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MR. MOTLEY IN ENGLAND. From the A. Y. World.

It is recorded of a certain captain eminent in the Jewish history that he took aside his formidable rival under some friendly pretext into the shadow of a wall, and that, having got him there and asking him, "Art thou in health, my brother?" he at the same time "smote him under the fifth rib." We do not know-and we shall not, therefore, even so much as suggest-that the example of Joab was in the minds of the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce when they yoted on Wednesday an address of welcome to Mr. Motley, the new American Minister. we do very strongly suspect that, if Mr. Motley accepts their address, and responds to it, he will fare almost as badly as did Abner in his interview with his treacherous rival.

Liverpool has been sometimes said to be a half American city. It is so in the sense that its interests are so extensively interwoven with hose of this country as to make its inhabitants. and particularly its leading merchants and shippers, anxious above most other Englishmen for the preservation of quiet and friendly relations between the United Kingdom and the United States. During the late civil war, Liverpool naturally found herself somewhat in the condution of the fabled ass between the two bundles of hay. Her trade with the North drew her in one direction; her connections with the South, as the first cotton mart of the Old World, drew her in the other. This exceptional situation relatively to American affairs made then and now makes it quite unsafe to accept her public action upon American questions as a trustworthy indication of the general drift and current of British feeling. It is altogether probable, we fear, that the address which her Chamber of Commerce is now reported to have prepared against the coming of Mr. Motley will be couched in a tone very different from the tone which Mr. Motley will be called upon to meet, to appre-ciate, and to pitch his own utterances upon when he reaches the British capital and comes into relations with the general public feeling and the authoritative policy of the kingdom. This in ordinary times, or with another representative of the United States than Mr. Motley, might be a matter of little moment. It is true, happily of most addresses and of the replies to most addresses of this kind, as Mr. Layard's Eastern Cadi said it was of correspondence in general, that "the speaker is one, and the hearer another, and there is no harm done," But Mr. Motley will arrive in England at a moment when the really serious and influential public opinion of England-the opinion which finds only a partial expression in the public press, but which always exerts a decisive authority over the attitude and the policy of a British administration—is profoundly and unusually exasperated on the subject of British relations with America. The better classes of Englishmen who busy themselves with political affairs, whether as actors or as critics merely, are no doubt ere this well satisfied that Mr. Sumner's foolish and rhodomontading speech no more really represents the deliberate policy of the American Senate than Mr. Chandler's incoherent ravings. But Mr. Motley is known by them, also, to be the personal and poli-tical friend of Mr. Sumner. His appoint-ment has been as carefully canvassed in Great Britain as in this country. The posi-tion in which he stands, relatively, to Presi-dent Grant, to Mr. Secretary Fish, to Mr. Summer, and to the Radical party, is quite as well understood by the few people in England by whom it is most important that such matters should be understood, as it is by the best in-formed persons at home. It is certain, therefore, that any expressions of opinion which Mr. Motley may be seduced into allowing himself to make on his arrival in England will be sharply and closely scrutinized, and that any color of reason which he may give, or seem to give, to the notion that Mr. Sumner's speech substantially uttered the secret views and wishes of President Grant will act most forcibly and most unfavorably upon the British mind. If Mr, Motley were an accomplished publicist, or a politician familiar with the springs of public feeling, or merely a trained and skilful diplomatist, there would be little reason to anticipate his stumbling into any trap set for him by friendly or by hostile hands. But he is none of these things. Going out as he goes, without specific instructions from his Government, he is exposed to the temptation which a person of his temperament and habits, both of life and mind, will find it very hard to resist-of giving himself at least the air of intending to do something. His personal opinions in regard to England's liability to this country for her conduct during the war are believed, and upon no inadequate authority, to be little less moulded upon any recognized principles of international law and political morality than those of Mr. Sumner himself. Those who remember a very hasty, inaccurate, ill-advised, and passion-ate letter which he sent to the London Times early in 1861, and at a time when he was proceeding to Vienna on his first diplo-matic mission, will not be quite at ease in their minds as to the work which he may see fit to set himself to do in a mission which he enters upon with no definite plan or authentic purpose. And t is much to be feared that a Liverpool address, intimating the wish of Liverpool to see the ex-isting difficulties adjusted by concessions and compensations on the part of England, may strike just the one particular chord in Mr. Mot-ley's nature which it is most desirable for the uccess of his mission should be left unstirred. To have the American people assured by the Atlantic cable that their new envoy has begun at once to undo the mischief done by his too placable and amiable predecessor, that he has entered England as a prophet calling her to repentance and to restitution, would assuredly afford the most agreeable sensations to a person of Mr. Motley's peculiar constitution. Such a *debut* would be sadly likely to check the movement which is already on foot among a certain section of English politicians towards a calm and practical reconsideration of the real mits and requirements of England's duty to limits and requirements of England's duty to America on this question. This would be a misfortune almost grave enough to be called a calamity. We can only trust that by some benign influence of the Angel of Silence, whether transmitted through the Atlantic cable from Washington or impressed upon him in the watches of night and of the sea on his out-ward way our new Envoy may be preserved ward way, our new Envoy may be preserved from the peril which has been prepared for him, and for the grave interests confided to him, by the good people of Liverpool.

the Derby Day. Aristocratic England becomes for once thoroughly democratic, and out of the quarter of a million spectators who make their way from London toward Epsom, not one is exempt from the chances of war in an encounter of words with the most loud-volced and coarse-tongued Briton "on the road" who may feel that true equality exists for one day in the year at least, and determines to avail himself of the privilege after his own fashion. We do not suppose that anything of the kind

will ever be naturalized in this country. New York, to begin with, is the only city in America capable of furnishing the vast crowds essential to a scene like the great London Saturnalia. And although the turf bids fair to become more and more popular in New York every year, there are no signs as yet that any of our race meetings in the neighborhood will degenerate into a wild popular orgie; and such, after all, is the Derby, We trust that while our various charming turi gatherings near New York will continually in crease in popularity, and yearly afford opportu-nities for an usement and recreation to a large number of all classes, they will never lapse into occasions of stupid excesses and general rowdl-ness, such as we generally read of In connection with the great London sporting holiday.

JAMAICA REVIVING.

From the N. Y. Tribune. According to all accounts, affairs at Jamaica are beginning to exhibit pleasing signs of returning prosperity. For the first time in a great many years, revenue has recently got ahead of expenditure; and the Governor has just announced that the colony, which has been for a long time past unable to meet its liabilities, is now completely solvent. The revenue of the last financial year was sufficient not only to meet all the expenditures for that period, but to cover a deficit of nearly half a million of dollars on the previous two years; and as the revenue for the current year promises, so far, to be at least equal to that of the last, there is every probability of there being a considerable surplus at the end of the last quarter. Meantime, agriculture and trade are reported to be reviving all over the Island, and a hopeful spirit, it would seem, now pervades all classes of the population. Such a change from the distressed and almost desperate condition in which Sir John Grant found the island, when he assumed the government two years and a half ago, speaks volumes for his administration. As to the improvement in financial affairs, this is not owing to any actual increase of the revenue which is not larger now than the average annual receipts of the decade preceding the deplorable events of 1865; but it has been brought about principally by the rigid economy with which the public money is expended under the present re-gime-all offices not absolutely necessary for the requirements of the public service, and all sinecures-of which Jamaica had her full share-having been abolished. Taxation, too, is more equitably assessed than ever before, the result being that the great bulk of the people pay their taxes with a readiness and cheerfulness atterly unknown under the old state of things. We now have proof that it was plauter rule, and not the alleged indolence of the blacks, that made Jamaica a proverb of pover, y and wretchedness for the last quarter of a century.

WHERE THE PERIT LANDED HER CARGO. From the N. Y. Sun.

Some doubts have been expressed as to the possibility of effecting the landing of arms and ammunition destined for the use of the Cuban patriots, in view of the coasts of the island bein guarded by some thirty-eight to forty Spanish war steamers.

The Perit accomplished the disembarkation of her cargo-a most useful one for the Cubans-in the bay of Nipe. The entrance to this bay, capable of holding the navies of the world, is nearly due south of Point Lucretia, on the north coast and distant some one hundred miles from Cape Malsi, the eastern point of the island. The en-trances to the bays of Nipe and Levisa, two of the most land-locked and safe harbors on the whole island, are distant only some four to five leagues. The shores of these bays are covered with dense virgin forests of mahogany, cedar, and other still more valuable timber.

But the entire coasts of Cuba, north and south. present such an immense number of perfectly TO. well-concealed harbors, that it would require a navy far more numerous and more efficient than that of Spain to make blockade ranning hazar-Again, the very many starting points which the geographical position of Cuba offers is an essential consideration. Good, safe harbors are within a twenty-four hours' sail by a fast steamer from any port in Florida, from Yucatan, from Jamaica, from Santo Domingo, from Porto Rico. and from any of the keys in the old Bahama channel.





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THE ENGLISH DERBY DAY. From the N. Y. Times.

It is not easy for any foreigner, who has not visited London at this time of year to fully comprehend the strange and universal excitement throughout England caused by the great popular race of the year—the Epsom "Derby"—which was run on Wednesday last. It is true that the English are emphatically a sport-loving people, and that the Derby is the most important of all Eng-lish races, while it is run within an easy distance by road or rail from London. But this scarcely ounts for the extraordinary excitement amon all classes which is annually produced by each return of the "Derby Day," when Lords and Commons adjourn, no matter how pressing the work before them, and when commercial business s virtually suspended throughout the largest and the most important commercial city in the world, just because some score or so of the world, just because some score or so of horses run for a heavy stake on Epsom bowns. Newmarket is a name dear to the leart of every horsey man throughout England, the Doncaster St. Leger is the event of the year to all good Yorkshiremen, Ascot is a pleasant outing for the upper ten thousand, boodwood is a fashionable picnic, and there are plenty of suburban races of various degrees of attractiveness to the "ronghs" of London. But the Derby is something unique in English life. All the conventional restraints which for three all the conventional restraints which for three hundred and sixty-four days in the year tend to Mader that life dull and monotonous vanish on

When once enterprising men are convinced that a cargo of arms and ammunition success-fully landed will be paid for in cash, even the thirty gunboats which Spain is reported to be building in the various ship yards of this country will be ineffectual to stop the supply of war material to the Cubans.

OUR NEW MINISTER TO ENGLAND-PRE-PARATIONS FOR HIS ARRIVAL.

From the N. Y. Herald.

A cable despatch from Liverpool informs us that the Chamber of Commerce of that city have held a meeting and voted an address of welcome to Mr. Motley, the new American Minis ter. The tone of the meeting does not appear to have been unfriendly to the United States. A Mr. Patterson delivered a speech of a very different character from that which was wont to be more familiar to us in connection with the name of Liverpool. It is quite manifest that the merchants of Liverpool have a higher respect for the United States than they had some five or six years ago. It is something to hear the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce talking of a moderate compensation for the depredations of the

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It is fair, we think, to infer that it is the determination of Englishmen to make a convert of Minister Motley as they formerly made a con-vert of Minister Johnson. Motley, however, is not a Johnson. He is not only less a diner-out, but less a talker than his predecessor. Mr. Motley, however, is in danger. His literary reputa-tion and tastes will bring him into relationship with a powerful and seductive class. He is the only great American writer who has written about England and England's doings during a great crisis as if he were himself an Englishman. Mr. Motley is already immensely popular on the other side. If it had been President Grant's intention to pay Great Britain a compliment, he could not have made a more admirable selection. It remains to be seen what effect the attention of lords and dukes, the smiles of titled ladies the praises of learned men and the honors of learned societies will have on this new represen tative of republican America at the aristocratic Court of St. James.

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