KING LEOPOLD.

Charles and his daughter Princess Josephine Charlotte, paid a visit to Ghent. The occasion was the Floralies --- the huge flower festival which is held here every fifth year. Ministers and distinguished persons in the world of Botany greeted the royal visitors.

Lake Michigan --- Steamships are ice-bound at the end of wimter and it's the job of the coastguard cutters to smash open the lanes of water. The mighty power of steam and steel drives on the to make way for the merchant fleet. They have to do this every spring. Winter has gone --- but it forgot to say good-bye to Lake Michigan.

LAUNDRY EXPLOSION?

Glasgow --- two men were killed and many workers were injured in an explosion at a laundry at Jordanhill. Power house and generating house were completely demolished; only parts of three walls were left standing; the roof was lifted off and machinery scattered over a wide area. The explosion was thought to have originated in the boilerhouse, but the cause is at present unknown.