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## THE QUEEN OF ENGLAND IN DENMARK.

### STOKER OF ROYAL YACHT DROWNED AT THE LANDING STAGE.

Copenhagen, Saturday.

While the steam launch of the "Victoria and Albert" was waiting at the landing stage last night to convey Queen Alexandra back to the royal yacht a stoker fell overboard and was drowned.

The body was recovered within a quarter of an hour, but all efforts at resuscitation proved fruitless.

## MR. HALDANE ON ARMY ORGANISATION.

Mr. Haldane, the Secretary of State for War, spoke at Blair Athol on Saturday on the new army plan. He said that the military forces of the Crown were now divided into two lines, viz. an expeditionary force, which had posts thrown forward in the distant parts of the Empire but its nucleus in the regular troops of the United Kingdom, and secondly a territorial army whose chief task consisted in the defence of the country at home. The Volunteers were to be made as nearly as possible equal to the regulars, and without laying burdensome conditions upon them. At the recent Colonial Conference, said the speaker, the Colonial Prime Ministers had undertaken so to organise local forces that a great second line of defence would be formed behind that of the regular forces of the United Kingdom. Those two lines would in case of need arising in a great imperial emergency unite, as in the year 1900, and would show the world that the British Empire, although a peaceable one, had immense military resources. The Minister then proceeded to enter into details, and said that, besides the six Divisions of regular troops, 14 Divisions of territorial troops were to be formed, two of them in Scotland. The mountain batteries would again be called into being, and the infantry battalions would be each 1,000 strong. No difference would be made between peace strength and war strength.

The peace and war establishment would be the same in the cavalry, Yeomanry, and Artillery. The Lords Lieutenant of counties had in conference with him expressed their pleasure at being now able to go on with the organisation of the county societies which were formed on the 31st of March. Great Britain would be divided into six territorial commands. He proposed that three millions sterling should be expended on the territorial troops, which was more than had been expended on the Volunteers in the past. He hoped to bring the people and the army more closely together than has hitherto been the case. The new plan would begin, perhaps, with a considerable deficit in the number of men, but he trusted that the common sense of his fellow countrymen would nevertheless make it a success.

## A TOWN DESTROYED BY FIRE.

The town of Murvillumbra, in New South Wales, was completely destroyed by fire on Sunday. Four banks, two hotels, the Land Office, and 52 other wooden buildings were burnt down. The loss amounts to £100,000.

## REDUCTION OF OCEAN FARES.

The White Star Line announces the following alterations in their first-class fares. From November 1 the rates will be the same for the voyages in both directions; for the Southampton-Cherbourg-New York service the fares will vary from ten guineas to £13.10, according to the ship; for the Liverpool to New York service from £10 to £11.10, according to the ship. For the passage from Liverpool to Boston the fare will be £10, in all ships alike. A regulation made at the same time points to a split in the friendly commercial relations between the International Mercantile Marine Company and their former German allies. An agreement with regard to the interchange of tickets, which has hitherto been possible, has been so far altered that henceforth it will apply only to the American Traffic on the Atlantic by the Dominion

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## THE RAILWAY DISPUTE IN ENGLAND.

### QUESTION OF A STRIKE.

The numerous inquiries which were received last Saturday at the headquarters of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants in London, concerning the report that the executive committee had decided to call a strike of the members shows how public interest in the question is growing.

Mr. Richard Bell, M. P., the general secretary of the society, reiterated to one of the *Evening Standard* representatives the committee's decision that no authoritative announcement was to be made until Sunday evening, when he would address a meeting of railwaymen at Manchester.

This meeting was one of the biggest of the kind ever held there. The Free Trade Hall not being available, the local secretary had engaged two halls, with accommodation for 2,500 each, one of which, with a smaller hall attached, was used for overflow meetings. A special train had been chartered on the Lancashire and Yorkshire line to bring in some of the men.

It must be remembered that the last meeting of delegates gave the executive committee full powers to act as they might think fit after receiving the further replies of the companies.

At the meeting Mr. Bell announced the committee's decision to take a ballot of all members of the society as to whether there shall be a strike. The ballot is to be taken next week. In his speech Mr. Bell declared that extreme measures had never been so justified as at the present moment.

In large meetings at Peterboro, Crewe and other junctions the decision of the committee was enthusiastically approved of.—The crisis has been hastened by several Railway Companies having refused to treat with the society and declared that they would only negotiate with their employees.

The results of the ballot will not be known until October 28, and the decision of the committee is not to be expected before November 1.

## COUNT METTERNICH ON LEAVE.

The German Ambassador in London, Count Wolff-Metternich, arrived in Norderney last Saturday on a visit to the Imperial chancellor, Prince Bülow.



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## THE WYRLEY OUTRAGES.

### MORGAN DISCHARGED.

Hollis Morgan, the young Wyrley butcher who was arrested in connection with the maiming outrages in the district, was again brought up at Penkridge on Saturday, when the case against him broke down, and he was discharged.

## NEWS FROM AMERICA.

### BANK PRESIDENT KILLED IN MOTOR ACCIDENT.

New York, September 13.

A telegram from Pittsburg reports that Mr. John Runnette, President of the Metropolitan National Bank, was killed, and Mr. Cameron, a prominent physician of that city, badly injured in an automobile accident. This is the third fatal motor car accident at Pittsburg in a week.

## QUEBEC BRIDGE DISASTER.

Quebec, September 12.

The verdict of the coroner's jury in the inquest on the victims of the railway bridge disaster was as follows:—

"We have not been able to adduce the cause of the collapse of the bridge, but believe it our duty to declare that, according to proof adduced at the inquest, all necessary precautions were taken to ensure the safety of the structure."

In the meantime the Royal Commission is pursuing its investigations into the cause of the catastrophe.

## TERRIBLE RAILWAY ACCIDENT NEAR CANAAN. 20 KILLED.

Boston, September 15.

Near Canaan, New Hampshire, an excursion express train collided with a goods train; twenty bodies have been recovered, one person is missing, forty were injured. It is supposed that the accident was caused by a misunderstanding in orders given. The collision took place at a curve, the two trains running in opposite directions. Both engines fell down the embankment, the luggage van telescoped the first passenger car and this again the second. The occupants of the first car, nearly all women, were killed, those of the second more or less severely injured.

## THE AMERICAN PEACE CONFERENCE.

According to a telegram from Mexico of the 14th instant it had been resolved at a meeting of the envoys accredited to the Mexican Government to hold a Peace Conference in Washington. No date for the Conference has as yet been fixed.

## THREATENED GREAT STRIKE.

New York, Saturday.

It is announced that all the marine engineers engaged on the Atlantic, Gulf, and South American steamship lines have given notice for an increase in wages and reduction of the hours of work.

They demand an answer by October 1, and if it be not satisfactory they will go on strike.

## EXPLOSION OF FIREDAMP.

4 KILLED.

A mining disaster occurred last Saturday at 11.15 p. m. in Merlenbach near Forbach. At first it was feared that 8 miners had lost their lives. The casualties, however, are only four killed and three injured, one of which seriously.

## LINER OVERDUE.

FOUR STEAMERS SEARCHING IN AUSTRALIAN WATERS.

Sydney, Saturday.

The Union Steamship Company of New Zealand's S. S. "Monowai" (3,433 tons), with 146 passengers

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from Wellington to Sydney, is four days overdue. She was sighted on Monday 495 miles from Sydney, and has not been heard of since.

Four steamers are out searching for her.

#### TOWED IN WITH RUDDER GONE.

*Sydney, Sunday.*  
The S.S. "Monowai" was towed into port this morning by the S.S. "Mokoia". The "Mokoia" was on her way from Sydney to Auckland, and met the "Monowai" 320 to the East, with her rudder gone.

#### AUSTRALIAN SHIPPING.

*Melbourne, September 12.*

A Navigation Bill, consisting of 670 clauses, has been read a first time in the Commonwealth Senate today. It is on the lines of the last Bill, but includes amendments suggested by the recent Navigation Conference in London. Its administration is placed in the hands of the Minister of Customs. Heavy penalties are imposed on any owner supplying bad or deficient provisions to the ship, and he is liable for the expenses of her distressed seamen.

A ship will be deemed to be engaged in coastal trade if she takes passengers or cargo from one Australian port to another. Until the railway is built from Western Australia to Adelaide, British mail steamships are exempt from the foregoing condition. No foreign ship is allowed to engage in coastal trade without a three years' licence, under a penalty of £5,000. The licences will provide that seamen on board these vessels are paid Australian wages, and shall be subject to other Australian conditions, including a stipulation that no bonus or subsidy is to be paid other than by the Commonwealth or a State.

The increased wages earned on the Australian coast will be payable before the vessel leaves Australia. The master, the owners, and the agents will be held jointly responsible for the payment. Ships registered under foreign flags may be exempted, if the Governor-General is satisfied that under the laws of the country where they are registered, British ships may freely engage in coastal trade.

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#### THE HAGUE CONFERENCE.

An *Agence Havas* telegram dated Saturday states that, as the Belgian Delegates had received instructions to express themselves at the Conference against an obligatory Court of Arbitration, M. Beernaert, who is a zealous supporter of arbitration, has notified his intention to resign his appointment as Belgian Delegate. As is now known, the matter has been settled in a manner satisfactory to both parties. The Belgian Government and M. Beernaert have agreed that M. van der Heuvel and Baron Guillaume shall alone represent Belgium at the Hague on the Arbitration question.

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#### MOROCCAN AFFAIRS.

All Mahallas except those of the Zenata and the Medakra tribes are dispersed. It looks as if the tribes really wished for peace.

On Sunday General Drude reported that there were only three small bands of Moroccans left in the vicinity of Casablanca at a distance of from 20 to 25 kilometers. The Zenata tribe have sent a request for a prolongation of the truce. The General confirms that nearly all the tribes are anxious for peace.

Several Moorish families asked for and received permission to return to Casablanca, and were admitted to the town on Sunday.

Admiral Philibert telegraphed on Sunday that everything is quiet on the coast. Ben Ghazi and his followers are on their way to Tangier.

An *Agence Havas* telegram from Tangier published in Paris on Sunday stated that the French Envoy, M. Regnault, was on his way to Casablanca on board the cruiser "Forbin". It was further reported that deputations of the tribes had requested the Consul Malperthus to receive representatives empowered to treat with him and who were to appear before him on Saturday last. The Shereefian Minister of War had undertaken to organise within a short time the police provided for in the Act of Algeiras.

According to other telegraphic news received in Paris on Sunday, the Shaujas tribe was negotiating with the other tribes, and that was the reason why a suspension of hostilities had been requested and

granted. A messenger sent by the Shaujas and who had arrived at Casablanca declared that if the other tribes would not put themselves in accord with the Shaujas, the latter would take forcible measures to compel them to do so.

The cruiser "Galilee" has arrived of Tangier from Saffi with the former Bashaw of Tangier, Ben Ghazi, on board. Ben Ghazi, who has been appointed Bashaw of Marakesh but could not take up his appointment in consequence of the hostile attitude of the tribes, is to resume his former post at Tangier. A letter from the Sultan Abdul Asis has been read in the Mosque there, and a salute of 21 guns fired during the reading.

A report from Mazagan dated the 3rd instant reached *Reuter's Bureau* in London on Sunday, that a British subject living in Mazagan had been attacked by a band of thieves, but that they were driven off by a sentry. One of the thieves had been killed and another wounded. It was said that Mulai Hafid intends to march on the 23rd instant with 30,000 men from Marakesh direct to Rabat.

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#### BALLOON IN A STORM.

*Paris, September 13.*

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According to the *Express* correspondent, the ladies descended without mishap at Montfort a few hours after the ascent was made, and spent the night in that village.

"It was an exciting time," said Mme. Carton, to the *Chronicle's* correspondent. "We had not been more than ten minutes in the air when the storm struck us. The balloon was spun round and round like a top, and so strong was the force of the wind that I thought we would be blown right out of the car."

"In order to escape from the storm-centre I threw out ballast. We rose several hundred feet, only to find ourselves in the midst of the thunder-storm. The roar of the thunder was terrific, and the lightning seemed to flash and play within a few yards of us. I certainly thought our last moments had come. However, I did not wish to frighten my friend, so I tried to persuade her there was no danger."

"When we reached an altitude of 1,200 ft. the balloon was caught in a strong current, and carried along at a tremendous speed. We had not the slightest idea where we were going. Fortunately, in about an hour the wind abated, and the storm ceased, and we were able to look about us. I pulled the safety valve, and, descending, saw we were in the open country, and in a few minutes we had landed at the little village of Montfort l'Amaury, twenty-five miles from our starting-point. We were soaked through and through, but we forgot this in our excitement."

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#### NEWS FROM PERSIA.

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## NATIONALISTS' DISSENSIONS.

(From a Special Correspondent.)

Even the most optimistic of the Irish Nationalists must be constrained to admit, after the occurrences in Dublin a few nights ago, that it is impossible any longer to maintain that perfect accord prevails in the ranks of the Nationalists. A great Home Rule demonstration was announced to be held in the Dublin Mansion House, and at this meeting Mr. Redmond, the leader of the Nationalist Parliamentarians, was announced to speak. The Sinn Fein party, which is ultra Nationalist and has for long desired to come face to face with Mr. Redmond, determined to attend this meeting. Now the policy of the Sinn Feiners, so far at least as politics are concerned, is to hold aloof altogether from England. No Irish members are to attend the British parliament, no Irish products or manufactures are to be exported to England and no English products or manufactures are to be imported into Ireland. In this extravagant policy of Ireland for the Irish the Sinn Feiners entirely ignore the fact that England has always been the chief market for Ireland. To take one great branch of Anglo-Irish trade alone i.e. horse breeding, the loss to the breeders of the South would be incalculable were the English markets closed to Irish horses. But the Sinn Feiners are blind to such practical considerations and are determined to show their open hostility to Mr. Redmond and his confrères who still believe in getting all they can out of England. To the advertised meeting the Sinn Feiners came in force, only to find to their surprise that admission to the meeting was by ticket only, and being without the required tickets they had perforce to remain outside the Mansion House. Their somewhat natural indignation found vent in scenes of the greatest disorder. Angry struggles took place and denunciations of the Redmondite party were fiercely expressed. An eye-witness of the scene states that at eight o'clock there was a cry of, "Break down the doors." This advice, however, was not followed. A cry of "Scale the walls" was put into execution by one ardent spirit; but he had no sooner got on top of the wall than he was ignominiously hauled down by a policeman. The police then proceeded to shove the crowd back from the side door and walls, this evoked angry shouts of "Redmond's protectors." "He is under police protection," &c. A stump orator ascended the wall beside the hall door, and shouted:—"The room is packed. They were afraid that the Sinn Fein party would not allow them to pass a resolution of confidence in the Parliamentary Party."

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At this there was fierce groaning. The police had now again to intervene, and the scuffling and disorder became rather serious. Handfuls of gravel and small stones were flung at the police, and rushes were made towards the hall door. The police repeatedly had to scatter the crowd, and this again elicited bitter comments from the Sinn Feiners.

Meanwhile the ticket-holders had been admitted into the Mansion House and the meeting thus packed was duly opened by the Lord Mayor. It is Mr. Redmond's rôle at present to play the part of the cheeriest of optimists. After the usual prelude as to the inflexible determination of the Irish people to obtain Home Rule, Mr. Redmond declared that the prospects of the Nationalist party were bright and promising. In his view it was an undoubted fact that the hostility to Home Rule which swayed so many of the people of England 20 years ago was absolutely dead. It would be interesting to know what induces Mr. Redmond to hold this opinion. At the last General Election, the subject of Home Rule was introduced by a few Unionist speakers but hastily pushed into the back-ground by Radical candidates who, obviously inspired from head quarters, denied that there was the slightest probability of the questions being brought up before the present Parliament. Now Mr. Redmond concedes that, in order to rouse the English electorate from their apathy as to Irish affairs—hostility on their part, as we have said, he denies—it is necessary for Irishmen to show an united front in urging their claims. This he deceives himself that they are doing and, with the shouts of the riotous Sinn Feiners ringing in his ears, he claims that the prospects of his party were never brighter. As a matter of fact, and Mr. Redmond must be painfully aware of it, the country is seething with unrest, and dissensions are ripe among the various branches of the Nationalist party. Mr. Redmond claims, of course, that the stories of outrages in Ireland are mere inventions by slanderous opponents, and in response to this Mr. Birrell, who professes to be yearning to govern Ireland in accordance with Irish ideas, has found it necessary to "proclaim" six counties and to proceed against numbers of people who



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have distinguished themselves by driving cattle off other people's lands. But Mr. Redmond is between the devil and the deep sea. At one time he had hopes that he could remain friendly with Mr. Birrell and still retain his influence with the party in Ireland. The storm of execration which followed his endorsement of Mr. Birrell's fatuous Bill showed him the futility of his policy, and in a desperate endeavour to save his own position he has announced his intention to set on foot during the winter a strong and menacing agitation. But his effort comes too late. The Sinn Feiners are masters of the situation. They have, at least, never shown any inclination to avoid a direct issue, and it is hardly to be expected that Mr. Redmond's optimism will commend itself to a party that is thoroughly tired of him and his colleagues.

## ROYAL OPERA HOUSE.

This evening, beginning at 7, ending 9.15

### La Bohème.

Scenes from Henry Murgers "Vie de Bohème"  
in four pictures.  
Music by Giacomo Puccini.

#### Cast:

Rudolf, poet	Herr Burrian.
Schaunard, musician	Herr Plaschke.
Marcel, artist	Herr Scheidemantel.
Collin, philosopher	Herr Rains.
Bernard, the landlord	Herr Nebuschka.
Mimi	Frau Nast.
Musette	Fräul. v. d. Osten.
Parpignol, Vendor of toys	Herr Lindner.
Alcindor	Herr Erl.
Sergeant of the Customs	Herr Büssel.
Customs official	Herr Pust.

PLOT. Rudolph and Marcel, friends in "Bohemia" are sitting at work in their Paris garret and the former replenishes the fire with the M.S. of his drama, as they cannot afford coal. Schaunard, a musician arrives with fuel, wine &c., and after pacifying the landlord, who demands his rent, Marcel and Schaunard go out to supper. Rudolph, left alone to work, is interrupted by Mimi, a flowergirl, who is in a fainting condition. He revives her with some wine, and confesses his love for her. They go out to join the others at the Café Momus in the Quartier Latin. Here Marcel describes his old love Musette with an elderly admirer Alcindor. She sends the latter away to buy her some new shoes and decamps with Marcel. In the next scene Marcel is discovered working at a tavern on the outskirts of Paris; Mimi looking very ill and wretched, comes to beg Marcel help her, since Rudolph is killing her by his jealousy. She hides while Marcel talks to Rudolph but hearing Rudolph declare she is too ill to be cured she sobs so violently that her presence is revealed and Rudolph is reconciled to her. In the last scene Marcel and Rudolph are once more alone in their garret; Schaunard appears again with provisions. In the midst of their gaiety Musette brings in Mimi who is dying. Musette and Marcel go out to buy medicine, but on their return find Mimi has expired in Rudolph's arms.

Composer: Puccini, born 1858.

(See "The Standard Operaglass" by Charles Annesley; for sale at Carl Tittmann's bookshop, Prager Strasse 19, price 3 Mk. 80 A.)

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Thursday: Die Walküre. 6 p.m.  
Friday: Hans Heiling. 7.30 p.m.  
Saturday: Siegfried. 6 p.m.  
Sunday, September 22nd: The Women of Fogaras. 7.30 p.m.

### SCHAUSPIELHAUS.

Thursday: Die Nibelungen. 7 p.m.  
Friday: Geographie und Liebe. 7.30 p.m.  
Saturday: Der Veilchenfresser. 7.30 p.m.  
Sunday 22nd: Die Nibelungen. 7 p.m.  
Monday 23rd: Zriny. 7.30 p.m.

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### Geographie und Liebe.

Lustspiel in 3 Acten von Björnson.

#### Cast:

Professor Tygesen	Herr Fischer.
Frau Karen Tygesen, seine Gattin	Frau Salbach.
Helga, beider Tochter	Fräul. Verden.
Fräulein Malla Rambeck	Frau Bleibtreu.
Frau Birgit Römer	Frau Basté.
Henning, Maler	Herr Wierth.
Professor Turman	Herr Müller.
Ane, Dienstmädchen	Fräul. Diacono.

Tomorrow, Wednesday, at 7.30 p.m.

### Geographie und Liebe.

## RESIDENZ THEATRE.

This evening, at 7.30 p.m.

### Künstlerblut.

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#### Cast:

Tobias Blank, Pumpmaschinen-Fabrikant	Carl Knaack.
Alfred, sein Sohn	Ludwig v. d. Bruch.
Sillemann, Blank's Compagnon	Adolf Braunstein.
Bethulia, dessen Frau	Ida Kattner.
Mia, deren Tochter	Berta Menzel.
Franz Torelli, Komiker	Carl Friese.
Nelly Leissner, Soubrette	Reli Witzani.
Dr. Clusius, Untersuchungsrichter	Carl Wilhelm.
Major Leissner, Nelly's Vater	Alexander Olbrich.
Bradner, Alfred's Freunde	Bruno Bellmann.
Friedrichs, Alfred's Freunde	Emil Gähd.
Alfons Mayer	Alfred Schuricht.
Ada, seine Frau	Ninette Wolff.
Wendel, Bühnenportier	Ignaz Janda.
Rosa	Else Kappeler.
Mary	Marie Wildmeyer.
Lilly, Conservatoristinnen	Hanny Baumgart.
Karla	Else Isold.
Adelheid	Charlotte Treuth.
Erster Herr	Martin Rüden.
Zweiter Herr	Richard Maynusch.

Tomorrow, Wednesday, at 7.30 p.m.

The same performance.

## LONDON LETTERS.

(From our correspondent.)

### GREAT POSTAL REFORMS. I.

London, September 14.

It will be remembered by most readers that a very important International Congress of the Countries which belong to the Universal Postal Union was held, in April and May of last year, in Rome. That International Congress came to several weighty decisions regarding postal matters of an international character, and it was generally understood that the altered rules and regulations concerning postage of letters, printed matter, &c. &c. would come into force on October 1, next.

But although a few days only separate us from that date, the alterations have not yet been published here, nor has the new International Postal Convention, signed at Rome by the principal delegates of the Countries there represented, and since ratified by most Governments concerned, made its appearance in print hitherto, although the Government Printers tell me that it is in their hands, and may now be expected any day.

I understand from inquiries I have made at headquarters that the cause of this somewhat vexatious delay is the following. It was stated, by Mr. Sydney Buxton, the Postmaster-General, in his letter to the Treasury sent in October last together with the very interesting report of the British delegates at Rome that:

"As regards letter postage, the question of Universal Penny Postage did not appear at the late Congress to be within the range of practical politics; nor, so far as this country is concerned, would it have been possible, in the present state of the Exchequer, to have provided the necessary funds for carrying it into effect.

"The British delegates therefore abstained from voting on the question.

"They were instructed, however, to propose that the rate of 2½ d. for the first unit should be reduced to 2d., with a charge of 1d. instead of

2½ d. for successive units. These proposals were not accepted by the majority of the countries represented. The final result of the Conference, however (largely due to the action of the British Delegates), was that while the first unit still unfortunately remains at 2½ d., the charge on all succeeding units after the first will be reduced from 2½ d. to 1½ d.; and further, a very important point, the unit of weight will be raised from ½ oz. to an ounce.

"The British Government will propose to the Colonies that, when the Postal Union Convention comes into operation, this unit of weight shall be applied also to the Imperial Penny Postage system—that is to say, that the unit of weight shall be raised from ½ oz. to 1 ounce."

I believe that such proposals were laid by our Government before the recent Conference of Colonial Premiers, held in London, but whether all the Colonial Governments represented in Whitehall agreed to accept and act upon them, is another question altogether.

Difficulties seem to have arisen with certain Colonies about the raising of the unit of weight for letters within the British Empire from ½ oz. to 1 ounce.

Negotiations are still proceeding between our Government and those Colonial Governments, and it is probable that all difficulties will shortly be removed.

In this case, the new arrangements, to be published in the next issue of the official Postal Guide, will also include the coming rates for letters &c. within the British Empire.

If not, then the publication will be confined to the rates with Foreign States, as sanctioned at the Rome Congress, and with such British Colonies as have accepted Mr. Buxton's proposals.

The Rome International Postal Congress, of course, had nothing whatever to do with the postal affairs within the British Empire, these lying outside its scope and competence.

Apart from the foregoing, however, the decisions arrived at in Rome are of an exceptionally important character, as may be seen from the following summary furnished by the Postmaster-General in his above-mentioned letter to the Treasury:—

As regards the main thing, letter postage, "the result will be that, in regard to foreign postage, the public will be able to send a 1-oz. letter for 2½ d. that formerly cost 5d.; a 2-oz. letter for 4d. that formerly cost 10d.; and a 3-oz. letter, which formerly cost 1s. 3d., for 5½ d. The difficulties connected with the question of enclosure will be thereby much diminished.

"At the instance of the British Delegates, the Congress decided, as a means of enabling the sender of a letter to a place abroad to prepay a reply or to remit small sums, to adopt a system of special coupons devised by the British Post Office.

"These coupons, which will in effect serve also as Postal Orders for 25 centimes, will be issued by the International Bureau to the Post Offices of countries adhering to the scheme; and to avoid any danger of speculative transactions they will be sold to the public at a rate slightly above the face value. They will be exchangeable at the Post Offices of other countries for stamps of the value of 25 centimes (2½ d., &c.) according to the local currency.

"With regard to post-cards, the use of the title "Post-card" will no longer be obligatory for private cards; and the title on a card will not preclude its transmission at the printed papers rate of 5 centimes, if it is otherwise in conformity with the rules for printed papers. Communications may in future be written on the left-hand half of the address side of all post-cards; and it will also be permissible to attach photographs or engravings on thin paper, provided that they are entirely adherent.

"The Sample Post has been extended to keys sent singly, and fresh flowers not sent for commercial purposes. Further, in future, tubes of serum and pathological specimens, rendered innocuous by the mode of preparation and packing, can be sent by sample post.

"In the case of printed matter, some useful modifications were made with regard to the manuscript additions permitted by the regulations.

"Responsibility for the loss of registered articles was rendered obligatory for all countries of the Union, a step which will remove difficulties and anomalies affecting registration.

"Regulations were also framed with the view of giving effect to the Hague Convention of 1899 respecting the laws and customs of war on land,



whereby correspondence and parcels sent to or from prisoners of war are to be exempted from payment of postage and insurance fees. The Money Order Service will likewise be available free of charge for remittances to and from prisoners of war."

## LOCAL.

The Rev. J. Davis Bowden being about to retire from the pastorate of the Presbyterian Church here, a deputation of ladies waited on Mrs. Davis Bowden on Saturday last, to present her with a purse of sovereigns, contributed by friends as a mark of their appreciation of her services to the church, and of the kindnesses shown by her during her long residence in Dresden, to all connected with it.

Mrs. Davis Bowden in accepting the gift, expressed her pleasure at being so kindly remembered by friends far and near, and begged that her heartiest thanks might be conveyed to them.

In spite of the vast number of songs that already exist, and to which daily new ones are being added, the demand for good, melodious and original numbers does not abate, but on the contrary seems to grow stronger.

Many of the additions are unsuccessful for rather obvious reasons:—in some the vocal part is not singable enough; in others the accompaniment either too unwieldy or, again, lacking; sometimes the melodies remind one too strongly of songs that have already become well-known.

A young Dresden composer, *Hans Heinrich Tittmann*, has recently published a number of songs for which he can safely await success. The songs are published in three groups:—

1. Sommerglück, Am Ammersee.
2. Schnitterlied, Octoberlied.
3. Requiem, Unter'm Machandelbaum, Strampelchen.

With the exception of Octoberlied (the compass is rather extensive), they are all very singable, the accompaniments good, and the melodies certainly more original than the average modern composition; particularly is this the case with Sommerglück, Schnitterlied and Strampelchen.

The songs are published by Eisoldt and Rohrkraemer, Berlin.—*W. H. W.*

The brilliant September programme, of the Central Theater offers fresh attractions, inasmuch as some of the artistes have introduced changes in their performances and thereby make new hits. The accomplished humourist Walter Steiner, the five sisters Julian, American singers and dancers, and the "Schützenliedlerin", a well-balanced quartet of female voices, are among the performers here referred to. Additions have also been made to the pictures shown on the bioscope screen.

The international wrestling competition for the Gold Belt of Dresden and a Prize of 5,000 marks in money gains daily in interest, as the less successful of the competitors drop out and the victors try conclusions with each other.

The Gold Belt is exhibited in the show-window of Herr Wohlrab, Prager Strasse 20, and a valuable trophy which was wrested from the renowned Hackenschmidt by the Danish world-champion Bech-Olsen, now among the competitors for the Gold Belt, may be seen at the art-shop of Herr Besser, Altmarkt.

Two of the events on Saturday evening were very vigorously contested and ended brilliantly: in one case, Dirk v. d. Berg, the champion of Holland, vanquishing the Turkish champion Petllivan; and in the other, Bech-Olsen, the Dane, throwing Randolph, champion of Austria. The issue of the struggle between the French "Colosse" Pierrard and the Servian giant Antonitch, a very unequally matched pair, was for a long time doubtful, but was declared in the giant's favour just within the prescribed half-hour.

In the contests on Sunday afternoon and evening Paxon, German American, and Jackson, the Scotch champion, wrestled for half an hour without decisive result; Paxon was thrown later in the day by Romanoff, the Russian, in less than 7 minutes; Petroff, the Bulgarian champion, worsted Sturm, the champion of Berlin, after a brilliant display of science on both sides lasting nearly 13 minutes. Another brilliant contest, between Sauerer, the Bavarian champion, and Jackson, was broken off at the expiration of half an hour, and will be renewed this evening. The other fixtures for this evening are: Schneider, Berlin, v. Randolph, Austria; Paxon, German American, v. Antonitch, Servia.

The programme of this evening's orchestral concert at the Royal Belvedere will be as follows: (1) Kaisermarsch, Wagner; (2) Geschichten aus dem Wiener Wald, Walzer, Strauss; (3) Tonbilder a. d. Musikdrama "Die Walküre", Wagner; (4) Ouverture z. Operette "Waldmeister", Strauss; (5) Parsphäre für Violine mit Orchester über das Prellalied a. d. Oper "Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg", Wagner; (6) Tonbilder a. d. Operette "Der Zigeunerbaron", Strauss; (7) Vorspiel und

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## CONCERT NOTICES.

It has unfortunately been necessary, after the lapse of five years, to make a moderate increase in the price of the subscription tickets for the Philharmonic concerts in the coming winter. to be given at the Gewerbehause. In consideration, however, of the fact that the III. places and the standing places are occupied for the most part by students of music, the prices of those places have, only been raised by 1 mark, in each case, for all the five concerts. The incidental expenses, especially for the soloists, have increased to an extraordinary degree as compared with the first years of the concerts, and in individual instances have doubled. Artists who have engagements in America, and whom the Dresden public has had, and will continue to have, great interest in hearing, demand fees far above the customary German rate.

The places occupied by subscribers last year will be reserved for them until the 5th of October, and in the mean time will be issued to them on their producing the coupon of the ticket of admission to the last concert of last season at the ticket office of the firm F. Ries, Kaufhaus.

The complete programme of the six chamber music concerts to be given this winter by the Petri Quartet is as follows.

On the 14th of October, string quartets by: Haydn, in B-flat, op. 76 No. 4; Mozart, in A, No. 464 in the Köchel catalogue; Beethoven, in C, op. 59 No. 3.

On the 11th of November, string quartets by: Brahms, in B-flat, op. 67; J. Weissmann, in F, op. 14; Draeseke, in C-sharp minor, No. 3 op. 66.

On the 2nd of December, Preludio e Fuga by Socotrinio; string quartets by: Ernst Toch, in A-minor; Wolf, in D-minor.

On the 20th of January, 1908, string quartets by: Grieg, in G-minor, op. 27; Schubert, in D-minor, a posthumous work.

On the 24th of February, string quartets by: Cherubini, in D-minor; Jos. Suk, in B-flat, op. 11; Schumann, in A-minor, op. 41 No. 1.

On the 23rd of March, string quartets by Beethoven: in A, op. 18; in E-flat, op. 74; in C-sharp minor, op. 131.

The Lewinger chamber music concerts in the coming season will take place, not as heretofore at the Palmengarten but in the small hall of the Gewerbehause, with the assistance of the pianists: Severin Eisenberger, Alfred Grünfeld, and Alfred Reisenauer. The dates fixed for the concerts are the 21st of October, the 9th of December, the 27th of January, 1908, and the 9th of March.

Fräulein Johanna Tham, the young Dresden pianiste, will give a concert at the Palmengarten on Thursday October 3, which will be her eighth appearance before the Dresden public as a concert-giver.

Herr Anton Schlosser, a tenor singer from Munich, will give a song recital at the Palmengarten on Saturday October 5.

Herr Ernst v. Possart will recite a selection from the works of Wilhelm Busch in the large hall of the Gewerbehause on Tuesday October 15.

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