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SOLOTHURN.

M. Théodore Trog a merchant in Olten, has given an amount of 40,000f. to the town of Olten towards starting a Fund for charitable purposes.

VAUD.

A performing bear attacked two spectators at St. Sulpice, a man called Constant Krieg and his 5 year old son. The little boy was so badly bitten, that he had to be taken to the hospital at Lausanne. M. Krieg was also seriously bitten. The owner of this ferocious animal, an Austrian, has been arrested and the bear has been put under lock and key.

N.N.Z.

TICINO.

About 50 school children from Dino, Cadro, Villa and Sonvico, have been taken for a trip to Zurich, none of them have ever left their native place, and some of them have never even seen a railway. They were taken round the town in motor coaches, and a visit to the Zoo was included in the programme. A trip on the lake was greatly enjoyed and the authorities excelled themselves in giving these youngsters a good time. Judging from the exciting faces the guests from beyond the Gotthard enjoyed this trip immensely.

N.N.Z.

GRAUBUENDEN.

M. J. Schmid, former National Councillor died at the age of 81 at Zizers. In the nineties the deceased was a member of the cantonal government and afterwards belonged for 25 years to the cantonal tribunal, over which he presided.

N.N.Z.

SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY LIMITED.

In connection with the scholastic programme the following lectures were given by the students during last week:—

Mr. H. Renold, Aarau: "Experiments on Animals."

Miss C. Chollet, Vevey: "La Fête des Vignerons."

Mr. H. Katzenstein, Zurich: "Foreign Visitors in Switzerland."

Miss L. Gehrig, Bern: "Jewellery."

Miss M. Schmid, Zurich: "Oberammergau."

Mr. H. Blass, Horgen: "Bullfight."

Miss M. Rigling, "Evening in the Valley of Zermatt."

Miss H. Ritter, "A Day on the Thames."

Miss N. Ebnet, "The International Day for Mothers."

Mr. W. Von Arx, "The Pan-European Union."

The debating classes dealt with the following subjects:—

"That Persons of different Nationality should Marry."

Proposer: Mr. Ramsauer.

Opposer: Mr. A. Gander.

"That Cigarette Smoking is a Vice."

"That Holidays as such should be abolished."

An extremely able and interesting lecture on "Jerome K. Jerome" was given by Mr. F. Blackaby on Friday evening the 29th of May.

The lecturer gave an excellent portrayal of the humour of this great writer, taking examples from the book "Three men in a boat."

The lecturer was well received by the students and at the close the lecturer was enthusiastically cheered.

DIE "FETE SUISSE" VOM 25. JUNI.

Wie schon mitgeteilt, wird am 25. Juni die 62. "Fête Suisse" in der schönen und geräumigen Westminster Central Hall stattfinden. Dazu sind alle lieben Landsleute recht herzlich eingeladen. Das Programm ist reichhaltig und gediegen und so sind wir sicher, dass die Landsleute aus allen Gauen und von allen Landessprachen sich dort heimisch fühlen werden. Wir hoffen auch, dass das Gefühl der Einigkeit dadurch gefördert werden möchte. Das ist der Sinn und Zweck dieses Familienfestes.

R. OBERHOLZER.†

We have much pleasure to acquaint our readers, that a subscription list has been opened in order to perpetuate the memory of our compatriot M. R. Oberholzer, who was at one time one of the finest all round athletes Switzerland ever produced, in the form of a Memorial.

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"FUNNY CUTS."

A negro woman was telling a friend that she had been to a wedding. She described the bride's white satin gown, the veil, the slippers, the flowers and everything.

"And what did the bridegroom wear?" asked the friend.

"Well, do you know that good for nothing nigger never showed at all," was the astonishing reply.

Everybody's.

In reply to the teacher's question, "Which is the national flower of England?" the class answered in unison: "Roses, miss."

"Good. Now, what is the national flower of France?"

"Lilies, miss."

"Excellent. Now, which is Spain's national flower?"

There was a long pause, then one small boy volunteered the answer, "Bulrushes, miss!"

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Wednesday, June 10th, at 7 p.m.—Société de Secours Mutuels: Committee Meeting, at 74, Charlotte Street, W.1.

Wednesday, June 10th, at 8.30 p.m.—Swiss Mercantile Society Ltd.—Extraordinary General Meeting—at "Swiss House" 34/35 Fitzroy Square, W.1.

Saturday, June 13, at 4 p.m.—Unterhaltungsbend zu Gunsten einer Ausflugskasse für die Sonntagsschule,—at the "Foyer Suisse," 15, Upper Bedford Place W.C.1. Jedermann ist herzlich eingeladen. Das "Schwyzerchränzli."

Wednesday, June 17th at 7.45 p.m.—Nouvelle Société Helvétique—Monthly Meeting, followed by an address by Dr. Walter E. R. Mons on: "The origin and activities of the order of St. John." at "Swiss House," 34-35, Fitzroy Square W.1. Members and Friends very cordially invited.

Thursday, June 25th, from 6.10.30 p.m.—62nd "Fête Suisse" at Central Hall, Westminster.

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