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TO-DAY'S MARKETS

New York Stocks. Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Te-pumeeh House, for The Advertiser. Yesterday's Close, Open, High, Low, 2 p.m.

Yesterday's

Olose. Open. High, Lovy. 2

Anaconda. 47% 47% 47% 47%

Atcheson. 38% 88% 38% 57%

Atcheson Pid. 23% 82% 82% 82%

B. & O. 80 79% 70% 70% 70%

Brooklyn Tran. 71 70% 71 65%

C. B. & Q. 155% 135% 135% 131%

C. C. O. 65% 66% 66% 66% 66%

Gen. Electric. 167% 167 168% 167

Jersey Gentral. 146% 144 144% 144

K. & T. Pid. 38 38 38% 37%

L. & N. 83 82% 82% 18%

Manhattan. 108% 108% 108% 107%

Metropolitan St. 167% 167 167 167 165%

Mo. P. 50% 56% 59% 59%

N. Y. Central. 142

Norfolk and W. 42 42 42 41%

Northern Pacific 70% 66% 66% 43%

Pacific Mail. 46% 46% 45%

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W. U. 83

TRUSTS—

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Montreal Stock Market.

Ask.	(
Canadian Pacific 8634	
Duluth, common 51/4	
Duluth, preferred 14	
Commercial Cable	1
Com. Cable Coupon Bonds	1
Commercial Reg. Bonds	1
Montreal Telegraph	1
Richelieu and Ontario1071/2	1
Montreal Street Railway2731/2	2
Montreel Street Railway, new	2
Toronto Railway109%]
Montreal Gas Company203	2
Bell Telephone]
Royal Electric	5
Bank of Montreal270	:
Ontario Bank	
Molsons Bank191	
Bank of Toronto	-
Merchants' Bank	
Merchants' Bank of Halifax	
Quebec Bank 120	
Union Bank	
Bank of Commerce	
Northwest Land 51	
Montreal Cotton Co	
Canada Colored Cotton 85	
Dominion Cotton	
Toronto Stock Market.	

TORONTO, Dec. 7

	Ask.
Montreal	
Ontario	
Toronto	
Merchants	
Commerce	
Imperial	220
Dominion	
Standard	225
Hamilton	
British America	103
Western Assurance	117
Consumers' Gas	215
Montreal Gas	201
Northwest Land Company,	pref. 49
Canada Pacific Ry Stock	8634
General Electric	1921/4
London Electric	103
Commercial Cabie	1731/
Cable Coup. Bonds	102
Cable Rog. Bonds	102
Dominion Telegraph	
Bell Telephone Company	173
Richelieu and Ontario	1071/
Toronto Street Railway	10874
London Street Railway	
Dominion Savings and In	rest 75
Huron and Erie L. and S	199
Huron and Erie, new	189
Lon. and Can. L. and A	70
London Loan	
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English Markets.

Liverpool, Dec. 7—Closing.
Wheat—Spot, steady; No. 1 Cal., 6s 2%d
No. 1 northern spring, 6s 2%d; No. 2 red
vestern winter, 5s 11%d; futures, steady; Dec., 58 11½d; March, 68 ½d.
Corn—Spot. firm American mixed, new;
48 ½d; futures, steady; Dec., 48 ½d; Jan., 38
10¼d; March, 38 10d.
Peas—Canadian, quiet, 58 8¼d.
Beef—Extra India mess, easy, 69s; prime

mess, nominal, 65s.

Pork—Prime mess, fine western, firm, 72s.

Flour—St. Louis faucy winter, steady, 8s 6d. Lard - American refined, in pails, steady, 39s; prime western, in therees, steady, 38s 9d.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, steady, 46s 6d.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 39 lbs, strong, 48s; short ribs, 18 to 23 lbs, firm, 48s 6d; long clear middles, light, 35 to 40 lbs, firm, 48s 9d; long clear middles, heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, steady, 48s 3d; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, firm, 44z; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, steady, 56s 3d.

Shoulders—Square, 12 to 13 lbs, steady, 34s.

Tallow—Prime city, firm, 25s 6d; Australian in London, fir Lard - American refined, in pails, steady, 39s;

Cottonseed oil-Hull refined, spot in bar-rels, steady, 20s 9d. American finest white, easy, 51s 6d;

do. colored, easy, 52s &d. Butter-United States finest, quiet, 95s; do Hops-At London, Pacific coast, steady, #25s

Linsced oil—Steady, 37s 3d. Tarpentine spirits—Dull, 30s. Rosin - Common, steady, 487%d.

Petroleum - Refined, quiet, 7s.
Receipts of wheat during the past three days
were 333,000 centals, including 273,600 American. Receipts of American corn during the past three days, 746,100 centals. Weather, shewery.

Terente Produce Market.

Toronto, Dec. 7.—Wheat—Quiet and easier, at 63½c for red and white, middle freights; goose, 60c west; spring, 66c east; Manitoba, 90c for No. 1 hard and 85c for No. 2 hard at Toronto and west; 92c for No. 1 hard and 87c for No. 2 hard, grinding in tran-sit, and 81c for No. 2 hard at Goderich. Flour-Steady; 90 per cent patents are unchanged, at \$2.85 in middle freights; brands 15c to 20c higher; Manitoba, \$4 \$5 for Hungarian patents, and \$4 05 for strong bakers in car lots, bags included, at Toronto. Millfeed-Steady, at \$13 to \$13 for shorts, \$12 50 for bran west. Barley—Steady, at 40c for No. 2, and 39c for No. 3 extra, middle freights, an 37c for No. 3 extra west. Buckwheat-Steady, at 48c, middle freights west. Rye-Steady, at 47c, middle freights. Corn-Steady; Canada yellow is quoted at 34c to 35c west; new American yellow is quoted at 450 at Toronto. Oats, 251/2c to 26c for No. white, middle freights. Peas-Steady, at 60c west. Butter-Shipments of dairy larger; choice pound



rolls, 18c to 19½c; large rolls, 17c to 18½c; low grade weaker, 13c to 15c;

creamery steady, at 23c to 24c; solids,

Choicest Beef

to 22c. Eggs-New-laid scarce; firm at 20c to 22c; fresh gathered, 17c to 19c; limed, 15c to 16c. Dressed hogs -Local packers paid \$7 on the track here. Live hogs—Receipts today, 2,-700; prices unchanged; choice bacon, 6c; heavy and light fat, 5%c.

American Markets. NEW YORK, Dec. 7 .-- Flour-Restate and western market was quiet and fractionally lower to sell. Rve flori-Quiet Wheat-Receipts, 93,475 bu; sales, 870,000 bu; options opened firm on cables and small Argentine shipments, but turned weak efterward from bearish Argentine crop news and local unloading; Dec., 77%c to 77%c; Jan., 77%c to 78c; March, 79%c to 80%c; May, 791-16c to 799-16c. Rye-Firm; state, 52c to 53c, c.i.f., New York, in car lots; No. 2 western, 561/2c, f.o.b., afioat. Corn—Receipts, 202,800 bu; sales, 30,000 bu; options were steady at first on reports of rains west, but later yielded with wheat; Dec., 46½c; May, 42½c to 42½c. Oats—Receipts, 109,200 bu; options slow and nominally easier. Lard—Quiet; prime western steam, \$7.57½. Butter—Receipts, 5.357 pkgs; firm. Cheese—Receipts, 5,112 pkgs; firm. Dggs-Receipts, 7,723 pkgs; strong; state and Pennsylvania, 27c to 30c; western regular packing, at mark, 22c to Sugar—Raw firm. Coffee—Weak; No. 2 Rio, 71/sc. Tallow—Steady. Lead—

Wool-Dull. Hops-Quiet. Chicago Exchange. CHICAGO, Dec. 7. Followingare the fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade furnished by F. H. Butler, broker Teoumseh House. Phone 1278. broker Tecumseh Hous
Open.

Wheat—Dec. 7094
Jan 71
May 7354
Corn—Dec 3774
Jan 3634
May 3634
Oats—Dec. 2134
Jan 2134
May 2334
Pork—Dec. 11 25
Jan 12 22
May 12 12
Lard—Dec. 7 12
Jan 6 90
May 6 95
Ribs—Dec. 6 47
Jan 6 32
May 6 37 23% 23% 233/4

MUSTERED OUT.

Death of One of the Oldest Baptist Ministers in Canada.

[Special to The Advertiser per G.N.W.] Toronto, Ont., Dec. 7.-Rev. John Alexander, one of the oldest Baptist ministers in Canada, died at his residence here this morning. He was born in Quebec in 1828, and was for over 50 years actively engaged in the ministry, with charges at Montreal, Brantford, Simcoe, Brockville and Toronto.

PORTUGAL AND HOLLAND

Rupture of Relations Considered as Very Serious—Tension Emphasized by a Toast.

Madrid, Dec. 7 .- The Imparcial says it considers the rupture of relations very serious. It adds that it was due ther asserting that Portugal is now source. er the tutelage of Lord Salisbury. Lisbon, Dec. 7 .- The tension between Fortugal and Holland appears to have been emphasized, perhaps not altogether unintentionally, by the peculiar warmth of King Charles' toast to Queen Victoria at the banquet given sesterday evening at the royal palace o Vice-Admiral Sir Herry Holdsworth Rawson and the officers of the British feet now in the River Tagus, and by the telegram which the king afterwards dispatched to Queen Victoria, thanking her majesty for sending the feet, and for the friendship thus denonstrated. "I beg to record," tele-raphed the king, "my great satisfac-

tion at the frank and loyal alliance initing England and Portugal." During his speech in which he toasted Queen Victoria, the king said, aming other things: "England has often hared the efforts and glories of Por-Our mutual friendship and listory and the blood shed together

causes which have always been Admiral Rawson replied that the words of the king harmonized with the

thoughts of the government and people of Great Britain. Observers think that the speeches and telegram constitute an intimation o the world that Portugal can count on strong support if necessary.

The Hague, Dec. 7.—While it is not denied that the minister of the Nether-

ands at Lisbon and the minister of Portugal here are temporarily leaving their posts, it is semi-officially declared that there is no question of the ministers being recalled. It is explained that Count De Selir, the Poruguese minister, is proceeding to Lisbon on a few days' visit to explain rrisen in connection with the Netherlands consul, Herr Pott, at Lorenzo

HOCKEY

THE CITY LEAGUE. The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the City Hockey League, held in the Y. M. C. A. The was an enthusiastic

Honorary President-C. W. Smith President-Fred Beltz

Vice-President-Percy Ashplant. Secretary-Treasurer-A. K.' Woolley. Executive Committee-The last three named, together with Bert Glover. Archie McMahen and Victor Kerrigan. It was decided to leave date open until Monday, Dec. 10, to enter teams kindly make application to the secretary not later than Monday noon.

Insurance companies will now take risks for limited amounts on football

players. TESTED BY TIME.-In his justly celebrated Pills Dr. Parmelee has unique medicines offered to the public in late years. Prepared to meet the want for a pill which could be taken without nausea, and that would purge without pain, it has met all requirements in that direction, and it is in general use not only because of these two qualities, but because it is known to possess alterative and curative powers which place it in the front rank of medicines

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Latest Weather Probabilities

Toronto, Dec. 7-10 a.m.-Weather probabilities for the next 24 hours in the lower lakes region: Fresh to strong winds, shifting to northerly; sleet and snow, turning somewhat Saturday-Mostly fair and moderate-

LATE LOCAL ITEMS

-A. H. Notman, assistant general passenger agent of the C. P. R., was in the city yesterday.

-Mr. James Colerick, of the firm of H. & C. Colerick, has returned from New York and other eastern cities. -Rev. Dr. Johnston, city, presided at

a meeting of the Ontario Lord's Day Alliance committee, held in Toronto yesterday. -Mr. Joseph Franks, St. Paul, Minn, who has been visiting Mrs. K. Franks

(dress cutting school), 233½ Dundas street, returned home yesterday. -Mr. Chas C. Barton, of Maryboro Place, South London, left last Saturday to spend Christmas with his par-ents and friends in Gloucester and

other parts in England. -Mrs. M. Cox, of Elizabeth street, has gone to Hamilton to wait on her son Mr. Fred Cox, who is suffering from an attack of bronchitis at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Joe Weber,

28 Barton street. -Murray Castle and London Tents of the Maccabees met last night in Somerset Hall and decided to amalgamate. The amalgamation will take place on Dec. 28, when a splendid enertainment will be given.

Samuel Neil, of Courtwright, Ont., is in Detroit, looking for his 3-year-old son, whom he claims has been kidnapped by a woman who was formerly in his employ. The father believes that the child has been taken to Detroit.

According to a dispatch from Washington, China may seek to offset the claims of the powers for indemnity by between Holland and Portugal to be presenting claims for injuries to the persons and property of her subjects caused by punitive expeditions. This t) the intrigues of Great Britain, fur-

> DIVISION COURT. A sitting of No. 1 Division Court was

held this morning before Judge Wm. Elliott. About 35 cases were disposed VAGRANT COMMITTED Wm. Clarke, who claims Chatham as

his home, was brought to the county jail here today to serve 30 days' hard labor on a charge of vagrancy. He was committed by Police Magistrate A. A.

MacTayish, of Parkhill. THE LOCAL MILKMEN. The local milkmen held a meeting last evening in Hurd's Hall, Wellington street, to discuss matters affecting

their business. It was decided not to sell out to the milk trust which is being formed. On the contrary, the local dealers resolved to organize a union under the American Federation of Labor. The charter was signed and a full staff of officers elected.

Ald. Stevenson and a number of other gentlemen here, would like to have the council spend \$100 or so in building a pheasant run in Victoria Park, similar to that at Belle Isle, De troit. He would stock it with half a dozen or a dozen pairs of birds the first year, and the number would be increased annually at no cost to the city. The pheasants would need no more care than any other fowl.

SACRED CONCERT. The sacred concert in the First Methodist Church last night was enjoyed by a large audience. The programme opened with an overture, "Midsummer Night's Dream," by Mr.

J. T. Wolcott. Miss Currie sang "Abide with Me." and the choir sang the anthem, "All Through the Day" rich). Mr. McDonald sang "In the Organ Loft." Mr. J. Truman Wolcott's new composition. The concert was concluded with a benediction hymn, "God Be with You," by Miss Pickard, Messrs. Large and McDonald, and the

The cantata, "Saul of Tarsus," which wus the feature of the evening, was given in a manner that was entirely easing, the soloists being Misses Parker, Pickard and Wilson, Messrs. Large, McDonald and Blackwell. Mr

Wolcott presided at the great organ, and played in his customary finished

THE CRIMINAL LIST. Elight cases are down upon the coun

cil docket for next week's sitting of Gain of 39 Points in the Selling Price of the county judge's criminal court and general sessions of peace. The most serious is that against Peter Beaver, an Indian, charged with criminally assaulting his 14 -year-old niece. Hans Kroil, a Dane, is charged with the theat of \$190 from his employers, the Canadian Packing Company. There are two charges against Warren Jenkins, one of assaulting and wounding John McDowell, and the other of obtaining \$10 from him by fraud. A countercharge is laid against McDowell of steading a number of books and papers act for Standard oil people.

from Jenkins. The two men were for- The New York Mail and Express merly partners. Barrister W. H. Bartram is charged with assaulting Robt. | 000,000 now has a market value of over McGary, a West London boy. William Davidson is charged with stealing a quantity of stone, the property of Mrs. Isabella Hughes. Cornelius Elm. an Oneida Indian, will answer a charge of assaulting Elijah Ireland, another red

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will in future reside. Games, music, and dancing were indulged in for the greater part of the evening. An ex-cellent supper was partaken of, after which Mr. Cox presented Miss Marshall with a beautiful gold and silver tea service, as a testimony of the esteem in which she is held by Mrs. Cox and himself. Miss Marshall suitably replied, the guests joining and singing "He's a Jolly Good Fellow." Miss Marshall's fellow-employes and friends also presented her with many nandsome gifts and wished her every success in her new home. After thank-ing Mr. and Mrs. Cox for their hospi-

The Civil List.

The civil list cases so far entered for hearing next week at the county judge's criminal court and general sessions of the peace are as follows: JURY.

Vining vs. Taylor-John P. Vining sues Samuel Taylor to recover \$200 damages for alleged wrongfully cutting of timber and removal of same from land previously sold by defendant to plaintiff. Jarvis & Vining for plain-tiff; Meredith, Judd, Dromgole & El-

liot for defendant.

Bartram vs. Bell Telephone Company.

Barrister W. H. Bartram sues pany. Barrister W. H. Bartram such the defendant company for \$100 damages for alleged wrongful removal of office telephone. W. H. Bartram for plaintiff; Meredith, Judd Dromgole & Elliot for defendant.

Dickin vs. London Street Railway Company. Thomas A. Dickin sues to recover \$200 damages for injuries sustained by his wife by being struck by a car of defendant company's on Jan. 6 last. Meredith & Fisher for plaintiff; Hellmuth & Ivy for defendant. NON-JURY.

Wood vs. Fraser, George Wood, contractor, sues John Fraser, farmer, for \$200 for extra supplies on a building contract. R. H. Dignan for praintiff: Fraser & Moore for defendant.

London Public

Library Additions. Spofford-A Book for All Readers.

Trench-The Passion Play and Its History. Chorus in German and Eng-Hodgins-British and American Diplomacy Affecting China, 1782-1899.
The Corset and the Crinoline. book of modes and costumes from remote periods to the present time. Fraser-Mooswa and Others of the

Boundaries. Walker-Handbook of Drawing. Mrs. Thompson Seton-A Woman Tenderfoot.

Sullivan-Queer Side-Stories. Hearn-Glimpses of Unfamiliar Japan. Two volumes. Hearn—Out of the East. Reverles and studies in New Japan. Hearn-Shadowings. Japanese Stud-

Mockler-Ferryman-Up the Niger. Major C. Macdonald's mission. Fraser (editor)—The Last Laird of Lieut.-Col. Alexander Gordon-Re-

Gen. Count Enrico Della Rocca-The Autobiography of a Veteran, 1807-93. Churchill-Ian Hamilton's March

Charnay-The Ancient Cities of the New World. Mexico and Central Am-

Anstey-The Brass Bottle. A. E. Barr-The Maid of Maiden Lane. Bates-Love in a Cloud.

Bell—The Expatriates. Braddon—The Infidel. Castle-Consequences. Meade--A Brave Poor Thing. Milecote—A Girl of the North, Phillpotts—Sons of the Morning. St. Aubyn-A Tragic Honeymoon. Speight-Mora: One Woman's His-Henty-With Buller in Natal.

SONS OF TEMPERANCE

Officers-Next Meeting at

Perth. Dec. 6.-The town hall was crowded last evening at a public meeting of the grand divisions of the Sons of Temperance. The chair was occupied by W. B. Burgoyne, G. W. P. A hearty address of welcome was given by Mayor Stewart, of Perth, and was

responded to by the chairman. The session of the grand division reopened this morning, the first business being the initiation of six more The election of officers resulted as follows: G. W. P., J. O. Mc-Arthur, Toronto; G. W. A., G. F. Kennedy, Perth; G. S., J. M. Waliton, Kettleby: G. T., A. D. Weeks, Toronto; G. Chap., Rev. J. Lambert, Alexandria; G. Con., A. Rankin, Middleville: G. Sent., George Anderson; superintendent of Young People's work.Mrs. Pet-Hampton; G. Trustees, W. B.

Burgoyne, St. Catharines. The committee on legislation drew attention to the failure of the plebiscite vote to secure prohibition, and recommended renewed zeal on the part of members in the direction of educating the people and especially young. The grand division decided to meet next year at Brampton.

J. D. ROCKEFELLER'S PILE OF ROCKS

Standard Oil Certificates in One Day.

Standard oil sold at New York Monday at \$825 a share, an advance of 39 points over the highest price of Saturday, and by that much margin the highest price at which the stock has ever sold, says the New York Evening Post. Less than two months ago the stock sold at 534. Most of the selling was by brokers supposed at times to

says: "The company's capital of \$100,-\$800,000,000. The stock is the second try. When it is considered that John D. Rockefeller owns 43 per cent of the total capital of the company, the amount of the increase of his fortune within a year is tremendous. In the company which he controls his investments are worth at least \$350,000,000

a very pleasant time was spent on Monday evening, when the many friends of Miss Bessie Marshall, assembled there to bid her tarewell, on SERIOUSLY HURT

By a Collision on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railway Today.

Buffalo, Dec. 7.—Early this morning engine No. 715, on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad, exploded at Ray, between Darien and Alexander, about 30 miles from this

Five men, all residents of Elmira, were seriously injured, one of whom tality and singing "Auld Lang Syne," the company dispersed at a late hour. will probably die, and another of whom may be blind for life.

The men were brought here to the Fitch Hospital, where they now are. Their names and injuries are as fol-

Jacob Morgan, engineer, left leg fractured and both eyes badly burned; will lose sight. J. Auerbach, fireman, skull fractur-ed and left arm broken; can hardly

recover.

Charles Miller, both arms and body badly scalded by escaping steam; in bad condition. M. J. Cannon, conductor, scalded about the face. L. Willys, brakeman, extent of in-

juries unknown.
The engine was running east as an extra freight and was on its way to Linwood to bring west a trainload of

Gist of the News.

The Denver board of aldermen has passed a bill licensing prize fights for \$250 for each performance. Hon. Sydney Fisher will go to Glas-

gow in January to superintend the arrangements for the exhibition. A party of fifteen Brandonites have left to attend the Sifton banquet in Toronto next Tuesday. They will have a special car.

Mrs. James Sheridan, of Brockville. who was badly burned by coal oil the Millard Hulin was killed and Geo. Williams seriously injured by the fall of an old building at Madoc, which they were removing. It is reported that there will probably

be a second vacancy on the bench of Ontario before long, and that Mr. William Lount and some prominent Irish Catholic will be appointed judges. Countess Anna Castellane (nee Gould) objects to being forced to pay \$120,000 interest to one man. She also claims she has lots of property in France, and wants her New York money left alone by creditors.

A CHINESE HEROINE

The Wife of an Emperor Gave Her Life to Save an Infant Heir to the Throne.

[From the Youth's Compainon.] The moral and intellectual standcollections of a Highland Subaltern. acters are as likely to appear ridicul- increased so that he easily nets \$125 a 93rd Highlanders in India under Colin ous in our own eyes as to loom sub-When, for instances, they accord memorial honors to a young woman who cut slices from her arms and added them to the medicine of an aged parent in the hope of imparting to him some of her own youthful vigor our sentiment of admiration is not unmixed with other

> Still, there are Chinese characters whose heroism we can admire. of them-and a great favorite with Chinese historians and poets—is Queen Mi, wife of the Emperor Liu. During the rebellion of Tsao a great battle was fought, the chroniclers relate, in which the forces of the emperor became scattered and his household dispersed. While the combat still raged Queen Mi found herself alone, abandoned, cruelly wounded by an arrow and tottering feebly through the bloody grass on her "three-inch gold lilies" (compressed feet), bearing in her arms the little

A-tou, heir to the line. She was not his own mother, her maternal devotion was none the less perfect. Dragging herself painfully to a half-ruined hut she crouched against the wall with the baby wrapped in her robe. wrapped in her robe. Presently a horseman rode up and discovered her. proved to be Chao-tzu-lung, a faithful general of the emperor. Prostrating himself at her feet he begged her to mount his horse with the child, he could fight on foot at their side, and endeavor to break through the enemy's lines to the loyal

army on the farther side. Ceremoniously bidding him rise, the grateful queen in her turn knelt,"not to her general, but to his lovality." and assured him that she trusted him to resuce the heir, but that he must leave her to die. A warror on foot with a wounded woman as well as a baby, would be at a fatal disadvant-He must ride and carry the age.

"Place him beneath your corselet, next your heart," she said, "not too tightly nor yet so very loose. But Chao-tzu-lung could not bring himself to abandon the queen, seeing which she suddenly stooped, laid A-tou at his feet and running with the last muster of her strength to a well near at hand, sprang down it to her death. Then, indeed, the general took the baby as she had bidden him, and charging the enemy in a fury of grief and rage broke through their Mnes, bore the heir in safety to his father, Liu, and told him and his guard the story of the queen's self-sacrifice.

HAD LA GRIPPE.-Mr. A. Nickerson, farmer, Dutton, writes: "Last winter I had la grippe and it left me with a severe pain in the small of my back and hip that used to catch me whenever I tried to climb a fence. when I bought a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, and used it both internally and externally, morning and evening, for three days, at the expiration of which time I was completely cured.

A number of existing electric railway companies and a number of companies intending to apply for incorporation will ask the Ontario Legislature for exemption from the statute prohibiting the running of cars on the Lord's Day. These requests will be fought by the Lord's Day Alliance.

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"The smallest body of land ever granted by the United States as a homestead is located in South Florida,' said a gentleman at the Kimball yesterday. "This homestead is in Dado the extreme southeastern county in Florida, and is an island at the northern end of Lake Worth. The island is about an eighth of an acre in area yet claim for it was entered in the United States land office, final proof made, and the owner took possession.

"The owner of the diminutive homestead is a man nagned Haley, who went to Florida from Rhode Island, I think. Haley is a bachelor, who likes to be alone, and when he saw this island he resolved to buy it. He filed his claim, paying \$5 for the entry fee, and then pre-empted it at a cost of about 20 cents in order to secure an immediate title.
"I saw the island last winter when

I was in Florida. It is just a sand pit about 40 feet in length situated about a mile from the ocean, whose tide flows into the lake through an inlet. Haley has built a neat cottage on the island and is living there, as Cowper says of Alexander Selkirk, 'Mon-arch of all he surveys.'

"To look at the island one would

conclude that a person would starve to death on such a barren spot; but Haley is not only not starving, but is fattening his bank account. He makes on an average about \$125 per month out of that barren spot, that cost him, entry fee and all, about \$5 20. "How does he do it? Well, Haley, like all Yankees, has a keen eye for business, and when he first saw the island he noticed that it was in the path of the loggerhead and green turocean to feed. Haley knew that turtles were greatly in demand, and he bought the island for the purpose

supplying the demand and adding his bank roll. 'As soon as he settled on the island month. He has nets spread in which office of the turtles are meshed as they enter the take. Sometimes he finds 50 or more huge turtles in the nets. The turtles are not shipped as soon as cannot but are placed in 'crawle' and 'pens' constructed in deep water about the island. There the turtles are kept and fed until they are fat enough to tempt the epicures and then they are shipped north to be resolved into that delicious soup which everybody is fond

"That eighth of an acre of land is better than a Klondike claim. It costs nothing to work it, and the supply of turtles will never give out; nor will the appetites of epicures ever cease to call for turtle soup."-Atlanta Constitution.

Care of Horses in Winter.

As winter approaches everyone feels the need of extra precaution from the cold, so every horse-owner should realize that his animal requires extra provision for the winter. This is frequently overlooked, more often from careessness than from ignorance.

The horse should be kept in a warm, well-ventilated stable, free from drafts. The feed should be regulated according to the size of the animal and the kind of work that is required of him. The staple food is good oats and timothy hay, with the addition of small quantities of ear corn, dry bran, and carrots may be added to the oats for a change. When the horse is not working the feed should be reduced one-half, with one feed of bran and carrots, and one-half hour's exercise It is of importance that the drinking water be slightly warnied. for horses coming in exhausted and drinking cold water are liable to take a chill, which may cause colic or lung

The horse should be well groomed and all snow and mud washed off with warm water, then covered with a light stable blanket and bedded with clean dry straw. Horses that are care'd for this way will do more work; and be less liable to sickness than if they were neglected and kept in poorly ventilated basement barns, with poor feed. On the street, when standing in cold weather, they should be provided with large woolen blankets that will lap well over the chest, with the addition of a light waterproof covering for wet weather. Driving and carriage horses that perspire easily should be cripped to prevent them taking cold from standing in their heavy coats of wet hair, but extra covering should be given to the clipped horse, both in the stable and when standing on the

Horses should not be overloaded at any time, but especially not when the pavements are slippery. Great care should be taken to keep the shoes on heavy draft horses well sharpened, so that they may be able to get a firm footing when climbing the inclines to our bridges and viaducts. and buggy horses should be shod with nubber pads, which will be sufficient to give them the necessary footing on. asphalt pavement.

Family and driving horses that are not in use during the winter months should have their shoes removed and be turned out into the country, where they can run on the pasture in good weather and be put into the stable at night; this will prevent their feet from contracting and their joints from stifening from want of exercise. Horses that are going to be turned out for the winter should not be clipped. If they have been, they should be provided with a suitable blanket when in the morning, with the addition of a few carrots and plenty of hay. Horses treated in this way in the winter will

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er. The two are alike in military valor and skill, and they have in common their Irish birth. But while Roberts' career has been laid largely in India. Kitchener has won his way to fame in Egypt and the Soudan. Like the Strickland sahib of one of Kipling's hill stories, Kitchener founded his success by long and patient study of the people whom had to fight. He came to know the many dialects spoken by the desert tribes, and he schooled himself so thoroughly in their ways that he could pass as one of them at will.

For example, at one of his army's camps on the Nile two Arab date sellers were arrested as suspected spies and confined in the guard tent. Shortly afterward a third Arab prisoner was hastily bundled into the tent. An animated jabhering ensued between the three and in a few minutes, much to the astonishment of the sentry, the latest arrival drew aside the doorway and stepped out, remarking, "All right, sentry; I'm go-

It was Kitchener. Again, only a few minutes passed when an orderly hurried up, and a spade was handed to each of the two Arabs, who were marched outside the lines, dug their graves and were shot. They were dangerous spies, and Kitchener had

detected them,

ing to the general.'