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Reed's castle is and that was the only house nearer the lake than the foot of Jeffries Hill." "Were there any good skators then? Why, look here, young man, I've seen all these young fellows nowadays that set up for flyers, and they couldn't stay two minutes with some of the boys of the days when I was a young-ster. There was Bob. Bustin and Roly Bunton and Steve Gerow and a half dozen others that for speed and fancy skating you couldn't find their equals in the diy nowadays. "We used to have some great vames of hurley out there too. Sometains like your hockey, oals we didn't both-er much about rules. Had a round wooden ball and any kind of a stick, and all the fellows we could get on both sides. Then there were some grandpas now was the old mill pond. Neces saw that, did you? It covered about the whole space taken up now by the I. C. R. station and yards. It tan along by Pond street about to the foot of Jeffries Hill. The ice wan't so good as the lakes, for the tide ran in and out so that the only safe skat-ing was at the upper end. But it was very popular with the youngsters and they had some great times there. "The boys nowadays don't seen to have as much fun as they used to." have as much fun as they used to." have sighed. A CURIOSITY,

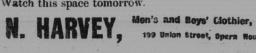
time ago." The Alabama statesman is in his eighty-becond year and a can-didate for re-election. Senator Heitfield, of Idaho, says that when ho was campaigning tast fall in that state be did a good deal of trav-elling in a buggy. One day a wheel that state be did a good deal of trav-elling in a buggy. One day a wheel that state be did a good deal of trav-elling in a buggy. One day a wheel that state be did a good deal of trav-elling in a buggy. One day a wheel to an earby farmhouse owned by a huge Swede. "Can you tell me where the Senator. The farmer looked at him stravely for a moment and repiled: "This bin a sheep ranch. 'Bout two mile over thar you find Ole Hansen's

St. John, N. S., January 2, 1903.

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A CURIOSITY, Mrs. C. F. Regan of 37 Brittain street is the possessor of a sample of dist from La Soutriere volcano. The dust fell on the island of Barbadoes at the time of the last eruptions, having tra-velled over a hundred miles through the air. It is very fine and of a \$FYY-lish color. Mrs. Regan received the dust from her aunt, Mrs. Hinkson, who lives in Barbadoes. His Honor Judge Forbes has also re-cived from his daughter who now re-sides in Trinidad a bottle of the same kind of dust. MONTREAL'S ENORMOUS TRADE: MONTREAL'S ENORMOUS TRADE: MONTREAL Jan 2.-All records of in 1902, the total clearings for the year crossing the billion dollar mark. The figures for 1002 are \$1,093,570,000; for 1901, \$\$859,479,000; increase \$209,591,000.

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ALEXANDRIA La, Jan 2.— About b to town of Olola, forty miles north o lace, was destroyed by fire yesterday, no the excitement that followed Jown and Everett Smith was killed by unb crocus. About six o'clock, when the private. About six octors, when the Co-clear on over the fire was subsidiary, Marshall Smith went to a saloon to order is closed as the license had expired at minimum. Marshall, Mort-ly after he entered shots were heard and when outsiders rushed in they found Smith lying dead on the floor. The had been shot six times in the heart. Siven business houses were destroyed.

ber a mail, young men who would have been able to get married in the course of time will have to remain single because unable to competition with men as a temporary expedient, expecting some day to get married will have to remain single, because the men who might have married them cannot do so. Office work, is no deabt, easier for a young woman than marri 1 life would be, but it is certainly not so well eak uited to develop the nobler qualities of her nature, and we have sufficient faith in womathood to believe that most of them would prefer to undergo the hordships of married life even on a small income than to remain free and single. An inter, youth soon passes, and uith in to earn money which have omit recently been open colly to men. About the time that the bouse meter should begin to find life easier because her some and daughters are old bene working in an office is likely to find bere without compation for recognized position. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1-San Francisc rad lionotitic exchanged their first word b cable at U 20 p. m. The signals were good This is the first section of the cable to con nect the United States with its insular po-sections.

DIBBLEE. At the close of the service at Hiss-will on New Year's night the Hev. H. E. Dibblee, rector, was presented hy the parishomers of Burton, Blissville-ville and Gladstone, with a purse con-taining \$75 accompanied by an address of appreciation on the part of his par-ishoners and friends. R. D. Wilmot, M. P., made the presentation. Mr. Dibblee replied, heartily expressing his gratitude for the generous gift. The movement which terminated so pleas-antity owes its origin to the zealous efforts of Herbert H. Smith. The Rev. R. W. Colston, of Welsford, was pre-sent and preached an able and impres-sive New Year's sermon. The con-gregation was exceptionally large.

TOWN MARSHAL SHOT ALEXANDRIA La., Jun. 2.- About b

> ----UNCLE SAM'S CABLE.

LITTLE GIRLST REPART. We have much pleasure in acknowl-edginb receipt of following donations to L. G. Home during last month: Miss Isabella Kinneur, 200; one who loves little girls, 810; Mrs. M. Nellson. Mrs. Arthur Freeze, Carkédar W. C. T. Union, 35 each; Queen Square H. S. Aid Sockay, 23.74; Miss C. J. MacLarrin's S. S. class, 13.50; little girlst friend, 83; Mrs. Chas. Peters, 357; St. Mary's church 4. S., per Rev. Lr. Raymond. 84; Mrs. Ernset F-isrweather, 52; Mrs. David Hall, 81; Mr, Chipman, 81; St. Stephen's convention, 81; one pair blankets, from Dalsy Rand, North End, money carned by making holders: one quilt, work of the J. C. Y. Union Workers' Band, North End, and other articles too numerous to mention in naper, but highly appreciated by in-mates of home, such as oranges, mit. candy, etc., etc.

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