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morning. He expressed a hope that a scheme might be devised to give increased facilities for bathing in all the London parks.

The steamship Sultan, which has just arrived in the Thames from Calcutta, has a perfect cargo of wild animals, including a rhinoceros, several tigers, leopards, and others of the larger carnivora. During the voyage home one of the leopards escaped from its cage, and for some time it had the deck to itself, the passengers running below and the crew taking to the rigging. After roaming about for some time the animal visited the engine-room, but was driven from thence by the fire-hose being turned upon it. It being thought impossible to effect its recapture without considerable risk, and to leave it in possession of the deck being inconvenient, it was determined to shoot it; but there was some delay in carrying this resolve into execution, because no bullet could be found. One had to be improvised for the purpose, and at length the leopard was destroyed to the great relief of all on board.

THE SOUTH WALES COAL TRADE.—The masters