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ENGLISH RULE IN INDIA. By Bishop Thoburn.

Several American papers received by a late mail speak in somewhat alarming terms of an impending mutiny in India. The impression seems to prevail, at least to a considerable extent, that the millions of this great empire are extremely restive under English rule, and that only prompt and vigorous measures can prevent a general uprising of the people against the foreigner.

What has occurred, however, is a somewhat serious frontier war among the mountaineers to the west and northwest of the river Indus. This war, the most critical part of which is already over, has not been at any time of a serious character. The English people, being both by training and instinct of a more military cast than the Americans, are apt to make more ado when they have even a small war on their hands than the Americans would do under similar circumstances.

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The career of the English in India in many respects similar to that of the English colonists who settled in the United States. When Christian civilization comes directly into collision with the civilization of any non-Christian people, by they pagans, Hindus, Buddhists, or Mohammedans, it must inevitably provoke a collision. Never until oil and water learn how to unite can these two civilizations live and flourish side by side.

The westward march of American civilization has been attended by cruelty and injustice at almost every step, and yet the general result has been good for the world. The erection of a great Anglo-Indian empire in Southern Asia has been a movement of like kind. England never conquered India. A few Englishmen came out to India, organized a plan of government which was bound to assume imperial dimensions, and, aided by the people of India, built up the mighty empire which we now see.

Neater It Van Noodle—Dyer kHov, Miss Tung-bit, that old duffer, Chapwith, called me a muff the other night.

Not Durable. "Did you make a lasting impression on Mr. Ver Dant?" "Well, I made an impression, but I don't think it will last. He is too soft."

A Startling Dish. Mistress—Do you understand how to preserve these flowers, Bridget? Bridget—Sure, and who'd at thim, mum?—New York Journal.

Did I but Dare! When Sylvia's cheeks by breezes blow Assume a ruddy crimson flush, The milky paleness having grown Into a peerless rosy blush.

When Sylvia sits with me alone, While all within the house is hushed And prattles in far sweeter tone Than ever robin's redbreast's cooed, I fain would clasp her to my heart, She seems so simply sweet and fair.

When Sylvia's sparkling eyes shine bright Like twinkling starbeams in the sky And every glance seems to invite My lips to hush her muffled sigh, I long in ardent soft caress To twine mine arms about her hair.

When Sylvia walks abroad with me, The world doth wear a brighter hue Her eyes seem fairer than the sea, Her lips than roses kissed with dew. I long to tell her love's sweet tale, To hymn her beauty, fresh and rare, And so I could, and so I could, Did I but dare!

And so my timid, craven heart Is filled with mournful, bitter care. For though I would and should and do I do not dare; —Bertram A. Marburgh in New York Herald.

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BOOTH AND READE.

MEETING OF THE TRAGEDIAN AND THE NOVELIST IN LONDON.

Reade Expressed His Great Regard For Americans and Told of Dickens' Mistake and Regrets—How Booth Felt About Irving—The Latter's Debt to Bateman.

Mr. E. H. House contributes an article to The Century on "Edwin Booth in London." Mr. House tells of Booth's visit to Charles Reade, who was a great admirer of the American actor. After Reade had spoken of his admiration for Americans Booth asked him why he did not visit this country, assuring him a hearty welcome.

"Ah, yes. They would treat me well—very well—too well. I used to think of going, and have laid out many a plan with our friend here. Lectures. No. It would have been teaching my children to suck eggs. I might have read them a new story or put a new play upon the stage. It's too late now. I am too old to go through such a round of hospitality as they would give me. I should never come back alive."

"Impossible. A guest must not dictate the manner of his entertainment, and it would be ungracious to reject any welcome kindly offered. And even if I asked it, I should probably not be too well pleased to be left alone. Besides," Reade added, with more seriousness than he had yet shown, "there is another consideration. I could not be at ease—it would go against my conscience—to accept what I should get in America, thinking all the time of the niggardly way we use your people. You don't remember perhaps what the Americans did for Thackeray. I do. And for Dickens, who had given them little reason to like him. He had many doubts about his wisdom in facing them again. I never had. They had shown what they were made of when, in spite of their unsettled grievances, they sent pity and help to Lancashire."

"I told Dickens his suspicions were unworthy of him, and I am bound to say that one of the first things he did when he came back was to send for me to Gads-hill and confess how wrong he had been. He spoke with tears in his eyes, and said he envied me—think of that!—envied me for being the first English author to win the American heart by keeping clear of injustice. He said, too, that from that time forth he would write for the whole of his race, which he had never done before. He meant this, I know, and he would have proved it if he had lived."

"We have no Thackeray or Dickens to send you," Booth remarked, "but if we had, do you think their claim to gratitude would be denied?" "I judge from what I see," answered Reade, "at least those who come in your line of work mostly get the cold shoulder. There was Jefferson, whose acting was the finest of fine art. Small satisfaction for him in England! My brother-in-law, Clarke, had to fight tooth and nail only to get a place that was worth nothing compared to what he left at home. I admired his pluck, though I never could understand why he struggled so hard to gain so little. Your own case, if you will let me speak frankly, is a very striking illustration of the cold blooded indifference that irritates me. Is it credible, I ask you, that the leading actor of England should visit America and be received there as you are here? What have we given you? Only a certain amount of fame, if I may call it so, and even that is probably grudged you by high and low in theatrical circles."

"I have no reason to think that," said Booth. "If Irving had anything but the best feeling, he would not have made the

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opening for me at the Lyceum. I had no expectation of it. So far as I know, it is wholly his conception." "He may have many motives," replied Reade, "and they may all be good ones. It is a feather in his cap undoubtedly. If he makes a tour in America, and they say he thinks of it, his courtesy to you will turn out one of the luckiest hits of his life. Mark my words, his earnings, as he counts them here, will be doubled, at the least, in your free handed country. I don't say that this is in his calculations—though it may be without any discredit to him—but the result is certain. Your friends will not forget his service, or let it go unrewarded."

"Not if I can help it!" Booth exclaimed. "Surely, and so it should be. I think also that Irving may be conscious of some American obligations in the past. He owed a great deal to the industry and devotion of his American manager, Bateman. We know what he is today, and we believe his success is deserved. But he might have waited for it many a long year without Bateman's helping hand. I have watched Irving since he first set foot in London, and I know that for four years he made scarcely a step ahead. Then under Bateman he went up like a rocket. They used to say the manager overdid it, but I like a man who will fight through thick and thin for his faith and his friend. Poor Bateman! His championship cost him dear in the end. His last tilt in behalf of his leading man brought the stroke of heart disease from which he died. I suppose Irving has not forgotten that."

"A man who can do a good turn is not the sort to forget one," said Booth, with emphasis.

"Let us hope so. Certainly I shall always think the better of him for what he is doing for you."

What He Did and Did Not Do.

He never went to a theater in all his life or to a ball. He never read a novel or cared for any book of common light literature. Magazines and reviews for the most part he eschewed, denouncing them "trash," though he would occasionally peruse an article on some subject in which he was interested. He scanned The Times daily and followed the summaries of parliamentary debate sufficiently to master the general drift of political questions. He read The Saturday Review for some years until he took offense at a certain article, after which he never looked at the paper again. He enjoyed the cartoons in Judy caricaturing the Liberal government. He enjoyed a good ghost story, and professed to regard black cats as uncanny.—The Memorials of the Life and Writings of Solomon Caesar Malan, D. D.

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