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Politics and Politicians.

Undoubtedly the sensation of the moment, though it is likely to have more than a momentary effect, is the revolt of the "whodiggers" against the policy advocated by a number of Tory organs of vigorously suppressing discussion inside the Tory Party of the Tariff Reform programme. On occasion in the furtherance of a conspiracy of silence have been the "Spectator," "Times," "Daily Mail," and "Yorkshire Post," and the "Observer" has declared that, until the Irish question is settled, every attempt, no matter from what section proceeding, to make Tariff Reform the subject of friction in the Tory Party should be vigorously suppressed. In consequence of this political censorship, the Honorary Secretary of the Farmers' Tariff Union has been complaining of an iron boycott of the Tariff Reform programme. His endeavour to ventilate the grievance of the farmer against the Edinburgh version of Tariff Reform, whereupon the "Morning Post" took a hand in the domestic squabble by announcing that it would be delighted to publish a letter from any farmer "in support of the whole policy of Tariff Reform and Imperial Preference."

In the protest which the Secretary of the Farmers' Tariff Union has made against the proposal to tax the commodities of the farmer's use without giving him any equivalent advantage in a protective tariff on his produce he is not going outside the position laid down by the larger and more representative body—the National Farmers' Union. A resolution, carried by nearly every county committee of that Union, the National Executive by a great many local branches, refused to be a party to "any change in our fiscal policy that excludes agriculture from its benefits." The farmer is evidently not satisfied with the "compensation" which Mr. Bonar Law has promised him out of the proceeds of a duty upon manufactured goods. He does well and wisely to be dissatisfied, for it is in the very nature of a protective duty that the sum payable by the consumer is not equal to the amount of compensation received by the farmer, for having to pay more for taxed goods which he does not produce, would be exactly nothing. If the Duke is right, the farmer is clearly being fooled.

Mr. Rowland Hunt—known to the House of Commons as "Bodicea"—Hunt is a type of the squariness which is becoming gradually obsolete at Westminster. One of the many virtues and the single talent which Mr. Hunt exemplifies, is the tendency to blurt out truths very disconcerting alike to the dexterous or the rigorous suppressors of friction arising from Tariff Reform. At a meeting of the Wenlock Ward of the National Farmers' Union, he denounced the memorial which Tory members signed, asking Mr. Bonar Law not to give up the leadership as a "cleverly engineered" move. But this memorial, which culminated in the Edinburgh modification of the Tariff Reform programme, according to Mr. Hunt, though it was supposed to have pledged the Party to give up food duties and Preference at the next General Election, contained no such pledge. What, in the name of all that is dark and devils, did the Edinburgh pledge contain?

The close season for political speeches has been concluded by Lord Londonderry at a smoking concert at Seaham Harbour. Lord Londonderry made great play with the increase of national expenditure under a Liberal administration. Lord Londonderry regards with consternation the expenditure upon social reform—Old Age Pensions, Health Insurance, Unemployment Allowance, and Labour Exchanges. The only expenditure which he approves is upon armaments. He does not complain that the cost of the Navy has risen in recent years by three or four million pounds. He blames the Liberal Party for reluctance to spend much more freely. The sum and substance of Lord Londonderry's case is that a Liberal Government is spending too much on reproductive, but not enough on non-productive expenditure. The Liberal Government undertakes social reform in order to create jobs for its followers, it scarcely deserves notice. Mr. Bonar Law started off as a Unionist leader by attacking the Government on this point. As for the Liberal Government, he replied that he would make it good when the Government supplied him with the necessary evidence. He got at last two Government returns, in response to his demand, and has discreetly steered clear of the topic ever since.

The late Duke of Devonshire once fell the obiter dictum, while giving over his onerous duties as virtual Minister of Education, that the British public hates the subject of education. The utterance was, perhaps, characterised by more exaggeration than that of the similarly well-meaning but ever at any other time guilty of it. But it is true that the British public is too apathetic on this vital problem. The meeting at the Mansion House, in support of the London Continuation Schools, brought out a great defect in our system of national education. In the last recorded year, so the Chairman of the Education Committee of the London County Council pointed out, out of 210,000 school children, less than 50,000 enrolled themselves as students in the evening schools. The evening school system is breaking down. There are industrial centres where the London record is better; there are others in which it is even equal. The Government's hope to make a great advance in improving our educational system, so that this wastage of latent ability may be checked, depends on the British public being brought to see that education is a great industrial asset.

Mr. Pease, in a notable speech at the Mansion House meeting, appealed for a strong effort to be made to stop this wastage of latent ability. The most promising line of solution was, he declared, through a system under which employers will make arrangements, in regard to any rate to employees between the ages of fourteen and sixteen, for time to be given off, with a reduction of wages, for attendances at day continuation classes. Under this scheme, employers will not find the supply of labour diminished, and there will be no reduction of the family income. The Government, he said, advocates would affect about one million and a half of the youth of the country. Only by some such measure can this country hope to hold its own in competition with other countries which are devoting more attention to continuous education. It is to be hoped that the nation will respond with alacrity to Mr. Pease's patriotic appeal.

Loss of Appetite.

Loss of appetite is usually traceable to some form of stomach or liver trouble, and may be taken as a sign that the digestive system is in need of a stimulating tonic. When you can't eat, or when food is distasteful, just try the effect of taking Mother Selig's. It is a powerful, yet delicate, tonic. This splendid herbal remedy tones up and strengthens the digestive organs, sharpens the appetite, and regulates the whole system. Then you not only eat your food with a relish, but, moreover, your blood is purified, your strength and vitality, and makes you look well, feel well, and keep well.

YOUTH AND HIS RAILWAY FARE.

A Church Prosecution.
Harry Cliff, aged 18, of Alexandra-road, Southport, said to be the son of well-to-do parents, was summoned at Church Police Court, on Thursday, for travelling on the railway without payment of full fare, with intent to defraud.
Mr. Daniel, a solicitor for the L. & Y. Railway Co., briefly stated the case. On Wednesday, December 10th, Mr. Greenhalgh, the station master at Church, collected the tickets from passengers alighting from a train to Blackpool train, due at 1.15 p.m. Cliff, one of the passengers who alighted, asked Mr. Greenhalgh the fare from Accrington, and on being informed that it was a penny, gave Mr. Greenhalgh a return ticket. Mr. Greenhalgh asked if he had another ticket, and defendant replied "What do you mean; is that not enough?" Mr. Greenhalgh thereupon told defendant that Accrington was a closed station, and that therefore he must either have a platform ticket or a ticket from some station to Accrington. Defendant eventually produced some other tickets, including a return from Burnley to Nelson with the date. There were several other excess tickets as well, but none available between Burnley and Church. Defendant tendered sixpence, the fare between Burnley and Accrington, but it was refused.
Mr. Greenhalgh and M. McGregor, a porter, gave evidence bearing out the facts as stated by Mr. Daniel.
Mr. Cliff, for the defence, told the magistrate that defendant that day travelled from Manchester to Accrington and thence to Burnley, where he took out a single excess ticket between Burnley and Accrington. Later he travelled from Burnley to Nelson and took out a return excess, which entitled him to return to Burnley. Defendant was under the impression that instead of Accrington being a closed station, between Accrington and Burnley, he had booked a return. He asserted that, taking all the circumstances into consideration, it was a case of forgetfulness rather than a deliberate attempt to defraud. Defendant, who worked for his father, was reimbursed all his travelling expenses, and he made his return out for the day his cash was sevenpence more than it should be.
The magistrates drew Mr. Cliff's attention to the fact that defendant tendered the penny excess between Accrington and Church he did not tender any ticket along with his excess.
Defendant gave evidence, and when cross-examined by Mr. Daniel said that at Burnley he took a single excess from Accrington, and did not intend to make his return out further journey.
The magistrates imposed a fine of 5s. and costs.

We're 82 To-day and still well.



Mr. Jacob Clark, 6, Westcott Street, Swindon. (From a photograph.)
CURED 10 YEARS AGO.
TEN YEARS AGO, Mr. Clark said:—"My health was good until the age of seventy, when I was taken with agonising pains in the back, a stabbing kind of pain that almost took my breath away. There was a gravelly sediment in the water like brackish."

CURED TWO YEARS AGO.
TWO YEARS AGO, Mrs. C. Maitland said:—"Latterly I have had serious kidney weakness, which caused fearful pains in my back, accompanied by disordered excretions and sediment. I could scarcely rise from a chair or turn in my bed, and was much distressed by failing eyesight."

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TWO YEARS LATER, Mr. Clark said:—"Although eighty-two years old, I feel like fifty or sixty. My health is wonderful. I go out for long walks every day, and eat and sleep well. Nothing is so helpful as Doan's Backache Kidney Pills in my old age."

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TWO YEARS LATER, Mrs. C. Maitland said:—"Although eighty-two years old, I now enjoy good health. I take Doan's Backache Kidney Pills in my old age, and can get in and out of trams. I still find Doan's Pills the best of kidney medicines."

THE LIVERPOOL MURDER.

Verdict of Murder Against Elltoft and Sumner.

Gruesome Details.
Fresh light was thrown on Wednesday on the gruesome tragedy which has become known as the Liverpool sack murder. The inquiry on the murdered woman, Miss Catherine Christine Bradfield, was held, and after a long hearing the jury returned a verdict of "Willful murder" against Samuel Angeles Elltoft (18) and George Ball, alias Sumner (23).
Both prisoners were in court, and each pleaded "Not Guilty."
It will be remembered that Sumner, when arrested, was found to be cleverly disguised, and that his statement was that the crime was due to a third man not in custody. A sensation was created during the evidence tendered by Dr. David Moore, Alexander. The doctor had received certain articles from the police for examination to ascertain whether they showed stains of human blood.
The articles included a grey check suit belonging to Ball, and a quantity of clothing that had been worn by Elltoft.
In the course of his evidence the doctor said:—"I found human bloodstains on Ball's trousers—both legs—on the right cuff, and the jacket, also on the coats which had been removed from the floor. I found no bloodstains on any of the clothing belonging to Elltoft."
Medical evidence showed that death was due to concussion of the brain, caused by blows on the head from a blunt instrument.
One of the most dramatic moments in the inquiry was when Elltoft was called upon by his solicitor to give evidence. The now walked smartly to the box, and his voice and that of Mr. Behn's were the only ones that broke the silence.
And you find that Elltoft was an accomplice in the murder, what was going on all the time? Is that right?—Yes.
The Coroner: Then there is a verdict of willful murder against these two men.
Ball was immediately removed from the dock, but Elltoft remained until the witness had been bound over to appear at the next assizes.
The two men were formally remanded until Tuesday next, when they will be brought up at the City Police Court.
Mr. Munro-Ferguson, M.P., speaking at Inverness, said that the Duke of Sutherland's offer to the Government should be entertained, not to establish crofters on the land, but for agriculture. He himself on his 40,000 acres at Novar had made a net profit of over £100,000 in the last 30 years.
At the twenty-first annual meeting of the Co-operative Builders Association on Saturday in Bolton, it was reported that 16,000 persons spent their holidays at the thirteen British and five Continental guest-houses of the Association. Mr. J. L. Foston spoke of the work of the Association in promoting better relations between this country and Germany.

TRADESMEN FRATERNISE.

Pleasant Evening at the Liberal Club.
For the benefit of the members (with their wives) of the respective associations, the Accrington and District Grocers' and the Accrington Tradesmen's Association jointly held a social, concert and dance in the Accrington Liberal Club on Wednesday evening.
The annual combined event as a means of bringing local traders together, apart from the annual gatherings of the separate associations. There was an attendance of over 100 at Wednesday's affair, which proved of a most enjoyable character. Mr. J. Booth, president of the Grocers', and Mr. A. Bell, president of the Tradesmen's Association, presided, and made an annual note. The first part of the evening's proceedings took the form of a concert, and Mr. S. Broughton's party gave an excellent evening's entertainment, comprising Mrs. F. Wilson, soprano; Miss N. Hamer, contralto; Mr. H. Cookson, tenor; Mr. A. Hacking, baritone; and Mr. H. Gilmore, pianist and harpist, with Mr. S. Broughton, accompanist. In addition to the separate items by the vocalists, the party rendered a selection of songs, and a very interesting and useful information. The women have the basket power and necessarily an expert buyer's explanation. Cost of buildings, depression, working expenses, share capital, cottage property, markets, how to buy as a manager, leakage, various needs of different localities, butchery, grocery, etc., were all admirably dealt with.
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On Tuesday evening the usual monthly business meeting was held, Mrs. Yates presiding. Miss Margaret Bondfield (secretary of the Citizenship Sub-committee) had communicated at the meeting regarding the forthcoming Educational Bill, and submitted questions in connection with continuation schools, viz.:—Do you know of any cases where attendance at evening schools was a good long day? e.g. a boy or girl rises at 5.30 to go to work and does not get home at 5.30 from school till 8.5 p.m. Do you know of any cases where overstrain or injury to health has resulted from attendance at evening schools? Do you know of any cases where girls or boys have given up attending evening schools because their health was suffering, or because the fatigue and effort was too great? Do you know of any cases where the Educational Authority has asked the employer to give time off? Do you know of any cases where the employer has given time off?
A good discussion followed on education. Mrs. Slack quoted Dr. Mumford, of Manchester, who he said there was not so much mental laziness amongst children as inefficiency resulting from lack of sleep. If children attending day schools could be got to bed earlier, it would be better both for teachers and children.
Mrs. Mills drew attention to the remark of a councillor that "co-opted members should not vote." In her opinion if they were useful enough to work the Educational Authority they ought to vote.
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Middlesex Licensing Committee has refused to alter its decision not to allow Sunday performances at cinemas. For one cinema it was argued that the police reports throughout the country show that cinemas have reduced Sunday rowdiness, and that cinema performances kept people from attending public-houses, clubs, and other places. It was stated for the Sunday before Christmas that from the London areas where cinemas open on Sundays only a small part of the profits finds its way to charities.

CO-OPERATIVE WOMEN AND CITIZEN SUBJECTS.

An interesting social was held on Saturday evening in the Assembly-room, Oak-street, in connection with the Accrington branch of the Women's Co-operative Guild. The committee are to be congratulated on their decision to make their social gatherings educational and instructive. A topic that has received a good deal of attention lately is the rise in prices of food everywhere. The members of the Guild solicited the advice of the society's manager (Mr. Holmes) in the matter to ascertain the reasons for the rise in prices. The speaker gave an interesting and useful information. The women have the basket power and necessarily an expert buyer's explanation. Cost of buildings, depression, working expenses, share capital, cottage property, markets, how to buy as a manager, leakage, various needs of different localities, butchery, grocery, etc., were all admirably dealt with.
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