#### London, Friday, Dec. 8. The Plain Facts.

are some points that the war dis- splendidly vindicated. patches make perfectly clear.

Gen. Joubert, who has been killed several times, is now seriously ill. some big guns within range of the dicate." town and their bombardment is becoming disagreeably effective; but the flies bother the British more than the

chells. Gen. Methuen's force has settled at Spytfontein.

The siege of Mafeking has been raised, Cronje's force having retired to and its position is critical. Ample the headship of the college. preparations had been made for the siege and it will be impossible to capture the town.

The Dutch in northern Cape Colony are rising against the British, but the while showing little concern for their presence of Gateacre's force in that region will keep down disaffection.

#### An Enthusiastic Capitalist.

There is said to be \$200,000,000 behind anny thrue an' well-dhressed American the Conners syndicate, and among can stand to see th' signs iv th' anthose in the deal are Mark Hanna, clent British aristocracy taken care iv be their own gover mint? 'What!' says Tom Johnson and other big iron and Lady John Jennings (her that was th' grain men. This indicates a tremen-daughter iv wan iv our best racondous faith in the future of the St. toors)—what! she says, 'will anny Lawrence as the great trade artery See men shot down, she says, that between the west and the east. Mr. has but recently played polo in our Conners is talking big things, and has very sight, she says. 'Ladies,' she says, given a substantial guarantee that he 'lave us equip a hospital ship,' she says, 'I thrust,' she says, 'all iv us has will do big things as well. He pro-fesses to think there will be no trouble in securing return cargoes for the grain says. I thrust, she says, 'all iv us has been long enough fr'm home to f'rget our despicable domestic struggles,' she says, 'an' think on'y iv humanity,' she carriers after they have unloaded at f'r subscriptions ye'd think fr'm th' Montreal. He reports that already the crowd that 'twas th' first night iv th' Dider-Dempster Line want to make a horse show. contract with the syndicate to carry 20,000 tons west next summer. The Buffalo capitalist is brimful of enthusiasm, which he vents as follows:

"We intend to build up a port here (Montreal) that will give employment on the wharves and piers to between 2,000 and 3,000 workmen, instead of about 700 as at present. These men will live in Montreal, and the money they earn will be distributed here, and the grocers and butchers and store-keepers of all classes will benefit. We shall bring, instead of 800 vessels to Montreal in the navigation season, from 1,600 to 2,000, and do you think these additional vessels will come here without bringing trade with them in ex-change for the grain they will carry back to Great Britain? Don't you think there not some way of stopping the dethis advent will represent an increased prosperity to the port? Why, of course, for the ships don't come here without making purchases. We intend to divert a very large part of the traffic that now goes by way of New York and Buffalo to Montreal. How much do you think of the traffic of the great Canadian west comes to Montreal under present circumstances, you may ask me? Just two-tenths. You would hardly believe that. The rest goes to the railways, and New York, Boston and other ports have the benefit of it. We mean to bring the remaining eighttenths here. We mean to show that traffic can be handled cheaper here than in New York. We know that we can do this, and we believe that this will give us the trade. We believe our-selves to be able to bring the traffic down the canals in our steamers, elewate it and load it into ocean liners, carry it across the ocean and land in Liverpool half a cent a bushel cheaper than anybody else can do. We shall have our steamers to bring the grain from the lakes to Montreal, and these we intend to have specially built in Canadian shipbuilding yards. Don't you think Caandian industries will benefit by these? You will see a fleet very shortly of 250 of these vessels, with a tonnage up to 2,000, plying on the canals and lakes. We intend to have the grain, we intend to have the storing of it, and the handling of it here, and we intend to own the ships that will carry it; and grain will not be our only cargo, for we intend to go extensively into the carriage of iron and other products."

Let the electors of London vote out the ward system and the ward aldernen, too.

A portion of the French press urges that England should be attacked. Englishmen would not mind that half as much as the present attacks on the

The Filipinos seem to be as mobile as the Boers. The Americans had just begun to congratulate themselves that the war was on its last legs, but late reports show that it is sprinting as blithely as ever.

The Ontario Fruit Growers' Association is after the dishonest packers. The dishonest shipper in any line commits a crime against the whole country by bringing it into commercial disrepute broad. Means of detection and punshment should be provided.

Before denouncing the American onsul at Pretoria for leaving his post t this critical time, it will be well to ear his story. It may be that he has lost his usefulness by trying to be of use to the British prisoners. that is an offense which his country hould overlook.

The Hamilton Herald says The Adertiser cannot evade the fact that the revival of the sawmill industry in this province is due to a protective was found dead in her bed Wednesday morning by her daughter, Mrs. E. chitis, Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed as the cause of the Ontario Govern
was found dead in her bed Wednesday morning by her daughter, Mrs. E. Chitis, Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine is a prompt and effective policy of the Ontario Govern
south Dumfries

ment's timber law, which is driving Michigan salwmills to this side of the border. Protection, in this case, has proved bad for our neighbors.

The first of the Canadian contingent to give up his life for the Empire was a French-Canadian. He did not die on the field of battle, but he was ready to do so, and his death as a soldier of the Queen is touching and signifi-The situation in South Africa has cant. In the hour of duty Frenchbecome very complicated, but there Canadian loyalty has always been

The Opposition press is trying hard to pick holes in the agreement be-The censor has drawn a veh over tween the Conners syndicate and the Natal and not a scrap of news from Montreal harbor commissioners, for the there is allowed to escape to the outer reason that Mr. Tarte was a party to world. We learn, however, that all the negotiations. These attacks will well at Ladysmith; but there is a have cordial support in Buffalo. The good deal of sickness there. Supplies scheme is unpopular there. As the re running low and the garrison has Buffalo Express says: "It is the workbeen put on half rations, but fortun- men of Toronto and Montreal, not the stely has plenty of food, water and workmen of Buffalo, who are to be ammunition. The Boers have planted benefited by the operations of the syn-

Rev. Dr. Shaw, who has resigned the principalship of the Wesleyan College, Montreal, will continue on the staff as a professor. There is speculation as down for a week at Modder River, but to who will be appointed his successor. at any moment may meet the enemy | Prof. Antliff, formerly of this city, who has been a professor in the college for some time, is spoken of very favorably in this connection. He is a the south, but the lines of investment safe, able, progressive theologian, and are being drawn closer round the place is undoubtedly well qualified to assume

> Mr. Dooley satirizes the philanthropy of the American women who are taking such an interest in Tommy Atkins, own countrymen in the Philippines. Mr. Dooley rises to remark:

"Th' new style iv war is made in London, an' all our set is simply stuck on it. Th' casualties in th' Philipeens can walk home, but is it possible that

## What Others Say.

There Are Others. [Hamilton Herald.]

But the De Beers diamond mines are not the only mines that are being watered.

#### Canvassing as a Curse. [Kingston News.]

canvass, better men would take the field, and our city council would be a in London say the Crewe accident is grading system of begging a man for what ought to be given freely? De-cent citizens prefer not to be can-

#### English Rule in Egypt. [Chicago News.]

It takes few men, and those good ones, to run a government with native assistance. The Britons in the Egyptian civil service under Lord Cromer number no more than 200. They are, to be sure, picked men; but this small number of honest, intelligent and sympathetic Englishmes means all the difference between great prosperity and almost infinite misery to the Egyp-

#### An Apology to Make. [Chicago Tribune.]

"I have noticed," said Rev. Dr. Goodman, pausing in his discourse, "that two or three of the brethren have looked at their watches several times in the last few minutes. For fear their timepieces may not agree, I will say that the correct time is 11:45. I set my watch by the regulator at the jeweler's last night. The service will be over at 12:01 o'clock. It would have been closed promptly at 12 but for this digression. Let us proceed to consider now what the apostle means when he says: 'I press toward the mark.'"

WILFRED CAMPBELL'S NEW

BOOK. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., the famous Boston publishers, Issue this week for the American market the first edition of "Beyond the Hills of Dreams," a new book of verse by W. Wilfred Campbell, the Canadian poet. This volume, which is beautifully gotten up, contains all of Mr. Campbell's newer and stronger work, as yet un-published, together with a selection from the best of his earlier volumes so that it is quite representative of his finest work outside of his dramas. In their announcement of the book the publishers say: "It is altogether within bounds to claim for the book a genuine popularity among those who can appreciate its sterling qualities of variety, thoughtfulness, high and serious purpose, wide range of fancy, and distinct power of lyrical expression." The publishers also announce that it will be a "handsome volume," and as duced the work of all the greater erican poets, such as Longfellow, Whittier, Lowell, Emerson, we may be sure that this latest volume from the famous Riverside Press will be up to their high standard of fine book-making. It may be ordered through any bookseller or direct from Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston; price, \$1 25.

REV. DR. BARBOUR DEAD. Montreal, Dec. 8.-Rev. William N. Barbour, D.D., for many years principal of the British North American Congregational College at Montreal, and who retired a year or two ago, ulbers, stops the dropping in the was found dead in his bed at his home in Malden, a few miles from Boston, on causes deafness and headache, and Tuesday.

Mrs. Catharine Rapp, aged 70 years, wife of Jacob Rapp, of Goble's Corners, was found dead in her bed Wednesday

The Historic Ground Guarded by Native Troops.

French Conspiracy Investigation-New South Wales Budget.

London, Dec. 8.-The Times has the following special:

Calcutta, Dec. 6.-All the regular troops in the Khyber Pass are to be withdrawn before Jan. 1, in accordance with arrangements under which the pass will be guarded by the Khyber Rifles. These consist of two battalions each, with three British officers to a battalion. The Rifles will hold fortified posts at Landi, Kotal and All Masjid. They are furnishing guards also at other points where caravans move. The withdrawal of the regular troops is a proof of the present satisactory state of affairs on the Peshawar frontier. The Afridis and other local tribesmen are now convinced that the government has no idea of annexing their territory or placing garrisons beyond the British border at Jamrud, and the feeling of animosity which existed in 1897 has completely disappeared.

THE FRENCH CONSPIRATORS. Paris. Dec. 8.-In the senate. M. Blanc, former prefect of police, testified that M. Deroulede and M. Guerin received money from the Royalists. M. Guerin vehemently protested, and asked that Blanc give instances of such payments. The witness admitted that he only possessed moral proof. M. Lepine, testified that the investigations he had made convinced him that the three leagues acted in concert in their demonstrations, which were very

AGAINST CHURCH AND STATE. In the chamber of deputies the Socialists opposed the various credits for the ministry of public worship. M. Bernard, Nationalist, amid tumult, moved the separation of church and state. The premier, M. Waldeck-Rosseau, opposed the motion, which was defeated by 328 to 128 votes.

M. Chauviere, Socialist, then pro-

posed to suppress the entire credits, which was rejected by 388 to 189 yeas. M. Waldeck-Rosseau's motion to reestablish the credits for the stipends of the bishop and clergy, which the budget commission suppressed, was adopted by 322 to 195 votes.

RUSSIAN COMMENT ON MCKIN-LEY'S MESSAGE.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 8.-The Novoe commenting on President McKinley's message to congress, says: "The statement that the United States decline all alliances serves as a reply to Mr. Chamberlain. Great Britain's feelings of kinship to the United States will last as long as it is to the advantage of England. The present feeling of kinship is one of the most singular episodes in contemporary his-

DISASTER AT CREWE. London, Dec. 9-9:10 a.m.-A disaster ant railroad center, 34 miles southeast Canvassing is the curse of civic of Liverpool, is reported this morning elections. If candidates had not to been killed and injured. The Northwestern Railway officials

> slight. They have not yet received NEW SOUTH WALES BUDGET. Sydney, Dec. 8.—Premier Lyne submitted the budget Thursday to the New South Wales Parliament. The estimated expenditure for the coming financial year is £10,000,000, and the revenue £9,800,000. With the continuance of

the present conditions of extreme buoyancy and the estimated increase of revenue by £70,000 from the stamp duties, the year's accounts will prob ably balance. The government propose to issue short dated treasury bills to the amount of £4,000,000, in order to cover former deficiencies. Mr. Reid

# A BRIGHT LIFE

Which He First Took in a Catarrh Remedy-Ends His Life in an Insane Asylum.

The manager of a large manufacturing concern in Toronto related the following incident, than which nothing could be more pathetic:

"We had in our employ," he said, "a bright young man whom we decided to put on the road to sell our goods to the trade. While out west he caught cold, and the cold became ca-To obtain relief he used a catarrh remedy which contained cocaine, and contracted the horrible cocaine habit.

"It was only a few months before he became a total wreck, physically and mentally. He was entirely incapacitated for business, and is now ending his days in the insane asylum. I tell you this to encourage you in the good work of establishing Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure, which I know to be free from this deadly drug."

It is impossible to estimate the count-

less number of lives being ruined every year by the use of cocaine, and in almost every case the habit was they are the premier publishers of verse on this continent—having pro-

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### Ulsters. Overcoats and Pea Jackets.

Men's Ulsters, heavy black and brown frieze, heavy tweed linings, full complement of pockets, collar and every part made for comfort; regular price \$7 and \$8. Saturday and Monday....\$5 95

Men's Blue and Black Beaver Overcoats, single and double breasted, Italian linings; regular \$8. Saturday and Monday ......\$6 95

Men's Black Cheviot Pea Jackets, storm collar, hair cloth sleeve lining, Italian body lining, very dressy and warm; regular \$6. Special sale price.....\$4 95

## Big Cut in Men's Suit Dept.

35 Men's Heavy Tweed Suits, dark patterns; regular \$10 and \$11. Discount sale price......\$7 95

20 only, Men's Suits, heavy double-breastcoat, heavy Italian linings, warm, dressy suit; regular \$7. Saturday and Monday.....\$5 95

20 Per Cent off any Man's Single-breasted Tweed Suit in the store on Saturday only.

25 Boys' Reefers, blue pilot cloth, good large collars, warm linings, for boys 10 to 18 years; regular \$4 and \$4 50. Saturday and Monday .....\$2 93

10 Per Cent off all Boys' Clothing during this special sale.

## FURNISHINGS DEPARTMENT\_

10 dozen Mitts, lined, heavy, strong and durable...... 50c 

Special display of Ties, Handkerchiefs, Fancy Umbrellas, Shirts, etc. For Christmas presents see our display before buying.

### SHOE DEPARTMENT.

BUSY HERE-Our popular prices keep things moving. Many Christmas novelties, always useful as well as pretty. Nothing nicer or more appropriate than a pair of warm slippers for mother or sister. We have some specialties for your selection. Men's Slippers in Fancy Velvet and Leather. Don't miss seeing our assortment when making your selections.

For Saturday's and Monday's selling we have arranged some special lines on our Bargain Tables. TABLE NO. 1.—Misses' and Women's Laced and Button Boots in oil, pebble; laced and fine

TABLE NO. 2.—At 98c, special assorted lot Men's Dongola Laced Boots, Boys' Laced Boots and Men's Congress; regular \$1 25 to \$1 50. Saturday and Money, Table No. 2...... 98c

TABLE NO. 3 .- \$1 25 Women's Laced and Button Boots, Warm Felt Boots, in button, laced and congress, Dongola Laced Boots, heavy soles, all sizes. Table No. 3, special......\$1 25

# The Runians, Gray, Carrie Co.

208, 210, 210½ and 212 DUNDAS STREET.

eriticised the budget, contending that the accounts were misrepresented. SOLOMON GOVERNMENT DE-

FEATED. Melbourne, Dec. 8.-The Solomon government was defeated in the South Australian Assembly yesterday by a majority of three votes. Premier Solomon announced that he would drop the household suffrage bill and substitu a bill giving votes to the wives of the electors to the present council, and at the same time reducing the qualification to council franchise from £25 to £20 annual value. These proposals were unfavorably received by the assembly and legislative council. Holder, treasurer of the Kingston cabinet, proposed the motion which resulted in the defeat of the Solomon ministry, and Mr. Holder has undertaken the formation of a new govern-

Kingston, Dec. 8.-Although named as standing out, the announcement of Hon. William Shiels' appointment as treasurer of the McLean ministry, was received with shouts of derisive laughter in the Victoria Assembly. The composition of the ministry is severely criticised both by politicians and the press. On taking leave of his colleagues of the late ministry, Gov. Turner highly eulogized Lord Brassey's work as governor of Victoria, and hoped he would be able to cender still further service to the empire during the remainder of his career in England. Lord Brassey, in reply, promised to further the interests of Victoria when-

ever possible. SUPPORTED BY A GUNBOAT. New York, Dec. 8.—Information comes to the Herald from Brussels that a Belgian commercial mission to China is encouraged by King Leopold, and probably will be supported by a gunboat, the object being to obtain for Belgium a share in the commercial partition of the Celestial Empire. The scheme is now ripening into the idea of having a few steamships, protected by a few guns, which would constantly visit African, Asiatic, Australian and perhaps American ports, with samples of Belgian products, constituting a kind of permanent floating ubiquitous Belgian exhibition, under the patronage

of the national flag. CABLE NOTES. The British steamer City of Worcester, from Neyberg, is ashore at Craster, south of the River Tweed, and will probably become a total wreck. No lives were lost. The City of Worcester is a steel vessel of 1,553

tons, built in 1891, and hails from West Hartlepool.

The German Reichstag passed yesterday the bill repealing the law prohibiting workmen's associations. Cardinal Rampolla, the Papal secretary of state, has just notified the dip-lomats that the Pope is suffering from a slight cold, and keeps to his room

only as a precaution. A Pekin dispatch says: The governor of the Province of Shan-Tung has been dispossessed in consequence of his inability to deal with the anti-mis-

ered that the viscount had married only Railways and Navigation four years ago, Miss Howard, a bar-maid in the Gaiety Theater bar, says a London cable to the Journal and Advertiser. The marriage was kept secret, and the wife went to live in Bath. A son was born three years ago, named Vernon Henry St. John, who is the rightful heir to the title.

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Seattle, Wash.
Tacoma, Wash.
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On and after Sunday, Oct. 16, 1899, the trains leaving Union Station, Toron to (via Grand Trunk Railway) at 9 a.m. and 9:30 p.m., make close connection with Maritime Express and Local Express at Benaventure Depot, Montreal, as follows:

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The Maritime Express will leave Montreal daily except on Saturday, at 7:39 p.m., for Halifax, N. S., St. John, N. B., and points in the Maritime Provinces.

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