THE STAFFORDSHIRE SOCIETY.

Annual Dinner in London.

GENERAL CONGREVE AS PRESIDENT.

Sir Joseph Cook on the Call of Dominions.

Suggested Endowment of Bed long, was really only in its first day of life. in Stafford Infirmary.

Always a brilliant social occasion, the arnual dinner of the Staffordshire Society brings together year by year an assembly of his pleasure that his Grace was specialising applause from the audience. "Daffodils and ladies and gentlemen who occupy leading on acrial defence. He also recalled the fact Violets" (R. Elliott), "Shepherd's Dance" positions in the life of the county, who have that Col. Ward and he had been at Geneva (German), "The Child and the Robin " (E. T. won renown in many fields of human together in connection with the League of Davies, "The Child's Love" (S. K. Parry), Notions, and had fought a great battle for the and "The Viking Song" (Coleridge Taylor) endeavour, and who are proud to own the county of Stafford as the shire of their birth or their adoption.

General Sir Walter N. Congreve, V.C., K.C.R., and who made a striking figure in the chast Hotel, St. Paneras, London, on Wednesday comfort and happiness. He knew that those evening. Others who took a prominent part who lived in this country wished to keep in the gathering included the Duke of Suther their people here, but they readly could not. land, Sir Joseph Cock, G.C., M.G. (High You have got a million and a quarter of Commissioner for Australia in London), and them now said Sir Josephi and don't know Col John Ward, C.B., C.M.G., M.P.

splendid banner of the Staffs. Society was displayed in the diving halt, together with the Staffordshire Knot, formed with red electric

his Grace the Duke of Sutherland, Sir Joseph Cook, G.C.M.G. and Lady Cook, Deputy R. Brough, C.C., Mr. and Mrs. W. Walker and Mr. J. R. Yates. On the President's left were Col. John Ward, C.B., C.M.G., M.P., Mr. A. J. David, K.C. (Recorder of Newcastle-under-Lyme), Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gelson, Alderman C. E. and Mrs. Green, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Mr. P. Rogers (Chairman of the Executive Council) was in the principal Vice-chair, and at the respective tables were also the fol-

M.A., Mr. and Mrs. J. Neeld, Mr. Frank Neeld, Mr. W. Neeld, Miss Predericks and Miss

Mrs. H. L. Edwards, Mr. J. Blower, Mr. W. Staffordshire would always be to the fore in all Hibbet, Mr. and Mrs. J. Prosser, Mr. and Mrs. that spelled patriotism, peace, efficiency and Table E.: Mr. and Mrs. A. Marsh Jones, Mr. fabric of civilisation for which our Empire W F. Gelson Mr A. E. Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. stood. (Applique.) W. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Langley fessor Hobday, C.M.G., Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Parkes, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. 1 res se, Mr. att. and Lady Sandon the Right Hon. F. O.

DUKE OF SUTHERLAND ON AIR

The Duke of Sutherland, in proposing "The many friendships which, he hoped, would Navy, Army and Air Force," said there were and maintained. We had our trade routes than they did for the county. They had a and our commerce to consider, and therefore, membership of 400-he heped it would be of our naval strength in the Pacific, it was always wanted help. On the wall by the bed up to all local Britons to support that view would be an intimation that it was endowed -thear, hear) whatever might be said by by the staffer Ishire Society, by men and his house his goods are in peace." It was also important that they should support those who believed that the very heart of the Empire-Great Britain and London-should thereselves be defended from perils in the air that might come upon them at very short notice. He did our good and friendly neighbours and late Allies, but it was up to them all to see that we were as strong in the air as we were on the sea, and that in proportion to the importance and greatness of the British Empire we had an Air Force strong enough to defend us from would be possible in

all possible attacks by any neighbouring Power, did not believe it was possible at this It was their duty at the present moment to go on building on the scale that was adopted six months ago, and so ensure that Brigade Major of the Garrison. in a few years' time they would have what was known as the one-Power standard. He recently paid a visit, as Under Secretary for in 1334, having previously served from 1679 in Air in the late Government, to the air stations. of America, and nearly all the Americans, from the President downwar is, with whom he discussed our air problem realised the importance to us of an adequate Air Force, The Americans recognised that from an acrial point of view we were no longer an islant but really Continental nation, whereas America was 2,000 miles away from any possible danger. Although the Americans hoped that it would be possible in the future to call a disarmament conference, they believed that the time was not yet ripe for such a conference and that it was our duty to build up a one-Power air

he had a Scotch name, he was very prend of Great War, when he went to France in Conhis connection with Staffordshire. He would mand of his Brigade. In May, 1915, he was do all he could to keep that connection close, appointed to Command the VI. Division at friendly and permanent, (Applicase.) Only the Your. In November, 1915, came appointother day he was addressing a Stafforbaire andience in Hanley on what a Free Trade hands of the Somme, his Corps being the only friend of his called a misguided mission, (Laughter.) Whether the mission was mis a hand from shell the during the fighting guided or not, the warmnes of his reception gave bits genuine pleasure, (Applause.)

PLEA FOR THE TERRITORIALS.

The President, responding in the absence Col. John Greiton, M.P., said he did not hear the Duke of Sutherland say much about Army, and he wanted them to understand the the Army was still there and was fairly efficient. From the bottom to the to they were trying to do better, as would be esent as before the War. The New and Air Force were always ready to co-operate with the Army in every possible way. For gooding a sake let there not cut down on the Army armore, or else in the days to come the Terr torial Army might be the only Army they had It behoved them all to make the Territorial Army a living and successful force. Its 14 sens-th William la Touche, who by the age were still considerably short in numbers. They had a great difficulty in getting suitable officers. They all knew young fellows of the right class, and it was their duty to point out that it was the duty of those young men to come along and help the Territorial Army to become really efficient and really worthy of the legion of the served in the War in R.N., and is now a Lieut, on H.M. the King's Yacht, and is now a Lieut, on H.M. the King's Yacht, and is now a Lieut, on H.M. the King's Yacht, and is now a Lieut, on H.M. the King's Yacht, and is now a Lieut, on H.M. the King's Yacht.

The lamity of Commerce has been settled in

Col. John Ward, who proposed The Congress, as head of the family, still helds Congress. Dominions," said such dominions lands at Congress, a small village near to lands be levels in the crown of any Empire. Penkridge. To a branch of this Lamily belonged the great dramatic writer, William bistory and forming States that one day might bistory and forming States that one day might 1729.

be even greater and more important than ours. They all wished the Dominions well, and they knew that they would be worthy of the race to which they beloaged. A f x years ago it was thought by some that the British Panpira was to loosely held together that it could never stand the test of war. But those daughter States of the Empire had a patriotism not one whit less than our own, and the test of war proved that, while a system of obligarcy and practical tyranny might have held together the Empires that had gone before us, our Empire was more firmly held together by bonds of love and race. them to co-operate with us in the paths of had in reference to a Labour for rather a Socialist) Government in England, it was lest its policy should lead towards the disintegracared very little what the present Government. did with them at home so long as it did not British Empire As long as men like Sir Johnson the hon, treasurer, Joseph Cook-whom they were proud to claim as a Staffordshire man-guided the destinies

PROPLEM OF SURPLUS POPULATION. whole hearted devotion of the Duke of Suther. Joseph Smith, with Mr. A. Bossons as land to the service of the State, and expressed economical administration of the League. | were all excellently rendered choral pieces. Proceeding to speak of the overseas while individual thems were given as follow: Dominions, Sir Joseph said that if Great Solos, "Break o' Day " (Sanderson) and " How This year's President of the society is Britain was very small, the Empire was very, Lovely are Thy Dwellings " (Libile), Miss very large. The Dominions had resources Olive Bossons; piano solos, "Spring Song enough to keep a population three or four (Mendel-sohn) and "The Mocking Bird" M.V.O., a fine soldier who has greatly times as large as the population of the United (Hoffman), Miss Laura Smith; selo, distinguished himself on the field of hattle, States of America. That meant a very big Bless You" (Dickson), Miss Evelyn Antrobus; distinguished himself on the field of hattle, States of America. That meant a very big Bless You" (Dickson), Miss Evelyn Antrobus; distinguished himself on the field of hattle, States of America. That meant a very big Bless You" (Dickson), Miss Evelyn Antrobus; distinguished himself on the field of hattle, States of America. That meant a very big Bless You" (Dickson), Miss Evelyn Antrobus; distinguished himself on the field of hattle, States of America. That meant a very big Bless You" (Dickson), Miss Evelyn Antrobus; distinguished himself on the field of hattle, States of America. of defence. There was really not room enough, Geetil), Miss Hilds Wright. at the society's dinner at the Midland Grand in Great Britain for all the people to live in who lived in this country wished to keep

The guests, was, owing to the passalence of doles, and provoking all sorts of civil disorder and tone. Inc guests, was, dwing to the particular of the way of Poplar debates, and so on- Trioute was paid to her singing by the Mayor, lounge by ticueral (laughter)-taking up the time of Parliament when, during an interval, he was introduced not quit all this kind of controversy? Why of their ofuce, but were socialising the life of decided to rebuild on the same site. fr. and Mrs. W. A. Greatbach, Miss Greatbach, doing well than to be here struggling for a money was concerned, but there would not cester, £25; Messrs. Brittains, Ltd., £20; Mr. O. Trigger, Mr. E. Hayes, Mr. H. Brudshaw, Mr. Society, Sir Joseph said that but for these local Under sheriff Capper and Mr. W. R. Adams. | patriorisms the Empire would not be in its Table D.; Mr. H. S. Adams, J.P., Mr. and plentinde of power to-day. He boyed that

Wilks, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Pook, Mr. and Mr. W. H. Gelson, a past President of the Mrs. S. W. Corns, Mr. J. Bate, Mr. and Mrs. | society, submitted the teast of "The Presi-He said he wondered whether it were Table F.: Mr. W. C. Parker, Miss Parker, Pro- true that the best men of stafford-hire came Society, (Laughter,) He knew that some of them did, for the list of members contained appreciation from the audience, Miss Evelyn mouth Gord Lieutenant of Staffordshirel, the many members could not be gresent at that to sing " (Pinsutte, Earl of Lichfield, Lord Charnwood, Viscount gathering, He had been asked: "What is the Roberts, M.P. (Minister of Pensions), Col. John He would reply negatively that the secrets was Gretton, M.P., Mr. J. Q. Lamb, M.P., and many not a political association, not a trade union, joining the society. Personally he had made City" (Adams), Miss Olive Bossous; piano proporties. They must blame the law.

Dominions together would build up the great

would lead to some practical result. (Applause.) The evening's musical programme was of a very enjoyable character. Miss Edith Eatherley, a well-known society entertainer, sang songs at the piane in delightful style Miss Norah Charles, a talented soprano and gold medallist, displayed a beautiful voice in Down Vauxhall Way" (Herbert Oliver): Mr. Jack Protheroo, baritone, was heard to and stories; and Miss Norah Charles and Mr. Protheroe sang a duet. It is the Merry Month of May." Miss Entheries was an abic

General Sir W. N. Congreso, V.C., K.C.B. M.V.O., who presided at the annual dinner of he Staffordenire Society in London on Wedneeday, was born at Chathair, November 20th. 1382; his father, afterwards for 24 years Chief

Constable of Staffordshire, being at that time He was educated at Harrow and Pombroke College, Oxford, and proceeded to Sandhurst the 2nd North Staffordshire Militia. On passing out or sandhurst he was generted to the Rifle Brigade, with which regiment he served until 1906, with intervals of Staff work at Aldershot and Dublin; and during the South Adjutant of Kitchener's House, Brigade-Majo of the 18th Brigade, D.A.A.G., Headquarters, and Private Secretary to Lord Kitchener. I Ireland he was A.M.S. to H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, Cin-C., Ireland. In 1908, being promoted to Half-Pay Lieut. Coloneley, he went as Commandant, School of Musketry, Hythe, from this passing to the Command 18th Inlantry Brigade with Hondonarters Copeluding, his Grace said that, although Lichfield from 1911 to the cutbreak of th them to 15th Corps with which be made the

the to obtain its complete objectives. Losin, arres the Arrae battle he was invalided home. In January, 1915, he was appointed to Command the VII. Come and with it forming the ight of General Sig H. Gongh's Vily Army, argely contributed to stopping the Germans eaching Amiens. In May, 1918, he was seen some and was not re-employed until August 1915, when he went as G.O.C. the Army Ecopt, Palcetine and Syria, with which cingined until appointed G.O.C. in C. Southern Command, in April, 1923. General Congreve is a full General, holds

ise V.C., also medals for South Africa and the Great War, and the First Class of several intega Orders. He is a K.C.B. and M.V.O. He married in 1890, Cellia to Touche, of Relievoe, Co. Dublin, who holds the Croix oc. togette for envice under fire with a French No. of patients discharged during week Hospital in France. They have had three No. of patients admitted since beginning noroving every day, but they in 25, when he was killed in action on the No. of patients similted corresponding

The lamily of Congress has been settled

LONGTON HOSPITAL EXTENSION FUND.

Choir.

The two concerts which were given by the Talke Juvenile Prize Choir in the Alexandra Picture Palace, on behalf of the Longton Cotpeace, and we were certain that they would do tage Hospital Extension Pund, on Sunday so. (Hear, hear.) If there was one fear he proved very successful, there being large audi-

tion of the British Empire. such a step it has already been instrumental in the raising of Providence Church, Upper Hanley, had to be would be almost impossible to retrace. He considerable sums of money for the Longton closed and the services held in school Hespital, and she had the assistance of an premises adjoining Efforts are now being loosen in the slightest degree the bands that enthusuastic committee, of which Mr. David made to raise a sum sufficient to pay for the had held together the component parts of the Brown was the bon, secretary, and Mr. T. crection of a new church, and on Wednesday shire Infirmary. The Mayor and Mayoress of Stoke-on-Trent (Alderman and Mrs. F. Collis) were present at in the schoolroom. these young States, they might be sure both concerts. In the afternoon they were

Longton Hospital), Mr. W. H. Jones, and Sir Joseph Cook, in his reply, spoke of the The choir, under the conductorship of Mr. accompanist, presented a delightful programme that won unstinted admiration and

THE MAYOR AND LOCAL CHARITIES. All of these were greatly enjoyed, and none community. (Hear, hear,)

more so than the solo of Miss Evelyn Antrobus, You have got a million and a quarter of a young lady not yet in her teens, who has what to do with them, They are living on

amily estate—to the great British Dominions? Antrobust whose singing even her colleagues whole building.

manually and nobly in your local spiceres, in Ho was always picased to visit Longton, he cerned, the trustees, Church members and the tenes as one of the events of the year the old centre. I know it means a wrench happen, as ed the Mayor, if the wells of charity Coal Co. the cooir were entertained to tes in the Town £5; and Mr. Adcock, £3 3s.

Mayorese) were Mr. F. A. Spruce (Acting planse.) Chairman of Directors of the Longton Cottage Hospital), Mr. and Mrs. R. Leach, Mr. and Mrs. W. Tunnicliffe, and Mr. and Mrs. Baker,

"Lysis ' (Rockstre), Miss Laura Smith;] Lavender" (German), Miss Evelyn Antrobus; and applause. "A Cottage in God's Garden (Carrie J. Bond) and "In God's Own keeping"

mentioned especially Mrs. Grice and Mr. H, set out to raise, (Applause) Palace, the staff, the ladies and gentlemen and the Mayor, Mr. H. Coates said that Provicounty but who desired to do something for Warren for his gift of flowers for table decora-

N.S. MINERS' FEDERATION AND A CASE AT HANLEY POLICE COURT.

IE .- At the District Council Meeting of the above named Federation, hold here to-day, attention was called to the Minimum Wage Case, briefly responding. reported in the "Staffordshire Septinel" on Saturday last, respecting a bollier said to have been employed as a contractor at the Racecourse Pit, but had been stopped there pending a claim by himself for the minimum which be alleged the colliery company had not paid him. He had had to pay the men working under him the proper rates, and found himself left with only a few shillings. The report goes on to say the mers' Pederation had his case in hand, and had written two letters to the company, but In reply to the above, I have to state quite

plainly that the Mitters' Federation has no enowledge of this particular collier having Walker, Stevenson and Lawton, page any application here about his claim. We are informed he is not a member of the receration, and the Federation, therefore, has not had anything to do with the case in any At the same time, the District Council meet-

standing out for £3, &c., and requested that dren's unitthe above be forwarded to the Editor of the Staffordshire Sentinel" for publication. Thanking you in anticipation of your favour rours faithfully.

SAMUEL PINNEY, Secretary and Agent. Miners' Offices, Burslem, Febtuary 26th

We understand that the Chairman of the the Chairman who suggested that perhaps entourage includes a living zoo. the Miners' Federation might look into the matter.-- Eo., " 5.6."]

NORTH STAFFS. INFIRMARY.

IN-PATIENTS. No. of patients admitted during the

week ended February 27th of year Increase No. of patients in the Hospital

OUT-PATIENTS. attendeness made by X-Ray. of attendances made by Orthopsed patients during the week of attendances made in Out-patiant Department (General Cases) No. of Out-patients registered during the

PROVIDENCE CHURCH. UPPER HANLEY.

Concerts by Talke Juvenile | Three Days' Bazaar for New Building Fund.

Opening by Mr. George E. Meakin.

Sixteen months ago, because mining sub-The effort was initiated by Mrs. Emery, who sidence had endangered the structure. a bazaar, held in aid of this object, was opened

Leach, and Mr. Steart Barber (Directors of that £3,500 is expended in the erection of the £250. This left £2,250 to be raised, and before was in hand towards this amount.

> Madgen (Bethesda), the Rev. T. Lee (Providence), but of other Hanley charities and the bazzar being declared open by Mr. A. dence), the Rev. A. T. Dean (Northwood), Mr. organisations, and the support of employers of Barker, of Tunstall, with whom was Mrs. H Winkle, Mr. W Clarke (trustee), Mr. V. labour. However, if the meeting thought the Barker. Walker and Mr. A. Platt (joint secretary with scheme practicable, then he would suggest Mr. G. Sherwin of the bazaar), Introducing the Mayor, the Roy, T. Lee said obtain views on the subject. The scheme, they very much admired the whole bearted which had immense possibilities, was not

THE BUILDING SCHEME.

Details concerning the scheme for the new nevertheless a voice of remarkable power church and a financial statement were given by Mr. Platt, who said that the old church member suggesting the purchase of an Army hastening of God's Kingdom. He begged to case were imposed upon Beniah Rhodes, 28, member suggesting the purchase of an Army differ from Alderman Sproston, who the day Miller street. Newcastle, who was summoned by mining operations. After receiving available in the centre of the town. The -Mr. Wheatley's means, (Laughter.) Why Mayorees were not only upholding the dignity builders and architects, the trustees had not get these people out where there is no the district. They were also unspairing in their structure of the present building was controversy, where there are open spaces and support of descrying causes. (Applause.) enormously heavy, and the new church would definite. They do not know the meaning of doles in ought to do was to thank the young ladies which would, the experts said, be safe and the Dominions. They have no need of these who had been singing so sweet; to them, sound. They could then worship in peace. stratagoms and these reserve to extreme pro- (Applause.) North Staffordshire was faned Instead of resting on the outer walls, as it

Staffordshire and in every other county, to added, because of his appreciation of the work Sisternood had subscribed over £400. Among lift up your eyes to the outer portions of they did in connection with their local those outside the church who had shown the Empire that are still undeveloped. I charities. They had a tremendous reputation practical sympathy with the scheme as a result of the effort know there are people who do not like leaving in Longton for raising money. What would were: The Sholton, Iron, Steel, and Ltd., 2100; a Connexional meeting, at which fourteen members were sometimes. It was to me when, as a youngster were to dry up? All no-pitals and other similar friend, who did not want his name published, present. of 24, I set out on my life's adventure institutions would come on to the rates," and £100; Johnson Bros., Hauley, £100; Messrs. place in the sun. They ideals in the by the touch of sympathy which at present H. Contes, J.P., £20; Mr. O. Dyke, J.P., £10 why we are all here,' he concluded, "so Mr. Creyke, £10; Mr. W. Sherwin, £10 10s. that that shall not happen so long as we Messra, Richardson and Co., Tunstall, £10; Mr. H Howlett, &s Sa.; Mr. W. Brown, &S Ss. Hall by a ladies' committee, under Mrs. R. Mr. Plats said they were deeply grateful

Leach and Mrs. Emery, and they were joined those people, and he could not speak too highly porting him (in addition to the Mayor and bezaur, they hoped to raise £200 or £300, (Ap-

inability to attend were the Earl of Dart- England. Owing to illness and other causes lowing were the speaker) could not understand why "The Village Black- he was hanging back. On the Council Alder-"The Lamb" (Havergal Brian), probably did more good than those who "The careful thought and consideration. not a benefit society in the ordinary sense- Child's Love" (S. K. Parry), and "We rock | He had often thought, continued the Mayor away on the billows gay," the choir; solos, how lamentable it was that the mines of North "Last Milestone" (Molloy), and "The Holy Staffordshire played such havor on private "How long has your church been up?" the piano duet, "William Tell " (Rossimu, Miss L. Mayor then asked. When he was told 80 Smith and Mr. A. Bossons; solos, "If I can years, he remarked, "You must not complain; perfected in every detail.

The Mayor again expressed his high apprect, that the subscription list read out by the ction of the singing of the choir, and said that accretary showed that the people realised that or committee, thanked all those who had erect a new church there. He hoped they assisted in making the concert a success, and would realise from the bazaar the amount they firing for the use of the Alexandra Picture | Proposing a rote of thanks to Ald. Meakin

potters in the district, who opened up the American markets to the potting trade, took a deep interest in the religious life of that part, and was mainly instrumental in the erection of Providence Church. His granddaughter married into the Meakin family, and thus Alderman Meekin was in some way connected with the founder of the church. The Mayor, To the Editor of the " Staffordshire Sentinel.") added Mr. Coates, was giving of his best in the interests of the borough. (Applause,) The vote was seconded by Mr. Clarke, and enth a retically accorded, Alderman Meakin During the afternoon and evening there was

a constant stream of visitors, and the well laden stalls were rapidly relieved of some of their stock. Delightful entertainments added to the social enjoyment of the bazsar.

THE STALLHOLDERS The stalls and stallholders are:-

Ludies' Stall.-Mesdames. Lee, Weston, Platt, A. Clarke and Hawley. Young Ladies' Stall, -Misses Merris, Popo, Robinson, Walker and other young ladies, Mon's Stall -Messrs, C. G. Horwell, R. Lawton, & Sevenson, W. Clarks and G. Sherwin, Refreshment Stall -- Mesdames Chocolate and Sweet Stall .- Miss Mayland. Young Men's Stall .- Mesers, R. Weston, Hawley, S. Jones and T. E. Weston. Messre, M. Langley, T. Morgan, and hape or form, and are not responsible for it | Morries had charge of the entertainments, and Mr. G. Blaza of the electric batter .. Clarke is treasurer of the bamar.

The bazuar was re-opened to-day (Thursday disassociate themselves from, the observa- by Mr. R. Passmore, and on Saturday the chil one reported to have been made by the greet will be responsible for the opening core-Chairman of the Bench about the felly of mone, and Mrs. J. Barker will receive the chil-

THE GREAT CARMO.

Visit to the Grand Theatre Next Week.

Atter a buillions series of triumphs on the Continent, the Great Campo has returned to this country with his musical comedy revue. Bench had no idea at all of expressing any "Magical Moments," which is admitted to be for 23. What the Chairman wished to the biggest and most sensational married convey was that it was desirable, if the show in existence. The production comprises detendant, as be said, were prevented from a full musical empedy chorus, premiere; working by some dispute about pay, that dansense, and a troupe of dancers. The the dispute should be looked tute and "World's Colessus of Mystery," as Campo is scribed if possible. The defendant owed a lamby named, is seen variously as nu English considerable sum under an order, and the marician, a Chinese conjuror, a Persian

case was adjourned for a month. It was Necromanoer and an Indian soreerer, and his Carmo makes use of a fully grown liger and a lien, which magically disappear with as much apparent case as that with which leaser Ilusionist luminaries contriva to climinate rabbits from borrowed top-hais. Rosy, the dgress, is of a kittenish disposition, whilst ing he possesses a lotter from the Royal Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, com-

CASUALTY STATION FOR HANLEY?

Suggestion Before Police Charities Committee.

Does Hanley need a casualty station in some central position in the town, to deal with injuries and accidents of a minor character? This was a question put to a meeting of the Hanley Section of the Police and Fire Brigades Charities Fund, held in the Old Council Chamber, Town Hall Hanley, on Wednesday, by Inspector Carter, the secretary, who suggested that such an emergency hospital, on quite a modest scale, would most a real need. and would belp to relieve the strain upon the out patients' department of the North stafford-

The inspector pointed out that at such a station email accidents, always occurring in factories and workshops and in the streets. Already a very substantial sum has been could be attended to, without recourse to a visit that this Empire, which had already lasted supported by Councillors W. Tunnicliffe, H. either promised or subscribed. The Method at to Hartshill. Hantey had a population op-Connexion has promised £1,000, on condition proaching 70,000, and the nearest hospital was two or three miles away. Briefly, his proposal was that the members should concentrate their new building; while the Hanley United efforts on a scheme for purchasing or erecting Methodist Circuit has also promise to give a suitable building-possibly with the the commencement of the baraar about £1,000 the bungalow plan, with four

There was a large attendance at the opening be made to local doctors to arrange among ceremony which was performed by Albertonia | themselves to give the medical advice and George Elliot Meakin. The Mayor of Steke treatment, while the members of the St John on Trent (Alderman F. Collis) presided, and Amourance Association would doubtless render others on the platform were Alderman E. assi tance. With regard to the c st and upkeep Hughes, Mr. H. Coates, J.P., the Rev. W. of such a casualty station, the co-operation that a town's meeting be called, in order to manner in which he was rendering service dur-ing his Mayoralty, and they feit that in him the in ymary. Indeed, it would be a means they had a valuable asset in the life of the ot relieving the congestion flare. He placed the proposal before the meeting for its views upon it. If the public intimated a desire to support such a scheme, then it could go forward, if not, then it could die a natural

opportunities second to none in the wide world. The Mayor said that the first thing they be a one storey building of light structure. The ordinary business of the meeting posals. Is it not wise in these circumstances for its music, and they should be proud of dig in the old church, the weight in the new Palais de Danse, Hanley, on Boxing Night. to look a fattle further affeld over the great that choir, and also of the young lady (Miss one would be distributed throughout the He expressed thanks to all who assisted on

CINEMA CARNIVAL AT STOKE Thousand Dancers in the King's

Nearly 1,000 dancers were present at the

there again by the Mayor and Mayoress. In of the people of Upper Hanley, who had set was characterised by all its usual gaiety and the evening Mr. J. H. Bariow presided over thems lives to accomplish the great task of brilliance. It has for some time past been P C. Bingham, Miss Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. opportunity, and that this country and the a large attendance, and among those supof the most attractive fancy costumes of the season, and this year proved no exception to the rule, many of the dresses worn being designed on modern and elaborate lines, and tion, repeated the remarks he had made at a showing originality in conception and elevermany of the creations should be directly concerned with the film industry, and though it was not found possible to arrange for a visit "Land of Hope and Glory" (Ligar), "The shouted, and who gave a silent vote, after up to the expected standard, thanks largely to North Staffordshire Branch of the Cinematograph Exhibitors' Association), was secretary, In that capacity he had been responsible for a spectacular as well as a musical point of roadman. Defendant said to witness, "I don'

a great deal of the preliminary work of organi- | view. sation, and the arrangements had been The engagement of Collins' Royal Orchestra (of London and Liverpool) proved a were Mesars, A. Soloman, A. Colbeck, W. Abriel, J. C. Holdenoft, W. T. Pearson, J.

(Knight in Armour); 2 Mr. W. H. Govier (Bonnie Priuce Charlie).

Original.-1, Mr. R. Davies (British Mr. R. Wynne (Entertainment Tax); 3, Miss West (Cards): 4, Mr. H. Birks (John Citizen). Advertisement.-1, Mr. S. Young (Vim); 2 Mr. C. Spencer (Weisbach mantles); J. Miss E. Davies (Wembley Exhibition), 4, Mrs. Harding Typhoo-Tippa).
Comedy.-I. Miss Mand Kemp ("Coal black Mammy "1: 2. Mrs. Potter (" Nobody's Darlin '"); 3, Evelyn Boote (" Eliza Comos to) Stay): 4, Miss Jones (Snowman). Couples.-1, Messrs, Prendergast and Kentr Klu Klux Klan and Sheriff); 2, Mr. John and Mrs. J. Wakefield (Cowboys); 3, Mr. Hors and Mrs. Pointon (Egyptian Prince and Princess);

4. Mr. F. Shaw and Miss B. Shaw (Punka Walls and Lady of the Harem.) A special prize was offered for the best cos tume representing any British film-the event synchronised with Britteh Film Week-and his was wen by Mr. R. Spear representing The Elerval Triangle," and Mr. B. Ward was tighty commended for his conception of Drums of Destiny." A special children's prize was awarded to Master Joey Groccet as The proceeds of the Carnival will be devoted to the Cinema Tracies' Benevolent Fund.

RETIREMENT OF HANLEY STATIONMASTER.

To the Editor of the "Staffordshite Sentinel."

DEAR MR. EDITOR. -Being about to retire from my position as Stationmaster at Hanley F. M. Hulme, and the orchestra, composed of for nearly 48 years, I would like, through Mesers, C. Ryder, R. Reece, F. Pearson, F. your valuable paper, to tender my thanks to Elson, G. Dwyne, S. Russell, T. Smith, the public of Hanley and district for the Barber and Miss Redding, are a great help. gental and courteous way I have always been Boulton is reaponsible for the dances. The treated, and trust my successor, Mr. Payne, of scenery and effects are by Mr. J. Johnson (of Etruris, will find the same pleasure.-Yours | Burslem Hippodrome) and the lighting | Messrs, S. Booth and W. George. HUGH BURTON.

Mr. Burton has rendered most valuable service both to the Company and the public. Saturday will be well patronised, as it is underand has the most cordial thanks and good stood a sum approaching several hundreds En. " 8.8."

KIDSGROVE SHOPBREAKING CHARGE.

Four Men Remanded on Bail.

Brutus, the lien, inclines towards stolidity of (Thursday) morning, before the Stipendiary temperament. Carmo is exceedingly fond of Mr. Bertram C. Brought, at Tunstall, with his menagerie, and is proud of the fact that being concerned together in breaking into and seeing, and it is understood that arrangeentering a shop m School-lane, Kidsgrove, and mente have been made to deal with almost 1,455 mending the arrangements which he has stealing six halfpenny bars of chocolate, the The Chairman for the respective performances

mending the arrangements which he has made for the care and confert of his animals.

The final spectacle of this musical comedy 1% revue—"Thrown to the Lions"—presents love, 1% presents love, 1% presents and hate in true Oriental fashion. The securery is alsobrate, and there are no less than forty artises, besides Regie and Brutes, in this movel chee.

SNOW IN LONDON.

It answer heavily in London and the substrated gave artisence of arrows, and the substrate gave artisence, the inclusion of the Exchange of the Exchange gave in the control of the artisence of arrows, artisence of arr

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PITTSHILL PRIMITIVE METHODISTS.

Bazaar Realises £425.

The Bazaar at the Pittshill Primitive Methodist Church was continued on Wednesday afternoon, Mr. T. Moon (Newcastle-under-Lyme) presiding at the re-opening ceremony, and the bazzar being declared open by Mr. A.

The hymn " We Love the Venerable House " was announced by the Rev. W. J. Swarbrick, and the Rev. W. Russell Shearer led in prayer, after which the Rev. Ivor Rees read a portion of Scripture. Alderman a. Sprusten, Mrs. W. E Robinson and Mr. W. A. Meir (secretary) were among those on the platform. Mr. W. C. Colclough, introducing the Chair-lane, Burslem, was ordered to pay 10s. the man, said that he was a devoted member of defendant did not agrees but sent a letter in the Primitive Methodist Church, and one who which he pleaded guilty. desired the upliftment of the race and the There was an interesting discussion, one attached to Pittshill, and if they were transplanted, he was afraid they would die. With Defendant wrote admitting the offences, all their failings, he thought the reputation and history of that church were such as

> believed that the best days of the Christian gleton-road. Butt Lane, was fined life, for Church did not lie behind. The most glorious being drunk and disorderly in Hardingswoodhappenings had yet to be. Recent times had road, Kidsgrove, on the afternoon of Sunday been a sovere lest to Christendom, but he February 24th. believed it was coming home to mankind with CIGARETTES TO CHILD.—Sarah Ann Dale, 2 ever-increasing force that a civilisation Heathcote-street, Kidsgrove, was summoned divorced from God had no permanence and no for selling digarettes to a person under 16, and security. He thought that men could not be Albert Condiffe. 218. Consiston-road. Butt long satisfied without religion. It was the Lane, who did not appear, was summoned for work of the churches to supply the need, siding and abetting,-P.C. Sippits said that on and to do it in the best way they could. We Sunday, February 3rd, he saw a little boy gloried too little in our religion, and had some leaving the premises of Mrs. Dale in Heathhad stuck to it through thick and thin, The Rev. J. R. Smith said it afforded him gratification to introduce Mr. Barker, Before Mr. Barker opened the bazaar, a few

remarks were made by his wife. Mr. Barker said that a few years ago science was a real bugbear to religion, but that bugbear had been removed. Christian philosophy and science now stood on common mund. Mrs W. E. Robinson spoke a few words before votes of thanks were passed to the Chairman (proposer Mr. F. Ward, seconder Mr. J. W. Colelough), and to the opener proposer Ald. N. Scott, seconder Mr. W. H.

were much appreciated each evening. The amount raised by the effort was £425, and it is hoped to bring the total up to £450.

OPERETTA AT BURSLEM.

"Raiah of Raiahpore" Methodist Choir, is a great success, both from

There are three scenes, Outside the Rajah's Garden and the story centres round Nelly Pheil (the adopted daughter of Major-General Bangs, V.C.) and Harry Lasie (a young Government clerk), who is in love with Nelly, but General Bangs refuses sanction to the match, desiring Nelly to marry a wealthy husband. bandit, and the Rajah promises wealth and ; to adhere to the regulations. power to the restorer of the jewel. Harry Lisle, ! recovers the jewel from the bandit's cave, and pit. by making Harry a Prince of Rajahpore, so exid that he supposed he was the only one in that he is able to gain the consent of the the pit who did not care whether it went up

The part of Nelly O'Neal is taken by Miss Mabel Wilshaw, who, in addition to natural ability as an actress, is possessed of a sweet soprano voice. As Harry Lisle, Mr. Leon Darlington combines an aptitude for the part with a suitable tenor voice. Both Mr. J Stubbs, as Pat M'Gee (the General's Irish servant, and Mr. F. Sproston, as Ali Sin (a Chinese servanti, cause much merriment during the performance, each being emineutly suitable for the parts alletted to them. Mr Liewellyn makes an admirable Rajah, and Mr. E. Goodwin carries the role of Major-General Rangs with the necessary degree of Stoke on February 21st. He pleaded not military dignity. Mrs. C. Evans, Mrs. J. Evans, Miss L. Hall and Miss L. Miller, as Elsie, Violet, Rose and Dorothy (friends of Nelly O'Neil) form a delightful quartet, and in more than one of the musical numbers are heard to full advantage. Other principals worth special mention are Miss P. Machin Electra (the Goddess of Light), Mr. A. Deakin as Ras Khal (the bandit), and Miss L. M Johnson, Miss Molly Johnson, and Miss Freds Hulme, as the Rajah's slaves. The slaves give a delightful dance in the first scene, and again in the last act Mrs. and Miss Johnson execute a ciever and pretty dance. The chorus of natives, nausch girls, soldiers,

sailors, banditti and Spirits of Light is composed of Misses E. Hancock, Eva Alcock, M. Liversage, D. Ford, A. Liversage, E. Podmore, M. Hall, and L. Eardley, Mrs. H. Mountford, Mrs. C. Shaw, Messers, W. Davies, H. Copeland, F. Hulme, Ward, Pedley, W. Adshead, Malkin Much of the success of the production is due

to the musical director and conductor, Mr.

As explained by Mr. J. Rushton, the Chairman on Wednesday evening, the proceeds of d. Victoria-street, Basford, Stoke-on-Trent, the effort are for the Hamil-road P.M. Church Schrusty 27th, 1984. such a worthy object, it is to be hoped that the performances to-mgirt and on Friday and wishes or everybody in his retirement.— of pounds is required to enable the organisers, of which Mr. Paul Hulme is financial scoretary and Mr. Walter Rodgers, organising secretary, to procoed with a scheme to erect suitable buildings for the growing Sunda School. Mr. Rushton explained on Wednes-day night that the present building was so small that the Sunday School has to be held

> Not only is the operatta produced and carried more than ordinary chorus work. It is a performance well worth record audiences for the remaining nights

HANLEY.

THUESDAY.-Before Mr. G. F. Adeock (pre iding) and Mr. S. Clowes. No Control.-William Barlow, 18, Wardstreet, Hanley, was summoned for being at such a distance from his horse and cart as not to have due control over the same, in High etreet, Hanley, on February 18th.-The defend ant's mother appeared on his behalf, and ex-plained that he was working at Longton. He admitted the offence.-P.C. Rushton said the defendant was talking to another driver in ront, while his own cart was 12 or 14 yards schind. Witness observed him for about five minutes, and during that time be paid no attention whatever to his cart.-The defendiant's mother said that he had been carting for only a short time, and was carning 17e. 25d

IDENTIFICATION PLATE. - For driving a motor lon; in Bethesda-street, Hanley, on February 20th, with the rear i lentification plate obscured, Joseph Kenneth Sambrook, 172, Birb. DRIVER'S OFFENCES. Fines of 10s. in each his name and addresss painted on his cart .-

a week .- A fine of 10s was imposed

STIPENDIARY COURT, TUNSTALL justified all he could say in its favour. THURSDAY .- Before Mr. Bertram C. Brough DISORDERLY .- Thomas Billington, 82. Con-

only 12 years of age. She also said that the boy had been sent by his unch. Witness interviewed the uncle, who confirmed this .-Mrs. Dale: It was my sister's luittle boy.-

Mrs. Dale was fined £1, and Condliffe 15s.

CIGARETTE IN MINE.

Norton Green Youth Fined. At Tunstall Stipendiary Court this (Thursday

morning, before Mr. Bertram C. Brough, Stipen diary, a youth named Harold Mountford, Highlane, Norton Green, was charged with having in his possession in a pit a cigarette, this being breach of Section 35 (Sub-section 1) of the Coal Mines Act, 1911. Mr. J. S. Finney appeared for the prosecution. Mountford admitted the

George Brown, M. Hanover-street, Burslem. be onging to the Chatterley-Whitfield Collieries. Lio. On February 7th, at 8 20, he saw defendept in the uit holding a part of a eigarette. It was not lighted. Witness took the cigarette from defendant and handed it to the

Defendant: Do you think I meant that? spoke to the previous witness handing him the

rigarette, and to himself giving it to the firecases for the sake of their men's safety. Nelly's birtuday, a magic ruby is atolen by a Naturally, great precautions had to be taken

In reply to the Stipendiary, Mr. Finney sal with the aid of Electra (the Goodess of Light) that about 1,000 men were employed at the restores it to the Rajah, who fulnis his promise ! The Stipendiary, in fining defendant &

DETECTIVE'S DANCE HALL SEARCH.

Missing Slippers Found at Carnival. At the Stoke Police Court this (Thursday) morning-before Mrs. Wheelton Hind, O.B.E. (presiding) and Mr. G. J. P. Fleet-Walter Stanley (18), saggarmaker, 59, Cornwallisstreet, Stoke, was charged with stealing a pair of Indian fancy slippers, value 23, at

Margaret Maxted, 110, Lime-street, Stoke aid she attended a fancy dress dance at the King's Hall, Stoke, on Thursday, February 21st, wearing the pair of Indian slippers produced. At 1 55 a.m. she placed them on a chair near the entrance to the hall while she had the last dance and on returning a few minutes later the slippers were missing. D.C. Saunders described how he went the cinema carnival at the King's Hall last night to search for the slippers After keeping watch for a time, he saw the defendant wearing them, and when quertioned, he said he had borrowed them from young lady, and was going to return them, but he did not know her name and address The defendant gave a false name and address Defendant said he was not guilty of stealing, because he intended to return the

lippers to the owner. The Chairman said he had done a ver oolish thing, but as this was his first offence he would only be ordered to pay al costs. The magistrates hoped this would be a lesson

BURSLEM LABOURER'S THEFT. At Burelem Police Court, this (Thursday)

morning-before Col. W. W. Dobson (presiding) and Mr. X. Parkes-William Jackson. aged 33, a labourer, of no fixed abode, was charged with having stolen one pair of vases and four pinatores, value lis., the property of Mousts. Gater, Hall and Co., at Burslem, on February 20th. John Baskerfield, a kilamou in the emple or Gater, Hall and Co., said he was with another employee, Wm. Stringer, in the ware-

louse about eight o'clock in the evening. when he saw a man at the other end of the foral tributes deries warehouse in a kneeling position. Witness and Stringer went up to the man, whom se witness recognised as defendant, and asked what he was there for. Defendant replied that meet, also for he was having a sleep. When witness caught Mrs. Grastbach and hold of him, defendant took two vases from under his cost and piaced them on the floor. Defendant then wrenched free and ran into the street. Witness followed, and chased him as far as St. John's square, where defendant William Stringer supported Baskerfield's relatives and tricol ovidence, and another employee dentified the and Sowars in their aprop produced in cours as her property. Detective E. Green gave evidence of arrest, own up to the truth. I took the vases, but

magistrates, was sent to hard labour for two National Conference which had been put in by the police. Approved Society PENSION MINISTER'S SILVER

WEDDING. Mr. F. C. Roberts, the Minister of Pensions, | due to the effect of

celebrated his silver wadding to-day. .

LOCAL POLICE COURTS.

BIRTHS.M ARRIVED

BADDALBY.—On Pebruary III. Etruria, Elizabeth Baldar. Peter Maddaley, and 13 Haniey Cemetery, on Schools accept this, the only inter-BAILEY.—On February Pril a Knutton, Elizabeth, doughter Bailey. Interment at Care Sunday, March 2nd, at 1 12 this lutimation. BRUNDRETT,--- In Tehrany ra wife of the late lieujamin lesseret, Cobridge. Interact a on Naturday, March 16. From intimation. Most at 2 p.s.

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3rd, 1912, of 26, Greenest lichfield street, Harley, etc. late of 103, Lethnik and February 28th, 1912

Tranter, R.A.F., late who died in France, 18

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