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OVER A MILLION STOLEN.

LONDON, Sept. 21.—Another heavy-bank robbery is reported today, but as every effort is being made to suppress the facts, no authoritative story can be told. So far as known, however, it is this: A large number of bills remitted from the London and Westminster Bank, London, which is an important institution, having fifteen or more branches in this city. The amount lost is variously estimated from \$750,000 to \$1,500,000. The matter has become public through notices to banks and to the police centres of the country, and through the espionage over departing vessels at all ports of the kingdom. The theory of the police is that no attempt will be made to use the money in Great Britain, but that it will be taken abroad, most likely to the Continent, where a great deal of English money circulates. The actual method of the robbery is to the public entirely conjectural, but the circumstance recalls the clever robbery last February of the Clerk of the London Branch of the Bank of Scotland as he stood at the public counter of the National Provincial Bank.

The thieves obtained \$60,000 by that haul, and nothing has been heard of them or the money. Quite recently it was reported that the Bank of England had been robbed of 250,000 pounds, but that statement was denied by the officers of the bank.—News and Observer.

An Ancient Printing Press.

One of the objects of interest which will be on exhibition during the Southern Exposition at Raleigh, which begins next month, will be the wooden frame of the press upon which the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence was printed. The old press has a history and is a relic to be preserved at the State capital after the Exposition is over. It is interesting not only for the use made of it but to illustrate by contrast the great improvement made in printing press machinery since the days when it was young. It is the property of E. B. Drake, Esq., of this place, and is 115 years old. It was used by him in the publication of the Asheville *Enterprise*, 1856-'57, and later in the publication of the *Irwell Express*, and was only saved from destruction when Stone man's raiders burned the office of the Express in 1865, by reason of the precaution taken by Mr. Drake, who had removed it to his barn before the Federals came; and even then only the frame was saved, the platen and other parts of wood, having been burned. Instead of one pull to print one side of a newspaper on this old press, two had to be made—the last one by running the form still forward to receive the impression, thus making double press work. Mr. Drake shipped the old press, or what is left of it, to Raleigh last Friday.—Landmark.

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Proved His Story a Tall one.

A good story is told of Phillip Brooks, Dr. McVicker, of Philadelphia, and Mr. Robinson, the builder, of Boston, attending a lecture in Leeds on America. Unhappily the lecturer stated that Americans were, as a rule, short of stature, and if there were any in the audience he would be pleased to have the opportunity of demonstrating the statement. Phillips rose to his feet and said: "I am an American, and, as you see, about six feet in height, and sincerely hope that if there is any other representative of my country here he will rise." After a moment's interval Mr. Robinson rose and said: "I am from America, in which country my height six feet two, is the subject of no remark. If there be any other American here I hope that he will rise." The house was in a jolly humor. Waiting until the excitement could abate in some degree and the lecturer regain control of his shattered nerves, Dr. McVicker slowly drew his form to its full height of six feet four and exclaimed: "I am an—" But he got no further. The audience roared, and the lecturer said no more on that subject.

Told by a Georgia Editor.

He walked in and put down a dollar, a silver dollar that clanked like a carriage wheel in the stillness of the sanctum. Said he: "There, take it and my subscription quick." "What's the matter?" said we. "Well," said he, "last week I was fishing out on Spring creek; a thunder-storm came up, and it rained and thundered, and lightning flashed around me. I crawled into a hollow log to escape it. The rain made the log swell up until I was fastened in and nearly squeezed to death. I began to think of all my sins and to repent. Suddenly I remembered that my subscription to the Globe was not settled up, and I felt so small about it that I was able to back right out of the log at once!"—Bainbridge Globe.

One Cent a Mile to the Exposition.

Mr. Sol Hans, Traffic Manager of the Richmond and Danville Railroad, telegraphed Mr. John T. Patrick that his system had consented to give reduced rate of one cent a mile over all its lines for the Exposition. It is understood that all other railroads inside of North Carolina and outside will agree to give the same rates as the Richmond and Danville. This settles the rate question, and every man, woman and child in the State who can leave home can come to the Exposition, and they will be here.

A telegram was also received here yesterday from Mr. F. W. Clark, General Passenger Agent of the Seaboard Air Line, announcing that his system would also give the one-cent-a-mile rates over all their roads. These rates will be in effect on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. The Richmond and Danville announces that their rates will be in effect on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Divine Providence

Those who deny the doctrine of God's particular providence necessarily limit the power and perfections of God. If men could interfere with the final purposes of God it would overthrow all we have learned in the Bible of the omnipotence, omniscience and omnipresence of God, which are among his distinguishing attributes. Herod could not destroy the infant Savior, because God had purposed otherwise. The Jews watched the gates of Damascus to take Paul that they might kill him, but their efforts were in vain, for Paul was a chosen vessel to bear the gospel to the people of Antioch, Derbe and Lystra, Berea and Athens, Corinth and Macedonia; and as these places had not yet been visited no plans of the Jews to thwart the divine purposes could possibly succeed. The doctrine is full of comfort to the believer. God has promised to save him, and no earthly power can interfere with the divine purpose. If the Christian only keeps his eye on Jesus, he may confidently believe that the eyes which fell on Mary from the cross rest on him, also.—Selected.

The suicide of Balmaceda is a sad warning to men who surrender to an insatiable love for power.

The dead President of Chili is represented to have been a man of great natural and acquired gifts and during the first three years of his Presidential term he was the idol of his people. During this period his energy and ability were devoted to the progress of his country, and no one thought that behind it all was concealed an unhealthy ambition. But when he nullified the constitution, disregarded the law and defied public sentiment, those who loved and admired him saw no longer the brilliant and enterprising President of Chili, but turned with swords in their hands to drive the usurper from power, and to preserve liberty for their country. The time has passed for dictators and usurpers. Civilization is fast touching the hearts of all races, and close in the wake of its march follows knowledge, awakening to a recognition of human rights.—News and Observer.

The Sub-Treasury Voted Down.

ATLANTA, Ga. Sept. 23.—This morning in the Georgia Legislature the much mooted Orin resolutions, as endorsed by the Alliance and demanded by them of the next Congress, were introduced by Mr. Barrett, of Pike county, for approval and endorsement of that body. The resolutions were defeated by a vote 81 to 63. This is some what of a triumph over the Third party movement in this State, as it clearly indicates that the Alliance men of the Legislature, who are in the majority in that body, are not in sympathy with any measure that is directly opposite to their views as Democratic members.

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May 21, 1891.

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May 21, 91.

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