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THE LANDS IMPROVEMENT COMPANY, incorporated by special Act of Parliament for England and Scotland .-- To Landowners, the Clergy, Solicitors, Surveyors, Estate Agents, ac.-Loans may be contracted for the execution by the proprietor or by the Company, of every landed improvement, especially drainage, building, clearing, onclosing, warping, irrigation, embanking, reclamation, roads, planting, machinery, &c. The plans (of buildings), specifications, and estimates are prepared by the proprietors, and are submitted to the approval of the Enclosure Commissioners. Proprietors may avail themselves of the powers of the Act to recover from the inheritance their own funds expended on improvements. Proprietors may also NDURATED STONE COMPANY, for render-Ling all Soft Stone, Bricks, Tiles, and Building Materials of all kinds hard and impervious to weather or moisture.—Capital £50,000, ir £1 shares. 10s. to be paid on complete registration, and the remainder at call. Under Her Majesty's Royal Letters Patent. Provisionally repatont may be applied, and also the expressed opinion of the most eminent geologist of the day, may be had at the offices of the Compa Mesera Pagden and Hodgkinson, solicitors, 71, Mark lane Company; and of George Lawford, Esq., 5, Warnford-court, Throg-Applications for shares to be made to the Managing Director, at ! Giffices of the Company, 14 and 15, St. Swithin's lane, and High-The works are in operation at King's Quarry, Tunbridge-wells. RYSTAL PALACE GENERAL ARRANGE. MENTS.—The Palace is opened on Mondays at 9 a.m., and; Auesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, at 10 a.m. On these It is opened on Saturdays at noon, on which day the charge for ad Tickets, including conveyance from London-bridge and admiratons: the Palace, may be obtained at the London-bridge Terminus, and assue Beason tickets, including converance by railway, £4 4s. each; withor conveyance by railway. £2 2s. (the usual discount allowed to families) EXCUBSIONS, daily, to those attractive places, WINDSO Hampton-court. Rickmond. Kew. &c., at low fares. First and secon class return tickets at single fares (with the addition of a small bookin (ee), are issued on Saturdays and Sundays, at Waterloo and Vauxhall lickets can only be received at the station for which they are issued, and are available for return by any ordinary train until the following ARCHD. SCOTT, Traffic Manager. TSLE of WIGHT by SOUTH-WESTERN RAIL. . WAY .- Reduced Fares .- DOUBLE JOURNEY TICKETS are issued every Saturday and Sunday from London to Ryde, via Portemouth or Goscort, available to return up to Monday inclusive, as SINGLE FARES, viz.:--First class, 25s.; second class, 19s. 6d. These ARCHD. SCOTT, Traffic Manager. ISLE of WIGHT CHEAP EXCURSIONS .-BOUTH-WESTERM RAILWAY.—By the Excursion Trains every Sunday morning, at 7.45, from Waterloo Station, through return tickets are issued to the Isle of Wight, via Southampton, Cowes, or Portemouth for Ryde. Fares-closed carriages, 8s., seate open carriages, 5s., which include all pier dues and steamboat fares but not converance between the railway stations and piers. The return tickets from Ryde will not be available via Cowes and Southampton, Throughout tickets betwirt London and Ryde, via Portsmouth Fortsea, or Gosport, available for four days, are also issued daily at Waterloo Station, at following fares, which include all pier dues, own! bus and steemboat fares,-first class, 36s. 8d.; second class, 27s. 8d. ARCHD. SCOTT, Traffic Manager. I HATHAM RACES .- North Kent Railway .-On Thursday and Friday, September 7th and 8th, trains will leave the London-bridge Terminus for Strood, at 8 a m., 9.30 a.m., 10.10 a.m., and 13 noon, returning from Strood at 5 p.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m., 9.15 p.m., and 9.30 p.m. Fares there and back, first class, 6s.; second AB, 48. 50.; third trace, w...
Special trains will be despatched as required.
G. S. HERSERT, Secretary. Y LONDON and NORTH-WESTERN RAIL-WAY.—From London (Euston Station) every morning (Sunday) excepted) by 9 and 10 o'clock TRAINS to FLEETWOOD, and thence per Royal Mail Packets to BELFAST. Passengers are booked through, KEMP and Co., Fleetwood. A REAT LUXEMBOURG COMPANY .-- Notice of Call.—Notice is hereby given, that the Directors of the Great Luxembourg Company have this day made a OALL of 50f. or sterling, per share on the constituted shares in this Company, 250f. £10 sterling paid. The said call to be paid on or before Thursday, 12th day of October, 1854 - in London, to Messra. Masterman, Peters, and Co.; in Liverpool, to Messrs. Moss and Co.; in Brussels, to Messrs. The first coupon of interest on these shares for the half-year ending the 30th of June, 1854, at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum on the amount paid, being 5f., or 4s. sterling per share, will be received in part payment of the call. Discount at the rate of 5 per cent per annuo will be allowed on payment; made before the 12th of Ottober in antici-ration of the call, and interest at the same, rate will be charged on By order of the Board, THOMAS COXHEAD, Sec. DAST ANGLIAN RAILWAYS COMPANY.— Notice is hereby given, that the NEXT ORDINARY MEET f of Proprietors will be held at the London Tavern, Bishopsgr London, on Friday, the 29th day of September, 1854, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon precisely, for the general purposes of the Company.

The Register of Transfers will be closed on Saturday, the 16th day of September justant, and will remain closed until after the Meeting. HENRY BRUCE, Chairman. ADMIRALTY, Somerset-place, 5th September, 1854. HE Commissioners for executing the Office Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain Ireland do hereby give notice, that on Thursday, the 21st instant OLD STORES, consisting of canvas cuttings, canvas in rags, rope cablelaid and hawserlaid, shakings, seamings cast iron, &c., all lying in Persons wishing to view the lots must apply to the Superintendent for Catalogues and conditions of sale may be had here and at the yard. JNTRACT for OXEN for SALT BEEF, for Her Majesty's Navy. EPARTMENT of the COMPTROLLER for VICTUALLING and TRANSPORT SERVICES, Somereet-house, 28th August, 1854. THE Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Hingdom of Great Britain and Ireland do hereby give notice that, on Monday, the 2d October next, at 1 o'clock, they will be ready to TREAT with such remons as may be to CONTRACT for SUPPLYING and DELIVERING or any one or more of those ports, all such OXEN for SALT BEEF. shall from time to time be demanded between the 2d October next. iltions of the contract may be seen at the said office, or on application to the Superintendents of the Victualling Yards, at Dept. No tender will be received after lo'clock on the day of treaty, nor any noticed unless made on the printed form provided for the purpose, but it will not be necessary that the party tendering or an agent appointed by him, should attend at this office, as the result of the offer received Every tender must be addressed to the Sccretary of the Admiralt and bear in the left-hand corner the words "Tender for Oxen." persons tendering, in the sum of £500 for the due performance of the Middlesex.—The Guardians of the F in this parish will on diday, the 15th September Instant, CON ACT for the usual halfrearly supply of PROVISIONS, &c. Te.: Jers, in the form provided, CONTRACT for the HIRE of SHOVELS, Gins, Baskets, and other Articles used in the discharge of Coals by the further particulars apply at the Office, King James's stairs, missioners, and sealed, on or before Saturday, the 7th October next, at minster.—The Commissioners for Paving, &c., the above Pavish, mining agents and managers, may obtain them at half the usua' ill meet in the Vestry Room, in the Churchyard, Piccadilly, on Wed. education are admitted to the Lectures at reduced fees. ions to the School, and others have also been established trar, Mu eum of Practical Geology, Jermyn-street, London. ment of the Corporation of London.—Head-Master, the Rev. G. F. (the 20th of September), neither will the Commissioners bind then J. YORK, Clerk to the Commissioners. their sons as pupils may obtain prospectuses of the school, containing ANTORKHOUSE CHAPLAIN.—The Guardians cther advantages attached to it, at the school, between the hours off V of the poor of Bermondsey, Surrey, will meet at the Workhouse and 4. Two of the masters receive boarders. n Russell-street, on Wednesday, the 13th day of September inst., to ICATIONS from such clergymen of the established church as may be desirous of becoming candidates for this office, and who shall send a communication to that effect to the clerk on or before d be inspected by the guardians. The salary is £80 per annual election will be subject to the approval of the Lord Bishop OPLAR UNION.—To Bakers, Butchers, Cheese mengers, Grocers, and others.—Notice is hereby given, that JULAR NOTES.—Union Bank of London -CIRCULAR NOTES (value £10 and upwards, free of charge ERS of CREDIT, payable at all the principal cities and and £5 each, payable at all the principal towns, without deduction Bank of Victoria, Melbourne, Australia.— LETTERS REDIT and BILLS, at 30 days sight, are now GRANTED, at PAR, g the London and Westminster Bank on the Bank of Victoria, Meinecessary by the orders of the Poor Law Board Jolonel Rowland, R.A., Wood-street, Woolwich, sourne, Geelong, Belfast, Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Castlemaine; and also on the Bank of Van Diemen's Land, Hobart-town. J. W. GILBART, General Manager. W. PUDDICK begs to inform his numerous and the public benerally that the above PREMISES are now RE-OPENED for bust-SOUTH AUSTRALIAN BANKING COMPANY, incorporated by Royal Charter, 1847.—The Court of Directors in the Market-house, in Wakefield, in the county of York, for one year. Bank at Adelaide, at par.

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Board Room, 5th September, 1854. West Brompton. Secretary's office, 1, Cannon row, Parliament-street. Treasurer-John Parkinson, Esq., 65, Lincoln's-inn-fields. Bankers-Mesers. Coutts and Co., 59, Strand, The Committee appeal to the wealthy and benevolent for aid t enable them to sustain the expenses and to extend the usefulness of this establishment. Out-door patients are admitted on their own applications, but in door patients must have a Governor's recommendation HOSPITAL, Broad Sanctuary, opposite Westminster Abbey.—Cholera.—Since the commencement of the present epidemic, 2,457 cases of choleraic diarrhosa 76 cases of malignant cholera have been received at this Hospital at all hours of the day and night. The reception and medical of these patients has already involed the Hospital in a large outlay beyond its ordinary expenditure, and the Committee of Management earnestly APPEAL to the benevolent for assistance. Donations and subscriptions will be thankfully received by Messra. Heare and Co., 37, Fleet-street; Messrs. Bouverie and Co., 11, Hay-, by the Joint Treasurers, the Hon. P. P. Bouverie and P. R. Hoare, Esq.; or by the Secretary, at the Westminster Hospital. ONDON HOMŒOPATHIC HOSPITAL, 32. Patroness—Her Royal Highness the Duchess of CAMBRIDGE Vice-Patron-His Grace the Duke of BEAUFORT. President—The Right. Hon. the Earl of WILTON. Chairman—The Right Hon. Lord Robert GROSVENUR, M.P. Treasurer-Sir J. Dean Paul, Bart., 217, Strand. charity to meet the increasing demands for relief in consequence alarming outbreak of Aslatic cholers in St. James's, Westminster, and particularly in the immediate neighbourhood of the hospital, two wards of which have been set aside for the reception of patients suffering Medicines and printed instructions gratuitously supplied to the poor at all hours.

RALPH BUCHAN, Hon. Secretary. 32. Golden square. OYAL FREE HOSPITAL, Gray's-inn-road.— The Committee ACKNOWLEDGE with thanks the RECEIPT of £5, in aid of the expenses of cholera, &c., paid to John Masterman Esq., M.P., the Treasurer, under the initials W. G. T.-Sept. 5, 1854. \*\*HOLERA.--The Weekly Board of the ROYAl FREE HOSPITAL, Gray's-inn-road, have made arrangements that ATTENDANCE be given DAY and NIGHT to receive cases o Cholera and Diarrhosa—remedies are ready and wards prepared for the OYAL FREE HOSPITAL, Gray's-inn-road.— Patron-The QUEEN No order for admission is here required During the past month the following large number of sick poor received the benefits of this Charity, either as out or in-door patients, or Week ending 7th August ... many confirmed cholera cases, the remainder still under treatment hav ing been admitted previously Heavy expenses are inevitably incurred in affording such very extensive relief. The Committee therefore earnestly entreat the AID of The Charity is entirely dependent on voluntary contributions, which il be thankfully received by the Treasurer, John Masterman, Esq. Nicholas lane : also by Messra. Outts and Co. : Drummond and Herries and Co.: Ransom and Co.: Projecti, Grote, and Co Smith, Payne, and Co.; Glyn and Co.; Jones Loyd and Co.; Barday and Co.; Denison and Co.; Williams, Deacon, and Co.; Overend Gurney, and Co.: Nisbet and Co., Berners-street; Masterman and The Weekly Board meet every Wednesday, at 4 o'clock, to manage and direct the Charity—which meetings are open to all Governors The public are invited to inspect the Hospital any day between 12 and 2 o'clock. Cast-off apparel, male and female, will be very acceptable. DOARD of TRADE.—Department of Science and Art.—METROPOLITAN SCHOOL of SCIENCE, applied Director-Sir HENRY DE LA BECHE, C.B., F.R.S. During the session of 1854-5, which will commence on the 2d October, the following Courses of Lectures and Practical Demons. 12. . Chymistry-A. W. Hofmann, Ph. D., F.R.S. Metallurgy-J. Percy, M.D., F.R.S. 3. Natural History—T. H. Huxley, R. R. S. 4. Mineralogy W. W. Smyth, M.A.

. Geology—A. C. Ramsay, P.R.S.

Applied Mechanics-Robert Willis, M.A., F.R.S.

astruction in Mechanical Drawing is given by Mr. Blnns

in the Ordnance Department, but died, after an illness

TURE, apply to T. MADGWICK's, 11. Pavement, Finsbury.

"I am, Sir, your obedient servant, "Westbourne-place, Eaton-square, Aug. 31." Now, I am not (said the chairman) surprised that there should be discontent, or that there should be indignation | portance. felt by the people when they are suffering, and when persons do not or cannot look closely into why and wherefore they should The fee for matriculated students (exclusive of the laboratories) Pupils are received in the Royal College of Chymistry, the Labora Tickets to reparate Courses of Lectures are issued at £2. £3. and £ Certificated schoolmasters, pupil teachers, and others engaged i His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales has granted two Exhib' For a prespectus and information apply to Trenham Reeks, Regis-INTY of LONDON SCHOOL, Milk-street, Cheap-Side.—Established by Act of Parliament, and under the manage will COMMENCE on Tuesday, Sept. 12. Persons desirous of entering THOS. BREWER, Sec. CT. JOHN's-WOOD PROPRIETARY COLLE-GIATE SCHOOL, 15, St. John's wood park. feads Master.—The Rev. THOMAS MARKBY, M.A., late Scholar of Trinity College, Cambridge, and Classical Master in King's Col-The MICHAELMAS TERM will COMMENCE on the 19th of Sepcember. The year is divided into three terms, and the fees for the course of education are as follows: -Proprietors' nominees, under cears of age, 3 guineas per term; above 10, £4 10; non-proprietors, under 10, 4 guneas; above 10, £5 10s. ACE, to be held in and for the county of Middlesex, by ad , on Thursday, the 12th day of October next a Commit Jiffenders of that county, under the Act 17th and 18th Vic' OYAL ASYLUM of ST. ANN's SOCIETY. ASSISTANCE is earnestly sought for FREDERIO GEORG' OTCHEON, one of nine orphans, whose father was 29 years Dawson, R.E.; Chas. Poignaceud, Esq., Ordnance-office; and

different with us. It is true, we have had many applicate will extend up to Battersea, and will afford a romedy for tions since we have been in office to cover the sewer, but we these evils, which cannot be afforded by any other means. have never had any contributions from the landlords or Disgusting and dreadful as are the details of Battersea, at the Court-house, Greek-street, Soho; Mr. R. Jebb (chair- other persons towards the expense of covering it. It bs- regret to say that they are not peculiar to that district came, therefore, the duty of the commissioners to consider | alone, but that they extend equally offensively throughout. maturely the scheme of a main drainage, and it was a very the whole of the southern district, including Camberwell, serious question how far they would be justified in incurring Peckham, Walworth, Rotherhithe, Deptford, Lambeth, the enormous expense of covering three-quarters of a mile and Greenwich. Through all those places the proof sewer, before they knew what the main drainage was to | posed main sewer will extend, and to each parish will be, and what the costs were to be. It was some time before afford that relief which will be afforded to Battersea. we had the command of any money—not, judged, till the Now, I ask, can there be a more legitimate object to which 20th of June last. But, there being a probability that we to apply 200,000% of this money, and ought we to delay the might be able to command some, we long before then took application of the money to that object one single day ing to cover over the Ranelagh sewer, and as those charges | the subject into consideration, with a view to mature | longer than is absolutely necessary to comply with the forms. were at variance with the statement which was made by some plan for the accomplishment of the object and regulations of the Sewers Act? The circumstances. desired. I myself brought a plan respecting the Rane- which apply to the north district of the metropolis are pretimes, so strongly was I impressed with the necessity of require our attention. I shall therefore conclude by moving The CHAIRMAN said, he had seen several statements in disposing of the question. The estimated cost of covering the following resolution:—"That the requisite steps be the remaining three-quarters of a mile is 14,000l. It is the immediately taken for raising a further sum of 300,000l., for most expensive part of the sewer, and it is only lately that | which powers have been given by the act of last session, and we have had that sum at our command. We have had a that negotiations be entered into for the purchase of land, will might induce persons to put forth against the commis- great many propositions submitted to us. It has been and that steps be taken for proceeding with the main sion. As a public officer, he had often had occasion to suggested that some temporary covering should be adopted, drainage works immediately that the said sum of money is observe that the commissioners must expect to be attacked \_ | and various expedients have been devised and laid before | obtained." the commissioners, but all of them have been deemed to be so inefficacious that it was considered most unadvisable to waste the funds in adopting any one of them. There nothing, therefore, that can be accomplished short of that of substituting a great covered sewer; instead of that of a wide open ditch. The course of a covered sewer must deviate from that of a tortuous open drain, and this must ! necessarily increase the expense. But, even when a plan is are possessed of Aladdin's lamp, and can construct works in matured, there is much more to be effected before it can be a night which require six months to execute. Even small acted upon. We have had no fewer than six different | works cannot be effectually done until there are outlets for parties to deal with, from whom we have to obtain con- | them. I wish, before the subject ends, to mention that, tributions. One of the parties is the Government itself. We | although the cholera appears to be making progress among have had to communicate and consult with the Office of us, and the town is in a very fearful state, yet, having Works upon the subject, besides having to come to some ar | made inquiry of our sewer contractors and officers rangement with no less than five other parties—landlords of on the subject, I am happy to find that the danger the property through which the sewer runs. The difficul- from the sewers is not so great as the public in general apties attending our communications with these several parties | prehends. There is one large contractor on the south have been very great, all of them pulling, as they did, dif. | side of the Thames who has a great many men in his ferent ways. It has required long and troublesome nego- employment, and he tells me that in no single intiations to arrive at a definitive conclusion, but we have at | stance has a life been lost where the fault has not been that length obtained from private parties between 3,000% and 4,0001. towards the costs, leaving the commissioners to expend 10,000l. out of the rates. The plans of the work. ings and the drawings are now ready, and we are in a condition to advertise for tenders this very day. Colonel Dawson.—I understand from your explanation. Sir, that up to the month of June last the commissioners , had no funds whatever; but that, in anticipation of funds ' that may be derived from the powers given by the act of | believe that the evil is so bad as has been represented. I the preceding session to raise 200,000%, plans were pre- make this statement with a view to allay any apprehension pared for the covering in of the Ranelagh sewer. Now, it | that may exist in respect to the state of the sewers, and in

is known that on the 16th of May we passed an order to proceed with those works to the amount of 14,000%, upon the condition that the district contributed 4,000%. That contribution is now on the eve of being paid in, or, at all events, there is a promise of its being paid in. The difficulty we have had to deal with has been the expense of the work required to be done. It must be clear to the public that the nuisance and evil complained of do not result, as , stated in the letter in The Times, from the neglect of the commissioners. There is one subject, however, to which am very desirons to call the attention of the Court; and, if there be no impropriety in the request, I would beg that the letter which, by the desire of the commissioners, on or about the 23d of August you, Sir, wrote to the Home office, b now read, and also any letter which may have been received by you in answer. The CHAIRMAN.—I have a copy of the letter which I addressed to Lord Palmerston, and I will read it:-"1, Greek-street, Scho, Aug. 23. "My Lord,-At the instance of my colleagues of the

to your Lordship the desirableness of completing, at the earliest practicable period, the arrangements for the forma-"While most of the present commission are desirous of being relieved as soon as possible from their duties as commissioners, it is conceived that, apart from all persona' considerations, the final decision upon the large and important works to be carried out, with the additional means intended to be provided by the act of the last session, and present commissioners, whose tenure of office will be too short to enable them to become responsible for the execution of the works referred to. On the other hand, any avoidable delay in the commencement or prosecution those works would probably be deemed highly inexpedient Under these circumstances, the commissioners, while prepared to put matters in train for enabling their successors conduct the public business without interruption or delay, would beg to represent to your Lordship that the early issuing of the new commission becomes a matter of im-

"To the Right Hon. Viscount Palmerston."

On the 26th of August last I received from Lord Fitzroy the following answer:--"Whitehall, Aug. 26th. "Sir,-I am directed by Viscount Palmerston to acknow." Commission of Sewers for the Metropolis, and I am to assure

"I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

"To Richard Jebb, Esq., Chairman of the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers." Colonel Dawson.—These letters will explain the position purpose. The first thing I will state is the name and calling in which the commissioners now stand before the public. | placed on the pit of the stomach, and the castor oil given the person who signs himself "L. C. W." These are We had hoped that the arrangements for the construction every half hour until the action of the bowels was wellthe initials of Mr. William Churchill Longman, of West- of the new commission might have been sooner completed, bourne-terrace, attorney. For some purpose, whether in | and we felt a strong desire to leave to our successors an unorder to conceal the slanderer or not I cannot say, that restricted exercise of the powers conferred upon us by the gentleman has thought proper to adopt the disguise of re- | act passed last session. That feeling on our part was, howinsinuations and misrepresentations which his letter con- allowed to stand in the way of the exercise of our public tains. First, he says that the secretary's letter contained | duty. We have undertaken and pledged ourselves to carry ' no promise. It does not contain any promise, and for very on the duties of this commission until our successors might who presented the memorial referred to, and his signature | chargeable with being guilty of a dereliction of our public | was the last of the 50 persons attached to it. The secretary | duty if, under the circumstances as now explained, we hesiwrote as he had been authorized to do. He could not have | tated to exercise the powers which, by the act of last segwritten more than he did-he could not have been more ex- | sion, were given to us to commence the works of the main plicit than he was. It was not then certain that the ne- | drainage, in respect of which those powers were specially gotiations which were being carried on would be success- | sought and obtained. The works to which I allude have been It was not certain that we should have funds; | long under our consideration. They have been carefully he, therefore, could not make any promise. At the same time, | planned, and the expenses accurately estimated. They have | he was bound just to indicate so much as he had reasonable obtained, also, the approval of the first engineer authorities expectation of the commission being able to carry out. I will of the day. The plans and estimates have also been submitted call attention to an expression in the memorial itself. It | to Lord Palmerston and to Parliament, and have been circucondition of the sewer; and I will not say that it does so in | 3,000% has been voted by Parliament in respect of these main too strong terms, because the commissioners are perfectly | drainage works. The only question now is, shall we, aware of the great danger of such a nuisance existing. | during the uncertain and possibly short period of our But it says that the sewer, which until recently flowed | remaining in office, proceed to exercise the powers so given | uncovered from Knightsbridge, caused great annoyance to | to us, or shall we not? I trust that the Court will decide | the inhabitants of the north side of Sloane-square, and | to-day that it is our duty so to proceed. The fatal effect of | that the commissioners had therefore effectually covered it | discharging the sewage into the Thames is shown by the in and concealed it. Mark the insinuation contained in this | Registrar-General's return. In the return for the week memorial, entirely corresponding with that conveyed by the letter to The Times, thus inducing the very probable conjecture persons have already died of cholera; and 1,706 of the that the person who wrote the letter, "L. C. W.," was also | number have fallen on the low grounds of London, out of the author of this precious memorial. "Until recently"— 595,119 people whose dwellings are not 10 feet above the by these words he would insinuate that the present com- | Thames; 705 have died out of 648,619 on the higher ground missioners, not for the purpose of alleviating the condition extending from 10 to 40 feet above the same level; and only ciation of this place you discuss at some length the imof the people by mitigating the disease that prevailed in the | 345 out of the 1,070,372 who live on the ground that has an neighbourhood, but for the purpose of cloaking them | elevation extending from 40 to 350 feet. The mortality from | working classes, and the assistance gladly afforded by the had covered the sewer in the cholera to 100,000 living at the three elevations is 287 at more wealthy towards "the amelioration of their condithe dwellings of the rich, but the lowest, 109 at the middle, and 32 at the highest region. tion." While pointing out how much can be done by the had allowed it to remain open in the neighbourhood of Notice the extreme difference. There was a time when the operatives for themselves you justly observe that, "still, the dwellings of the poor; in fact, that they had expended | contamination of the river was imperceptible to the compa- | when all this is done, there are myriads of our poorer fellowthe rates for the benefit of the rich, and not for the benefit | ratively small number of persons residing on its banks; but | subjects, 'the Pariahs of modern society,' to whom it would of the poor. Now, the best answer that can be given to now, with a population of 2,500,000, the mortality in the be a mockery and an insult" to suggest these improvements. this is to explain what is the real state of the case. The first seven weeks of the existing epidemic is 1,706 persons | This class is in the same condition with regard to social life present commissioners were placed in office in July, 1852. out of 595,119 of the people residing on the banks of the as savages are to civilized life. It is pretty clearly established They did not cover in any part of that sewer. No less | river Thames, or nearly three in a thousand. Progressing | that the savage would never rise to civilization if left to than 3,300 feet of it were covered in several years ago. | at this rate, the evil will probably work its own cure by de | himself, and so these "Pariahs of modern society" will The portions covered in consisted of three lengths, and was | cimating the population either by cholera or some other | never rise to a higher caste in the social scale if left to themall done under the old Westminster Commission of Sewers | pestilence. But will any one say that the main drainage | selves. Now, among those efforts made to assist them which before the consolidated commission was established in sewer which is to be used as a substitute for the river, and you suggest,—urban graveyards, sewers, supply of fresh 1848. The first length, consisting of 3,000 feet, was covered | which will be especially beneficial to those persons who re- | water, removal of noxious trades,—there is one help which in; that, however, was not a correct expression. It was side along the banks of that river, should be constructed and you do not suggest, and which perhaps goes more deeply to necessary to explain that Ranelagh sewer originally con- paid for solely and exclusively by the inhabitants of that | the root of the evil than any of them. In an able lecture sisted of two channels, leaving an island in the middle. | district, and that the more fortunate inhabitants of the | delivered by a medical gentleman here at the request of These channels consisted of an open ditch, meandering in | higher districts, who send down their impurities to the | the said Association, this help is considered at some length, a tortuous course—very wide and very offensive. In 1827 | river, should not contribute to provide a remedy for the | viz., "a good stringent Building Act." "Houses formerly," or 1828 Mr. Thomas Cubitt opened a negotiation with the evil? Might I not take even a wider range still, and say the lecturer observes, "were built to meet the necessities Westminster commissioners for covering that part of the | that all those by whose operations and influence the | of a neighbourhood; lately they have been built through sewer which ran through the Lowndes estate, and which is excessive growth of this town is effected, and con- the medium of clubs, as an investment of the working now occupied by Chesham-place and Lowndes-square. He sequently the contamination of the river is increased, man's savings. This use has been perverted, and houses made a proposition that he should abolish the two ditches, | should contribute to provide a remedy for the | are now built merely to enrich land and ' and make a straight sewer of large dimensions, the cost of evil? And if it can be shown, as I think it may, that the lators." I will not transgress upon your space to inwhich was estimated at 10,000%, and part of the proposition | commercial prosperity and increasing wealth of the nation | troduce a detail of the complicated system of buying, was that the commissioners should pay 6,000L, and that he operate upon the increase of the town, and that the multi- letting, subletting, lending, borrowing, and so forth, which,

sewer before the commissioners two or three ciselysimilar, and are equally urgent. The works there equally The CHAIRMAN.—The importance of these works, in orderto prevent disease, cannot be doubted, but the public must not.

suppose that these works can be executed immediately. It is hopeless to expect that any progress we can make during the present season can afford any effectual check to the prevalence of the epidemic that is now afflicting the people. Although we have money, it would be idle to suppose that we of the person himself. Several of his men have been affected, but by the speedy administration of medicine they have recovered. The only instance in which medicine did not succeed was in the case of a man who had been guilty of a beastly debauch. There is some consolation in knowing that many engineers have gone through miles of our sewers. and have not been even slightly affected. No doubt much evil has arisen from gullies and other sources, but I do not order to let the people know that fear is one great cause of the prevalence of the disease which now afflicts the country. The resolution was then agreed to. A great deal of routine business was then despatched, and

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Sir,-In Macaulay's History will be found the following:

cases of nuisances were heard, after which the Courts

"On the east" of Regent-street, opposite Conduit-street, was a field, not to be passed without a shudder by any Londoner of that age. There, as in a place far from the haunts of men, had been dug, 20 years before, when the great plague was raging, a pit, into which the dead carts had nightly shot corpses by scores. It was popularly believed that the earth was deeply tain ed with infection, and could not be disturbed without imminent risk to human

This is the spot which the Commissioners of Sewers, disregarding the warnings of Mr. Simon, the medical inspectorof the city of London, chose to disturb to the lowest depths: for months together this spring. The consequences we are now seeing. A state of things which even in the time of the great plague would have been appalling. In one street. upwards of 100 dying from the cholera in less than threedays. The corpses carried away in carts for want of more suitable means of conveyance. Scarcely a house in the district without its dead or dying.

Will not the ground in other parts be now let alone by the commissioners till the epidemic be somewhat abated? Or shall fresh hecatombs of victims mark at once their energy in making sewers, and their total disregard of any sanitary or hygienic principle?

I am, Sir, your obedient servant, ONE WHO LIVES NEAR REGENT-STREET.

SAFE TREATMENT OF CHOLERA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Sir,-Allow me, through the medium of your widelycirculating journal, to call the attention of your readers to the following treatment of cholera, especially as it concerns the lives of thousands of human beings, particularly those of the poorer classes:—In an extract from last week's Lancet it shows that— "Dr. George Johnson, who has the charge of the cholera

wards, considers that the purging in cholera is mainly an effort of the organism to throw off the virulent principle which is at the root of the disease. He therefore, in his treatment does his best to aid this eliminating process by gentle means, and gives half ounce doses of castor oil every half hour. Some of the patients thus treated were admitted either with severe purging and vomiting, or in established. In every case considerable relief was o'. tained, upon the bowels being freely moved, and a congestive fever, which sometimes carries off patients who have struggled through the original choleraic attack, was noticed. in Dr. Johnson's patients, to be very slight."

Now, Sir, what method of treatment could be more simple than this? Yet, will it be credited, that the very medicine here prescribed is not within the reach of the poorer portion of the community, as the druggists both in this and every other town clear the enormous profit of about 1,500 per cent. upon it, thus precluding the means which would in many instances save thousands from falling victims to this dreadful scourge. Facts are startling things sometimes. Let the poor man go into any druggist's shop and ask for an ounce of castor oil, and he will be charged 3d., and in many instances 4d., while the vendors themselves purchase this very article from 4d. to 5d. per pound, this being the present whelesale price.

If the price were moderate—say, 1d. per ounce, which would leave a profit of 300 per cent., sufficient in all con science to satisfy any reasonable tradesman, then it would be placed within the reach of every cottager in the kingdom to keep a supply, at a small cost, by which this fearful dis-

THE DWELLINGS OF THE POOR.

Sir,—In the judicious approval you express in your Satur-

d was constructed at a cost of 7501., of which | tute for the river, or if you have two main trunk sewers, | than 300 feet, 900 feet being the average of prison cells;" it is true that the sewers which run through the dwellings | Battersea who attended here on Tuesday last. That depu- he will not find human cupidity to prey upon his of the rich are covered; but what is the fact? The rich tation was composed of the rector of the parish and some of degradation; and, as the welfare of the whole is pitched their residences there because they had first covered the most respectable inhabitants. They stated that, having the object of all good government, not the aggrandisement in the sewers, and that principally at their own expense. As made a from house to house inspection, what they found of the few, "a stringent Building Act" would not so much to concealment, it is not necessary to say a word about it, baffled all description—the state of things was so horrible; be invading the rights of any as guarding the welfare of all.

Hulme, Manchester,

Contracts for the removal to any distance. Estimates sent gratis, in-POLICY of ASSURANCE, on the life of a man 59 years old. | cluding risk of damages, packing up furniture, china, plate-glass, books, river Thames still remaining uncovered. All those other of the power of the inhabitants to remedy these horrid evils repetition, if you have noticed them before, I am happy to wines, instruments, to. Wrappers, mats, boxes, &c., and waterproof coverings for bedding provided. Pictures, engravings and works of art packed in cases on an improved principle, portions have been covered in because there have been great | for want of a main outlet sewer. Now, the main trunk | make them. contributions in aid of the rates; but the case has been very | drain we propose to construct on the south side of the river

real nuisance was in existence, and that deep apprehensions were entertained respecting it, he felt that some explanation was due, if not to their ignorant or malevolent accusers, at least to the public, who might suffer from the nuisance. With regard to the Ranelagh sewer, which ran from King's-road to the west end of Eaton-square and thence to the Thames, there was a wide open ditch finding an outlet in the great main sewer. That ditch was quarters of a mile in length, and had from time immemorial been an open sewer. Its banks had been densely built upon, and the ditch had consequently become the source of cholera and other diseases. Complaints had been made to the commissioners respecting the sewer, and he could confidently say that they had not been met with inattention. For the two years and a quarter during which the present commission had sat, the Ranelagh sewer had been the subject frequent debate and of earnest consideration at the board and it was a matter of deep regret to the commissioners that. up to the present time, they had not been able to deal with Although he had noticed many letters and statements in the newspapers on the subject, he should address himsel' to one letter only, for obvious reasons which he would presently explain. The letter to which he referred was one that appeared in The Times on the 1st of September last. The writer did not give his name, but assumed the initials of "L. C. W." It was necessary that he should read the letter at length. It ran thus:— "TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES. "Sir,-In the month of May last 50 householders and residents in the immediate neighbourhood of Sloane-square presented a petition to the Metropolitan Commissioners of

METROPOLITAN COMMISSION OF SEWERS.

A special court of this commission was held yesterday,

man), Colonel Dawson, Mr. G. S. Smith, Mr. L. Redhead,

the balance was:—Amount at the bankers, 43,1341. 5s.

checks drawn but not presented, 742% 19s. 7d.; available

THE RANELAGH SEWER.

in the newspapers charging the commissioners with neglect-

the chairman at the last Court, he thought it highly desir-

able that both the Court and the public should be informed

the newspapers, but, as a general rule, he passed them un-

noticed, for it would occupy the whole of their time if they

were to answer all the statements which ignorance or ill-

skinned. But at the same time, when they found that a

what were the real circumstances of the case.

Colonel DAWSON said that, as several letters had appeared

The secretary (Mr. Woolrych) reported that the state of

and Mr. T. Hawes were the commissioners present.

balance, 42,3917. 5s. 5d.

"It stated that the sewer which, until recently, flowed uncovered from Knightsbridge to the Thames had been covered over only as far as Sloane-square; that along its sides thence to the river were numerous dwellings of humblest description, densely crowded by the poorest classes; that the great sickness among them during the past year was, no doubt, occasioned by the filthy stream upon which some of those dwellings actually looked prayed that measures might be forthwith taken for covering it over on the south side as effectually as it had already been done on the north side of the square. "The petition was signed by the rector of Upper Chelses, the incumbent of St. Jude's, the senior curate of St. Barnabas, one of the curates of St. Michael's, Chester-square, by five surgeons, and one of the trustees of the Grosvenor-"Ten times as many signatures might have been easily obtained, for it was well known that cases of cholera and Metropolitan Commission of Sewers, I venture to suggest malignant fever had occurred in the vicinity of the sewer. while all other parts of the district were in the most healthy

"I soon afterwards received a letter from the secretary of the Commissioners, promising nothing, but giving us reason to believe that the result of certain negotiations would have the effect at an early period of removing the ground of complaint mentioned in the memorial.' "The sewer remains in precisely the same state; there seems no chance of its being covered; and cholera and fever | the several measures incidental thereto, should be allowed have again made their terrible appearance along its banks. | to devolve upon the new body, rather than to rest with the It lies on the Commissioners to explain why their operations were stayed where the habitations of the rich ended and those of the poor began. These last have no remedy. but it is some consolation to those who have to endure a nuisance, existing only from neglect of duty, to carry your valuable columns the voice of their indignant protest.

one. I don't blame, therefore, the poor people in being unreasonable in their remarks on the commissioners; nor can I blame even some of the rich inhabitants for their unfounded accusations, because I know that they have been misled; but the persons I do blame are those who, like the | ledge the receipt of your letter of the 23d instant, urging writer of this letter, mislead the public, and propagate, | the desirableness of completing, at the earliest practicable whether advisedly or not, the grossest slanders upon the period, the arrangements for the formation of the nev commissioners. Although, therefore, no explanation is due to such persons as this "L. C. W.," still I shall offer some | you that this matter shall be attended to. explanations on behalf of the commissioners, not only in justice to themselves, but also injustice to that portion of the public who labour under an entire ignorance of the real state of the case, and who are certainly entitled to know what the facts really are. I may once for all observe that every information might be obtained at the office of the commissioners on proper application being made for that versing his initials. But I will at once address myself to the | ever, of a private and personal nature, and must not ' good and sufficient reasons. Mr. Longman was the person | be appointed, and it appears to me that we should be just! sets forth the horror with which the memorialists view the | lated among the public to a certain extent. The sum (Mr. Cubitt) should pay the remaining 4,000%. The com- plication of its inhabitants tends to deprive the owners of according to the lecturer, the transaction involves. The missioners examined the case very minutely, but the result | house property in the metropolis of the use of the river or | result is that the houses are like the razors of famous was that, instead of their contributing 6,000% ont of the rates, sewer which nature has provided, would it not be equitable memory—not built to live in, but to sell. "The working only contributed 8771. 18s. 4d.; the remainder, that the nation should contribute largely to provide an arti- man, as a consequence of this wretched system, is taxed upwards of 9,000%, being paid by Mr. Cubitt on account of ficial sewer to be used in its stead? That is the principle both with a bad building and a high rent to enable the the parties whom he represented. Thus, then, it appeared | which I should wish to see recognized and properly carried | third purchaser (for the transaction usually involves this that 8771. was the whole amount contributed by the rate- out. Not only should those who have the enjoyment or use | number) to secure a large percentage." "Property has its payers, and that the 9,000% and upwards came from the of the sewers pay for the construction of them, but all those rich. That was what was done a-quarter of a century ago. | whose influence causes the disuse of the natural sewer | for the enforcement of these duties, "some stringent legis-In 1841 another length of 270 feet of sewer was covered over. | should contribute to provide an artificial sewer to be used | lative enactment." We appoint an officer to see that men Mr. Cubitt constructed the work (also in the time of | in its stead. There may be a difference of opinion on the | are not allowed to eat bad fish or buy bad beef; why the Westminster Commission). The estimated cost was details of the question, and difficulties in working out the should not a public officer be appointed to see that a man 7981. 15s. Mr. Cubitt paid 2701., being 11. per foot, and the principle, but the principle itself I believe to be sound and does not hire a bad house? Yet, in the mushroom-like suburbs remainder was paid by the commissioners out of the rates. | just. I offer it merely as a suggestion. The suggestion applies | of our teeming population, "streets of houses are erected with In 1847 a third length was covered over. That was 300 exclusively to the main trunk sewer to be used as a substi- bedrooms having no ventilation, and with less cubic contents sum those who made use of the sewer and had houses on | then to the two main sewers, all the other sewers leading to | and since, according to his experience, three children not s banks were required to pay also at the rate of 11. per | the main trunk sewers still to be provided for by the in- | unfrequently occupy such a room, they are compelled to foot. The result then was, that 3,570 feet in length of this | habitants. The immediate subject, however, for our con- subsist upon one-ninth less air than suffices for health. The sewer was covered, towards the cost of which the private sideration is, the application of the 300,000% for commence act required would therefore be such a one as to compel contributions of the rich amounted to 9,693l., while the con- ing the works of the main drainage, as recommended by the certain spaces for ventilation, both internally and extertributions from the rates, which were paid both by rich and | report of our engineers—viz., that 200,000% of it should be | nally, and to enforce well-seasoned materials and adequate poor, amounted to 1,855/.—the total cost being 11,548/. appropriated to the south side of the river, and 100,000/. to workmanship. It would be, perhaps, to trespass upon those The rich, therefore, contributed more than five-sixths of the the north side. The necessity for this application of the things so sacred in an Englisman's eye—vested rights; but whole, the remainder being paid, not by the poor only, but | fund and the requirements for the works can scarcely be | it would certainly be to enforce what is equally important g the poor and rich—the rich constituting the great | better exemplified than by referring to the representations | vested duties. "No house can be built so bad that it will majority of the inhabitants of that neighbourhood. Now, made by the deputation of the sanitary committee from not find a tenant," and no being is so degraded that

because the case is perfectly well known. It is a base slander | the cesspools were in a most filthy condition, over- | So long as Jack was allowed to take advantage of the sime on the part of Mr. W. C. Longman to utter and propagate flowing into the open ditch, and that when the cess- plicity of the savage, and cheat him out of his costly ivory this untruth. But these are the persons who bring accusations against the commissioners. They are not that there were at least seven or eight miles of this ditch mained a savage; and just so long as these "Pariahs of the commissioners are not that there were at least seven or eight miles of this ditch mained a savage; and just so long as these "Pariahs of the commissioners are not that there were at least seven or eight miles of this ditch mained a savage; and just so long as these "Pariahs of the commissioners are not that there were at least seven or eight miles of this ditch mained a savage; and just so long as these "Pariahs of the commissioners are not that there were at least seven or eight miles of this ditch mained a savage; and just so long as these "Pariahs of the commissioners are not that there were at least seven or eight miles of this ditch mained a savage; and just so long as these "Pariahs of the commissioners are not that there were at least seven or eight miles of this ditch mained a savage; and just so long as these "Pariahs of the commissioners are not the commissioners are not that there were at least seven or eight miles of this ditch mained a savage; and just so long as these "Pariahs of the commissioners are not that there were at least seven or eight miles of the commissioners are not that the commissioners are not the commissioners are not the commissioners. brought by the people or by the poor. Thus then, I have answered the letter of "L. C. W.," as published in The Times, and which answer I trust will be there was one ditch a mile in length, five feet wide and four scrupulous speculation), so long mustconsidered complete. I now come to another question. feet deep, in so wretched a state of filth that it must be they remain the low caste they are. There are 4,000 feet of the Ranelagh sewer leading to the seen to be believed. The deputation stated that it was out

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