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### THE SOCIAL QUESTION.

#### General Unbusiness Felt in Paris—The Thousands of Starving Workmen.

PARIS, Feb. 6.—The Parisians are again dancing over a volcano. While pieces of amusement are turning people away nightly and the newspapers contain daily accounts of weddings, balls, routs and first representations, the "social question" seems no nearer a resolution than it did ten years ago, and the possibility of governing the French by the French for the French is doubted by a greater number of Frenchmen than ever. The official yearning for a Russian alliance and the ministerial tinkering in Tonquin and Tunis fades into insignificance before the grim spectre of a social revolution. "What is the social question?" was asked of a French minister driving a friend home in his broom. "Do you see my man on the box?" said his Excellency. "Yes." "Well, he would like to come in and take my seat and let me drive; that is all there is in it." So Danton of the First Revolution: "We used to be under-nest; now we are on top." That is all.

The "social question" with a large majority of Paris workmen today is, "What shall we do for a dinner?" The hundred thousand workmen poor "Pion Plon" used to flatter in his speeches are starving. The streets are full of them—wandering about gaunt, hollow-eyed, seeking work and finding it not; sometimes, but rarely, soliciting assistance from a stranger. The demolition and rebuilding of whole quarters of the capital of the Empire in the early days of the Republic attracted an immense number of artisans. There were thirty thousand stone-cutters here in 1882, more than were needed even then; now that building has virtually ceased two-thirds of them are looking for employment. The eight thousand carpenters are just as badly off, for free trade has allowed Germany and Switzerland to export ready-made carpenter and joiner work to France. Three thousand Paris carpenters are sunning themselves on the streets. The company recently formed to utilize the rags and refuse of Paris has deprived sixty thousand rag-pickers of the means of existence, for what Paris throws away in a year in the way of rags, hair, old bits of iron and oyster shells is worth, year in and year out, thirty millions of francs. Many of these men support families. What is to become of them? There is no "great West" on this side of the Atlantic to reward the laborer, and to expatriate himself is to a Frenchman a species of suicide. "Father Laplace," the oldest rag-picker in Paris, was borne to his last resting-place a few days ago, and the "Reds" improved the opportunity to turn his funeral into a Socialist manifestation. Thous and followed his body to the cemetery and the speeches made at the grave reflected all the bitterness of the "disinherited of earth."

Gambetta was certainly mistaken when he said "the social question no longer exists." It does not in a more malignant form. Giving twelve millions to the indigent is but a temporary solution. The Royalists suggest a change of government but there is no general sufficient reputation in France to play the part of Monk nor a statesman fit to be a Yimones. A French pretender, to be successful, would need them both.

### Death of a Noted Defiant.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 29.—Intelligence is just received of the death of Marshall T. Polk, ex State Treasurer, in East Nashville.

Polk had been ill for some days, but his death was unexpected. He was lying on the bed talking as usual to his family, having been up and down all day and apparently in the same health as for several weeks. Even his family hardly knew when he died. His son, James Knox Polk, saw his arm fall and went to him and he was dead. Several physicians were called and pronounced it heart disease.

At THE CLUB.—Young Pilkins (to visiting country cousin who has waxed confidential under champagne) "And so you say she is twenty-eight, but you don't think she'll have you eh? Well, you have been brought up in the country!"

### A LONDON SENSATION.

#### The Earl of Easton Attempts to Put Away his Wife—A Former Husband Appears.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—*Allypaur*, a new society magazine, will to-morrow publish the following paragraph: "Another celebrated case will be that of the Earl of Easton, who will be the next Duke of Grafton. The Earl seeks to get rid of his wife. His contention is that the lady's first husband was alive when she became Countess of Easton, is now alive and can be produced. His appearance in the witness box will be highly dramatic for the lady has seen him and declares that she knows nothing about him. The approaching trial will rival the Tichborne case and be the sensation of the season."

### AN EARLY MARRIAGE.

The facts of the matter are these: Thirteen years ago Henry Fitzroy, eldest son of Lord Augustus Fitzroy, fell in love with a dubious woman known as Kate Cook. She was handsome and stylish in person, and her matured charms were quite sufficient to captivate the youth of twenty-three. Unknown to his father, who was Equerry to the Queen, he married her. Most chronicles of the peerage ignored the marriage. Others described the bride as the daughter of John Walsh and widow of Mr. Smith.

### NECESSITIES OF TITLE.

In 1882 the bridegroom's social position changed. Lord Augustus Fitzroy succeeded his brother as seventh Duke of Grafton. Henry Fitzroy became Earl of Easton. The widow of "Mr. Smith" became Countess Easton and the future Duchess of Grafton. But trouble has already come between her and her husband. They separated by mutual agreement. No fault being proved against the Countess since her marriage, the Earl in vain sought an excuse for divorce. The mysterious "Mr. Smith" has now appeared and the excuse is found. If the case fails Kate Cook will be Duchess of Grafton, and the title created for a mistress of a King will be borne by a woman of the town.

### EXPOSITION NOTES.

ELIZABETH CITY, Feb. 29.—A first-rate meeting assembled here this evening. Seven counties were represented. An Exposition association was formed and much interest was manifested.

The board of magistrates of Wake county acted handsomely in authorizing the commissioners to spend \$2,000 to make a county display at the State exposition.

The commissioners of Iitt county appropriated four hundred and ninety-nine dollars for the purpose of securing a county exhibit at the State exposition.

The commissioners of Chowan county voted unanimously for an exhibit at the State exposition.

### GOV. JARVIS AND THE VICE PRESIDENT.

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### PROPOSING ON A STREET CAR.

#### Philadelphia Record.

The bleak and uninviting interior of a street car, with the thermometer twenty degrees below the freezing point, was the scene of a proposal of marriage last evening. The hour was half past 9, the car was one of the lumbered cars of the Thirtieth and Fifteenth streets line, and the interested parties a tall built, pretty girl of about nineteen, unmarried, with dark eyes and pink cheeks, and a young man of two or three and twenty, dressed in a double-breasted overcoat with a solid blue collar, and a hat with a large diamond scarfpin, that if the young man was not a hotel clerk, was probably a pastor.

To the most casual observer these cooers were evidently what is known in the language of love as "opons" and the eyes of both fairly beamed with affectionate glances of the first water. They were ensconced in one of the corners farthest from the back platform, and opposite to them sat the only other occupant of the car, a humble reporter, who dozed a daze as the car sped along past the glimmering street lamps and rattled across the tracks of intersecting railways. It was bounded north, Pine, Spruce, Locust, and Walnut streets were passed in rapid succession until the flashing glare of the electric light on Chestnut street awoke the sleeping scribe, but his awakening was not noticed by the lovers opposite.

"Are you cold, Annie?" came in gentle tones across the car.

"Yes, Charley," was the half-whispered reply. And Charley snuggled up close, and took Annie's hand in his.

"He then glanced at her in a loving way, looked across at the reporter, who was apparently asleep, and said that the conductor was not fully occupied in keeping his feet warm, and, after giving one or two coughs, said, with a smile:

"Do you recollect what I told you the first time I met you, Annie?"

"No, Charley, what?"

"Why, that I had never been in love, and that it would be a cold day when I'd say a girl to marry me."

"Oh yes, but why to you ask?"

"Well this is a very cold day, and I'm shivering."

"Yes, Charley, but why?" and she blushed as she glanced up at him, and as his face drew nearer hers.

"Well, will you?"

There was silence for a moment, but for the jangle of the bells and the rattling of the car wheels, and the fact upon the reporter's mind, that she stopped her hand in his, and, as if even rising from her seat, and whispered "Yes."

"I wish you, my dear," he exclaimed in the delighted report, and as the lower half started up, abashed at the unexpected discovery of their secret, the scribe shot out of the doorway and hurried away.

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### THE DYNAMITE EXCITEMENT.

#### Baltimore Sun.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—In reference to the comments of the press of the United States on the dynamite excitement in Great Britain, and the foreshadowing of representations, which it is assumed will be made to the United States government, it may be proper to state that the people of this country can have but a faint idea of the sense of apprehension and insecurity which exists all over England on this subject. For many months past citizens of that country who have visited Washington have exhibited the utmost concern to ascertain the exact truth as to public opinion in the United States on the Irish troubles, and when one of them has been presented to an official or a member of Congress he is pretty sure to lead the conversation up to this point at once. A British Peer who was in Washington a few weeks since, and who owns large landed estates in Ireland said it had come directly under his personal observation that returned Irish emigrants were constantly asserting that public opinion in the United States was universal in approving of dynamite methods. This opinion was arraigned and refuted to be informed that while public sentiment in this country might be universal as to the wrongs which Ireland had been called upon to endure, it was a very insignificant element which would endorse principles and purposes of the dynamites.

### Getting Ready for War.

CHICAGO (Special Journal).

In case of war, Ochiltree and Curtin will attend to Germany, while Parley and Robinson take care of Great Britain. The rest of us will stay at home and take care of the women and children.

### THE INTERNATIONAL REVENUE SYSTEM.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—Yesterday at 11 o'clock, and again at 2 p. m., the North Carolina delegation, with gentlemen from Georgia, Virginia and Tennessee, were in the Ways and Means committee. They spent, altogether, several hours presenting and discussing the bill which would amend the act of 1878, and the details of the proposed system, and the people desired a good deal of information, but did not seem to be particularly interested in the details of the removal of the tax on brandy made from fruits, and such modification of the mode of calculation of the whiskey tax as was possible. To meet, it was agreed, should be freed from all taxation.

The prospect is fine for a popular modification of the system, including a moderate reduction of the revenue.

What will the bill will pass the House, the Virginia and Missouri committees report on the basis of the bill, with the free list reduced in coal, salt and lumber.

Washington, March 1.—The movement of the day among the members of the committee in regard to the proposed modification of the Internal Revenue law, meets with general approval. As telegraphed yesterday the idea for the concert of action originated among the North Carolina delegation, and when the proper time comes, one of them will bring the matter before the various Congressional delegations whose constituents are to be affected by legislation on this subject. It is now expected by all parties that the friends of the brandy whiskey men must yield to the pressure that will be brought to bear when the fight begins.

It is generally expected that Mr. McPherson, the Chairman of the Ways and Means committee, will support any effort to amend the law, which has the regard of the Internal Revenue laws in view.

### Wanted to get with the Logans.

CHICAGO (Special Journal).

When the Logans' editors went to Chicago, they were met by Logan and Secor. One after another they were met by Logan and Secor. Logan complained of being a cold, whereupon the editor of the *Logans* grandly threw a wet sponge over the Logans' shoulders, saying: "A wet sponge a widower to occupy the White House another term, you know."