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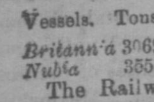
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...gether with some of the wild flowering shrubs which are now in such brilliant bloom, were very effectively used, and made a striking display in the church. The bride arrived punctually at 4 30 accompanied by her brother Mr. Wilkins, of the Forest Department, who gave her away. She made a very sweet looking bride in a dress of white corded silk trimmed with sprays of orange blossom, with a tulle veil surmounted by a wreath of orange blossoms. She carried a white shower bouquet. The bridesmaids were Miss Shuttleworth, Miss Dobbs and the two little Misses Shuttleworth—all dressed alike in pretty *mauve* dresses trimmed with deeper yellow and hats to match. The two elder bridesmaids carried bouquets of yellow roses, and the two little girls baskets of flowers and crooks. After the ceremony which was performed by the Rev. C. H. Badham, the party adjourned to the house of the Hon. A. T. Shuttleworth, where the usual toasts were drunk with enthusiasm. The Hon. Mr. Shuttleworth made an appropriate speech in proposing the health of the newly married couple, to which the bridegroom responded in a few neat sentences. The party were afterwards photographed by Mr. Hammes. Mr. and Mrs. Fry subsequently left for Khandalla where they will pass their honeymoon.—A. I.

SHOCKING DEATH OF A EUROPEAN FIREMAN.—Mr. Allan F. Turner, the coroner, held an inquest yesterday (7th) at the morgue, regarding the circumstances, under which Amandus Girlach, aged twenty-six or twenty-eight years, a German fireman, on board the German East Africa Line's steamship *Admiral*, met with his death, on Wednesday evening. The vessel arrived in Bombay harbour on the 4th instant, and went into the Prince's Dock on the following day. On Wednesday afternoon a number of labourers were taking in coals, and the deceased was standing on the spar deck on the starboard side, superintending the work of the labourers. About 5-30 P.M., the bunker hole got blocked up with a big piece of coal, and deceased in order to push the coals in stood upon them, and they gave way with the result that the deceased was precipitated into the bunker, a distance of about seven feet, burying himself under the coals. An alarm was raised, and all the European officers rushed in, removed the coals, and having extricated the deceased, brought him up in an unconscious state, and placed him on the fore hatch. The medical officer on board the vessel tried artificial respiration but all in vain for the unfortunate man died in a few minutes. The deceased was a steady and sober man, and was considered the best fireman engaged on the steamer. The medical evidence went to show that death was due to suffocation from being buried under the coals, and the jury returned a verdict in accordance with the medical evidence.—G.

EXCHANGE.—Considering how comparatively poor the present export season continues to be Sterling Exchange keeps up well. When only a moderate business in Exports is passing as at present, Imports go a long way towards paying for it. What is wanted is a large surplus if Exchange is to benefit by it. Produce is scarce and dear, and natives will not at present consent to base their selling prices on anything like home equivalents. There are many who cling to the hope that Broach and Dhollera cotton will go forward freely in April and May. Everything depends on the course of prices in America, and those prices again on the financial position there, which is at present far from satisfactory. Early in May something should be known of the prospects of the cotton crop now about to be planted. If America can produce sufficient cotton for the world's requirements at three pence per pound, then either the price of Surats must fall or they must be consumed locally or not at all. All this has an important bearing on Exchange. Government Paper also is too dear to be exported freely at present. Council Bills are available to any reasonable extent, and the small demand for money that existed a few weeks ago has quite died away. It seems, therefore, as if Exchange had everything against it just now, and the most that can be hoped for is moderate steadiness. The native operators in Gold, Silver, and Exchange have only just returned from their marriage festivities, and so far have not made their presence felt. As the season advances and Banks see no increase in Export Bills it is only natural that there should be an ever keener competition for the small quantity offering.—T. I.

COPYRIGHT.—The Hon'ble Mr. Justice Farran delivered Judgment at the High Court yesterday (8th) in a suit brought by Messrs. Macmillan and Co., the well-known London publishers, against Khan Bahadur Shums-ul-Ulama Zaka Ullah, of Delhi, for a declaration that they are the owners of the copy-rights in certain books; that certain books printed and sold by the defendant are infringements of the plaintiffs' copyright; and for an order restraining the defendant from printing or selling the books, and directing him to account to the plaintiffs for the profits made on the sale of the books for a period of three years power to the date of the institution of the suit, &c. The books complained of were Mensuration and Surveying for Beginners by Todhunter, Arithmetic for Schools by Bernard Smith; and Arithmetic and Algebra by the same author. The defendant, who was formerly Professor of Vernacular Science and Literature in the Muir Central College, at Allahabad, but now enjoys a pension from Government, resides at Delhi, and carries on a printing and publishing

...Mr. Lyel[illegible] speech, pointed out tha[illegible] not hide their object under [illegible] philanthropy which had so [illegible] into requisition in previous agitat[illegible] interest of home manufactures, b[illegible] quite frankly that their object was to put a stop to the competition which threatened serious danger to them, and they would go direct to the British Government and demand that Indian jute mills should be put under the Factory Act that they had in Dundee. He explained at length how absolutely different were the conditions of labour in India and in England, and the operatives here had themselves asked for the shift system in vogue, which was not a device of the millowners to increase production. He concluded by saying that the importance of a more stringent Factory Act would not equalise matters. It might do Calcutta some harm, it would not do Dundee any good. If the working hours of the existing mills were cut down room would be made for new mills, and the natural advantages which India possessed would still remain. Dundee millowners, said Mr. Lyell, should look nearer home for the principal cause of their troubles, and it might serve their purpose to give their attention to a solution of the Currency Question, rather than waste time in an endeavour to force unsuitable Factory Acts on this country. The following gentlemen were appointed the Committee for the ensuing year: Mr. G. H. Nairn, Chairman; Messrs. D. C. Blair, W. S. Malcolm, C. M. Duncan, and A. Forsyth. A special vote of thanks was accorded Mr. George Lyell for the manner in which he had discharged the duties of Chairman for the last three years, and for the time and unremitting attention he had given to the advancement of the best interests of the trade. He is shortly leaving for England.

CEYLON.

EXTENSION OF THE BRISTOL HOTEL.—We hear that arrangements have been made by which the option of the purchase of the premises presently occupied by the British India Hotel and by Messrs. J. P. Green & Co., has been secured on account of the Directors of the Bristol Hotel Company at the price of Rs. 160,000. The scheme in connection with the purchase is to be placed before the shareholders for their acceptance at a special meeting. We understand that the intention is to have a first class hotel to meet the requirements of the wealthier class of visitors and to be worked somewhat on the principal of Shepheard's Hotel Cairo.—O.

BAD TEA.—A sample of some Orange Pekoe to be put up for sale to-morrow (6th) has been shown to us, which induces us to protest against the harm planters are doing in putting such stuff on the market under such a title. We have before drawn attention to the rubbish which is too often sold at the Colombo auctions, but such stuff has generally made no other pretensions than to be poor tea. But the sample now before us is one of tea to be sold as Orange Pekoe, when it is really Red Flaky Fannings not properly withered, and the sight and smell of which condemn it at once. There will be no need for the purchaser to alter its designation when he sells it, probably in the harbour, for it will have been sold as Ceylon Orange Pekoe, and he will have a right to call it such. Planters who are responsible for this sort of thing have themselves to thank for the charges sometimes made against Ceylon tea.—T.

BURMA.

COLLECTION OF LAND REVENUE.—We are glad to hear that the Government of India has given the Local Government a free hand in the matter of deferring the date of collecting the land revenue in this province. Our readers will recollect that some little time since we dealt briefly with this subject when writing on the Revenue Administration report of the past year. The Resolution to that report said that the subject has frequently been up for consideration In 1881 opinion was unanimously against postponing the date. In 1884 a partial experiment was decided on, but was afterwards abandoned. In 1888 district officers were again consulted but the bulk of them were against any postponement. Many things have, however, happened since then, and though the land revenue is admitted moderate and in the end easily paid, it has been found that an extension of the collection season might at times and in places be advisable. As the Financial Commissioner said in his Revenue report "at present the peasantry must sell a large part of their crop immediately after harvest in order to meet the State demand. Many of them are thus, for that critical time, at the mercy of any combination of buyers and may have to part with their produce at prices far below its real commercial value in a free market. . . . It seems to the Financial Commissioner only fair that the revenue arrangements of the Government should allow of dealing on equal terms between seller and buyer. The equality of terms can hardly be said to exist at present." Had the local Government possessed and exercised two years ago the power now given them, there is no doubt the past two years would have been much more prosperous for the cultivators and for the great majority of business men and the land revenue now being collected very much larger than it is.—R. G.

THE TUCKER MURDER.—On Monday morning the black flag hoisted above the front entrance of the Jail announced that another execution had taken

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THE MADRAS ATTORNEYS' ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of this Association was held at the High Court buildings on Saturday when the proposed measure giving reciprocal rights to English, Indian and colonial Solicitors was discussed. Mr. E. Barclay, the Government Solicitor, presided. It was decided to inform Government that the Association had no objection to the measure. At present an English Solicitor can practise in India and the colonies, except Australia, without passing a fresh test, Indian and colonial Solicitors, however, can not practise in England unless they undergo a certain probation under articles.

A TREAT.—On Saturday evening H. E. Lady Wenlock gave a treat to 400 children of the Vepery, New Town, Black Town and Royapettah Poor Schools connected with the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Madras, at Government House, Mount Road. Archbishop Colgan, Bishop Mayer, and the Rev. Fathers Houbaer and Temme were present. The children, after having enjoyed themselves in the grounds, assembled in the Banqueting Hall and there sat down to tea after which Archbishop Colgan thanked Her Excellency for her kindness to the children. The children of the Presentation Convent Black Town sang two songs, and the remainder of the evening was devoted to sports of all kinds.

A CONVICTION UNDER THE COFFEE ACT.—Another case under the coffee-stealing has just come to a successful issue at Calicut. Fifteen bags of clean coffee were sent down from the Ouchterlony Valley some weeks ago to Calicut in charge of three cartmen. When the carts reached Mr. Dalziel's warehouse at Mamalli, the coffee was found reduced in weight and very wet. Mr. Dalziel complained to the Assistant Magistrate, and the Police held an enquiry. A survey was held on the coffee by Mr. Christie, of Messrs. Peirce, Leslie and Co., who found that it had, by being moistened, suffered considerably in value. The three cartmen, who were held responsible, were each of them sentenced by the Assistant Magistrate to undergo four months' rigorous imprisonment.

THE MADRAS CYCLE CLUB.—Eight members and a visitor rode to Vandalur, on the Chingleput road, on Saturday last, all the starters going the full distance of nearly forty miles. Refreshments were provided at the Dawk Bungalow at Vandalur, and a halt was made at the Mount on the return journey. The road was in a very loose condition, due to want of rain, which gave the riders of cushion tyred machines a lot of hard work. The members were unanimous in thinking that the run was the most enjoyable of the present season. The Captain made the return journey on a burst rear wheel tyre. Members are requested to turn out in full force for the Lantern Parade on Tuesday night, at the Munro Statue, at 8 30 P.M. Lanterns will be supplied to members and visitors.

A FACTION FIGHT AT PURSEWALKAM.—Last Saturday Sub-Inspector White, of the Vepery Division, prosecuted Maduraynayagam, Coopen, Mooneon, Ponnoosawmy, Padavattoms, Gabriel, Pitchan, and Yagambaran, all belonging to Pursewalkam, for having on the 7th instant been guilty of riotous and disorderly behaviour at Kakatope, in Pursewalkam. The 1st and 6th accused headed two batches of *vusthaths* (athletes) belonging to two different parcherries, which were always at enmity with each other. Late in the evening on the above date, the 1st accused went with his followers to the parcherry of his rivals, headed by a flag and challenged his opponents to contest. A fight ensued, which might have ended seriously, had not the Police interfered. Accused No. 1 was fined Rs. 20, accused No. 6 Rs. 15 and bound down to keep the

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A Wedding at Wellington.

(*From a Correspondent.*)

COONOOR, 9*th March*.—On the 7th instant Wellington was the scene of a very brilliant wedding, which took place in the Garrison Church (St. George's) when Lieutenant Bernard Dyson, the Royal Scots Regiment, was married to Miss Clara St. Clair McVittie, third daughter of Surgeon-Colonel McVittie, of "Lansdowne House," Coonoor. A large and fashionable assemblage of friends awaited the coming of the bride at 3 o'clock. She was very punctual and arrived at the West door even within the time appointed, leaning on her father's arm and followed by her three bridesmaids. She walked up the long centre aisle to the strains of a march played by the band of the Dorset Regiment, which formed the choir. She looked very sweet and lovely, attired in a white corded silk dress trimmed with lace and satin ribbon, tulle veil and small orange blossom wreath; carrying a very handsome bouquet presented by the bridegroom. Her train was borne by little Master Brodie, aged 5, who went through his part remarkably well and seemed quite to enjoy the responsibility. The bridesmaids were Miss McVittie and Miss Eleanor McVittie, sisters of the bride, and Miss Norris Groves. They were a very pretty and graceful trio and were dressed in remarkably stylish gowns of cream crepon brocaded with white silver, with Empire belts of apricot velvet (the bridegroom's racing colours), large white felt hats with white plumes and trimmed with velvet to match the dresses, and diamond buckles. They carried large bouquets of different shades of violets and wore very pretty gold love knot brooches, the gift of the bridegroom. The groomsmen were Mr. Baker Penoyre, of the Royal Scots, who was best man, Surgeon-Major Robinson and Mr. Harry Upcott. Mrs. McVittie was dressed in a handsome gown of grey silk, trimmed with black and a white lace and jet bonnet; she carried a bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums, and looked extremely well. The Rev. E. Gibson, Chaplain of Wellington, assisted by the Rev. R. Burnett, Chaplain of Coonoor, performed the marriage service and gave a very good and suitable address at the end. While the bride and bridegroom retired to the vestry to sign their names, the band struck up the Wedding March, which they played in masterly style. After the ceremony, the wedding party and guests adjourned to Colonel McVittie's residence at Coonoor. After the usual toasts, which were drunk with honours, photographs were taken first of the immediate bridal party and then of all the guests. The bride then retired to put on her travelling costume which was of the same material as the bridemaids with apricot sleeves and hat to match. The happy pair left for "Ibex Lodge," the Droog, (kindly lent by Mr. Mullaly) amidst a

... that after visiting an important place like Vizianagram he would have been sorry to have missed seeing so great an institution as the College. He was glad that the institution was thriving under the munificent patronage of the Maharajah and that the buildings were being extended. He was pleased to learn that the students were taking kindly to physical exercise. Athletics, he said, would improve both muscles and brain. A good physique could only be obtained by taking part in manly games. In conclusion, he wished the College every success. After inspecting the buildings, His Excellency drove to the Fort, and left by the evening train for Vizagapatam. Among those present on the platform to see him off were Captain and Mrs. Farrant, Mr. Daines, the Joint Manager Saheb, Messrs. D V. Joga Row Pantulu, V. V. Krishna Row Pantulu, K. V. Krishna Row Pantulu, and K. Narasinga Row Pantulu.

Sporting Notes

The Bangalore Sky Races.

(*From our own Correspondent.*)

BANGALORE, 10*th March*.—There was a meeting at the Grand Stand of the Bangalore Stewards yesterday morning to arrange about the handicaps for the week's racing and other cognate matters connected with the forthcoming two days sport, and also to talk over the prospectus for the big Meeting in August. There is, I understand, a desire on the part of some owners that the August Meeting should be characterised by a bigger prize than usual, a Rs. 5,000 event or something of that kind, but whether this will come to anything remains to be seen. Although the entries for the Sky Races are phenomenally good—we have had nothing like them for three or four years—they do not cover the amount to be given in prizes. The 16 races at Rs. 199 equal Rs. 3,184; the entries tot up to Rs. 2,390. The Half mile Scurry on the second day has proved the most profitable to the management. In this the second entries are better than the first, having produced Rs 160, while the former total Rs. 150 Taking the events generally, there is not one which, so far as can be seen at present, shews any signs of falling through and all are likely to produce exceptionally good fields, while the class is almost as good as we shall get later on. There are 11 candidates for the Maiden Stakes, 1 mile, for all horses The Bangalore Plate, for all horses, three quarter mile, age and class raised one stone, with a maiden allowance of 10 lbs. has also 11 entries. The issue will probably be fought out between *Royal Flag* and *Regius*, though if *Barbarian* stays he may upset the pair of them. There is a crush of entries for the Galloway Plate, there being 17 entries, and although *Turmoil* and *Myra* are at present absentees, they are not likely to be so on the day, and the field will be a big one. If *Istamboul* should fail to secure the bracket, Captain Baring's stable ought to produce the winner, *The Bairn* for choice. The Lilliput Plate is for all galloways 13 3 and under. If *Tigris* should go to the post, he'll certainly be in the running and so too will *Gold* and *Siro*. There is a bakers dozen of little'uns for the Midget Plate, with a lot of doubtful starters among them. *Halcyon* is about the pick of the basket perhaps, and *Soudan* ought to be close up for second, while the Horse Hurdles, for all horses, R. C. and a distance, is likely to be a small field. *Lancelot* is certain to be here by Monday, and if he starts ought to win easily. The Dwarf Hurdles, a mile, for all galloways 13 3 and under, has attracted eight candidates, of which *French Flag* is an entirely unknown quantity, I cannot even tell you whether it is a mare or a horse. *Sutlej*, *Lukshmi*, *Gold* and *Lillie* are all more or less known, and I cannot see what there is to prevent the first mentioned coming in an easy winner. There are 15 down for the Scurry, a three furlong flash for all galloways, weights handicap, the pick of the lot being

has been appealed to to obtain the requisite sanction of the Secretary of State to the new negotiations for the construction of the railway. The proposed line, it will be recollected, is only 15 miles in length.

THE SWISS HAVE, since 1888, been having some interesting experiments of the value of the Maxim with Cavalry. They first tried three with a regiment of dragoons with a result so successful that they ordered 24 more. In 1892 the gun was packed on one horse, the ammunition on another, and these horses were led by mounted men. They found the tripod system excellent, and the weapon so mobile that a Cavalry commander need not bother about its being able to follow him. They could bring the gun into action in 75 seconds, and the pack saddles, even on bad ground, did not gall. They fired 2,000 rounds in four minutes, at a range of 1,200 yards, with a target of a battalion in quarter column; and at least a third of the shots were found on the target. It is laid down with the Swiss that Cavalry is never to be influenced by the consideration that it possesses Maxims; the guns are an independent detachment, and merely a support to Cavalry; and are liable to be sacrificed by the Cavalry commander in order to gain an advantage or save his command.

MR. PERCY WYNDHAM, one of the Secretaries of the Embassy in Berlin, includes in his report some interesting details of the organisation of the German State pawnbroking establishments. Valuers are employed in the permanent service of the office, amongst whom is a person with a technical knowledge of gold and precious stones. They have to deposit a certain caution-money in case the office should suffer loss through culpable cases of over valuing. All the officials are pledged to secrecy as regards the business they conduct. The articles are most carefully stored. Each piece of jewellery is kept in a separate box; watches, of which there are many thousands in the office at a time, are kept in drawers, each containing a hundred; and fur coats, which are pledged in considerable numbers, are stored in a cool place where they should not suffer from moth. From the statistics it appears that the State Office is used rather by the middle classes than by the very poorest. Of the first 3,000 business transactions of the month of October, 1893, artisans and tradesmen head the list with a total of 1,643.

Madras News.

TO-MORROW.

Cookery Lecture, by Miss Ormond, Victoria Technical Institute	4-30 P.M.
Madras Cycle Club, Lantern Parade, Meet at Munro's Statue	8 30 P.M.
Massed Band and Torchlight Procession, Island	9-30 P.M.

PACHAIYAPPA'S COMMEMORATION DAY.—We are asked to announce that Rs. ...4 have been subscribed up to date towards the celebration of the Pachaiyappa's Commemoration Day, 1895.

AN ORDINATION SERVICE.—Yesterday morning ... ordination service at ... Church) ...

peace for three months; accused Nos. 2 to 5 were fined Rs. 4 each; while accused Nos. 7 and 8 were acquitted.

THE C. M. S. SARAH TUCKER INSTITUTION, PALAMCOTTAH.—A correspondent writes:—"On the 2nd instant, the prize distribution was held. The Collector, Mr. A. W. B. Higgens, presided. The Report was read by the Lady Principal, Miss Askwith The number of girls increased during the year by 50, the total being 276, including 52 day-girls. The past year was remarkably successful. Out of 12 sent up from the Training School 10 were successful. In the High School the results were excellent. Out of 5 sent up, 4 passed the Matriculation Examination in the 2nd class. In the Practising School 13 out of 19 passed the Lower Secondary. Seeing these good results in the University Examinations some Missionary friends, including the C. M. S. Secretary at Madras, have advised the Lady Principal to raise the Institution to a Second Grade College, and Miss Askwith has accordingly applied to the Home Committee to be allowed to do so, for the benefit of all girls who pass the Matriculation Examination in this Presidency. The Blind Schools have gone on as usual, and the children in them have done well in the public examinations. Four blind boys have this week passed the Primary School Examination before the Board. Addresses were given by Mr. Higgens, the Rev. E. A. Douglas and the Rev. T. Walker, expressing their high opinion of this institution. Two students, who had been trained by Miss Cowell, performed very creditably on the piano, and several classes went through kindergarten calisthenics with singing very prettily under Miss Wolford's direction. The meeting closed with prayer and the benediction."

The Madras Harbour.

This morning a further finishing stroke was put to the Madras Harbour Works when the caisson which is to form the south groyne head was sunk in position. On the 10th of March last year we described in some detail the process by which the caisson at the north groyne was placed in position. The process to-day, exactly a year and a day after, was precisely similar, but the work was attended with greater difficulty. On the last occasion there was no difficulty whatever in getting the caisson into position and sinking it as the rubble base which had been prepared was quite level and easy of approach, and all that had to be done was to charge the caisson with sufficient weight to give it enough draught to just float into position and then sink it. Both the caissons are about 40 feet high, the rubble base was prepared at a depth of 37 feet, and the first caisson charged to draw just 36 feet was with comparative ease towed into position and sunk, when the process of loading it up with blocks and concrete was undertaken In the present case the work was by no means so easy. The rubble base had of course been prepared at the same depth as for the north groyne caisson, but before the caisson could be got into position on this base, it had to be floated over a ridge about 35 feet deep, or two feet higher than the prepared base. In order to surmount this ridge it was necessary that the caisson should be drawing less than 35 feet. As a matter of fact it was drawing about 32 feet when at about 7 30 this morning it was towed into position by the Harbour launch. The small draught was difficulty enough to contend with; but, to make matters worse, the operations had to be conducted without any protection from the surf such as existed at the north groyne. With the help of Mr. Corfield, the senior Pilot, and a number of pilot boats, this difficulty was also overcome. ... attached to the caisson were taken ... to sea by the pilot boats and served to keep the huge shell in position until it was sunk on its base. How accurately this has been done may be judged from the fact that according to present plans the harbour entrance between the two groyne heads ought to be 520 ...

shower of rice and rose leaves. Among the guests were General, Mrs. and Miss Prendergast, General Sharpe, Colonel and Mrs. Pierce, Major and Mrs. Park, Surgeon-Major and Mrs. Emerson, Captain and Mrs. Keay, Captain and Mrs. Schreiber, Captain and Mrs. Boyd-Wilson, Colonel Grant, C.B. and Miss Grant, Colonel and Mrs. Wright, Mrs. C B. Henderson, Surgeon-Major and Mrs. Walker, the officers of the Dorset Regiment and Depôt, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmiston. Among the numerous beautiful presents were a silver bowl, presented by the Medical Officers of Wellington, and a handsome edition of the Badminton Library presented by the officers of the Wellington Depôt.

A Farewell Dinner at Calicut.

(*From a Correspondent.*)

CALICUT, 9*th March*.—The members of the Malabar Club gave a farewell dinner last evening in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Benson, who, in consequence of Mr. Benson's having taken furlough, are leaving the station in a few days, to the great and sincere regret of their friends as well as of the whole of Calicut. Mr. Morison, the Honorary Secretary of the Club, had the grounds lit up by pretty Chinese lanterns, and the table decorations were most tasteful and characteristic of this beautiful District. Si... ladies and twenty eight gentlemen sat down to the dinner, which passed off most agreeably. Mr. Moberly, in proposing the toast of the evening, expressed the great regret of the station in losing their popular guests. He referred to Mr. Benson's worth as a lawyer and a judge, and paid a highly deserved tribute to Mrs. Benson for her arduous voluntary labours in connection with the Station Library, which she has restored to perfect order. He spoke also of her successful efforts to establish the local Parish Library, and of her charitable work at the Hospital and among the poor of the station. Mr. Moberly's remarks were cheered to the echo, and the toast was responded to with much acclamation. Mr. Benson then rose and briefly replied. After dinner the company indulged in a little dancing. When the parting hour came, Mr. and Mrs. Benson drove off to the strains of "Auld Lang Syne". The Volunteer Band was in attendance and played throughout the evening.

The Commander-in-Chief at Vizianagram.

(*From a Correspondent.*)

VIZIANAGRAM, 5*th March*.—Major-General C. Mansfield Clarke, Commander-in-Chief, arrived at Vizianagram from Bimlipatam on the 3rd instant, and took up his residence at the Daba Bungalow as the guest of H.E the Maharajah. A salute of seventeen guns was fired from the Fort on His Excellency's arrival. The Daba Bungalow was gay with flags and banners and guards of sepoys from the Samastanam Infantry were posted at both gates of the Daba Gardens during His Excellency's stay. There was a triumphal arch at the entrance of the town, besides other decorative structures at the main entrance to the Daba Gardens and on the road at the back. The Commander-in-Chief inspected the local regiment on the following morning, when there was a large gathering of spectators, both from town and cantonment. In the afternoon the Maharajah's College was visited by His Excellency. The Principal received the distinguished visitor downstairs and conducted him to the upper hall, where the teaching staff and students were assembled. The Vice-Principal and Professor of Logic having been presented to His Excellency a student of the senior B A. class stepped forward and read the following Address:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—We, the students of the Maharajah's College, beg to ... proach Your Excell... joy and thankfulness ...

... a grand Torchlight Tattoo, exceedingly well done. "The National Dances by various castes" formed, I think, quite the feature of the evening. "The Hazaras" looked specially picturesque ... dance: I wonder if the ...

... the club is ... Anglo-Indian life. Every afternoon ... haps Sunday, when you have got through the spell of open air exercise on which the ... insists, and which the sinking ... As ...

... pleasure. ... Nile, from the Victoria ... should be under one rule? That time ... ranean, ... was perhaps far off. But he could give the ... and challenge contradiction, that at ... history of Egypt (under ...

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Calendar—March.

Day of Week	Day of Month	Sun Rises.	Sun Sets.	Moon Rises.	Moon Sets.
Monday.	11th	6 12AM	6 9PM	6 30PM	6 7AM
Tuesday.	12th	6 11 ,,	6 9 ,,	7 27 ,,	6 50 ,,
Wedneey	13th	6 10 ,,	6 9 ,,	8 24 ,,	7 33 ,,
Thursdy.	14th	6 9 ,,	6 9 ,,	9 21 ,,	8 18 ,,
Friday...	15th	6 9 ,,	6 9 ,,	10 19 ,,	9 4 ,,
Saturday	16th	6 8 ,,	6 9 ,,	11 17 ,,	9 52 ,,
Sunday..	17th	6 7 ,,	6 9 ,,	Morn.	10 44 ,,

The Weather.

Observation recorded at 8 A.M. *to-day.*

Station.	Pressure 8 A.M.	Wind. Directions.	Wind. Miles per hour.	Tempre. in shade. Max. of past 24 hours.	Tempre. in shade. Min. of past 24 hours.	Rainfall. Past 24 hours.	Rainfall. 1st April to date.	Rainfall. Average 1st April to date.
Diamond Isld.	29·855	N.N.W.	16	82·0	73·9	..	134·43	118·75
Rangoon	29·859	S.S.W.	3	97·6	70·9	..	95·86	95·01
Akyab	29·854	N.N.E.	6	87·2	69·7	..	198·56	184·81
SaugorIsland.	29·869	N.	9	91·2	72·0	..	75·22	73·83
Chittong	29·858	E.S.E.	4	87·7	67·1	..	96·19	93·45
Gopalpore	29·865	S. W.	9	87·7	68·6	..	35·66	50·10
Vizagapatam.	29·873	W.	2	85·3	76·9	..	43·40	46·13
Rajahmundry	29·834	E.	?	96·0	70·0	..	43·18	41·05
Cocanada	29·877	N.N.W.	8	89·2	67·6	..	41·61	?
Masulipatam.	29·873	E. S. E.	4	88·5	67·7	..	38·08	43·47
Kurnool	29·853	Calm.	?	97·7	68·9	..	30·85	19·76
Bellary	29·835	S. S. E.	3	99·1	70·5	..	19·83	19·62
Cuddapah	29·83	S. E.	?	99·2	73·2	..	37·77	34·15
Nellore	29·840	S. S. E.	5	94·2	69·1	..	30·82	?
Madras	29·876	S. S W	5	89·6	69·3	..	46·25	48·70
Cuddalore	29·871	W.N. W	2	89·3	71·2	..	47·95	?
Salem	29·891	N.N. E.	6	100·4	73·0	..	29·15	40·64
Coimbatore..	29·858	E. S. E	3	97·4	71·8	..	11·52	20·82
Wellington..	24·205	Calm.	2	75·2	51·2	..	34·06	51·18
Trichinopoly.	29·872	Calm.	3	97·1	73·9	..	26·59	49·01
Negapatam ..	29·867	Calm.	14	87·2	73·7	..	40·52	54·27
Madura	29·85	S. E.	0	86·4	76·5	..	33·58	32·18
Pamben	29·869	E.	9	85·3	74·7	..	30·66	?
Tinnevelly	29·868	N.	5	96·2	77·4	..	16·25	?
Trevandrum..	29·834	S. S. W.	4	87·0	78·0	..	33·85	64·39
Cochin	29·822	N. E.	7	92·8	78·6	..	88·48	114·52
Calicut	29·826	Calm.	9	89·3	76·5	..	110·92	112·89
Mangalore	29·822	Calm.	3	89·3	76·4	..	?	122·04
Mercara	29·903	Calm.	0	84·5	63·8	..	95·85	128·73
Bangalore	29·858	S. S. E.	7	91·3	64·8	..	31·54	35·42
Hassan	29·83	Calm.	2	80·9	63·1	..	35·98	?
Secunderabad	29·831	N. W.	7	95·7	68·9	..	29·66	28·53
Belgaum	29·830	N. N. E.	12	93·7	64·8	..	?	49·26
Bombay	29·830	N. N. E.	12	85·5	72·0	..	66·64	74·10
Karwar	29·836	E.	8	88·3	71·1	..	96·48	129·19
Mormagao	29·847	E.	12	86·0	74·4	..	95·66	?
Colombo	29·851	S. W.	7	89·0	79·0	0·06	89·81	86·08
Trincomalee..	29·911	S. W.	1	86·0	74·5	..	?	?

The pressure has increased slightly in Burma, Bengal and the Northern Circars and moderately in Ceylon while it has decreased moderately in Coorg and Mysore and remained nearly steady or decreased slightly elsewhere. The barometric readings are high everywhere excepting in South Bombay, the Ceded Districts, Mysore and Malabar where they are low. The pressure is in considerable defect in Malabar and in moderate defect in the other parts of the country. The winds are northerly to easterly in direction in Bombay and Bengal and variable in the other regions. The force has been strong at Diamond Island, fresh at Negapatam, Bombay and Marmagao and light to moderate at the other stations.

The temperature has fallen slightly in Bombay, the Circars and East Bengal and risen everywhere else. The rise has been rapid in Burma, West Bengal and Tinnevelly and brisk at the remaining stations. The mean ranges between 86°·8 at Tinnevelly and 77°·0 at Hassan. The highest maximum reported was 100°·4 at Salem and the lowest minimum 63°·1 at Hassan. Both the day and night temperatures were normal in Bombay. The maxima were about 1° below normal at Cochin, 1½° at Kurnool and Masulipatam, 2° at Akyab and 3½° at Diamond Island and from 1° to 4½° above the average in Bengal and from 1° to 3° in the Madras Presidency. The minima were from 1° to 5½° in defect of the average in North Madras and West Bengal and from 1° to 5° in excess in South Madras, Malabar, Mysore and Coorg. The humidity has increased in Burma and Bengal and changed irregularly over the remaining parts of the reporting area. The skies are cloudy over Bengal, the Burma Coast, Coimbatore and Madura, lightly clouded over a few of the Coromandel Coast stations and fine elsewhere. The only rain reported is a light shower of 0"·06 inch at Colombo. The conditions have a suspicious appearance over the head of the Bay and in Malabar. Hence local showers are probable in Malabar and Burma. Elsewhere hot weather conditions prevail.

E. ISIS POGSON,
Meteorological Reporter to the Govt. of Madras.

SIMLA, *9th March (By Telegram).*—The following are the summaries of Saturday's observations:—The pressure has increased briskly to rapidly in North-West and Central India; the rise being greatest in Rajputana, where the pressure is to-day in slight excess. The pressure has, however, given way briskly in Baluchistan and a moderately deep depression lies over that area. The pressure is in moderate deficiency in Burma, North-East and South India; and numerous duststorms and thunderstorms have occurred, chiefly in Gujarat, Central India, Rajputana and the Punjab. Deesa, Abu, Rajkot, Ajmere, Jeypore and Dera Ismail Khan report [illegible] and g[illegible]

would have to "mark time." For cool impudence it would be hard to beat this reference to an "obsolete etiquette," to which the Government of India is advised to "rise superior." At no time in the history of India has the representation of Madras and Bombay interests on the Council of the Viceroy been more necessary than at present. The rage for centralisation has been carried to such an extreme that there is hardly a point of local administration which now-a days has not to be submitted for the sanction or criticism of the Supreme Government. Numbers of instances could be quoted where such criticism has been based on the grossest ignorance of local conditions and local procedure, ignorance which would have been obviated had a Member of local experience been there to advise the Viceroy's Government. We need only refer to the enforced pigeon-holing of the Madras Tenancy Bill, which the Supreme Government has obstinately refused to sanction because, forsooth, it is not drawn on the lines of the Bengal enactment, which the highest authorities in Madras are convinced is absolutely and totally inapplicable to this Presidency. Thus it comes about that justice is denied to a large body of aggrieved inhabitants of Southern India merely because the Supreme Government in the plenitude of wisdom derived solely from the Secretariat Offices of Northern India considers that what suits Bengal must necessarily suit Madras. As a matter of fact the exact contrary is most often the case; and the Viceroy's Government that possesses no practical experience of land revenue administration in Madras is bound to go wrong when it attempts to deal with Madras on some Procrustean standard laid down in Bengal. The ryotwari system of Madras must be, so far as practical experience goes, a closed book to Members of the Viceroy's Council who have never served the Empire south of the Vindhyan Range, and it is little wonder that when there is no experienced colleague to whom they may refer, decisions are come to which are obviously the result of groping in the dark. It may please the *Pioneer* and those whose opinions it advertises to refer to the custom which prescribes that Madras or Bombay shall always be represented on the Viceroy's Council as an "obsolete etiquette"; but they may rest assured that it is not regarded as obsolete in the Provinces concerned, and that any attempt to render it so will meet with the strongest opposition, for in these days of increased centralisation at Calcutta and Simla such "etiquette" has become a vital element of existence. We need not dwell on the minor points of patronage and promotion, which the Madras and Bombay Civil Servants regard with righteous jealousy and envy. They complain with reason that while their two Services have only one Supreme appointment to look forward to, namely the one Membership of the Viceroy's Council, their brethren in the rest of India have thrown open to them quite a number of such appointments, including Lieutenant-Governorships, Chief Commissionerships and Supreme Councillorships. Their feelings when this one piece of supreme promotion is referred to as a piece of "obsolete etiquette" will be better imagined than described.

The assertion that to bring in a senior Civilian from Madras or Bombay to act for Sir CHARLES PRITCHARD would "simply mean that Public Works business would have to mark time," is a piece of special pleading [illegible] will convince nobody. It means

Many a spring which once supplied water and many a swamp which once acted as a reservoir for its storage have disappeared within recent recollection. When these have not been left to dry up of themselves, they have been drained dry by groves of blue gums, which have been planted close around them. Let us take, for instance, the case of the Marlimund reservoir, which was constructed at a very considerable cost. We believe we are right in saying that when this reservoir was built it was understood that the sholas sheltering the various springs on the Tudor Hall and other lands adjoining would be carefully preserved, in order to prevent the drying up of the springs that fed the tank. But what do we find, has been actually allowed to happen? Four out of the eight sholas bordering the reservoir have not only been cut down, but the land which they once occupied has been planted up with blue gums, and in some cases with tea also. Is it to be wondered at, under these circumstances, that the Chairman of the Ootacamund Municipality should be heard to complain that there are now only eight feet of water in the Marlimund Tack? To make matters worse, a few years ago a large peat slip was allowed to take place, with the result that the water is full of it and the holding capacity of the tank lessened. The landslip might easily have been avoided, as a previous one had already shown the danger of cutting trenches in peat swamps. Then again, why is it no attempt has been made to clear away the encroaching p[illegible]? Now that the water is at its lowest ebb [illegible] most of the peat lies high and dry on [illegible] bed, it would be a very simple matter [illegible] employ coolies to clear it away. The sal[illegible] of the peat would pay for the cost of remo[illegible] and the reservoir, when the rains came, wo[illegible] be ready to receive the quantity of water it was originally intended to hold.

The blame for these negligences is not at the door of the present authorities, Municipal or otherwise, but attaches to their predecessors. Yet there is a lesson to be learned from these past mistakes which has a practical application to day, because similar offences are being committed by private individuals, who, in some cases, when opportunity offers, cut down sholas and in others plant blue gums on the sites of, or contiguous to, springs. Any old resident of Ootacamund, wi[illegible] is gifted with an average amount of the fac[illegible]ty of observation, will, we think, bear us out in our statements, and will readily te[illegible]fy to the mischief that is being d[illegible]. Speaking of swamps, though it is doubtless necessary in the interests of public health that they should be carefully drained in the town itself and its immediate neighbourhood, it can scarcely be held applicable to those right outside Ootacamund. There are, as is generally admitted, two very great objections to having large blue-gum plantations in a locality where there is likely to be any scarcity of water at any time. In the first place, as already pointed out, the blue gum takes up very large quantities of moisture, and in the second,—and this is a fact not so generally known,—the roots of the tree, penetrating the soil to a great depth, pierce the clay strata and allow the water to percolate through to lower and unreachable depths.

The pollution of streams in Ootacamund is a subject that requires some attention also. At the present time dhobies, and natives generally, appear to be allowed to wash clothes without any sort of restriction in all the

makes Jack a dull boy all the world over—and he would like to see at the proper time every kind of skylarking promoted among the boys, such as leap frog and the rest of it. "I do not like to see boys," said Lord Sandhurst, "walking about slowly and inertly with arm in arm, as if they have upon their shoulders, what I may say—for want of a better simile—the responsibility either of a Governor or a Bishop. They are young and they should behave as young people, without cares, that is to say with the utmost of health and spirits." Lord Sandhurst has spoken out in no uncertain voice, and has given proof of his determination to do all in his power to minister to the educational needs of the Bombay Presidency. Lord Sandhurst is a believer also in free education, and this has led a Bombay paper to hope that he will be the means of reinstituting free studentships in all Government Schools and Colleges, and, further, of restoring to the Matriculation its qualifying power for admission to the public service, of which it was robbed some years ago. Whether this will be done or not remains to be seen. The Bombay Governor is a new broom, and though, at present, he may be desirous of sweeping clean, as new brooms are credited with doing, he may, when he has gained additional local experience, see fit to modify his views and adopt, more or less, the educational policy of the many able administrators who have preceded him.

The Army Medical Staff.

UNDER THE SYSTEM IN FORCE up to the year 1892 the reliefs of officers of the Army Medical Staff proceeding out of India in successive trooping seasons were carried out by Presidencies, that is to say, the annual vacancies in each Presidency, whether created by casualties or by the expiration of officers' tours of service, were filled by the War Office by nominations from the roster; hence each officer placed under orders for India knew beforehand whether he was destined for Bengal, Madras or Bombay. In July, 1892, however, a new arrangement came into force, whereby officers of the Army Medical Staff were detailed for general service in India, and were refused any knowledge of their particular destination until their arrival in India. This change was carried out without the knowledge of the Government of India, which was only informed of it after it had been settled by the Principal Medical Officer in India in direct communication with the Director General, Army Medical Department. The reason for the change was, that as the Principal Medical Officer, H. M's. Forces, Bengal, was invested with the responsibility for the general efficiency of the Medical Department of the Madras and Bombay Armies, it was desirable and expedient that upon him should devolve the duty of distributing to Presidencies Army Medical Officers sent to India for a tour of service, and also of disposing of applications for transfer or discharge from one Presidency to another. The new system has caused considerable dissatisfaction in the Service and numerous petitions were submitted to the War Office praying for a reversion to the former system of allocating Army Medical Officers to Presidencies. The War Office represented the matter to the Secretary of State for India and advocated the return to the old system. The argument that the Principal Medical Officer in India was invested with the responsibility for the general efficiency of the Service in India does not, he thinks, warrant the present system. An establishment of Medical

mons is made a Peer and receives a pension of £4,000. The duties of the post are onerous but well paid. On entering office he *ipso facto* becomes a member of the Privy Council. The salary is £6,000 a year with a free residence. During Mr Peel's tenure of the chair, the British Parliament has more than once been dangerously near losing all the dignity which is popularly associated with it. Not only has the language of the tap-room been on more occasions than we care to remember heard within its walls, but once, not so many months ago, a free fight was indulged in. To hold in check the words and actions of irascible Members, who when they lose their tempers lose also their self-respect, is not the lightest part of the duties in these days of the Speaker of the House. To fill the post efficiently needs a man with abilities of a rare and high order, and regret will be freely expressed not only at Westminster but throughout the Empire, that Mr. Peel, a figure familiar to all through the pages of *Punch*, will cease to keep order and to control the debates of the British House of Commons.

Occasional Notes.

THE MAIL STEAMER was signalled at Bombay at 5-10 A. M. yesterday. The Mails left Bombay last evening and may be expected in Madras to-morrow morning.

THE MAHARAJAH OF BHURTPORE is reported to be seriously ill. He is to be removed from Bhurtpore for medical treatment.

FRANCE is closely watching the relations between Great Britain and Italy. The French Government has also determined to largely increase its navy, owing to the increase in the British navy.

THE *Standard* states that the French Government has offered the King of the Belgians £30,000,000 for his personal interest in the Congo region. King Leopold is undecided in the matter.

IT IS ANNOUNCED that the Oxford Liberals have unanimously invited Dr. Fisher Little to contest the division. His first name is beautifully suggestive of angling for votes; his second, it is hoped, is prophetic of the amount of his catch.

THE *Figaro*, one of the principal French daily journals, has created a sensation by publishing the statement that, excepting possibly thirteen of them, all the Parisian papers are maintained by the French Secret Service Fund and by *douceurs* from Financial Companies.

WE REGRET TO HAVE TO ANNOUNCE the death at Trimulgherry, on Thursday, of Major Ingram, of the Welsh Regiment. The deceased officer had been ailing during the past fortnight from an illness contracted through undue exposure to the sun. The funeral took place on Friday.

THE LEADING MEN OF RUSSIA are indignant at the Czar's action, and claim that by his manifesto he has killed the popularity of the autocracy, and that he is digging his own grave and will soon succumb. He has, they say, challenged the country to chose between progress and loyalty.

IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS on the 15th ultimo, Mr. Byrce, President of the Board of Trade, in reply to a question, said that the report of the select committee on shipping advised that shipowners should provide water-tight bulkheads, but the Board of Trade were unable to compel them to do so.

YINGKOW, which the Japanese have captured, is the port at the mouth of the river leading to

Tank. The Municipality has called upon the Dharmakartha to put up a wire fencing within the tank to prevent the accidents which have so frequently been reported in our columns; but the Dharmakartha has taken no notice of the order. Our correspondent now very rightly calls upon the Municipality to comply with the terms of the Section under which it moved, and to fence the tank itself and recover the expense from the Dharmakartha. This seems to be very necessary as the annual festival of the temple will shortly take place, when the tank will be crowded and accidents may be frequent.

IT IS SATISFACTORY TO KNOW that a number of arrests have been made in connection with the wrecking of the Bombay Mail train near Jubbulpore last Saturday; and it may be hoped that the offence will be brought home to the guilty persons. It is impossible to conceive any punishment that is too severe for such a dastardly crime, which for some reason or another seems to be dangerously rife on the Jubbulpore extension line. When the callous native turns to this species of outrage, either as a means of revenge upon the Railway Company or for the still more atrocious purpose of bringing trouble upon some enemy on whom suspicion is likely to fall, the public safety demands that such a tendency shall be rooted out.

IN THE COURSE OF AN ADDRESS which they presented to H. E. the Commander-in-Chief of Madras at Vizianagaram on Monday last, the students of the Maharajah's College stated that they were glad their physical training was not neglected, and they hoped that this was only preparatory to the acceptance, at some future date, of their humble services for Imperial defence. "We hope that if such a subject is ever mooted, Your Excellency will remember with favour the eagerness we feel, as faithful subjects, to fight for our Empress and country." His Excellency's reply, as given to us by a correspondent, does not touch upon this point, but the Chief doubtless commended the patriotism and eagerness for the fray displayed by these collegians.

THE MEN ARRESTED in connection with the alleged shooting of natives beyond Ninety-mile, near Coolgardie, referred to in a recent issue, were taken into Coolgardie on the 13th ultimo and charged with the crime. At the Police Court before the charge was entered the men were remanded to Hannan's, the affray having taken place in East Coolgardie goldfield. The men under arrest are M. Fitzgerald, E. Parry, and Sidney Parry. Fitzgerald and his mates stated that although not a wonderful show the stone they discovered will average 5ozs per ton. There is enough stone in sight to keep a 20-head battery going for three years, while water can be obtained at a shallow depth.

THE *Rangoon Gazette* is glad to hear that, notwithstanding all announcements to the contrary, the vacancy caused by Colonel W. G. Cumming taking leave is to be filled by a local officer, the Government of India having agreed to Mr. H. J. Richard, Superintending Engineer, taking over the post of Chief Engineer when he returns to duty about the middle of April. "Mr. Richard," writes our contemporary, "acted previously during Colonel Cumming's absence, and it would be an unmerited slur on him if an Indian officer, the claims of several of whom were strongly urged in India, were appointed. It is an open secret that Mr. Richard's appointment was warmly supported by the Local Government."

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Sir CHARLES PRITCHARD would "simply mean that Public Works business would have to mark time," is a piece of special pleading which will convince nobody. It means

is a subject that requires some attention. At the present time dhobies, and na generally, appear to be allowed to wash c without any sort of restriction in

place within its walls. There were to have been three executions yesterday (1st) but one of them has been postponed by order of the Chief Commissioner who is considering an appeal on behalf of the man. The other two men were hanged. They were Nga Shwe Pi and Nga Myat Thu, two cultivators of the Payagale Township, Pegu District, Who were sentenced to death for complicity in the murder of Mr. Tucker, District Superintendent of Police, Pegu. On Sunday the doomed men were allowed the company of some fellow townsmen who are in the Central Prison, Rangoon, and to them Nga Shwe Pi, the first of the two condemned, admitted being present when Mr. Tucker was murdered, but denied having had anything personally to do with that crime. He stated that two other men who were arrested for the offence, but who have since escaped from police custody at Pegu, were the real murderers, and those who initiated the marauding expedition, which Mr. Tucker met when he sacrificed his life. He added that there were two boats engaged in the expedition, but only the occupants of one boat were concerned in the murder. The total number of men in the two boats, he said, was eighteen. At about seven o'clock yesterday morning (1st), the gallows being ready, the Superintendent of the Jail, the Magistrate, and other officials repaired to the cells where the prisoners were lying awaiting their end. The men walked to the scaffold with a firm step, with the usual Burman indifference to the whole proceedings. They mounted the scaffold cheerfully, and as their arms were being pinioned, the ropes adjusted round their necks and the caps placed over their heads, they showed no trace of nervousness or fear. The execution was then carried out without a hitch. Nga Shwe Pi was instantly killed by the drop, but Nga Myat Thu's body worked convulsively for some little time.—R. G.

THE WHEAT CROP IN BERAR.

The second Report received from the Local Administration on the crop of the season 1894-95 is as follows:—"The area under wheat is estimated at 890,388 acres, or 3 per cent. below the figures of the previous year. The decrease is general in four of the six districts and is mainly due to the larger cultivation of *jowari* for the sowing of which the rains were favourable. The cold weather this season has been unusually cloudy and the wheat crop has been damaged by insects and rust; the estimate for the province generally is an eleven-anna crop. But since the district reports were submitted stormy weather and high winds have been prevalent, doing considerable damage, and it is probable that the above estimate will not be attained. Harvesting operations are now in progress."

THE VICEREGAL COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Council was held at Government House on Thursday, when His Excellency the Viceroy presided and all the members were present except the Commander-in-Chief, who is on tour.

The Hon'ble Mr. P. M. Mehta asked:—(1) Is it true that the Government of the North-Western Provinces subscribed to 62 copies of a weekly newspaper called *The Punjab Patriot* after the Punjab Government had declined to give it similar help. (2) Is it true that the Commissary-General's Office, Western Circle, Rawalpindi, has issued a circular stating that a previous circular directing *The Punjab Patriot* to be used for advertising Commissariat Notices had not been fully acted up to, and ordering that *The Punjab Patriot* should take precedence of all other papers of the Native Press published in English?

The Hon'ble Sir A.P. MacDonnell in reply to the first question said:—The first question substantially repeats a question asked in the North-Western Provinces and Oudh Legislative Council on the 21st January, 1895, to which an answer was then given. The matter is one in which the discretion rests solely with the local Government.

The Hon'ble Sir Henry Brackenbury said:—My Lord, the answer to the Hon'ble Mr. Mehta's second question is: Yes, it is true. The discretion as to the choice of newspapers for advertising for tenders rest with the Commissary-General.

INDIAN COMPANIES' ACT, 1882.

The Hon'ble Sir James Westland moved that the Bill to give power to Companies to make certain alterations in the Instruments under which they are constituted, and to amend the Indian Companies' Act, 1882, be referred to a Select Committee consisting of the Hon'ble Sir Alexander Miller, the Hon'ble Sir Antony MacDonnell, the Hon'ble Mr. Playfair, the Hon'ble Mr. Stokes, the Hon'ble Mr. Finlay and the Mover, with instructions to report at the next meeting of Council.

The motion was put and agreed to.

The Hon'ble Sir James Westland said:—My Lord, the Officer in India was invested with the responsibility for the general efficiency of the Service in India does not, he thinks, warrant the present system. An establishment of Medical

decided to withhold a guarantee of interest by subsidy to Railway Companies, for although it may be to the advantage of the State that the entire onus of profit and loss associated with such undertakings should rest with investors, it must not be forgotten that there are large sums of Trust Funds seeking employment which can only be invested in undertakings having Government guarantees. One serious hindrance to the promotion of Companies for the construction of lines of railway and provincial tramways in India—to which I desire to direct special attention, has been the excessive delay that occurs in obtaining the sanction of the Government to proposals put forward by promoters. Unnecessary alterations occurring in the money market cause investors to appear and disappear, it has happened that, without anything having arisen to detract from the merits of a scheme, subscribers have withdrawn for the reason that capital is intolerant of delay or idleness. In other words, if the opportunity of obtaining subscriptions of capital is not availed of when it offers, it may, if not entirely, at all events, be lost for a long period; promoters and their supporters in the meantime having turned their attention to other undertakings. I therefore submit, my Lord, that it would be convenient were the Government of India to publicly notify the systems of railways and tramways which in their view are desirable and those which might be undertaken by public enterprise, and also to give a prompt answer to applications that may be from time to time made by persons prepared to undertake the formation of Companies. In either case I assume that Governments will continue to conduct the survey of projects on its own account and also at the request of promoters. It is difficult for Surveyors from home to prospect a tract of country in the thorough manner undertaken by the Department, I trust that in addition Government will, so far as it lies in its power, lend the superior officers of the Public Works Department to assist Companies in the construction work of lines of railway. While it must be recognised that Government cannot be expected to educate and retain a staff of engineers on the off chance of their being employed by Companies, experience has shown the benefit to be derived from a knowledge of the country, the language and customs of the people such as engineers in the Government service possess, and which it must be of advantage to private enterprise to obtain. With these remarks, my Lord, I desire to support the passing of the Bill now before your Excellency's Council.

(To be Continued.)

THE INVESTITURE CEREMONY.

CALCUTTA, *Friday*.—After the lapse of six years a Grand Chapter of the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, and the Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire, was held at Calcutta last night; no ceremonial of the kind having taken place since the Investiture under Lord Lansdowne in 1889. The arrangements were the same as on former occasions, the ceremonial taking place in a grand shamiana erected in the grounds of Government House, capable of accommodating some fifteen hundred spectators. The shamiana presented a brilliant appearance lighted with electric lamps, and with the Shropshire Regiment and the 6th Bengal Infantry ranged on either side the entrance. Within the vast tent the *coup d'œil* was extremely picturesque. The toilettes of the ladies and the uniforms of the various services, and the brilliant costumes of the native gentlemen, making a picture in which the colours were thoroughly typical of an Indian State Assemblage.

As previously announced, the business of the chapter was the investiture of the Hon'ble James Westland, C.S.I., and the Hon'ble F. W. R. Fryer, C.S.I., with the Insignia of the second-class of the Star of India; and the Hon'ble C. C. Stevens, Major-General A. R. Badcock, and Mr. S. Jacob with the Badge of the third class of the same Order.

An investiture of the Order of the Indian Empire was also held with the object of investing Raja Subhal Deo of Bamra, C.I.E., and Colonel H. R. Thuillier, C.I.E., with the Insignia of the second-class, and decorating Rai Durgagati Banerji Bahadur, and A. G. Tytler with the Badge of the third class of the latter Order.

Mr. W. J. Cuningham, the Secretary to the two Orders, who was attired in a mantle and decorations of the Order of the Star of India, having read out the business to the assembly, Mr. Williams, after making the usual obeisance conducted Sir James Westland, with the assistance of Sir Charles Elliott and Sir Antony MacDonell to the foot of the dais, the other members of the Order standing meanwhile. The Star having been affixed to the Hon'ble Member's unable to compel them to [illegible]

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The adjoining smoking saloon, with its stained glass windows, its leather covered seats, its marble panels, and its india-rubber carpet is a cosy nook, to which lovers of the weed are sure to speedily become attached. The ship is throughout lighted by electric light and provision is made for heating every cabin and every room by artificial means when necessary. Our representative was especially struck with the excellent opportunity afforded by the size of the upper deck for "constitutionals," the promenade being 35 feet wide and 200 feet in length. The vessel is now on view at the Prince's Dock, and is well worthy of inspection. We understand from the agent of the line, Mr. F. Heyer, that more than half the berths have already been taken. If the experiment is successful the company will probably arrange for a regular periodical service.—*Bombay Gazette.*

Sporting Notes.

CRICKET IN AUSTRALIA.

ENGLAND *v.* NEW SOUTH WALES AND QUEENSLAND.

The match between Mr. Stoddart's team of English cricketers and a combined eleven of New South Wales and Queensland was commenced on the Exhibition-ground at Brisbane on the 16th February. The scores were as follows:—

ENGLAND.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Brockwell, thrown out	..	14	c and b Turner	13
Ward, b Turner	.. ..	9	not out	4
Stoddart, b Coningham	..	40		
Brown, b Coningham	.. ..	4		
M'Laren, b-o-w, b Coningham		37		
Peel, c Bradley, b Turner	..	4		
Peel, c Callaway, b Turner	..	30		
Briggs, b M'Kibbin	.. ..	13	not out	2
Phillipson, c Iredale, b Austin		21		
Richardson, c Gregory, b Austin	..	0		
Humphreys, not out	.. ..	9		
Extras		11	Extras	12
Total		192	Total, 1 wkt for	33

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—*1st Innings.*

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Austin	.. ..	6	17	1	x
Turner	.. ..	42	69	18	3
Coningham	.. ..	27	36	10	3
M'Kibbin	.. ..	19	49	4	1
Callaway	.. ..	6	10	2	0

COMBINED ELEVEN.—*1st Innings.*

M'Donnell, c Humphreys	18
Coningham, c Ward, b Richardson	20
Iredale, not out	37
Gregory, b Richardson	15
Bradley, c Phillipson, b Richardson	11
Turner, b Richardson	2
Jones, c Phillipson, b Briggs	0
Callaway, c and b Briggs	0
M'Donald, c Stoddart, b Briggs	1
Austin, st Phillipson, b Briggs	0
M'Kibbin, run out	1
Extras	2
Total	107

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Richardson	.. ..	24	43	9	5
Briggs	.. ..	6	16	1	4
Peel	.. ..	13	47	4	0
Brockwell	.. ..	1	7	0	0

Play on the third day was rendered impossible owing to the rain.

ENGLAND *vs.* AUSTRALIA.

The final contest between the representatives of the Australian Colonies and Mr. Stoddart's English team was finished on Tuesday or Wednesday. Melbourne was the scene of the contest, and considerable interest was taken in the match, as of the four previous ones each side had won two. Reuter informed us that victory rested with the English team by six wickets. The present is the twelfth team that has visited the Colonies, but never before has such remarkable scoring been exhibited by both sides as has been shown in these international matches. Mr. Stoddart's team consists of five amateurs and eight professionals:—

Mr. A. E. Stoddart (Capt.) Middlesex,	J. Briggs, Lancashire.
Mr. A. C. Maclaren, Lancashire,	A. Ward, Lancashire.
Mr. L. H. Gay, Somerset,	R. Peel, Yorkshire.
Mr. F. G. J. Ford, Middlesex	J. T. Brown, Yorkshire.
Mr. H. Phillipson, Northumberland.	W. Brockwell, Surrey.
	W. Lockwood, Surrey.
	R. Richardson, Surrey.
	W. Humphreys, Sussex.

Stoddart, Mr. Phillipson, Briggs and Peel had previously visited the Colonies. Of the *principal* matches played the following is a summary, as far as the returns are yet available, for telegraphic information

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Do	2 "	...	3 6
Do	4 "	...	3 12
Clear	6 "	...	2 4
Do	8 "	...	1 7
Do	12 "	...	2 0
Do	16 "	...	2 6
Conical	1 "	...	0 9
Do	2 "	...	0 12
Do			0 14

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8½" x 6½" ...	9 12
10" x 8" ...	15 12
12" x 10" ...	22 8

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4¼" x 3¼"	3 0
5" x 4"	4 8
8½" x 6½"	10 4
10" x 8"	17 8

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4¼" x 3¼"	1 8
8½" x 6½"	5 12
Lantern Plates 3¼" x 3½"	1 8

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¼ Plate	5 6
½ do	1 6
10" x 8" do	9 8

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¼ Plate	6 12
½ do	1 12
5" x 4" Plate	3 0
10" x 8" do	12 8
12" x 10" do	17 0

Isochromatic (Medium.)

¼ Plate	1 2
½ do	6 8
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Double Action Washer of stout block tin, japanned back outside, and cream inside to take whole plate ...	17 0
Do do ½ plate ...	11 4
	20 0
Tripod Stand	5 0
Squeegees, 12 inches	4 8
10 do	1 12
6 do	0 8
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Finest Quality B.B.B. Selected Rooty Briar Pipes, silver mounted, Irish shape; round, straight stem, Vulcanite ...	4 8
Irish, with Heel, do do mouthpieces ...	4 8
Billiard do do do ...	3 0
Do Bent do do do ...	4 4
Bull-dog do do do ...	5 0
Do do do do ...	5 12
Do do Straight do ...	4 0
Irish with Heel, round straight stem, no mounts ...	2 9
Bull-dog do do do ...	3 0
Do Square do do do ...	3 0
Do do bent do ...	2 0
Billiard do Straight do ...	2 0
Do do bent do ...	1 12
Bull-dog, Straight Stem, Amber mouthpieces, silver mounts, in morocco case.	2 0
Do do do do do ...	10 8
Do do do do do ...	13 8
Do do do do do ...	15 0
Do bent do do do ...	12 8
Irish do do do do ...	13 8
Irish with Heel, Straight do Vulcanite do ...	13 8
Do do do Horn do ...	3 8
Do do do Amber do ...	4 0
Billiard do do ...	8 0
Do do do ...	9 0
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H. F. STRICKLAND,
Ag. Secretary.

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Syllabus

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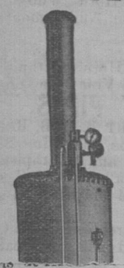
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...motion of the Hon'ble Sir Frederick Fryer ...e Bill to provide for the registration of cer... boats in Lower Burma be referred to a Select ...mittee consisting of the Hon'ble Sir Alexander ...ler, the Hon'ble Sir Antony MacDonnell, the ...'ble Gangadhar Rao Madhav Chitnavis, the ...'ble Mr. Playfair, the Hon'ble Mr. James and ...Mover, with instructions to report at the next ...ting of the Council was postponed at the request ...e Hon'ble Member in charge of the Bill.

RAILWAY COMPANIES BILL.

...e Hon'ble Sir Alexander Miller moved that ...Bill to provide for the payment by Railway ...panies registered under the Indian Companies ...1882, of interest out of capital during con...tion, be taken into consideration.

...said:—I explained, when asking for leave to ...duce this Bill that its sole object is to place ...way Companies registered in India on the ...footing as companies registered in England, in ...d to the construction of Indian Railways, and ...ovide for the payment of interest out of the capi... the Company during the construction. The ...is practically copied from the English Act, *mu... mutandis* except that we have left out a provi... which occurs in the English Act for retrospective ...tion. My only reason for not inserting a ...ar provision in this Act is because I find on ...iry that no such case has arisen in India and ...such a section, if introduced would be a dead ... In all other respects the Act is precisely the ...as English or at any rate as nearly similar as ...rcumstances of the two countries will admit.

...e Hon'ble Mr. Playfair said:—"My Lord, I ...atulate your Excellency's Government upon ...introduction of a measure adapted from the ...advance in England in legislative economics ...ntended to develop and extend the construc... of the railway system in this country, by ...ng inducement to investors and the public ...scribe capital under conditions that will ...delay in their receiving a return of interest ...their investment. The effect of enabling ...ays while under construction to pay interest ...f capital must be to make this class of ...ment more popular without materially adding ...cost of a line. It should also be a means, as ...ngly hope it will be, of encouraging capitalists ...s country to subscribe in silver currency ...ds the construction of railways and especially ...ht railways of short distance, including ...lines. These are much wanted as a ...of connecting the interior with the great ...y arteries which have already done so much ...ther the commercial and the administra... ...ants of the Empire. I believe I am correct in ...ating with this Bill the name of the Hon'ble ...er who presides over the Public Works ...tment of your Excellency's Government. ...it may be a satisfaction to Sir Charles Prit... to know that the mercantile community ...their approval to the Bill. I hail also with ...ction the evident desire on the part of Gov...nt to entrust the management of railways to ...anies, for it is reasonable to expect that the ...ement by direction, possessing a special ac...ance with commercial methods and require... and having special sympathy with the vary... ...nditions and demand of trade will adapt ...more readily to mercantile wants than de...ents administered by the State. In other ... the faults of the system of official manage... ...s inelasticity, the merit of commercial man...nt is adaptability to requirements as they ... The distinction between a light railway and ...incial tramway is not to my mind very clear, ...ope that both will come under the definition ...ilway" set forth in clause (2) of the Bill. I look ...stem of light tramways as being a suitable ... of connecting town with town and each ...e main lines of railway or, with the great ...especially in certain districts that have come ...my notice in Bengal and Assam. I think ...e construction of such tramways or light ...ys deserves every encouragement. It is quite ...e that if liberal inducement is offered by ...ment in the matter of conceding roadways, ...nd timber from Government reserves, local ...may be called forth for the construction ...iceable lines of communication to the in... ...convenience of passengers and also to the ...e of facilities in the transport of produce. ...d suggest that Government might not only ...general appeal for the promotion of Com... in India, and through Indian agency, to under... ...e construction of light railways and tramways ...ght also, with great advantage to the whole ...unity, place before the public, from time to ...schedule of routes or lines of communication ...appear to be required and which Government ...er might be suitably undertaken by private ...rise, I hope Government has not finally de-

...successively, Mr. C. C. Stevens, Major-General Badcock, and Mr. Stephen Jacob. In decorating these gentlemen with the Badge of the third-class, the Grand Master handed it to Mr. Cuningham, the Secretary, who attached it to its proper place. With three obeisances the three Companions retired in turn, covered, so to speak, with their honours. This concluded the business of the first Investiture, and the Viceroy left the tent, attended by his pages, his Secretaries, and Aides-de-Camp, while the band played the March of Salvador by Baker.

The Viceregal party returned in a few minutes, His Excellency having exchanged the robes and Insignia of the Star of India for those of the Indian Empire. Again the assembly rose to its feet while the National Anthem was played. For the second time Mr. Cuningham read out the names of those whom it was intended to decorate, and then Sir John Lambert, Sir Edwin Collen, and the Under-Secretary of the Foreign Department, escorted Rajah Sudhal Deo of Bamra to the dais. The Rajah was not invested in the usual manner, the ceremony of *accolade* being dispensed with. The other formalities in his case were, however, similar to those already described. Colonel Henry Ravenshaw Thuillier, C. I. E., received the honour of Knighthood. Kneeling down, he received a stroke of the sword on his shoulder. Sir John Lambert and Sir Edwin Collen then returned to their seats, and Mr. A. Williams conducted Rai Banerji Bahadur and Mr. Adam Gillies Tytler to be decorated with the Badge of the Order of the Indian Empire of the third-class. Then, almost before those present could realise that the great ceremony was over, Mr. Cuningham announced the close of the business, and the procession reformed and withdrew, followed by Lady Elgin and the Government House party to the strains of the grand March Victoria Regina by Goodburn.—*Morning Post.*

A NEW PASSENGER STEAMER.

The German East Africa Line have sent out to Bombay a "brand new" steamer, named the *Admiral*, which is to start on its first voyage to Hamburg, *via* Naples, on Tuesday next. Passengers for London are to be disembarked at Flushing, whence two steamers leave daily for Queensbrough, and the first class fare is only Rs. 550, and second class Rs. 375. It is sometimes said that those who get the cheap also get the nasty, but this saying will certainly not be applicable to the *Admiral* which notwithstanding the moderate fares is a remarkably well appointed vessel, of three thousand tons, and will, it is believed, convey passengers to London in almost as good times as the P. and O. boats. Last evening a representative of the journal visited the new vessel which is now lying in the Prince's Dock, and was especially struck with the roominess and comfortable appointments of the cabins, which are lighted by electricity, and supplied with all the modern luxuries of life on boardship. There is accommodation on the vessel for nearly fifty passengers, two-thirds of the berths being for first class passengers. The beds in these berths are 2 feet 8 in. wide by 6 feet 6 in. long, and the cabins all of which are on the main deck are no less than 7 feet 9 in. high. Most of the cabins contain only two berths but there are larger rooms for the accommodation of families. Each cabin is nicely carpeted, and contains a couch stretching from one end to the other, a wardrobe where clothing can be hung, and wash-hand stands that can be opened and closed at pleasure. Some of them have the additional advantage that they are removed from the side of the ship by a gangway, and consequently windows similar to those used in railway carriages take the place of the usual narrow little port holes, and can be left open at night without any fear of water being splashed in. The bath rooms and lavatories are all constructed on the most approved modern principles, and amongst other accessories there is a well appointed room for the barber to ply his trade. The first class dining-saloon is light and airy extending from one side of the ship to the other, and is luxuriously fitted up and furnished. The side panels are covered with beautifully worked leather, and large mirrors are arranged about the apartment. The music saloon on the upper deck also presents a very attractive appearance, the panels in this case being embellished with hand paintings. Like the dining saloon it is beautifully carpeted and the seats and couches are covered with plush.

...307 and 263. England won by 154 runs.

3. Nov. 23rd to 27th, Sydney—England, 394 and 81 for two wickets; New South Wales, 293 and 180. England won by eight wickets.

4. Dec. 7th to 10th, Brisbane—England, 494; Queensland, 121 and 99. England won by an innings and 274 runs.

5. Dec. 14th to 20th, Sydney—England, 325 and 437; Australia, 586 and 166. England won by 10 runs.

6. Dec. 29th and 30th, and Jan. 1st to 3rd, Melbourne—England, 75 and 475; Australia, 123 and 333. England won by 94 runs.

7. Jan. 12th to 15th, Adelaide—England, 124 and 143; Australia, 238 and 411. Australia won by 382 runs.

8. Feb. 1st to 4th, Sydney—England, 65 and 72; Australia, 284. Australia won by an innings and 147 runs.

9. Feb. 15th to 19th, Brisbane—England *vs.* Queensland. Result not known yet.

10. Mar. 1st to 5th, Melbourne—England, 385 and 297 for four wickets; Australia 414 and 267. England won by 6 wickets.

11. Mar. 29th to April 2nd, Adelaide.—England *vs.* South Australia. To be played.

Several other minor matches have been played of purely local interest besides those noted above. The batting averages of the team are certain to be remarkably high, and as the Australians have been equally successful the bowling ones will be proportionally poor.

1. In the first of these, the principal contests, the second of the tour, Brown scored 115 and 20; Ford, 66 and 16; Stoddart, 66 and 9; Gay, 39 not out and 29; Ward, 41 and 11; Lockwood, 39 and 14; Brockwell, 45 and 1; and Briggs, 38 and 8, while for their opponents J. Darling made 117 and 37 not out; J. Reedman, 29 and 83; G. Giffen, 64 and 53 not out; J. J. Lyons, 29 and 32; and F. Jarvis 35.

2. Against Victoria, A. C. Maclaren scored 228 and 25; Stoddart, 77 and 78; Peel, 48 and 65; and Briggs, 0 and 43. For the Colony, G. H. S. Trott, 16 and 63; Laver, 40 and 26; J. Harry, 70 and 1; and R. MacLeod, 36 and 30 not out.

3. Opposed to New South Wales the leading scorers were Brown with 117; Stoddart, 79; Brockwell, 81; Ward, 36 and 18; Ford, 0 and 39; and Briggs 24. For the local team, F. A. Iredale, 133 and 0; C. A. Richardson, 48 and 5; H. Dannan, 37 and 39; and S. E. Gregory, 6 and 87.

4. In the easy victory gained over Queensland Stoddart scored 149; Ward, 107; Maclaren, 74 not out; Phillipson, 59; Brown, 34; and Brockwell, 33; while A. Cunningham with 43 and 19; and P. S. McDonnell with 21 and 22, were the highest scorers.

5. In this remarkable match, for the winners Ward made 75 and 117; Briggs, 57 and 42; Brockwell, 49 and 37; Ford, 30 and 48; Brown, 22 and 53; Stoddart, 12 and 36; Lockwood, 18 and 29; and Gay, 33 and 4. For Australia, S. E. Gregory, 201 and 16; J. Giffen, 161 and 41; F. P. Iredale, 81 and 5; J. McE. Blackburn, 74 and 2; and J. Darling, 0 and 53.

6. It rain on the last day of the preceding match robbed Australia of a victory, the Colonials had their revenge in this game, from the same cause, the wickets during the time the visitors were in being described by their captain as the worst he had ever seen in a first class match. For the losers, Brown carried his bat for 20 in the first innings, but failed to score in the second. No one also did as well on his side. For Australia, Graham scored 105, A. E. Trott not out 85, and J. Darling 31.

The individual scores in the remaining matches we have yet to receive, though Reuter to-day informs us that in the match just concluded Ward contributed 92 and Brown 140, while Richardson, the Surrey crack, bowled superbly. Five and forty matches have now been played between England and Australia (since 1877), of which England has won 24, Australia 14, and 6 have been drawn. The former has scored in these matches 16,120 runs for 719 wickets; the latter 15,837 runs for 759 wickets. Though in the present tour the mother country has secured the odd match of the rubber, the Australians can point to the fact that they made in these representative matches 2,822 runs for ninety wickets, while England's total is but 2,398 runs for 94 wickets the former giving the remarkable average of 31·4 runs per wicket; the latter 25·5. On the other hand, it must be borne in mind that Mr. Stoddart's team, though a powerful one, does not include the names of W. G. Grace, Abel, Gunn, Shrewsbury, F. S. Jackson, J. MacGregor, W. W. Read, L. C. H. Palairet, Mold, M. Read, S. M. J. Woods and Flowers, all of whom have represented England, and would form another English team second to none!—*Times of India.*

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and 7-10ths of an inch. A [illegible] reduction of the [illegible] ture, due to storms, has occurred in Central India and Rajputana and a considerable reduction in the Punjab. The weather conditions continue unsettled in North-West and Central India and local dust-storms and thunderstorms are again probable, more especially in Baluchistan, Sind and the Punjab.

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The Madras Mail.

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 1895.

The Viceroy's Executive Council.

THE RESIGNATION OF SIR CHARLES CROSTHWAITE and the approaching departure of Sir CHARLES PRITCHARD on leave have, to use the words of a contemporary, "suddenly opened up a vista of vacant thrones, the successions to which must naturally be the foremost topic of the moment throughout official India." Sir ANTONY MACDONNELL'S appointment to the Lieutenant-Governorship of the North-West Provinces and Oude is now assured. His place as Home Member of the Viceroy's Council will be filled, according to a telegram received to-day, not by Sir FREDERICK FRYER, whose name has been freely mentioned in connection with it, but by Sir ALEXANDER MACKENZIE from Burma. Sir FREDERICK FRYER is to get the Chief Commissionership of Burma, but his tenure of that appointment is not likely to last long, as it is pretty certain that Sir ALEXANDER MACKENZIE will succeed Sir CHARLES ELLIOTT as Lieutenant Governor of Bengal, when presumably Sir FREDERICK FRYER will succeed him in the Viceroy's Executive Council. The likely candidate for Burma in that eventuality would be, it is said, Mr. J. D. LATOUCHE, at present Chief Secretary in the North-West Provinces, who held a division in Burma in the time of Sir CHARLES CROSTHWAITE. Before Sir ANTONY MACDONNELL enters upon the duties of the Lieutenant-Governorship of the North-West Provinces he is desirous of taking a few months holiday, leaving India at the end of the Calcutta Session and returning in the autumn to take over charge at Allahabad. During his absence it may be presumed that Mr. ALAN CADELL, who has been acting for Sir CHARLES CROSTHWAITE, will continue to act for the latter's successor, and that there will be no disturbance of existing arrangements there.

As regards the Public Works Membership, which will be vacant when Sir CHARLES PRITCHARD goes on leave early in May, the usual course would be to fill it up from either Madras or Bombay, in accordance with the well recognised and highly necessary rule that there should be at least one Member of the Viceroy's Council representing one or other of these Provinces. There is, however, good cause for believing that on the present occasion an attempt will be made to over rule custom and precedent in this matter, and that the vacancy will be filled from the Secretariat of the Government of India. The *Pioneer* has already let loose the *ballon d'essai* by which such new departures are usually preceded, and Madras and Bombay should lose no time in emphatically deprecating such an objectionable innovation. Our contemporary hopes that the Government of India "will rise superior to an obsolete etiquette." It contends that "to bring in a senior Civilian from Madras or Bombay for a few months would simply mean that Public Works business [illegible] nothing less than that the proper person to act for the head of a Department on leave is the departmental Secretary. We venture to say that if such a proposition were uttered with reference to any other high appointment in the Government of India than the one in question, (where, be it marked, a Bombay or Madras Civilian is concerned) it would be flouted as preposterous. That acting incumbents suffer from some disabilities is undeniable; but such is the case everywhere in India. If the Public Works Department is in the critical stage which the *Pioneer* would have us believe, it is clear that the Public Works Member ought to forego his leave and stick to his post. But as a matter of fact the suggestion about "marking time" is, not to put too fine a point upon it, bunkum. We know from Sir CHARLES PRITCHARD'S speech in Council last Thursday that the largest and most important portion of the Department's work has been sketched out for many years to come, and the final decision with regard to the many items of its programme will be settled not at Simla but at Whitehall. It is to be hoped that Lord ELGIN will not be blinded by dust thrown in his eyes from the Imperial Secretariat, where there is so much of it flying about. The power of that Secretariat is strong and its appetite for office is voracious. Commenting a few days ago on Sir GEORGE CHESNEY'S remark, that "the prizes of the Service are practically monopolised by the Secretaries to the different Governments, whose services, if involving less real responsibility, bring them more prominently under the notice of the dispensers of patronage," the *Pioneer* remarked with reference to the Lieutenant Governorship of the N.W.P.:—"Practically everyone feels that the men whose reputation, however great, is only provincial, are not even in the running for a place like this. They are not on the ladder which is the only means of getting to the top of the house, and if twenty Governorships fell vacant they would be no nearer arriving there." The same remarks apply equally well to the case in point, and we can only wonder that the newspaper which gave utterance to them should veer round within a few days to exactly opposite sentiments.

The Scarcity of Water in Ootacamund.

WE HAVE WITHIN THE LAST FEW MONTHS heard a considerable number of complaints outside as well as within official circles, regarding the increasing scarcity of water in Ootacamund. That the problem is already a grave one, and likely to become still more serious in the near future, there can be no doubt, if the opinion of authorities is to be received as accurate. While there are so many remedies under discussion, it may not be out of place to enquire briefly into some of the causes that have brought about this present scarcity, and thus, at the same time, draw attention to a few preventive measures that might easily be adopted to prevent things going from bad to worse. Though we have frequently heard it stated that the variability of the Ootacamund seasons in the last few years is responsible for the failure of the water supply, we cannot bring ourselves to believe that this factor alone is entirely responsible. In addition to this "act of GOD" which we perhaps too eagerly seize upon as a means of escape from our own shortcomings, there are various "acts of man" to which we must ascribe in an equal, if not greater, degree the present lack of water in Ootacamund. We refer to the drying up of numerous springs and swamps, through the reckless cutting down of sheltering shola trees, [illegible] stream that runs through [illegible] stream that starts from the Dodabe[illegible] is horribly befouled long before it rea[illegible] lake. It would surely be as possibl[illegible] desirable to confine the individuals m[illegible] ed to certain streams instead of a[illegible] them, as they are allowed at pres[illegible] pollute all the running water in the [illegible] With so many [illegible] expensive schem[illegible] remedying the sc[illegible]ty of water, it wou[illegible] pear that the few simple preventive me[illegible] that we have endeavoured above to [illegible] attention to run a considerable dan[illegible] being overlooked. It seems, indeed, [illegible] culous to be spending large sums o[illegible] construction of reservoirs when the sp[illegible] and swamps that supply them are all[illegible] to dry up and existing streams are perm[illegible] to be spoiled for drinking purposes.

Lord Sandhurst on Education.

THE ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES [illegible] children attending the Bombay Educ[illegible] Society's Schools took place on Thur[illegible] when H. E. the Governor of Bombay pre[illegible] and delivered himself of a speech [illegible] will no doubt be hailed with satisf[illegible] by all in the Bombay Presiden[illegible] be connected with education, b[illegible] and taught. The speech was [illegible] the first place, for the Gover[illegible] ment that "you can never [illegible] much," an opinion which has [illegible] universal acceptance in this c[illegible] which Lord Sandhurst may, [illegible] protracted sojourn in India, [illegible] modify somewhat. The Report o[illegible] —in which there are 164 boys a[illegible] was on the whole m[illegible]isfact[illegible] subscriptions from t[illegible] public [illegible] last year as compared with the [illegible] and the profits of the excellent [illegible] ed with the school were less, [illegible] the serious fall in exchange and [illegible] competition and a falling off in [illegible] government work given to the [illegible] school bill of health was a clean [illegible] result of the various examinat[illegible] mendable, showing that the [illegible] worked well and benefited by [illegible] imparted to them. The workshop [illegible] closed, after an existence of about [illegible] because the Directors could not [illegible] to find the large amount of money [illegible] a new building, as well as for [illegible] plant and tools, which were nec[illegible] But the want of the workshop [illegible] not be felt, as the boys will no [illegible] the Technical Institute. In repl[illegible] point, Lord Sandhurst said that [illegible] the necessity which compelled [illegible] to close the workshop, as he was [illegible] favour of anything in the way [illegible] education, but he had no doubt [illegible] compass was boxed by those who [illegible] ponsible for the administration [illegible] better to close the workshop if it [illegible] carried on in an efficient manner [illegible] better, in effect, to carry on [illegible] efficiently than two inefficiently. [illegible] regards education proper Lord [illegible] said:—"Some people are found to say [illegible] can educate too much. Most of us [illegible] both political and social, tell me that [illegible] been educating too much, but that is [illegible] view, because having watched for some [illegible] the London School Board I have [illegible] opinion that you can never educate too [illegible] But what you can do is this. You may [illegible] much at one time and do nothing thorou[illegible] He then went on to refer to the nature [illegible] education that was desirable; it should [illegible] the best possible; it should be made [illegible] interesting and attractive as possible [illegible] much stress could not be laid on [illegible] education; every encouragement should [illegible] given to games—for all work and [illegible]

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I think the attention of the Chairman Municipal Council should be drawn to this & that he should be asked whether, if it is the fact, as stated, that most of the Municipalities high & dry on the land, it would not be well to take the opportunity of removing it

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By all means ask him. If anything is done, it should be done at once, before the rains set in - but I think we should get the best advice from an engineering point of view, as it is a matter for careful consideration, whether the removal of the peat inside the reservoir, will not bring down the whole of the swamp just above it - and a retaining wall will be immensely costly & difficult to build, on account of the bad foundation.

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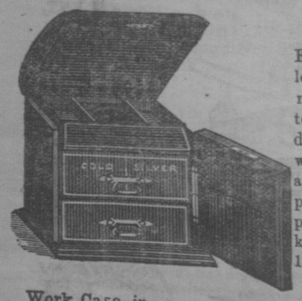
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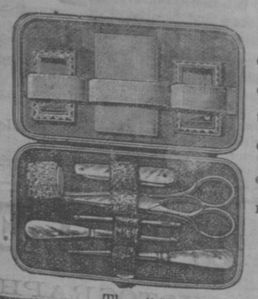


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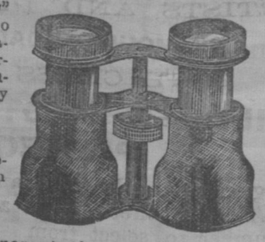




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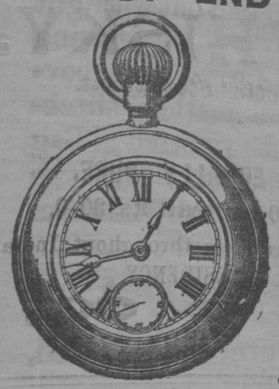
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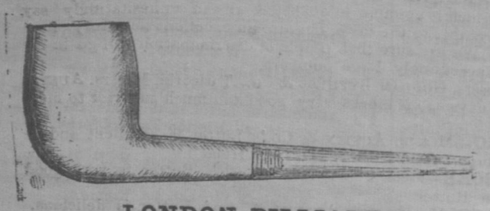
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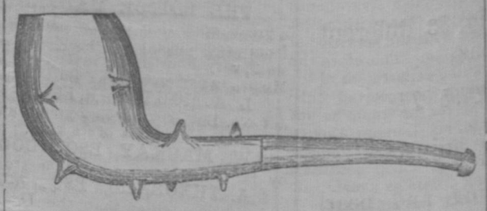
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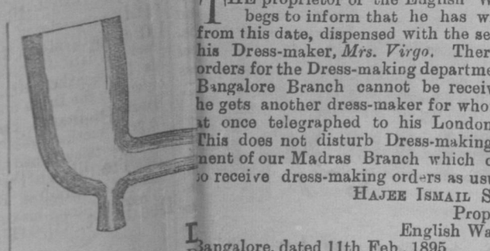
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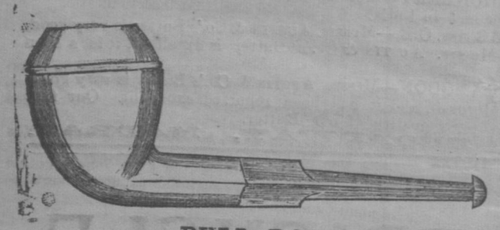


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Real Meerschaum, knotted "Albert" shape, amber mouthpiece 10 8



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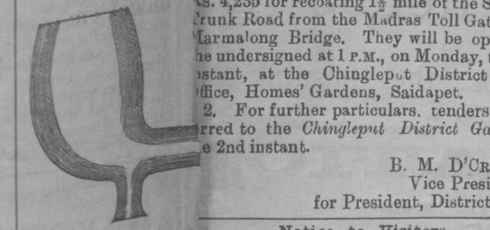
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Dr. Pflueger's Patent.

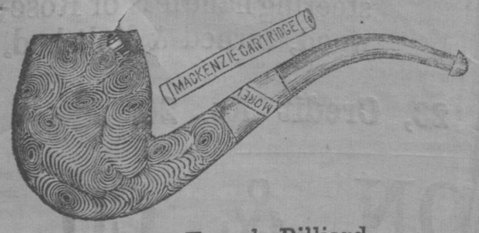
The late Sir Morell Mackenzie wrote regarding these pipes :—

19, HARLEY STREET,
CAVENDISH SQUARE,
27th August 1891.

DEAR SIR,

I think that Herr Pflueger's invention is a very good one. I have tried it and find that it answers well. The only suggestion that I can make is that it should have an additional mouthpiece which could be screwed into the proximate extremity of the pipe so as to make the stem twice the length it now is. This would lower the temperature of the smoke as it comes into the mouth. That the smoke should be cool is almost as important as that it should be free from acrid matters. You are at liberty to make whatever use of this letter that you may think fit.

Yours truly,
(Sd.) MORELL MACKENZIE.



Bent French Billiard.

Dr. Pflueger's Patent.

B. B. B. Briar, with patent Mackenzie Cartridge, silver mounted, vulcanite mouthpiece 3 0



LONDON BILLIARD.

Dr. Pflueger's Patent.

"London Billiard," with Mackenzie Cartridge, nickel mounted with vulcanite mouthpiece 1 0

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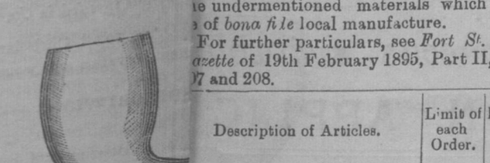


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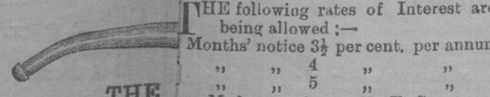
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...C., Gun Carriage Factory, ...to 21st March, 1895, for the services of an Auctioneer for the ensuing two years, *viz.*, 1895-96 and '96 97.

Reference to *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 5th March, 1895, Part II., page 341, is requested for further particulars.

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HAJEE ISMAIL SAIT,
Proprietor,
English Warehouse.
Bangalore, dated 11th Feb., 1895.

Notice.

TENDERS on deposit of earnest-money of Rs. 100 are invited for the supply of broken granite and gravel to the value of Rs. 4,235 for recoating 1½ mile of the Southern Trunk Road from the Madras Toll Gate to the Marmalong Bridge. They will be opened by the undersigned at 1 P.M., on Monday, the 18th instant, at the Chingleput District Board's Office, Homes' Gardens, Saidapet.

2. For further particulars, tenders are referred to the *Chingleput District Gazette* of the 2nd instant.

B. M. D'CRUZ,
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and 7-10ths of an inch. A large reduction of the temperature, due to storms, has occurred in Central India and Rajputana and a considerable reduction in the Punjab. The weather conditions continue unsettled in North-West and Central India and local duststorms and thunderstorms are again probable, more especially in Baluchistan, Sind and the Punjab.

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The Madras Mail.

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 1895.

The Viceroy's Executive Council.

THE RESIGNATION OF SIR CHARLES CROSTHWAITE and the approaching departure of Sir CHARLES PRITCHARD on leave have, to use the words of a contemporary, "suddenly opened up a vista of vacant thrones, the successions to which must naturally be the foremost topic of the moment throughout official India." Sir ANTONY MACDONNELL's appointment to the Lieutenant-Governorship of the North-West Provinces and Oude is now assured. His place as Home Member of the Viceroy's Council will be filled, according to a telegram received to-day, not by Sir FREDERICK FRYER, whose name has been freely mentioned in connection with it, but by Sir ALEXANDER MACKENZIE from Burma. Sir FREDERICK FRYER is to get the Chief Commissionership of Burma, but his tenure of that appointment is not likely to last long, as it is pretty certain that Sir ALEXANDER MACKENZIE will succeed Sir CHARLES ELLIOTT as Lieutenant Governor of Bengal, when presumably Sir FREDERICK FRYER will succeed him in the Viceroy's Executive Council. The likely candidate for Burma in that eventuality would be, it is said, Mr. J. D. LATOUCHE, at present Chief Secretary in the North-West Provinces, who held a division in Burma in the time of Sir CHARLES CROSTHWAITE. Before Sir ANTONY MACDONNELL enters upon the duties of the Lieutenant-Governorship of the North-West Provinces he is desirous of taking a few months holiday, leaving India at the end of the Calcutta Session and returning in the autumn to take over charge at Allahabad. During his absence it may be presumed that Mr. ALAN CADELL, who has been acting for Sir CHARLES CROSTHWAITE, will continue to act for the latter's successor, and that there will be no disturbance of existing arrangements there.

As regards the Public Works Membership, which will be vacant when Sir CHARLES PRITCHARD goes on leave early in May, the usual course would be to fill it up from either Madras or Bombay, in accordance with the well recognised and highly necessary rule that there should be at least one Member of the Viceroy's Council representing one or other of these Provinces. There is, however, good cause for believing that on the present occasion an attempt will be made to over rule custom and precedent in this matter, and that the vacancy will be filled from the Secretariat of the Government of India. The *Pioneer* has already let loose the *ballon d'essai* by which such new departures are usually preceded, and Madras and Bombay should lose no time in emphatically deprecating such an objectionable innovation. Our contemporary hopes that the Government of India "will rise superior to an obsolete etiquette." It contends that "to bring in a senior Civilian from Madras or Bombay for a few months would simply mean that Public Works business ... nothing less than that the proper person to act for the head of a Department on leave is the departmental Secretary. We venture to say that if such a proposition were uttered with reference to any other high appointment in the Government of India than the one in question, (where, be it marked, a Bombay or Madras Civilian is concerned) it would be flouted as preposterous. That acting incumbents suffer from some disabilities is undeniable; but such is the case everywhere in India. If the Public Works Department is in the critical stage which the *Pioneer* would have us believe, it is clear that the Public Works Member ought to forego his leave and stick to his post. But as a matter of fact the suggestion about "marking time" is, not to put too fine a point upon it, bunkum. We know from Sir CHARLES PRITCHARD's speech in Council last Thursday that the largest and most important portion of the Department's work has been sketched out for many years to come, and the final decision with regard to the many items of its programme will be settled not at Simla but at Whitehall. It is to be hoped that Lord ELGIN will not be blinded by dust thrown in his eyes from the Imperial Secretariat, where there is so much of it flying about. The power of that Secretariat is strong and its appetite for office is voracious. Commenting a few days ago on Sir GEORGE CHESNEY's remark, that "the prizes of the Service are practically monopolised by the Secretaries to the different Governments, whose services, if involving less real responsibility, bring them more prominently under the notice of the dispensers of patronage," the *Pioneer* remarked with reference to the Lieutenant Governorship of the N.W.P.:—"Practically everyone feels that the men whose reputation, however great, is only provincial, are not even in the running for a place like this. They are not on the ladder which is the only means of getting to the top of the house, and if twenty Governorships fell vacant they would be no nearer arriving there." The same remarks apply equally well to the case in point, and we can only wonder that the newspaper which gave utterance to them should veer round within a few days to exactly opposite sentiments.

The Scarcity of Water in Ootacamund.

WE HAVE WITHIN THE LAST FEW MONTHS heard a considerable number of complaints outside as well as within official circles, regarding the increasing scarcity of water in Ootacamund. That the problem is already a grave one, and likely to become still more serious in the near future, there can be no doubt, if the opinion of authorities is to be received as accurate. While there are so many remedies under discussion, it may not be out of place to enquire briefly into some of the causes that have brought about this present scarcity, and thus, at the same time, draw attention to a few preventive measures that might easily be adopted to prevent things going from bad to worse. Though we have frequently heard it stated that the variability of the Ootacamund seasons in the last few years is responsible for the failure of the water supply, we cannot bring ourselves to believe that this factor alone is entirely responsible. In addition to this "act of GOD" which we perhaps too eagerly seize upon as a means of escape from our own shortcomings, there are various "acts of man" to which we must ascribe in an equal, if not greater, degree the present lack of water in Ootacamund. We refer to the drying up of numerous springs and swamps, through the reckless cutting down of sheltering shola trees. ... streams that run through ... stream that starts from the Dodabe... is horribly befouled long before it rea... lake. It would surely be as possibl... desirable to confine the individuals ... ed to certain streams instead of ... them, as they are allowed at p... pollute all the running water in ... With so many ... expensive sc... remedying the sc...ty of water, it ... pear that the few simple preventive ... that we have endeavoured abov... attention to run a considerable ... being overlooked. It seems, inc... culous to be spending large sum... construction of reservoirs when th... and swamps that supply them ar... to dry up and existing streams are ... to be spoiled for drinking purpos...

Lord Sandhurst on Educat...

THE ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION OF PRI... children attending the Bombay ... Society's Schools took place on ... when H. E. the Governor of Bomba... and delivered himself of a spe... will no doubt be hailed with s... by all in the Bombay Presidency ... be connected with education, both... and taught. The speech was no... the first place, for the Governo... ment that "you can never edu... much," an opinion which has not ... universal acceptance in this count... which Lord Sandhurst may, afte... protracted sojourn in India, find ... modify somewhat. The Report of th... —in which there are 164 boys and ... was on the whole most satisfactory... subscriptions from the public fell ... last year as compared with the yea... and the profits of the excellent Press ... ed with the school were less, partly ... the serious fall in exchange and partly ... competition and a falling off in the an... government work given to the Pre... school bill of health was a clean one, ... result of the various examinations w... mendable, showing that the scho... worked well and benefited by the e... imparted to them. The workshop h... closed, after an existence of about eig... because the Directors could not see t... to find the large amount of money req... a new building, as well as for a re... plant and tools, which were nearly w... But the want of the workshop, it is hop... not be felt, as the boys will now be ... the Technical Institute. In regard to ... point, Lord Sandhurst said that he r... the necessity which compelled the D... to close the workshop, as he was stro... favour of anything in the way of t... education, but he had no doubt t... compass was boxed by those who w... ponsible for the administration, and ... better to close the workshop if it coul... carried on in an efficient manner— ... better, in effect, to carry on one ... efficiently than two inefficiently. ... regards education proper Lord Sa... said :—"Some people are fond of say... can educate too much. Most of my ... both political and social, tell me that ... been educating too much, but that is ... view, because having watched for so... the London School Board I have ... opinion that you can never educate t... But what you can do is this. You ma... much at one time and do nothing thor... He then went on to refer to the natu... education that was desirable; it sh... the best possible; it should be ... interesting and attractive as possil... much stress could not be laid on ... education; every encouragement sh... given to games—for all work and ...

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500—26-6-94.

DEPARTMENT.

C. No.

FOR ORDERS.

The "Madras Mail" of the 11th inst. containing an article headed "The Scarcity of Water in Ootacamund" is circulated in accordance with the instructions given in Council

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12/3/95

I think the attention of the Chairman Munl. Council shd. be drawn to this & that he shd. be asked whether, if it is the fact, as stated, that most of the peat lies high & dry on the bed, it would not be well to take the opportunity of removing it

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15/3/95

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By all means ask him. If anything is done, it should be done at once, before the rains set in – but I think we should get the best advice from an engineering point of view, as it is a matter for careful consideration, whether the removal of the peat inside the reservoir, will not bring down the whole of the swamp just above it – and a retaining wall will be immensely costly & difficult to build, on account of the bad foundation.

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Scarcity of water in Ootacamund

C.S.

Order. D/23-3-95 No. 521 Mis

H.M.
& Civic

The attention of the C.M.C. Ootacamund ~~will be~~ is drawn to an article headed "The scarcity of water in Ootacamund" in the "Madras Mail" of the 11th March in which it is stated that most of the peat which slipped a few years back into the Marlimund Reservoir is now well above the level of the water & could be easily removed. (2.) The Chairman is requested to consider the advisability of removing this peat, if the facts are as stated, before the monsoon breaks, but before commencing any operations to effect this he shd. take the best engineering advice available as to whether the removal of the peat in the bed of the reservoir would be likely to cause any further slips in the peat swamp above it.

W.C. 22-3-95 (from orders).

22/3/95

CHIEF SECRETARY
20 MAR. 1895
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

To,
The Chairman M.C. Ootacamund.

23/3/95

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