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A TRIUMPH FOR ADMIRAL TOGO

A Tremendous Ovation for Japan's Naval Heroes.

UPON ARRIVAL AT THE CAPITAL Montreal Man Plunges From Elevator

Immense Crowds Hall the Victorious Admirals-Welcomed by Members of Diet and Royalty.

Tokio, Dec. 30, 11 a.m. - Admiral Togo and Vice-Admiral Kamimura, with their staffs, arrived at the Shimbassi station at 9:20 o'clock today. Their journey from Kure to Tokio was a continuous ovation. At an early hour today the streets were filled, and the city gaily decorated with flags, lanterns and New Year's decorations. Representatives of the Emperor and Empress, Prince Fushimi, jun., elder statesmen, ministers, prominent Japanese, and thousands of school children, greeted the arrival of the naval heroes at the station. The presidents of both houses of the Diet presented paid them with the resolutions of commendation passed by their respective branches of Parliament.

go, in a blue service uniform, seemed barrassed at the noisy ovation. Rear-Admiral Shimamura, chief of staff, laughingly elbowed Vice-Admiral chief of to clear the way, but the crowd closed in on Admiral Togo, and they were frequently forced to work they were frequently forced to push the crowd backward, in an endeavor to clear the reaching hands.

Finally, Admiral Togo and Vice-Admiral Kamimura were freed from their enthusiastic admirers and sur, Street and Is Locked Up. rounded by officers, they reached the carriage sent by the Emperor to the station to convey the distinguished party to the palace. As Admiral Togo appeared, a great shout arose, hats were thrown in the air, arms were raised, and "Banzai" followed "Ban-Preceded by gendarmes, the party drove under triumphal arches, waving flags and discharging fireworks, through the cheeering crowds to the ulations of the ministers were received, and future victories were toasted. Admura then proceeded to the palace to They will report to the Emperor. probably remain in Tokio about one week for the purpose of consulting general staff and perfecting plans for future operations.

OLD RESIDENT GONE

J. A. Askin, of Es ex County, Passes | with the bylaw in future. Away at Windsor.

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 30 .- John Alexander Askin, aged 88 years, one of the oldest residents of Essex County, is He is survived by a widow, aged 78 years, and five children. Mi Askin was born near Sandwich. His father, the late Col. Askin, was registrar of deeds, and his position after Mr. Askin, who held the office for 30 years, when he was succeeded by his son, J. W. Askin, the present regis-Mr. Askin took a prominent part in militia circles during the Fenian Raid, being a captain in the old Sandwich Rifles.

PUMP WAS CHARGED

From Electrocution.

Stratford Man Has Narrow Escape

Stratford, Dec. 30. - W. R. Davis, editor of the Mitchell Advertiser, narrowly escaped death by electrocution Wednesday evening. Returning from his office in the evening, he found everything of a metallic nature in the house charged with electricity, an iron pump in the kitchen especially so. The engineer from the powerhouse said to him that there was no danger. however. Later Mr. Davis went to pump water, but had no sooner touched the pump than he was almost twisted out of human shape. Fortunately, his son was at hand, and extricated his father from his unpleasant predicament. Mr. Davis immediately collapsed, and his sons, assisted by Dr. Smith, worked over him for hours, injecting antiseptics. Mr. Davis has revived temporarily, but there are fears that there will be serious permanent effects from the shock,

FROZEN TO DEATH

Chinese Boy Imprisoned in a Refrigerator Car.

Chicago, Dec. 29. - Beating against the deadened walls of the ice bunker in a refrigerator car into which he had been placed in an attempt to smuggle him into the United States from Windser Canada, Leong Dick, a Chinese boy, cried in vain for release from his prison until the numbing cold reached his heart, and then he sank back on the cakes of ice.

When the car was opened at St. Louis the body was frozen stiff. Some trainhand had locked the door of the bunker, from which the boy intended

to make his escape, Papers and Canadian coins found in his pockets, led to Lam Chee, No. 321 Clark street, who has been placed under arrest, charged with violation of the Chinese immigration law, and to Leong Man, of Joliet, Ill., an uncle of the dead boy. Lam Chee was ordered to appear for

trial before Judge Humphrey, but he pleaded illness. An examination was made by a federal physician, who clared that Lam Chee was shamming. The case has become so involved in branching phrases that it promises to become one of the most complicated eyer heard in Chicago. To add to the bewilderment of those connected with it, it has not been decided whether the United State or Canada has jurisdic-

died in Canada or the United States, .

HARRYETT BAILED

Ten Thousand Dollars Security Furni: hed by Four Bondsmen.

Belleville, Dec. 30.—Samuel Harryett was liberated on bail last night. The h bail last night. The Charles Stanyer, John bondsmen are Charles Stanyer, John Keluskey, Henry Harris, James Harryett, \$2,500 each.

FELL 70 FEET-UNHURT

Top Into a Snowbank.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 30. - William Donaven, an employe of the Canadian Bridge Company, which is erecting a grain elevator at Windmill Point, fell from the top of the structure norning, a distance of 70 feet, to the ground. He landed in a pile of snow and strange to say when he was taken to a hospital and examined by doctors he was found to be practically uninjured. He turned four somersaults in

CZAR'S LIFE THREATENED

Thousands of Pounds Paid Insurance Underwriters for Royal Risk.

London, Dec. 30.—The St. James' Gaz-ette published a story, for which it has been impossible to secure any confirmation, that thousands of pounds have been paid London underwriters for the last two days for policies on the life of the zar. The story says that the rate of asurance on the Czar's life, which was The quiet, gray-bearded Admiral Towriters standing out for more. The applications are said to be in behalf of holders of Russian bonds, and the St. James Gazette suggests their alarm was based on the fear of an attack of Nihilists or

O'BRIEN IN TROUBLE

Thomas O'Brien, a local bartender. appeared in police court this morning on a charge of being drunk and disorderly. He was taken in by P. C. Greene early in the morning, and was sufficiently sobered up to appear in charge. The remainder of the Ruscourt. The officer alleged that O'Brien navy department, where a brief stop had molested a woman on the street. Four heavy guns, seven rapid firing was made, during which the congrat- O'Brien stated that she was a friend guns and two machine guns were capof his and that he had only stopped miral Togo and Vice-Admiral Kami- her to inquire about a position. The magistrate decided to remand hin:

> Frank Harris was ordered to appear in the morning to answer to the charge of damaging the property of Jacob Obernesser. An assault case was adjourned for

Three local merchants appeared for not cleaning the snow off their sidewalks. They were ordered to comply

PREMIER DENIES PARENT STORY

his death was taken up by the late Says Report of Quebec Leader's health of the men is splendid. Retirement Is Without

Foundation.

(Special to The Advertiser.) Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 30.-Sir Wilfrid Laurier was seen this morning in regard to a dispatch from Quebec which said that as a result of his visit Premier Parent would retire and Hon. Mr. Goudin would succeed him. The premier denied absolutely the truth of London Police Capture Gang the dispatch. He declared that he had nothing to do with the affairs of the local legislatures, but he authorized the statement that he strongly disapproved of attacks on Mr. Parent and said so to all whom he had met in Quebec.

GOES TO CENTRAL VERMONT

American Road.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 30.—The management of the Grand Trunk makes following announcement: Mr. G. C. Jones, having resigned to accept the position as general manager of the Vermont Railway Company, Mr. W. G. Brownlee is appointed superintendent of the middle division with offices at Toronto, Mr. E. W. Egan is vice Mr. Brownlee transferred. Effec-

Negotiations for New Connections Practically Completed.

Stratford, Dec. 30.—Negotiations be- Britain and Italy Will Offer Him tween the city and the C. P. R. were practically closed at a meeting here Thursday evening, and work will be commenced in the spring on a branch from the Guelph-Goderich extension from a point near where the crosses the Conestogo River, to Stratford. Options have been secured on nearly all property required for right of way within the city, and also for a station site. This line will give connection with Toronto by a route but little longer than the G. T. R. A branch from here to meet the main line of the C. P. R. at Thamesford is also projected.

New Battleships.

London, Dec. 30 .- According to the Daily

HALF OF GARRISON

Heavy Russian Losses Fight for Rihlung Fort.

SAPPED THROUGH SOLID ROCK

Off Batavis, Westward

Bound.

Tokio, Dec. 30.-10:30 a.m.-The headquarters of the army besieging Port Arthur telegraphs that on the night of Dec. 28, after the occupation of Rihlung Fort a small body of Russians still offered resistance in the passage between the siege gun line and the

At 5 o'clock they were dislodged entirely and the occupation of the fort became secured. According to the statement of three prisoners the defenders of Fort Rihlung numbered about 500, besides some sailors. A

majority of the defenders were killed. The trophies captured with Fort Rihlung include four large caliber guns, seven small caliber guns, thirty-seven and much property as yet unenumerated.

Batavia, Island of Java, Dutch East Indies, Dec. 29.—Some warships showing the Japanese colors, passed Anjer 60 miles west of Batavia, today.

Headquarters of the Japanese Army before Port Arthur, via Fusan, Dec. 30 .- Rihlung Fort, captured yesterday, is the largest and strongest of the eastern fort ridge. Tunnels for mines were cut through solid rock and two tons of dynamite were used to blov up the walls. The spectacle was magnificent, and the work of the assaulters was splendid. Half the garrison was killed by the explosion of the first sians made a stubborn resistance. tured, as well as 30 quick-firing guns which were stored in the tort.

Moscow, Dec. 30.-M. Danchenko, the well-known newspaper correspondent, telegraphs an account of an interview which he had with Gen. Kuropatkin. He declares the commander-in-chief is in fine physical condition, always sanguine, and now absolutely convinced of ultimate vic-Kuropatkin, Danchenko looks and acts as he did before

Pleyna. "Let them send me good soldiers, the general is quoted as saying, "and I will accomplish the task. Examine the positions of the troops. You will see a great change since the autumn. Write the facts. It is better that the people at home should know the truth than hear praise on one side and than hear praise on one side and slander on the other. The troops are in good spirits and well sheltered and There are some deficiencies, but I am more than satisfied. percentage of sick is less than in time of peace, which is attributed to good air and absence of the evils of bar-

Danchenko says Kuropatkin is th hardest worked man in the army.

ROUND-UP OF COUNTERFEITERS

That Preyed On Bank of England.

London, Dec. 30.-The city police members of an international gang who for two or three years are alleged to have been conducting extensive for-Mr. G. C. Jones Made Manager of the geries in five-pound Bank of England notes, large quantities of which, it is said, have been circulated in America, and on the continent. One of the men arrested is an engraver. He is charged with being the manufacturer of the jury's disagreement she was notes, and lived in the east end. The police are shadowing a number of foreigners who are believed to be in appointed superintendent of the west- London with the object of obtaining ern division with offices at Detroit, fresh supplies of the counterfeits.

STRATFORD AND THE C. P. R. COAXING MULLAH TO BE GOOD

Settled Sphere for His Grazing.

London, Dec. 30,-A dispatch to the Standard from Rome says that Italy and Great Britain have agreed with each other to offer the "Mad" Mullah in Somaliland a settled sphere, with grazing rights in certain parts of English and Italian territory, on condition that the Mullah will undertake to keep the peace. No money will be offered to him. Agents are trying to communicate with the Mullah, who has not yet been located.

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BLAIR'S NEW POSITION

Managing Director of the Toronto Roller Bearing Company.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—Hon. A. G. Blair has, after negotiations extending over a period of nearly twelve months, accepted the post of managing director and chief counsel of the Toronto Roller Bearing Company. The contracts were signed yesterday, and it is probable that he will make his headquarters in the city of Ottawa.

BRIDE FOR ALFONSO

Connaught's Daughter.

Madrid, Dec. 30.—The Epoca, which is sometimes used by the Government for making semi-official announcements. making semi-official announcements, prints conspicuously a report of the projected betrothals of King Alfonso and Princess Victoria, younger daughter of the Duke of Connaught, brother of King Edward, and of Luiz Philippe, Crown Prince of Portugal, and Princess Margaret, eldest dat her of the Duke of Connaught Connaught.

Rumors of these betrothals have been current for a long time, but ha generally discredited, owing to that the princesses are Protestants, and the king and prince Catholics.

millimeter guns, two machine guns Sensational Turn to the Hansom Cab Case.

SOUTHERNER WITNESSED AFFAIR

Related It to a United States Judge that something was wrong. The Who Is Moving in Nan Patterson's Behalf.

New York, Dec. 30.-Another man who claims to have witnessed the tragic death of Caesar Young, the wealthy bookmaker, with whose murder Nan Patterson is charged, has been found in Jacksonville, Fla., acbeen found in Jacksonville, Fla., ac-upon the ground helpless. At the time cording to information received in the first shot was fired Warden Yell this city today. The alleged witness was in his office. He rushed to the is W. B. Meyers, who is said to be down near the scene. He signaled the a wealthy naval stores dealer in the guards to continue shooting and put Florida city. According to the story his revolver into operation also, at the which came here today in a letter from Judge H. D. D. Twiggs, of Savannah, Ga., to the counsel for the prisoner, to line up and march in. This they Meyers claims to have seen the tragedy in the car and declares that Young fired the shot which ended his

Judge Twiggs writes that Meyers came to him on consultation on a legal natter soon after the Young tragedy and casually mentioned that while in New York a few days before he had witnessed a most remarkable affair. In reply to questions. Judge Twiggs writes, Meyers said that he had seen a man shoot himself in a cab, giving at the same time the exact location of the spot where the Patterson-Young affair took place. He said that he had learned that the man's name was Young, but beyond that he knew nothing. When informed that Nan-Patterson had been arrested, charged with the murder of Young, Judge Twiggs says Meyers declared that he knew the girl to be innocent, and said that he would send her his name and that he would go to New York to testify if she were put on trial. Continuing Judge Twiggs says that he followed the proceedings in the Patterson trial carefully, watching eagerly for the testimony of Myers. and was greatly surprised when it did not appear. Finally concluding that Meyers had not written to the girl or her counsel he decided to do so him-

self, and forwarded the letter. New York, Dec. 30.-May Irwin, the actress, has offered to furnish bail in any amount up to \$50,000 for the release of Nan Patterson from the Tombs prison, where she is now held. charged with the murder of Caesar Young, according to an announcement made by Miss Patterson's counsel this morning arrested two important Miss Irwin called personally at the Tombs prison today, and left a letter addressed to the former show girl, and the announcement followed a few minutes after Miss Irwin went away When District Attorney Jerome's athe said he had no statement to make and was not prepared to say what course the prosecution would Miss Patterson's bail before the recent mistrial was \$20,000, but after the manded without bail.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow-Fair and Mild.

London, Friday, Dec. 30. Sun rises. 7:51 a.m. Moon rises. 12:59 a.m. Sun sets. . 4:50 p.m. Moon sets. . 12:49 p.m. Toronto, Dec. 29—8 p.m. The weather has been cold from On-tario to the Maritime Provinces, and much milder in Manitoba and the Territories. The outlook is for milder condi-tions in Ontario, and later in Quebec and he Maritime Provinces. the Maritime Provinces.

Minimum and max mum temperatures.

Victoria, 46–56; Calgarv. 24–34; Prince
Albert, 4–38; Winnipeg, 2 below–34; Port
Arthur, 2 below–18; Toronto, 18–26; Ottawd, zero–12; Montreal, 2–16; Quebec, 2–4;
St. John, 12–34; Halifax, 20–30. FORECASTS.

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Ottawa Valley to the Maritime Provinces, but has turned much milder in Western Ontario. Unseasonably mild weather prevails in Manitoba and the west, with

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Thursday were: Highest, 21.5°; lowest, 15°,

DESPERATE BATTLE

Inmates in States Prison Made Break for Liberty.

SEVEN RIDDLED WITH BULLETS

Several Japanese Warships Sighted Semi-Official Report of Betrothal to Guards Seized by Prisoners and Hacked With Knives - Three Dead and Others May Die.

> Folsom, Cal., Dec. 30.-Of the nine onvicts who yesterday made a break for liberty from the State prison seven vere riddled with bullets, Three of these are now dead and three are a critical condition. Captain R. J. Murphy, a prison official, is wounded in the leg by a shot and has also two knife wounds, caused by dirks with which the convicts were armed. The convicts who engaged in the break were all employed in the rock crusher, where 325 of the most des-

> perate prisoners were at work. Captain Murphy was acting as general overseer about the crusher, and our other prison attaches, L. Daly, A. Hogen, Charles L. Taylor and Charles Jolly, were employed as pushers to keep the men at work. A large sledgehammer was thrown into the crusher, causing the ponderous machine to come to a standstill. This attracted Captain

Murphy, Charles Jolly and Taylor to the place. Thereupon the desperate convicts rushed to seize Murphy and his two assistants. They succeeded in catching Murphy and Johy. The other guards escaped them. During this time the scene of trouble was un-der cover, and the guards on the outside could not see the struggling men although they soon had an intimation victs, with their captives, made their way toward a small post commanded Guard W. H. Harris, who was armed with a rifle. Five of the gang surrounded Capt. Murphy and two of

the men had Jolly. The convicts had knives in position for immediate exe-cution should the guards attempt to free themselves. They had no sooner stepped into the open than the seven guards commenced firing and within twenty seconds fully one hundred shots had been fired and seven convicts were same time giving orders to the ing convicts who were crouching benind rocks and in other safe places. did in quick order. During the trouble

A CONSERVATIVE SCRAP

a gatling gun was brought into posi-

tion, but was not put into action

Bitter Battle Over the Nominee for North Toronto.

Toronto, Dec. 29.-The Conservatives of North. South and West Toronto tonigh renominated the old members of the Legislature-Dr. Beattie Nesbitt, J. J. Foy, K.C., and Thomas Crawford. The whole interest was centered around North Toronto, where a determined e fort was made to deprive Dr. Nesbitt of the nomination. Edmund Bristol, Dr. S. G. Ryerson and Dr. Nesbitt were the names voted on, and Dr. Nesbit got the nomination on the first a large majority. The meeting was exciting throughout, lasting until a late

BANDITS BESIEGE MOROCCAN TOWN

Demand Big Sum or the Surrender of European Residents.

New York, Dec. 30.-A Tangier, Morocco. dispatch to the Herald says: The town of Alcazar is again menaced by a large number of mountaineers, belonging strong candidate and harmony in the to the Kabyles. They are the same ranks they will send a supporter of tribesmen who recently besieged the town, ture. in consequence of a dispute between a ention was called to the offer of bail, Moor and a Spaniard. They were then induced to raise the siege by the payment of a generous bribe. The money then have now returned, demanding the payment of a still larger sum. In the event that this is not forthcoming they demand

pared for defense. **RUSS MINISTERS** WILL STEP OUT

surrendered to them. It is generally be-

lieved that the town will have to accede

to the first request, as it is poorly pre-

Sviatopolk-Mirsky and Glasoff to Resign-Moscow's Mayor Called to Account.

New York, Dec. 30 .- According to the St. Petersburg correspondent of the divorce among the lower class of was mulcied with costs by the judges on Herald, he has reliable information that
Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky, the minister of
the interior, is determined to resign. This, the interior, is determined to resign. This, under the circumstances of the last few days, will surprise no one.

tion of affairs has gone beyond my com- The prehension."

his successor. been handed over to justice to answer for 221, a decrease of 20 per cent in cases his too liberal speech before the Douma. and 15 per cent in deaths.

THE ESQUIMALT DOCK Stated That British Admiralty Will

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 30,-Advices reeived at Esquimalt from the British admiralty state that the proposed abandonment of Esquimalt navy will be reconsidered. Many high officials hold that the importance of Esquimait makes it worth the exense involved in maintaining it. Sir Frederick Borden, the minister of militia and defense, is quoted as saying that the Canadian Governmen has received no information as to the intentions of the Government respecting Esquimalt and Halifax.

Reconsider Its Closing.

THE EDWARDS INQUEST

Authorities Will Proceed Against Selby, Lee and Montgomery.

Woodstock, Dec. 30.-Two Russian refugees named Meyer and Max reached the city Wednesday, and work has been given them at the Bain factory. They were about to be drafted to the far east when they made their escape. They are mable to speak English. News has reached the city of the death in Newcastle, New Brunswick, of Louis Bush, formerly head of the machine shops at the Anderson furniture factory,

this city. The coroner's inquest into the death of the shoemaker, John Edwards, who was found dead in the slaughterhouse on November 23, was concluded at an early hour vesterday morning. The jury found death due to an overdose of liquor and exposure, but were unable to say whether there was any contributing party. Pro-beedings will, however, be taken against to settle the matter between them-Selby, Lee and Montgomery, the three nen taken into custody on the charge of robbing the old man and leaving him to

MADE RESTITUTION

John Tuck Allowed to Go on and the candidate was called upon to Suspended Sentence at Windsor.

John Tuck, the brakeman who was arrested in this city a few days ago and taken back to Windsor on a charge of stealing \$20 from Conductor Fishleigh, of the Wabash Railway, and also of obtaining 340 worth of furniture from Whitlake Bros., of Windsor, under false pretenses. made restitution in both cases, paid all costs and was allowed to go on suspended sentence by the Windsor magistrate.

TO BAR UNITED STATES BILLS so well that there was a cash balance

to Keep Them Out. Montreal, Dec. 30.-Mr. Robert Bick-Hochelaga Bank, announced yesterday that at the next session of Parliament he would move the adoption of a bill making it a criminal offense to cir-

culate American money in Canada, and rendering anyone doing so liable to fine of double the face value of ard which had been placed in his hands the money circulated. The bill will be an addition to the banking act, and Mr. Bickerdike says it is in retaliation for the high commisson charged by

American banks on Canadian money

MR. COCHRANE IS IN THE FIELD

Nominee Resigning an Opposition Yarn.

Chatham, Dec. 30. - Absolute denial given by Secretary Eastlake, of the East Kent Association, of the story of Mr. John Cochrane resigning, published by the Conservative Press Association. It is proposed to institute action

against the originators of the yarn. Ridgetown, Dec. 30. - At a meeting of the executive of the Reform Association of East Kent, held here yesterday, Mr. John Cochrane intimated his definite acceptance of the nomination tendered him by the Liberal convention a few days ago. He announced his determination with his whole energy and to spare no effort to secure election. Arrangements were made for the thorough and complete organization of the riding. The Liberals are confident that with the Ross Government to the Legisla-

Greeks Surrender.

Salonica, Dec. 30.-The band of Greeks surrounded in the village of Bedrelli, paid has merely aroused their greed. They whither they had gone to waylay Apostol, have yielded to the Turkish troops. There were 74 men in the band, besides a Greek priest and three residents of Bedrelli, reported assassinated. Yesterday three Bulgarians met their death. that certain of the European residents be

Afghan Subsidy. St. Petersburg, Dec. 30.-A special dispatch from London to the Russ anounces

on high diplomatic authority that England has granted a subsidy to Afghanistan to enable her to supply herself with the most modern artillery to defend the Riots in Poland. Vienna, Dec. 30.-Telegrams from War-

w report disturbances in many parts Poland. A policeman was shot and

have taken place at Kielce and Konak, and the machine works were destroyed at Konak. Illegal Marrying. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 30. - The Provincial Secretary's Department

Health Statistics. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 30.-The vincal health statistics show that dur-M. Glasoff, minister of education, is ing November there were 1,800 deaths, as compared with 2,081 a year ago, but the Knight medal for the exhibit of likewise to retire. He said: "The situa- the districts reporting were fewer. the same, namely, 12 per cent. An | Society in London on the 14th and 15th M. Lukianoff, a bacteriologist, will be interesting feature is the decrease in the number of cases and deaths from under the auspices of the fruit diviinfectious diseases. The total of such sion of the department of agriculture, Prince Galitzin, mayor of Moscow, has cases in November was 853 and deaths who also secured six diplomas for an

WEST ELGIN'S FINE CHOICE

The Liberals Nominate Mr. Peter Stalker.

BIG CONVENTION AT DUTTON

Candidate One of Best Known Men of the County-Signs Point to Certain Victory.

Dutton, Dec. 29. - The two Elgins for Ross and honest government was the slogan with which the Liberals of West Elgin united behind Mr. Peter Stalker, the unanimous choice of a large and enthusiastic convention here today. As with their friends of the east riding on the previous day, they followed an easy, convenient and eminently satisfactory method of solving the often-times difficult task of making a choice. A test ballot without previous nomination was, on motion of James Beattie, Dunwich, seconded by M. C. Hay, taken to indicate who the probable candidate would be, selves. The result was that when they returned to the hall the chairman announced that Mr. Peter Stalker had unanimously selected as the candidate. Mr. D. Lang moved, sec-onded by Frank Turner, that the nomination be made unanimous. The motion was adopted with ringing cheers

address the convention. He pledged himself to do all in his power to endeavor to lead the Liberal party to victory in a noble cause. There practically since confederation was now on trial. A dead set was being made upon it, and it was the duty of every Liberal to rally to its support. The defeat of the Government meant that the men who had fostered and taken care of the finances of the Province of \$2,900,000, and no part of the public services had suffered would be sun-Mr. Bickerdike Will Move for Measure planted by men who had no record to justify so great a trust being placed in them. Would they turn out a Government that had been tried and not found wanting, for Mr. Whitney and his followers? He intimated that he had no desire to exercise the patronwhich would be left in the hands of the executive committee. He appealed to them to work shoulder to and pledged himself to bear the standuntil the last ditch had been crossed

(Cheers). Vice-President Hay said the difference between the Liberal and Conservative parties was that the Liberals had made up their mind to clean up their own backyard, but the Conservative party had not commenced to have a cleaning up, for the reason that they dared not start. If they did they would have to turn out the men who

furnished the funds. County Councilor Messrs, D. Black, Dutton; John Thompson, Aldboro, and T. L. Cochrane, St. Thomas, also spoke briefly. Story of East Kent Liberal A characteristic of all the speeches was the unanimity with which the appeal was made for unity in the ranks in the interests of the Province and of the party, and the general desire ex-pressed that personal differences should disappear. The convention was notable by reason of the large num-

ber of intelligent farmers who com-

posed it. Addresses were delivered by Senator Wilson, Peter Stewart. W. F. Hepburn, J. B. Davidson, M. G. Hay, Peter Stalker, the candidate, and others. Resolutions expressing confidence in the Provincial and Deminion Governments and indorsing the policy adopted by the Liberal convenin Toronto, were unanimously Another resolution, expressing dolence with the family of the late Dr John Cascaden, who for a number of years represented the riding in the Loca Mr. Stalker is a native of Scotland, but

has spent the past 51 years in Canada. He is one of the most prominent resihonored by the ratepayers of the town-ship. He occupied the positions of reeve and deputy reeve during the nine years in the township council, and also served on the county council. Mr. Stalker has always taken an interest in educational affairs, serving fourteen years as school trustee for the section in which he lives, and three years as trustee for the Dutton high school. He was also a director of the Dunwich Farmers Mutual Insurance Company for fourteen years, and for many years has been a prominent mem-ber of the West Elgin Reform Associa-The Liberals could not have ed a more widely-known candidate. Mr. Stalker is locked upon as a winner, and it is also expected that he will pull down or possibly wipe out Mr. McDermid's majority in Aldborough.

THE ELECTION WRITS

The Provincial Government Forwards Them to Returning Officers.

Toronto, Dec. 29.-The writs for the Provincial elections, to be held on Jan. 25, were mailed today by Col. Clark, clerk of the Legislature, to the various rekilled during a procession of workmen at Lodz. An Orthodox Church was destroyed and grog shops were plundered in the Kalisz district. Riots and pistol shooting turning officers receiving a good-sized

Under the Ontario law the sheriffs and registrars are appointed returning officers in case they do not decline to act. There has are a few instances in which they do not arrived at the conclusion that there accept, as in Elgin, where the sheriff has is a good deal of illegal marrying and always declined to act since the year he accept, as in Elgin, where the sheriff has

Canadian Apples Won.

Ottawa, Dec. 30. - The Ontario fruitgrowers' division has been awarded Canadian apples made at the first exdeath number is therefore about hibition of the Royal Horticultural shibit of twenty boxes of fruit at adsor, N. S.