

OLD ENGLAND'S TOPICS

Questions Which Both Excite and Amuse John Bull.

THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT

COMING SESSION FULL OF GRAVE IMPORTANCE.

Irish Members Will Be Very Much In Evidence—Chinese Events Closely Followed By Her Majesty—Her Contemplated Visit to France—Pope Leo's Health.

London, Feb. 5.—(Copyright, 1898, by the Associated Press.)—At a council held at Osborn, Isle of Wight, on Thursday, the queen's speech to be read at the re-assembling of parliament next week was approved. It will be the most important pronouncement for years past. Her majesty is following the events in the far east very closely, and has the keenest appreciation of the difficulties. She has been most busy recently over dispatches on the subject. It will be idle to deny the pressure attending upon her with the air-charged with incense, and with this prospect the session will be most important as regards home and foreign politics.

CHINESE QUESTION. First in interest is the Chinese question. It is known authoritatively that the Marquis of Salisbury has disapproved strongly of the declaration made by Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, the chancellor of the exchequer, at Bristol, as embarrassing his negotiations with other cabinet ministers. The premier has also resented the virulence of the press attacks growing out of the so-called backdown of the government on the subject of opening the port of Tientsin, and the revival of Count Curie's description of his territory as a "lath painted to imitate iron," has emphasized his irritation. The opposition, however, has decided not to unduly prolong the debate on the address in reply to the French speech from the throne, and to the challenge on the Indian trouble later; but the opposition will try to get the government to announce its program at the earliest possible moment.

IRISH MEMBERS. The Irish members will be much in evidence during the coming session, the government's local government, and Catholic university bills affecting them a great battleground. In regard to the latter measure, the Dillonites, Redmondites and Healyites have united in common in their opposition to the bill, which will be the feature of the session, and will also serve to introduce the Dreyfus question into the house of commons, for a leading member will demand attention to the distress existing in Ireland, and will ask for aid for Irish industries.

SALISBURY. Regarding this week's rumor of the approaching resignation of the Marquis of Salisbury, it should be noted that it formed the subject of gossip in the inner circles of the clubs some days before it appeared in the newspapers. If such an intention exists in the mind of the marquis, it is apparently due to his present state of health, for, though his physician has advised him to lighten his work as much as possible, the appearance of the premier at Wednesday's foreign office reception belied the story circulated concerning his poor health. He walked lightly, and had ruddy cheeks.

LAUGHED AT. Germany's action in excluding American "affected" from the plants and shrubs, and packages containing the same, is laughed at by the authorities here who have to deal with the American fruit shipped to England. A representative of the Associated

Press is informed by the board of agriculture that there never has been any complaint in this country against the American fruit shipped to England. There was some agitation years ago on the subject of spraying trees with arsenic, but investigation proved that the practice did not harm the consumer, and that the same method was followed in England, in Canada and on the continent.

HOME POLITICS. The most interesting feature in home politics is the contest between the Liberal Unionists of the Edgworths and the Conservatives of the Birmingham Post. The Liberal Unionists in this division outnumber the Conservatives, but the Conservative was promised to the Conservatives some time ago, though Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, the secretary of state for the colonies, is said to have succeeded in breaking up the executive committee of the Liberal Union association, which, by a good majority, has voted that the Conservatives shall select the successor of Mr. George Dixon, Mr. Chamberlain declaring that if the committee did not fulfill its promise, its members practically denied him as their leader.

POPE'S HEALTH. The pope is pronounced to be in excellent health, and to be busying himself with a document to be addressed to the Catholics of Christendom, thanking them for their affection, as expressed upon the occasion of his jubilee. The document involves political and religious matters throughout the whole human race. His holiness will preside at the function at St. Peter's, and will afterwards receive a body of pilgrims, including a numerous delegation from the United States.

QUEEN WILL VISIT FRANCE. Queen Victoria will visit the Indian campaign, rounded at Netley on Thursday and will start for Nice on March 3, going there by her usual route, but by easier stages than hitherto. She will spend two nights on board the royal yacht Victoria and Albert, presumably one night in English waters, after embarking, and one night in French waters after arriving at Cherbourg, where she will take the train for the south of France.

VESTRY ROW. The Duke and Duchess of Fife, a fortnight ago, agreed to open the new Hackney town hall, and the vestry, by a large majority, voted to expend £200 at Chiswick, where she will take the train for the south of France. The first drawing room of the season will be held on Feb. 23 by the Princess of Wales in behalf of her majesty.

KING LEOPOLD'S YACHT. King Leopold of Belgium, the purchaser of the late Mr. Ogden-Coele's steam yacht Mayflower, will re-christen her Clonmelin, possibly after his third daughter, the Princess Clementine, who was born in 1872. The crew of the royal yacht will be composed of Belgian and English in equal numbers, with English officers. She will be refitted at Southampton and from there will go to the Mediterranean.

MEASLES EPIDEMIC. The weather is colder and stormy and the first snow fell in London on Friday. Influenza and measles are epidemic. The former is so severe in Cornwall that business is seriously interrupted and many of the schools are closed.

The death of Lord Clonmel, which was announced on Wednesday last, was caused by his dropping a little hot sealing wax on his hand, whereupon blood poisoning rapidly developed. He only succeeded to the title in 1896. Ferdinand Gottschalk, who took part

CHURCH SERVICES.

Notices Inserted in This Column Free, if Handed in Before Noon on Saturday.

First Baptist Church.—Corner of Second South and Second West streets. Services today (Septuagesima Sunday). Holy communion, 7:30 a.m.; Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; morning prayer and sermon, 11 a.m.; evening prayer and sermon, 7:30 p.m. Work days: Daily morning prayer, 9 a.m.; holy communion, Thursday, 7:30 a.m.; evening prayer and sermon, 7:30 p.m. Work days: Tuesday, 2:30 p.m.; mothers' meeting, Wednesday, 2 p.m.; vestry meeting, Monday, 8 p.m.

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ADDRESS TO THE PEOPLE.

FROM COMMITTEE ON WASHINGTON MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY.

The Aim of George Washington In Leaving a Bequest to His Country For That Purpose.

The ladies composing the local committee having in charge the interests of the proposed Washington Memorial University for Utah, yesterday put out the following address:

Address to the people of Utah: Nearly 100 years ago the great American, George Washington, left a bequest to his country of \$25,000, which sum was to be expended in founding an American university. It was his desire that the highest education of the youth of America should be upon American soil under American influences. He wished to found a university where the highest education should be given in the principles underlying true statesmanship. The bequest was made with most careful directions as to carrying out his intentions.

The money, perhaps through neglect, was lost, but the idea remains a perpetual legacy and incentive to the whole people of the United States. It was not only a duty to the memory of Washington to make his thought a reality, but our highest duty to ourselves and rising generations to take advantage of his wise forethought. On the 25th of February exercises of a patriotic nature will be held in all the schools of Utah. On that day, when all hearts will be turned to the great character which towers above all others like the lofty mountains peak above the valleys, may not the rush of grateful thought be crystallized into a good deed which shall erect an enduring monument to the memory of Washington. The Utah committee on the George Washington Memorial, duly organized under the national committee, request that a collection of small sums of money be taken up on that day in the public schools. Large sums are not wanted or asked for. The penny or the nickel brings with it the interest of the child and every individual contributing helps to make a broad foundation upon which the university shall rest. We appeal to parents and to teachers to help to make this collection indicate the patriotic spirit of the people of Utah. We confidently believe that the response to this appeal will be universal and rest our cause in the hands of the citizens of the state.

M. R. SALISBURY, Chairman. C. M. ALLEN, Vice Chairman. HESTER HARKNESS, Secretary. E. R. WELLS, Press Representative.

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