

BIRTHS

On the 6th April, between Calcutta and Madras, JOY, wife of C.C.T. EASTGATE, of Calcutta, of a son.

On the 24th inst., at Harrow, to ELSIE, wife of W. M. BAIRD, of Montreal, a daughter.

On June 25th, LADY ELEANOR FINWALL, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES

On the 22nd June, at St. John's Church Queniborough, by the Rev. Bassett Kerry, BASIL EDGAR PEDLEY, of Bulcote Manor, Nottingham, to ELIZABETH MAY CORAH, of Hayes Grange, Slinfold, younger daughter of the Tate Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Corah of Scraftoft Hall, Leicester.

On the 23rd June, at St. Mary's, Fenchurch, EC, by the Rev. Das Hagen, MAURICE DAVID NIVEN, son of the late Maurice Niven, of Ely, to AMANDA, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. BUTLER, of Havering, Stansted, Essex.

DEATHS

On the 23rd inst., JOHN A. PLUMMER, of Clapham and Old Jewry, aged 71.

On the 23rd inst., after many months of patient suffering, MIRIAM GODDING, aged 59 years, for 38 years the faithful friend and servant of Henry John Cohen of Fairfield, Brixton-hill. Interred at Norwood Cemetery. Canadian papers, copy.

On the 24th inst., at Whetstone, KATHLEEN MARY, infant daughter of HARRY WILKINSON BROOKS, aged six months.

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TEXTILE STOCKS UP

Several textile manufacturing companies have posted gains in the past few days, but the leader has been the firm of Heathcliff and Son, Ltd. The active buying is apparently the result of rumours concerning an imminent merger between this Manchester-based firm and one or more German textile companies. August Heathcliff, president and majority stockholder, could not be reached for comment on the rumours. Ermen and Engels, another Manchester-based firm, has also shown impressive gains.

AMERICAN MARKETS
New York, June 24

Wheat opened about 1/2c lower, and the market has ruled weaker on the better weather reports from Europe and "longs" selling. The export trade, however, has been fairly good, values closing at 1/2c to 1/8c lower.

Corn has had an irregular market, although "bulls" have sold out some of their contracts, and the tone, in sympathy with the wheat market, is dull at the quotations.

Lard has a weaker market under the influence of speculation. The closing quotations show a decline of 2 to 10 points.

Coffee at the opening was weaker, 25 points down for September and October, and 15 down for December.

STRAND IMPROVEMENT IMMINENT

Plans for the transformation of part of Holborn are being earnestly studied by members of the London City Council. Besides the new tree-lined streets to be created, there will be a tunnel for the trams which will run underground for a half-mile before surfacing on the Embankment. As with all such developments in which poorer sections of crowded housing are to be removed, the plans designate generous recreation and park space. The private contractor's name most often mentioned in association with the plans for this street is that of Cedrick Livingston. His ambitious developments in the past have generally been quite successful, and the plans he has submitted for the new one-hundred-foot-wide Kingsway, as the street is being tentatively called, are gaining favour with the council members.

NEW CONSTABLES

A new recruitment to enhance and expand the ranks of the London Constabulary is now underway. Applicants for these positions must be free of Criminal backgrounds and in good physical condition. Those interested are urged to present themselves at the New Scotland Yard offices.

THE TIMES may be PURCHASED, in Paris, at 8, Rue des Capucines; in Boulogne-sur-Mer, at Merridew's Library; in Brussels, at 46, Rue de la Madeleine; and in Rome, at I, Piazza di Spagna.

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SILVER BLAZE WINS WESSEX

The Wessex Plate was won yesterday by Colonel Ross' Silver Blaze against a small field. The favourite went off at five to four in heavy betting and completed the new course a good six lengths ahead of Lord Backwater's Desborough in second and the Duke of Balmoral's Iris in third. There was some mystery involved in the absence of the familiar white markings on the four year old, but there was no mystery about his familiar strong running.

MR BRIGHT

Last evening it was stated that Mr. Bright had slept well during Tuesday night, had passed a comfortable day, and had sat by his bedroom fire for two hours. Although, however, he was slowly improving and stronger, the state of the weather rendered it unsafe for him to attempt any further exertion at the present time.

FOREIGN AND COLONIAL NEWS

We have received the following telegrams through the Reuters' Agency:—

STRIKE RIOTS IN FRANCE

St. Etienne, June 25

Serious disturbances occurred yesterday evening at Pirminy, where the three leaders of the strike at that place were recently arrested. A body of some 500 strikers collected in the principal square of the town, and as their aspect became somewhat threatening, the Commissary of Police requisitioned the services of a detachment of dragoons.

The Commissary then called upon the crowd to disperse, but they refused, whereupon the troops were ordered to charge. The strikers attempted to resist the soldiers and a conflict ensued, in which several persons were more or less injured.

THE UNITED STATES

Washington, June 25

Orders have been issued to hasten the work of preparing three warships. Two of these are to be equipped at Mare Island and the other at New York. It is reported that the vessels will be despatched either to Samoa or to the Isthmus of Panama.

New York, June 25

In his decision yesterday against the North River Sugar Refining Company for entering a trust, the Judge of the Supreme court declared that the trust was illegal.

THE EAST AFRICA BLOCKADE

Zanzibar, June 25

The German gunboat Schwalbe is badly ashore about 20 miles south of Batanmoyo. It is feared that she will not be able to get off.

CAPE COLONY

Cape Town, June 25

The export of gold from the Cape during the month of May amounted in value to £125,000.

AUSTRIA - HUNGARY

Vienna, June 25

It is announced that the Delegations will meet at Budapest on July 10, and that the extra credits to be asked for by the War Minister will amount to nearly 3,000,000. Part of this money will be applied to the creation of a new cavalry regiment. The war budget will amount altogether to 114,000,000

EAST AFRICA

Berlin, June 25

Herr Eugen Wolf, formerly commercial adviser to Major von Wissmann, has again left for East Africa to report on the trade and industrial prospects of the German Crown.

MR. GLADSTONE AND MR. EDISON

New York, June 20

Mr. Edison has received from Colonel Gouroud phonograms from several English celebrities, including the Duke of Cambridge, Mr. Gladstone, the Speaker of the House of Commons, the Postmaster-General, and the Lord Mayor of London. Mr. Gladstone addressed Mr. Edison through the instrument as follows:

"Dear Mr. Edison,— I am profoundly indebted to you for, not the entertainment only, but the instruction and the marvels of one of the most remarkable evenings which it has been my privilege to enjoy.

"The request that you have done me the honour to make to receive the record of my voice — is one that I cheerfully comply with so far as lies in my power, though I lament to say that the voice which I transmit

to you is only the relic of an organ the employment of which has been overstrained. Yet I offer to you as much as I possess and so much as old age has left me, with the utmost satisfaction, as being, at least, a testimony to the instruction and delight that I have received from your marvellous invention. As to the future consequences, it is impossible to anticipate them.

"All I see is that wonders upon wonders are opening before us. Your great country is leading the way in the important work of invention. Heartily do we wish it well; and to you, as one of its greatest celebrities, allow me to offer my hearty good wishes and earnest prayers that you may live long to witness its triumphs in all that appertains to the well-being of mankind.

"WILLIAM EWART GLADSTONE"

POLICE

At Lambeth, yesterday, SAMUEL B. PICKETT, gentleman farmer, of Elcombe Farm, Wrothton, Swindon, was summoned, at the instance of the Lambeth Vestry, under the Food and Drugs Act, for having, on the 2nd and again on the 10th of June, sold to the prejudice of the purchasers, Messrs J. and R. Broomfield, milk deprived of its natural cream to the extent of 40 percent, as certified by the public analyst of the parish.

THE POOR BOX

Received at the Mansion House: — Armourers' and Braziers' Company, £15 15s.; Mrs. C. Chan, £5 5s.; and Mr. H. Curwen, £1 7s. 1d.

FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT

Yesterday the 7.30 workmen's train from Willesden to Euston came into violent contact with a cow, and killed it.

DISASTER AT SEA

Lloyd's agent at Durban telegraphs, under date June 20, 4.25 p.m.: — "The following vessels have driven ashore during a hurricane at Tamatave on June 8:— The French man-of-war Dayot, United States barque Glide, British schooner Beletto, four chassemarees, totally wrecked. All hands saved. Some part of the cargo may possibly be recovered. Three chassemarees have sunk in the harbour."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir, — I arrived here from Switzerland on May 28, and had a few (under a dozen) cigars in my trunk, the gift of a friend in Geneva. I declared to the officials of the Custom-house on arriving at Turin that I had these cigars. They said I must pay duty on them, and charged me the sum of 3f. 50c. While weighing this handful of cigars (which was done out of my sight) I found that, not content with making me pay for them, the officials had added injury to insult by abstracting some of them.

May this be a warning to travellers who smoke in coming to this part of Europe.

Your obedient servant,
CALVERT MADISON
Turin

CAPTURE OF A SLAVER

Suakin, June 24

Her Majesty's ship Fearless has captured a dhow with 131 slaves, boys and females, on board, south of Agig. The vessel has been condemned, and the slaves will be handed over to the government authorities.