

AFTER THE FARMERS.

Free Traders and Bi-Metallists Anxious to Corral the Agriculturists

WHILE MEETING IN LONDON Parnellites Very Proud of Their Victory Over Follam.

CLIMAX OF THE NEW LONDON FAD.

The Missing Word Comes Under the Government's Fan.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AS A FIDDLER

LONDON, Dec. 3.-(Copyright.)—The national conference of agriculturists has assumed such large proportions that two days, Wednesday and Thursday of next week, will have to be given up to it.

There was a great voice from heaven, and the soldiers saw the heavens opened, and two men descending thence with great light and approaching the tomb.

A Scheme of the Bi-Metallists.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—(Copyright.)—The preliminary steps are, it is said, being taken toward the formation of an independent Farmers party.

Mr. Gladstone took tea the other day with Mrs. Labouchere and utilized the occasion to talk politics with her husband.

The Parnellites were naturally jubilant when they succeeded in having Mr. Fullam, the anti-Parnellite who was elected to represent Southmeath in Parliament, deprived of his seat.

It is expected that the judges, after consulting Mr. Davitt, will report Bishop Nulty, of Meath, and several priests of that diocese to Parliament as guilty of intimidation.

It has been stated that Mr. Davitt desires to resign his seat and to stand again for election without priestly assistance.

Many of Her Majesty's postoffices have displayed signs of distress, and the Treasury has received orders to discontinue the "missing word" which has seized Britain.

The closing sentence was: "To our minds, such rigorous treatment hardly seems—"

At all events, the little game has captured John Bull's reckless heart, and from Aberdeen to the Ebro the silver streams are pouring into London.

There is a great deal of trolley, almost unknown a month or six weeks ago, suddenly developed into national importance.

Already public moralists have raised a loud protest, and the big London dailies, which print carefully prepared race tips every day, have united in condemning the new craze on high moral grounds.

THE END EARLY FORETOLD. Lancashire Cotton Spinners More Than Likely to Win Their Strike.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—A well-founded impression prevails in Manchester that the cotton spinners' lockout will not last much longer.

Mr. Asquith, Home Secretary, says that if the competition are not pronounced illegal under existing laws he will ask Parliament for a special enactment prohibiting all prize competitions, which are now the chief features of cheap weeklies.

THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH Who Amuses a Plymouth Audience—He Is Considered Quite a Musician if He Isn't Much of a Sailor.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—The Duke of Edinburgh played a violin in the smaller room in the Grand Hotel, Plymouth, Wednesday evening, and naturally there was a big audience, the royal fiddler being a unique attraction in the country town. The Duke

THE WILLIE BOY NOW

With the End of the Dude There Comes a New Creation Which REQUIRES ART AND PRACTICE.

Affections and Eccentricities of the Latest Product.

NOT SO NUMEROUS AS THE FORMER PAD

The dude had his day. His reign, which was a lengthy one, is over, and today, while you will see some to whom the term is appropriate, yet he is no longer the proper term.

Other Little Eccentricities.

When you ask a Willie to drink, he invariably pulls out his watch, sees the time, and then gives his order.

The Willie's cane is a natural stick without other embellishment.

GLADSTONE OWNS LIVERPOOL.

The Freedom of the City is Given Him Amid a Tremendous Ovation.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—Gladstone left Haverden for Liverpool to-day.

As little concern as the ordinary man, but the result, Oh, my, how different!

A Couple of Samples of the Way Things Deer Are Slain.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—The agitation in favor of the abolition of the royal buckhounds has been greatly strengthened this week by a cruel hunt which took place Tuesday.

In buttoning his vest, I'm sure he gets indignant, for there is always a button left open.

FOR AN AMERICAN WATERWAY.

THE FATE OF A PARTY OF YOUNG TIGHTS SUPPLIED WITH THREE KINDS OF LIQUOR.

GATHMANN, THE CHICAGO INVENTOR, SELLS HIS Torpedo Gun to Germany.

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COMING OF COMETS.

A Physicist Explains Their Origin, Nature and Destiny.

THE SLOW EVOLUTION OF THE EARTH, THE SUN AND THE MIGHTY AETONNA.

UNLIKELYHOOD OF COLLISIONS.

WHY THE COMET DID NOT STRIKE THE EARTH.

Not every atom will make an oak tree, nor will each infant reach adult manhood.

And yet it is likely that all the spheres in space, except such as are of planetary origin, began, developed and reached fruition from a cometary beginning.

It is well known that we derive heat and light from the sun and this is a something that is a form of force, and while it may be only motion, we may say that it is another form of matter.

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A TEST OF INTEREST.

Cut and Wire Nails Thoroughly Tried at the Watertown Arsenal UNDER GOVERNMENT AUSPICES.

Quite a Number of Well-Known Manufacturers Watch the Result.

THE FEATURES OF THE EXPERIMENT.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 3.—Several interesting tests of cut and wire nails have been made the past week at the Watertown Arsenal, with a view to demonstrating beyond all argument the relative holding power when used in ordinary building material.

There were present the following well-known gentlemen, who throughout the series of tests have taken much interest in the accomplishments: Arthur B. Clarke, President of the Old Dominion Iron and Nail Company, Richmond, Va., and Horace E. Tobey, of the Watertown Nail Company, Watertown, Mass., representing the association of manufacturers; B. M. M. Blankenship, of Richmond, Va., with the Old Dominion Company; W. N. Severance, of Duluth, Minn., of the Severance Nail Company; Company of St. Paul, Minn.; Henry E. Leeds, of Boston, of Leeds, Robinson & Co.; Henry B. Leonard, of Mount Hope Iron Company, Somerset, Mass.; Major Reilly, Lieutenants W. W. Gibson and G. H. Davis.

The nails used were selected from market stocks, those of the wire being of corresponding size with the cut nails, both in weight and length, and every detail of the test was conducted by the committee so as to be recognized as authoritative and absolutely fair.

The packages were made up and sealed and were tested in the order of their size, beginning with the six cut and 6-inch wire, a spruce plank, well seasoned and free from knots, was selected and planed perfectly smooth.

Other People's Practices.

Plain Statements.

Godfrey at the Grand Opening.

THE RESULTS OF THE TESTS.

The first test upon the machine was with a wire nail, and it required 733 pounds to pull it out.

The fourth nail tested was pulled out with a pressure of 304 pounds, but it required 955 pounds pressure to draw the cut nail, nearly 400 pounds more.

It is a question whether they are barely possible, and certainly they are very notably improbable.

Commercial considerations sink into insignificance in comparison with the important factor of national defense.

Gathmann's torpedo is claimed to have a decided advantage over all other guns, and that merchant vessels might be armed with it and either attack or resist men-of-war with success.

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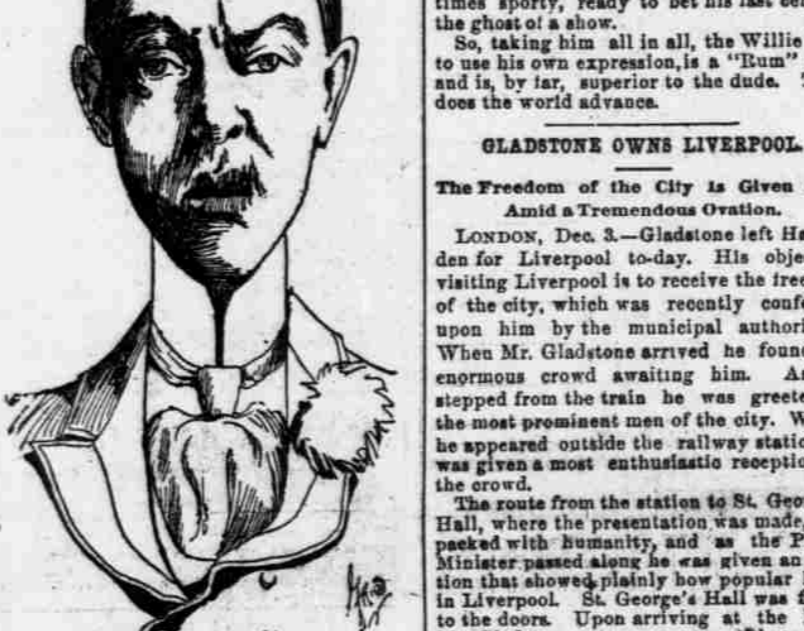
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