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CRIME INCREASE
AROUSALS LONDON

Many Murders Occur in the English Capital in the Last Six Months.

HALF A DOZEN WOMEN VICTIMS

One Magistrate Asserts Hanging is Not a Deterrent.

RECORD MADE IN PLURAL VOTING

One Man Casts Ballots in Six Different Counties.

YANKEE SAILORS SPEND FREELY

Men Landred in the Law Arc in the Majority in the Incoming House of Commons—Business Men Gaining Influence.

BY PAUL LAMBERT

LONDON, Jan. 14.—(Special to The Bee.)—There has been an alarming increase of crime in this country. During the last six months 150 crimes of a serious nature have been committed. Many were murders. No less than six women have been mysteriously murdered. The great Southwick Catholic cathedral was recently robbed by burglars for the first time.

In this connection an interesting discussion on capital punishment has elicited the views of several well known men. Mr. Plowden, the well known metropolitan magistrate says:

"Perhaps you will allow me, as a confirmed disbeliever in capital punishment, to make one or two comments, not the less true because they most often have been made before. People, of course, are at liberty to think and believe that there would be more murders than there are if hanging were abolished; but, except from analogy with foreign countries, notably, perhaps, with France, where capital punishment, after being abolished, has recently been restored, there is absolutely no evidence, nor in the nature of things can there be any, to show that the rope is a deterrent."

Record for Plural Voting.

One of the most noted plural voters in the kingdom is W. J. Haywood of Herne Hill, who at a recent election actually voted in six county constituencies in one day, covering something like 20 miles in his motor car. The champion pluralist was Rev. Wainbourne West, a late senior fellow of Lincoln college, Oxford, who in 1892, at the age of 80, recorded 17 votes for conservative candidates in different parts of the country, and still left half a dozen unused. A hundred and twenty votes in four years was Mr. West's achievement, and very proud he was of it, as he more than once told the writer. His only regret was that he could not live to make it two centuries. He recorded eight of his 192 votes in two consecutive days at places as far apart as Sevenoaks and Mid-Oxford.

In the United States you call a plural voter a ballot box stuffer. But here plural voting is recognized.

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In the aggregate the money spent by the American sailors who have been here represents a remarkably large sum. It has been a case of "money to burn" and plenty of it with most of them. In fact, twenty votes in four years was Mr. West's achievement, and very proud he was of it, as he more than once told the writer. His only regret was that he could not live to make it two centuries. He recorded eight of his 192 votes in two consecutive days at places as far apart as Sevenoaks and Mid-Oxford.

Lawyers Numerous in House.

Lawyers, as usual, will predominate in the new House of Commons. The country gentlemen, who at one time formed the bulk of the house, are now numbered as forty-four, though very likely many members who are well known to the public as barristers belong rather to that class. There is a good proportion of men engaged in business. Nowadays they are treated in the house with more, rather than less, deference than they deserve, but it was not always so. In the old days, when men thought it quite creditable to live as parasites of the public on life as sinecures, the tradesmen in Parliament had to put up with the coarsest insults.

Swiss Towns Are Growing Rapidly

Figures of Decennial Census Show Very Healthy Increase in the Population.

AN UNRULY WOMAN SPOILS CHURCH SERVICE

Three Chestnuts at the Worshipers and Threatened to Throw the Vicar Out Bodily.

SAVING DR. JOHNSON'S HOME

Anonymous Purchaser Will Restore the Old House, While Preserving Its Features.

WORKING AIRSHIPS IN INDIA

Baron Deatscher Wins Successfully and Takes Darling Woman with Him.

MAKING OPIUM UNPOPULAR

Chinese Government Taking Severe Measures to Stamp Out the Traffic.

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Ulster, Orange Stronghold, Scene of Much Lawlessness.

GOVERNMENT WILL INVESTIGATE

Opponents of Home Rule Said to Be Advertising for Arms with Which to Resist—Disorder is General.

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