Strike. A CONFERENCE TO-DAY.

Allegations of Free Beer.

A preliminary conference took place at Blackburn on Saturday between the Mayor and Alderman Nuttall (representing the Corporation) and Mr. J. R. Clynes, M.P., on be liberations were adjourned till to-day, when there is also to be held a meeting of the strikers whose attitude, as then expressed, will determine the action of their representatives in the event of to-morrow's preli-

the men have issued a circular addressed fair year has been experienced, but a decline to the ratepayers of the town, and calling in the general position has occurred. attention "to the unscrupulous methods employed by the corporation authorities in their efforts to defeat the just claim of the men engaged in the dispute." "Luxurious treatment," it is alleged, has been accorded the men introduced to carry on the work in the gas department, and a list is given of the "intoxicating drink, tobacco, food, etc." which have passed into Addison-street and Greenbank gasworks since January 1. The list reads as follows:

tobacco, bedding, flannels and shoes,

"Motor cars have been engaged," the from the dragging demand experienced, that EMPIRE PICTURE PALACE, circular adds, "to bring blackleg labour into the works, and double the usual wages are being paid."

Sanitation in several parts of Blackburn is still conducted on old-fashioned lines and in view of the danger to public health through the strike a meeting of the residents in Wensley Fold on Sunday unanimously passed a resolution urging the Mayor to use all the powers of his high office in the direction of a settlement of the dispute. TEMPERANCE WORKERS' PROTEST.

meeting at Blackburn on Saturday, when in Bombay, and also to a lesser extent in other several temperance workers unanimously passed a resolution protesting against the

Addison-street works," wrote the man, "and got £2. All the men were drunk when they came, and they have been drunk all the time and made to work. They promised with boots, clogs and shirts."

Whilst he (the speaker) desired to do nothing which might prejudice the forthcoming peace conterence he was there to declare that ends, in this case did not justify the means, (Hear, hear.) If, as the chairman of the Gas Committee had said, these men were fond of beer, surely that was an argument for trying to retrieve them from rather than encourage them in debauchery. By this action official sanction had been given to the drink evil, and he if they could not see their way to end the have to be held before definite terms can be The other views include the completion of strike, at least to cease to acquiese in the arranged. degrading of their fellows. (Applause).

The Rev. J. W. Rose, a leading Congregational minister, and formerly secretary of the Free Church Council, moved a resolu-That this meeting of temperance and

Christian workers, having learned that large quantities of beer have been imported into the Corporation gasworks at Addisonstreet and Greenbank for consumption by the men at work there, earnestly protests against the continuance of the practice. In doing so, he said, they would be fail-

ing in their duty if they did not strenuously protest against the money of the ratepayers being freely spent in providing men in public works with intoxicants. The authorities might or might not be justified in attempting to defeat the strikers by importas a weapon to fight their employes in an an offence in the eyes of a large section of was injured. the community, and a disgrace to the authorities. (Applause.)

"We cannot but feel," he added, "that THEATRE ROYAL. those responsible have exceeded their duty and have done something unworthy of those appointed to represent their fellowtownsmen. The methods of past generations will not be tolerated to-day. Those who would be leaders must respect the moral convictions of their fellow-citizens." (Applause.)

"SWILLING MEN WITH POISON." The resolution was seconded by the Rev. W. G. Peck, United Methodist pastor. "One would have thought," he said "that whatever the political complexion of a public body like the Corporation of Black burn they would have had more common sense and human decency than to act as they have done in an issue of this sort. a third of what is reported concerning the Princess Helen, the Regent's nicce, shall be gasworks is true the condition of things is simply loathsome. Whether the strike is settled or not, this kind of thing must stop," (Applause.) The Rev. R. K. Postlethwaite also sup-

ported the resolution, which it was decided to send to the Town Council.

SALVATIONISTS' QUARTERS

Broken Into During Service.

Back Window Removed Bodily

tion Army Barracks in St. James'-street, Acc- Cleather. rington, on Sunday night, the officers' quarters in the same street were broken into, and a sum of about £1 5s. stolen.

this money, and was under the impression features. that it still remained in the care of the officers. Luckily, however, they had come a day too late, and the cash had been placed in safe

QUEEN'S HALL, CHURCH.

Fallen Angel" is a dramatic and pathetic story. were damaged to the extent of about £20, and of slag must have accidentally got into the "A Christmas Accident" deals , with the Mr. Carter was burnt about the hands. adventures or mis-adventures of Santa Claus in arriving at the wrong house with his wares, amusing days "When Pimple was young."

"alking along the river bank at Greenwich on Cleethorpes. from the water.

A Cotton Review

MR. TATTERSALL AND TRADE IN 1913.

busy and making good profits, but during the the property of the Exors. of George cear some loss of strength was experienced, and at the close the position of producers was nothing like so healthy as at the beginning. In weaving re-course has had to be taken to on December 1st, and on December 29th and half of the men, with a view to deciding curtailment of production in an irregular way. January 5th, Walsh was found dealing with parently fallen. Witness raised him with the the contending parties. Eventually the de- be desired. This state of affairs has to some extent been brought about by over production. as during the last few years there has been a considerable increase in the number of looms. In the yern section spinners of fine numbers have had an encouraging year and remain well fortified with orders, but some ground has minary conference succeeding in re-opening trade is not so remunerative as at the beginning of the year. In allied industries, such In the meantime the Strike Committee of as calico printing, bleaching, and dyeing, a

The year was one of great prosperity for spinners of yarn, but most concerns did fairly and stocktaking results showed that profits about equalled 1912. The demand during the latter half of the year was not so healthy as the first six months. In American qualities for home consumption the general offtake was encouraging, but there was some talk of organised short time. The Masters' Federation did not take a ballot of the members on this question, it being very doubtful whether the trade was ready for such drastic Addison-street: 16 barrels of beer, 26 action. On the whole, wefts have done rather cases of bottles, numerous cases of liquor, better than twists, and the superior marks in the taking away of the lead. all kinds of yarn have been more favourably Walsh who had nothing to say when Greenbank: 18 barrels of beer, 15 cases situated than the inferior qualities. In formally charged was committed for trial of bottles, several carcases of mutton, a descriptions suitable for shipment abroad the at Preston Sessions. large quantity of beef and a van load of year has been very disappointing, and exports were much less than in 1912. It was evident

the weaving trade abroad was not active. The year was a record one for foreign trade in piece goods, the total shipments being larger than either of the two previous record years. A serious falling off in the demand transpired during the last few months, and owing to manufacturers not being able to sell anything like the production of the looms, order lists rapidly ran down, with the result that some restriction of the output has had to take place. A feature of the year was the continued heavy exports to India, and the offtake from month to month was on a very large scale. The monsoon began Some remarkable speeches were made at a satisfactory, and later on, the financial crisis well, but the autumn rains were not altogether

parts, thoroughly disorganised trade. action of the Corporation in providing beer but orders were given cut rather unevenly. barbarians. In Egypt the contrast between for men imported to maintain the gas supply During the latter part of the year a welcome the simplicity and vigour of a hardy conquerimprovement transpired in the turnover for ing race and the decadence of a highly ad-The Rev. G. H. Dymock, who presided, the near Eastern outlets, numerous buyers for vanced civilisation was found as at no other said the meeting should be perfectly clear the Levant and Egypt being more disposed to point to which the Roman forces had peneupon the point that they were not present purchase. The South American markets were truted. Cleopatra, successively the mistrees to discuss in any way the merits of the not at all active, and are still rather discourag- of two of the greatest figures in the first and strike, but had simply gathered, as temper- ing. Most makers of shirtings have done well. second triumvirates, Casar and Antony, hastance workers, to protest against what might Manufacturers in Burnley and district scarcely ened the fall of the Ptolemies by the excess of be termed a free-beer scandal. He had in participated to the full extent in the general the very charm which had made her famous is possession a letter written by one of the activity in weaving circles, and the same may through the ages. Her obsession of Antony, strike-breakers which formed an interesting be said with regard to makers of coloured to his exclusion alike of his duties to Rome sidelight upon the methods of the Corpora- woven goods and sateens in Nelson and Colne. and the claims by his wife, bring about the It was a prosperous twelve months for most ruin of all. The Casar, placed at the head of "I spent from Saturday to Monday at the manufacturors in Preston and district. home trade did well in the summer, the feature their position in the East, succeeds in remov-I have had 36 pints of beer, and 46 packets of the demand being light plain materials. of cigarettes. I have worked five shifts and there being a slump in floral designs in printed

The outstanding feature of the year, so far as labour matters are concerned, was the anything so we would work They found us abandonment of the Brooklands Agreement by the trades unions interested. In January the Operative Spinners' Amalgametion, owing to disentisfaction as to the interpretation of certain clauses, decided to withdraw from its conditions. This left the position rather awkward, as the cardroom workers and the winders and beamers were still tied to the document. Right at the end of the year the Cardroom Operatives' Amalgamation withdrew, and also the winders and beamers, and to all intents and purposes the document is dead. It is expected that an early attempt will be made by all interested to formulate a new agreement. appealed to the Corporation, to the towns- but this will not be an easy matter, and it is people generally and to men in authority, | probable that many joint conferences will

ACCRINGTON STREET INCIDENT.

Lamp-posts.

On Saturday afternoon when Arthur Ingham carter for Mr. J. T. Waite, wholesale grocer, was delivering groceries at Mr. Waite's residence in Hollins-lane, two horses with the Mr. W. S. Walker. An address by the Rev ing labour procured at exorbitant cost but lurry in Ingham's charge at the top of they were not justified in bribing such men Royds-street took fright and bolted down to come to Blackburn by the offer of free the street. Near Eaton Bank he lurry their influence feit wherever they went, drink. A grave offence had been committed came in collision with a lamp jost and but disagreed with those whose goodness by those entrusted with the management of smashed it. Further down the lurry was negative. knocked another lamp post down and industrial dispute. It was a slight upon the dragged it several yards. The horses fell, good name of the town. (Applause.) It was one being badly cut on the chest. No one

BLACKBURN

"PRINCESS CAPRICE."

"Princess Caprice," the delightful musical play which is presented at the Theatre Royal Blackburn, this week, will be a novelty to most playgoers of North East Lancashire, and should for that reason afford them all the more a delightful surprise. The plot deals with the financial difficulties of Thessalia. Bogumil the Regent, having run through all the available funds and the treasury being exhausted Cjuro, the Prime Minister, proposes that the given in marriage to Nicola, the wealthy Prince of Micholies, who would replenish the treasury and grant a substantial pension to the Regent. burg Military Court having heard the pleadings Bogumil in particular is strongly in favour of of the prosecution and defence (which themthe scheme. The servants of the palace are selves were represented by members of the clamouring for their wages, and a certain individual who had been mistaken for a wealthy acquitted Colonel von Reutter and Lieutenant banker, turns out to be nothing more than a von Schad of all guilt in usurping civil authorbailiff whom certain creditors have put in ity and browbeating the civil population of possession. Of course, all things work right the little Alsace town. Subsequently the in the end, even for the Regent. The piece is court quashed on an appeal the sentence prea charming combination of sparkling music viously passed upon Lieutenant von Foerstner and witty dialogue, and comes north after a for a similar offence. merry run at the Shaftesbury Theatre, London. The production is entertaining through-Dan Bolyat, one of the liveliest of comedians, premium on military lawlessness," as the setbut also Miss Dorothy Moulton, Miss Gladys ting up of the military uniform "as a fetish Archbutt, Miss Maudie Francis, Mr. Alfred H. before which the civilion has to bow down and Majilton, Mr. Cibb McLoughlin, Mr. Michal worship." When service was proceeding at the Salva- Dwyer, Mr. Leslie Vernan and Mr. Gordon

Mr. Dan Rolyat as the Regent is a host in himself. From first to last he is irresistibly taking a ballot on a proposal to call a general funny, and right through the three beautifully staged acts he kept his audience in An entrance was effected by the back window roars of laughter with his witticisms. Nay, being completely taken out. Until Saturday, his delightful "gags" and mirth-provoking when the money was taken to the bank, the mannerisms were even too much for some of officers were in possession of a sum which is those on the stage, who had to momentarily said to have amounted to about £45, the pro- succumb to the prevailing merriment. Miss ceeds of Christmas and New Year visits by | Dorothy Moulton makes a captivating Printhe band and songsters of the local corps to cess, singing well with Augustin, Mr. Gordon their patrons. It is believed that whoever Cleather. There are other pleasing vocalists, broke into the house knew of the existence of and some pretty dances and other attractive at Heap Bridge, Bury, on Sunday, and is lying

A FIRE.

A serious outbreak of fire occurred at the residence of Mr. G. Carter, Worston, on Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. Hancock, whose roundabouts night. A huge Christmas tree had been erected in one of the rooms, and was decor-An entertaining programme at the Queen's ated with cotton wool and candles. In the sent to her Majesty ponted out that the shows Hall, Church, last night met with a capital evening the candles were lighted, and one of belonging to this firm were patronised by King reception. The star picture, "The Globe of ton wool. The tree was soon on fire, and the leath" is a fine and lengthy film dealing with flames spread to the curtains and hangings. by a hidden trap-gun in the woods at Highlegh stage life and the manner in which a venge. Mr. Carter procured buckets of water, and in Cheshire. It was stated at the Inquest on once was consummated. The choice is made about five minutes was able to subdue the Saturday that his foot caught in a wire, firing by the agency of the "Globe of Death." "The outbreak. The furniture and appointments the gun. The head gamekeeper said a piece

The body of a woman was recovered from Pimple reappears in the film featuring the the sea at Hove on Suncay. She was about says a Reuter telegram from Genoa, respecting 45 years of age, 4ft. 9in. in height, and was an Englishwoman, aged 55, who, a week ago, that the house had been ransacked. He took boy named Charles Weller died in hospital wearing a wedding ring. Up to last evening disappeared while on an excursion in the his revolver and went to the telephone. The from scales, and at the Hackney Coroner's the body had not been positively identified, but mountains on the frontier between France and wire had been cut, and he went to a neigh- Court on Saturday a verdict of "Accidental While Alfred Staples, aged about 45, was the police were in communication with Italy.

the body of the unknown man was recovered that the bitterly cold weather caused heart ing and that they are prepared to fight any over 1,000 to 16. Neath was chosen for the eral passes gers complained of shock. Traffic

STRIPPING A GREENHOUSE

Sent for Trial at Church.

Thomas Walsh, an Oswaldtwistle labourer of no fixed residence, was charged at Church Police Court yesterday with stealing three In his annual review of the cotton trade, Mr. iron such weights and 48lb. of sheet lead Wm. Tattereall, says that at the beginning of from a greenhouse attached to Paddock 1913 most spinners and manufacturers were House, Oswaldtwistle, of the value of 9s, 3d Wakinsley, some time between December 1st. 1913, and January 5th, 1914. Supt. Palmer who conducted the case for the police, said the articles were seen safe

> John Higgins, caretaker at Paddock House Oswaldtwistle, deposed to seeing the sash we glits safe on December 1st. They were afterwards missed. He identified the weights and the lead produced. They were

> worth about 9s 3d. Wm. Hodgson, general dealer, Cross-street Oswaldtwistle, said he had known Waish on and off for the last three years. Or December 29th Walsh come to him bringing the weights, and witness gave him 10d, for them. Walsh told him he had been doing a bit of a job for a man, and the man told him to take the weights away. On January 5th, Walsh sold him 48lbs, of sheet lead and in answer to witness's questions as whether he had got it right. Walsh replied consignment of scrap-iron to Mr. J. B. Yates and the police had traced and recovered them.

P.C. Headman arrested Walsh at Oswaldtwistle on January 10th and he in answer to the charge made no reply. Considerable damage had been done at the greenhouse by and foremost be stood as a great stylist who

ACCRINGTON.

No more magnificent example of the picturesqueness attainable by the cinema has been shown in the Empire Picture Palace, Accrington, than the historic spectacle of 'Antony and Cleopatra," presented this week. The period chosen is one of the most interesting in the long story of the waxing and waning of the power of Rome, just prior to the advent of Augustus, she having almost attained the height of her glory, before she sank, sapped by the luxuriousness of the life of her citizens, and the persistent drain on On the whole it was a better year for China, her finest types, before the onslaughts of the The the Roman legions to secure and consolidate ing an enemy of his house and a rival to his power. Antony commits suicide, and Cleopatra, despairing of any attempt to seduce Octavius, and with no prospect but that of adding to the Roman triumph passes. The photo-play is worthy of the great stage on which those actors played their parts. To say that the picture cost something like £40,000 to produce, and that an hour and a half is taken in its presentation are isolated facts which furnish some index of the thoroughness with which the work has been carried out. So far as it touches Egypt it is a feast of splendour. Finely treated, too, are the silhouettes of the Birmingham v. Huddersfield. Roman legions in landing in Egypt, and the great fight at Actuim and in the palace. Such subordinate incidents to the story as the attack on Antony and the throwing to the crocodile of the unhappy rival of the Queen serve to strengthen local colour. the serial, "Who Will Marry Mary?" and a full news picture.

WESLEY GUILD RALLY.

A successful rally of the Weslevan Guilds in the Accrington Circuit was held in the Bolting Horses Knock Down Union-street Wesleyan Chapel on Saturday evening, Rev. J. England presiding in the absence of Alderman W. H. Rawson. There was a good attendance, and the respective guilds were well represented. During the Moorhead proceedings the Rev. G. H. B. Brewin read the roll call, the responses being a feature of the evening. The Union-street choir rendered special music under the leadership of burn, forwards. W. L. Hannan, B.D., of Manchester, was much appreciated. He urged the different Guilds to concentrate on their work and make

PANEL DOCTORS' PAYMENTS.

the county committee recommend that a doctor's list of panel patients should be taken as it stood at December 31 last, and that he be paid as if those materials had been on his books all the year.

It is assumed that these lists fairly represent the choice of doctor that should have been made earlier in the year. Such an arrangement, if approved by the local medical committees, would enable the county committees to distribute £6,000 out of £14,000 which has to be allocated on some basis because of neglect of insured persons to select a doctor.

ZABERN AFFAIR.

GERMAN OFFICERS ACQUITTED. The Zabern affair has ended in a triumph full of thrills. for the German militariet custe. The Stress-

The impression made by these astounding Not only does the company include Mr. is profound. They are regarded as a "direct

> The South African strike position grows more serious. The Federation of Trades is strike in support of the railwaymen now out. The Bishop of Salford (Dr. Casartelli) left Manchester during the week-end for the south of England. He is not expected to return to jured. the Diocese until the end of the month. Bishop Vaughan will have charge of the diocesan affairs during Bishop Casartelli's absence The body of a woman which had evidently been washed down from the higher reaches of the River Reach was recovered from that river at the Bury Workhouse mortuary awaiting identification. It was that of a woman about 65 years of age and about 5ft. 3in. in height, with high cheek bones and thin features. Her dress was grey, with black bodice trimmed

were destroyed in a fire caused by suffragettes at Devonport a month or so ago. An appeal Joseph Skitt, an ex-gamekeeper, was killed gun, as it was only loaded with blank cartridge. A verdict of "Accidental death" was

Queen Alexandra has sent a cheque for £10

Investigations are being made by the police, Contending that they can only be placed in

returned.

case up to the highest court.

IN THE WARS.

Accrington Man Charged at Haslingden.

Yesterday at the Haslingden Police Court. before Mr. T. Whitaker and Ald. Hamilton Michael Dyer, an Accrington man of middle age, was charged with having been drunk and incapable. Prisoner, who appeared in Court with bandaged head, was found by P.C. Hickson in Union-street, near the Weavers' Institute, at twenty-five minutes past ten on Sunday night. He was lying on the footpath, bleeding from the head, on which he had apassistance of P.C. Smith, and found he was drunk and incapable of taking care of himself. Prisoner admitted he was drunk, explaining that he met with a number of friends who had treated him to drink. Inspector Roddick reof 2s. 6d. and costs was imposed.

STEVENSON'S GOSPEL

Lecture at Haslingden.

At the Manchester-road Wesleyan Church on Saturday evening the Rev. Wm. Kingscote Greenland, editor of 'The Young Man," gave 'Of course." The weights he sent away in a lecture on the gospel of Robert Louis Stevenson. Mr. Fred Wilkinson presided, and welcomed the lecturer on his second visit to Haslingden. Mr. Greenland, in a lengthy and instructive lecture, gave a detailed biography most lovable man in English literature. First knew perfectly what could be done with English words. Given what in his day was called the Queen's English, and he would conjure with it. He had one limitation, and that was that although he knew and understood children, could enter into the spirit of a Scottish minister, or could swagger along the decks with a pirate or sailor, yet he could not at Blackburn on Saturday, coming from Midfathom the depths of a woman's nature. Hence his female characters were wooden His gospel was hopefulness and optimism.

MRS. SNOWDEN AND HALF-TIME SYSTEM.

Mrs. Philip Snowden, speaking at Alexansaid that many of the children of the future said that many of high children of the future generation were being starved and stunted She greatly deplored the half-time system. and held that poverty was not always the cause of youngsters having to work half-time but just sheer selfishness on the part of the parents, who wanted more luxury and amusements. She urged them to vote for those who were fighting for the improvement of the when the officer arrested him. social conditions and fighting the children's battle. She condemned slumland, and held that it was not right to elect slum property owners to their local councils.

DRAW

The Second Round.

Rovers and Burnley Both at Home.

The draw for the second round of the English Cup was made yesterday afternoon at the offices of the Football Association, in London, and resulted as follows:

Manchester City v. Leicester Fosse or Totten

ham Hotspur.

Liverpool or Barnsley v. Gillingham. Bolton v. Swindon. Burnley v. Derby County Wolverhampton Wanderers v Sheffleid Wed. Sunderland v. Plymouth Argyle. West Ham v. Crystal Palace.

Exeter City v. Crystal Palace. Blackburn Rovers v Hull City or Bury. Swansea v. Queen's Park or Bristol Rovers. Millwall or Chelsea v. Bradford City. Glossop v. Preston. Oldham or Brighton v. Clapton or Notts Forest Sheffield United v. Bradford,

Leeds City v. West Bromwich Albion. To be played on the ground of the first

STANLEY TEAM

7 play Heywood United at Yates, Mockett, and Hampson, half backs; Noble, Cunliffe, Goodison, Brogden and Winter-

DOWRY PICTURE PALACE

Finis is this week written on the series of breezy episodes which have been displayed in the film entitled "Who Will Mary Marry?" having had so many suitors she becomes the fallen idol, in that she makes her own In calculating the amount due to panel doe- proposal to the man who was her suitor, but tors in the administrative county of Lanca- did not press his claim. "The Race," is the shire, the Medical Benefit Sub-committee of little of an exceedingly clever picture. The "race" takes place along roads towards a mining claim, for which there are two competitors. Neglectful parents come in for treatment in the story "Willie Minds The Dog," and they receive heavy punishment when they return from a round of pleasure and find their son surrounded by the sea. They are admonished and profit by their son's strange escapade. A life gambling at the end of which the gambler does not benefit is not to be envied, but the one so placed as to be unable to extricate himself as in "Thirty Years of a Gambler's Life," is doubly to be sympathised with Although he is on the verge of self destruc-tion, one at whose hands he has suffered, happily intervenes and saves him from death. "The Burning Train" is a very fine film, and from start to finish the story is

"THE PUBLIC DEFENDER."

the history of civilieation, has just been created at Los Angeles. He is called "the Public Defender," and his duties are to defend as diligently any person accused of crime as the Public Prosecutor conducts the prosecution. The first incumbent of the office (says the "Standard" New York correspondent) is Mr. W. J. Wood, who was formerly connected with the office of Public Prosecutor, and who was appointed after competitive examination.

Having been a Forester for 68 years, Mr George Batterham has died at Marham, in Norfolk, at the age of 92. immense quantities of sprate are at present being caught by Deal, Dover, and Folkestone fishermen, some of the boats baving taken many thousands.

Messages from Lerida (Spain) report that five workmen were killed on Saturday in an explo sion of dynamite. Twenty other men were in-Miss Sylvia Pankhurst was released from Holloway Prison on Saturday afternoon, She was arrested a week ago and had been on hunger strike ever since.

swept the western part of Freetown, Sierra Leone, on Friday afternoon. Over a hundred houses were destroyed, and hundreds of people are homeless. One million one hundred thousand five hun dred and twenty-nine passengers crossed last year by the Dover and Folkestone routes. This is the first time the number has exceeded a

Giving evidence on Saturday evening at a

A disastrous fire, fanned by a strong wind

Hampstead inquest, Albert Fosdyke, a park keeper, said it was usual to examine the bushes on Hampstead Heath daily on account of Hampstead being a noted place for suicides Pire was discovered in the basement of the west wing of the Somerset House on Saturday After the firemen had out away some flooring it was found that a beam, used as a binder in the brickwork, was smouldering. The trouble was probably dge to the overheating the London-road at Bedford on Saturday night

being adjacent.

registered office.

at Newcastle Infirmary, giving evidence at married Newcastle-on-Type, on Saturday, stated that on | Owing to his grandmother having upset a returning home on New Year's Day, he found large cup of tea over him, an 18 months old bour's house to telephone to the police. Delegates representing 8,000 members of the Two tramway cars collided at Highbury Saturday, he fell into the water. A man. During the singing of the opening hymn at the stocks under the Lord's Day Observance Ancient Order of Shepherds Unity of South North London, on Saturday, and the driver of whose identity is at present unknown, imme- morning service at the Celvert Memorial Act, the kinematograph managers in Middlesex Wales and Monmouthshire decided at Neath on one of the vehicles was slightly injured. While district jumped in to his rescue, but the would- Church, Hastings, on Sunday opened their halls in defiance of Saturday to form a centralised district under proceeding southwards a single decker car ran be rescuer was carried away by the tide and named Stringer fell dead in his pew. He was the prohibition of the county council. A the Insurance Act. The Chief Shepherd said into another car which was standing outside drowned. Two men then came along in a father-in-law to the Rev. A. J. Summerfield. hundred and thirteen licensees say that the scheme would reduce the number of the Tube Station of the Great Northern and boat and rescued Staples. Some hours later Wesleyan minister, Nostingham. It is believed council has no power to enforce Sunday clos- ledgers kept in connection with the Order from City Railway. Both were damaged, and sev

ACCRINGTON POLICE COURT.

Yesterday.

Before Messrs. E. Welch, B. Bury, J. Townson. J. T. Walmsley, and R. Walker.

FELL IN THE STREET

Hugh Malanafy, labourer, no fixed abode, was charged with being drunk, P.C. Clements stating that at 7-20 on Saturday he saw prisoner fall in Infant-street, and found him to be in a helpless state of drunkenness.-Fined 2s. 6d. and costs.

LOCKED UP TWICE IN ONE DAY. John Armstrong, labourer, Park-street, Huncoat, was charged with drunkenness. P.C. Addyman said about eleven o'clock on Saturday morning he saw prisoner leaning ported several previous convictions, and a fine against the Town Hall wall, and he was in a helpless state of drunkenness.

The Chief Constable said prisoner was locked up but was let out when he had got round. In about two hours after he had been released he was brought to the police station in a drunken condition and locked up again. If he came up again he would not get a chance of being let out and locked up twice in one day. Fined 5s. and costs, or 14 days.z

FROM MIDDLESBROUGH James Roddy, who said he came from Mid

ilesbrough, was charged with being drunk and P.C. Cunliffe said at ten minutes to twelve o'clock on Sunday morning prisoner came to the police station in a drunken state and asked of the writer. He described Stevenson as the to be locked up. He was ejected, and he shouted in the street and asked again to be locked up, and said he would smash the police windows. He was then locked up. The Chief Constable said the prisoner came from Middlesbrough, where he had been brought up for several offences, and he had threatened to smash the police station windows there. He had deserted from the navy. Prisoner said he was at the football match

> Mr. Walker: Why didn't you go back to Middlesbrough with the others?-I don't know, sir. The Magistrates' Clerk .- Where is your return ticket?-I lost my ticket. Fined 5s. and costs, or 14 days.

dlesbrough on the excursion train. He saw

A SMART ARREST.

Wm. Carney, a stalwart soldier, was charged with being a deserter from the East Lancashire Regiment stationed at Preston. at 9-30 that (Monday) morning in Blackburnroad, and asked him for his leave of absence document. He said he had not got one, and had only come to the town on Sunday, and should have been back at Preston at twelve on Sunday night. He got with some friends and was going to wire to Preston that morning Prisoner said he was a bit surprised in being pulled up so smartly by the officer. He was going to send a wire to Preston when the

officer pulled him up. The Magistrates' Clerk said prisoner could have got back to Preston early that morning. It would count very badly against him. Prisoner said he did not belong to Accrington, but to Manchester. He came to see friends at Accrington, on Sunday, leaving the barracks in the afternoon. He got stuck with friends laughter during its enactment. and missed the train.

Prisoner was ordered to be handed over to

PLAYGROUND FOR RAWTENSTALL

military escort.

of Rossendale (the Rev. J. S. Addison) has cloth. The Brandons give a clever instru- plished singer using a fine soprano vocalist to made a generous offer to the Rawtenstall Cor- mental speciality act, both being accom- advantage. Moller's Lilliputians make up a poration of the use, free of charge, of eleven plished players of several acres of land at Seat Naze for the purpose of a recreation ground, or any other purpose they may deem suitable, so long as he occupies the living of Newchurch. The new recreation is delightfully situated and easy of access from Waterfoot, Newchurch, and Whitewell Valley. ----

DR. ROBINSON'S DEATH.

The death occurred at Chatburn on Sunday morning, of Dr. Robinson, who for many years of his efforts. Monty Ash is a comedian was medical officer for Fleetwood. He was with a novel style and takes well, and to at Tours under peculiarly favourable condiactively interested in the territorial movement, supplement the efforts of the artistes there tions. About half-past eight the sky was illuand it was during the managures last year are good pictures on the Hipposcope. that his health was first affected, the exposure strained heart. Dr. Robinson first became at an inquest at the Hackney Coroner's Court. | windows and causing no little alarm. Other connected with the Blackburn Volunteers, and on Saturday, on a young child named Maggie observers spoke to seeing a brilliant disc-like on taking up his residence at Fleetwood he O'Shea, who fell off a bed into a saucepan of body with a tail about a mile long. The dieg rose to the position of major of the 5th Bat- soup and was so severely injured that she died appeared to hurst in about a million sparks, talion King's Own Royal Lancaster Regiment. in the German Hospital. Among the many public offices which he held were those of medical officer for the Western Sea Fisheries Board, medical officer to the Sarday. The team will con- Fleetwood police force, the hon, surgeon at sist of W: goal; Nuttall and Smith, backs; the cottage hospital. He was third son of the late Colonel Robinson, the East Lancashire

MISTAKEN IDENTITY

charge during the vicar's absence, and was reminded by the clerk not to commence the service until the squire of the village entered the church. A tall gentleman entered. The curate commenced, "When the wicked man-" shown at the Dowry Picture Palace. After The clerk yelled out, "That ain't him. That

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of a flue from the kitchen, the dining-room | was named Olroyd, and lived at Eastcotts. The accident is at present a mystery. The de-Dr. Henry Johnston, sen., admission officer | ceased, who is said to be deaf and dumb, was

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The entertainment provided at the Acc-Detective Greenwood said he met the prisoner rington Hippodrome this week reaches a high standard of excellence, and the un animous verdict of the two large audiences which assembled to witness last night's performances supported that view, and voted the show one of the best seen at turn is a sketch entitled "Bluebottles." It is of the dramatic comedy type and is presented by Walter Bird's West End Co., of piece. As a farcical sketch "Bluebottles"

general stage work being smart. Hurl and the variety stage and the audience were a novelty har act. warm in their expressions of appreciation

Accidental death was the verdict returned loud explosion was heard, shaking doors and

BLACKBURN PALACE THEATRE.

There is an excellent programme submitted for the delectation of patrons of the Blackburn Palace Theatre this week, a list of eight turns being well varied in character, and all the of a good standard. Lovers of Scottish Hipportrome for a long time back. The star comedy in its best and most refined form will appreciate very highly a Scotch comedy sketch entitled, "The Heid o' th' Hoose," presented by Mrs. Graeme Goring and Co. Both eix artistes, the principal of whom is Mr. the principal and assistants are very fine Geo. Lill in the role of "Jimmy Josser, a actors, and the sketch is one of merit. A first-Bluebottie." The latter is a comedian of the class musical turn is afforded by George Hatnatural mirth provoking type and he makes ton's troupe of six artistes known as the Bellexcellent use of his opportunities in the Hattons. They are experts in their line, and introduce quite a number of instruments, but can only be voted as a great success, the play on each with equal facility. A feature audience being kept in a continual roar of of the entertainment is the playing of Thomas Ragolia, H. Bell, an accomplished saxophone player. the R. A. tramp is a elever artiste with a The troupe play pieces both of the high-class new style of entertainment that proves most and popular type, and altogether it is a turn acceptable. He presents a series of beauti- quite above the ordinary for the variety stage. ful rag picture studies of famous Royal Lovers of turns in the vocal line will appre-Academy masterpieces and novel cartoons, ciste the two artistes who give that form of and he makes one marvel how he succeeds entertainment, both being capable singers of in making such beautiful pictures with the good songs. Violet Jay is a vocalist of the The rector of Newchurch and rural dean aid of comparatively worthless looking popular type, and Lena Bluette is an accominstruments. "star" turn, the act being novel and clever, Mona Warwick, a ne ce of Vesta Tilley, is a and such as to draw general approval from all clever invenile artiste her singing and classes of patrons. The Castillian Quintette appear in a pot-pourri act, entitled "Ragtime Ford are a pair of up-to-date comedy Outdone," and as the title denotes, it is a turn merchants, and their humerous interludes of the vocalist order with specialities in Ragare backed by clever dancing. Bert Earle, time singing, etc. Billy French is smart in expert jumper and eccentric dancer is one impressions of old and up-to-date comedians, of the eleverest acrobatic jumpers touring and the Rodriquez Bros, gain appreciation for

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