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NOTES OF HISTORY.

Henry the IV.

BY A LADY.

It was thought when Henry espoused, Marguerite, the youngest daughter of Catherine 1' Medica, that the union of such extremes in faith would quell the civil wars that were deluging the whole country. But scarcely had the marriage bells died in the distance, when the fatal bell of St. Germain L. Auxervois awoke the slumbering people of Paris, and rang its midnight warning of death, and destruction to the friends of the Reformation.

Treason, and treachery, will ever be associated with the name of Catharine d' Medica who was the instigator of the brutality and butchery that reigned supreme; her son, Charles the IX, was but a tool in her hands, remorse and unhappiness clouded his life, and ever brooded despondingly round his footsteps, he breathed away in misery a weary man, and atoned in a fearful death, for his complicity in the Massacre of that Sunday night. The memory of that awful St. Bartholemew's day hangs like the drapery of mourning on history's page which records a crime without parallel. The last days of the Sixteenth century are shrouded in a gloom too momentous to be swept away by the resistless current of time.

For three years after his marriage Henry was kept a prisoner of State at the French Court. After the death of his wife's brothers, Char es IX, Francis, Duke of Anjon, and Henry III, he, being the next in succession, was obliged to renounce his Calvanistic principles and embrace the Catholic faith before he could ascend the throne. This put an end to the civil wars that had shaken all Europe. The French longed for peace and gladly accepted his conversion, he was crowned in the city of Chertes in the year 1594. His reign was marked with religious toleration, and prosperity. He brought order out of choas, and made the fair fields of France to bloom again with peace and plenty. He was divorced married Maria d' Medica a neice of the Grand Duke of Tarscany. He won the love and confidence of his subjects and they mourned his untimely death. He reigned 16 years and was assassinated by a fanatic monk named Francis Haraillac, who was one of the Jesuits who took offence at the Edict of Nantz, which allowed the Protestants religious liberty and admission to public offices.

M. A. J. Why it Should Not be Free.

All Americans have a natural interest country have a glorious history, and have maintained a free federated government for many centuries. It is ed men since the last report. therefore with real and peculiar regret that we hear of the spread of intem perance among that noble and free people. It seems that in 1874 an amendment to the Constitution was passed taking from the Cantons the right to turers in general was politic if not ne regulate the liquor traffic; in other words, absolute freedom in the sale of intoxicating drinks took the place of the old restrictions. Under the old have become so varied and extensive Cantonal requirements women were not that where the tariff helps one it inallowed to sell liquor, and the tavern- jures others far more seriously than the keepers had to be men of fair character. Drunkenness has since become a nathere no tariff. Many of our industries tional vice. There are ten glasses of are hampered by the duties on raw ma liquor drank now where there was one terial. This revision that is the issue before. As a consequence thrift is dis of many days of clamor in the two has fallen proportionately. So patent struggle for the preservation of petty are the evils that the Mayors of the and personal interests the one great Cantons have united in demanding a object—that of the public welfare—was change in the law. They show that lost to view.

increased twenty-five per cent. There is now one tayern to every 130 people. and deducting women, children and the sick, there is a public house for every thirty persons. The advocates of prohibition in this country should spread the news of what unrestricted liquor selling has done in Switzerland. An extravagant eulogist of personal liberty has said that it is better for all the world to be drunk than to deprive one man of his right to do as he pleases; but we live in a world where doctrines which are apparently sound in theory do not work well when put into prac tice, and the experience of all civilized peoples is that it is unwise and immoral to put no restrictions on the appetites and passions of the human race. Mayor Low, of Brooklyn, has the courage to recommend the adoption of the Swedish local option law, which proved so effectual in putting a stop to drunkenness in Gothenburg and elsewhere. Under this law the localities have the right to prohibit all private selling of strong drink. The liquor can only be sold by a public official specially ap pointed, who has no interest in the trade beyond his salary, and who is under bonds not to furnish intoxicating beverages to women, children or men, who are known to be slaves of a deprayed appetite. In Gothenburg and in the other places where this law has been tried it has worked admirably. Drunkenness is almost unknown under the operation of the law, and the crimes traceable to it have correspondingly diminished. In this country we have the Maine Law, which has stood the test of a generation in one State with the most beneficent results. Other States have recently adopted it, and the child is living who will see some sort of prohibitory law in nearly all the States of the Union .- From Demorest's Monthly for March.

The National Guard.

WHAT THE REPORT FOR 1882 GIVES IN IN. TERESTING INFORMATION. The report of Adjutant General Latta

to Governor Hoyt, for the year ending November 30, 1882, has been issued in book form. It gives a history of the National Guard of the State, and presents a mass of interesting statistics and tabulated information. "There are now in service," it says, "three companies of cavalry, three batteries of artillery, and one hundred and thirty-one companies of the infantry. The infantry are or ganized into fifteen regiments and one battalion; two companies are unattach-The batteries report direct to the division, and the cavalry is attached to the brigades. This force aggregating 584 commissioned officers and 7.636 en listed men, is assigned proportionately to three brigades, they constituting one division." Referring to the Lewistown encampment last summer, the report says it was the best of the series and the expenditure of the public moneys for such purposes was again justified. The spring inspections were conducted under general directions from the de partment. "It is an axiom," continues the Adjutant General, "that frequent, intelligent and instructive inspections mold the effectiveness and progress of a military education Rifle practice has been more encouraged financially this year than previously. The First brigade has increased the number of qualified marksmen, but the strength of success from the profligate Marguerite, and ful practice remains with the Third, the teenth regiment still retaining the full honors of its intelligent and skillful labor." The report adds that the scheme for the erection of armories is still meeting with encouragement. The Third regiment is fully completed and paid for. The corner stone of the First was laid on the 19th of April. The walls are up to the third story, and it is confidently expected that it will be occupied within another year. The report of Brigadier General Snowden, of the First brigade, shows that there were in the brigade at the time of the fall in Switzerland. The people of that inspections 172 officers and 2,995 enlist, ed men, an aggregate of 2,569, showing an increase of 22 officers and 83 enlist

Protection not a Blessing.

There may have been a time away when protection or subsidy to manufaccessary, but a tariff for other purposes than raising revenue has long since ceased to be wise. American industries protected one could be damaged were appearing, the number of bankruptcies houses of congress has failed to remove has quadrupled, and the price of land the duties on such articles. In the

A Harmonious Party.

The Republican members of the delegation to the late congress from this state agreed to disagree on the subject of the tariff.

Senator Cameron, Congressmen Bayne, Campbell, Errett and Miller voted against the new tariff bill, while the remainder of the Republican congressmen, with Colonel Barr from this district at the head of the list, voted for t, Senator Mitchell dodged.

This is harmony for you with a ven geance. This is what comes of a party which has "ideas." Hereafter Republicanism in this state can be quoted on all sides of the tariff question with the Mitchell element neutral. The g. o. p. is to be congratulated on the splendid coherence of its various factions on the great economical question of the time. -Harrisburg Patriot.

The Schuylkill Poor Directors to be In-

dicted.

POTTSVILLE, March 9 .- Prior to the adjournment of the grand jury to-day they made presentments against John Morgan, George Kaufman and William Neifert, Directors of the Poor, for misconduct in office by purchasing large supplies of cigars and liquors for their own use with money belonging to the county of Schuvlkill. A separate presentment was made against John Mor gan for having taken money for the hire of a horse and carriage. On these the District Attorney will draw bills and present them to the grand jury next term,-Phila, Times.

South Carolina Political Prosecution

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 8 .- The pre iminary examination of Democratic citizens of Fairfield county, charged with sundry violations of the federal laws at the last general election, was resumed before the United States commissioner this morning. Several witnesses for the Government were examined. The hearing was adjourned until Tuesday, the twentieth instant. From the evidence thus far adduced, it is not considered probable that the Government will make a case against the accused. Ex-Chief Justice Willard is conducting the prosecution.

President Arthur's Health.

HE IS SAID TO BE SUFFERING FROM BRIGHT'S DISEASE.

WASHINGTON, March 10-President Arthur is said to be afflicted with Bright's disease. He has suffered intensely during the past week. He has been trou bled with insomnia, and is despondent. He fears he may not live the year out. When Edmonds was sworn in as President of the Senate the President ex pressed pleasure, because he said in the event of his death the Government would be in safe hands. The President asked his sister, Mrs. Haynesworth, not to go to New York with his other sister Mrs. McElroy, yesterday. Mrs. Haynes worth remained. The President's phy scician tells him that he must have change and rest, and must live more simply if he would be well again.

Red Men's Riches.

THE VAST WEALTH OF THE INDIAN TERRITO

A special from Indian Territory reorts the return of Hon. S. S. Benedict, Inited States Indian Inspector, from his annual visit to the various nations in the Territory, where he has just completed his examinations of the eight different agencies, and has the satisfaction of having found them all correct.

There is much more wealth among the tribes of the different nations than is generally known, and those who have an idea that the Indians in the Territo ry are a poor, poverty stricken people, dependent on the Government for the means of living, are terribly mistaken. Take the Osages as an instance: they present the wealthiest body of people in the world. There are but 1,750 of them yet they have \$4,000,000 with the Gov ernment and \$3.000,000 in Kansas lands. The other nations are wealthy, but do not have as much proper as the Osages.

GEN. GRANT THANKED .- A large number of ex-soldiers and citizens of St. Paul and prominent members of the back in the history of our government | Minnesota Legislature have united in a letter to Gen. Grant expressing their high appreciation of his efforts to secure Gen. Fitz John Porter "that simple measure of justice which a misappre. hension of the facts bearing on his case has been long and largely instrumental in withholding from him." The signers declare that "whatever may have been public sentiment touching the merits of Gen. Porter's case as presented to the country from time to time by the several tribunals that have been charged with its determination, there is no denying the fact that at the present time the American prople demand his restoration to the position in the army of which he has been, in the light of more recent disclosures, for twenty years unjustly

DIFFICULT PRONUNCIATION.

The number of words in common use, almost universally mispronounced, is very large. The following selection from an exchange is an admirable test. Read carefully, consult a standard dictionary in cases where any doubt exists, and you will be surprised at the numerous mistakes made :

Geoffrey, surnamed Winthrop, sat in the depot at Chicago, waiting for his train and reading the Tribune, when a squadron of street Arabs (incomparable for squalor) thronged from a neighbor ing alley, uttering hideous cries, accompanied by inimitable gestures of heinous exultation, as they tortured a black and

"You little blackguards!" cried Winthrop, stepping outside and confronting them, adding the inquiry : "Whose dog

"That audacious Caucasian has the bravado to interfere with our clique," tauntingly shrieked the little ruffian, exhibiting combativeness.

"What will you take for him?" asked the lenient Geoffrey, ignoring the venial

"Twenty-seven cents," piquantly anwered the ribald urchin, grabbing the crouching dog by the nape.

"You can buy licorice and share with the indecorous coadjutors of your condemnable cruelty," said Winthrop pay ing the price and taking the dog from the child. Then catching up his valise and umbrella, he hastened to his train. Winthrop satisfied himself that his slick protege was not wounded, and then cleaned the cement from the pretty collar, and read these words:

"Leicester. Licensed. No. 1880." Hearing the pronunciation of his name, the docile canine expressed gratitude and pleasure, and then sank exhausted at his new patron's feet and

Among the other passengers was a magazine contributor writing vagaries of Indian literature, also two physicians. a sombre, irrevocable, irrefragable allopathist and a genial home pathist, who made a specialty of bronchitis. Two east of Fo made a specialty of bronchitis. Two east of Forrest City, owing to the tracks peremptory attorneys, from the Legis being submerged just below Helena." lature of Iowa, were discussing the politics of the epoch and the details of national finance, while a wan, dolorous person, wearing concave glasses, alter the nately ate troches and almonds for a sedative, and sought condolence in a high, lamentable treble lethargic and somewhat deaf and enervate comrade not yet acclimated. Near three exemplary brethren (probably sinecurists) sat a group of humorous vouths, and a therefore advise you to strike, while the jocose sailor (lately from Asia) in a iron is hot, as you'l never have this prosecuted. Her RITTERS MANUFACTERISE Co ocose sailor (lately from Asia) in a iron is bot blouse waist and tarpaulin hat, was amusing his patriotic juvenile listeners by relating a series of the most extraordinary legends extant, suggested by the dinary legends extant, suggested by the

The swelling has all gone. I am so
well and natural as I ever was before. calmly and leisurely arranging in a pyramidal form on a three-legged stool. Above swung figured placerds with Your Personals just the thing for h m W. Bauer, St. Mary's, Pa.

one night in the parquet of a theatre. The young lady had recently made her debut into society at a musical soirce of her aunts. She had an exquisite bouquet of flowers that exhaled sweet perfume. She said to her parent :

"Mamma, shall we ever find my lost Leceister?"

Geoffrey immediately addressed her. saving as he presented his card :

"Pardon my apparent intrusiveness but, prithee, have you lost a pet dog?" The explanation that he had been stolen was scarcely necessary, for Leicester, just awakening, vehemently expressed his inexplicable joy by buoyantly vibrating between the two like the sounding lever in telegraphy (for to neither of them would be show parciality,) till succumbing to ennui, he purported to take a recess, and sat on his haunches complaisantly contemplat ing his friends. It was truly an interesting picture.

They reached their destination ere the sain was beneath the horizon. Often during the summer Winthrop gallantly rowed from the quay with the naive and blithe Beatrice in her jaunty yachting suit; but no coquetry shown from the depths of her azure eyes. Little Less, their jocund confidante and courier (and who was as sagacious as a spaniel,) always attended them on these occasions, and whene'er they rambled through the woodland paths. When the band played strains from Beethoven, Mendelsshon, Bach and others, they promenaded the long corridors of the hotel And one evening as Beatrice lighted the gas by the etagere in her charming boudoir in their suit of rooms, there glistened brightly a valuable solitaire diamond on her finger.

Let us look into the future for the sequel to perfect this romance, and round a cheerful hearth we see again Geoffrey and Beatrice, who are paying due homage to their friend Leicester.

The Southwestern Floods,

WHAT A CORRESPONDENT SAW BETWEEN

MEMPHIS, TENN., AND HELENA, ARK. St. Louis, March 9 .- A Globe Democr. correspondent, who reached Helena yesterday from Memphis by the steamer chauteau, gives the following view of the situation along the river bank :

There are not more than two or three spots of ground between Memphis and this point. Scores of the farms in Ar. kansas and Mississippi are completely ruined and most of them are abandoned, the owners and laborers having fled to higher ground. In many places the cattle are standing in water which overflows the platforms, and almost every gin house is filled with colored people. At Harbutt's Landing there were eigh teen negroes in two boats, moored to a Itching Piles -Symptons and Cure. tree on the flooded bank, waiting for a steamboat to take them away. There is not a foot of dry land in forty miles Skiff loads of colored people, with their household goods, are to be seen at vari-ous points seeking for ground to rest on.

At Sterling colored people, horses and cattle are indiscriminately huddled in the upper story of the only store there. Most of the fences and houses along the bank are still intact, though many have

bank are still intact, though many have been floated away.

At Star Landing the dwellings are full of cattle and the gin houses full of negroes. It is probable that there will be a big rise below here, as the flow of water from the St. Francis River is un-diminished.

Captain Thorwegan, of the steamer Chauteau, thinks there is unpreceded.

Chauteau, thinks there is unpreceden tedly high water between Vicksburg and New Orleans on account of the closing of the Bonnet Carre crevasse. The bridge and trestle over Cassados Lake, on the Iron Mountain road, one coming up from the break in the leves below here. This will cut Helena off from railroad communication, as rail road men say it will be impossible to

get trains out until the water subsidie to get trains out until the water subsidies. Mempus, March 9.—The river here has declined two inches. The Appeal's Helena, (Ark.) special says: 'The river is falling to night. Several hundred negroes just south of here are reported about out of provisions. A large number of cattle, horses and mules are standing in the overflow from knee to waist deep, hopelessly shandoned in the St. Francis swamp. Trains over the Iron Mountain railroad are abandoned

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