

s Proise."

But wen he towd one big chap, as hed mise and wise enough to respect the signs. e stroipes on his arm, thad he'd better She was like this almost every morning till a pop-gun an' practiss shooting wi' she had her "sup o' tay," and consequently is, th' Major sed as he'd abeawt gon' far he was never conversational in the early of, an' if he duddn'd giv' his tongue a morning; and she was quite often like this he wud hey him chucked off th' field. at dinner time, never seeming to have eft Tub wur quate for a bit after thad. minute to speak to him, often eating her w'en one chap foired sit shots an' missed dinner as she waked about the house ry toime, he brooak eawt ageeon: "Aw "siding up" and supplying his and the owd lad, "Dussn'd theaw think as theaw was spent in rushing upstairs to make beds, do a lot better if theawd a hond-brush i' banking up the fire, scrubbing the children's hond, an' wur practisin' sweepin' looms?" faces before she despatched them to school, chap wur thad mad that he gev Weft a vishus prod i' th' stummick wi' his gun. dubbled Weft Tub up.

t Weft Tub wur soon on th' job agean. th' Colonel took a long look at him, then es. "My good man, who has allowed you

it Tub saluted agreeon, then he set, aw look here, owd cock, alleaw me to tell as aw'm one o' th' owdest Volunteers as is livin' i' this pert o' Lankysheer, an' e served under better men nor thee." anabacker turned reawad to Sharptup on an' ses, "Really, Mr. Sharptup, I am s at a loss to understand this." Well, now, Mr. Standbacker, if I was

and explain this matter I should say that an old battle-scarred veteran who still most evenings because in its company he a pride in soldiering. -mi I don't know about him being an tion of other men. To most men, and cer-

tainly to Mr. Cleghorn, this is a necessityreteran, but he certainly is battle-scarred social intercourse and exchange of ideas. gh. See if you can make anything of The indulgence of this necessity did not detract from his pleasure in his wife's con-

arptub tapped Weft Tub on th' shoother versation at all. But she was only a woman, es to him, "I say, my good man, I should reatly obliged to you if you will give account of yourself, who you are, where come from, and what you have come here looked at things-there was always something C.

eighto!" ses Weft Tub, salutin' agreen, all is said and done, a man's opinion is a h' fost place aw'm Owd Weft Tub an' owd nteer. I' th' seekkund place aw belong e, Barefoot Alley, an' i' th' third place e cumm'd to honner this oppenin' wi' mi ence an' show some o' yore y'ung sowers Mrs. Cleghorn had "sided" the hearth, to shoot. Neaw then, is ther' owt else | washed and put the children to bed, prepared o' want to kno'?"

-m! Well I should certainly like to know mended a pair of stockings and a jersey. She you came to be in such a disreputable you been fighting?" lat hat hat Heigh, aw say, Harry, cum an' tell this mon heaw aw geet o mi pes," sheawted Weft Tub.

wait for the official figures, and the following may therefore be taken as not morely

approximately, but entirely correct :--The net value of the real and personal estate has been returned for the purposes of motors passed. probate at £159,558.

To Miss Haworth is left an annuity of £1,000, and to the deceased gentleman's 10-71 a.m., but he discounted the odd ten cousin, Mr. Thomas Haworth, of Sultan-st., Accrington, an annuity of £52, both annuities to be a charge upon the dividends of the

and in no end of other jobs which she somefirm of Thomas Haworth and Son, Ltd. how found to do. So he had a look at the To his cousin, Mr. Fred Rushworth, newspaper at dinner times, and did not expect manager of Thomas Haworth and Son, Ltd., testator left 75 debenture bonds of £100 each But in the evening it was different. Though in Thomas Haworth and Son, Ltd. ; 7,500 £1 she had three children, and went to the mill

Preference shares in the firm, and 10,499 £1 besides, she did not make a save of hensel by doing her own washing and cleaning-at £25,499. least she got somebody in to clean down once Mr. James Ellison, of Accrington, the a week-so she was neither a slave herself. firm's representative on 'Change, receives 25 nor expected him to be one; and in the Debenture bonds of £100 each in Messrs. evening she had often quite a lot to say, and Thomas Haworth and Son, Ltd., 2,500 £1 he liked hearing her say it, she having Preference shares, and 7,000 £1 Ordinary (though he never told her so) a lively intellishares; a total of £12,000. gence and a conversational gift. He had Mr. Fred Haworth, son of Mr. Thomas been enjoying himself this evening. Though

Haworth, gets 5,000 £1 Ordinary shares in the not a drinker, he was not an abstainer, and, firm. if the truth must be told, he drank a glass Mr. John Robinson, secretary of Thos,

that defendant was caught. Haworth and Co., Ltd., receives 500 £1

seconds.

Ordinary shares. He appoints his cousin, Mr. Fred Rushworth, to succeed him on the directorate of the firm of Thomas Haworth and Son, Ltd., The residue of the estate goes to Miss

Haworth who is appointed sole executrix. The death duties on the estate amount to



club on this evening, and he had enjoyed the ALDERMAN whole thing from start to finsh. Meanwhile RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION.

food for next day, sorted out the wash, and Alderman D. L. Sprake, J.P., opened the conversazione at St. Oswa'd's Catholic School,

Although certain information pertaining to that witness telephoned to P.C. Shuttleworth. up this matter.

the will might some time ago have been In reply to Supt. Fyfe, witness said he published, it was thought better, in order received his watch from Sergt. Stevens at Mr. Oddie. In reply to him she said that the details might be authenticated, to six o'clock the same day, and saw the watch married a Christophes Albin Croft, at of Broad Oak, were present along with the Blackburn, about ten years ago. Their mar majority of the members of the Town Counhanded to P.C. Shuttleworth. The two ried life was unhappy, and she eventually ap- cil. watches were correct with each other. He

alied for a separation from him in the Bluckwas engaged on that particular day from burn Court, and obtained an order for the 6 a.m. until noon, and during that time 17 payment of 7s. 6d, weekly. A few months after. in 1905, Croft left the country,

Cross-examined, witness said the actual Mr. Oddie: He went to America?-I could not time the defendant entered the trap was tell where he went You never heard from him?-No.

Have you any reason to believe he is alive?- | toric event that it was only fitting that he don't know anything about him. P.C. Shuttleworth, who was engaged at the

Before you went through the form of mar- a hearty welcome to the representatives of exit from the trap, said the lurry left at riage with this man did you go to your first 10-131, having covered the distance in 61 husband's people, who live in Whalley Oldminutes, equal to a rate of 12 miles 782 yards road, Blackburn, and ask them whether if per hour, and exceeding the limit for a lurry would be all right if you married again?-I did of that class by 4 miles 782 yards per hour. not

Witness gave the signal to P.C. Pearson, who And when you went through the form of stopped defendant, and witness went to him marriage with this man at the Haslingden prized by future generations, ordinary shares, making in all a total of and told him the distance covered, the time Registry Office you really thought your husoccupied, and the rate per hour.

band was dead2-Yes. I suppose they're him to perform the unveiling ceremony, and watches to both witnesses. The times indi Did you think your husband was dead?-Yes. cated were identical then, and later, at 12

of course.

Do you think at the present time he is dead In reply to Mr. Derbyshire, witness agreed -For all I know.

the trap had been a well-known one later, Do you know your husband's people have but in regard to the suggestion that defendant knew of its existence, owing to another went away?--No

driver of the firm having been fined, pointed Mr. Oddie called evidence with regard to the Printers' Association and to the company's out that it was in the early days of the trap existence of the husband

Herbert Croft, of 110, Whalley Old-rd., Black- to the Corporation, and to thank them, not Mr. J. S. Green, Borough Surveyor of Has- burn, said he was the brother of Christopher only for their handsome donation to the lingden, said the real distance, 1 mile 712 Albin Croft, who married Betsy Jane Wallwork about ten years ago this Christmas at yards, was eight yards further than the police the King-street Registry Office. Blackburn. estimate, and to that extent defendant ob They did not live very comfortably together. The decoration of Broad Oak Works was one and an order was made against his brother of the features of the King's visit, and the

tained the advantage. Mr. Derbyshire contended that the system in May, 1905, at the Blackburn Police Court. Association also kindly came to the assistof timing was radically bad? No attempt at He went away in July. Witness had heard ance of the Council by providing land so

accuracy was made. In the first place the about three weeks ago from his brother, who that the school children, the old age penofficer who had charge of the starting watch was in North California. He was then con- sioners, and the blind people could have took ten seconds off the time occupied. They templating going to Australia. During the might be perfectly certain those slack last seven years witness and his brother had methods had been adopted all through, communicated constantly. Witness saw his 1) Defendant was a man who was driving for brother four years ago in America. Immea living, and if licence ere to be endorsed diately before complainant married the present defendant she came to witness's father's Royal visit. The gifts would be appreciated on flimsy and unreliable evidence of that home and asked if they would "make any by future generations even more than they

kind a very serious state of affairs would be trouble" if she married that man." When she were to-day, and he did not know of any SPRAKE AND produced in the motor traile. No one wanted came to the house she saw evidence that her to see dangerous driving on the road or any- husband was alive. Witness showed her letthing of that sort, but justice should be done | ters-from which they had torn the addresses-Parker, the defendant, in evidence, stated and photographs. He had no doubt whatever he was told by a man accompanying him at of his brother's existence at the present time.

the time that they were in a motor tran, and And as a matter of fact, since she went that he knew the police were at work as through the form of marriage with this man

The unveiling ceremony took place prior keepers, some opened and some closed, one The complainant was first cross-examined by to the meeting of the Town Council. Mr. would like to know from some authority on the William Browning, J.P., and Mr. Barton,

mittee, said it afforded him great pleasure

to ask the Mayor to perform the ceremony

of unveiling the mementoes of the Royal

visit to the borough. The Mayor was so

closely associated with the unique and his

helped in making the Royal visit a success

good positions. He tendered to the repre-

sentatives of the Association the whole-

hearted thanks of the Cornoration and the

burgesses for their kindness throughout the

ANOTHER ASSISTANT. ACCRINGTON Mr. Maden, chairman of the Parks Com

question.-Yours, etc.,

## SAFE ROBBERY.

## Theft of £35 and Tools.

William Cain, of Spread Eagle-street, Osshould perform that function. He extended waldtwistle, was at the Accrington Police the Calico Printers' Association, to whom the Court yesterday charged with shopbreaking Corporation and the hurgesses of Accrington and robberty

The Chief Constable said prisoner was were so much indebted for those gifts, which would form an interesting memento of the'r charged with breaking into the shop of Messre. Majestics' visit to Accrington, and be highly Riley, ironmongers, Piccadilly, between 10-30 on the night of December 30th and 440 on the

morning of the next day. The premises were The Mayor expressed the pleasure it gave locked up at 10-30 on the night of December Sergt. Stevens, spoke of handing the allowed to think that after seven years. explained that it had been intended that the were found to have been broken open, entrance 30th, and about four o'clock next morning they event should take the form of a social gather- having been effected through a back window. ing fo'lowing the meeting of the Town Mr. Riley was sent for, and an examination re-Council. But that arrangement was nega- vealed that £35 had been taken from the till tived through the fact that there was no and from a desk in the office. Severa artificial light in the Museum. The com- tools had also been taken. Prisoner was heard from him almost every week since he mittee were at one with him in the wish taken into custody by Detective Greenwood in to show their appreciation to the Calico Bury-road, Hastingden, on Sunday morning Some of the stolen property was found in prisoner's possession, and also some of the money staff at Accrington for their great kindness Mr. Sinclair asked for a remand till Tuesday stating that the prisoper, he believed, admitte the offence. Museum, but also for the way they materially

### leaching in Accrington Schools.

In the minutes of the Accrington Education Committee submitted at vesterday's meeting of Accrington Town Council was a series of schedules setting forth the time tables in the upper mixed schools of the botough, with the observations of H.M. association or company or body of men who Inspector thereon. Attention was drawn to the report of the special committee which had done anything in a more handsome manner. The public would agree that the gifts in the early part of 1913 inquired into the teaching of English and arithmetic ("The The three R's") and other subjects in Council Mayor then unveiled the framed calico and schools. In their report that Committee

Mr. W. Browning, J.P., said he was pleased

Prisoner was remanded till to-day (Tuesday

"THE THREE R'S.

t insteyd o' gooin' forrad aw shuved Owd roost forrad, sayin' to him, "Tell 'em o wt Welt Tub, Hayroost."

"Pardon me, gentlemen, but aw want to yo' an explaynashun o' this affair. You kno' as Owd Weft Tub heere is Th' Bare-Alley inventor. He meks o socarts o' nshuns an' allus gods hissel' ayther playin', tha sees." n up, blown deawn, or lamed some way | He took no notice of this, but laughed

had explains heaw id is as he's plaistered ful tit-bit. it th' present toime. Id wur some sooart masheen as ud ayther float on wet Weft Tub ses id wud do, but id dud her, an' simply squashed.

re. But onnyheaw, aw shud loike to o as men's fit for." n yo' nod to cross him, becos' he's sich a an' yo'll ged throo wi' him o reight." . andbacker looked at Hayroost, an' seein' layroost wur i' cearnest, he ses: "Very we will do what we can for him, but we not allow him to mar the proceedings. then, Mr. Sharntup, we will proceed. ily order the band and the men to come

#### ard."

t to kno' wod rank yo' howd i' th' Army, theer." th on yo'."

arptup ses. "That gentleman is Colonel dbacker, D.F.G.H., and I am Major rptup." leaw monny letters bes teaw to thi

e?" azed Weft Tub. have none."

Then aw'll gi'e tha four." ses Weft Tub. them are, G.O.E.G.

rptub smoiled an' ses, "And what are the ning of those letters?

Wha, "Gud Owd English Gentlemon," ses t Tub, "an' theawrt desarvin' on 'em.

had an instalment of a serial tale, as well as ities: Have you been in an explosion, or several short stories, waiting to be read in the weekly poper which lay on the sewing machine. And it was half past nine-quarter

could also enjoy the company and conversa-

children's wants; and any spare time this left

her to talk.

to ten-and she had never had a minute to look at them. She sat down at last, however, and then in came her husband. He was almost hilarious.

"Lord, lass!" he began. "Tha su'd ha bin theer to-neet! It's bin grand !" He groost stept up to them two chaps an' laughed aloud as he thought of the good time he had had.

"Aye, aw darsay," said Mrs. Clegborn. "Ther's some chance for me to go onnywheer. Aw've but this minute sat me deawn. Aw've to be warkin' what tha're

again, as if remembering some other delight-

"But we've bin arguin' to-nect abeawt th fair sex, so tha owt to ha' bin theer, lass----"Yi, aw con believe thee," she answered. er or fly up i' th' air, at th' leeost thad's "Men hev nowt else to do nobbut talk abeaw! 'th fair sex,' as they co 'em; an' 'th' fair sex' is black-leadin' th' grate, an' swillin' th

leaw aw fancy he's cumm'd deawn heere 'yard, an' fotchin' th' coyl up, whol th' men's ce if he con improve on yo'r new roiffe coin' 'em sooapy names like thad. Thad's

" By gow, lass," he said admiringly, " that te bloke w'an he's crossed. Just humour su'd ha' bin theer to ha' towd 'em thad. Nooan on 'em ever thowt o' thad."

"Nowe, aw'll bet they didn't," she an swered. "'Stid of that, they'd be savin' as women had to be protected wi' men, because they're so mich weaker, an' as women is nat'rally disabled-as Nature's med 'en inferior to men."

"Lord, lass!" he interrupted, with deepening admiration and some wonder. "Hes ta

feere, howd on a bit," choimed in Weft bin theer, beawt me knowin' id? Tha'rt "befoorr yo' goos onny forther, aw tellin' o abeaut id same as if tha'd bin

#### She sniffed contemptuously.

"Aw didn't need to be theer," she said, 'Aw know o' t' twaddle men talks abeaut women, when they get together. Aw con tell thee a bit mooar, aw'll bet. Didn' they say tas men couldn' respec' women as tried to

men liked to see women on a pedestal, an' not deawn among aw t' mess as men meks-"

Accrington, on Saturday evening, and Rev. Father Annacker, S.J., presided. There was a large attendance. A capital concert was given, the artistes including Miss Edith

Hothersall, of Preston, the gifted pianoforte player, 13 years of age, eilver medallist and prize winner at Morecambe, and Miss Madge Hothersall, nine years of age, first piano prize winner at Morecambe; Miss Belle Hosker, coprano; Mr. Tom Cole, humorist; and Mr. H. Tipping, elocutionist. The fol-

lowing members of St. Ignatius Dramatic Society, Preston, performed 'Ici on parle, Church, Accrington, was continued on Friday, Evans and Mr. Oddie as to the surrender of Francais": Misses Cissie Bateman, Clara and Saturday. Friday was the children's Croft's address, but no result could be arrived Brown, Lizzie Ingram, Susie Earnshaw, and Meesrs, Fred Fauikner, Tom Cole, and Harry lady," said she was very pleased to be there, Turner.

Father Annacker, after expressing thanks to all the workers in connection with the moments before the time of meeting conversazioni, and stating that he had been

the entertainment, said it was his privilege to introduce one of the best known citizens businesslike manner. al the posts of civic distinction in the town, he had been Mayor and councillor for a number of years, and at the long last he had been

promoted to the position of alderman. Mr. Sprake represented them in West Ward very successfully and energetically for many closing chorus. Credit is due to Mrs. Yates years, and he hored he would continue as junior, as trainer of the children, and to Mr. F. alderman to promote the interests of the Carr, as pianist. At the close a special vote people in the ward, and remember that there of thanks was given to the children, on the was very little light, in their part of the motion of Mr. Whittaker (Burnley), seconded world and try to induce other members of by the Rev. A. Wilcock, who also gave an inthe Council to act with him to get a little services, ctc., both Sunday and weekday, with

more light, so that they would see the streets punctuality and regularity. Saturday was the last effort, and the chairbetter lit. Mr. Sprake happened to be one of the genial managers of St. Oswald's man was Mr. C. F. Critchley, of Lytham, with schoo's. He was a friend of denominational Councillor Nuttall as opener. The chairman education and of church and all voluntary in his usual humorous way spoke of his knowschools, and he was their friend, and they ledge of Avenue Parade Church, its people, and their hymns of praise of years ago, and were glad to see him in their midst. (Apwith a New Year's wish concluded with a hope plause.) As long as their interests were in that the present effort would be the best ever the hands of Alderman Sprake they were in held. Councillor Nuttall spoke in praise of safe keeping. (Hear, hear.) He would take the minister, teachers, and Sunday school. care that religion was always in the front. The Avenue Parade choir gave a high-class Church, Blackburn, on Sunday, the Vicar, the rank in secular education. (Hear, hear.) concert and won praise for their ability to Rev. G. W. Clarke, announced that he had ac-

up, an as that's their gret wark, as "in' to the energy, foresight, and prudence of man and opener, and at a later period of the Manchester. Mr. Clarke, who has been at hend at rock t' creddle rule t' world," an' as Alderman Sprake that the ground on which meeting a vote of thanks. proposed by Mr. Christ Church about 45 years, came to Black-Alderman Sprake that the ground on which Greenhalgh and seconded by Mr. J. Barnes, to burn from Bradford, where he was senior cur-St. Oswald's school stood was their property. all who had rendered assistance during the ate at Bradford Parish Church. He broke out into uncontrollable daughter. (Hear, hear.) Instead of £25 per annum as four nights. Especial praise was considered

"That's it to a T, lass!" he broke in. £400, and for that they had to thank Mr. as secretaries and Mr. George Yates as

he had seen one man it knew. Witness went down on his second gear, and could not have gone more than six miles an hour.

FAIRYLAND" AT AVENUE PARADE U.M.C.

and 12-30, when the constables returned,

"Fairyland" at Avenue Parade U.M.C. night. Miss Elsio Dixon, who was the "chair- at

but as this was the first time she had filled

hoped the evening's entertainment would be a had evidently, after the absence of seven years of the ship,

able to get his friends from Preston to give success. Miss Ivy Brunskill, who was the of her husband, presumed she could marry opener, performed her duty in a thorough again.

of Accrington. Alderman Sprake had held vote of thanks to the "chairlady" and opener, said he was afraid there had been a certain which was seconded by Miss Cunliffe, after amount of spite and malice. The woman which about 30 boys and wirls gave a very in- Devine had said she would get something out teresting programme, consisting of skipping of him. She knew perfectly well she was not drill, hand bell drill, village choristers, seven legally married, and she put them to the exbittle mothers' action song, pianoforte solo, pense of coming there.

rose drill, three tiny tots, golliwogs and a Mr. Evans: If I had only known -----

Mr. Erans said there were two children of this marriage to keep. Complainant had also an old mother to look after, and earned only about ft a week.

Mr. Oddie said he would withdraw if she would give an undertaking to keep away from Devine.

At the conclusion of his sermon at Christ things as politics; as women brings t' childer Sprake happened to be their solicitor and Mr. J. T. Foulds, seconded by Mr. Thomas Cun-

> DAVID DEVANT MR.

to be present at the function. He would take Witness added that complainant came to his | care that the expressions of thanks and place two or three years ago and said she had appreciation should be conveyed to the direc-The magistrates considered the offence been married at a Catholic church in Hasling- tors of the Calico Printers' Association. That proved, and imposed a fine of £3 and costs. den. When they went over to look at the re- little ceremony brought to a very fitting close gisters, however, there was no record. He the visit of the King and Queen to Accringafterwards found she had been married at the ton. He thought the whole town descreved It is pointed out that some of the head

blocks.

were a handsome historic present.

And you would not have come here if you the present to represent the Association, and he thanked the Mayor and members of the

Some discussion took place between Mr. Corporation very much for their good wishes. to the Mayor for his services, and commented on the absence of friction cr offence caused during the Royal visit consequent. upon the efforts of the Royal Visit Committee. They had had many storms since over other

> Councillor John Barlow briefly seconded, and the resolution was carried with applause.

# WEAVERS AND LABOUR REPRESENTATION.

The Amalgamation's Ballot.

shire weavers' associations affiliated with the whether the Amalgamation should or should Commenting upon this Mr. J. Beckett weavers' associations through the respective societies and were then returned to the headquarters of the Amalgamation at Accrington to be counted. No fewer than 192,914 papers. each in a sealed envelope, were returned to the office, and a special staff of trade union officials drawn from all parts of the county have been engaged for something like a week on the huge task of counting the votes for and against. On occasions the counters were doing

their work standing knee deep in envelopes and waste paper, and when the counting was over it was estimated that there was waste paper

"Generally speaking, one-half of the tim during which the schools are open should not be regarded as excessive for the efficient teaching of the primary subjects, namely !-reading and recitation, penmanship, spelling, composition and dictation, grammar at arithmetic.

And you never made any complaint at all - credit for the reception accorded to their masters have, since then, revised their Majesties. It gave him much pleasure to time tables, with the object of meeting this suggestion. The revised time tables have been submitted in due course to H.M. In

> The Inspector has intimated that with re-Councillor Crawford moved a vote of thanks gard to the teaching of English and arithmetic be thinks that 14 hours per week is abundant for there subjects and adds that, considering the particular circum stances of the Accrington schools, he is not prepared to approve any marked variaion from the following allocation so school hours, unless there are special reasons to warrant such departure in in vidual cases -- Arithmetic 41 hours per week; reading and poetry 44 hours; whit ing, composition, dictation, spelling and grammar five hours (total for English and arithmetic, 14 hours); geography 11 hours history one hour; observation work 1 hours; needlework and drawing, two hours hand and eye work, one hour; physical exercises, one hour; music, one hour recreation, 1 2.3rd hours; registration 5-6th hour Total, texcluding religious instruction 231 hours, ""These times," the In-The ballot vote of members of the Lance- spector observes, "are more generally ap licable to the work of the senior classes and some variation in the arrangements of Northern Counties Weavers' Amalgamation, the lessons and in the amount of time to and conducted by the latter body, was finally be devoted to each subject may well be completed on Saturday morning. The ballot made in the lower standards of the school has been taken under the provisions of the They are not intended, of course, to be Trade Union No. 2 Act on the question of in any sense a guide to the curriculum of the

> not have the power to take political action in Borough Treasurer, remarks that this will the form of supporting Labour representation provide an approximate standard towards in the House of Commons from the funds of which all the head teachers will be also the Amalgamation. The ballot papers were to direct their efforts subject, of course, to distributed to every member of the various the circumstances of such particular school

> > HASLINGDEN POLICE COURT.

Yesterday. Before Ald. Hamilton, Messrs, H. Halstead J. Law, J. G. Dean, and A. Holt.

OCCASIONAL LICENCE An occasional licence to sell all intoxicants at the Public Hall, Haslingden, on Friday, the 9th January, from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m., on the occasion of a ball, was granted to R. Winter-

The case was accordingly withdrawn. NEW HASLINGDEN. OF VICAR

had not been asked to come?-No.

Registry Office.

Mr. Evans said he did not think after the evidence he could go on, and the proper thing for him to do was to withdraw the case. He such a position, she had had many anxious had not the slightest knowledge of anything of She | the sort when he came into Court. The woman | matters, but he had never blamed the captain

Mr. Oddie: I did not know there was any.

Miss Foulds moved a | With regard to costs, Mr. Oddie, opposing,

one in the case.

w then, Colonel, let us ged to hiz." ' Colonel went red I' th' face agreeon he manidged to keep his temper hid, an th' Major hed ordered th' sowjers to ad ce he stept back an' allowed 'em to form

Gentlemen, I do not intend to keep you t this afternoon, that is, ah, that is, listfirst shot and then declare the range open t' dirt! Aw'd like to know what else most the name of His Most Gracious Majesty George."

d of one o' th' Terriers he placed id to same as t' men does abeaut women! Aw'm able, in their mutual interests, he would shoother.

ut befooar he cud foire Weft Tub stept foran' ses, "Aw say. Colonel, hev yo' getten as them suffragettes does !" nather up yon, or are yo' on'y gooin' to e just for th' name o' th' thing?"

h' Colonel ordered one o' th' sowjers off as rker, then he lifted th' gun up agecon an

nt o' th' Major an' ses, "Now then, Major, haps you will try a shot."

Oh, no, thank you," ses th' Major, "I an aid I should only make myself look foolis b, "wheer is his splendid shot?" Why, he hes made a bull," ses th' Major. Rats!" ses Weft Tub, "if he's hit owt it's d Hayroost's buil i' th' other field." tandbacker cuddn'd stond nooa mooa

d bin belittled ever sin' he appeared on th ne, an' to say as he hed bit a bull i' th' er field put th' lid on, soon he leet cawt at north o' chips for uz supper."

"Then very words," "An' did nobry laugh?" she asked. "Neaw, by Gow !" he replied. "They all looked as eolemn----

"Thee as well as t' rest, I'd bet!" she said angrily. "Tha sat theer an' listened 'en they'd done this Standbacker ad- to such rubbidge as that, an' never oppened ! ced to th' middle on id an' ses, "Ladies thi meauth, not even to laugh! Thee as pleasure. In 1881 he commenced general appearance was most effective. The lives with a woman as the knows is as good to represent West Ward, and he had proceeds amounted to nearly £22. a man as tha'll ever be, an' as cleeans up a been more or less in touch with the ward lot mooar dirt nor tha ever sets! Women on ever since. He had always taken a warm PALACE n' to a dry speech from me. I shall fire a pedestal, ch! Mownt let 'em mess amung interest in keeping in the front rank religion

wife was "crammed."

neaw-we'd fun' eaut as it injured t' race." "Aw'm glad one showed sense, chusheaw,"

the matter, (Applause.). Alderman Sprake, who had a cordial reception, said he did not know how to thank had spoken of him. All he had the decorations more beautiful, and thanks to

e then ordered 'em to form up i' two's at cleean up we should 'ave time to go campin' they desired, and they ought not to bring foirin' place, an' tekkin' a roiffe fro' th' every neet, tellin' what we think abeaut men, them up in any other way. So far as he was

glad there's some women 'as a bit o' time always support that being carried out. (Ap to tell men t' truth abeaut themsels, same plause.) Mr. Sprake pointed out that the origin of the Christmas and New Year's It began to dawn on Mr. Cleghorn that his gatherings was a religious one, and that they One of the funniest sketches ever seen at the "Yi," he said, soothingly. "Aw didn' 'owd were for the suread of information, and It is an entirely new dramatic comedy sketch wi' their silly wark, lass. But the knows to teach people what was their duty to their entitled." Bluebottles." and is eleverly enacted aw'm noan one for gerrin' up o' mi fect an' neighbours. He wished them all a happy by balf a dozen accomplished artistes. During sjoutin'. An' one chap didn' 'awf let eaut and prosperous new year, and expressed a the half hour the sketch is being played the h' marker signalled a bull, and th' at 'em, too-he said just what tha's just bin hope that when they assembled at the gather- andience are kept in a continual state of merti-

nea Standbacker strutted reawnd lotte a to be put up theer-as it was cowd high up enlightening others and leading them into a Beatrice Harris is a clever toe, dancer and like that, an' as women didn' like them cowd better life and of extending their influence. vocalist. Another star tarn is that of Brinn, places no morar nor men would. An' an- If they learnt from these gatherings to bring the renowned balancer, who appears in a senother thing, he said, pedestals are for statoos only one strayed one to their fold they would sational act, entitled "Pastimes on a Battleor angels, an' women are neither one nor have done something that was commendable. ship." 'He performs some really elever feats.

er the splendid shot you have made. Splendid shot be hanged!" ses Owd Weft angeb An' as to rockin' t' creddle, he said to Alderman Sprake, said they, as Catholics, ance. The Alfred Bilford Trio in a clever turn; that was as mich caut o' date as some men's had certainly nothing to complain of in the Ben Albert, a smart comedian, and pictures on ideas abeaut women. We didn' rock creddlos treatment they received from the Accrington the Bioscope entitled "A Tangled affair" and neaw-we'd larnt as it injured t' childer-an' Education Committee, and they had to thank | "P.C. Platt's promotion" complete the prowe didn' treat women as an alien species Alderman Sprake for a great deal in that gramme. respect. (Applause.)

Mr. Ashton, in seconding, said they all said Mrs. Cleghorn, in a mollified tone. respected Mr. Sprake for what he had done figing at Belle Vue on Saturday. Counting "Mek thisel' useful neaw, an' get uz a pen- for their religion and for the work he had, the feats which he then performed, he has now done for the town. (Applause.)

Sprake for his guidance and prudence in treasurer, because of their untiring effortthis having been one of the most successfu New Year's efforts in the history of this church and school for 30 years past. There was a host of very willing workers. The electric light Father Annacker for the very kind way he installed in the school was a means of making

done had been done with the greatest Mr. Sparrow (one of the worshippers), the

HIPPODROME, å BURNLEY.

forms a series of most wonderful filusions that Of the eight turns which go to make up th programme at the Burnley Palace and Hippodrome this week, many are quite new to the Mr. Devant's performance makes the most actheatre.goers in Burnley and district, and as ceptable entertainment. On Thursday afterthe majority are of a first class order the whole makes up an excellent entertainment.

sayin', an' a lot mooar besides. Talkin' ings in the school next year they would find ment. John Child sings well known high class hen Standbacker strutted reawnd loike a abeaut a pedestal, he said women didn' want that their lives had been the means of compliant is condition in songe most condition in the school heat their lives had been the means of compliant is condition in the school heat their lives had been the means of compliant is been the means of compliant i

didn' fancy livin' neither wi' a statoo nor an Mr. McCaffrey, in moving a vote of thanks Gerhola Trio are up-to-date in their acrobatio

Mr. C. B. Hucks gave another exhibition of

AT THE Blackburn Palace Theatre.

A feast of magio is provided this week for patrons of the Blackburn Palace Theatre, the principal item in an entertainment of all round excellence being that provided by David Devant, the world-famed magician. As one whose name is associated with the famous Maskelyne and Devant Hall of Mysteries, Iondon. David Devant needs little in the way of recommendation to any audience. He per-

are beyond the imagination of the ordinary adividual, and they are of such a marvejous nature that even after seeing them one is inonly 367 papers were spoiled. clined to doubt the possibility of such feats.

noon a special matince performance of Devant's inystories only will be given. Mr. Devant will present a two hours' entertainment, introducing many wonderful illusions which cannot be shown at the ordinary evening performances, and which have never before been seen outside Maskelyne and Devant's own Hall in Lonion. The whole theatre will, for the afternoon

be devoted to "A Feast of magic." Cyrus Dare, the renowned mimic of little children, is heard to great advantage in original songs and stories, his efforts causing much merriment Josie is a dainty Dutch comedicane whose sing ing takes well, and Leolin, a clever juggler, ments an acceptable juggling scena. Those ar high class musical turns will read-

knows." plate the efforts of Yaso, an accomolinist, assisted by Mdlle, Lo Clare. s of the pair is of the highest order Fred Wille give a clever display of ic feats, and Arthur Ferriss, comeo supplement the variety artistes.

ur shirt " was a remark of a prisoner political programme. Only Socialism would Africe increases. Almost all the Netal one ndon Sessions in explaining away solve the social problem, and only an organsied mines are idle. In Johannesburg the Labour working-class could bring about Socialism. ad different names.

in the form of envelopes and returned circulars weighing over a ton and a half in the Amaigamation offices-that, of course, being apart from hallot papers. Mr. J. Cross, the secretary of the Amalgama-

tion, on Saturday noon announced the result bottom, of the voting as follows :--In favour of a political fund :- 98,153.

Against:-75,893. Majority in favour: 22,265.

and young people who have to vote in the have done as he had. A fine of 5s, and costs Amalgamation. Of the 192,914 voting papers was imposed; in default eight days' imprison returned to the offices, 18,495 were blank, and ment

IN HIS OWN WORDS.

The orator who, by way of punishment for his sins, was reported exactly as he spoke, is only a type of many others who owe polish to the journalist. There was a certain north country councillor who once expressed himself was strongly opposed. "What would local option mean in this town?" he asked. "Why i' would be divided into six wards, and in six o' th' wards t' public-houses would be closed and in t'other six they'd be shut up."

And this was how the opposition paper reported him : "What he was trying to say he alone \$-35 a.m. on Sunday, the 21st December,

Mr. J. Keir Hardie, M.P., speaking on Sunday tion of the party politicians, and were a delu- caused.

sion and a snare. So far as the Socialist movement was concerned there could not in age my name oftener than you the very nature of things be anything like a

AN INEXPLICABLE OFFENCE.

Philip Pametta, labourer, of 34, Wilkinsor street, was summoned for the use of obscene That poll, stated Mr. Cross, represents nearly language. P.C. Smith said he was on duty in 89 per cent, of the total membership of the Rakefoot, Haslingden, about 12-15 on Friday Amalgamation, and is probably the largest morning of last week, when he heard defend vote that has been secured by any trade union ant making use of the language. - Defendant in the country. It is regarded as an especially said it was three years since he was there good poll, considering the number of women before, and he did not know why he shople

CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS.

In extenuation of the offence of drunkennes with which he was charged, Thos. Yates, of Crow Trees, Grane, pleaded that he "had been having a bit of Christmas, and it was very slippery." The evidence of P.C. Gorst was to the effect that he was quite unable to take care of himself in Grane-road shortly before midnight on the 30th December. Supt. Fyfe very emphatically on local option, to which he stated that was defendant's first offence. fendant was ordered to pay the costs.

SLEEP IN CHARGE.

In ordering the payment of costs in a case in which James Barnes (18) carter, of 38, Warwick-street, was summoned for being asleer whilst in charge of two horses and a lurry al

Chairman said he did not think it was a pro per thing for a youth to be in charge of two horses at night. The evidence of Sets night in Glasgow, said they were told that if Walker and P.C. Shufflebottom showed that they agreed upon a programme all the sections when defendant's lurry was pulled up in mart in "Character studies in song in the working class movement would come Blackburn-road coming from the Sykenide As usual there are pictures on the inside. Political programme were the inven- direction, an accident might easily have been

The danger of a general strike in South leaders are preparing for sympathetic action

