

DUCHESS OF GLOUCESTER.

Salisbury --- The streets were gaily decorated for the visit of the Duchess of Gloucester, who came to open a new wing of the general infirmary. Purses were presented to Her Royal Highness, one of them containing as much as £300. / All the little girls and boys performed their bow or curtsy with grace and charm, except for one little one, Suspecting foul play, she refused to bend over. /

MAIL SERVICE.

Niafoo --- there is only one ^{white} resident on this island, and his mail is thrown overboard in tin cans when a ship happens to be passing. So letters here are few and far between. One day he received a letter from a friend who had just become a proud father, and the islander wrote back by return, to ask what he could send the boy as a christening present. The friend wrote back ^{by the next post} and said if it's all the same to you, he'd like a safety razor. /

TANKER EXPLOSION.

Southampton --- the Dutch tanker Megara limped into port after a mysterious explosion off the coast of France. Five of the crew were killed, but inquiries failed to reveal the cause of the disaster. Despite the gaping wound in the hull, the tanker's skipper brought her over two hundred miles, under her own power. /

GLASS TRAIN.

Doncaster --- Here is a train all made of glass and the Mayor of Doncaster's going to launch it, if he doesn't smash it. ~~It's~~ ^{It's} purpose is to give an idea of the various kinds of glass at the disposal of the builder, not to mention the glass at the disposal of the Mayor. /