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the most successful men in the country?" Egbert-"Who?" "Why, the r." "How do you make that "Because he is not successful anywhere else.'

Great Question Upon Which the Party is Divided in Opinion. Violent Manifestation at the Federation Meeting at Der-

by-No Interference.

London, Dec. 5 .- The chaotic condition of the Liberal party was never more noticeable than at the meeting of the National Liberal Federation at Derby. A resolution calling on the Government to announce the terms on which they were prepared to conclude peace in South Africa was not passel without a noisy scene, occasioned by attitude taken up by Lo.d Milner. Mr. Emmott, Liberal member for Oldham, objected to words declaring it essential, with a view to the conclusion of peace, that a special commissioner should be despatched to South Africa. Cheers and groans greeted his statement that he would accept no vote of censure on Lord Milner, and the chairman was compelled to intervene to re-store order. As a matter of fact, the differences between the various sec-

its progress, which was retarded for a time by Mr. Gladstone's personal UNABLE TO INTERFERE

ferences on mere matters of detail, nor are they the result only of the war. The dissolution of the party began in 1885, and the war has histened

The Hague, Dec. 5.—The attempt of the Socialists in the Chamber to in-duce the Foreign Office to intervene in South Africa, failed again to-day, the Foreign Minister, Melvil Van Lyndon, informing the interpellators that the Government could not interfere in regard to the concentration camps except to relieve its own subjects, and not take the initiative in any appeal to the powers.

***************** TELEGRAPH

The Ottawa police force has been re-

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Efforts are being made to have Par-John Atel, of Wolsey, was struck by a falling tree and killed.

The Liverpool Exchange was on at an early hour this morning.

Thomas B. Bate, the well known brewer, of St. Catharines, is dead. Rev. James Preston, father of T. H. Preston, M. P. P., died at Brant

Col. Prior, of Victoria, announces his intention of retiring from politics. Mrs. Martha McKibbon, of Picton

was asphyxiated by gas from a coal The complete returns from West Huron make Mr. Garrow's majority

The later census returns received at Ottawa increase the population of On-

tario by 12,000. Joseph Belanger, of Ottawa, aged eighteen years, was killed by falling out of a high window.

Willie Muldoon, aged six, was drowned in the Red River, at Winnipeg, while playing on the ice.

The house of Robert Campbell, near Truro, N. S., was burned, and three children perished in the flames.



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less Scenery.

ROYAL PRAISE

FOR GANADA

London, Dec. 5 .- The city entertained the Prince and Princess of Water this afternoon at a luncheon in the Guildhall, and presented them with an address of corgratulation on their successful tour of the British Empire. The royal party drove from York House to the Guildhall in an open four-horse landeau, escorted by Life differences of opinion in regard to the Guards. They met everywhere with the heartiest reception from sightseers lining the brightly-bedecked and troop-guarded route. The scene in the library of the corporation's historic quarters, where their Royal Highnesses were received by the Lord Mayor, Sir Joseph C. Dimsdale, and the corporation, was picturesque. Levee for diplomatic dress, uniforms or judicial robes were worn by the majority of the guests, among whom were the agents general of the colonies. Prominent among the other notables present were Lord Salisbury, Lord Rosebery and Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain.

The reception was made the occasion of a demonstration in favor of the government and of Mr. Chamberlain, colonial secretary, as well as of emphasizing the loyalty of the colonies and their devotion to Great Britain. It was a purely family affair, no foreign diplomats being invited ; but the Englishment present included most of the

notabilities of the country. The Prince of Wales wore the full uniform of a rear admiral. The Prin-cess was dressed in black brocaded velvet, relieved by a long chain of diamonds. The Lord Mayor, and Aldermen wore their state robes.

Seated in the vicinity of the Prince and Princess of Wales were Lord Salisbury, in the Windsor uniform, and Lord Rosebery and the Duke of Devon-shire in the same uniform, with the broad ribbon of the Garter, Last, but not least, was Mr. Chamberlain, in

court uniform.
The Prince of Wales seized the opportunity to make a long, statesman-like speech on the relations between the motherland and the colonies. Speaking about the Dominion, he said: -"To Canada was borne the message already conveyed to Australia, and New Zealand of the motherland's loving appreciation of the services rendered by its gallant sons. In the journey from ocean to ocean, marvellous in its comfort and organization, we were enabled to see something of its match-less scenery, the richness of its soil and the boundless possibilities of that vast and but partly explored terri-We saw, too, the success which has crowned the efforts to weld into one community the peoples of its two

Mr Chamberlain was accorded a tremendous reception, when he rose to respond to Lord Rosebery's toast to colonies, but 'neither he nor Lord Rosebery said anything of internation-

Lord Salisbury alone referred to the topic of which everyone was thinking, namely, England's unpopularity arboad. He said:—"No doubt it is true just at this moment that we have many enemies who are not very reticent in expressing their opinion, but on the other hand, to-day's celebration, which is largely due to the action and co-operation of Their Royal Highnesses, has shown that we possess in the support of our distant kinsmen an anproval and a sanction which, to us, is worth :infinitely more than all the contempt and all the censure that we

may receive from other nations,"
This remark of the Premier, was greeted with prolonged cheering, after which he continued, saying: "I cannot admit that they are judges of our conduct or that we can modify our proceedings in deference to their opin-What we look to are the opinions of our own kinsmen, who belong to our own Empire. We have received from all portions of that empire an indication that we have lost nothing in the opinion they held of the justice

STEAMER ASHORE

Passengers Jumped Into the Surf and Waded Ashore.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 4.-The steamer Clara Brown, one of the largest stern wheelers on the Sound, was driven ashore at Alki Point early last evering during a gale which raged all night. In trying to round the point on her usual trip to Seattle, from Taccma, the steamer became unmanage- Northwest Transvaal, rounded up able and severa! times was in immin ent danger of foundering. She finally drove upon the beach, half a mile south of the point. The passengers jumped overboard and made their way ashore through the surf. The gale has continued all day, and the boat has been badly broken up, but will probably be saved unless the gale becomes

GRAIN PRICES WERE BOOMED

ed Trading on the Chicago Board.

Wheat and Corn Went Shooting up to Record Figures in a

Chicago, Dec. 5 .- "King" Farmer has some to Chicago, taken the board of trade by storm and sent prices of all grains climbing above records. Business to-day was larger and more spectacular than for a long time and rivaled the speculative enthusiasm that marked the days of Hutchinson. unshoot in prices, but bull speculation

Natural conditions are back of the has been the main incentive. The whole countryside seems to be waking up to the ruinous shortage in the corn crop, and the feeding of wheat to stock as a consequence has brought big buying in that cereal. General advances have been made

in all options of wheat, corn and oats during the past several weeks, but the arrival of thousands of farmers and stockmen to visit the live stock exhibition touched off the fuse under all the markets and sent prices booming. To-day the floor of the board was a

spectacular show. Hundreds of the big countrymen in fur overcoats and cowhide boots had the courtesies of the exchange and were all eagerly "getting into the game." When professional speculators saw the farmer grasping opportunities they immediately began to plunge. Added to this influence was a flood of general buying orders from the country until the outside interests practically control the markets.

'May wheat touched its record price for the crop shortly before noon selling at 80 5-8. Both December and May corn broke records of years' standing, December selling at 65c and May at

It is rumored there is a corner in oats, but it is not substantiated. May oats broke another record to-day at

Although transactions continued on a very large scale throughout, prices did not hold to record marks at the close. It was rumored that the Moore Bros. had been buying large quantities of wheat for the past six weeks. Geo. Phillips was reported to have secured a large line of long corn, and James Patten, Mayor of Evanston, At the high prices enormous amounts of grain came out, supposedly from the operators. Prices rapidly sagged.

WERE DROWNED

Light House Keeper and his Assistant Caught in an Ice Floe and Driven out to Sea. Quebec, Dec. 5. - News from Biver

du Loup this evening brought the information that the lighthouse keeper at Brandy Pots-Alphonse, Richard and his assistant, May-met a watery grave hast night or this morning. It appears the two men, after the light was closed for the season, started to cross from the island to River du Loup, a distance of some seven or eight miles, yesterday afternoon, and had almost reached their destination when their boat was caught in an ice floe and driven out again, carrying the two unfortunates far from the shore, and before dark the boat had Misses' disappeared in the distance. last seen it was drifting quite rapidly before the wind and ice. It is quite possible that they effected a landing the Pilgrims, nevertheless a party of men with a canoe left River du Loup during the night to endeavor to rescue the light-keeper and his assistant, but up to the time of writing no further news had been received from River du Loup. There is not the slightest doubt but that the men suffered considerably if they were out in an open boat last night, and it is possible that something went wrong with their frail craft.

BIG CATCH

British Rounded up Three Boer Laagers and Took 250 Prisoners.

Pretoria, Dec. 5 .- The largest captures of Boars made in many months occurred to-day when three columns securde an aggregate of 250 prisoners. Gen. Bruce Hamilton, near Ermelo; Major Dawkins, in the Waterbury district, and General Methuen, in three lasgers, with only a few casualties on either side.

"When we are married, dearest, you'll let me have a night latchkey, won't you?" "Certainly, Heinrich, only you must promise never to use

FURIOUS FIGHT

The Prince of Wales Speaks Spectacular Enthusiasm Mark- Two New York Colored Men Slash Each Other in a Dark Room.

> One Likely to Die-Both Badly **Cut and Bleeding-One** Woman Killed.

New York, Dec. 5 .- George Harris and Richard Anthony, negroes, who for some time have borne a grudge against each other, met to-night in Harris' room and fought it out with knives. The men were alone, and before beginning the duel locked the door. Soon after they got at each other the lamp was extinguished, and the fight was continued for its min other the lamp was extinguished, and the fight was continued for 15 min-utes in the dark. The tenement in which Harris roomed contained hun-dreds of negroes, who could hear the awful uproar, and the infurlated cries of the fighters, but no one would break in until both men fell and only break in until both men fell and only groans could be heard. Then the police came and the door was broken open. The furniture was wrecked, and on the floor lay Harris, unconscious and with a dirk sticking in his breast. His face, body and clothes were slashed with cuts. Anthony had as many cuts, but none so serious as the one which laid Harris low. The doctors at the hospital have little hope of saving Harris, as the dirk penetrated his lung. Anthony was locked up. James Smith, a Cuban negro, stab-

bed Maud Thompson, with whom he had been keeping company, 30 times to-night. She is dying at a hospital, and he is under arrest. Hundreds of negroes chased and fired many shots at Smith in an attempt to kill him as he ran through the streets.

HEARD ON THE STREET.

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ferred to the Jessie McLachlan con-

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