

ENGLAND AND ERIN Ruled for the Present by the Supremacy of Irish Politics. THE WRONGS HEAPED ON O'BRIEN Have Their Natural Effect, His Cause Profiting Greatly Thereby. LORD HARRINGTON IS LEFT AT HOME. Quite a Revival of Interest in the Parnell Commission Inquiry.

Irish politics has ruled the roost in England and Erin the past week. The brutal treatment of William O'Brien has had its natural effect. Sympathy for his cause is daily growing. A great outdoor indignation meeting will be held at Hyde Park to-day. A ringing resolution has been prepared for passage. Tories were unable to attend the meeting at Sheffield to suit their ends. A revival of interest is noted in the Parnell Commission inquiry.

(BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.) LONDON, February 9.—(Copyright.)—Politics this week has been entirely Irish. The brutal treatment of William O'Brien has forcibly impressed the English mind with the general subject of the treatment of political prisoners in Irish prisons, and as this was the object of O'Brien, in the course he followed at Clonmel, has reason to congratulate himself upon the immense advantage the Irish cause has gained. Not a day passes without hundreds of indignation meetings scattered all over the country, the proceedings at which are recorded in the briefest possible manner, but fill columns in the newspapers every morning.

The movement will continue to-morrow in the great outdoor demonstration of the London Liberals and anti-Constitutionists generally, which will be held in Hyde Park. The meeting will be emphatically a democratic gathering. It has been organized entirely by the workmen, and the speakers will be all workmen or politicians who enjoy their entire confidence. So enormous is the gathering expected to be that more than 12 platforms will be erected in order that the various speakers may be well heard.

WHAT WILL BE RESOLVED. The Tories are not fond of outdoor demonstrations. As they do not lend themselves to packing, it is therefore safe to prophesy that the resolutions which will be passed at all the platforms simultaneously, will be carried unanimously. It condemns the brutal police treatment in Ireland, protests against the unenviable treatment of political prisoners in the Irish jails, and demands the release of Irish patriots who only enjoy an excessive and ordinary rights of free speech, and calls upon the British leaders to make a determined attack on the inhuman methods of the Tory Government.

A very remarkable outdoor meeting was held at Sheffield on Wednesday, and not fewer than 20,000 workmen were present. The local Tory leaders and their followers arranged to present and defeat the proposed resolution of sympathy with the Irish political prisoners. So confident were they of defeating it that a telegram was dispatched to Lord Salisbury, informing him that the workmen of Sheffield, in a meeting assembled, had expressed their approval of his policy in Ireland. Salisbury promptly wired a message of thanks, and has been considerably mortified since the next morning when he read in the newspapers, Tory and Liberal alike, that the resolution referred to had been carried by a majority of six to one.

ANOTHER DISTRICT FLOPS. Following close upon this Tory disaster came the news that the elections for the district represented in Parliament by Lord Harrington had resulted in the return of all the Liberal candidates. This is a very unexpected and emphatic note to quit to hisanship, and already it is reported that the Tory whigs are looking about for a safe constituency willing to be honored by the renegade Marquis.

Mr. Gladstone has continued to enjoy himself thoroughly at Naples. To-day he leaves for Amalfi, where he will stay until the 14th and then go to Capri, returning thence to London. He is not expected to have already been informed that the Queen's opening of Parliament, and he will resume his legislative labors immensely improved in health and vigor than ten years ago. There has been this week a decided revival of public interest in the proceedings of the special commission. To the British mind there is always something mysterious about an informer, and the attraction being irresistible when he takes the form of a dashing, fairly good-looking military figure in the prime of life, and who has therefore performed to full honors since he has been on the stage. Society dames are to court and ogled him, and there seemed a reasonable prospect that he would soon become

ONE OF THE LIONS of aristocratic drawing-rooms, but Sir Charles Russell spoiled LeCaron's chances by extracting from him the admission that in his early youth he had pursued the unromantic calling of a clerk in a dry-goods store, and in later years scarcely less prosaic in the case of a London bookseller, who, to collocate a cowboy and worship ram-sadden kings of a ten-acre lot on the west coast of Africa, but it drew a line at dry-goods and books—unless and until the seller made a fortune or acquired a title not less in rank than a baronet.

LeCaron is believed to be the Times' most important witness, and the Tory writers and orators, unwisely precipitate and recklessly contemptuous of court, have been calling upon the people of England to take note of the wickedness of LeCaron, which was proved by the informer's evidence. The leading newspaper ever proclaims him as the guilty of subsidizing the Queen's enemies, by consequence of high treason, and shrieks aloud for their prompt punishment.

The Tories would have been wiser, and crainly less ridiculous, had they awaited the result of Sir Charles Russell's cross-examination, which has already taken the sting out of LeCaron's malignant evidence and bids fair to transform it entirely into plausible testimony in favor of the Irish constitutional cause.

EGAN AN INVINCIBLE. Testified a Witness in the Perjury Case Against Mellor. LONDON, February 9.—The case of strick Mellor, who is charged with having given false testimony before the Parnell Commission, was resumed in the Bow Street Police Court to-day. Patrick Delaney, who gave testimony yesterday, was recalled, and testified that Patrick Egan, while treasurer of the League, was both a Fenian and an invincible, and was the organizer of the League. The League originated the invincibles. Byrne, the Secretary of the League, was an invincible, as was also a leading member of the League. The invincibles received funds from the League through Egan. No. 1 also brought money. The League officers supplied the invincibles with firearms, knives and daggers. James saw Mellor in the League offices. On cross-examination, Delaney said he led the Fenians in 1868. Afterwards he was in prison for five years, having been visited of highway robbery. Byrne attended the councils of the Invincibles and met the persons to be murdered. Witnesses had seen Byrne lay bank notes and id on a table. The court here adjourned.

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OUR LOCAL GEOLOGY. Interesting Talk About Pittsburgh by Professor B. C. JILLISON—Wonderful Action of Rivers—Terrific Upheavals an Obsolete Legend of Days Long Past. A quiet little scientific talk, somewhat technical, but certainly most interesting, was given by Prof. B. C. JILLISON, Ph. D., M. D., in University Hall, yesterday afternoon, upon "Home Geology."

This is a talk somewhat heavy and abstruse, but the gentleman made his ideas so plain, and used such every-day and appropriate language, that he was understood by all. He started out with the intention of explaining the fundamental thought now accepted by geologists as true, that the great changes of hills, mountains and valleys were not made, as was at first supposed, by tremendous upheavals, but were produced, by the slow process during ages and ages of time of certain actions and forces that are going on now, slowly, quietly, but with force and effect equal to that which has lowered a plane for Pittsburgh and allowed the surrounding hills to stand hundreds of feet above. Said the professor:

This is due entirely to river action. Just imagine a smooth broad plain with a perfectly straight ditch dug through it. Then allow a little silt to run through and note the result in time. Here a leaf will divert the current but a rock, still, no matter how small the deposit, it will be felt on the opposite bank. There a pebble will turn the current and in time you will find that formerly straight ditch just as crooked as any stream. Just imagine then what power could be exercised by a river, and as the brook that winds about the old Swiss-helm home is a beautiful illustration of one of the Mississippi river is a splendid illustration of the other.

THE RAIN DOES IT ALL. The rivers about Pittsburgh are but brooks on a large scale, with the effect multiplied in proportion. Geology recognizes no time. We pay no attention to cataclysm, for time only is required for the changes. The changes are due to changes of earth in the world but rain water.

At one time the ground about here was all one marshy plain, overgrown with enormous ferns and enormous trees that formed our magnificent Pittsburgh vein of coal, that has not, I verily believe, an equal in all the world for burning and ease in mining. A man can take a pick over his shoulder and go to any of the surrounding hills and dig out a bucketful for himself. We have a record of hills and dug out on every side, with each layer at the same level, no matter the hills are raised. This can be seen to but one conclusion—that is, at one time rocks were piled where this city now stands 40 feet above what is now the level of the Allegheny river, and the rocks of the Allegheny were raised by the rivers can easily be explained. Take the delta of the Mississippi river as an example. The sand or sediment deposited at the delta in one year is:

EQUAL TO A SOLID BLOCK 272 feet high and one mile square. How much then would amount to in 100 years, or 100 years? At one time the Allegheny river ran 300 feet high above Allegheny City. I have traced the course of this river of ages ago, as can be plainly seen in the hills about this city. The hills are composed of strata of sandstone, shale and limestone. The bottom of that river rested on the present top of Troy Hill. Then the deflection of the earth's surface raised the Allegheny river, their effects in forming levels and cutting in the hills may easily be traced. Liberal applause was given this speaker by the great sized audience present, and E. G. Mason, M. D., then, by the means of one or two questions, called attention to the delicacy of the human stomach and explained its action in disposing of food.

TRI-STATE NEWS. Condensed Special Dispatches From Surrounding Communities That Are Tributary to Pittsburgh.

REAR is harvesting a big crop of ice, and ice-cream makers are enjoying good sport. Two companies have been organized to build bridges between Beaver Falls and New Brighton. The Pittsburgh and Bellefonte Railroad will be opened for business between McKeesport and Elizabeth on the 15th inst.

The new chapter house of Alpha of Pennsylvania, of the Sigma Phi fraternity, was formally opened last night at Bethlehem with brilliant ceremonies.

JOSEPH BOYD, 35 years old, single, and a machanic at the Westinghouse Works, was dropped dead from heart disease at McKeesport last night.

Mrs. CHARLES DONLEY, of East Bean street, was killed by a horse while riding to the depot yesterday. Her clothing caught from a grate while during the maelstrom.

MCKEESPORT churches and temperance organizations have appointed a committee of 15 to attend the Constitutional amendment convention in Pittsburgh, where a delegate to the convention will be chosen.

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DETECTIVES JOHNSON and SMITH, of Scranton, visited Reading yesterday for the purpose of obtaining information respecting the whereabouts of the murderers of Policeman Ellis, who was killed by traps in that city several weeks ago.

SOMEONE says Thomas F. Bradenbaugh, a Columbia drug clerk, was convicted at Lancaster of the murder of a man, but he was acquitted on the ground that he was insane at the time of the crime.

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MUST PAY UP IN FULL. A Bill to Compel Fire Insurance Companies to Pay the Insured THE FACE VALUE OF POLICIES Where the Property is Entirely Destroyed by the Flames. A CONDEMNED MURDERER REPRIEVED. The Grangers Still Working Hard for Their Dressed Meat Bill.

The bill to compel the payment of the face value of policies on property totally destroyed by fire is exciting the insurance companies. The legislators take the ground that if the companies take premiums for any amount they should be held responsible for that sum in the event of fire. The execution of George Clark, the condemned murderer, has been postponed for six weeks to give the Supreme Court time to act on his appeal.

STILL IN THE RING. The Grangers Continue to Agitate Their Dressed Meat Bill. HARRISBURG, February 9.—On Wednesday the Insurance Committee of the House will give a hearing to representatives of fire insurance companies who want to tell how wrong it is for the Legislature to pass a law compelling these companies to pay the face value of a policy on property totally destroyed by fire.

There is a pronounced and unmistakable feeling, however, among members of the House of Representatives that the bill ought to go through, and that if an insurance company doesn't want to pay the full face of a policy, it shouldn't receive premiums on it. Some members say they would be satisfied with a law that would compel a return of the premiums on the difference between the unpaid value and the face of the policy during the time it has been in force, but they are quite ready to support the present bill.

MIKE ON THE STAND. He Now Says That He Only Fired at the Ground and the Air—He Completely Breaks Down—The Other Friends Captured in Italy. WILKESBARRE, Mike today, at the trial of Red Nose Mike to-day, the blood-stained murderer took the stand. His story was the narration of one of the most terrible crimes ever executed by human hands.

His bearing on the stand at this time was indicative of that bravo and confidence that must have belonged to his guilty heart from the start, but when in his story he came to the shooting of the two innocent men he completely broke down. His savorily complexion became pale as death and bitter tears streamed in steady stream down his cheeks. His voice was choked. It was a complete break down. He managed, however, to say that he took no part in the shooting.

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