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## LONDON, TUESDAY, FEB. 25.

The Whitney Government is contem plating a brutal gerrymander of Middlesex County, or its organ in this city

the Government's redistribution bill hunters are making a fuss over the

is the elimination of West Middlesex, his own province by a manipulation of and the creation of a Liberal hive, to the lists at the last federal election. be called South Middlesex, on the The slander was long ago exploded, lines of the infamous gerrymander and its revival is characterized by the

The township of Westminster, with public decency.

tives will refuse to believe, until proof was so thoroughly performed. is forthcoming, that the Whitney Government intends to load the dice in right to vote there is not the slightest this way. The fairness of the federal evidence. Our Winnipeg contemporary redistribution in 1903 is a precedent undertakes to say that at the outside which should make anything in the not more than 40 or 50 persons lost way of a gerrymander morally im- their votes, and that, with the possible

## NEWFOUNDLAND'S PROSPERITY.

The hope that the colony of Newfoundland will in the near future seek admission to the Canadian Dominion and thus round off the confederation finds little encouragement in the session of the Colonial Legislature re cently brought to a close. The island colony has been enjoying a period of prosperity that serves to make the people contented with their lot for the present. The finance minister, in his Opposition is divided on the temperinterests of the colony can "only be in Mr. Whitney's party. It's for whissecured by paddling our own canoe," ky straight. and working "through our own Parliament." When a period of adversity

That the colony is prosperous, the unancial statement for 1906-7 clearly shows. The total current revenue for penditure \$2.625,336-31, leaving a surplus of \$125,354 42. The growth of the colony's trade in the past eigh years has been remarkable. In that period the value of imports has increased from \$6,311,244 to \$11,426,040, the purchasing power per head advancshow a gain from \$6,936,315 to \$12,-The exports during the eight years exceeded the imports by some \$10,000,000. Less satisfactory is the showing as to could be taken the result might disnet debt, which is now \$21,202,566 56an increase of \$4,638,684. Of the surplus \$50,000 goes to the reserve fund water while a third of the good spring and large sums are expended on lighthouses, roads and marine works. On the latter, education, public charities, steamship subsidies and telegraph facilities, large increases in expendig drawled Robbie

In every department improvement is shown. The fisheries have more than held their own, there has been an increase in ship-owning and shipbuilding, while encouragement has been given to agriculture. As a result of pays a dollar a complete change in the methods of business during the past ten years. especially as regards transportation and marketing, higher prices have been obtained for fishery products, while

the internal trade of the colony and profits arising from it are now at Niagara for industrial purposes beiter distributed than in the pact, and new. the direct imports from abroad of the aknost every step of these negotiations. outport business houses have increased over 10) per cent in eight years. This distribution of trade and the fact that the waterways commission. The whole eatin', an' when the leader uv thet outfit a large number of young fishermen are at Toronto and at Ottawa. It looks as him a darn penny, or you'll hear from though Mr. Beck, in danger of discredit me!

will, in its social, economic and educational aspects, have in time a power- a patriotic outery against Washington ful influence on the future of the In this he may succeed. But even if he

Editorial Departments.... 134 and 136 forest and mineral resources are being and his colleagues had an opportunity, in The London Advertiser Company, rapidly developed. The finance minister predicts that in a short time the ruined by the action of the Government, rivers of the interior will be harnessed, extensive forest areas the colony will take advantage of the situation, and have reporting any irregularities in deliv-ery. Communicate with the Circula-pulp. The minister goes so far as to property, and would have made forever estimate that inside of a few years impossible there will be 10,000 persons connected with the manufacture of pulp and its MIDDLESEX BE MUTI- kindred industries. These are some of are so confident as to the future of me to the distinguished a local police the reasons why Newfoundlanders

THE THIN RED LINE. The "Thin Red Line" is the latest The organ professes to foreshadow Opposition catch-cry. The scandalas it affects this county, but it is al- appointment of one Leitch, of Manimost incredible that the Conservative toba, to superintend the distribution of gle for survival, which is part and parcel party is planning such an outrage in seed grain in the west, alleging that he had been guilty of disfranchising individual must receive more attention The scheme outlined by the organ thousands of Conservative voters in than heretofore. Ought we not to have Winnipeg Free Press as an outrage on

its Liberal majority of 428 in the last | On account of the Dominion electoral election, is to be taken out of East divisions differing from those of the Middlesex, and pitchforked into the province, it was found necessary, prior new riding. Metcalfe, with its Con- to the federal general election of 1904, servative majority of 50 or 60, is to be to adjust the provincial voters' lists to taken from West Middlesex and trans- the Dominion polling sub-divisions. ferred to North Middlesex. To make When the vast amount of labor inthe latter riding more securely Con- volved and the brevity of time are had one bit of exercise all day." servative, the Liberal township of taken into consideration, the accuracy Lobo will be taken from it, and placed of the work was remarkable. But bein East Middlesex. The Liberal ma- cause the returning officers found the jority in Lobo in the last provincial actual work of transferring over 9,000 general election was 223; in Westmin- names from the larger provincial pollster 428. The exchange of Westmin- ing sub-divisions to the smaller Doster for Lobo would, therefore, be a minion polls to be a very onerous gain of 200 Conservative votes in East task, and, following the example of the Conservative Provincial Gov-The organ unblushingly admits that ernment a year previously, employed the new arrangement would make clerical help, the charge of wholesale West Middlesex thoroughly Liberal, fraud against the Liberal party was But later on her fancies roam but that both East and North Middle- raised. It made no difference to the sex "will be more strongly Conserva- slander-hunters that in 99 per cent of tive than at present." The animus be- the whole territory the work was hind the deal is revealed in the as- faultless: that a few errors had inadsertion that "the Conservatives have vertently crept in was enough for their frequently come within hailing dis- purpose. When it is remembered, howtance of West Middlesex, but in re- ever, that in many instances the procent years have not been able to gain vincial lists contained merely the name the seat." Consequently, it might have of the voter without his address, and added, they have resolved to wipe it that there was therefore nothing to show to which constituency he be-

> That any elector was deprived of his exception of Provencher, the results of much for the "thin red line" slander

> Look out for the Ontario Govern ment's thin red gerrymander line in

> The federal railway commission has done its work so well that the Govern ment is going to give it more.

A contemporary says the Ontario budget speech, declared that the best ance question. There's no such trouble

> Those who talk of the danger of a consumptive sanatorium seem to ing very precise in their directions to consumptives to mix freely with other people and expectorate at large.

sent an agent to Canada to study the Lemieux act. The United States is beto be got north of the great lakes and the 49th parallel of latitude.

Gamey tells a Conservative gathering from \$22.68 to \$45.33. Exports grants as a class are not worth a tinker's d--. Gamey's lofty moral-101,161, the increase in earning power ity gives him the right to pass judgment on his fellow citizens.

> If a census of leaky taps in this city want to force people to drink river

## ROBBIE'S RECITATION.

"This is a warm doughnut; step on it," "No." corrected his teacher. "This is a worm; do not step on it.'

## WHAT BRIDGET KNOWS.

Knicker-Does Bridget know her Mrs. Bocker-Yes, she knows one that

#### A ROAST FOR ADAM. [Toronto News.]

public letter to the Prime Minister calling attention to the fact that an international agreement is likely to be effected under which no additional generation of power be permitted. This information is not There have been conferences at Niagara and at Washington. Every detail of the negotiations has been reported upon by story has been open to the Governments

vessels and independent, it is believed, and humiliation by his fatuous dealings will in its social economic and edupany, is seeking to cover his retreat by munity, and we should be very jealous The colony is no longer dependent that we surrender nothing to the United consequence of the financial embarrassoly of the generation and distribution of and as a result of cheap power and Niagara energy, that they neglected to become a large producer of paper and failed once and for all to secure what

#### THEY BOTH WENT.

[Puck.] First Mother freading letter from son me to the dictionary. Second Mother (resignedly) - That's nothing. Jack's always send me to the

#### NEW MINISTRY.

The people of this country are at last awakening to the fact that if the nation is to hold its own in the constant strugof nature's method of improving the world's stock, the physical fitness of the for the new hotel. This house is frea ministry of public health?

#### VANISHING BLONDES. [Liverpool Courier.]

Poets, painters and the whole artistic world have raved over the beauty of the blonde, but if certain scientists are to be believed-and these scientists have often a sad way of disconcerting the artistthere will within measurable time be no blondes to rave about.

#### EXERCISING THE DOG.

[Lippincott.] "Yes," replied Mr. Wyss.
"Will you speak a kind word to Fide and make him wag his tail? He hasn't

#### NOT MUCH GOOD. [Lippincott.]

"Can I have a piece of pie, mother?" "Say 'may I,' Johnny, not 'can I.' " "Well, mother, may I have a piece

"No, Johnny, you can't." AT SEVENTEEN.

[Washington Herald.] A girl's ideal at seventeen Must have fine eyes; Likewise a bold and striking mien

A dainty, fluffy, elfin queen

To one who'll bring his wages home. A man's idea! at seventeen Must be a sprite;

#### Of sheer delight. But later on he sort of feels He wants a girl who can cook meals

"PIN-PRICKING" THE FRENCH TREATY.

[Montreal Star.] many features, but favors the direct importation clause while Mr Macdonnell of Toronto, fears that this direct importation clause will prevent goods being brought to Toronto and Hamilton from like wild men. port critic supports a clause intended to build up the commerce of his port, the lake-port critic attacks it because it may limit the commerce of his port, and may from importing their Paris fashions in D Smith who comes from the grapegrowing district, he thinks that the founlations of the nation will be disturbed by the lower duties on light French

## PUZZLING.

[Catholic Standard and Times.] "Dees langwadge of yours," said the "How?" asked the American. "I say to my friend Giuseppe, 'You are getting on well? an' he say, 'Yes, I am

#### A PROLONGED PRESCRIPTION. [Canadian Courier.]

well off now.'

Dr. William Osler, a Canadian famous or science and speeches, told the follow ing amusing story, says M. A. P., to illustrate the importance of medical men bepatients. A young foreigner consulted a doctor about his health one day, and was water an hour before breakfast every morning." The patient took his leave and the doctor thought no more about it. week afterward, however, the young "That's curious," said the doctor. "Did

you follow my advice and drink hot water an hour before breakfast every "I did my best, sir," was the reply

#### 'but I couldn't keep it up for more than ten minutes at a time.' HOW ADAM WAS PUNISHED.

[Harper's Weekly.] A prominent pastor tells this story: "I visited a certain school one day daily course, and in order to test the chil dren's knowledge, asked some questions. One class of little girls looked particular-'What sin did Adam commit?

'He ate the forbidden fruit.' "'Right. Who tempted Adam?"

"'Not really Eve, but the serpent. And ow was Adam punished?" The girl hesitated and looked confuswho raised her hand and said, 'Please, sore weak bladder and rheumatism; paster, I know. Well, tell us. How was Adam pun-

## "He had to marry Eve!"

A REASON. [Chicago News.]

They were returning home from the theater one evening. "I wonder why it is," said his wife. nanagement of their husbands?" "My dear," replied her husband, "have rou ever reflected how difficult it is for ost-men to manage their wives?" And for 57 consecutive seconds she was

## WITH HIS GUARDIAN ANGEL.

[Town and Country.] Hiram (in New York restaurant, as orwhat d'you s'pose that band is playin' fer

Mandy (sarcastically)-My, ain't we green! Hiram Hubble, you keep right on passes his hat around, don't you give

# BECOMING A CITY

Former Population Returning-Hotel, Wharf and Old Streets Are Opened.

St. Pierre, Island of Martinique, Feb. 24. forces of Mont Pelee six years ago, is gradually being rebuilt. The city today has a hotel, a wharf is being constructed, steamers will soon be seen in the port whence only one vessel was able to escape the morning of the disaster, and the

About a year ago the people of island began returning to their old homes. Morne Rouge, La Precheur, Grand Riviere and Ajoupa Bouillen, hamlets that six years ago were wiped out completely, have now a population that is increasing each month. With the people have come telegraph and telephone lines, schools, churches and other evidences of a growing community.

about St. Pierre city to make it profitable quented by local travelers, tourists and foreign naval officers. A new wharf will be completed, and steamers of the Guerin Line are to resume calling at the city. Already several merchants have cleared away the ruins of their warehouses and started reconstruction. Several new streets have been opened and many of the old ones uncovered. The pavements, sidewalks and gutters uncov ered were found to be in excellent condition. The upper part of the city is covered with a heavy growth of guinea grass, and today cattle browse over what

six years ago were the gardens and parks

of the rich.
Some of the outlying villages are still barren of foliage, while others are as green and luxuriant as they were before the eruption. Those who have come back to their old homes are remodeling the nouses in which they lived six years ago. At Fonds Saint Denis the municipality has been in operation since Sept. 22, 1907, and the population today is practically what it was before, 1,100 people. Where it is possible the population is devoting itself to the cutivation of the sugar cane, or else to their former occupation

## WRECKED SAILORS LIVE LIKE CRUSOE

Cast on Desert Island, They Eat Roots and Finally Escape.

Portland, Me., Feb. 23. - William and told of his experiences while liv-

lost. Hamlin said: "We saved no food and had to live We killed the wild rope by water. Thus, while the sea- hens and wild birds that flocked around the island, ate the roots of the brush which grew there and caught fish. We suffered terribly from hunger moreover, prevent his lady constituents and, in fact, almost died of starvation. "We knew about where we were and that on another island several miles. from us the New Zealand Government had a cache in which food was depossailors. How to reach this island was

"After months of work we finally nanufactured a boat out of driftwood, and with this the island was finally reached. The island, however, was not found. We finally sighted a steamer, which took us on board, and in time we reached Wellington, New Zealand.

## STOESSEL ASKS PARDON

The Condemned General Sends Petition to Czar Nicholas.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 25. -Stoessel, who on Feb. 20 was con- importing business in this city for sevadvised by the medico to "drink het the Port Arthur fortress to the Ja- a fortune of \$500,000. panese, has petitioned Emperor Nicholas for a full pardon. The court recommended that the death sentense he man came back again, and complained commuted to ten years' imprisonment in a fortress and that the general be

## FORCES KIDNEYS TO FILTER ACIDS

All Rheumatism and Bladder

Troubles.

To make up enough of the "Dandelion treatment," which is claimed to be relieving nearly every sufferer who Behind her sat a little eight-year-old, uses it for backache, kidney complaint, get from any good prescription pharmacy one-half ounce Fluid Extract Dandelion, one ounce Compound Kargon and three ounces Compound Syrup of Sarsaparilla. Shake well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and again at bedtime. Those who have tried it claim that it acts gently but thoroughly on the that so few actresses travel under the kidneys, relieving backache and blad- because the der trouble and urinary difficulties almost instantly. Many cases of rheumatism are known to have been re- withstand lieved within a few days, the pain and swelling diminishing with each dose. A well-known local druggist, who is

in a position to know, asserts that this prescription, wherever it becomes known, always ruins the sale of the numerous patent medicine rheumatism cures, kidney cures, ctc. It is a recipe which the majority of patent medicine manufacturers, and even certain physicians dislike to see published. Few cases, indeed, which will fail to fully yield to its peculiarly soothing and healing influence.

# apman's

## The New Goods Being Opened Up Give An Atmosphere of Spring

The new goods that are being opened up already give the store an atmosphere of spring. The first showings of waists, laces, embroideries, dress fabrics, wash goods, prints, etc., are attacting unusual attention, and special values have been prepared. Keep your eyes on the new

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## WEALTHY ITALIAN DIES IN MYSTERY

Found in His Office Suffering From Poisoning and Fractured Skull.

New York, Feb. 23.-Gerolamo Cella, Hamlin, one of the survivors of the a wealthy Italian wine importer, a The criticisms of the French treaty by crew of the steamer Dundonald, which leading member of the Italian Chamber the Opposition have thus far been more was lost on one of the Aukland islands of Commerce, and a thirty-second dethe Opposition have thus far been more was jost on one of the states about a year ago, arrived here today gree Mason, died within a few moments after he was found early today Dr. Daniel, of St. John, N. B., attacks ing eight months on the desert island. in the office of his warehouse in West Twelve of the crew of 24 men were Broadway, with his skull fractured and His death is shrouded in mystery, ac- most popular dramatic company which before.

> on the theory that a murder has been will present here is Sardou's mastercommitted. Corone: Harburger declared tonight that Cella was struck down by a hammer blow on the head, and that his assailants later poured a liquid poison down the throat, presumably to give

an appearance of suicide. A letter signed with Cella's name, write the letter under threat of death. Cella was discovered by Dominico Cella, his brother, who has been detained as a suspicious person. Caesar Bianchi, a son-in-law of Cella, is also

held as a material witness. such a blow, sufficient to fracture the actress will reply. skull, and then swallow poison, Gerolamo Cella has conducted a wine

## TOURISTS INJURED IN DERAILMENT moment's notice.

Several cars were thrown from the the curtain is to ascend, track and piled\_up in a ditch. Pullman cars, however remained on Gates, of Toledo. The similarity in names at first gave rise to a report that the wrecked train was the special on which John W. Gates, the New York capitalist, has been traveling through the south. It was learned, nowever, that the John W. Gates party arrived at Beaumont, Texas; last night. The derailment is said to have been caused by a broken axle on the locomotive.

# STRENGTH

are so firmly proper twist to secured that Pen-Angle wear is givcannot rip. en to the yarn, &UNSHRINKABLE Y.

Francis Wilson Tonight An important member of the Francis Wilson company, which appears at the Grand tonight, and one of the greatest favorites in the organization, is a big Great Dane, who rejoices in the name of Knight. Knight has a pedigree as long as the average arm, and is used in the second act of Mr. Wilson's successful play,

## "When Knights Were Bold."

Royal Alexandra Players. That splendid company, the Royal Alexandra Players, will be seen a the suffering from the effects of a poison. where it has the reputation of being the arrived in town last August, or even cording to the police, who are working ever appeared in that city. The play they

Miss Jane Corcoran. The name of Miss Jane Corcoran is now included in the list of famous actresses Doll's House." Miss Corcoran is the first failed to get into working order unti to appear in the part in any American Alio carried out orders. city, excepting New York and Chicago. ited for the benefit of shipwrecked bidding goodbye to his family, was Miss Corcoran's portrayal of the part gedy told a prominent Catholic priest found, and the coroner states that he of Nora is said to equal, some say it rises believes the assailants forced Cella to above the heights of art reached by her yesterday that two weeks ago, during famous predecessors. Miss Corcoran will an early mass, she saw two evil-apbe seen at the Grand on Friday evening pearing men, one of whom she believes and Saturday matinee in "A Doll's was the assassin, standing in the aisle House," and Saturday evening in "Hedda of St. Elizabeth's Church. The men

> A special from Boston says that After an autopsy had been performed Julia Marlowe is to appear in a new priests who were in the sanctuary. Coroner's Physician Schultze declared role in the course of her engagement that he could not understand how it at the Majestic Theater in that city. could be possible for Cella to swallow The young women in the audience will the man who did the pointing directed poison and then strike himself on the be permitted to ask questions regard- his finger toward Father Leo and rehead, or how he could strike himself ing a stage career, to all of which the marked in a low tone: "That is the

demned to death for the surrender of eral years, and is said to have amassed fashionable private school in New a deep impression upon her. When she

Margaret Illington at the close of the rails. The excursionists, most of her engagement in "The Thief" in June 1,000,000 miles before it wears out. whom were from Toledo, O., were will play in one or two modern pieces where Bible instruction was part of the Simple Prescription Overcomes traveling under the direction of Chas. under the management of Daniel Frohman, who will then star her in Shakespearean plays, including "Macbeth" and "Romeo and Juliet."

> Thomas W. Ross, whom Henry B. Harris will present in James Forbes' new play, "The Taveling Salesman," made his debut at the Boston Museum in 1892. Mr. Ross has appeared as a star in "On the Qulet" "Checkers," 'A Fair Exchange" and "The Other Girl.

After the moving picture craze had gained a foothold in New York the Bijou Theater was turned from a vaudeville house by Keith & Proctor int othe Bijou Dream, where only pictures are shown. It has proved such a money-maker that now the same and the seams a money-man turn the Fifth Avenue Theater into the same sort of amusement resort.

## TO SAIL JUNE 27TH

New York, Feb., 25 .- Matthew P. Halpin, manager of the American team that is to go to London for the Olympic games of 1908, announces that the team will sail from New York on the steamer Philadelphia, of the American line, on Saturday, June 27. The team will arrive in London about July 4. and will have about a week in which to prepare for the competition, as the stadium will open on July 13. Accommodations for seventy-eight men have been reserved on the Philadelphia.

## New Waists That Are New

every bit of spring newness that can be put into them. Two models that are

excellent value at the price. AT \$10 00-Plain net, in the desirable Paris shade; one is trimmed in embroidered effect: another style is more profusely trimmed with valenciennes lace and insertion, Both silk

## Paris Valenciennes

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The Plot To Assassinate Father Heinrich's Probably Hatched By Patterson "Reds."

Denver, Col., Feb. 25 .- Most of the priests of the Roman Catholic Church in this city believe that Father Lee Heinrichs, who was murdered by Giuseppe Alio, an Italian anarchist Grand Opera House on Thursday evening. while giving communion in St. EHza-This company comes direct from its home beth's Church here on Sunday last at the Royal Alexandra Theater, Toronto, was a marked man from the time he

The dead priest was stationed previously in Paterson, N. J., and it is believed that he may have incurred the enmity of the anarchists there, and that a plot was laid to kill him, perhaps prior to his leaving Paterson who have played Nora in Ibsen's "A but that the machinery of the "Reds'

were conversing in a low tone, but she saw one of the men point to two

The priests, one of whom was Father Leo, were separated several feet, and man." The woman thought it odd that the two men should hold a conversa-Little Edith Taliaferro has been tion in the church, and this, together called in off the road and placed in a with their ruffianlike appearance, made Yerk. She has understudied her sis- saw the assassin running from the aisle ter, Mabel, in the leading part of on Sunday, she declares she immedi-"Polly of the Circus," and in case of ately recognized him as the man to necessity will assume that role on a whom Father Leo had been pointed

Otis Skinner in his New York en- spiracy theory, and hunting for two Laredo, Texas, Feb. 25 .- Thirty per- gagement will call the attention of the strange men thought to have been acsons are reported to have been injured audience to the rise of the curtain on complices of Alio. Although the auin the derailment of an excursion train each act by the historic French method thorities have found nothing to indicarrying a number of not hern tourists of sounding three loud raps of a club cate that Michelo Bruno, room-mate of at Orville, 12 miles north of Laredo. upon the floor of the stage just before the anarchist, knew anything of the murderer's intention, he is being held.

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