, bring the ill-fated little Persian into the yard and

poison it.
The magistrate and clerk alike were puzzled how to deal with such a novel case, and despatched a court official to the office to collect all the law books he could find on the subject.

Whilst perusing these the young woman added (still more timidly): "There is

something else."
"What?" eng engerly inquired the magis-

Less than 4ft. 2in. in height, the smallest French soldier has been passed as fit for

A donation of £360, to build a cottage in

memory of her father, has been made to the Bethany Homes for the Aged Poor at Croydon by Miss Marden.

PESTS OF THE GARDEN.

SCORCHERS BEWARE.

But this is not enough. There is a re-markable supplement in the shape of a por-tentous notice by the island authorities to

DRINK HABIT AMONG WOMEN,

The above statement was made by the

ecture on "Where the Money Goes."

"The alarming increase of the drink habit among women of America, especially in New York," he said, "is one of the great perils, both to the home and to the republic.

"It is a common sight in this city to the great public."

see women, and often girls in their teens, drink in public, and as frequently and as hard as the men, often with men old enough to be their fathers.

CHILDREN IN HOTELS,

Children in hotels are another increas-

ing nuisance, remarks Lady Violet Greville in the "Graphic."

### SEVERE BLOW TO SPIRITUALISTS.

Spirits and spiritualists have been de-

Medium.

entered into an undertaking never to act as medium again.

This will interfere with some experiments which it had been arranged should be held next week by Sir Oliver Lodge and other scientific men, interested in the occult, with Eldred as the subject.

The reason for the late medium's abjuration is that he has been denounced as a humbuw by his fellow-spiritualists, and that the evidences of his trickery in the shape of masks and drapery lay round about him when the denunciation took place.

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For the last six months Eldred has been creating a great stir in spiritualistic circles. His supposed powers were first manifested at the village of Clowne, near Chesterfield, where he purported to call up the ghost of the late Sir Hector Macdonald and other celebrated people. Then he went to Nottingham, and lately he has been "sitting" in London with all the foremost spiritualists.

"THIS IS FALSE." On February 22 last Eldred held a seance at the house in Elgin-crescent of another medium, Mr. Ronald Braily. From a cabinet, in the half-light with which the room was illuminated, spirit forms were seen to come forth. But as form after form appeared there

kept ringing in the ears of Mr. Braily. whose speciality is clairvoyance and psychometry, the words, "This is false." This is false."
Mr. Braily knew that the spirits were talking to him denouncing an imposture. When the medium went away from the house intending to return to give another seance, he inndvertently left behind him a chair which he used in his cabinet.

Mr. Braily applied the process of psychometry to this chair, so he says, and discovered that it centained a secret cavity.

The chair was photographed, and a key made to fit a lock that was discovered.

preparations.

Then the night of the next seance came. None but spiritualists were present.

The unsuspecting Eldred was challenged by the company to prove the bona fides of his chair. He offered to substitute another.

Some one took hold of the chair and pointed out the key-hole. A key was found to fit it—the key that had been made —and then to the horrified gaze of the company were laid bare several spirit-face masks and a quantity of diaphanous drapery.

At this moment Dr. Abraham Wallace of Harley-street, who is a spiritualist, and a detective from Scotland Yard, came rushing into the room.

Dr. Wallace said: "In the name of God

what do you call this?"
When Eldred had recovered from the shock of exposure he admitted the fraud. He said that his spirit "controls" had warned him not to "sit" away from Nottrate and the clerk in one breath.

"There were two dear little kittens only a week old, and they died with grief when tingham, and that he had disobeyed. He therefore had to use deceit to produce re-

sults. The money which had been paid by the sitters was returned to them, and the exposed medium was made to give an undertaking never to sit again.

The masks, etc., are now to be seen at

FROM ALL QUARTERS TO-DAY. Voluntary workers are to collect for Hounslow Hospital in place of a paid official.

Less than 4ft. 2in. in height, the smallest ent of a handsome presentation.

Repairs to the spire of St. Paul's Church, Brentford, have been effected by the steeplejack who climbed the spire of Salisbury Cathedral, the tallest in England, some two years ago.

CHARMS OF FOWLING.

One of the principal charms of all sorts of fowling, as is pointed out in a contem-porary, is that you never know out of hun-dreds of varieties what you may see, nor, dreds of varieties what you may see, nor, indeed, what luck you may have, for the moods of fowl alter with conditions.

Sometimes, indeed, they seem to behave in a silly manner, perhaps because of dangers they fear more than the presence of man. The great gulls and the falcons, for instance, they fear, and will hide from, and give the shooter a chance to get near them that would not happen at other times.

Every gardener should study the insect pests which invade all gardens. They are generally more numerous in uncared-for and untidy gardens. Where everything is kept neat and clean insects seldom get the

MATTER OF LUCK. All that the Board of Trade does (the "British Medical Journal" points out) is to ensure that every ship shall carry a certain number of drugs and surgical appliances; with how much skill or intelligence they are used is a matter of luck. In ships trading from port to port, and manned with crews into whose selection medical considerations barely enter, the number of medical and surgical emergen-cies liable to arise is naturally consider-able, and at times there is great suffering. One often hears stories of the "Doc" on board deciding on his treatment on, so to speak, geographic principles; if the seat of complaint is above the belt, emetic; if

the effect that any cyclist passing through the village beyond a walking pace will be fined two pounds. So soorchers beware FINGER AS PAINT BRUSH. "At a recent luncheon in this city, twenty-four very young women drank thirty-six bottles of champagne, and fifteen of them smoked seven dozen cigarettes." Justice Darling, who has just been succeeded by Justice Lawrance as a Parliacoeded by Justice Lawrance as a Parliamentary election petition judge, is a man of many accomplishments, and as versed in literature and art as he is in the law.

In his house at Prince's Gardens, it is added by one of the weeklies, you will notice a picture by him which has a story attached to it. It is a landscape, and unless your host were to make the explanation you would fail to believe that it was executed with his finger!

He went out to paint this particular bit of scenery, and on opening his paint-box found that he had forgotten his brushes.

There was no other course but to use There was no other course but to use Rev. Madison C. Peters, of the Baptist Church of the Epiphany. New York, in a lecture on "Where the Money Goes." There was no other course but to use his finger as a paint-brush, and in this way the picture was begun and finished.

> AN ELECTION JUG. Mr. Alexander Duncan, of Penarth, possesses a jug, bearing the date 1841, and which possesses a history.
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> On the front, immediately below the spout, are the words, "All friends round the Wrekin," and beneath, on the front of the bowl, are the words "Church, Queen, and Constitution," worked into a heraldic device.

run up and down the passages wildly, occupy all the seats in the garden, where they shout and career about in unchecked "To record the public spirit, integrity, liberty, and on rainy days render it impossible for anyone to read or write quietly.

Hotel-keepers should, in the interests of the quiet grown-ups or invalids, make special provision for the little ones, reserve a wing of the hotel for them, keep a place.

On one side, beneath the words "God protect the Church." is the inscription, and "To record the public spirit, integrity, and entered in the country of salop."

On the other side are the words "God the plough," and "The 12 Shropshire a wing of the hotel for them, keep a place.

FIGHT FOR F.A. CUP.

Exposure of their Most Gifted ball Competition To-Morrow.

At Manchester.-Manchester United v. Woodwich At Liverpool. Liverpool v. Southeappen. At Birminghim. - Birmingham v. Remaille United. At Everton. - Everton v. Sheffield Wednesday.

prived of the services of one who was regarded as the most gifted of extant "materialisation" mediums.

The personage in question, Charles Eldred, in the presence of an assembly of spiritualists, who had come together to hold a scance, with him as medium, has entered into an undertaking never to act as medium again.

At Evaluation vertices v. Stemals Wetassay.

The competition for the Football Association Cup reminds one of the rhyme about the ten little nigger beys, inamused as there is a periodical lopping off. As will be seen from the list of the fourth round ties, given above, there are but eight clubs left-in, and to-morrow evening there should be but four.

The hopes of London and the South of England generally are minned to the

cashire coast. The men are all at and

In the North the fine weather broke on

Thursday morning, and as a deal of rain has fallen the grounds are certain to be heavy.

The teams for the two matches in which Southern clubs are interested will be as follow:-

Woolwich Arsenal: Asheroft; Cross, Sharp; Bigden, Sands, McEachrane; Gar-butt, Coleman, Freeman, Fitchie, Templeton.

Manchester United: Mcger; Bouthron, Holden; Downie, Roberts, Bell; Schofield, Peddie, Sagar, Picken, Wombwell. Southampton: Clawley; Clarke, Harts-horne; Hogg, Lee, Houlker; Tomlinson, Harrison, elidley, Brown, and Moun-

claster. Liverpool : Hardy; West, Dunlop; Perry, Raisbeck, Bradley; Goddard, Robinson, Hewitt, Raybould, Cox. It is not generally known that 1,013,896 spectators attended the matches in the first three rounds of the competition, and that

233,916 was aken in gate-money.

The "Football Evening News" is making special arrangements for the reporting of these matches. Immediately the matches are over the results will be published in the "Results Edition." Full descriptive accounts will be given in the "Reports Edition," which is issued shortly after six Mr. John Lobb was present during the

POLICE AND AMBULANCES

Captain Nott Bower and His New Scheme for the City. Captain Nott Bower, Commissioner of

Police for the City, has evolved a new schemo which he considers will meet two present difficulties, the rapid and safe removal of cases to the hospital, and the provision of a force of mounted police.

The volume of taking large quantities of whisky he drank several doses of laudanum, and remembered nothing more till he found the baby dead in the bed.

The volume of taking large quantities of whisky he drank several doses of laudanum, and remembered nothing more till he found the baby dead in the bed. Only two or three horses available for mounted men are at present possessed by the City, so that should the occasion arise additional horses have to be borrowed or hired. Cantain Nott Bower consequently proposes to invest in eighteen horses, which could be trained and maintained for 2630, as against £779 paid under existent conditions.

Four of these horses would be held in readings at the architecture of these horses.

readiness at the ambulance stations, two at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and two at Bishopsgate-street fire station. Traffic would give way to the ambulances, when in use, in the same way as to fire brigades.

The remaining fourteen horses would be

available for police duty. The scheme in its entirety provides for a mounted force for use with the ambulances, prison vans, Lord Mayor's escort, etc., all horses and men to be fully trained, and, if needed on any special octation, the model of the horses and men casion, the whole of the horses and men could be employed on mounted police duty. In memory of Admiral Str Charles Malto note that the City had to berrow mounted constables from Liverpool for the Coronation procession of 1902.

PAMPERED TO BE KILLED

Turtle is still popular in the City despite the talk of hard times.

According to Mr. T. K. Bellis, a leading authority on the subject, the demand in the City for turtle neural neu the City for turtle never varies 10 per cent.

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Every year Mr. Bellis imports 2,500 turtles. The average weight is about 150lb., and the price ranges from tenpence to a shilling a pound. Time was when turtle soup could not be bought under a guinea a pint; now it can be had at 5s.

The green turtle is found in the Mexican Gulf. The bulk of the importations into Europe are from the West Indies, and the turtles are caught with nets.

The utmost care has to be taken of the YACHTS TRANSFORMED.

During the past week two well-known squadren yachts have passed "into trade."

The schooners Aphrodite—so long the property of Mr. Gervase Beckett—and Mr. Whitbred's Gondola, have been purchased by "King" Cluny Ross, and have left Cowes on their long voyage to the kingdom' of their new owner in the Coous Islands.

Europe are from the West Indies, and the turtles are caught with nets.

The utmost care has to be taken of the turtle whilst he is being brought to England. "I found," says Mr. Bellis, "that so long as he was in his native element he lived to a patriarchal age—that if you wanted to kill him he clung to life with pathetic tenacity—but that the moment you transferred him from the coral islands of the Mexican Gulf or the shores of the deviced by the liquidation of the syndicate called into existence to float it.

At Allsopps' Burton-on-Trent offices to-day the suggestion that the company is inscluded in contemplated extensive amalgamation scheme as reported in certain wanted to kill him he clung to life with pathetic tenacity—but that the moment you transferred him from the coral islands of the Mexican Gulf or the shores of the will be the subject-matter of an operatives West Indies it became difficult to keep him alive."

Whitbred's Gondola, have been purchased by "King" Cluny Ross, and have left Cowes on their long voyage to the kingdom' of their new owner in the Coous Islands.

In the South Seas, according to the "Yorkshire Post," the fast schooner is still in domand, and both Aphrodite and Gondola will be engaged in trading between the islands and Sydney, where many old British vachts are already employed. savagely, and a decapitated turtle twenty-four hours after having his head cut off knocked a man down with a blow from his

CRICKETER NO PROPHET.

Mr. Warner, captain of the British cricket team, writes to the "Westminster Gasette" as follows:— Gasette "as follows:—
"This letter should reach London just about the time we shall be beginning the second Test Match at Johannesburg. Beaten in the first Test Match by the narrowest of margins, we shall enter on the second game with confidence. We fully realise that the struggle will be a hard one; but we are not likely to fail in batting so hadly as we did in the first match, and of our bowling I have little fear. But specu lation at cricket is idle; so much depends on temperament in a big match." on temperament in a big match."

The prophecy about the arrival of the letter was more accurate than that about the probable result of the match, as Mr. Warner's team, as "Evening News" readers will recollect, was beaten by nine

A Renter telegram from St. Petersburg "WEEKLY uotes some amusing extracts from the given disheartening results, says that journal. Half of the 40,000 cards sent out have been returned owing to the addressees not having been found.

Of the remaining half 40 per cent.—i.e.,

8,000—have been sent back to the statistical department of the town with the remarks, "I do not wish to participate in the elections," "I boycott the State Duma," "To the devil with you."

BOAT RACE PRACTICE.

The Oxford crew finished their practice on the home water to-day. They first pad-dled to Iffiey and then rowed hard to the heathouse. The crew then returned to the Lasher and rowed over the full course at thirty strokes per minute. Mr. Gold

"ME LIKE ENGLISH."

"No, no, me like English; me want monish," said a poorly-clad Frenchman who was brought up at Wood Green Policecourt to-day.

The statement was made in answer to the magistrate, who asked the man if he would like to go back to France. He was sent to prison for seven days and ordered to be deported. NICE IN LONDON.

Matches in the National Foot-Alluring Programme of the Coming Crystal Palace Fete.

> Stay-at-home Londoners who have been sighing with envy while reading the accounts of the delightful revelry at the Nice Carnival may banish their melancholy. On June 1 and 2 next these delights will be brought to their own doors. On those dates a Nice Carnival, which, it is said, will equal, if it does not surpass even the real one, will be held at the Crystal Palace is aid of the Royal Waterloo Hospital, and stay-at-home ratepayers and their families will for once have an opportunity of giving themselves up to

> abandon." Each afternoon there will be a procession of decorated cars—motor, horse, pony, donkey, or hand-drawn—and a battle of flowers. There will be an entrance fee for

> On both evenings a costume ball will be held on a foor to be specially laid in front of the Handel Orchestra. The price of the tickets will be half a guinea, and will include light refreshment. The Palace authorities will apply for an extension of license, and arrangements are being made with the railway companies to run late trans to town rans to town.

THE BOW TRAGEDY,

The Bow tragedy occupied some time at the Old Bailey to-day, when James Ben-son was indicted for the murder of his in-

There was some domestic trouble, and the accused told his landlady at Usa-rroad, Bow, that he had drugged the child and was going to give himself up to the police. When the child died bottles of laudanum were found in the accused's room and two letters in his handwriting.

My darling child has been drugged to death with laudanum, administered by me out of love for him, and to save him from the insults he would have to put up with through life. It is all through my blind love for the best girl who ever breathed. God be kind to her and the baby. It is well the innocent should not suffer.

The accused did not go to the police-station, but returned in the evening to his lodgings, and was arrested. When charged he said, "I cannot plead guilty, as I do not know whether I did it or not." The accused gave evidence in his own de-fence, and said after taking large quan-tities of whisky he drank several doses

Do you know, the accused was asked, how the child came to be dead?—I do not, I am sure, air.

When you wrote that letter did you realise what you were doing?—No, sir, I was frantic. The prisoner was found guilty, and sen-

AFTERNOON ITEMS.

tion of the Lord Chancellor.

A proposal is to be made to reduce the Croydon rates from 7s. 8d. in the pound to 7s. 4d., thus rendering it one of the lowest

Hours of labour in Bombay cotton mills will be the subject-matter of an operatives deputation to Mr. Merley on Wednesday, and "time cribbing" that of one which will wait upon Mr. Gladstone on the same

the construction of a mouse-trap, the making of a lady's dress, the building of a ship, and the erection of a steam engine, and now we have to go into the golfing kingdom." said counsel at the Liverpool County County

She was about twenty-eight years old, and had been away from Eastbourne for some time. The relatives state that Miss Brown had a tattoo mark in the shape of a butterfly. At times she suffered from de-

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The Arsenal players left London for Manchester early this afternoon in good spirits and full of confidence. They will stay the night at Stockport and go on to Manchester in time for the match.

Southampton arrived in Liverpool last to watch, and proceeded to a hydropathic avening, and proceeded to a hydropathic will be allowed.

On both evenings a costume ball will be found.

Accused Found Guilty and Sentenced to Death.

One of these was as follows:--

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A Cabinet Council was held to-day, all the Minusto

rated districts in the suburbs.

Despite the spread of gas and electricity, the candle still holds its own in many cases, remarked Sir Peter Spokes at the annual meeting of Price's Patent Candle

"Your honour is expected to understand

County Court. ENGLISH GIRL'S PATE.

Miss Ethel Brown, who is reported to have been found drowned at Charenton, in France, was one of the daughters of the late Mr. Josiah Brown, manager of the Eastbourne branch of the Lewes Old

Sir Thomas Lipton's