PARIS BOMB OUTRAGE.

REGARDED CHEERILY BY KING.

King Alfonso regards the bomb outrag earily, and is the object of much sympathy there is great indignation here and at Madrid is believed that the outrage was planned a traceloma.

(Reuter.

Paris, June 1.
King Alfonso and M. Loubet were greatly cered on their way back from the Chalom

ome and Athens Parliaments have lated the King and M. Loubet. (H.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The Cotton Worm has reappeared at Zar lone, in the Zagazig district.

THE BRINDIST MAIL will close at the G.P.O., lexandria, at 8.30 a.m. on Monday.

CYRANTINE restrictions as against plague errivals from Aden have been removed.

ill semmen School.—New premises for the ussemieh School are to be constructed at a ost of £15,000.

New Bank.—According to the "Economiste Orient," the Ionian Bank proposes to open e or two branches in Egypt

BIVIAL LIBRARY .- From July 1 till the September the reading-rooms of the at Library, Cairo, will be open from

TABLES AL COMMISSION. - It is proposed evert the Tantah Local Commi sion, like those of Mansourah

ixed commission, the those of the Fayoum. In France. Yesterday's plague bulletin docarecovery at Toukh and two cases a tatal at Damanhour, where a patient tatal) at Damanhor died in hospital.

AVABRA THEATRE.—Mr. S. Conegliano, a principal of the Alhambra Theatre, has a sten years lease of the theatre with

- Colonel Friend, R.E., has been ched to Mr. Perry, Under Secretary of te for Public Works, at a salary of L.E.1,000

THE CAPTAIN'S WATCH.—Captain McMillat comas, captain of a steamer in Alexandris resour, had a gold watch stolen from his yesterday.

mpany has informed the Ministry of Works that its board has voted a sum 60,000 for the improvement of the

repartment has appointed hi Sri Estiman sers in the Jennaie prison at Caro. Shad to be the only woman holding a clerks the Egyptian Government. A LADY GOVERNMENT CLERK .- The Prison

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Yesterday afternoon at heaver, of the name of Ibrahim Abd abb, was run over by a train on the A cina quays and expired on reachi

SUZ CANAL .- On the 29th and 30th May vessels passed through the Canal, of which were British, I Dutch, I Norwegian, 2 trman, I Austrian. The receipts for the two ys were its. 502,931.68, making the total on the 1st May its. 9,004,001.03.

lambation Inspector's Clothes Stolen,— Cairo contemporary states that while Mr. B. Ireland, Inspector of the Fourth Circle Irrigation, was askeep in the Irrigation, operarment's rest-house at Maghagha a few sys ago, his clothes were stolen. The thiet as not yet been discovered.

PORT SAID CATHOLIC SEAMEN'S CLUB. -Th er Sain Catholic Seamen's Cleue.—The Mrs. Fraser and other well-known rs are organising a concert in Chelsea Hall in aid of the Catholic Seamen's at Port Said. This institution is largely rted from Englaud by Roman Catholics, sted in the work for seamen.

destruction of the material and ging to Gatti's circus troupe. Mr. hat he has reconstructed the who as that he has reconstructed he whole defined destroyed, and, before quitting needs giving a few performances at line in the Pyramids Theatre, beginning cok. New artistes have been engage

HOFEL BEAU RIVAUE.—The management of the Hotel Beau-Rivage deserves to be heartify magnificiated on the aucoess of its ball lass egict. This beautiful Ramich hotel looked its ball to be a standard of the ball was attended by the "cremet and the ball was attended by the "cremet and be accessed of Alexandria and Ramich la creme of Alexandria and Ramich ball to the ball of the Alexandria and the second was a standard to the ball of the Alexandria and the second was a standard with the ball of the ball of the ball of the promote the pleasure of his numerous guests. We are the pleasure of his numerous guests. We are the pleasure of his numerous guests. We are glad to announce that this is the first but by no means the last of the dances to be given at his hotel during the summer season.

PORT SAID DEVELOPMENT.

GREAT ACTIVITY IN HARBOUR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

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Port Said harborr just now presents a busy seene. Work is preceeding apace on the improvements which are to be carried out and on which upwards of 1,700 me nare employed.

The present coal basin, which easily accommodates 16 vessels, is to be converted into a cargo loading basin for Egyptian produce, which will arrive there direct by the new Matarieh Canal or by the new line of railway now under construction. It is to be fitted under construction. It is to be fitted with jetties and will accommodate 13 ships

Immediately opposite this, where the petro-leum basin is situated, a large space capable of holding 20 colliers is being dredged out, as is also the intervening land between it and the is also the intervening land between it and the coal yard channel, by which means coal lighters will go direct to the yards, without, as at present, going into the main harbour. The new petroleum basin will be at the extreme

new petroleum basin will be at the extreme end of this space.

At the back of the "Chantier des Blocs" works and sheds are being built and this space will in two years' time be the Ganal Com-pany's ateliers, and the floating dock is to be placed close by. The old atelier will be dredged out and is to be used for local craft, for which the Basin Chern'i far for osmall owing to the growing local traffic.

Sheds are on the plans all along the new basins and a large piece of land between the railway and collier by has been reserved for

railway and collier bay has been reserved for offices and warehouses

At present some 150 to 200 tons of cotton are shipped here per week, but it is quite probable that with the unrivalled opportunities ship-pers have here to despatch their goods practi-cally anywhere, the trade will greatly

mercase.

The sum allowed in the Budget for "improvements" in Port Said harbour is £70°,00°, to be expended in a period of 10 years, and out of which hire of dredging plant is to be paid, together with all special contracts.

RAILWAY TRAFFIC

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The railways is doing well and there seems to be little reason to doubt that the net receipts will amply suffice to pay the annuity due to the company, which will be from LE 16,000 to LE 18,000 a year. There has been a notable herease in the humber of passengers. During the last six mouths of 1902, sengers. During the last ax mouths of 1902, the receipts from passenger traffic were LE. 6,013; in 1903—when the change of gauge had been partially effected—the receipts for the corresponding period rose to LE. 10,730; in 1904, they were LE. 13,737, it is to be observed that the heaviest passenger traffic is curring the first haif of the year. The receipts from goods traffic during the first axis months of 1902 were LE. 1,7375; in 1903, LE. 2,037; in 1904, LE. 5,138, It was only during the last two months of 1904 that the goods, traffic began to develop seriously. It is expected to increase largely

riously. It is expected to increase largely during the current year.

TURKISH TROOPS FROM YEMEN.

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The Austrian Lloyd S.S. "Gisela," which was here yesterday on a voyage from Calcutta to Austria, had on board 105 Turkish soldiers, all of Syrian origin. It appears from their accounts that they formed a portion of the garrison of Sanan when it was taken by the insurgents. After the taking of the town, the insurgents murdened the garrison officers and set free the hundred men abovementioned. Those who survived the terrible march arrived at Aden, where they were cared for by the British authorities, who sent them on here. The men yesterday started to walk along the opact of the Bay of Polissium expecting to reach Gaza, to which district several belong in a week's time. in a week's time. -

ARRIVAL OF BRITISH CRUISER.

The British 2nd class cruser "Thetis" ar-rived at Suez early this morning. She is one of the older type, having been built in 1890, is of 3,400 tons displacement, and still steams 20 knots. She will stay here 24 hours coaling.

THE ORIENT LINE

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The Orient Line S.S. "Orontes" arrived at 6 am. to day from Naples. She is the first vessel of the line to arrive up to time since the new "white labour" contract with the Australian Government. I believe she has had the same difficulty as have the other ships with stokers and their drinking propensities in every port.

OBITUARY.

It will come as a great shock to the many friends of Mr. Alec Holmes, Inspector of the Salt and Soda Company, to learn that he succumbed early on Wednesday morning to an attack of pleurity, from which he had been suffering for but a short time. Up to Tuesday evening hope had been entertained of his recovery, but towards night a change for the worse set in, and he passed quietly away just as dawn was breaking. Mr. Holmes was greatly liked by all who knew him, and his loss will be keemly felt by his numerous friends and by the company to whom his services were devoted. The funear took place at Tantah on Wednesday aferracon and was largely attended.

A Tantah correspondent writes. The death of Mr. Holmes has east a gloom over the British colony at Tantah, of which he was one of the most popular members. Few Englishmen in Egypt were more liked than Mr. Holmes, and his geniality, open-hearted hospitality, and entertaining conversation made his house at Tantah one of the most pleasant spots in Egypt.

EGYPT AND THE VATICAN.

QUESTION OF LOCAL HIERARCHY.

A London contemporary states that by a scheme now under consideration at the Vatican, Egypt is to be withdrawn from the category of Roman Catholic missions and a regular hierarchy established here, the opisopate being drawn chiefly from British subjects. On making enquiries at Archbishop's House this morning we were informed that nothing was known there regarding the scheme. Some eleven years ace the question of the establish-

eleven years ago the question of the e ment of a regular hierarchy in this country was raised, but the project fell through, for several reasons, one of which was the comparatively restricted number of Roman Catholies in Egypt. While nothing official has reached the ecclesiastical authorities, however, it is thought quite probable that the question may on the tapis again at the Vat

THE KHEDIVE

The Khedive, after his visit to England, will receed to Paris and then to Switzerland for

proceed to Paris and then to OMIZZELIBLES.
his usual stay at Divoune.
Brewster Bey, English Secretary to the
Khedive, is leaving Alexandria on Thursday
next by the Florio Rubatino steamer for
Naples, whence he will proceed to Paris to
rejoin his Highness.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

The Legislative Council met yesterday and The Legislative Council met yesterlay and passed the regulations concerning dogs and rabies, as well as the draft decree for the extension to all lands in Egypt of the prohibition to irrigate sharaki lands. The regulations concerning Marsa Matrouh were withdrawn by the Government. The Council adjourned to another sitting the examination of the modifications to be introduced in the Recruiting Law as regards the examinations of "fikis."

THE FIKI QUESTION.

The sheikh of Al Azhar University has handed to the Regent a protest regarding the modifications to be introduced in the recruiting of "fikis" The sheikh maintains in his note that the "fikis" should be exempted from military service by reason of the fact that they give instruction in the Koran, and that therefore, the Ministry of Public Instruction should not require of them knowledge of mathe-matics and other sciences.

matics and other sciences.

The fiki question in Egypt is a very pressing social problem, especially in regard to the kuttabs. The term 'fiki' should properly be applied only to a person learned in "fight" (Mohamedan law), but in Egypt the term is used to denote a person who is able to recite the whole of the Koran and obtains his livelihood threely. The attractions of a fiki's career have a very bad influence on the kuttabs and tend to divert the children of the poor from their natural avocations in the fields, or in the family workshops, and to embark them upon a career generally lapsing into mendi-upon a career generally lapsing into mendipon a career generally lapsing into ancy. The children flock to the "kutta anny. The children flock to the "kuttaba," not to receive instruction which will fit them for their position in his, but to commit to memory the whole of the Koran, and thereby as reputed "fikis," to escape from itability to military conscription. And, in Rgyta, a "fikis" makes he he attached as reader to a "kuttab, accept for cassul employment in recting the Koran at funerals and festivals, is relied to the construction of the construction o beggar. According to the census of 1897, the were 107,700 craftsmen of various sorts carpenters, blacksmiths, tailors, shoemake &c.— in Lower Egypt The number of "fikis who were mostly mendicants, was r 100,000. It has been suggested that t who were mostly menticants, was no less than 100,000. It has been suggested that they quilification for exemption from military service should only be allowed to such "fiking" as have received a certain abnount of education. It may be mentioned that to gain a livelphood by reciting the Koran at funerals and festivals is forbidden by the Mchamedan religion. In a report recently presented by the Grand Mufti to the Legislative Council, and approved by that body, the practice of committing the Koran to memory was commended, but with the provise that "the object of the study is for religious and moral guidance, and not for the very base employment of gaining a living thereby, or reciting at festivals or funerals, since these practices are amongst the most reprehensible of the things forbidden in Moslem law, and it is not lawful for any one to assist any efforts made with that object."

SAN STEFANO CASINO

TREMENDOUS EXPLOSION.

16 TONS OF DYNAMITE BLOWN UP AT ABOUKIR.

A record has been made at Aboukir in the history of explosives, the biggest submarine explosion that has ever taken place having co-curred there yeasterday, when 16½ tons of the most powerful dynamite, consisting of 10 tons of blatting gelatine and 6½ tons of gelignite, want off. Blasting gelatine contains 92 percent of introg typorine, which is the most powerful explosive in the world.

explosive in the world.
The explosives arrived in Alexandria some time ago and were despatched to Cairo by canal. Unfortunately, the boat in which they were being conveyed, got wrecked in a col lision, and the explosives were landed on the banks of the Mahmoudieb, but owing to the great danger which Alexandria ran from their proximity, they were removed to a fort at Aboukir and there stored.

Meanwhile, a lawsuit was bought in the Mixed Courts at Alexandria in reference of the collision and the Court decided that the explosives must be made away with. The

the collision and the Court decided that the exploives must be made away with. The organ, Messrs. Nobel & Co., of Glasgow, therefore undertook to destroy them, and on Wednesday afferson Mirais Highinson Bey, Commandant of the Alexandria City Police, Sagh. Kelsham, and Bimbashi Edgeworth went to Aboukir to make arrangement for the public security. The Egyptian Ministry of War was represented by Bimbashi Edgeworth. The exploives were in a dangerous state, as owing to the action off-the water in the Mahmoudish Canal, gases had comes into operation, and if the dynamite had been kept an explosion might have ensued with consequences to terrible to contemplate as it is estimated that the 16‡ tons were more than sufficient.

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ALL ALEXANDRIA IN RUINS

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The cases containing the explosives were transported on Wednesday afternoon from the fort to the seashore. There they were put into boats and carried 500 yards from the shore in the direction of Nelsons Island, where they were thrown into 15 feet of water. Electric wires were laid down from the coastguard fort to the submerged explosives and an electric battery was installed in the fort. By 8 o'clook on Wednesday eventing all was ready for the strypesion. At that hour, however, it was too dark to see if any fishing or other boats were in the neighbourbood for the danger zone extended to a distance of three miles. It was therefore decided to leave the explosives in the sea until the morrow. Yesterday morning all preparations were completed under the direction of Mr. Harold Harris, F.C.S., chemist and instructor to Messrs. Nobel. He was assisted by M. Ferdinand Mugnier, pharmacutical chemist of the Ecole Superieure of Paris and technical chemical expert to the Mixed Tribunals. At 10.40 a.m. yesterday the button of the electric battery was pressed and the largest amount of dynamite ever exploded at one time went off.

A RECORD EXPLOSION.

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Something like an earthquake ensued and all the house in Aboult's were abaken, while the detonation was heard at Montanh. The sight itself was misgnificent. The calm bine sea suddenly became as mighty whilf of seeking water, while a waterspout about 2,000 feet in height rose to the heavens. The waterspout had a base of about 200 feet in diameter and it assended in the shape of a now white column of gilttering foam, which remained in the air for about two minutes, and enabled some local photographers to take some snap-shots.

The few spectators of the secon declare that the sight was one of unparalleled splendour, for the sun made the waterspout shine like silver. As the water was falling the sea suddenly presented quite another aspect. A lunge wave rose up, many metres high, and advanced majestically but with a peculiar slowness to-wards the shore, but before it reached the land this mass of water subsided suddenly and broke up into innumerable large waves. All round the wave and long after it had subsided the sea presented the appearance of water boiling in a cauldron and an immense superficies of the water in the bay was churned up like boiling offee, for it became quite brown in colour, as evidently a huge chesm was blown in the bed of the sea.

Mr. Harris was warmly congratulated on the success of the operation by all present, for no damage whatsoever was done owing to the very careful precautions taken by the police and the coastguards.

The explosives, which were valued at £3,000 ere originally consigned to Messrs. Thoso ook and Son (Egypt), Limited, Messrs. Nobel's

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CARLTON HOTEL.

WINDSOR HOTEL

EGYPTIAN SHARE MARKET.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT).

London, May 26.

Since our last, little of importance has taken place in our stock markets here. The tone has hinged largely on the state of the market for American Rails, the continued fall in these securities having caused a good deal of unexainess in financial circles both in London and on the Continent. Con-equently this has had the effect of checking fresh business. The fact that the weak Bull element has in a great measure been cleared out accounts for the improved tendency and the disposition to a recovery in prices at the time of writing.

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The hanging fire of the great land and sea hattles, which are anxiously awaited, keeps up a feeling of uncertainty, especially in the foreign market. The market for Egyptima securities, although somewhat inactive, continues to hold a firm position. Prices show little or no change from those ruling a week ago. The new issue of the National Bank shares, 50,000 at £10, have naturally been taken up by the present shareholders on the terms offered, namely, £20 per share, the proportion being one new share for every five of the proportion being one new share for every five already being dealt in at a premium of £5 to £6 on the issue price. The old shares remain unchanged at 27 g. The mining shares in the Egyptian section are neglected at recent levels. The general feeling amongst the deal ris a cone of expectancy, awaiting developments from the mining centres.

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Much comment has been made of late in the financial press as to the frequent appearance of new Egyptian land companies, and the pessimists are beginning to prophesy all sorts of dire results. We have seen it stated in one paper that the value of land in Cairo is approaching to that of land in London. To show how far this is from the mark, I may mention that £10 a quare metre, which is the prices for good land in Cairo, is equal to £42,000 per feddan. The City of London has recently let, on an 80 years' building lease, land mear, but not on, one of the main thorough-fares in the city, in a cut-de-sac, which, capitalised on a low valuation, works out at the rate of over £400,000 per acre for the freehold, thus showing that land in the City of London is only ten times more valuable than land in Gairo land this for some of the cheaper land in the city. It would therefore seem that the new companies which have been started to do business in Egypt cought to have a very good future if they conduct their concerns on sound principles, and get ready to obtain the benefit of the present growing demand for hones property in Egypt, and the pressimets may have to wait a longget ready to obtain the benefit of the present growing demand for house property in Egypt, and the pessimists may have to wait a long time yet before their croakings become necessary.

CORPORATION OF WESTERN EGYPT.

The engineer in charge reports:—The Roman well inside the Deir was tubed to a depth of \$8.4" when the original bottom was apparently reached. The water supply had perceptibly increased, but drilling was continued and at 89" a bed of hard white sandstone was outered and passed at 1056" to hard black ledy. In drilling the sandstone the water supply increased constantly and now stands about 25" of tube is not off and the thing when the supply increased constantly and now stands about 25" of tube is not off and the thing when the supplying the supply in the supplying the su

CAUTION.

PETER KOHLER & NESTLE'S CHOCOLATES

MESSES. HERRI NESTLE having heard that Mr. J. Vivante has been calling on certain houses and representing himself as their agent and traveller, they hereby inform all merchants and traveller, they hereby inform all merchants and traders that this gentleman has no mathority to represent them or use their name, and that the sole agents for the sale of the Shecholates of Messer, Peter Kohler & Nestle is Mr.-& H. Gino, Alexandria and Cairo.

CHOCOLATS PETER-KOHLER ET NESTLE LONDRES-VEVEY SUISSE

BECK & CO'S PILSENER BEER

ARISTON AERATED WATERS

ALEXANDRIA: GAIRO:

V. Bur de la Porte. Sharin Sahal Kent al-Will

LETTERS TO THE EDITO

by our correspondents, but we wish, in a spirit of fair to all, to permit — within certain necessary limits —

PIGEON SHOOTING.

TO THE BOTTON OF THE ENTITION GARTT

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Committee to allow a pigeon-shooting grout
to be established at the club prescribe
not irrevocable. The erection of understand
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which might be imagined sufficient for the
delectation.—Yours truly,

Alexandria, May 31.

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RIFLE SHOOTING.

C. B. R. C.
On Friday, 19th May, the last spoon conpetition for the season took place at Toural
The spoon was won by Mr. Craig with 34
34+33=101. Mr. D. McDonald was secon +33=101. Mr. D. McDonald was secon ith 35+28+30=93. For the summer months the range will be en on Fridays only. For th

PASSENGER LISTS.

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DEPARTURES.

Le paquebot "Bostror" de la Gie Flori Robatino partihier pour Venise avait à bord-Rosa Jorida, A. Shepanda, Rassan et D Villiers, M. et Mme Petruzzelli, Mario Pas quale, J. Besty, Solutore Zole, Gennaro Pabiano Mme Vaizania et fam., Mme Veronesi, Cav. e Mme R. Almagia, Ch. Lusian, fam. Aboa Lusena Giov., Pruker, Mme Sandri et fam., G Gavani, Julius Tordior, Tornal Halki, Mc frahham El Sultan, M. et Mme Papadaki, Mm Reboul bey et file, M. et Mme G. Bavinald Ugo Bellavita, M. et Mme Papadaki, Mm Seler, Hunright, Bisancardi, M. Bonervelnez, Cav. R. Corbò et file, A. Mires, Baroness Basile, Viginuzi, sevrante Basile, Mme Grod Mme Manusardi et dom., Mmes Manusardi et dom., Mines Salami, Mme Torel Mme Manusardi et dom., Mines Salami, Mines G. Isadino, Ali Kamal Bey et fam, Emilio Lonka, Xipasa, Ahmed Bey Sala M. et Mme Colami, W. 'Tyson, Max Unguar. El Stain, D. Maninelli, Fichard et fam, Daniel Flyermo, M. et Mme Aless Romani, Mme G. Lavas et file, Mme Masselan Craelli Mme G. Lavas et file, Mme Masselan Craelli Mme G.

Pipermo, M. et Mme Aless. Romani, Mme Lavas et fils, Mme Messulam, Curelli, M Maresina et fam., Mme Bonnici et filles, M

Lawas et iki, Mine Messukan, Curelli, Mine Marstina et falles, Mine De Villebois et filles, De Londo, Abelli Tardulli, Nathan et faun, M. et Mine B. Canino, De Stefano Paf, fan. (Usyard, G. Dupont, A. Serrao, Mine Levi et fun, M. et Mine B. Canino, De Stefano Paf, fan. (Usyard, G. Dupont, A. Serrao, Mine Levi et fun, M. et Mine Seanan, M. et Mine M. Acanakin, Naglabi Nanfal, F. Gallo, B. B. Lian, Fadre Adriano, Mine A. Ceder, Maria Colasson et fille, J. Bumpe, Mine Conrobert, Mille Sassel, Soura Maria Edellace, Pacifico Viterbo, Guillon, Schley Navier, W. Abel, Mine Noger, Appearaller, A. De Luciano, Sour Valent, Terosa, Alciucida, et 60 passagera de 3me Classe.

Passagers partis le 31 mai par le paquebot Rhedivial "Jinamalia" pour le Pirés, Smyrne, Metelin, Dartadelles et Constantinople:—S. A. le Prince Abbes Pacha Halim et assaite, M. Constantin Antonopoulo, M. et Mine P. D. Papadopoul, et famille, M. et Mine Panayotti Sermeni; et famille, M. et Mine Panayotti Sermeni; et famille, M. et Mine Paramyotti Sermeni; et famille, M. et Mine Ibrahim by Lotti et famille, M. et Mine Paramyotti Sermeni; et famille, M. et filme Ibrahim by Lotti et famille, M. et Mine Perako Marvonikali et famille, M. et Mine Perako Marvonikali et famille, M. et Mine Perako Royco Mine Ve S. Geoche et famille, M. et Mine Copholo chrissocoidis, M. Cunha-Pereira, C.T. Wade, Leonidas Halchitopoulo, E. C. Butter, Gorge Marvos, Mine et Melle, Francia Allen, Mine Haselden, L.L.E.E. Fermene by Addon, Mine Paramon Maria Mellen, M. et Mine Paramon Mellen, M. e