

At this ball, by the way, some e cotillion presents consisted of dainty work bags made from costly bro. ver had it had been skillful amateur photographer.

geration to call the most sensational of modern times. This chamber of justice is the little Assize court at Turin, where

of her father's favorite pupils, but she appeared to have gotten over that. For some years she and the count seemed to have lived happly together and two children were hor, to them—a bey and a giri. Then incompatibility of tem-peraments and tastes began to chill magistrate and municipal councilor at Bologna. It throws a queer light on Italian society that this brother, in-stead of rounding on Secchi, warmly responsed his cause. Italian ways are Italian society that this brother, in-stead of rounding on Secchi, warmly espoused his cause. Italian ways are not as American ways, and the fact that Secchi already had a mistress and was a notorionsity immore made began to ch their affections. Of a high strung, ner vous organization she was intellectuall a notoriously immoral man, made no difference to Tullio, much her husband's superior, and out a poor figure in the society in which THREE PLOTTED TOGETHER. she shone. Urged by her to take up some serious study and make something of himself he went in for medicine, but According to the prosecution the three plotted together to get rid of the count. Tuilio induced his mistress, Rosina Bonetti, to take part in the evil game, and found another ally in his friend, the result simply demonstrated that his abilities were of a hopelessly mediorre character. The rift between them wi-dened. It is alleged that he consoled Dr. Plo Naldi, who was hard up and willing to risk his neck for money. himself with other women and treated Tullio, it is alleged, conceived the idea her cruelly. They separated for a time and then tried the experiment of living of murdering the count by pricking him with a hypodermic syringe containing together again, but now there was not a vestige of love lett on either side and a polson with which certain tribes of Indians tip their arrows when they go mutual antipathy and contempt had on the war path, but Seechi argued that it could not be depended on to do its fatal work quickly enough and proved taken its place. Things were ripening for the tragedy, THE VILLAIN REAPPEARS. by an experiment of which a lamb was the victim.

dubbed, faced a hostile audience of hard-fisted sons of toll at Ladbroke Grove chapel, the other night, repeated to their faces all the hard things he had written of their class, and did it in such fashion that his foes became his friends, and cheered him and thanked

loated from the Royal Palace at Pekin,

CUTS BIG FIGURE.

Mr. Causton cuts a considerable figure both in the commercial and social He was at one time chairman world. of the Chartered company, which is just now in such deep water, but sev-ered his connection with it because he would not stand for the Jameson raid. He is now the controlling spirit in the Pekin syndicate, which has valuable Cainese concessions. Besides his town residence, he owns the old family maner at Causton in Norfolk, and another at Kingston Hill on the Thames, which was purchased from the Dowager Lady Wolverton after she had expended \$150,-000 in restoring the historic pile. From it one gets a glimpse of one of Lord Dynraven's seats, Kenry House, which has been nicknamed "Honeymoon House," because it is usually occupied by some newly married couple to whom the carl has loaned it. He does the same thing with some of his other houses in a laudable effort to encourage

## OVERSHADOWED BY AMERICANS

So much are they overshadowed by the American brand that something of a surprise follows the occasional reminder that England still produces multi-millionaires of her Mr. Charles Julius Wernher has recently called attention to his vast wealth by the costly work he has un-dertaken at Luton Hoo, the fine country seat which he purchased from the executors of the late Mademe de Falbe for \$1,500,000. It is a magnificent place, but as much more is to be expended on It to render it a fitting residence for the schlor member of the great South Af-rican firm of Wernher, Belt & Co. Three hundred men are engaged in carrying out the alterations and additions he has planned. Among them are some scores of Italian stone-workers and French and Belgian plasterers, for Mr. Wernher will employ only the best arti-sans in their respective lines. The huge house is being enlarged by one story. but the massive stone walls and the superb Corinthian pillars at the main entrance are to remain. The interior is to be entirely remodelled with the exception of the chapel in the west wing, which is to be spared on account of its rich oak carvings. The park it-self is being greatly changed in ac-rordance with the designs of a distin-suished landscape artist. One of the lakes, a mile and a quarter long, has been drained, which has given rise to the rumor that emulating the late Whittaker Wright, of tragic memory.

photographs taken by herself of scenes and places she has visited. It conat this writing the prosecution of the stitutes a veritable pictorial autobi-ography. The Prince of Wales con-Countess Bonmartini, her brother, her tracted the stamp-collecting mania when he was a small boy and still sticks to it. With such exceptional opportunities as he enjoys it is needless to say by this time his collection of stamps is a superb one. Of more art-istic interest is his collection of posters -miniature and full size. The German empress goes in for fans and possesses a quaint and gorgeous collection of them. It includes a fan made from the feathers of a grouse shot by the kalser-and it was one of those shots in which a sportsman may take pridwhich are rather rare in royal battues -soon after their marriage.

When a cabinet official in America returns to private life he is expected, as a matter of course, to take upon himself the burden of providing his own living, but here, if he apply for it, pension. may obtain a handsome Radicals are kicking over the discovery that Lord Cross, who is now eight one, has in this way drawn \$113,800 from the public treasury, his pension amounting to \$10,000 a year. During his two terms of office as home sec-

much higher type than those who run

American cities has been rudely shak en by some figures just published by

the Liverpool corporation, showing the cost of various junketing trips under-

taken by members of that body osten-sibly in the interests of the public. A

party of twenty of them paid a one day visit of inspection to the Riving-ton waterworks and their bill of ex-penses amounted to \$350. According to the itemized account they fortilied

themselves for their arduous labors with no less than sixty-three bottles of

Scotch whisky, besides a dozen bottles

of champagne and some odd bottles of claret, sherry and hock! It would be

a difficult matter to find any twenty American aldermen who could beat that

record and then have the effrontery to

LADY MARY.

charge it to the public account

retary,

is paid.

lover, and the two others who are charged with the murder of her husband, is now proceeding under circumstances of particular grimness. This cramped, ill-lighted Assize court is historic in itself. In the days when Turin used to be the capital of the kingdom of Piedmont, this was the senate chamber, wherein many a stirring scene was enacted. None, however, that even approached those that are now of dally occurrence in the terrible drama whose tangled web of love, passion, intrigue, conspiracy and murder the law is en-

gaged in unraveling. The accompanying photograph of the Assize court shows the famous iron cage in which, with a carbineer standing guard over them, the writched countess and her rellow prisoners are confined, as all Italian prisoners must be when appearing before the bar of justice. Just before the proceedings opened, the othextending over more than six and a half years, he drew a salary of \$25,000 a year, which is over thrice as er day, the foreman of the jury produced a camera, focused it with great much as any American cabinet ministe. deliberation, and took a photograph of Altogether Lord Cross has received from his country \$280,000, and It is the general opinion that it is a the prisoners in their cage. A typical example this incident offered of the great deal more than he has been worth to it. Lord George Hamilton draws a similar pension of \$10,000 a year, and Sir Michael Hicks-Beach gets one of \$6,000. contrast between stringency and Hsense in the conduct of Italian oriminal ases-medaevalism and the twentieth The popular notion that municipal politicians in this country are of a

century mixed. The other photograph that accompanies this article shows the exterior of the law court building in Turin, which since the beginning of the Bonmartini trial has been besieged daily by such crowds as no other criminal action in Italian history has ever attracted.

## GREAT LEGAL BATTLE.

Even should the trial be concluded by the time these words appear in print the pictures will not be without their interest, connected, as they are, with a ruly remarkable legal battle. The evidence against the Countess Bonmartini and the others took the police two years to gather, and the letters bearing on the plot alone fill 25 follo volumes. Twenty-one lawyers-among them some of the most distinguished counsel of the italian bar-are fighting on one side or the other, the legal battle of ife or death. Nearly 400 witnesses have been subpoended, and it is now thought that the trial will last three months.

# CONFLICTING VERSIONS.

From all accounts rather confilcting versions have been sent to America of the story of the Bonmardina, shat story is one that appeals strongly to the Italian temperament. It begins with love that found its grave in marriage and was revived with another for its and was revived with another for its object. But from these commonplace beginnings of tragedy have been evolv-ed a tangled maze of mystery and crime such as only passion and fate. love and hate can weave. It possesses all the elements of a great detective story. It abounds in situations that would have made the fortune of a nov-elist. olist

A DRAMA OF BLOOD.

In this drama which culminated in such a piece of human butchery as could hardly be dignified by the name of assassination, one figure stands out in heroic redef. It is that of Dr. An-tonio Murri, one of the foremost of Italian physicians and professor of the University of Bologna. A senator a Rome, and possessed of the old Roma spirit of the supreme duty of the ci zen to the state, he did not hesitate denounce to the authorities his son-

About this time Dr. Secchi again came into the countess' life. He would ap-pear to be a villain of the type made familiar in modern melodrama, to whom a woman in distress appealed merely as an easy proy. He had little difficulty 1 bed, there was the bloody imprint of a

When the count was discovered dead in his palace there were no less than 13 stab wounds on his body. Some feminine finery was scattered on the

IS BEAUTIFUL FLORENCE NESBITT ENGAGED TO THAW?

Rumor says that Harry Thaw, brother of the Countess of Yarmouth, is

gaged to wed the beautiful Florence Nesbitt. Part of the romance is to the

eet that young "Thaw fell in love with a ploture of the actress and never

sted until he won the fair original. Mr. Thaw's family deny all the

mora. But Thaw does not, though.

Tullio was the slave of an "ungovern-able impulse," generated by the conwell founded or otherwise, that detion. his sister had long been the victim of the count's brutality. Though his mind may be of the abnormal type, Tullio certainly possesses much energy and ability. Passing through the var ious stages of Socialism he finally adopted the political creed of the an-archisi. That it well suited him may be inferred from the fact that he one composed a tragedy in verse in which dl the characters kill one another in the last act.

CALLS HER IRRESPONSIBLE.

Rosina Bonetti is also regarded by Lombroso as an irresponsible. He says she is hysterical, epileptic, neurotic, and half paralyzed. There is no doubt of her complicity in the crime. She is the most pitiful figure of the five. In court her eyes are ever fixed on Tullio her lover, hopink that he will bestow on her some glance of affection which he never does. Her attitude suggests that of a faithful dog towards an in-different master. What she has done she has done simply because he told her to do it. That was enough for her.

For Secchi and Naldi no sympathy whatever is felt. The former was arrested long after the other four, when he must have thought all danger for him had passed. The greater, therefore, was the blow to him. He is hardly recognizable as the spruce, alert, well-groomed man he was before the prison gates opened for him. His attitude is ne of complete dejection. It is not the bearing that one associates with conscious innocence

BIG CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH that is often met with in persons of homicidal tendencies." He reasons that

To Americans especially the incident is worth more than brief cable dis-patches which may have told about it because it proves that the pulpit of the City Temple-the church so well known to travelers from across the water, and where so many American divines have preached—is filled by a man who is not unworthy of its traditions. Ever since the time Joseph Parker, the famous London clergyman who ven-tured to criticise the present king, then Prince of Wales, and who called upon God to damn the sultan, Americans in London have flocked to the City Tem-ple. Beecher preached at the City Temle and Parker's old Bible there contains his signature and those of the other American pulpit-orators who followed his example. It was, of course expected at first that an American preacher would be chosen as Parker's successor, but once the City Temple congregation had had R. J. Campbell up from Brighton and heard him preach, they made up their minds who their pastor should be if they could get him.

UNDER POLICE PROTECTION.

Campbell dominates by force of personality combined with rare men-tal powers and it was these qualities that won when the preacher who had ventured to jump on the Brit-ish laborer with both feet went to jus-tly himself before the Paddington and North Kensington Trade and Labor council. When Mr. Campbell drove up, a crowd of several thousand people were gathered around the doors. Through these the police—there were 50 of them on duty to see that no violence was done him-made way for him. No cheers were raised. Some hoots and



# A NOVEL PORTUGUESE INVENTION AT ST. LOUIS.



The cut illustrates a machine which has attracted much attention at the Louisiana Purchase exposition. It is called a pyrhillophor, or sun machine, and is the invention of the Rev. M. A. G. Himalaya, a young Portuguese priest, who has succeeded in generating more than 7,000 degrees of heat with its use. Father Himalaya and his workmen have for more than five months been constructing the device on the grounds of the exposition, and a trial was made recently of the machine's power to generate heat. Although the day was foggy, more than 7,000 degrees were developed. Iron was melled and magnesia was about to fuse when the sun became obscured, and the trial was postponed. The inventor expects to apply his clever discovery to industrial account,

BRINGING IN & RECENTLY CAPTURED TIGER.



Some of the wealthy East Indian princes maintain private zoological gardens of considerable magnitude. The cut represents the bringing in from the Jungle of a tiger which has been taken alive for the purpose of furnishing an addition to a mative prince's collection. The tiger is being led by ten men, five on each side, who are holding ropes fastened to a band around the heast's body and a collar around his neck. There are numerous spearmen in the rear in case

