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alliance," the *Rule Britannia*! the "Wells on Rhine," and the "Maccabees." The drama also exerts a powerful influence on a people—a point on which we need not insist; and it is, therefore, not too much to say that the whole subject of a nation's amusements is one which no Legislature can afford to ignore. It is a remarkable fact that in spite of all that has been written and said on the matter, and notwithstanding the vast amount of evidence adduced before a Parliamentary Committee on the licensing system, as regards theatres, music and dancing, and music-halls, our laws on this subject are still in a most unsatisfactory state. The Lord Chamberlain has jurisdiction over some of the theatres in the Metropolis, but not over all, while provincial are under the control of the local magistracy. Subordinate to the Lord Chamberlain is an Examiner of Stage Plays, who has power to refuse to license any play which he now and then puts his nose or plays which would do no harm to the public, and, on the other hand, passes others which are decidedly objectionable. Now, the whole licensing system, in our opinion, needs reform, and we will at once say that we would abolish the Lord Chamberlain's jurisdiction, extend that of the Examiner of Stage Plays, and place the whole licensing regime under the control of magistrates in the several districts. We would also remove all the restrictions, but with these important restrictions: there should be rigid provision against immorality and the absolute prohibition of performances which are dangerous to boys and girls under a certain age, leaving adult performers to risk life and limb if they think proper. The regulation of our amusements is a highly important; but it highly becomes a matter of public amusement should, as a matter of trade, have as much freedom as a merchant or a shopkeeper, there should be rigid safeguards against immorality. The theatre, the music-hall, the dancing-hall, the music-hall, and places of entertainment should embrace the sale of intoxicating liquors, the performance of stage plays and those at music-halls, the construction of our buildings for public entertainment, especially with regard to exits and entrances, and the morality of plays and songs wherever produced in public. To have an Examiner of Plays in the latter respect and to have no examination at all in the former, is a gross and frequently offend against morality than any play is a great anomaly. The magisterial jurisdiction in this respect is far too sweeping, while there is an entire absence of that *via media*, which is so often the safest course. The question arises once a year whether such and such a place shall be licensed, and the decision naturally is that the license shall be withdrawn or granted for another year, and meanwhile the public are left to their own devices. The magisterial jurisdiction, who have power to prohibit absolutely, immoral productions on pain of the immediate closing of a theatre or a music-hall. There is no fear that this power would be abused; but there should be an appeal to the Queen's Bench. The whole subject well deserves legislative consideration, and we believe that if some such provisions as we have suggested were carried into effect, the public would greatly benefit, and that the proprietors of our theatres and music-halls would suffer.

OUR LONDON CORRESPONDENT.

The Crown Prince and Princess of Germany were welcomed by a large crowd at the Charing-Cross Railway Station. Years of absence from amongst us have not diminished the popularity of the Princess Royal, and she is still the spirit of the age, the ideal of the woman of the day, the ideal of the woman. The wedding of the Duke of Connaught bids fair to be scarcely less splendid than that of his eldest brother. Windsor is swarming with guests, and the Court is in the greatest of spirits. Her Majesty will appear in the wedding cortege. Strange rumours reach us from St. Petersburg of quarrels between the Czar and the Czarowitch. The Greek Ambassador has been ordered to leave the city, and the foreign legations elsewhere but in the case of Russia at present there are special reasons to influence a family quarrel, and to give it a political complexion. The Czarowitch is noted for his devotion to the Pan-Slavic League party, and just now this party is discredited and out of favour with the Czar, who strongly leans to the side of peace and a good understanding with this country. One point only is certain, and that is, that the Czarowitch is in Russia, which is this: that the country is on the brink of a Revolution.

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