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Great Britain Advised to Offer Her Good Offices to Spain and the States.

Colonies to Take Part in the Big Celebration Next Year-Other Events.

London, Dec. 26.-The attitude of the United States towards Cuba continues to be the engrossing subject of discussion in political circles here and on the continent. The crisis has revived recollections in Paris of the ill-fated Mexican expedition, and interviews in this connection with the imperialists, Gens. Basil and Callifet, M. Emile Olliver and others have appeared in the French Press. Ex-Queen Isabella of Spain, is quoted as having expressed the belief that the ideal of Napoleon III. was the union of the Latin element as a counter poise to the immense spread of Anglo-Saxon influence. Her Majesty is reported to have said:

"The failure of the Mexican expedition ersonally disquieted me in the direction of Cuba. You may add that tentative agotiations for the purchase of Cuba began before my abdication, and revived at the moment when Spain was crippled and harassed by international struggles."

The leading London weeklies devote much space to the Cuban situation. The Statist thinks there is very little prosnect that Spain will soon be able to assert her authority in Cuba, and urges Great Britain, with or without the consent of some great European powers, to offer her good offices to the United States and Spain. The Statist attaches little importance to the general continental objection that the United States' right of interference would be dangerous to every European government's possessions in America, and says:

'Unless one or more of the great powers are prepared to forcibly oppose American intervention, a mere verbal objection will not carry weight. In case of war Spain will be absolutely ruined in the end. The best friend of Spain is he who tries to induce her to come to some arrangement in time."

Comment has been provoked by the feeling shown at the London County Council's recent meeting, when the chairman of the public works committee suggested that tenders for new fire engines be invited from America. The proposal was received with a howl of disapproval, showing that "made in America" is apparently regarded by the members of the council with equal aver-

sion to "made in Germany." It is understood that Joseph Chamberlain, the secretary of state for the colonies, has arrived at an important agreement regarding the part which the colonies are to play in the celebration next year of the Queen's reign, having exceeded in length that of any other English sovereign, and he will make a statement in the house of commons ear-

in the coming session. It is stated in Canadian circles that the proposal of the Toronto navy league. that the royal navy be recruited from olonial as well as been coolly received by the imperial au-Naval experts are credited with seeing many difficulties in carrying out the scheme, and according to the Manchester Guardian, they are doubtful of the alleged abundance of good material in the colonies, even in the case of the seafaring population Newfoundland. It is not thought that the colony would yield the class of men needed for the navy, while in other colonies it is said the men likely to volunteer would be of very indifferent

stuff. It is announced as a result of a con ference between the Belgian minister of marine and the company, which has undertaken to build the canal which is to make Brussels a seaport, that work on the proposed new water route to the Belgian capital will be commenced early

The dispute between the Italian gov rnment and Prince Sciarra, respecting the latter's right of sending out Italian masterpieces of his art gallery, has been finally settled. A sensation was caused some time ago by the prince secretly disposing of several important paintings. According to the new agreement the prince presents the nation with about a dozen chefs d'oeuvre, and in return the embargo placed upon the sales of the others will be removed.

Christmas day here was sunshiny and was quietly spent. Many of the old customs were followed out in the true spirit of the English Christmas. At Queen's College, Oxford, the ancient ceremony of bringing in the boar's head was solemnly gone through in the presence of the university deans. At Rochester poor travellers enjoyed the Watts charity, in the shape of a good, oldfashioned dinner and a present of fourpence. In Liverpool 20,000 hotpots were given to the poor, and the impoverished people of this city were well cared for through thousands of free burg taken out, after which the thief breakfasts, dinners, etc., in many parts | had dropped the letters in the bay. Inof the metropolis. In the London work- vestigation made at the postoffice conhouse 104,553 paupers enjoyed the Christmas celebration, particularly the dently one of the largest and cleverest beer and tobacco features, and 4662 hospital patients were made as comfortable

as possible under the circumstances. It develops that Hubert Crackenthorpe, the author who mysteriously disappeared in Paris during the month ther. October, and whose body has been found in the river Seine, committed suicide in a fit of frenzy on receiving a a western express that reached here letter from his wife announcing her Tuesday; that the letters were carried intention of commencing divorce pro- away, and that the thieves boarded an ceedings. It is believed that he jumped into the Seine from the Pont Concorde after wandering all night in the Champs ports. Elysee. The London newspapers say he was lately much in company with the wife of a leading London actor. The titles of some of his works, "A Dead Coney Island, having been dropped

morbid turn of mind. Another action for breach of promise will occupy the attention of the law

ment. The damages were fixed at ten thousand pounds. Miss Duncan is an exceedingly pretty young woman, who has had but a limited experience upon the stage. She is 18 years of age and The Sultan Must Enforce Reforms or the Powers Will Take daughter of Adam Seymour Dixon Dun-Charge of Turkey. can, who under the name of "Mr. Kil-

Euclid. His disastrous experience on the turf led him to desert his family, Abdul Hamid Holding Out as Long and his daughter took to the stage as a at Possible Against the Ammeans of support. Miss Duncan is related on her mother's side to the Earl of bassadors.

> La Asia Minor and Coustantinople.

C. Burnard's adaptation of "Bebe," is to be revived for a few weeks in order that Charles Wyndham may have a vacation. On his return "Rosemary" will again be played until Parker & Carson's new comedy "Change Alley," is ready.
Robert Buchanan's new nautical piece be tried in the provinces by Herbert Heath, preparatory to its production at the Metropolis. The scene is the death The great musical farce entitled "Stolen" will be presented at the Avenue theatre next week. The first act takes pace in a west end drawing room, the second in the shop of a theatrical costumer, and the third act in a room The "Sorrows of Satan" is a production at the Shaftsbury Theatre for Sat-Birdie Netherland, who was recently awarded five thousand pounds in her breach of promise suit against the Hon. Dudley Majoribanks, son of Lord and pounds of the amount in good se

promptly laid out with leading Bond street jewelers. An interesting sale of autographs oca long series of letters from Nelson to Lady Hamilton; an unpublished letter of Lord Chancellor Bathurst to Lord from Boston, October 10, 1775; letters of Ferdinand and Isabella, Lord Howe, Longfellow, John Quincy Adams, Thos. Jefferson, Andrew, Jackson, Chester A. Arthur, Lawrence Barrett, James Madison, James Buchanan, Mark Twain, R. E. Lee, Millard Fillmore, Jefferson Davis, General Longstreet, General Forrest, John Hancock, Carlyle, Dickens, Tennyson, Mendelssohn, Sir Francis Drake, Voltaire, Walpole, Darwin, Napoleon, Washington Irving, Jenny Lind. Joseph Bonaparte, David Garrick and scores of others.

Arthur Bingham Crabbe, late of the Third and Eighth Hussars, and now of

the Fourth Battalion Royal Irish regi-

' formerly owned the race horse

Arrangements have been completed whereby the "Wishing Cup," the

comedy by Wilson Barrett and Elwyn

Baron, is to be taken into the provinces

by Cosmo Stewart, the young actor.

Should the production be successful, the

is "Ye Mariners of England."

above the shop for rehearsals.

urday evening, January 9.

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comedy will probably follow the run of

CRUSOE'S ISLAND. Mariners Declare That the Fabled Is-

land Has Been Destroyed. San Francisco, Dec. 26-A few weeks ago a vessel putting in at Lisbon, after a trip around Cape Horn, reported the destruction by volcanic action of Juan Fernandez Island, famous as the fabled home of Robinson Crusoe. The master claimed to have seen the catastrophe from the deck of his vessel. The report was not given credence at the time by scientific men, and many denials were printed in the papers and magazines. But Capt. Powles, of the British ship James Kerr, now in port, asserts that the story is generally believed by seafaring men all over the world. The James Kerr recently arrived from Newcastle, New South Wales, where she was laid up four months on account of the coal mine strike. Capt. Powles. met a very 'large number of master mariners there, and says that the destruction of the island was a matter of common gossip among them. The captain himself has not passed within sight of the island since September, 1889, when he secured an excellent protograph of it from the deck of his ship. He says that some of the captains who arrived in Newcastle while he was there verified the report that the island was missing.

THE MAILS ROBBED

And the Thieves Got Away-Letters Dropped From a Steamer.

New York, Dec. 28.—The World publishes the following: Several business firms have wondered why important letters, collecting large sums of money, had been delayed in the mails. They have received their letters but not the enclosures, stained with the waters of the bay in which they had been tossed for two or three days before being picked up. The letters had been opened, the money inside transmitted by the firms' correspondents in Chicago, Cincinnati, San Francisco, Philadelphia and Pittsfirmed the story. The robbery is eviever known in the history of the department, and the total loss reaches thousands of dollars. The postoffice officials admit this much, but decline for official reasons to say anything fur-

It was learned that the mail bags were stolen in a depot in this city from outgoing steamer and are now on their way to Europe or to one of the southern

"All that I am at liberty to tell" said Postmaster Dayton, "is that these letters were found in the bay just off Woman," "The Struggle for Life," etc., by an outgoing steamer. That is all we would seem to indicate that he was of can tell at present. There has been a robbery and the post office inspectors have the case in hand."

courts at the next session. The plaintiff in the case is Miss Mabel Duncan, an actress now appearing at Daly's theatre in the "Geisha," who sues Captain give positive relief.

Not one in twenty are free from aliment caused by some little inaction of the liver. The result will be a pleasant surprise. They bunks for more than a week. On Octional courts at the next session. The plaintiff in the case is Miss Mabel Duncan, caused by some little inaction of the liver. The injured sailors were in their bunks for more than a week. On Octional caused by some little inaction of the liver.

Bredalbane and the Earl of Lauderdale.

Armenian Prisoners Being Released

the "White Elephant" at the Comedy. "Rosemary" will have its last presen-Constantinople, Dec. 28 .-- The Russitation for the present at the Criterion theatre to-night. Monday "Baby," F. an ambassador, M. De Nelidoff, on Saturday acting in concert with the representatives of Great Britain, France, dence of the confidence reposed in him. Italy, Germany and Austria, had an- Mr. Grannis is 70 years old. He was Russian diplomat began by warning the Sultan and the Turkish government if the revenues ceded for payment of the Turkish debt were touched, European control of the finances of the empire would become inevitable. M. de Nelidoff further informed Abdul Hamid that Holt, colored, alias Alexander, who murdered Police Officer A. White, was the Czar had guaranted his personal safety and engaged himself to maintain the part of the powers. The Sultan, however, remained obdurate as far as control by the powers, financial or other- keys taken from him. wise. To this the Russian ambassador | Pleading for life, Holt was taken out replied that the condition of the Turk-Tweedmouth, has invested three thous- ish empire placed the throne and cali- was placed around his neck and he was phate in imminent peril. Thereupon swung high in the air, and in ten mincurities from which she derives a com- Abdul Hamid remarked, impressively: utes he was strangled to death. Then fortable income. The remainder was "I may be the last caliph, but I will the mob mounted horses in neighboring never become the second khedive." In addition to these warnings M de Nelicurred at the Sotheby rooms on Tues- doff sent a note to the Turkish govern- morning after election. White was day and Wednesday. Among these were ment and palace and the utmost signifi- killed with his own pistol, taken from cance is attached to it in diplomatic circles. He pointed out the precise week, and the commonwealth rested North, wherein he says: "Write a con- terms and the necessity for the Sultan Thursday, after producing conclusive. ciliatory letter to Sir W. Howe to save | following the advice of the powers, who | evidence of the negro's guilt. us from the destruction hanging over are acting in complete agreement on us:" General Burgoyne to Lord North, their plans for improving the situation, Sultan's refusal to do so would involve their deliberations or any action taken or contemplated, not even informing cision reached. These latest steps on to death near Mayfield. the part of the powers are once again reported to have produced a profound impression in the Yildiz Kiosk. In pursuance of the amnesty decree, Armenian prisoners in Asia Minor and this city and vicinity are being released in bunches of five. bunches of five.

ATLANTIC & PACIFIC.

The Company is Given Thirty Days is

Which to Settle up. San Francisco, Dec. 28.-The final decree of foreclosure and sale of the Atlantic and Pacific railroad was filed in the United States circuit court on Saturday. This is the last of a series of similar decrees which have been made in Canada was talked over at length. The suits betwen the same parties and for Canadian officials expressed a desire the same action in every district in which the insolvent Atlantic & Pacific has property. It is ordered that unless | der conditions that should not do in-\$2,582,843.16 is paid by the railroad to jury to the trade of either. Governor its debtors within thirty days the en- Dingley expressed a desire for recitime property shall be sold at auction at procity as far as could be granted Gallup, Bernalillo county, New Mexico. without injury to the interests of Am-The foreclosure proceedings were instituted by the United States Trust Company, of New York, to cover the interest on an issue of bonds. The bonds were in two sets aggregating \$16,000,000, with interest at 6 per cent, payable annually. The issue was held in trust by the Mercantile Trust Company, and was known as the mortgage on the western division of the railroad. A second issue, with terms similar to the final, was taken by the Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Com- iff law. pany.

The suit came up in the United States circuit court in this city on October 5 1896, before Judge Ross, who appointed Owen N. Marron to take testimony in the case at Los Angeles. Marron has filed his report, and consequent thereupon Judge Ross has the decree just mentioned. The bonds, aggregating \$12,000,000, delivered to the Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Company, have been decided to be subordinate to the first issue. It has been decided by sale have been received the complainants distribute to the holders of the first mortgage bonds \$83,823.50, the first balance due. It is further ordered that unless the debt of the railroad be paid within thirty days, the sale shall take place as above mentioned, the proceeds to be used in the liquidation of the debts of the corporation.

ROUGH PASSAGES.

Arrival of the British Ships Simla and May Flint at 'Frisco.

San Francisco, Dec. 26.-The British ships Simla and May Flint dropped an 000, and assets \$40,000. chor in the harbor on Thursday after a terribel voyage up the west coast of South America, in which the Simla was roughly hardled and nearly wrecked and the Flint lost a man in a heavy sea, stern.

The Simla comes from Liverpool which port she left 134 days go, and the Apparently the vessels got into the same heavy gale, which is reported by both masters to have been the most severe experienced by them in many years. On Sept. 22, when in lattitude 34 degrees south, longitude 47 degrees west,

the Simla encountered a very heavy gale which lasted three days. On the 25th a good record.

tober 2, in latitude 45 degrees south, longitude 52 degrees west, a series of violent gales were encountered, lasting several days. Heavy seas broke over the deck continually, washing away the forecastle doors. The boats were also washed off the forward skids. The ship labored heavily in seas that constantly flooded her decks to the rail, some of them passing clear over her.

ATLAS BANK.

Other Concerns Show Their Confidence by Offering Assistance.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—William D. C. Grannis, president of the Atlas National Bank, which institution, as announed in these dispatches, is to go into vol-untary liquidation, has been identified with the banking interests of Chicago largely for a quarter of a century. His reputation for business sagacity and integrity has been everywhere acknowledged. In the present condition of affairs Mr. Grannis enjoys the confide and esteem of every banker in Chicago and their offer of liquidation is an eviother audience with the Sultan. The born at Hatley, province of Quebec, and came to Chicago in 1852.

MOB LAW

No Less Then Seven Men Lynched i Kentucky Within a Week

Owensboro, Ky., Dec. 28.-Alfred taken from jail by a mob Saturday morning and hanged to a tree. The men the Sultan's supremacy, in the event knocked at the jail doors, and informed of severe measures being necessary on Deputy Jailer John Ashby, jr., that they had a prisoner they wished to lock up. Thus thrown off his guard, Ashby opened the door, only to face two big reconsenting to concede to any measure of volvers. He was overpowered and the

of jail to the courthouse yard. He was given ample time to pray. Then a rope

Holt's crime was committed the his pocket by Gco. Basket, a negro, and

Including Holt, seven men have met death at the hands of mobs in Kenand warning them once more that the tucky in about a week. Last Saturday Henry Findley was called to his disagreeable consequences. The am- door near Mayfield, and shot to death bassadors of the powers will meet in fu- by masked men. Two days before the ture twice a week until they complete three Proctors were victims of a mobtheir recommendations The envoys are in Logan county, two being hanged and acting together and will henceforth the other shot in his cell. Sunday night maintain the strictest secrecy regarding Jim Stone was lynched at Mayfield, afmade by citizens. Tuesday night Will envoys of other powers as to the de- Suett, a negro boy, was brutally shot

TALKED RECIPROCITY

Hon. Mr. Fisher had a Conference with Chairman Dingley.

Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 28.-The Comcan McEachern left Washington they had a conference with Chairman Dingley of the ways and means committee. The conference was not formal in any way, nor was it held by the direct sanction of the Canadian government, but the subject of a new reciprocity agreement between the United States and for the restoration of intimate trade relations between the two countries unerican farmers and manufacturers, but said there were a good many things to be consedered before a satisfactory treaty could be made. There was some further discussion on articles which might be made reciprocally free upon entry to either country but no definite programme was agreed upon. The Canadian government now has a commission taking testimony regarding the effect of the existing Canadian tar-

CHINESE IN TORONTO

Laundrymen Organize to Shut Out Chinese Competition.

Toronto, Dec. 28.-At a meeting of the proprietors of the principal laundries of the city it was resolved to request the civic authorities to enact a by-law imposing an annual tax of \$70 on all public laundries, and also compelling them to conform to certain conditions. the court that after the proceeds of the The object aimed at is the checking of the inroads at present being made into the laundry business by the Chinese. Winnipeg, Dec. 28.—The Conservative leaders in Winnipeg and at other provincial points are actively preparing for the western Conservative convention to be held in this city about January 20. It is understood the convention is called at the request of Sir Charles Tupper, and there is a possibility that the party chieftian will journey to Winnipeg to be present.

Walkerton, Dec. 28.-F. C. Messner, a private banker here, whose solvency has never been suspected, has assigned. The liabilities are believed to be \$50,-

London, Dec. 28.-A special dispatch from Rome says a landsilde entirely destroyed the village of Santa Ana de Plagoa, demolishing 118 houses and renwhich swept the deck from stem to dering 150 families homeless. No loss of life is reported.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Alderman Thomas Flint was 155 days out from New York. J. O'Malley, of the Twenty-second ward, was to-day indicted by the grand jury for the murder of Julius Colander O'Malley's indictment has created a prove a valuable object lesson. sensation. He was elected to the council last spring with the indorsement of

James McGee, Lardeau, is at the Or-

MANDATE THE REAL ASSASSINS

Excommunication of those Read L'Eleateur Looked for by the Politicians.

Litely to head to Serious Trouble Summoned as a Witness, She Dein the Eastern Provinces -Ottawa's Election.

Papers in Connection With the Election of Boyd in Macdonald, sent West.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.-(Special)-The ex mmunication of those who read L'Electeur in the province of Quebec was looked for here by leading French Lib- court yesterday, dressed in the deepest erals, who have been watching the trend mourning, a long black veil concealing of affairs between the bishops and the politicians. It is expected that this are politicians. It is expected that this ac- blage. The widow rose and shaking tion will assist in the provincial elec- with passionate emotion she said: "You tions—the course which Bishops La- have insisted upon my presence. I am breeque, Lafleche, Blais, Gravel and Be- here. I have nothing to say because I gin have taken. The country is face to orable court those who are known to face with a crisis and the people will be the real assassins of my late husbe asked whether there is to be civil band. You know them, Mr. President, and religious liberty in the country. This is the plain view French and Englishing and all the world does. Where are they? speaking politicians take of the matter I don't see them here." Then with a here. They do not think the people gesture full of fire and indignation the will decide with such inexperienced men unfortunate lady exclaimed, pointing to as Bishops Labrecque and Blais, nor "Acquit these miserable people. Sumwith old and infirm men like Bishops mon before you the really guilty men, Lafleche and Gravel, whose names are who are at present the government. I familiar all over Canada in connection have nothing to add; I will now withwith the Manitoba school case, and Bishop Begin. It is well known here widow of the great statesman, known that the articles for which L'Electeur as the Bismarck of Bulgaria, who was has been condemned, were written by literally backed and shot in the streets streets and alleys and left town as priests. It is also well known that died on July 13, 1890, and who David's book had been approved by been amputated, caused the deepest imtheologians at Rome. The Liberals now pression upon the audience, which was have clear ground to work upon. They

> French-Canadians who are anxious for liberty will be obliged to look to the future and take their children from those institutions which are under the control of the bishops. James G. Foley, deputy clerk of the

will require to fight for civil and religi-

crown in chancery, left to-day for Win- from a tribunal from which she knew nipeg with all the ballots, papers, etc., too well, but little or nothing was to be in connection with Boyd's election. It expected. The tragic address of Mme. ter a guarantee of safety had been is important that someone should go Stambouloff was a matter of general from here to testify to the condition in pers to-day. But the key note of their which the papers were received from the remarks, taken from the leading organ returning officer. (By-Associated Press)

is being expressed among the better class who the government newspapers add, of French-Canadians without regard to "labored under mental derangement, or party about the ex-communication of was so convinced of his own misdeeds Buffalo, N.Y., Dec. 28.—The Commercial's Washington correspondent writes that before the Canadian minister of agriculture, Hon, Sidney Fisher, lawyers to Rome to make an appeal to lawyers to Rome to make an appeal to Three Baltimore Boys, who Were Bit eation for the present virtually kills the paper among the Catholic masses the Liberals have immediately started another French Liberal paper. The New paper will be called La Revanche.

The trouble caused by the excommunication of L'Electeur of Quebec by the Quebec bishops is spreading. La Patrie of this city comes out with a two-column defiance of the Catholic church in which it calls upon Liberal Catholies to revolt. It calls the excommunication the beginning of a war to the death and offers itself and its financial and intellectual resources to aid in the war. The article was written by the proprietor of the paper, ex-Mayor Beaugrand, member of the le-

gion of honor, while ill in bed this morning. Quebec, Dec. 28.-Le Soleil., the new French-Canadian Liberal paper which has taken the place of L'Electeur, came out this morning. It was sent to all the subscribers of L'Electeur under another name. This shows the plan of campaign which the Catholic Liberals intend to inaugurate against the hierarchy. Should the bishops excommunicate Le Soleil they will drop that and immediately start another paper. The general opinion is that the action of the bishops has done the church more harm among the French-Canadian people than any previous act of their.

MONETARY CONFERENCE.

Friends of the Movement in the States Receive Encouragement.

Washington, Dec. 28.-The expectation of the friends of the movement for an international monetary conference is that the question will be taken up in the senate soon after the holidays, though it may be considered first in Republican caucus. The committee has been clearly encouraged owing to reports receive as to the probability of the success of securing a conference and its success when once secured. Senator Hoar, a member of the committee, has given the other members much valuable information collected by himself while in Europe last summer. He told them that France was aggressively in favor of an international understanding and that the sentiment in Germany is very favcrable, but that the Emperor was the He stumbling block in that country. also expressed the opinion that England would be found much more tractable on the question than it was popularly considered probable. He has suggested that a little pressure, of a business character, might be brought to bear with good effect upon England, going so far as to say that the payment of some debts owend by this country to England in silver might bring the English people to speedily realize the importance on election night in November, 1894, of an agreement on the subject and

New York, Dec. 28.-The Press says the Municipal State League and has a that a letter received in New York from a relative of William Waldorf Astor de-Queen Victoria.

Mme. Stambouloff Denounces Government Who Planned Death of er Husband.

mands That the Real Assassins be Tried.

Sofic, Bulgaria, December 28.-Last night Mme, Stambouloff, widow of the murdered ex-premier of Bulgaria, whose alleged assassins are on trial here before the mixed tribunal which is hearing the case. Mme Stambouloff, when the trial commenced, declined to attend, but in response to repeated requests she attended the sitting of the

draw." These utterances of the grief-stricken composed of people belonging to the

higher rank of society. The presiding judge, prosecutor-genous liberties, relying upon all free men eral, public prosecutor, or counsel for to support them in this course. The the defence, were so dumbfounded and unnerved by the terrible earnestness of the black-clad female figure, who so forcibly denounced the methods employed in seemingly punishing the murderers of her husband, that they were unable to put a single question to her. She left the court room, a living picof Prince Ferdinand, is that the wife and friends of Stambouloff ought to Montreal, Dec. 28.—Great indignation have taken measures for his protection,

Three Baltimore Boys, who Were Bitter

by a Mad Dog, Die. Baltimore, Dec. 28.-Robert Perry, one of the eight boys bitten by a mad dog on Dec. 1 and subsequently treated at the Pasteur Institute, New York, died of hydrophobia. This makes the third victim, Robert Henry and Con Eppers

having died from the same cause within the past week. New York, Dec. 28.-Regarding the death of Robert Henry and Con Eppers. two of the patients, from rabies, Dr. La Bladie, of the Institute, said that the death of the boys did not prove that the Pasteur system was a failure. He said: "We do not absolutely guarantee that our treatment will prevent hydrophobia. any more than vaccination is an unquestionable preventive against smallpox. About one patient, out of 200 we have treated has died, while 50 per cent. of

those not tracted have died.' Halifax, Dec. 28.—The fire in the east slope of the Springhill colliery is practically under control. It is expected that mining operations will be resumed in a few days. The closing of the east slope will not affect the output of the mines as every ton of coal needed can be raised by other slopes. It was intended to close the east slope at the

end of the year. Montreal, Dec. 28.—Over 500 tickets have been disposed of for the Laurier banquet at the Windsor hotel. It is said that the premier's address will dwell chiefly on the tariff and Manitoba chool settlement, and it is likewise held that Hon. Mr. Greenway will say something of importance. It is stated that the Manitoba premier will tell his hearers that he will faithfully carry out the arrangement entered into between the Dominion and local governments. and that he is ready to take a Roman Catholic into his cabinet to show his good will toward the minority in that

Brantford, Dec. 28 .- R. Henry, the unseated Conservative member for South Brant, who defeated Paterson at the general election, was again nominated by the Conservatives on Saturday to contest the constituency at the approaching bye election

Orillia, Dec. 28.-On Saturday, while chasing a fox, Jake Gaudaur slipped and fell, his gun going off. The shot went over his head killing his dog. The champion is being congratulated by his friends on his narrow escape.

Toronto, Dec. 28.-Nominations for mayor this morning resulted as follows: E. A. Macdonald, proposed by Ald. Gowanlock, seconded by John McCallum: Mayor Fleming, proposed by Mr. E. J. Barock, seconded by Mr. J. W. St. Legen: Ald. George McMurrich, proposed by R. W. Elliott, seconded by G. W. Dewar. E. A. Macdonald may withdraw, but in any case his candidature is not regarded seriously.

An Athens dispatch says: Floods have occurred in Livadoa district. They were accompanied by some loss of life. There was a landslide at Ratsmere clares the the millionaire has renounced | Sunday night. A laborer's house was his citizenship and sworn allegiance to overwhelmed and the man, his wife and several children were buried.