

broken out in Roumania as a specifically denominational one, the events of the last few days apparently justify that view. But in reality only a curious concatenation of circumstances have led to the fact that the agrarian movement is now directed with the utmost fury against the Jews. The Roumanian large landed proprietors are chiefly to blame for this development, since their main object has been to draw as large as possible an income from their property in the most comfortable way possible. Since they were not allowed to sell their property to foreigners, they have, without regard to the fate of the peasant population, given over their property to Jewish tenants who, as can be imagined, used their leases without paying any attention to the economic welfare of their subtenants, the peasants. Thus it came about that the hatred of an element of the populace standing on a lower rung of the ladder of civilisation turned by degrees against the fellow-believers of their landlords. The metamorphosis of the agrarian movement into an anti-Semitic one is unquestionably due to the excesses of the Liberal party and to foreign agitators. The simultaneous outbreak of excesses in districts far apart from each other, and the uniform cooperation of the population of these districts speaks for the existence of a regular organisation, which must be conducted by outsiders. The Government has at once displayed great energy. All available troops have been sent to the scene of the disturbances and in the Jassy district the reserves were at once called out, as the movement grew in importance. The measures taken are a guarantee that the movement will soon be at an end.

#### THE MOROCCAN CRISIS.

News from reliable sources states that Raisuli has left Tazerut and with 50 camel riders has joined the Pretender near Geluan. Raisuli's baggage has arrived at Zaouia where Caid El Bar has promised to assist him.

#### GENERAL NEWS.

(From our London correspondent.)

Princess Victoria arrived in London on Tuesday night and will no doubt join the Queen and the Dowager Empress of Russia at Sandringham, if they prolong their stay there, instead of returning to town this week.

A dinner party was given by the Prince and Princess of Wales on Tuesday evening at which Count Paul Wolff-Metternich, the German Ambassador, Count Alexandre de Benckendorff, the Russian Ambassador, M. de Villa Urrutia, the Spanish Ambassador and Mme. de Villa Urrutia were present. The Italian Ambassador and the Countess de Benckendorff were unavoidably prevented from accepting their Royal Highnesses' invitations.

The Princess of Wales attended the St. Patrick's-day sale and exhibition of Irish industries at the Ritz Hotel. Her Royal Highness arrived very punctually, and looked well in a costume of violet velvet, with a toque of the same shade, with emerald and diamond earrings and a jewelled shamrock brooch. She was received by the Marchioness of Londonderry and inspected every stall, buying lace from Lady Londonderry, linen from the Countess of Bective, embroidery from Georgiana, Marchioness of Downshire, tweeds from Lady Arthur Hill and the Countess of Lucan, and baskets from the Dowager Countess of Arran.

Sir Francis Bertie, British Ambassador at Paris, has returned to the Embassy from the South of France, but Lady Feodorovna Bertie is remaining at Monte Carlo for some days longer.

The Hon. Derek and Mrs. Keppel have been staying at Cannes on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Drexel at the Villa Victoria.

A plain indication was given by Mr. Balfour that the House of Lords would throw out any measure of Home Rule for Ireland which the Government might pass. This was the declaration he made to a deputation arranged by the Irish Unionist Alliance and the Ulster Unionist Council, which waited on him at Carlton-gardens, Pall Mall, and was introduced by the Duke of Abercorn.

Sir Joseph Ward, Prime Minister of New Zealand, is the first of the Colonial Premiers to arrive in London for the conference. He came from Paris with Lady Ward and Miss Eileen Ward.

Prizes were won by both King Edward and Queen Alexandra at the Manchester Dog Show. Their Majesties are both particularly fond of dogs, of which they naturally have quite a large kennel of various breeds.

An examination just made of Harold's Bridge, picturesquely situated near Waltham Abbey, shows that, although it was built in 1062 by King Harold, it remains in a fine state of preservation.

Lord Ludlow, the treasurer of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, has received a third donation of £1,000 from the Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths,

being a special grant made by that company in aid of the rebuilding fund.

The stranded Elder Dempster liner "Jebba" seems to have thus far suffered little from the effect of the heavy seas breaking over her for so long. According to experts there is no chance of salving her, and she still lies on the rocks near Bolt Tail.

Great consternation has been caused in America, throughout the entire State of Delaware, through the disappearance of the little son, aged four, of Dr. Horace Marvin, a prominent resident. There seems no doubt that the child has been kidnapped, and every effort is being made to find him.

## Hugo Borack

English spoken. Purveyor to the Court. English spoken.

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corner of Zahns Gasse.

Morley's and all other kinds of English Merino.

#### Woolen underwear.

Flannel shirts. Ladies' Jerseys.

Knitted Waists.

English and German knitted Goods.

Fast-colour black Hosiery for Ladies,

Gentlemen and children.

Shawls, Shetland veils, Wool and Silk, Skirts,

Caps, Felt Shoes and Slippers.

Novelties of the season.

More than 100,000 persons visited the exhibition, just closed, of South African products, in the Royal Horticultural Hall, Westminster. The exhibits have been removed to Amsterdam, where the show will be opened on March 25.

The second reading of the Channel Tunnel Bill has now been fixed definitely for April 25.

Since Mr. Stuart-Wortley, chairman of the Grand Committee which has been considering the Deceased Wife's Sister Bill, brought up the report of the measure from that body last Tuesday afternoon; the supporters of the Bill are very sanguine that it will be passed.

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The Prime Minister says that the Government will not disappoint the expectations of the Radical members so far as the House of Lords is concerned, and will lose no time in giving effect to the proposition declared in the King's Speech.

In the Ladies Inter-Varsity Hockey match played on the Richmond Athletic Ground, Cambridge defeated Oxford by seven goals to nothing. Playing against a strong wind, the Cambridge ladies scored twice in the first half. They monopolised the play in the second half, and added five goals. Miss Gibbons shot four of the points, Miss Virgo two, and Miss Cooper one.

## Schramm & Echtermeyer

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(corner of Prager Strasse).

Breakfast and other Teas.

Coffee. Cocoa. Chocolate.

English and German Biscuits.

Tinned Meat, Fish and Vegetables.

Preserved Fruit, Marmalade and Jams.

English Pickles and Sauces.

Wines, Liqueurs, &c.

The British Fleet will leave Malta to accompany King Edward on his Mediterranean cruise on April 5 or 6.

General Booth is now staying in Ottawa as the guest of Earl Grey, since his arrival there from Montreal.

Mr. Ernest Carpenter, who is about to open the Lyceum Theatre in London, is almost certain of success as he knows exactly what is needed to please a London audience. He says a shilling pit is the "want of the hour."

Mr. Henry White, who had been spending the past week in London, was to leave for Paris on Thursday in order to take up his duties as American Ambassador in France.

Lord William Nevill has been committed for trial on a charge of theft from Mr. Alfred Fitch, a pawnbroker of Sloane-square.

#### RESULT OF THE "GRAND NATIONAL".

(By special wire from our own correspondent.)

The Grand National steeplechase, the Blue Riband of English cross-country racing, was run at Aintree, Liverpool, yesterday with the following result:

Mr. Stanley Howard's b g EREMION, by Thuries—Daisy	A. Newey.	1.
Mr. H. Hardy's b g TOM WEST, by Old Buck—Mother Shipton	H. Murphy.	2.
Mr. W. Nelson's PATLANDER	?	?

#### SIGNS AND WONDERS.

If the members of the Duma were nearly as superstitious as the average Russian is supposed to be, the fall of the ceiling in their chamber would be attributed, not to jerry-builders or negligent or malicious officials, but to occult influences from which a warning ought to be drawn. And were they to do so we could scarcely blame them, seeing that in matter-of-fact England a host of practical-minded women stopped work last week because some crazy jade predicted that that very day disaster must overtake their place of business. Women, it may be said, would be more likely to yield to superstition than men; the majority of them believe in fortune-telling by cards, by the tea-cup, and by the hand. But men are not free from similar ideas. Miners strike work at the revival in the pits of stories as old as the records of superstitious beliefs. Others for a mad belief will bring a great undertaking to a standstill. This latter happened on the Dover Harbour works. There a man was killed in an accident. His fellows struck work, saying that the next man who resumed labour on the same site would immediately die.

The fall of the Duma ceiling has not been attended by sequel mysterious enough to kindle alarm in the minds of those who look for any but a material explanation. That is well, though it robs the diarist of an opportunity of adding to his store of coincidences. Professor Goldwin Smith treasured up for years, and gave to the world quite recently, a coincidence in connection with the defeat of Gladstone at Oxford. "It is true, I believe," he writes, "that on the day of his rejection the Bible fell out of the hand of the statue of James I. on the gate tower of the Bodleian—an omen of the separation of the Church from the State. The stone being friable, the fall was not miraculous, though it was curiously apt." This has a parallel in an event at Derry, where, on the day that the Catholic Emancipation Act was passed, the sword fell from the hand of the statue of the Rev. George Walker.

#### BAITING.

A case in the Courts of which we are to hear more recalls a story with a happier issue. Thomas Coutts, when his bank was not the great power which it has since become, heard one night at dinner from another banker that a certain nobleman had asked and been refused a loan of £30,000. Coutts either knew more than the man who had declined, or was prepared to risk it, for that night after dinner he went round to the house of the nobleman and said to his steward, "Tell his lordship that if he calls on me in the morning he may have what he requires." The nobleman did call, and was accommodated, merely upon his note of hand. "I will retain only £10,000," he said. "With the other you will be pleased to open an account in my name." Within a few months the new depositor, an estate in the meantime having been sold, had £200,000 to his credit with Coutts, and had introduced to him several wealthy clients, and had so favourably reported of him that George III opened an account with him.

The banker had to learn, however, that if the King approved generosity to his friends, he could not tolerate the extension of the same friendly spirit to all men. He learned that Coutts was reported to have advanced Sir Francis Burdett £100,000 towards his election expenses. He sent for the banker, and asked if this dreadful thing were true. It was. The King immediately closed his account with Coutts, and transferred it to a Windsor banker. The latter made such good use of his Majesty's money that when he failed the King was quite a considerable creditor. If the King's money went from Coutts's, the King's secrets did not. In a certain safe, together with documents damning enough to have hanged half a hundred men when capital punishment was more common, were certificates and other instruments which, if published, would have given the lie to the King and his Ministers, and have made the Georges as contemptible in the eyes of their contemporaries as they have become in the eyes of posterity.

#### WEATHER FORECAST FOR TODAY

of the Royal Saxon Meteorological Institute.

Strong westerly winds, variable skies, no heavy showers, somewhat warmer.