verage of 2,000 children a year ghty-seven per cent of those already ovided for have turned out well, 8 cent, have been returned, 2 pe cent. died, one quarter of one per cent. have been arrested for petty crimes, 2 3-4 per cent. have disappeared. For very young children, whose parents are both dead, it is easy to find good homes and legal adoption. The last census shows a declining birth rate, tably in the States of the Middle West, where homes should certainly be pleatufil for these unhappy little ones of the great city.

WOULD LIMIT THEIR CAPITAL.

Senator Newlands' Plan for National Railroad Incorporation Law.

Senator Newlands consumed several hours the other day in explaining to the members of the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce the provisions of his bill to prohibit over-capitaliza-

tion of corporations. Mr. Newland's plan provides for the incorporation of railroads under a nat-ional law instead of the conflicting laws of forty-five states. He said England in January was plastered from end to end with political post-ers. Big four-sheet posters and tiny postal card posters, bright and dull,



VOTERS OF ENGLAND APPEALED TO THROUGH GAUDILY COLOR-ED SHEETS.

Vast Fortune Spent for Printed Mat-ter.-Prominent English Statesmen Ridiculously Cartouned on Bill-buard and Post Card. Bill-

In no country in the world are more time and money spent in appeals to the reason and good will of the public than in England. Stringent laws

against malpractice in securing votes force candidates for office and their agents to invent numerous and inge nious devices to attract public atten tion. During the last General Elec-tions every effort possible was put forth to influence the opinion of the voter by means of posters; to such an extent were posters utilized that the fight for election wes nicknamed the Poster Campaign.

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showed the new Campbell-Bannerman cabinet recoiling in horror at the en-trance of Lord Roseberry, who has fre-quently played the part of political wrecker. The best Unionist shots were directed against the Liberal leader's (who is always beferred to as "C-B") suspected bribery of the Irish National party pilote, by Mr. John Redmond. For some time past Mr. Redmond has been a masterful man-on-the-fence, leaning to which-ever side promised Home Rule and other plums for Ireland. A hunorous other plums for Ireland. A humorous poster represents John, Bull in his best clothes, a bouquet in one hand and a key labeled "Office" in the other, waiting at the church door. He Mrs. Liberal Party, with the face of C-B, a bouncing widow who has brought her little son of Irish extrac-tion with her. The cartoon is entitled, "Little Johnny would come." Still an-

Chamberlain's protection pollby was a source of never failing inspiration for the free trade caricaturists. This Liberals gave an initial exhibit in the National Liberal Club, London, for the benefit and guidance of the party's candidates and agents. The Laborites, or the working man's party, got out only a few post-ers. They have little mohey to spend for campaign purposes unless it is fur-nished them by one of the big parties which wants them to pul votes from the other side. This time the Liberals contributed to the Labor funds. The Unionist-Conservatives had the the other side. This time the Liberals contributed to the Labor funds. The Unionist-Conservatives had the wittiest posters. A big favorite showed the new Campbell-Bannerman cabinet recoiling in horror at the en-trance of Lord Roseberry, who has fre-quently played the part of political wrecker. The best Unionist shots were directed against the Liberal bedar's (who is always befarred to

is horrified at the sight of his bride up Mr. Keir Hardie. These votes come Mrs. Liberal Party, with the face of to about a shilling. The curious thing

elect?" "The survivor, sire." The cost of the January elections in the British Isles was close on \$10,000, 000. A candidate's expenses are limited by law, but each vote costs on the average four shillings, or an American dollar. Orkney and Shetland, Scot-land cost their aspirants to Parliament most, votes costing as high as four-teen shillings aplece in legitimate ex-penses penses. The cheapest constituency is Merthyr Tydvil, the labor district which sends

HE ARROT other poster represents the dilemma of Mrs. Liberal Party-an uncompli-mentary portrait of C-B as an irritat



t matter if a Polly s out-of-date and stupid "Your Food Will Cost You More!"

YOUR FOOD WILL COST YOU MORE.

is that the defeated candidate usually has a bigger bill to pay than the suc-cessful one. One item of 30 shillings a hundred for ballot papers, which is met by candidates, seems outrageous in these days of cheap printing.

Was Short of Money.

"A black cutaway coat? Yes, Sir," said the furnisher; "now this style of derby just suits a short man." "Indeed? replied Mr. Runt, "How much is it with the yest?"

"Twelve dollars and a bargain!" "Huh. That price would never suit a man as short as I am."





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0 A NARROW TENEMENT DISTRICT STREET IN NEW YORK capitalization would be limited to clever and stupid, in rhyme and in honest valuation and actual investment prose, humorous and pathetic, posters instead of being swollen abnormally adapted from Mother Goose, and postinstead of being swollen abnormally by "the familiar device of stock watering." Dividends would be limited to a fair

ings. It represented Mr. Balfour as a sleight-of-hand artist who, having ca-joled his hat from John Bull, proceed ed to take out of it the goose and rab-bits of unpopular legislation, which Mr. Chamberlain supplied from beneath the table to the evident amusement of the prestidigitator, who frankly owned that he was "quite sure

The Hanky-Panky Government was the biggest hit on the Liberal hoard

ed old lady who finds her unruly lrish adopted an embarrassing and rolsy handful that she sincerely wishes did not belong to her. A protectionist poster that would appeal to Amerimans is labeled, "Help, in the King's name," and shows John Bull being slugged and robbed by the pickpocket slugged and robbed by the pickpocket-ing nations, Germany making off with British work, tools and gold, while Mr. Chamberiain as a London police-man, armed with the club of Retalla-tion, leads the colonies to the rescue. The Tariff Reform League contrib-uted to the Unionist collection a post-or called "the Parrot," whereon that feathered fully site perched above the feathered folly sits perched above the door of the Cobden Club and with one warning claw upraised, parodies "The While Mr. "Joe" Chamberlain's advice to Mr. Arthur Balfour, as quoted by the Liberals, "Mind, Arthur, not a word about the fiscal question. Stick to Home Rule," was carefully fol-lowed by the Unionist-Conservative followers of those gentlemen, the opposition's posters were largely devoted to repeating the cry of the Parrot, "Your food will cost you more," and worked every pictorial variation pos-sible on the free trade vs. protection.

taxes on a permanent basis, railroads would go out of politics because they would have absolutely nothing to gain by political activity. My measure is based on the theory that rairoad consolidation is not harmful if properly controlled. I would not only permit, but encourage such consolidation un-der national charters."

Baroness Rosen's Violets.

Undoubtedly it is pleasant to loll upon the cushions of a perfumed lan-dau or coup6, and the owner of such a vehicle is happy amid the odor of violets and lavender that comes from violets and invender that comes from the satchet bags she has placed around it. But, the Baroness Elizabeth Rosen, daughter of the Russian Ambassador to this country, has more poetic ideas. She has a charming little coupé at the sides, of which, where another woman would have a minor movide must and would have a mirror, powder puff and hairpins, she has two contrivances which hold water and keep a handful of violets fresh and fragrant. It is a delight to step into this carriage. The Baroness is going to have additional flower stands in the coupé, and will have perfume and color wherever she

