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### A TROJAN RUSE.

The suffragettes continue to supply the best argument against their claims by forcing the agitation still further on the old lines. "I am a suffragist," said a lady a short time ago, "not a suffragette." If the distinction actually exists it is well that it should be advertised widely, for one cannot reason with both sections at once, and it is at least doubtful whether one can reason with the noisier section at all. The suffragettes have not yet found their perfect satirist. In the case of Socialism the classical gibe came into existence years ago:

"What is a Communist? One who has yearnings for equal division of unequal earnings. Idler or bungler, or both, he is willing to fork out his penny and pocket your shilling."

The suffrage movement, on the other hand, has not the justification of a back-ground of suffering; its small show of reason is obscured by its ludicrous element; and if there were nothing ridiculous in its aims there is nothing that is not ridiculous in its methods. For this reason it has perhaps escaped (to our knowledge) the sting of that satire which comes from a full heart. The bitterest complaint of the suffragettes is that nobody will take them seriously.

The battle fought a few days ago on the threshold of the Mother of Parliaments indicates the highest point of absurdity yet achieved by the agitation. Apparently the base of the attack was Caxton Hall, where a large meeting was being held in connection with the presenting of a petition to Parliament. Thence two pantechneion vans drove up, innocently enough, to Cromwell's statue. The first one stopped, and then proceeded without having discharged any function except that of throwing sand into eyes which were resolutely shut on such familiar guile. For the police had been expecting something; and when their own ruse of the pantechneion, which they regularly employ for intruding their presence unobserved, was adopted they prepared for an onslaught. A second pantechneion drove up to confirm their suspicions; and, like the

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## DRESDEN

His Excellency Graf von Hohenthal and Bergen gave a reception yesterday evening at the Minister Hotel, See Strasse, to the foreign Diplomatic and Consular corps. The reception was largely attended by many prominent personages.

Miss Rodewald gave a large reception at the Europäischer Hof on Wednesday afternoon. Assisting her in receiving were her sister, Mrs. Lentilhon and her niece, Miss Rodewald.

Of the career of Marguerite Caponsacchi, the lady violoncellist who will be one of the soloists at the V. and last Philharmonic concert on Tuesday next, the following details are to hand. She was born at Bordeaux in 1884. Her father was an Italian, her mother Spanish. At eleven years of age she commenced a sort of study of the violoncello. In this she must have been assisted by her father, as we read of her playing with him in an orchestra a year later. This she continued to do until she was 19, when she entered the Conservatoire at Paris and became a special pupil of Loen. After less than a year's tuition under him she was unanimously awarded the first prize of the Conservatoire; and at once, in 1904, inaugurated her first concert tour by a performance in the Salle Pleyel which was extremely favourably noticed by the whole Press. Later Signora Caponsacchi played in a concert at Geneva with the famous Professor Marteau, after which she made a very successful four months tour in Scandinavia. Her last appearance was in Berlin, where her great talent was generally recognized by the critical public of the capital.

Boris Kamschatoff, whose pianoforte recital takes place this evening at the Palmengarten, was born at St. Petersburg, passed through the Conservatorium there under Glazounow, and studied afterwards with Ignaz Friedman and Leschetitzky.

The programme of this evening's Symphony Concert at the Gewerbehause will comprise the symphonies: Haydn's "La Reine", Beethoven's No. 5 in C-minor (repeated by request), and Mozart's in E-flat, No. 39.

The programme of the music to be performed at the Vespers service at the Kreuzkirche at 2 o'clock this afternoon will be as follows: (1) Fantasia for organ, op. 19 of E. F. Richter; (2) "Laudate Dominum omnes gentes", Motet for double choir by Palestrina; (3) "Denn also hat uns der Herr geboten", duet for tenor and bass voices from Mendelssohn's opera "Paulus"; (4) "So sind wir nun Botschafter an Christi Statt", duet for tenor and bass voices from Mendelssohn's "Paulus"; (5) "Lieber Herr Gott, wecke uns auf", Motet for double choir by Johann Christof Bach. The Church Choir, conducted by Herr Otto Richter, Kantor and Kgl. Musikdirektor, will be assisted by the following soloists: Herr Ed. Mann, tenor; Herr Otto Stock, of Graz, bass; Herr Max Birn, Organist of the Sophien Kirche. Programme and words at the church doors.

At the Central Theatre today, and tomorrow, Sunday, there will be two performances. In the afternoons, at 3.30, *Christbaums Wanderschaft*, by F. A. Geissler, music by G. Pittrich, will be given, at reduced prices, and in the evenings, at 7.30, *Der fidele Bauer*, an operetta in 1 Prologue and 2 Acts by Victor Léon, music by Leo Fall, at the ordinary prices.

The guards in the city today are formed by the 2nd Jäger Battalion No. 13. The band plays about 12.20 p.m. at the Schloss Platz.

### WEATHER FORECAST FOR TODAY

of the Royal Saxon Meteorological Institute.

Moderate south-westerly winds, dry but more cloudy, temperature not much altered.



captors of Troy, thirty stalwart Amazons stepped out and made an assault upon the doors of the House. Needless to say, the police did their duty promptly: extra contingents had been brought up in expectation of a disturbance; and, after a fray whose undignified character was not atoned for by the slightest measure of success, the public-spirited women, more than fifty in number, were led to the nearest police-station, and almost all committed. Doubtless, sensible men and women will assure them once and for all that if they put their heads into the lion's mouth they must not be surprised to find themselves in trouble. Martyrdom so studiously invited commends itself with ill grace.

In the dust and tumult of the conflict the fundamental question at issue is becoming more and more ignored: discussions as to the degree of the martyrdom, or the applicability of man-made laws to women in any contingency, or relative value of men's and women's intellects all leave on one side the essential points of the value of actual votes and the proportion of women who desire to vote. As soon as the discussion becomes limited to these issues there will be more profit in continuing it. It is interesting at this stage to recall the views of the late Mr. Herbert Spencer published in the *Times* of January 18. Political liberties or powers, he writes, are means to an end, which end is the freedom of the individual; and to this proposition he adds the question of how this "liberty to pursue the objects of life with least possible restriction may be best extended," and asks whether giving the suffrage to women, which is in itself but a nominal extension of liberty, will lead to a real extension of liberty. "I am decidedly of opinion," he answers, "that it will not." It would diminish liberty in two ways: firstly, it would increase the political and ecclesiastical authority to which women, as a mass, are obedient; secondly, it would foster all kinds of State administrations, the great mass of which are necessarily antagonistic to personal freedom. Political foresight, uncommon in men and extremely rare in women, would be more than ever at the mercy of proximate evils and benefits. Further, as a result of physiological necessities, men and women are qualitatively and quantitatively unlike, and the distinction is such that no amount of culture can obliterate it. "When the State shall have been restricted to what I hold to be its true function—when it has become practically impossible for it to exceed that function—then it will be alike proximately and remotely equitable that women should have political power." As Mr. Spencer pointed out, these reasonings are to be regarded in view of the fact that with him the function of the State was the question of questions; and that to him electoral changes and other changes in forms of government were only of interest as they promised to make men freer, partly by the removal of direct injustices and partly by the removal of those indirect injustices which all undue legislative action involves. Nevertheless, this is the only standpoint which is at once logical and just. The arguments by which the suffrage movement is supported fall short of any foreseeing, philosophical standard. It is not merely that they are narrow and inexpedient, but that they would not be justified except by broad considerations raised well above the standard of ordinary controversial politics. We should add that before any arguments can be taken seriously at all they must be presented with some small measure of decency and decorum.

## GENERAL NEWS.

### NEWS FROM ENGLAND.

#### THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

In the House of Commons on Thursday the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Sir Edward Grey, replying to a question, said that the correspondence between the British and German Governments in connection with the Anglo-Russian Convention would not be published. In answer to an enquiry by Mr. Bellairs (*Lib.* King's Lynn) as to whether the British naval programme had been communicated to any foreign Power in accordance with the declaration of the Hague Conference, Sir Edward Grey quoted the statement made by the Delegate of Great Britain to the Conference on the 17th August last, and affirmed the readiness of the Government to make known to any Power that would reciprocate such information what ships were to be built and what they would cost. The statement of the British representative at the Hague Conference was based on the assumption that, in fact if not in theory, the shipbuilding programmes of the Great Powers were to a certain extent dependent on each other. The Minister added that so long as other Powers were unprepared to act in this manner, there would be no reason to communicate to any one of them information of the kind referred to. The offer of the British Government would hold good at any time.

#### GERMAN BIGAMIST SENTENCED.

The German dentist, Arthur Hyné, has been sentenced to seven years' imprisonment at the Bristol Assizes for bigamy and fraud.

#### THE BRITISH ADMIRALTY AND THE PRESS.

The following passages occur in an interesting article in the *Spectator* on the Administration of the Navy. After declaring that the effect of the Admiralty's relations with newspapers is to create around it an unwholesome atmosphere in which independent thinking and candid criticism cannot thrive, if they are not banished from it altogether, the writer proceeds:

"To the uninstructed public it may seem that Sir John Fisher's determination to use the 'power of the Press' to create a great body of public support for the schemes of the Admiralty is very natural and public-spirited. They have, perhaps, a beatific vision of a united people all interested in naval affairs by a Press which knows what it is talking about (because it draws its information from the pure source of knowledge undefiled), and all resolute to insist upon the sound national policy which that Press out of the fulness of its knowledge recommends. But in practice, unhappily, things work out very differently. The writer on naval affairs is anxious to be as well informed as his rivals, and he knows nowadays that he has only to ask in the proper quarters and the latest news and explanations of the latest naval developments will be poured into both his ears and stuffed into both his hands. From the point of view of his duty as a receptacle of information this is a very agreeable and useful relation for him to establish. But it is to be observed that he cannot make this relation of the most intimate and valuable kind unless he is prepared to identify to a very considerable extent his own opinions with those of the Admiralty, and act as sympathetic agent or purveyor. The normal result is that writers who are kept well supplied with information from the Admiralty are its enthusiastic supporters."

"That," adds the writer, "is what we mean by saying that the advertisements of the Admiralty are paid for—they are paid for with the interesting material which the Admiralty is always ready to bestow."

#### UNIONIST DEFEAT IN YORKSHIRE.

According to a London telegram the bye-election at South Leeds has resulted in the return of the Liberal candidate, Mr. Middlebrook, by 5,274 votes, as against 4,915 polled for Mr. Neville (Unionist) and 2,451 for the Labour candidate, Mr. Fox. The result shows a distinct decrease in the Liberal majority obtained at the general election in 1906.

**A. K. JANSON, American Dentist.** Graduate from Chicago College of Dental Surgery, Dresden, Prager Strasse 10, 1. Specialist in straightening teeth.

#### MORE SUFFRAGETTES ARRESTED.

On Thursday afternoon a body of women marched to the House of Commons to demonstrate in favour of female suffrage, but a strong force of police dispersed them and nine arrests were made.

#### WAGNER OPERAS AT COVENT GARDEN.

Dr. Hans Richter, of Covent Garden, says a London correspondent, is jubilant. Like the late Sir Michael Costa, he has always believed in English singers, and the success of the English artists in the Wagnerian operas recently given under his bâton at Covent Garden has been very satisfactory to him. The greatest impression was made, perhaps, by Mr. Walter Hyde, the tenor in *The Valkyrie*. Another set of performances in English of *The Ring* will be given next spring at the same theatre, and with Dr. Richter once again as conductor.

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#### RAISULI AS VARIETY ARTIST.

It is reported from London that the management of the Royal Hippodrome has announced the engagement of the Moroccan bandit Raisuli to appear at that variety theatre at a salary of several hundred pounds. Kaid Maclean's captor is expected to arrive in London during the next fortnight.

#### SERIOUS RIOTS IN BOMBAY.

*Reuter* reports from Bombay that grave unrest prevailed there on Thursday evening owing to a dispute between the Mohamedan sects of the Sunnites and Schuètes. During the afternoon several members of the Sunnite party were arrested by the police, whereupon a mob assembled, demanding their release. This request was refused, and the crowd stoned the police, two officials being seriously hurt. At this juncture the Police Commissioner and several other European officers fired on the mob, killing four and wounding many others. Troops were subsequently brought up and the disturbance was effectually quelled.

Later advices state that five natives were killed and 40 wounded, 20 seriously, and it is supposed

that other dead and wounded were conveyed into neighbouring houses. Quiet has been restored in the native quarter. During Thursday night troops bivouaked in the streets.

#### THE KING OF PORTUGAL.

It is reported from Lisbon that the wound on the King's arm has completely healed. All the newspapers express their approval of the amnesty granted to those undergoing sentences for participation in the naval mutiny.

#### DEATH OF VETERAN MUNICH EDITOR.

Herr Vecchioni, who from 1862 to 1881 was chief editor of the *Münchner Neueste Nachrichten*, died in Munich yesterday.

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#### FROM A SENTIMENTAL DIARY.

##### III. ILLUSIONS.

How can one help wondering from time to time at the bounty of Nature in dowering us with illusions? For my own part, I am heartily thankful, and look back on an egregious piece of folly with the eyes of a father fixed on a mettlesome child. I should be sorry to be branded an important ass for my pains: a fool, after all, reckons nothing of his folly; I stretch out my hands for cap and bells wide-eyed and exultant. Again, my errors may be unconsciously committed; but if they touch none but myself why should I regret them? A wise man, with a palate for subtle pleasures, makes joyous capital of monastic hair-shirts and remorseful gall and wormwood; he borders black sorrows with a silver hem, he weaves a thread of gold into the drabness of experience, he finds glittering jewels in the armour of his enemies. Nor is it in the mood of Puck that I titter at humanity, but rather in the mood of Ariel with his cry, as much of wonder as of contempt,

"Lord! what fools these mortals be!"

I, however, am no Ariel, no substance of air and shadow; and if I am constrained sometimes to laugh at follies as well as to pamper them I can do so with a gentle pang.

I am well content that this should be so: I like to think that I know human nature and its limitations too well to put a tax on its perfectibility. It pleases me, it rouses me to adapt my desires to its disappointments, to ask for ever so little and to get ever so little more. There is a kind of false surprise in my gain, a ludicrously, delectably petty triumph. Yet how often do I not take myself to task for my childishness! Is it not an indignity, I ask myself, to creep deliberately on the ground when one's fellows, looking ever upward, perish in scaling heights? Is not such contentment a coward's solace when one should see the nod of some grim-faced ambition? Is it not sweeter to vanish in the white heat of some living ideal, like the eager, palpitating moth at my candle, than to gaze on the cold stars above and smile back their impassive greeting? Alas! there is a twitch somewhere at my tenderest sensibilities which tells me that I am wise in being foolish, or, at any rate, in sundering illusions from the truth; that I am happy in not being among those who decry a world because it is not what they imagined or desired. Illusions are sweetest when one knows them to be untrue; and what is more, when they disappear without hurting or enraging us.

Life is a matter of perspective. I shall not be persuaded that to see clearly is to see detail and fresh detail. Detail too often reveals unexpected ugliness. I do not desire to shut my eyes to realities, but I strive to keep apart from those, who, looking in the ugly places of this world, see nothing but sin and horror and pain and bitterness. Too much earnestness, like too much mockery, is apt to corrode our commonsense, and to lead us into I know not what mazes of superfluous misery.

C. M. K.

#### WORLD'S LARGEST CAFE.

Plans have been drawn and practically all the leases signed for the establishing in New York of what is to be the largest restaurant in the world, seating 8,000 persons. It will occupy the entire block on the west side of Broadway, from Forty-third to Forty-fourth-street, and it will have a roof garden that is to be an exact reproduction in miniature of the gardens of the Trianon at Versailles.

#### OVERHEARD.

"Oh, no, she isn't a shop-lifter now. She used to be, I know; but she has saved so much money lately that she is now a kleptomaniac."

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**CURRENT ENTERTAINMENTS.**

**This afternoon:**

New Schauspielhaus	Iphigenie auf Tauris	at 3
Frdr. Wilhelmst. Theatre	Nathan der Weise	" 3
Luisen Theatre	Das tapfere Schneiderlein	" 4
Bernhard Rose Theatre	Die Königskinder	" 4
Urania Theatre	Über den Brenner nach Venedig	" 4

**This evening:**

Royal Opera House	Figaros Hochzeit	at 7.30
Royal Theatre	Die Rabensteinerin	" 7.30
Deutsches Theatre	Die Räuber	" 7.30
"	(Kammerspiele) Gyges und sein Ring	" 8
Lessing Theatre	John Gabriel Borkmann	" 8
New Theatre	Sinson (Ferd. Bonn)	" 8
New Schauspielhaus	Die Dame mit den Lilien	" 7.30
Kleines Theatre	Mandragola	" 8
Comic Opera	Tiefand	" 8
Lustspielhaus	Panne	" 8
Hebbel Theatre	Frau Warren's Gewerbe	" 8
Schiller Theatre O.	Der rote Leutnant	" 8
" Charlottenburg	Auf der Sonnenseite	" 8
Frdr. Wilhelmst. Theatre	König Heinrich	" 8
Thalia Theatre	Immer oben auf (Girardi)	" 8
Theatre des Westens	Ein Walzertraum	" 8
Letzting Theatre	Il Trovatore	" 8
Luisen Theatre	Des Mädchens Lebensweg	" 8
Theatre an der Spree	Hokuspokus	" 8
Bernhard Rose Theatre	Der grobe Gottlieb	" 8
Bürgerl. Schauspielhaus	(closed)	" 8
Urania Theatre	Eine Nilfahrt bis zum zweiten Katarakt	" 8

**Every evening until further notice.**

Berliner Theatre	Der Operaball	at 8
Metropoli Theatre	Das muss man seh'n	" 8
Casino Theatre	Die Freuden der Häuslichkeit	" 8
Wintergarten	Spezialitäten (Otto Reutter)	" 8
Apollo Theatre	Mittelew der Moderne, Alexia, Walservahn	" 8
Passage Theatre	Spezialitäten (Danny Gürdler)	" 8
Gehr. Herrfeldt Theatre	Papa und Genossen, Salomonisches Urteil	" 8
Walhalla Theatre	Spezialitäten	" 8
Folies Caprice	Mal was anders, Dunkle Punkte, Eine anständige Frau	" 8
Carl Haverland Theatre	Spezialitäten	" 8
Folies Bergère	Spezialitäten (Guerrero)	Sundays 7, 8.30

**STOP PRESS NEWS.**

Paris, February 14. Admiral Philibert telegraphs that according to Consular reports from Mazagan the nephew of Kaid Glaoni has entered Azemur at the head of 500 cavalry and 600 infantry. In spite of this fact, however, the situation at Mazagan remains quiet.

Washington, February 14. It is believed that the French-American arbitration treaty has been approved by the Senate on the understanding that all disputes relegated to the Court of Arbitration, and the manner of considering them, must first be laid before the Senate for its authorisation. This means that President Roosevelt has surrendered to the Senate, which, previously in the year 1905, had added an amendment to this effect to the proposed treaties with England, Germany and other States.

New York, February 14. The Tribune reports from Washington that the State Department contemplates laying before the Senate next week seven new proposed arbitration treaties to replace those with England, Germany, France, Portugal, Italy, Spain and Switzerland. The former treaties were amended while before the Senate, but on account of these amendments President Roosevelt refused to ratify the treaties, as the amendments made by the Senate were unfavourably criticised by the State Department.

**DRESDEN**  
**CURRENT ENTERTAINMENTS.**

**Royal Opera House.**  
 Tonight, beginning at 7.30, ending about 10  
**La Traviata. (Violetta)**  
 Opera in four acts by Verdi.

**Cast:**

Violetta Valery	Frau Abendroth.
Flora Bervoix	Fr. Boehm-v. Endert.
Alfred Germont	Herr Grosch.
Georg Germont, his father	Herr Kiess.
Gaston, Vicomte de Létorières	Herr Lindner.
Baron Douphal	Herr Büssel.
Marquis de Obigny	Herr Nebuschka.
Doctor Grenvil	Herr Puttitz.
Joseph, Violetta's servants	(Herr Hafner.
Annina, "	(Frau Lehmann.
Flora's servant	Herr Ernst.
A commissionaire	Herr Piehler.

LOT. Alfred Germont is passionately in love with Violetta Valery, one of the most frivolous beauties of Paris whom he induces to leave her gay life and retire with him into the country. On Alfred's leaving her for a few days she is visited by his father, who persuades her that she is ruining his son's career and Alfred on his return, finds her in the house of her friend, Flora Bervoix; he insults her present protector Baron Douphal, who challenges him to a duel. Violetta, who has long been in indifferent health, grows rapidly worse, and though she revives somewhat when she hears that Alfred has been victorious in the duel and that his father is willing to receive her as his daughter-in-law, it is but a momentary rally and she expires in Alfred's arms.  
 Composer: Verdi, born 1814, died 1901.

Sunday night	Acts	at 7.30
Monday night	Lohengrin	" 6.30

**Royal Theatre Neustadt.**

Tonight	The merchant of Venice	at 7.30
Sunday night	Zweimal zwei ist fünf	" 7.30
Monday night	Vater und Sohn	" 7.30

**Residenz Theatre.**

This afternoon	Blond Effecken or: Im Zauberreich des Hutibrass	at 3.30
Tonight	Ein Walzertraum	" 7.30

**Central Theatre.**

This afternoon	Christbaums Wanderschaft	at 3.30
Tonight	Der fidele Bauer	" 7.30

Victoria Salon . . . Variety Performance . . . at 8.

**OUR LIBRARY TABLE.\***  
 By H. C. B.

This is one of the most versatile of novels that have appeared in the last few years. It is a curious mixture of sensational incident, character analysis and comments upon American politics, but despite many passages of undoubted interest we fail to discover any reasonable justification for the inordinate length of Mrs. Atherton's latest work. Indeed, it dawns upon the reader that the exhaustive, but none the less excellent and picturesque, account of San Francisco's destruction has been tacked on to the preceding portion as an afterthought. Moreover, the narrative ends with an abruptness evidently intended as a dramatic touch, the actual effect, however, being to leave the conscientious reader groping blindly for the stray threads of the skein so rudely snatched from his mental grasp.

But passing over these flaws we find many gems of magnificent fiction in *Ancestors*. The authoress shows equal facility, whether dealing with the inner currents of English society or the intricacies of Californian politics, and the psychological interludes possess more than ordinary merit. It is quite obvious that the character of Elton Gwynne, the unwilling peer, is a somewhat grotesque caricature of a prominent young politician holding office under the present British Government. Gwynne is more or less disappointing, but we are introduced to an unusually fascinating heroine in the person of Isabel Otis. The mental duel between these two is, of course, the *motif* of the book, but the wealth of incident designed as a background obtrudes unduly at times.

Probably the finest pages are those devoted to an impressionist pen-picture of San Francisco. The writer knows and loves her subject; she brings before our eyes a vivid mirage of that city, the Western gateway of the New World, of its eerie charm, indefinable but actual, and the curious intermingling of exaltation and mundanity in the character of its inhabitants. Altogether, this is a book well worth perusal by Anglo-American readers, since it contains much of interest to both nationalities.

\* *Ancestors*, by Gertrude Atherton, Tauchnitz Edition, 2 Volumes.

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## THE WAVE OF REACTION.

It is not long since Mr. Winston Churchill returned from the "cool breezes" of East Africa full of boundless enthusiasm for the chances of his party and the principles of Liberalism; but in the address delivered to the League of Young Liberals the other day this brilliance of hope has suffered a sea-change for which the series of Unionist successes in the recent bye-elections can alone be responsible. We quote Mr. Churchill less for the intrinsic merit or importance of his utterances than on account of the character of *enfant terrible* which he has a knack of assuming for our enlightenment. In plain language, Mr. Winston Churchill lets the cat out of the bag where his colleagues might prefer a little judicious ambiguity; and there is, therefore, a significance in his speeches beyond their piquant independence. On this occasion the Under-Secretary for the Colonies has exchanged the trumpet for a funeral drum, and on that dismal instrument he has played a despondent exhortation to virtue. He reminded the young Liberals of the reaction which seemed to have begun; he talked mysteriously of dark days. "There are great forces opposed to us", he said, "and they are not all good forces. There is the power of wealth, the great power of a syndicated world-wide Press, and there are those differences which necessarily arise between people, who, although they serve the same cause, have different ideas as to how it should be forwarded." He called on his audience to maintain the position of Liberalism in the face of "the fierce selfishness of the rich" and the extravagant noise of the most democratic section, against whom he delivered himself in round terms; adding, with more than ordinary aptness, that Liberals would not succeed against them by arguing against them, but only by the evidence of successful practice. After expressing a desire to justify his place in the Liberal ranks by offering his arm in a losing battle, Mr. Churchill proceeded to urge on his hearers a sense of proportion, taking Lord Curzon to task for seeing in the problem of India the greatest menace to the security of the Empire. And then, by one of those swift transitions to real eloquence and good sense which prove Mr. Churchill a worthy son of his father, he summed up the duties of citizenship and the claims of the people. With this all men, not excluding the Unionist party, can but find themselves in agreement. What sane man denies the vast importance of social reform? Certainly no adherent of the Unionist party. What disinterested citizen denies the existence of the unemployed, or the degradation of whole communities of English-speaking people, or the unequally distributed advantages of civilization? Certainly no true Unionist, who has always placed social reform in the forefront of his party's programme, and who has not necessarily shut his eyes to home evils because he refuses to forget that Britain is an Empire as well as an island. Mr. Churchill is an avowed Imperialist, and we should really have thought that he would hesitate to console himself with such thin sophistry into an illusion of justice.

But, in truth, our business is not with Mr. Churchill so much as with the kind of argument he is driven to assume in view of the Unionist successes of the last few weeks. They are indeed unanswerable. Here is no wild revulsion of feeling, but the expression of settled discontent with the Government's policy. Time only can show whether Unionists are justified in claiming an extended change of feeling, and now that the House of Commons is beginning seriously to attack its work symptoms should not be lacking. At this critical moment comes the demise of the *Tribune*, an event which we must honestly regret, but which will inevitably weaken the position of the present Administration. The *Tribune* by its high tone and just intention did much to throw upon the action of the Government a favourable light, and frequently offered a necessary shield against the attacks of the unscrupulous. Without its semi-official organ Liberalism will show itself weakened, and will be liable to suffer as much by the silence of its friends as by the immunity of its enemies. Much as we deprecate the method we should welcome the end. It is high time for a nation whose future lies in both hemispheres to recognize that social reform, however urgent, must be achieved in relation to the Empire and in obedience to those great forces by which British supremacy has hitherto been guided. No amount of obliquity can drive the Unionist party from that stronghold, but it is a pity that statesmen who admit the principles of Imperialism should persuade themselves that Imperial interests can be shelved until we have analyzed the weaknesses of our industrial system. Events do not wait for theories. We are committed to a system, nor can we abandon it without disrupting the social order. If the Liberal party is afraid at once of Socialism and Imperialism, it is doomed to fall into an abyss whence issue only imprecations and regrets.

## PASSING PARS.

The remarkable Unionist victory in Mid-Devon has been claimed by the Opposition as a sweeping victory for Tariff Reform.

Up to the time of writing, the Liberal explanation of the defeat has not been published.

The air of Paris seems to breed mysteries. First, the Dreyfus secret dossier; next, the Humbert safe, and now, the Lemoine sealed envelope. It is as well to remember that the Humbert safe was opened and found to be empty.

Mr. Martin W. Littleton, Thaw's advocate, said that he would require at least three weeks to prove that his client was insane when he shot White. Why three weeks?

Australia won a smashing victory in the third Test Match. Hill 160, out; Temperature 105, not out. The most noticeable strokes of the game were sunstrokes.

During the present session the Liberals propose to deal with the education-question-licensing-reform-Irish-trouble-peers-abolition-old-age-pensions-and-female-franchise. Of course, if the session turns out to be a busy one, some of these minor matters must necessarily be shelved. The Tories say that each deal will probably be accompanied by the usual double-shuffle.

During the Mid-Devon election, two suffragettes were thrown down by the excited throng and rolled in the mud. If the object of the "Votes for Women" party is to make men forget their sense of chivalry, the above occurrence must surely be their most notable achievement.

The man Hyne, brought up at Bristol on the charge of obtaining money from young women by false pretences, is now alleged to be Witzhoff, the notorious bigamist, if such a word can be used to describe a man reported to have married 100 women. When brought into court he burst into tears and asked permission to see his wife. The hard-hearted brute on the bench simply remarked "Which?" and refused the application.

A fire broke out at Tooting Fire Station and seriously damaged a powerful, new, fire-engine. Surely one of Fate's most impudent tricks!

There was nearly a split amongst the Strand Board of Guardians at their last meeting, as to whether a pauper should or should not be supplied with a glass eye. It was argued that paupers did not need to keep up appearances.

An old lady at Bristol, bent on suicide, accomplished the deed by tying a heavy Family Bible round her neck and jumping into the water.

A box of butter, awaiting removal at Mafeking, exploded with a noise only comparable to the bursting of a huge bomb. Evidently a defensive possibility which Baden-Powell overlooked.

A young woman of 19, suing her husband for desertion, told the Doncaster magistrates that she had been married four years, during which they had changed their residence 25 times and sold up 4 times. What a confrère the quick-change artistes have lost!

A turtle captured in San Francisco harbour last Monday, says an American paper, bore an inscription on its back which showed that it had escaped from Peking. Ananias got into a bigger row for less than this.

While Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman was absent from England, the Liberal Party was under no anxiety, as Mr. Winston Churchill came home last month.

From the experiments of Countess von Linden, it appears that butterflies can live for 17 days without food, whereas birds deprived of sustenance only manage to exist for 5 days. We should now like to know how many successive meals the Countess could miss without succumbing.

During the progress of the Labour Conference at Hull, one of the speakers stated that, in a properly organised State, nobody need work for more than one or two hours per day. "Labour" Party hardly seems an appropriate name.

## AN EXILE ENDED.

Widespread interest will be aroused in the literary world by the announcement that Vladimir Tchertkoff is returning to Russia from his exile in England. M. Tchertkoff is one of the most fervent disciples of Tolstoi. He was exiled by order of the Czar in 1897 for having shared in the publication of an anti-Government appeal on behalf of the Doukhobors, and coming to England settled eventually at Christchurch, Hants. Now, after eleven years' banishment, he has obtained permission to return to his native land.

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