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NEWS OF THE DAY

MONTEVIDEO FRIDAY, DECEMBER SI, 1887.

POLITICAL NOTES.

The crisis still smoulders, ready to burst into flame at any moment, and in the present period of extreme uncertainty and obscurity it is not in the least surprising to find that little reliance can now be placed on the versions we gave as certain in our last. According to the latest account—though we will not gua-rantee it in the least—the Ministers, o far from being conformable to the revocation of the decree of depor-tation, intend to make it a vital quesion and have their resignations ready for presentation if it should be issued This refers to Messrs MacEachen, Varela and Salterain, and some color has been given to the version by the fact that the two trat a decision concerning the De-cree has to be taken to-day. We can confirm the indefinite

we can commin and makery pa-postponement of the military parade for which a simple revision in barracks will be substituted. Some very queer rumors are affoat as to the real reasons for this post ponement, but we do not think them worth much attention. On the other hand, it would seem that the idea of holding a . Colorado . Con vention is persisted in though we do not see what is to be hoped from it in face of the attitude of the majorty in the Chambers, which seems determined to defy alike the opinion

President, his parliamentary group, and various lead ng personages of the situation, especially Dr. J. C. Blanco, but as in every case the object and result is kept strictly in reserve, it is of little use to refer to

Yesterday's Siglo, referring to the declarations of the cuestistary group and the Nacion as to the ultimate triumph of their candidate in the Chambers, qualifies them as absurd and illusory. They are 28 absurd and illusory. They are 28 against 53 and in six weeks manceuvring have only obtained two new votes. Their opponents have a powerful and assured majority, and it is therefore improhable in and it is therefore improbable in the extreme that they will pass over to a candidate whose triumph over to a candidate whose triumph would mean their own political downfall and elimination. The hopes put forward by the group are simply deluding themselves, their candidate and the country. Worse, they are even helping the cause of their opponents, who will be only too delighted to see the country kept in a state of delusion to the last moment. It is the duty of the press to out the country of of the press to put the country on of the press to put the country on its guard against such illusions, and to point out that the "collectivity" is steadily gaining ground. The Siglo once more calls on the cuestistas to resign as the only resource left them.

The Government has found it necessary to religent the order for

bidding military men on active lowed to pick up the eggs that fell, service to attend political meetings with their ladles.

of any description.

Mr. Finch, the new Minister of the United States to this Republic. will be officially received on the 5th or 7th instant.

THE WHEAT CROP.

We condense from a leading contemporary the following interesting statement concerning the wheat harvest of the present sea

According to the calculations seemed quite at h me in his sack and came in well first.

entire Republic to syear will reach some 2.800,000 bags of 100 kilos each equivalent to 280 000 metric tons. At present wheat is quoted at the considering it beneath their dignity. of a prominent cereal broker, the production of wheat in the tons. At present wheat is quoted at tons. It is a present wheat is a pres fall in the course of the year the average price will be about \$2.5), which will give a value of some \$7,000,000

Part of this crop will remain in the country, some (1000) tons of the 280 000 being required for local consumption and seed. There will thus be left some 170,000 tons for export, in form of grain or flour, yielding the country \$55.0, 000 at the present quotations, or \$1250 000 at the lower rate. Against this, the Argentine crop

f 1,286,000 tons. This however for a population of some 4,000 0 inhabitants, and Uruguay with its 300,000 ons for 850 000 inhabitants may beast of showing a larger production per head Relative to its size, it keeps pace with its neighbour. its neighbour

The maize crop also promises to be abundant, and although it is ra-ther early to make calculations, may be roughly estimated at 100,-000 metric tons.

The wool clip is about the same as last year despire the injuries caused by the civil war.

The contemporary from which we have quited the above utters the not superfluous warning that the Republic will read little or no benefit from this excellent season without a satisfactory solution of the political problems, confirming peace and restoring confidence and tranquillity. For this, the defeat «collectivism» is necessary. «Before the threat of a «col-lectivist» restoration, and still more after its consummation in February or March, the millions arising from this production will shun all investment and will remain concealed until the revenue officers find the means of extorting them from the con irst named have not attended at he Government House as usual he last two days. They are also said to feel slighted because of the Transparent Cartificates) will said to feel slighted because of shown by ten months' arrears in late Sr. Cuesias has shown more the Treasury Certificates) will than his Ministers. However, the whole business is so chaotic that we give it up in despair, and await the event itself, which cannot the event itself, which cannot the event itself, which cannot their plunderers will once again their plunderers will once again their plunderers. ed us by nature and these rapid progresses which we might real ise, we will not say with ideal gov ernments, but even with mediocre governments which neither rob

themselves nor let others rob » The well known merchant Sr. Jacinto M. Alvariza writes to yesterday's Razon qualifying the above estimates as optimistic. According to his calculations, the wheat crop will not much exceed 200,000 tons, of which half will be available for export On the answered. Although the majority other hand he thinks that, in of the pupils are native, the papers view of the deficiency in the of the country in general and of the party they pretend to represent.

Our contemporaries are fall of tales of conferences between the prophesies a price of \$4 per 100 prophesies a price of \$4 per 100 kilos per wheat in March, and ad vises farmers not to be in a hurry

Children's Fête and Sports.

A Pleasant Day at Sunnyside.

On Tuesday alternoon a very pleasant gathering was held, by way of treatto the children of Holy Trinity Sunday School and their friends, at Mr Towers's beautiful quinta «Sunnyside» Quite 80 English speaking children of the School were present as well as School were present, as well as a large number of relatives and of which the results were as fol

300 Yards race, boys, class II. -Arthur Towers 1, Allan Crocker, 2. A well contested race.

2. A well contested race.

150 Ya ds race, girls, class II.

- Grace Anderson 1, Lucy Cowell

2, Evelyn Drever 3. All ran well.

150 Yards race, girls, class III.

- Eva Calcroft 1, Lula Crocker 2

High Jump. - Richard Bankier

1, Arthur Nosworthy 2. Bankier

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High Jump, boys, class It and III. - Allan Crocker 1, Richard

Ditto, class II.—Grace Anderson I, Mary Lewes 2.

Ditto, class III.—Sevelina Suich 1, Lula Crocker 2.

Ditto, class IV.—Veronica Suich
1, Lucy Carey 2.

Mile Race boys, class 1.—Nine
entries. Richard Bankier won easily. A. Nosworthy 2 Tom Lewes 3.

Sack Race, 3 heats.—Arthur
Towers 1 Allan Crocker 2 William Cambrook 3 The final was
closely contested, but A. Towers
seemed quite at home in his sack

Long Jump hoys, class II and III. A. Towers 1, 10 ft. 5. R. Morton 2,10ft. W. Mathison 3, 9 ft. 8

ton 2,10ft. W. Mathison 3, 9 ft. 8. Skipping Competition,—girls.—Sevelina Suich 1. Three & legged Race Walter Best M. Thomas 1, Richard Bankier & Harold Calcroft 2. Many of the events afforded great amusement to the speciators

and the Tugs of War caused great excitement Of those there two, one for boys and one for girls, and the spectators found it difficult to refrain from helping the

During the afternoon photographs were taken by the enterprising Mr. Fitzpatrick T ese will be on view in Calle Rincon next week, when friends will have an opportunity of

A deligniful tea was provided for both visitors and children, and it is needless to say that full justice

The day came to a close all too soon for many of the young people Several races had to be omitted as the trains were waiting on the line at 7.30 p in to take the children back to town. Consequently there was rather a scrunmage in giving the prizes, of which there was a splendid assortment and the Rev. and Mrs. Handeck with their usual kindness, saw that every child carried something away.

Before leaving the children gave hearty cheers for the Rev. and Mr.

Handcock, Mr. Towers, and their

teachers.

Whatever regrets may have previously been telt among the children on account of there being no Christmas Tree this year, entirely disappeared at the conclusion of this pleasant day, and certainly there can be no comparison as to

children. Too much praise and thanks cannot be given to the Rev and cannot be given to the Rev and Mrs Handcock for the enormous amount of trouble they must have certain Chinese territory regarded body who had left the bedroom amount of trouble they must have certain Chinese territory regarded body who had left the bedroom had in giving the colidren and as necessary to place Hong Kong and in returning to it stumbled over visiors such a very enjoyable day

School Examinations.

The annual examinations at Mrs. and Mrss Ayre's English and Spanish School for young ladies and junior boys (Calle Buenos Aires 118) have recently concluded with very satisfactory re suits. These examinations are very searching, and are con ducted on the English system by means of written papers. We have had an opportunity of seeing some of these and can testify to their widerange and the careful way in which the questions are framed and are mostly in English, showing the proficiency of the pupils in that

language.
The tollowing are the pupils who have come out at the head of their

1st Class.—L. Blanco, S. Carve, D. Regules, D. L. O Donoghue. 2nd Class.—D. E. Iglesias Z. Grove, S. Seré, E. Acosta y Lara 3rd Class. - R. A. Arteaga, P. Iglesias, B. Regules. G Salterain. 4th Class. - M. Iglesias, E. Pe-rez, R. Grove, A. Basigaluz.

A Record Ride. Señor de Marchi won his wager

on Tuesday of five thousand dollars, by riding three hundred kilometres in less than twenty four friends. The main feature of the atternoon at 16 minutes past 3 afternoon was thechildren's sports, o'clock and finished his ride at 10 hours. He commenced on Monday nours, 3 minutes, 10s. Tuesday morning, having covered the dis-tance of three hundred kilometres in eighteen hours and 47m 10s using ten criolio horses in that period. A large number of people witnessed the finish yesterday morning Mr. De Marchi was quite fresh when he finished and he rode round the course twice alterwards por si acase he might have missed any turns. He stopped a lew times during the night for lood and a little rest and also for the change of horses. He was from time to time rubbed with Cologne water. He used an English saddle **Cuestistas* to resign as the only resource left them.

The Government has found it neter a class I.—Lilian Sloane 1, Amy nessary to relievate the order for
The competitors were al
with wooden stirrups. During the fortifications will be constructed without avoidable delay, and the garrison of Hong Kong will be materially increased. The new frontier to the time required in addition to the time required.

to make up 300 kilometres. The first round occupied two minutes and fifty five seconds but, if stoppages, etc., are included, the average for the whole race works out at about 6 1/2 minutes per round. - Times of Argentina

Wine from Leaves,

A French druggist has conceived the idea that the flavour of the truits of shrubs and trees is generated in theflowers of these plants and passes from them into the fruits. The fragance which the leaves of the black current bush give off, especially after a little rubbing, and which is so very similar to the taste of the berry, has led the man to adopt this opinion He goes further; and says that the pleasant taste of the apple, pear, or grape is prepared in the leaves of the respective plants, although he admits that it is hardly noticeable with these, and by far not in the same degree as with the black current. But this does not discourage the inventor He sees glycoside, which he pro-poses to decompose in sugar, or a more or less aromatic principle, as he sets forth in the Un on Pharma ceut que The respective leaves are to be crushed and a fermenting agent, such as yeast, is added to them, whereupon the odourless and tasteless glycoside decompo-ses and the cremical principle becomes free which is to impart to the fruit proper its aroma and pleasant taste. What was formerly sought to be accomplished with apples, pears, grapes, &c., is now done in a simpler manner with the leaves of these plants in the ter menting vat Jacquimin for this is the name of the inventor, places, e. g. apple tree leaves in water con-taining 15 per cent. of sugar; then he adds the yeast. During the process of fermentation there is an odour of apples, and when the fermentation is finished and the yeast has se tled, a straw yellow liquid is

it which is similar to the best cognac ! - Sci n'the American ENGLAND AND CHINA.

obtained which possess the fine bouquets of the fruit of the res pective trees from which the leaves were taken. With vine leaves the

results are still more prolific. A beverage tasting and smelling strongly of wine is obtained, and

finally brandy may be distilled from

negotiations are in progress bein a proper condition of defence Early in October the Kowloon Commissioner of Customs and the Commander in Cnief of the British torces in China were in Pekin dis cussing the matter with Sir Claude Macdonald, the British Minister, and Sir Robert Hart, Inspector General of Chinese Customs, and it is understood that since then the negotiations have followed such a be brought to a conclusion
by the signing of Conven
tion upon the bases desired
by her Majesty's Government. All
the naval and military authorities capable of holding out against an attack which upon the sudden out-break of war, might be made upon it at any time, and in that case would fail at once into the hands of the enemy, together with its im mense stores of coal, magnificent docking facilities (which include the docking facilities (which include the finest dry docks in the world) large quantities of naval and military stores, &c. Thus, instead of proving a base from which the British fleat in those waters might operate, mercantile marine, it would be come a trap for the latter and a base from which the enemy could act against our own fleet. On the other hand, if the British fleet should remain to protect the Co lony, our ships of war would be useless for their proper work of | idea. keeping the seas clear of the enemy's cruisers. The Chinese Government has ac-

cepted in principle the British pro-posal for the cession of a strip of territory on the mainland, and of all the su rounding islands commanding the waters of the Co lony. When the cession has been completed, the necessary additional

ed for changing horses; the longest rest was ninety minutes when he had accomplished about hall the distan. The track measures seven; and undred metres or one mile and about 159 yards and Demarchi went round it 176 times and then rode 800 metres. The to make up 300 kilometres. The thence due east until it abuts on the upper end of Mirs Bay, leaving Starling Inlet and Tolo Harbour in British territory. From that point the line will pass across the western end of Mirs Bay, and trend in a southerly direction till it encloses all the outlying rocky islets to the southward of Hong Kong, circling round as it encloses them till it meets the frontier line coming out of Deen Bay on the est side. of Deep Bay on the east side.

- Definite arrangements have now been made for the annual Pic Nic of the members of Pic Nic of the members of the Methodist Church and their friends, always one of the most popular gathering of the year. This will take place next Thurs-day, and Santa Lucia has again been selected as the locality. With the frequent rains of the present season tuis very preity place will be seen to the best advantage, the trees and foliage will be in splendid condition, and there will be abundance of shade. As the returu ticket only costs 50 cents no one should lose the opportunity of a visit. The other arrangements are the same as last year and will be found mentioned in the advertise-

ment.

- We much regret to hear that little Lussito Fleury is laid up with typnoid fever and has been confined to his bed for a tortnight. We wish him a speedy recovery from the insidious disease.

The annual Spanish Ates will commence next Thursday and will be continued daily until

will be continued daily until Sunday inclusive. There will be the usual popular sports, competitions, dancing, singing, music, fireworks, and every other kind of diversion and all the Society. kind of diversion and all the Span-ish world and his wife and family and s rvants (especially the latter) will be there in full force and fig.

Que e divierten bien

The London standard denies the truth of the rumour admitted by several evening papers to the effect that Lord Salisbury had made a protest to the Danish Givernment against the negotiations entered into with the United States for the sale of the Islands of San Tomas, San Juan and Santa Cruz, in the West Indies. The Standard is of opinion that the presence of the United States in the Antillas, for from being object. the Antilles, far from being objectionable to England would be a cause for satisfaction, as the two English speaking countries are destined to be of mutual assistance to each other in obtaining the commercial supremacy of Central

The Central News learns that and South America. A Buenos Aires contempora chair. . Bodies who do such rash things must expect to come to grief. If it had been a man or a woman, the case might have been different,

> -A telegram announced the death of Mr. Carvalho, for many years Director of the Opera Comique in Paris, and a prominent Parisian character

A general strike of drivers and satisfactory course as to justify the machinists on all the Argentine tope that they will very shortly railways commenced at midnight on Wednesday, paralising railway traffic. It is of an unpre-cedented character, being directed, not against the Companies, but against the monstrous practice the naval and military authorities of this country are agreed that the matter is one of urgency. Hong Kong, an important British Colony and the second largest seaport in the world, has been allowed to remain in a most defenceless position owing to inadequate fortifications and garrison. Without the protection of the British fleet in Chinese waters, Hong Kong is incapable of holding out against the monstrous practice of Argentine justice, which every time a railway accident or its arrests the driver of the training arrests the driver of have every sympathy with the me f.
This is not the only abuse of Riva
Plate justice (so called) against
which we would like to see a general strike.

-1897 comes to an end to-day and we part from it wi hout the least regret Our best wish is that

Almanac from the printing offices of the Stale.

—Yesterday's papers stoutly deny that there is any truth in the report that Dr. Herrera is suf-tering from cancer in the neck. His friends are most indignant at the

- Port au-Prince, the Capital of Haiti, recently threatened with bombardment by the Germans is again in ill luck On Wednesday night a terrible fire broke out, des-troying some 500 houses and buildings, leaving 3000 persons homeless, and doing material damage to the extent of \$1500,000. This was followed by an earthquake yesterday morning, but the latter did no serious damage -Bombay is suffering again,

It is rumored in London that the Marquis of Hartford will shortly replace Lord Aberdeen as Governor General of Canada

 Telegrams report another vio-lent storm in the British Channel.
 Mr. Gladstone has received the usual avalanche of cong atulations on the completion of his 88th birthday (Wednesday) which was also celebrated by a grand banquet in the National Liberal Club

—Telegrams now deny the report (of their own creation) that the French had occupied Hainan, capital of the island of that name, at the entrance to the Gulf of Tonkin These is nothing else of importance in the China question

-Barragan, the assassin of Cara-

Barragan, the assassin of Carabajal, is feigning lunacy, and pretends to deny all knowledge of his crime, even alleging an alibi. When taken to the Penitentiary, he coolly asked why he had been arrested!

We read in a London exchange.

By the enterprise of Colonial scientific men, the vexed question of the coral islands is apparently settled The Darwinian theory holds the field—we are not referring to the field -we are not reterring to the Darwinian theory in the ordinary acceptation of those words, but to the Darwinian theory of the coral islands. This was that the original foundations of the coral reef were foundations of the coral reel were gradually subsiding, and that the perpetual rebuilding of the reef was due to the necessities of the coral polype, which cannot live more than a certain depth below the water. Dr. Murray, the naturalist of the Challenger, propounded another theory—quite contrary to this. It was in effect that there were risings of the ocean that there were risings of the ocean floor due to the heaping up of the remains of marine organisms, and that on these elevated banks the minute constructors of the coral reefs were able to build and live. It has long been held that a sugges-tion of Charles Darwin's own should be carried out and a boring taken that should test the structure more than 120 to 150ft. below the level of the water-the limit of the coral builder's life zone. Our own

LONDON NOTES

the Royal Society of London.

bourne, was second in command;

practically demonstrate the truth

of Darwin's theory. This is a gen-

uine contribution to scientific truth.

The whole of the core will come to

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3. Some sharp fighting is reported this morning from the Indian frontier. Lieutenant Battye was killed, and Lieutenants Villiers Stuart, Pennington, and B. Williams have been wounded.

Addressing his constituents at Addressing his constituents at Duntermline last night, Sir H. Campbell Bannerman, M.P., said than the bannerman of the banner there had been an unworthy at- north-east had sprung up, and in inside and outside the Cabinet to draw attention from the real issue in respect of Chitral by simulating righteous indignation against im-putations supposed to have been cast upon Lord Elgin No such imputation had in fact been made. It was not Lord Elgin nor the Gov-ernment of India, but her Majesty s Government who were impugned. What they said was nat in 1835 the Government deliberately and with their eyes open took a step which was a fatal blunder. It had been the immediate cause of the present war with all its consequences in loss of life and waste of money. He wondered, when the British taxpayer came to pay for his stroze of policy, how far he in time—for it was a matter aidays—with the majority of the which he gave against the Liberals to sycure for himself the inestimable fourlood blessing of a bloody war a weeker frontier bloody war, a weaker frontier, surly and angry neighbours, and a

thumping bill to pay.

At the Festival dinner of the Royal Institute of British Architects, held last night at the Hotel Metro pole, the speakers, included Pro-tessor G. Aitchison, A. R. H., who presided, Sir E J. Poynter, P R A, Dr. Collins, the Lord Mayor, Mr. W G E. Macartney, M. P., Sir E. Maunde Thompson, and Sir J. Wolfe Barry

Wolfe Barry. Members of the newly-elected School Board for London met yes terday for the first time. Lord Reay was unanimously elected Chair-man, and Mr. Lyulph Stanley was selected for the post of Vice Chair-man, with one dissentient. Lord Chairman he owed an equal duty to all. The question of the attendance of children at religious services was brought forward, but in the end the whole subject was referred back to Committee. It was decided that the teacher who was said to have offered a bribe inconnection with the recent election should be asked to send in his resignation.

After several years of useful work, the members of the Workhouse Infirmary Nursing Association have decided that the time has arrived for the Association to cease, The meeting was held at St. Reay in his address expressed a nope that members would find him ever mindful of the fact that as Chairman he owed an equal duty to all. The question of the attendance at 5680 and 57.

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Business Notes.

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and Railway guarantee service and \$2422 on account of the 5%, Loan

—Gold opened in B. Aires yester-day at 274.70 and closed at the same.

versal important operations for export, including 10 000 bags superior at \$3.025 to 3.07, with bag. For consumption small lots sold at \$2.90 to

2.95 without bag. Per 100 kilos.

\$2.15 to 2.45 per 10 kilos, according

Gold, cash, 274.70.
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Le Edifordora, cash, 12.

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p. m. maritime branch 5,30 p. m.

The str. ESPAGNE will leave TO DAY for Marseilles. Correspond-ence at G.P.O. till 10 a. m. maritime

OTHER DATES

-The str. CORDILLERE will

leave Jan. 1 for Rio Janeiro, Dakar, Lisbon and Bordeaux. Correspon-dence at G. P. O. till 11 a.m. mari-

time branch 12 m.

The str. FREDA will leave Jan.

on the 30th

branch 11 a. m.

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Martin's Town Hall yesterday, under the presidency of Mr Boulnois, M. P., and among those taking part in the proceedings were Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, Miss Twining, Lady Wantage, and the Marshioness of Lothian Marchionese of Lothian. Mr. Passmore Edwards yester-

day laid the foundation stone of a new free library for the parish of St George-the-Martyr, Southwark In the course of the proceedings Mr. R. K. Causton stated that there were no 130,000 people making use of free libraries in London alone, and that four millions of books were annually distributed

Between five and six thousand persons attended a great masonic service held in St. Paul's yesterday afternoon in commemoration of the coral builder's life zone. Our own Royal Society, in conjunction with a local committee of New South Wales, sent to the Ellice Islands for one last year, but failed to get further down than 105ft. But now the colonists on their own account have been successful on the same ground. Professor David, of Sydney University, was leader of the expedition, Mr. G. Sweet, F. G. S., of Melbourne, was second in command; of St. Paul's, and the sermon being preached by the Bishop of London The Lord Mayor and Sher iffs attended in state. A collection was made on behalf of the fund for the internal decoration of the build-

the Sydney Government lent the boring apparatus, and Miss Edith Walker, of Sydney, gave 500l. towards the cost of the expedition. A depth of 643ft. has been reached, and the result is to Yesterday, members of the Engineering Conference continued the discussion upon the employers' proposal giving detailed interpretaproposal giving detailed interpreta-tion of the general principle already agreed to. No definite decision was arrived at upon any of the points, but it is understood that upon four of them the line of cleav-age is less marked. The real point at issue is whether the recognised district minimum wage is to be guaranteed. Upon this question the men submitted counter proposals, which were considered at a special meeting of the employers last night. It is hoped that the Conference may reach a conclusion either late to-night or early to-

morrow. response to signals the Quiver and the surf boat the Friend of All Nations went out. Soon after starting the latter capsized, a few hundred yards from shore, and nine members of the crew were drowned. Fears were for a time entertained for the other boat, but finally a telegram was received announcing that it was in charge of a vessel off Folkestone. A local relief fund has been opened at Margate, and the National Lifeboat Institution because it is a contribution. tion has promised to contribute

pays.
—Str. Oropesa from Valparaiso, Sir Walter Phillimore, the new Judge, was yesterday formally sworn in before the Lord Chief Justice and five other members of

the judicial bench. Yesterday, in the Queen's Bench, Mr. Justice Kennedy gave judgmentin the action brought by Mr. A D. Mackinnon against Dr. G. B. Clark, M.P. for Carthness for penalties amounting to 4,900l. for rregular voting in the House of Commons, under the Corrupt and Illegal Practices Act. The Judge held that in respect to the forty-eight days the plaintiff's claim went beyond the limit of the statute, and on that point the defendant was entitled to succeed. He therefore gave judgment for the plaintift, without costs, for one penalty of 100% only in respect of August 28. Leave to appeal was granted.

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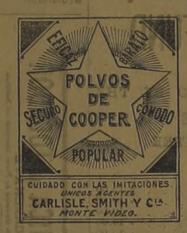
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Altogether it was a very curious affair. He had been paying her ench marked attention for some time, and she had seemed only too pleased to receive it. Wherever she went, he went too, if possible; and if by any chance he was not there she was dull and restless, and found things solow.» All the town knew about it, dull and restless, and found things solow." All the town knew about it, and were on the tip-toe of expectation for the announcement. Then suddenly, without apparent rhyme or reason, he went back to town, and there was no talk of any engagement. Her sisters could not understand it any better than did the gossips of the town, for from hints she had let fall, they felt sure that she would not be unwilling to exchange her position of eldest daughter in the large family of a doctor whose practice was greater in dimension than in lucrativeness, for the position of wife to a rising young lawyer with expectations. She was not very young, either; twenty-seven is getting on, and four other grown-up sisters do not make one appear any younger. Besides, she chated helping in household work and always having to tidy up after thresome children; and openly declared that she would do anything to get away from it all.

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The gossipe of the town were very impartial in their remarks. They said, if he had not proposed to her, he ought to have done so, after making such an obvious fuss of her, and, ing such an obvious fuss of her, and, therefore, he must be very much to blame, for she certainly would not have said «No»; but they further stated that if he had proposed to her, and she had refused him, then she was also very much to blame for having encouraged him to such an extent. One thing was certainly clear, that there ought to have been an eogagement, and they shook their heads and said they had always before thought he was such an before thought he was such an honourable young man, and no flirt, while they had also considered her a very sensible girl who knew which side her bread was buttered. And there was a good deal of truth in these reflections.

Yet he—Roger Blake—was a young man with right intentions, and he had been very much in love with her, and had wished to marry her, and she—Julia Viccars—was as fond of him as she could be of anybody, and was only waiting somewhat impatiently for the momentous question.

And this is how the little town was disappointed of its fashionable wedding.

They had been at the Vicarage garden party, and he had resolved to get a quiet half-hour with her there, and put the words to her which had lain for days at the tip of his tongue, and yet somehow he never got a chance, though both were willing parties. Once they had really escap-ed from the crowd, and were strolling towards a sequestered part of the shrubbery, when the Vicar's second son, a very obtuse youth, espied them. He was anxiously looking for

them. He was anxiously looking for a fourth to make up a good tennis set, and rushed up.

I say, Blake, make fourth in this set, will you?

"I'd ra her not, thanks. I've just been playing. Find some one else."

I can't find any good enough. Jones is playing on the other side, and we have no one his equal but you. Do come, there's a good fellow. I am sure Miss Viccars will spare you?

«Oh, certainly,» said Julia; but if a tone could be frigid enough to freeze any mortal, the Vicar's son would have been then and there turned into solid ice.

He persisted in his request, and they were obliged to go back to the tennis lawn.

However, that evening, as Roger Blake escorted Julia and her sisters the short distance home, he found opportunity to say:

«I suppose you will take your usual constitutional to-morrow morn-ing in the Park? Perhaps I may see you there.>

Just lately Julia, usually so indol-en , had given out that she had head-aches, and required a brisk walk every day, and had carefully chosen time and place so that she might be likely to accidentally meet Roger Blake and have him for a compan-

The next morning she dressed berself with unusual care, chose her most becoming hat, and went to the extravagance of putting on her best gloves and shoes—«a lady is always judged by her gloves and shoes»— and borrowed her sister's crimson parasol, for it was of newer fashion than her own, and, moreover, it lent a becoming pink shade to the whole effect. She strolled along towards the Park, expeating every moment to hear a manly step behind her, and a morning greating in the well-known voice; and as she strolled, visions of voice; and as she strolled, visions of har future grandeur occupied her thoughts. She resolved that there should be no unnecessary delay in fixing the wedding-day, though, of course, she must show a little girlish hesitation; her wedding-dress should be white satin, and yes her bridesmaids should certainly wear pink, and the otildren could come in, too—nothing was so pretty as too—nothing was so pretty as children at a wedding, and simple little frocks could easily be made at home. Ugh! how glad she would be to get away from the little brats with their avarianting teaming and noise. their everlasting teasing and noise, and from the endless contriving bow to make sixpence do the work of a shilling! The folks should soon see she knew how to do the proper

The town clock boomed twelve, and then the quarter, and she began

to wonder where Roger was, and to feel a little appreheusion, and she mentally abused the Vicar's son for his tiresome interference the day before, for she was certain that Roger would have been broughts to the point in the shrubbery. Presently she looked back through the trees in the Park, and to her great relief saw him coming. He had not seen her, and she walked on unconcernedly, and her little start of surprise when he caught her no was quite perfect.

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