

LONDON ARTISANS.

EFFECT OF THE FACTORY ACTS. It is now ten years since the Factory Act and the Workshop Act of 1867 were passed...

With heart unshaken, from engagement free, Proud of her birth, yet humble to the poor, Who would not turn a beggar from the door...

THREATENED RISING IN ZULU-LAND.

The following extracts are from letters written by a Dutch correspondent at Natal, on Natal, on the borders of Zulu-land, to the New Rotterdam Courant...

AMUSING BREACH OF PROMISE CASE.

At the Warwickshire Assizes, before Mr. Justice Mellor, the case of Edkins v. Lilly, an action for breach of promise, was heard...

In every sense a woman she must be, With heart unshaken, from engagement free, Proud of her birth, yet humble to the poor...

It was headed "Creep Close to My Warm Bosom, Darling," and ran as follows: Creep close to my warm bosom, darling, And put up your lips for a kiss...

(Great laughter.) Having exhausted himself in that poetic effusion, defendant wrote to plaintiff that his business was increasing to such an extent that he had not time to write...

MARRIAGE OF THE LADY MAYORESS OF LONDON.—The marriage of the Lady Mayoresse (Miss Ada Louisa White) with Mr. Cecil Herbert Thornton...

SIR C. GAVAN DUFFY AND MR. BRIGHT.—In a speech recently made at Melbourne, Sir Charles Gavan Duffy defended the part he had taken in Victoria as a protectionist...

WILLS AND BEQUESTS.

The will and codicil (both dated April 18, 1877) of Mr. Augustus Henry Hunt, late of Birtley House, near Chester-le-Street, D. Han, who died on the 12th of May last...

The will, dated January 21, 1875, of Mr. Ippolito Leonino, late of No. 24, Great Winchester-street, City, merchant, who died on the 12th of June last...

The will, dated September 28, 1875, of Major-General Edward Charles Fletcher, late of Kennard Yalding, Kent, who died on June 5 last...

The will, dated May 28, 1875, of Mr. George Goodwin Buckton, late of No. 4, Queenborough-terrace, Paddington, and of No. 8, Whitehall-place, who died on June 6 last...

The will and codicil (dated February 27 and December 2, 1876) of General Sir Watkin Lewis Griffiths-Williams, late of 38, Elgin-road, Notting-hill, who died on May 23 last...

The will (dated July 15, 1870) of the Hon. and Right Rev. Horatio Powys, D.D., Bishop of Soder and Man, late of Bournemouth, who died on May 31 last...

NEW ACT ON TRADE MARKS.—An Act has been issued, which received the Royal assent on Monday, to extend the time for the registration of trade marks in respect to textile industries...

A FOSTER MOTHER.—The Rev. Charles Goward writes: "In looking through Coleridge's 'Table Talk' I came, at p. 171, upon the accompanying record, which may not be uninteresting to your readers at this time...

THE DESTRUCTION OF SALMON IN THE OUSE.—The Fishing Gazette says: There is no improvement in the salmon fishery on the Ouse owing to the continued enormous destruction of fish by grampuses and porpoises...

A LESSON IN TURKISH.—Mr. A. Brasher, writing from Kingston, says: "As the telegrams and letters from the seat of war contain a certain number of Turkish names and words, with the general meaning of which it would probably add to the interest of most readers to be acquainted, the following rough translation of some of them may perhaps be thought worthy of insertion...

GLEANINGS.

"TIED" RAZORS.—Barbers often assert that razors get tired of shaving, and that they will perform satisfactorily if permitted to rest for a time...

ARREST OF THE KING OF DELHI.—On the 21st Captain Hodson, ascertaining that the king had fled to that wonderful pile, the tomb of Humayun, a few miles southward of the city, galloped thither at the head of fifty horse, and dragged him, together with his favourite wife, Zensab Mahal, who had been a chief instrument in the revolt, back to the palace...

NEW ZEALANDERS.—The language of the Maoris of New Zealand, corroborated by their own traditions, proves their descent from the Sandwich Islanders, and their legends, now becoming fast forgotten, tell how their ancestors, about 600 years ago, left Hawaii with a fleet of canoes...

THE IRISH LEGEND OF THE HORNEB WOMAN.—A rich lady sat up late one night carding and preparing wool, while all the family and servants were asleep. Suddenly a knock was given at the door and a voice called—"Open! open!" "Who is there?" said the woman of the house...

CONTROL OF THE SALE OF MILK.—The Brussels Society of Public Health has instituted a system of control over the sale of milk, which would prove to be highly valuable and worthy of imitation...

THE GOVERNMENT'S EASTERN POLICY.

The Earl of Faversham, who had on the paper a notice to call the attention of the House of Lords to the Eastern Question, and to the despatch addressed by the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to Count Schouvaloff on the 6th of May last...

The Earl of Beaconsfield: My lords, it would be only common courtesy in me to express to my noble friend my sense of his forbearance after the intimation which I made to him. Certainly it is the opinion of her Majesty's Government that a discussion at this moment on the present state of affairs in the East would not be advantageous to the public service...

PLEVENA.

This place is about, as the crowd says, 27 miles S.S.W. of Nikopol, on the Danube, and five miles west of the Vid, one of the largest of the tributaries that descend from the northern slopes of the Balkans to the Danube. According to Kanitz, a recent Austrian traveller, the town has a population of 1627 Mohammedan and 1474 Christian families, comprising about 17,000 souls...

CONTROL OF THE SALE OF MILK.

The Brussels Society of Public Health has instituted a system of control over the sale of milk, which would prove to be highly valuable and worthy of imitation. It is not liable to the well-known objection quæ custodiet, &c. The society has confined the control of milk sales to a special commission, embracing the director of the veterinary school, a veterinary doctor, a doctor of medicine, and two university professors...

FASHION SEEMS TO HAVE MORE TO ANSWER FOR THAN I IMAGINED. The Rev. Mr. Robbins explained last week at Holy Trinity Church, Windsor, that the reason he had so few lady communicants was that the present fashion in dress caused them to be tied back so tight that they could not possibly kneel at the altars...

THE BRADLAUGH APPEAL.—The appeal of Mr. Bradlaugh and Mrs. Besant to the Court of Error against the verdict and sentence for publishing an improper book on over-population will be assisted by a statement now made by certain of the jurymen. One of them (says the Liverpool Courier) asserts that six of the jury did not consent and did not intend to assent to the verdict of "guilty," and further alleges that before the special verdict was offered it was agreed among them that if the Lord Chief Justice would not accept their verdict in their own words, the jury should again retire and consult. Now, if this be a true statement of the opinions and intentions of the jury, and if six of them sign a deposition to that effect, it may considerably benefit the position of the defendants. Meantime, Mr. Bradlaugh is endeavoring by process in chambers to compel the unknown prosecutor to bring in the roll of the proceedings. This being done there will still remain a protracted system of legal action to be taken before the Court of Error can give its decision.