

THE BRITISH FLEET.

EAST-END CAT SHOW.

ALLEGED JEWELLERY THEFT.

SERVANT GIRLS BOX.

WEST-END BOGUS CLUB.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.

PROVINCIAL NEWS.

A MISLEADING STATEMENT.

Considerable amusement has been provided to naval experts by the extraordinary statement of the "Daily Chronicle" that "We have a fleet of 120,000 tons, Germany, and Austria put together."

A "SMALL BEER" EXHIBITION.

Yesterday the East London Exhibition at the People's Palace took to itself a new show in the shape of Cruick's Cat, Cavy, Rabbit, and Mouse Show, which undeniably "looks well on the hills."

A STRANGE CASE.

Florence Hine, thirty-two, described as a music teacher, living at 301, Shaftesbury-road, was charged on remand at Marlborough-street yesterday with stealing jewellery of the value of £230 from the shop of Moses Samuel Lasser, a jeweller of the same address.

A SUCCESSFUL DEFENCE.

At the Surrey Quarter Sessions held at Kingston yesterday, Eliza Stoward, a domestic servant, of Leatherhead, was charged with stealing a number of nightdresses and other articles, value £3, the property of Mrs. Turner, wife of Mr. H. J. Turner, an independent gentleman, of Clinton-road, Leatherhead.

PROPRIETOR IMPRISONED.

A case arising out of one of the recent club raids in the West-end was heard yesterday at Clerkenwell Sessions. Francis Covini, thirty-three, and Jose Wandervergen, twenty-two, tall, powerfully-built young men, were indicted for having kept and maintained No. 5 and 6, Marshall-street, Soho, as a common, ill-governed, and disorderly house.

THE ALLEGED LIBELS ON LORD BARNESLEY.

Application was made for the postponement till next sessions of the trial of Selina Lady Scott and two men named Cockerton and Kist, against whom true bills have been found on the libels on Earl Barnesley on Earl Barnesley.

BY TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT A BOARD SCHOOL.—A shocking accident occurred yesterday morning at Agate-road, Barnsley, resulting in the death of a young James Norton, aged five, and a serious injury to four other children.

THE QUEEN'S REIGN.

Arrangements are already being made in India for the celebration of the Queen's long reign. All the native chiefs have received from Nawab Lobana a letter in which he congratulates her Majesty on her long reign.

SAFETY OF THE STRAND.

One of the Liverpool newspapers printed in its London letter yesterday the startling statement that the Strand was collapsing, slowly slipping away, and was in danger of utterly vanishing into the Ewigkeit in some mysterious way.

BLIND MAN'S SAD END.

Yesterday at Kingston Mr. C. Lummoore drew attention to a case, reference to the death of a blind man, which had been made in a letter to the "Daily Mail" by Mr. Lummoore.

FASTING AND FRETTING FOR A FRIEND.

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CITY BETTING PROSECUTION.

At the Guildhall yesterday Charles Hamlyn, of Marlford Hall, Essex, trading in the name of Henry Miller, surrendered to his bail to answer the charge of contravening the Betting House Act by keeping a betting-house at 14, Holborn.

WINE MERCHANT CHARGED WITH FORGERY.

Francis Tillet, forty-one, wine merchant, pleaded guilty to uttering two forged promissory notes, one for the payment of £400, and the other for £100, to the intention of defrauding.

PHYSICIANS AT ST. PAULS.

St. Paul's Cathedral was last night filled with the sweetness of evening, when many hundreds of the medical profession, in academic robes arrayed, attended a service held at the request of the Guild of St. Luke.

NOTABLE SERVICE.

All those having walked in solemn procession to their places, the musical service was rendered by the London Gregorian Choral Association, under the direction of Dr. Warwick Jordan (honorary organist to the association).

STORY OF A HELIOTROPE DRESS.

Yesterday Judge Lumley Smith, Q.C., at the Westminster County Court, heard the case of Croymon v. the Vestry of St. George's, Hanover-square, which was a claim for ten guineas as damages alleged to have been sustained through a watering cart-discharging water and disinfectant upon a lady's dress.

BATTLE OF THE CABS.

In reply to the letter sent him by the Cab Trade Union, complaining of the conduct of the drivers of Post-Office vans, the Postmaster-General yesterday wrote pointing out that the van drivers were the servants of the contractors for the mail service.

COURT OF BANKRUPTCY.

(Before Mr. Registrar BROGHAM.) THE AMPHITRYON CLUB. Re P. J. E. AMPHITRYON, a receiving officer, and one named Cross, a receiving officer, was made a bankrupt.

CLERKENWELL SESSIONS.

(Before the Chairman, Mr. MCCONNELL.) "A WARNING TO OFFICERS." George Ward, twenty-eight, french polisher, pleaded guilty to obtaining some goods by false pretences.

MUNESLEY.

GRAVELLY FIND.—While patrolling the beach this week some fishermen sighted a body floating in the sea. On bringing it ashore it proved to be the skeleton of a man, which had been buried in the sand.

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ONE OF ENGLAND'S HEROES.

At the Brentford Police-court yesterday a grey-headed and bent old man, named Bernard Fitzpatrick, was charged with being drunk.

GLASGOW WAREHOUSE ABLAZE.

Last night, between six and seven o'clock, a fire broke out in the large central warehouse of Messrs. J. and P. Harrington, Limited, Miller and Ingram-streets, Glasgow.

ROBBERY THE DUKE OF BEDFORD.

At Chesham yesterday a man named John Williams, of Notting-hill, was charged with cutting, with intent to steal, the tops and branches of more than 100 young beech trees, growing on the Bucking-ham estate, in the parish of Bedford.

SERVANTS SUICIDE.

Dr. Danford Thomas held an inquest at the Hoxsey Coroner's Court yesterday, respecting the death of Alice Stevens, aged nineteen, a domestic servant, who was found in a state of starvation in the garden of a house in the Archway-road, Highgate, on Saturday night.

WHELAN STRANDED.

The body of a young whale, 40 ft. long, stated to weigh over a ton, has been washed up on the Gullstrand Sands.

ST. HELENS.

A MUNICIPALITY STORMED.—St. Helen's Town Council yesterday unanimously decided to confer the freedom of the borough on the general David Gamble, in recognition of fifty years of public service.

DIOCESAN CONFERENCES.

The Bishop of Manchester, in opening his Diocesan Conference yesterday, desired and himself in favour of rate support for Voluntary schools.

SEVERE WEATHER IN THE ATLANTIC.

The steamship Teelin Head, timber laden, from Quebec, arrived at Belfast yesterday, and reports terrific weather in the North Atlantic.

LONDON LADY CHARGED WITH THEFT.

At Colwyn Bay Police-court yesterday, Malbath Addes Scott, a fashionably-dressed widow, who gave an address at Hyde-park, London, was charged with the theft of a diamond necklace.

THE PERFECT SYSTEM.

At the Guildhall yesterday Charles Hamlyn, of Marlford Hall, Essex, trading in the name of Henry Miller, surrendered to his bail to answer the charge of contravening the Betting House Act by keeping a betting-house at 14, Holborn.

ACCOUNT CLOSED.

Mr. Brown remarked that in consequence of a mistake some of the creditors had not been paid, but they would all be met.

DEFRAYING THE RAILWAY COMPANY.

At Holywell yesterday Nathaniel Bunnell, booking clerk at Holywell, pleaded guilty to obtaining money from the railway company.

STRIKES OF MOULDERS.

A strike of much importance and dimensions is now on foot in the iron and steel foundries of the north of England.

BURIAL OF SIR EDWARD BATES.

The funeral of Sir Edward Bates, Bart., took place yesterday afternoon at Wootton St. Lawrence, near Basingstoke. The chief mourners were Sir Gilbert T. Bates, and Mr. Sydney E. Bates.

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