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AN ENGLISH MILITARY AIRSHIP.

After France and Germany having made more or less successful experiments with airships, England followed with a similar trial on Tuesday at Aldershot. The airship rose some 4-500 feet into the air, but after about 30 minutes the screw suddenly stopped, the driving-strap having snapped. The balloon descended slowly, and after repairs had been made, again ascended. A circle of three miles was completed. The ship carries three men.

In spite of the small mishap the experiment is considered very successful. The airship proved quite dirigible and developed a fair speed.

DEATH OF BISHOP WILBERFORCE.

DEATH OF THE BISHOP OF CHICHESTER.

We regret to announce the death of the Bishop of Chichester, which occurred at Bembridge, Isle of Wight, shortly after six o'clock on Monday morning. The Bishop, who had been on a visit to Norway, arrived at Bembridge just a week ago today, evidently in ill health. On Friday afternoon he had a paralytic stroke, and never regained consciousness. A London specialist was in attendance on Saturday, and on Sunday there was a slight rally, but his lordship's condition remained extremely grave, and he gradually sank, passing peacefully away in the presence of Mrs. Wilberforce and the children.

The Right Rev. Ernest Roland Wilberforce was the third surviving son of the late Bishop of Winchester. His mother was the eldest daughter and heiress of the Rev. John Sargent, of Lavington House, near Petworth, Sussex. The late Bishop, who was a nephew of Cardinal Manning, was born at Brighthelmston, in the Isle of Wight, January 22, 1840, and educated at Harrow, and at Exeter College, Oxford, graduating B.A. 1864, M.A. 1867, and D.D. 1882. Holy Orders were conferred upon him in 1864, as curate of Cuddesdon, by his father, who was then Bishop of Oxford, and who admitted his son to priest's orders in the following year. In 1866 he was appointed Rector of Middleton, Stoney, Oxfordshire, but he resigned the living in 1869, and became domestic chaplain to his father. By Mr. Gladstone he was appointed Vicar of Seaford, near Liverpool, in 1873, and was nominated to a Canonry in Winchester Cathedral, with mission work attached to it, in 1878. The late Bishop held the post of Sub-Almoner to Queen Victoria from 1871 till 1882, when he was appointed first Bishop of the newly created See of Newcastle-on-Tyne. Thirteen years later Dr. Wilberforce was translated to the See of Chichester.

His lordship married in 1863 Frances, daughter of Sir Charles Anderson, Bart. (she died 1870). In 1874 the Bishop married Emily, only daughter of the late Very Rev. George Henry Connor, Dean of Windsor. Of the second marriage three sons and three daughters are the issue.

DEPUTY-GOVERNOR OF BANK OF ENGLAND DEAD.

Mr. Edgar Lubbock, Deputy-Governor of the Bank of England, was found dead in bed on Monday morning, at 18, Hans-court, Kensington.

His death is believed to have been due to heart failure. Three days ago Mr. Lubbock complained of feeling ill, and took to bed, but it was not thought that his condition was dangerous.

He had been at the Bank a few days ago. It was shortly before breakfast when his valet went to call him, that it was discovered he had died during the night.

Mr. Lubbock, who was born in 1847, was the youngest of the band of brothers of whom Lord Avebury is the eldest, being the eighth son of the late Sir John Lubbock.

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solicitor, obtaining the Clifford's-inn prize in 1872. He also took the LL.B. of London University, passing first in honours, and obtaining a scholarship.

He was elected a director of the Bank of England in 1890, and appointed deputy-governor on April 9 of this year.

He was also senior managing director of Whitbread's Brewery, and director of the Phoenix Fire Office.

LIBERIAN PRESIDENT.

PRESENTED TO THE KING AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

The King received at Buckingham Palace on Monday the Hon. Arthur Barclay, the President of Liberia, and Mr. F. E. R. Johnson, the Secretary of State.

The presentation of the two Ministers to his Majesty was made by Sir Charles Hardinge. Mr. Henry Hayman, Consul-General for Liberia in London, and Captain Braithwaite Wallis, the British Consul in Liberia, were also present.

Mr. Barclay and Mr. Johnson travelled to Paris on Tuesday, where they will make a brief stay, afterwards returning to London.

The report that Mr. Barclay has had conferences with British Government officials since his arrival in London is incorrect. At present he has paid only the usual official call to the Foreign Office and the Colonial Office.

MOTOR INCIDENT.

QUEEN ENA'S NERVES UPSET.

Madrid, Monday.

The *Correspondencia de Espana* states that while Queen Victoria Eugénie was travelling in a motor-car from San Sebastian to Bilbao yesterday, an ox placed itself in the way of the car.

The driver immediately applied the brakes, and the car was stopped in time to prevent a mishap.

Her Majesty was much upset by the incident, but nevertheless proceeded with her journey after the ox had been driven away. The royal car was slightly injured by the sudden manner in which it was stopped.



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FATAL MOTOR ACCIDENT.

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A BISHOP AS MARKSMAN.

Dr. Talbot, the Bishop of Southwark, surprised a party of civilian shots by his unexpected presence at the Reigate rifle shooting range at Betchworth on Saturday afternoon. The contest over, Dr. C. Stubbs, the hon. secretary of the association, asked his lordship to have a shot. Dr. Talbot readily accepted the invitation, and, lying prone on the ground, fired a dozen shots at the 200 yards range. At the conclusion of the match Dr. Talbot spoke of the benefit civilian rifle clubs were to the country, and said a bishop might very well take an interest in an institution like the Surrey Association.

THE OCEAN RACE.

WIRELESS NEWS OF LINERS' PROGRESS.

There is in progress an interesting race across the Atlantic between the new Cunarder "Lusitania", now on her maiden voyage, and the "Lucania".

Both vessels left the Mersey on Saturday evening, the latter being ahead at the start. On Sunday, however, the "Lusitania" passed her companion about 4.30 a. m., near Tuskar light.

The "Lucania" had slowed down owing to little touches of fog. The result was that the "Lusitania" reached Roche's Point, where she anchored, before her at 9.20, the "Lucania" coming up about twenty minutes later.

The "Lucania" left Queenstown at 11.35 a. m. on Sunday. The "Lusitania" sailed at 12.10 noon, Greenwich mean time.

A Lloyd's telegram states that the two steamers were on Monday signalled at Brow Head by wireless telegraphy:—

Hour signalled.	Distance.
"Lusitania" . . . 2.0 a. m. . . .	Not ascertained.
"Lucania" . . . 3.0 a. m. . . .	225 miles west.

The "Lucania" was reported by wireless telegraphy ninety-five miles west of the Fastnet at 8.30 p. m. on Sunday, all well.

Both ships have a full complement of passengers. The "Lusitania's" passenger list totals 2,100, about 1,200 of these being third class. The crew number 802. She also carries 1,483 sacks of mails.

The "Lusitania" was sighted 225 miles from Cape Race at 9.20 a. m. yesterday.

NEWS FROM AMERICA.

THE PACIFIC SQUADRON.

New York, September 10.

Washington correspondents confirm the statement cabled to *The Globe* last week respecting the difficulties which the Navy Department is experiencing in connection with the coaling of the battleships which are to concentrate in the Pacific during the coming winter, and admit that the idea of confining tenders of ships and coal to American firms has had to be abandoned. It is probable that half of the coal, and nine-tenths of the ships to carry it will be foreign. Apparently American firms assumed that the Department would not dare to go abroad for its supplies, and some sort of a ring was formed. Steamer freights quoted by them are known to be from 40 to 70 per cent. higher than offers made by British firms, and this has evidently caused considerable irritation at Washington. Tenders will not be opened until the 24th inst., and it may be that the Navy Department has allowed the foregoing facts to leak out

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