

The convicts at Kingston enjoyed a 1,200 pound pudding on Christmas Day.

A farmer named Piche blew out the gas in his room at Montreal and died from suffocation. Mr. A. F. Martin, leader of the Op-position in the Manitoba Legislature, will run again in Morrice.

The distribution of 3,200 Martini-Metford rifles and 600,000 rounds of ammunition to the volunteer forces has been completed at Kingston.

Winnipeg will probably elect Government members of the Manitoba Legislature by acclamation unless the labor party nominate candidates.

labor party nominate candidates. Messrs. Hiram Walker & Sons, the Walkerville distillers, learning that there was a probability of the duty on whiskey going into the United States being raised 15 per cent. by the Dingley bill, on Thursday shipped to Detroit three thousand six hundred cases, on which they paid fifteen thou-sand dollars in gold. The City Treasurer of Toronto has received word that the litigation in-stituted by Messrs. Paulin, Sorley & Martin, of Edinburgh, for breach of contract in connection with the last issue of Toronto 31-2 per cent. de-bentures has been withdrawn, and that the firm will accept the terms of settlement offered by the city. Charles David, of Dover, met with a

Charles David, of Dover, met with a painful and serious accident yesterday morning. He was sawing wood, and beside him a little brother was split-ting. The axe slipped from the hatds of the latter and struck Charles on the bead iniliating a frightful wound say. head, inflicting a frightful wound sev-eral inches in length. A Chatham physician dressed the injury, the after effects of which will probably prove serious.

UNITED STATES.

The condition of the United States Treasury is represented by Secretary Carlisle to be very serious.

By the burning of the saw mill of the Sutherland Lumber Company at Ashland, Wis., three men lost their

A herd of Jersey cattle at Deposit, northern New York, has been found infected with tuberculosis and con-demned by the State inspectors.

The Rev. Joseph Cook, lecturer and litterateur, who has arrived at San Francisco from the Orient on the steamship China, is broken in health.

The Erie County (N. Y.) Board of Supervisers has sent a congratulatory resolution to Mr. Gladstone on his 86th birthday, which occurs on Sun-

The body of Harry Hayward, re-cently executed in Minneapolis for the murder of Catherine Ging, was taken to Chicago yesterday for the purpose of cremation, to prevent the possibil-ity of it either being placed on ex-hibition or given to the surgeon's knife for dissection.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Cape Town correspondent of the Times, with reference to the strug-gle of foreigners in the Transvaal to obtain equal rights with the Boers, says that the British and American inhabitants are acting in entire sym-methy and are supporting each other. pathy, and are supporting each other.

Mr. Gladstone sent a Christmas mes-Mr. Gladstone sent a Christman mes-sage to the Rev. Joseph Parker, of the City Temple, on Wednesday, as follows: "I humbly pray that Chris-tians may grow more and more in the unity which the Lord gave us life to promote and which all earnest prayer tends to forward."

A Case Where True Love Did Not Rau Smooth_A Persecuting Father's Fiendish Hatred-Used Every Means Foul and Fair and Ended With Murder.

A Des Moines, Iowa, despatch says Walter Scott, a young business man, and Miss Clara Dawson, eloped this afternoon and were married. An hour after Scott went to the home of the girl's parents to get some of her possessions, and her father shot him three times, killing him instantly. Scott was a young man of excellent character, 27 years old, and the girl is the daughter of S. R. Dawson, who, after many years, discovered a pro-cess for the production of Damascus steel. Scott fell in love with the girl a

Scott fell in love with the girl a year and a half ago. Her father op-posed the match, and did everything posed the match, and did everything in his power to prevent the marriage. The girl declared that she would marry Scott, and her father com-plained that the girl was insane. A hearing was had, and her father tos-tified to prove her insanity. The board, knowing nothing of his mo-tives, found the girl insane, and sent her to the State Asylum in Mount Pleasant. her to th Pleasant.

Pleasant. Scott learned that she had been sent there. He appealed to the char-itable organizations of the city and succeeded in securing her discharge, and the father learning that they were planning to be married, took the girl to Chicago and placed her in a convent in a convent.

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in a convent. PINING AWAY IN A CONVENT. After much trouble she managed to get a letter to Scott. He went to Chicago and spent three days trying to get to her. At last he saw her at a window and she told him to go to the Mother Superior and try to get her out. Scott did so; told the story, and the Mother Superior de-clared she could not keep the girl longer, as she was pining away and fast losing her strength. She would not release the girl, however, till her father could be sent for. He came and again took the girl away from Scott. Dawson tried to have Scott ar-rested in Chicago, and succeeded in having the police shadow him for some time and finally take him into custody. Scott told them his story and he was released. The girl wrote to Scott and he went directly to the house at Keo-kuk, where she was, and the girl, as soon as she saw him, rushed into his arms. They were planning to go away and get married, but before they could leave the house, even while the girl was still in the arms of her sweetheart, a federal officer arrived and arrested Scott on a warrant charging him with sending the girl obseene letters. Scott protested his innocence, but was brought back to Des Moines and the girl was at the same time brought home by her father. HESITATED TO MARRY HIM.

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HESITATED TO MARRY HIM. Scott gave bonds. The warrant for his arrest had been sworn out by Dawson, and on preliminary exam-ination Scott easily proved his inno-cence and was at once released. The day after his release he went to the police station and asked that a po-licement be sent with bin to the home liceman be sent with him to the home of the girl. He said she was confined there and that he wanted an officer to protect him from her father. He went with the escort. The girl was called out, accompanied

by her father. Scott reminded her that she was now of age, and wanted to know if she would go and be mar-ried to him. She hesitated, and said

Prof. H. C. Bumpus. Some definite facts and figures

showing the exact effects of smoking cigarettes have at last been ob-The student to be experimented up-on first lay down on a court, and

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his experiments.

The first record taken was the nor-mal pulse of the student on the sofa. This fluctuated from 62 to 67 a minute, rising in one instance to 71. The total beats of the normal pulse for five minutes was 332, or an average of 66 2-3. The Brown student on the sofa then

began to smoke a cigarette. "inhal-ing" the smoke, as do nearly all cig-arette smokers. His pulse immediately

jumped up. The first minute it reached 75, which was a higher record than any normal pulsation could show for a single min ute. During the first five minutes the pulse fluctuated from 71 to 77 a minute

The total for the whole five min-utes was 376. This showed that cig-arette smoking made a normal pulse which averaged 66 2-3 a minute jump to an increase of 75 1-5 beats a min-

Upon a second trial, and after wait-Upon a second trial, and after wait-ing three minutes, his pulse was up to S3, making a total of 396, or an average of over 79 for five minutes. A third trial was then taken, after the student had smoked two cigar-ettes. His pulse by this time remain-ed steadily over 80. In one instance it reached the ex-traordinary height of S9 beats per minute. The total for five minutes was 420 beats, an average of exactly 84 beats per minute.

minute. The total for five influes was 420 beats, an average of exactly 84 beats per minute. It will thus be seen that the normal pulse of the student, lying upon a lounge, and unaffected by cigarettes, averaged 66 2-3 beats per minute, and after smoking two cigarettes it reach-es an average of 34 beats per minute. The cigarette smoking had added more than 17 beats per minute to the normal pulse, an acceleration of al-most 25 per cent. Each beat of the pulse could be easily counted by means of the rise and falling of the bamboo strip, and Prof. Bumpus held a watch in his hand, while one of the Brown Univer-sity stneents made the record. After this practical exhibition of the exact physical effects of cigarette smoking the popularity of cigarettes has rap-idly declined at Brown University.— N. Y. World.

INGERSOLL ON THE MESSAGE.

The Great Agnostic Denounces it as a Blunder and a Crime.

After reading that bloodthirsty prayer put up by the U.S. Congress-ional Chaplain at the opening of the

is the Offender's Hope.

A Washington, D. C., despatch last Sunday night says: In his sermon to-day, Dr. Talmage chose the universal theme of the season-the Christmas-tide. The text selected was, "Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem."-Matthew, ii., 1.

At midnight from one of the galleries of the sky a chant broke. To an ordinary observer there was no reason for such a celestial demonstration. A poor man and wife-travelers, Joseph and Mary by name—had lodged in an out-house of an unimportant village. The supreme hour of solemnity had passed, and upon the pallid forehead and check of Mary, God had set the dignity, the grandeur, the tenderness, the everlast-ing and divine significance of mother-hood.

grandeur, the tenderness, the everiasi-ing and divine significance of mother-hood. But such scenes had often occurred in Bethlehem, yet never before had a star been unfixed, or had a baton of light marshalled over the hills winged orchestra. If there had been such a brilliant and mighty recognition at an advent in the house of Pharaoh, or at an advent in the house of Caesar, or the house of Hapsburg, or the house of Stuart, we would not so much have wondered, but a barn seems too poor a center for such delicate and arch-angelic circumference. The stage seems too small for so great an act, the music too grand for such unappreciative au-ditors, the window of the stable too rude to be serenaded by other worlds. It is my joy to tell you what was born that night in the village barn; and as I want to make my discourse ac-cumulative and climacteric, I begin, in the first place, by telling you that that night in the Bethlehem manger was born encouragement for all the poorly started. He had only two friends, they his parents. No satin-lined cradle, no delicate attentions, but straw, and the cattle, and the coarse joke and banter of the camel drivers. No wonder the mediaeval painters represent the oxen as kneeling before the infant Jesus, for thering before the infant Jesus, for the imperial throne in heaven. What name is mightlest to-day in Christendom? Jesus. Who has more friends on earth than any other being? Jesus. Before whom do the most thous-ands kneel in chapel and church and cathedral this hour? Jesus. From what depths of poverty to what heights of renown! And so let all those who are poorly started remember that they cannot be more poorly born, or more disadvantageously, than this Christ. Let them look up to his example while they have time and eternity to finitate it. Do you know that the vast majority of the worid's deliverers had barnlike

it. Do you know that the vast majority of the world's deliverers had barnlike birthplaces? Luther, the emancipator of religion, born among the mines. Shakespeare, the emancipator of litera-ture, bern in an humble home at Strat-ford on Avon. Columbus, the discover-er of a world, born in poverty at Genoa. Hogarth, the discoverer of how to make art accumulative and adminis-trative of virtue, born in an humble home in Westmoreland. Kitto and Prideaux, whose key unlocked new apartments in the Holy Scriptures which had never been entered, born in want. Yes, I have to tell you that nine out of ten of the world's deliverers were born in want. I stir your holy ambitions to-day, and I want to tell you, although the whole world may be opposed to you, and inside and outside of your occupa-tion or professions there may be those who would hinder your ascent, on your side, and enlisted in your behalf are the synpathetic heart and the almighty arm of One who one Christmas night about eighteen hundred and ninety-five years ago was wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger. Oh, what magnificent encouragement for the poorly started! Do you know that the vast majority

what magnificent encouragement for the poorly started! Again, I have to tell you that in that village barn that night was born good will to men, whether you call it kind-ness, or forbearance, or forgiveness, or veniality or affection or love. ness, or forbearance, or forgiveness, or geniality or affection, or love. It was no sport of high heaven to send its favor to that humiliation. It was sac-rifice for a rebellious world. After the calamity in paradise, not only did the ox begin to gore, and the adder to sting, and the elephant to smite with his tusk, and the lon to put to bad use tooth and paw, but under the very tree from which the forbidden fruit was plucked were hatched out war, and re-venge, and malice, and envy, and jeal-ousy, and the whole brood of cocka-trices. ousy, and the whole brood of cocka-trices. But against that scene I set the Bethlehem manger, which says, "Bless rather than curse, endure rather than assault," and that Christmas night put out vindictiveness. It says, "Sheathe your sword, dismount your guns, dismantle your batteries, turn the warship Constellation, that carries shot and shell into a grain ship to take food to famishing Ireland, hook your cavalry horses to the plow, use your deadly gunpowder in blasting rocks and in patrictic celebration, stop your lawsuits, quit writing anon-ymous letters, extract the sting from your sarcasm, let your wit coruscate but never burn, drop all the harsh words out of your vocabulary-'Good-will to men.'" "Oh," you say, "I can't exercise it; I won't exercise it until they apolo-gize; I won't forgive them until they ask me to forgive them. You are no Christian then-I say you are no Christian, or you are a yery incon-sistent Christian. If you forgive not men their trespasses, how can you ex-pect your Heavenly Father to forgive you? Shake hands all around, "Good-will to men." trices how. Shake hands all around, "Good-will to men." Oh, my Lord Jesus, drop that spirit into all our hearts this Christmas time. I tell you what the world wants more than anything else-more heiping hands, more sympathetic hearts, more kind words that never die, more disposition to give other people a ride, and to carry the heavy end of the load and give other people the light end, and to ascribe good motives instead of bad, and to find

our happiness in making others hap-

our happiness in making others hap-py. Out of that Bethlehem crib let the bear and the lion eat straw like an ox. "Good-will to men." That prin-ciple will yet settle all controversies, and under it the world will keep on improving until there will be only two antagonists in all the earth, and they will side by side take the jubilant sleigh-ride initimated by the prothet when he said, "Holiness shall be on the bells of the horses." Again, I remark that born that Christmas night in the village barn was sympathetic union with other worlds. From that supernatural grouping of the cloud banks over Bethlehem, and from the especial trains that ran down to the scene I find that our world is beautifully and gloriously and magnificently surround-ed. The meteors are with us, for one of them ran to point down to the birthplace. The heavens are with us, because of the thought of our redemp-tion they roll hosannas out of the midnight sky. Oh, yes, I do not know but eur-world may be better surrounded than we have sometimes imagined; and when a child is born angels bring it, and when a heart breaks angels soothe it. Angels in the hospitals to take care of the slow of the anglise is the angle soothe it. Angels in the hospitals to take care of the slow are deal. Angels in the church ready to fly heavenward with the news of repentant souls. An-sels above the world. Angels under the world. Angels all around the world.

Rub the dust of human imperfections out of your eyes, and look into the heavens and see angels of pity, angels of mercy, angels of pardon, angels of help, angels crowned, angels, charioted. The world defended by angels, clouds of angels. Hear David cry out, "The charlots of God are twenty thousand. Even thousands of angels." But the mightlest angel stood not that night in the clouds over Bethlehem; the mightlest angel stood not that night in the clouds over Bethlehem; the mightlest angel stood not that night in the clouds over Bethlehem; the mightlest angel stood not that night list angel stood not an angel, not a world but wept and thrilled and shouted. Oh, yes, our world has plenty ef sympathizers! Our world is only a silver rung of a great ladder, at the top of which is our Father's house. No more stellar solitariness for our world, no more friendless planets spun out into space to freeze, but a world in the bosom of divine maternity. A star harnessed to a manger.
Again, I remark that that night born in that village barn was the offender's hope. Some sermonizers may say I ough to have projected that thought at the beginning of the sermon. Oh, no' I wanted you to examine the cornelians and the jaspers and the crystals before I showed you the Kohinoor-the crown jewel of the ages. Oh, that jewel had a very poor setting! The cub of bear is born in cavern chandeliered with stalagnite. Christ was born in a bare barn.
Yet that nativity was the offender's hope. Over the door of heaven are written these words: "None but the stond of pillars of the spullence. "No, horror," you say, "that shuts us all out!" No. Christ came to the world in ond door

GENERAL The overdue steamer Furnessia has arrived at Moville.

The cruiser Kwan Ping, captured by the Japanese from China, has been wrecked. A number of officers by the and 60 men are missing.

Captain-General Martinez de Cam-pos, commander of the Spanish forces in Cuba, has arrived in Havana. He admits that the forces under Gener-als Gomez and Maceo are advancing rapidly upon the capital, but he hopes to be able to check them. In the meantime however, the city is the meantime, however, the city is being put in a state of defence.

RAM'S HORN PHILOSOPHY.

Paul was strong in many things, but the strength of Christ was this

main dependence. The journey toward God soon comes to a standstill when we no longer hun-

ger and thirst after righteousness. The Son had to go to the cross, that the world might see what was in the Father's heart.

Father's heart. The Jews knew that Jehovah was a God of power, but they never dreamed that He was a God of love. It makes no difference how small

army is, so long as it remains united.

It was the "mixed multitude" that made all the trouble in the wilderness, and it is the same thing that makes trouble in the church to-day.

It is not so much what we put into our pockets, as what we take out that makes us rich. Whoever comes face to face with unselfish love has to stop and think. To love his enemies is about as im-portant a service as a Christian can render Christ

nder Christ.

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she could not, with her parents op-posing. She was firm, and Scott went away disconsolate, but not discouraged.

Scott was far from giving up, and although the girl had refused to mar-ry him, they met frequently, and at last agreed to elope. The girl left her home this afternoon, saying she her home this afternoon, saying she was going down town to do some shopping. She went at once and met Scott and they were married at 3 o'clock by Justice of the Peace Sil-vara. After the marriage Scott took his wife to a hotel and went to her home to get some of her belongings. He went first to the police station and asked that a policeman be sent with him. Policeman Duval was de-tailed. They went alone to the flat occupied by the Dawsons, and were admitted. Dawson looked nervous and excited, and when Duval ex-plained the object of the visit he said that the girl's clothing was not there. Duval insisted, but was again refused. PUT THREE BULLETS IN SCOTT.

PUT THREE BULLETS IN SCOTT. Then he and Scott turned to go, Scott going out ahead of the police-man. As they were near the door Duval looked around and saw Dawson described around and saw Dawson drawing a revolver. The next in-stant it had been fired and the bullet was in Scott's body. The policeman became panic-stricken, and instead of

became panic-stricken, and instead of making an effort to stop the shoot-ing got out of the way Dawson stepped to the prostrate form of Scott and shot three times more. Two of the bullets took effect. The last was shot into the prostrate man's head, entering behind the ear and going into the brain. Dawson stepped over him with the utmost de-liberation as he fired, and death was instantaneous.

Instantaneous. Duval was afraid to arrest Dawson and went away. Dawson went into a room and locked the door. A detail of police came in ten minutes and took Dawson to the county jail. Daw-son made no resistance. The girl, after waiting some time for Scott to return, went to the home of his parents, No. 1,525 East Grand avenue, and was there when the news of Scott's death came. When a news-paper man went into the house he found the mother completely broken down, weeping and in hysteries; the

session, in which, in the name of Him who counselled peace, humility and long-suffering, Heaven was invoked to make the States "quick to resent" any supposed wrong, one might be ex-cused for expecting Col. Ingersoil to Baince interrage. But he does not. Being inter-viewed he said:

In my judgment the President acted in haste, without thought. It may be that it would have been well enough for an appropriation for a Commis-sion to accertain the facts to the end that our Government might act in-telligently. There was no propriety in going further than that. To almost declare war before the facts are known was a blunder-almost a crime. For my part I do not think the are Monroe doctrine has anything to do with the case, Mr. Olney reasons badly and it is only by a perversion of facts and an exaggeration of facts and by calling in question the motives of Eng-land that it is possible to conclude that the Monroe doctrine has or can have anything to do with the conanything to do with the con-ersy. The President went out of have troversy. his way to find a quarrel.

Nobody doubts the courage of the American people, and we for that rea-son can afford to be sensible and prudent. Valor and discretion should go together. Nobody doubts the cour-age of England. America and Engage of England. America and Eng-land are the leading nations, and in their keeping to a great extent is the glory of the future. They should be at peace. Should a difference arise it should be settled without recourse to war. Fighting settles nothing but the relative strength. No light is thrown on the course of the conflict. on the question or fact that caused the war. If the members of Congress really

If the members of Congress really represent the people then there is danger. But I do not believe the peo-

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THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

The Bank of England, "The Old The Bank of England, The On Lady of Threadneedle street," will celebrate the 200th anniversary this year. The founding of this bank was decided upon in 1694, and, upon the subscribing of £1,200,000, husiness was decided upon in 1034, and, open the subscribing of £1,200,000, business was begun the next year. The pres-ent building occupied by the bank was built in 1734. Although there are many handsomer edifices in the world than the "Old Lady," as all know who have seen it, it is as strong as a fortress, and, in fact, has resisted two sieges by armed citizens in the course of its history. The capital of the bank at present is £14,523,000, with a reserve of £3,414,660. The bank is conducted by a governor, sub-governor and 24 directors, and 1,169 persons, drawing a combined salary of \$1,500,000 are employed in the in-stitution. stitution.

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An Abyssinian force of 60,000 men is moving on the Italian colony of Eryethrea. Gen. Baratieri, with a force of 10,000 men, is defending Adihat.