ear to be the rumors of immaich now fill the air. This tin t is none other than the great Ger-gist—Von Mottke—a man of tew not given to saying more than what to be said. Apparently, Bismarck surry up thepeople's representatives

parison between her own and continental armies. For her army and all that it requires she pays liberally, even lavishly, but after all the article paid for is not delivered. That is to say, if Churchill has facts to sustain him in his present bold and unexpected stand. Carlyle used to talk about "Clothing-Colonels," whose main duties consisted in drawing the profits one other consisted in drawing the profits on the profits of the profits one other consistence of the profits one other consistence of the profits one other consistence of

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ervatives to contest the two seats for Algoma when a thaw comes. For practical purposes the size of Mr. Mowat's majority has become mere matter of barcen sentiment. The third party in the Legislature, which comes from St. Catharines. will feel awful concessome, but it will nevertheless vote as one

nd it was not a good night for regis

the average Conservative candidate. Unless Clancy can hold on in Kent, which is at present doubtful, His Grace will have the satisfaction of knowing that there will not be one Catholic Tory in the next Legislature.

Mr. Blake in his correspondence, n yesterday's Globe, with the Tor-master further develops a Gladstonia Principal Grant, and now he desit again.
The fact developed by the correspondence is that Mr. Patteson never spoke of stabbing Grits under the fifth rib. Somebody else did Mayor Grace, of New York, has initia an agitation to demand greater municipal fi dom from the intervention of the state Gove

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WEDNESDAY EVENING, Dec. 29.

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The war news of the cable correspondents for the last week may be summed up in the statement that the Czar is a bad man, and it is a pity he deinks.

Mr. Mowat might reasonably have been thankful for a smaller majority. There is some danger that the pie may not be big mough for the family.

Mayor Howland nadoubtedly finds this wather productive of chilblains.

The Hamilton Spectator mournfully exalpins: "We are the people, but there are not smough of ns." You are rather scarce and few to the (Hamilton) hill, that's a fact.

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These who sucer at pincky little Davy I remain to the men who have tried to legislate him out of the House.

Canon Farrer went off with a good report, but the recoil was as had as had could be.

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