PROBS.-Unsettled; decidedly mild.

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DICY-WOODLEY-By the Rev. J. Kenon Dec. 18, 1895, at 195 Oxford street, on, Mr. Stilney A. Dicy, of the township 11 + estminster, to Miss Lillian Woodley, of

Amusements and Lectures Advertisements under this heading two

cents per word each insertion. advertisement less than 10 words. RAND OPERA HOUSE — ONE WEEK, beginning Monday, Dec. 23, Grand Christmas and Saturday matinees, 2:30 o'clock. The premiers of repertoire, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wayne, supported by their own company of brilliant players, presenting a repertoire of new and standard plays. Monday evening, Dec. 23, Milton Noble's original conedy-drama, in four acts, entitled "From Sire to Son," with all its grand scenic effects and elaborate stage settings. Change of play nightly. Popular prices—Evening, 10c, 20c, 30c; no higher. Matinee prices—Children, 10c; adults, 20c. Seats on sale Friday.

sale Friday. MR. E. KNOWLES, BARITONE SOLO-IST, formerly of Peterboro, now of this city, has been engaged for the K. S. P. C. con-cert Christmas night in the East End Hall, Plan opens Saturday, Dec. 21, at Williams' music store, Reserved seats, 35 cents, 81u

GRAND OPERA HOU-E-FRIDAY AND Saturday and Saturday matinee, Dec. 20, 21, final tour of the most successful of American comic operas, "Wang," more superb than ever in its spectacular splendor. Night prices, 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1; matinee prices, 25c, 50c, 75c. Seats now on s de. 78km DALACE DANCING ACADEMY - 476 Richmond street, open afternoons and evenings. Classes as follows—Gentlemen, Monday evenings; ladies, Tuesday evenings; children, Saturday afternoons. Dayton &

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING BY Mr. R. B. Millard, at his residence, 345 Princess avenue. A thorough system of teaching the modern glide waltz and all fashionable dances guaranteed. Les-ons given any hour.

Domestics Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. WANTED—A GOOD COOK FOR THE Home for Incurables. Apply Mi FRANK, at the Home, Hamilton read.

TOW FOR XMAS-RING UP THE OLD reliable, Dwyer's In elligence Office. On hand: Cooks, generals, housemaids, diningroom girls, girls for all kinds of work; 591 Richmond street. Phone 1121.

ANTED AT ONCE - GOOD DINING ROOM girls and chamber maids to go out of city; also generals and girls for all kinds of work. Armstrong's Intelligence office, 56 Dundas street. Phone 386.

Male Help Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. AN WANTED TO TAKE CARE OF horses. Apply Martin O'Mara, Do minion House, corner York and Clarence street.

TANTED - TRUSTWORTHY PERSON to travel in Canada; salary \$780 and expenses; reference. Address The Dominion Company, 321 Omaha Building, Chioago.

ORGANIZERS WANTED-PROFITABLE permanent employment. Apply by letter. Grand Organizer Oddfellows, 49 King street west. Toronto. MANVASSERS AND COLLECTORS

wanted for loan and savings company.
Apply Room 8, Duffield Block. 73bu OVERCOATS, BUSINESS SUITS, DRESS suits and trousers cleaned, pressed and repaired. New York Repairing and Cleaning Co., 291 Wellington street. Open evenings. R. H. Semple, Manager.

GENTS-WANTED-\$20 PER WEEK-A Apply to GEO. MARSHALL & Co., tea importers, 258 Dundas street.

Lost and Found.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. OST - THIS MORNING - ON KING 1.4 Street, between market and Maitland— 1.25, in envelope Reward for return to Thos. KEEN, Market Square.

OST LAST SUNDAY NIGHT, BETWEEN St. Andrew's Church and J. G. Ross' drug store, pair gold spectacles. Finder please leave at this office. Reward.

Typewriters.

YPEWRITERS--FINE ART PRINTING is the word to describe the beautiful clear printing of the Blickensderfer Typewriter. CREELMAN BROS., Georgetown, Ont.

Dental Cards.

R. J. N. WOOD-HONOR GRADUATE-181½ Dundas street. P. SWANN, DENTIST - FORMERLY with S. Woolverton, L. D. S. Office, 274 Dundas street, next door to Kent's confection-ery. Telephone 1131.

WOOLVERTON, SURGEON-DENTIST—216 Dundas, next Edy Bros', over Cairn-cross & Lawrence, druggists. Telephone, 822. E. HOLMES, DENTIST-SUCCESSOR to Dr. W. R. Wilkinson. Crown and bridge work a specialty. Office, room 3, Dufficid Block, corner Dundas and Clarence

R. COLON E. J. SMITH-DENTIST-R. GEORGE C. DAVIS — DENTIST—Graduate R. C. D. S., Toronto, 1879, graduate Philadelphia Dental College 1893. crcwn, porcelain and bridge work. 170 Dundas street, London, On . Telephone 975.

McDONALD, DENTIST. Office, 1831 Dundas street, London.

R. CHESTER N. ABBOTT, DENTIST-Over Fitzgerald's grocery.

Agents Wanted. First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. WANTED-AGENTS TO SOLICIT BUSI-NESS for the Home Life Association of Canada—assessment system. Good remunera-tion. Apply I. W. Burke, Superintendent, No. 5 Masonic Temple. 2tt

WANTED - GENTLEMEN OF GOOD address to place building and loan stock. Men of experience preferred. Salary and commission. Address "Birkbeck." 169 Dundas street, London, Ont. 19tt

Artists.

MRS. LAURA DOUGLAS RECEIVES pupils in oil and pastel painting at 2434 bundas street, upstairs.

Electro-Thermo Baths.

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS BATHS
Open Saturday and Sunday to 1 p.m.
Comfortably heated. Comfortably heated.

LECTRO-THERMO BATHS INVIGORATE the body and mind; every nerve and
muscle is strengthened. Mr. Sparrow, of New
York, took them when in the city and recommends them to all. 320 Dundas street.

Houses, Etc., To Let.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. NO LET-BROWN'S MAMMOTH LIV-ERY Stables, Dundas street, near corner fichmond, city.

Richmond, city. OFFICE TO LET—DOUBLE ROOM WITH vault, first floor Albica Building; also front room on first floor; immediate possession Apply T. H. CARLING, at the brewery. 33 f TO LET-TWO STORY BRICK HOUSE No. 629 Talbot street, \$10 a month. Apply

TO LET-COTTAGE, CORNER RIDOUT and Craig streets. South London; rent \$13. Apply George C. Gunn, barrister. 42tf TO LET-RESIDENCE. 484 COLBORNE street, corner Duffcrin avonue, 10 rooms, modern conveniences, Apply Fraser & 42tf

Articles For Sale.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. POR SALE — HARNESS, TRUNKS AND valises at Manufacturers' prices. J. DARCH & SONS, 377 and 379 Talbot street. FOR SALE CHEAP - TWO HUNDRED-EGG "Ertel" Incubator and Brooder. Apply JOHN A. CRODEN, 171 Dundas street.

FOR SALE - GROCERY FIXTURES-Shelving, counter, show cases, lar window, etc. 215 Colborne street. 81c POR SALE-ONE HUNDRED THOROUGH-BRED chickens at sacrifice prices. Address Jas. Park, 171 Dundas, or 215 Colborne

POR SALE—FIREPROOF SAFE—GOOD as new, Taylor's make; outside dimensions. 35x47 inches; will sell cheap. Apply J. H. CHAPMAN & Co., 126 and 128 Dundas street.

CTAMPS - OLD POSTAGE STAMPS bought, H. GRUNDY, Bedford road, Toronto. FOR SALE—CLOVER AND TIMOTHY seed, baled hay and straw. ARCHIBALD 78g

A PPLES-1,000 BARRELS-GREENINGS, Baldwins, Spies, Kings. Good stock. Right prices. Geo. TAYLOR & Son, 351 Talbot Street. Telephone 1,047.

UMBER-WHOLESALE ONLY - CAR
or cargo lots; Spicer's extra British Columbia red cedar shingles; pine and Ontario
cedar shingles; pine, hemlock, hardwood, cedar,
lumber, posts, piles, etc. D. Ferguson, Manf.
Agent, London, Ont.

DONY FOR SALE—QUIET AND SOUND— Will be sold cheap. Apply 637 Elias street. 35tf street.

Educational.

SELECT PREPARATORY SCHOOL FOR boys and girls. Public school course. Music, drawing and painting thoroughly taught. Mrs. Baskerville, 144 Mill street.

Massage Treatment. ISS SHUFF-GRADUATE OF DR. S. Weir Mitchell's Hospital for Nervous Diseases, Philadelphia. Massage and Swedish

movements. 497 King street, London, Ont. Phone, 502. WEDISH MASSAGE" - MRS. RAY

Accountants.

MAGEE, ACCOUNTANT, 413 Richmond street, or 640 Talbot street, London. A LFRED A. BOOKER, ACCOUNTANT-

Palmistry.

PROF. SEGNO, SCIENTIFIC PALMIST—Parlors, 187 Queen's avenue. Consultation hours, 10 till 8.

Jewelers.

EMOVAL—J. T. WESTLAND, JEWELLER and engraver, removed to 340 Richmond street, next to Grigg House.

Laundries.

7 NAKE YOUR WORK TO HOP SING-252 Dundas street. All work done by hand. Satisfaction guaranteed.

AUCTION SALE-NO RESERVE. ESSRS. PORTER & CO., will offer by public auction a large consignment of Ladies' Tailor-Made Mantles and Winter Hats, Sale every night at 7:30 at

the latest styles. Sale every night their rooms, 420 Richmond street. 79k H. PORTER, A H. PORTER, Auctioneer.

Auction Sale==No Reserve. ALL MUST BE SOLD,

MADE Mantles, Furs and Winter Hats on Saturday night, Dec. 21, at 7:30 p.m.

H. FORTER & CO.,

b 426 Richmond street.

INSURE IN THE PHENIX - TIME tried, fire tested insurance company, of Hartford, Conn. Assets, \$6,009,000. Large security, liberal settlements, low rates. Money to loan at 5 per cent.

EDWARD TOWE, AGENT Office over Bank of Commerce, London, Telephone, No. 507. zxv

QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

Holiday.-At the annual meeting of the ratepayers of a school section, when the auditors' report is asked to be read, whose duty is it to read such, and what information should it convey? And when the trustees' report is given, should such pertain to finances, or merely to a summary of the business transacted at the different trustee meetings held during the year? Ans. -The report required by law at the annual meeting is for the year then ending, containing among other things, a summary of the proceedings of the trustees during the year, together with a detailed statement of all school moneys received and expended, and such report shall be signed by the trustees, and by one or both auditors. This report, or any report, may be read to the meeting by the chairman or secretary, or by anyone appointed by his chairman or secretary. It is not material who reads the report of the meeting. The auditors do not present a separate report. The report is that of the trustees, certified by one or both of the auditors as to the rectness of the financial part of it.

No family living in a bilious country should be without Parmelee's Vegeta-ble Pills. A few doses taken now and then will keep the Liver active, cleanse the stomach and bowels from all bil-ious matter and prevent Ague. Mr. J. L. Price, Shoals, Martin county, Ind., writes: "I have tried a box of Parmewrites: "I have tried a box of Parme-lee's Pills and find them the best medi-cine for Fever and Ague I have ever used."

Turkish Treasury Completely Empty of Money.

The King of Ashantee Has Secured a Powerful Ally.

Steamer Spree On the Rocks Off the Isle of Wight.

Formosa-A New Baby Bars Important Legal Proceedings—The Brother of the Duke of Newcastle Bankrupt-A Liberal Member of Parliament Unseated.

UNSEATED. London, Dec. 20 .- Upon petition the election judges have unseated Mr. Henry Charles Fulford, who was elected at the last general election to the seat for the Lichfield division of Staffordshire by the Liberals. The petitioners alleged corrupt practices.

RUPT. London, Dec. 20 .- Lord Henry Francis Hope, brother of the Duke of Newcastle, and heir presumptive to the dukedom, has been granted a discharge in bankruptcy in the Bankruptcy Court subject to the payment of £657,942. Lord Hope is the husband of May Yohe, the

MAY YOHE'S HUSBAND BANK-

GILBERT WINS.

London, Dec. 20.—In the case of Countess Bremont against W. S. Gilbert, the dramatist, for libel, tried in the Queen's Bench Division of the High Court of Justice yesterday, the jury found a verdict for the defendant. The Countess Bremont, who is a journalistic writer of some note, is the widow of Count Bremont, a surgeon, to whom she was married in Jersey City in

THE ABYSSINIAN WAR. Rome, Dec. 20 .- A dispatch from Massowah, capital of Erythrea, says that an Abyssinian army is at Afagol, 30 miles from Makalle, the investment of which place is expected. There is, however, no anxiety regarding its safety, as it has a garrison of 1,500 men and a supply of provisions sufficient to last three months.

The Italian Chamber of Deputies to-day approved the credits asked for by the Government for the purpose of carrying on the campaign in Ab-

A BABY IN THE CASE. London, Dec. 20.-Madame Fontane Walker's Park Sanitarium, Berks county, Pa. Swedishmassage and electric treatment given Removal of facial blemishes a specialty.

Bessin, the wife of a manufacturer of musical instruments in London, New Parks and St. Patershung with the state of the st York, Paris and St. Petersburg, who, in October last, was arrested in Seville, Spain, whither she had fled with a Spaniard, and extradited to England on the charge of having robbed her husband of \$500,000 worth of securities, gave birth to a child yesterday. Further hearing of her case has, consequently, been adjourned for a month. In the meantime Madame Bessin is under \$25,000 bail, furnished by herself.

THE TROUBLE IN THE EAST. London, Dec. 20.-It is feared that there will be a general uprising on the Island of Crete. The Governor of that island has made an urgent request

for reinforcements. Dispatches at Athens from Crete, dated Dec. 12, record renewed fighting between the Turkish troops and Christians on the island. The losses are said to have been serious.

A Constantinople dispatch says: Dispatches from the interior of the country predict a renewal of the massacres unless the powers interfere to prevent them. The distress arising from tyranny is as bad as ever.

SAMORY IS WITH THEM. Accra, Gold Coast, Africa, Dec. 20 .-It is stated that Samory, a powerful African chief, supoprted King Prempeh, of Ashantee, in the recent fighting with the English and their native allies, the tribe of Adansis. The latter were defeated with great slaughter. It is also stated here that the Gold Coast constabulary have also had an encounter with Samory. If this be true, it is grave news for the British, as Samory has a powerful army of horsemen and footmen, and would seriously hamper them. It has been previously thought that

Samory was friendly to the British. THE PORTE PENNILESS. London, Dec. 20 .- The Times prints the following dispatch from Constantinople: The Ministers were summoned

early to the palace today to devise measures for supplying the urgent financial needs. The treasury is empty, and tht Ottoman Bank declines to continue making advances on small assignments of revenue, over which it has no control. The provincial governors and military commanders are pressing for money. Two menacing documents addressed to the Sultan, which are supposed to have been issued by the malcontent party, have created a great fuss at the Yildiz Palace. HOT WORK IN FORMOSA.

London, Dec. 20 .- The following telegram has been received from Formosa regarding the war there, under date of Nov. 27. As there were signs of disturbances in the neighborhood of Tailjin Yo on Nov. 22, a company of infantry was dispatched to reconnoitre. The company was surrounded 1,000 insurgents, but repulsed them after some hard fighting, killing 60 of the enemy, while the Japanese lost one killed. A detachment was dispatched for the purpose of driving the enemy from below Tasmui, and on Nov. 26, made an attack upon the insurgents, entrenched in a fortified village between the Tasmui Valley and the Tongham River. During the engagement five Japanese soldiers were killed and 22 wounded, while the enemy lost between 200 and 300 kill-On the lower bank of the river 800 insurgents made an attack on a scouting party, but were repulsed, having fifty killed, while the Japanese

had only three killed. FIRMLY ON THE ROCKS. Southampton, Dec. 20.-Although six tugs worked for two hours in an effort to float the North German Lloyd steamship Spree, which ran ashore yester-

day morning on the Warden Ledge, Near Totland Bay, Isle of Wight, the steamer remains hard and fast. The attempt to pull her off was made an hour before high water, midnight, and was not given up until an hour after midnight. The 'longshoremen say that the Spree was traveling at the rate of about 12 knots when she ran on the

ledge, and that in consequence she was driven firmly on the rocks. Southampton, Dec. 20.—The North German Lloyd's steamship Spree, Capt. 10 for this port and Bremen, stranded on the Warden ledge, near Totland Bay, Isle of Wight, at 5:10 a.m. yes-terday. The efforts made to float her proved fruitless and it is believed that much of the cargo of the stranded steamship will have to be landed before she is floated. It is feared that she will remain fixed where she is un-Japs Have Warm Work with Rebels in til the high tides, a fortnight hence, unless the removal of her cargo as-

sists in the efforts to float her.

IN SPORTING CIRCLES.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE. The schedule meeting of the Ontario Hockey Association committee was held Wednesday night at the Queen's Hotel, Toronto, president C. A. B. Brown in the chair, there being present besides Messrs. W. A. Gilmour, A. Creelman, A. F. R. Martin, G. J. Hoskins, H. Southam, J. Bain, H. C. Becher and Secretary F. W. Tiffin. The schedule:

SENIOR SERIES-FIRST ROUND. Group No. 1; Queen's bye.

Group No. 2: On or before January 13-Granite vs. Victoria. January 13-17- Varsity vs. Osgoode- T.

January 17-21— Varsity vs. Granite. January 20—24—Osgoode-T. A. C. ys. Victoria.

January 28-31-'Varsity vs. Victoria. Group No. 3: On or before January 13 -Ayr vs. Guelph. January 13-17-Guelph vs. Trinity. January 17-22-Trinity vs. Ayr. January 22-26-Guelph vs. Ayr. January 26-30 - Trinity vs. Guelph.

January 30-February 4-Ayr vs. Trinity. Group 4: On or before January 13-(a) Stratford vs. London, (b) Petrolea vs. Sarnia. January 13-19—(c) London vs. Stratford,

(d) Sarnia vs. Petrolea. January 19-24—A. vs. B. January 24-29—C. vs. D. JUNIOR SERIES-FIRST ROUND. Group No. 1:

On or before January 13-Lindsay vs. Peterboro, Norwood vs. Peterboro Colts. January 13-20-Peterboro vs Norwood, Lindsay vs. Colts. January 20-27—Peterboro vs. Colts, Nor-

wood vs. Lindsay. Group No. 2: On or before January 13-Limestones vs. Queen's II. January 13-20-Victorias of Kingston

January 20-27-Queen's II. vs. Victorias. Group No. 3: On or before January 13-Listowel vs London II., Berlin vs. Stratford II.

January 13 20—Berlin vs. London II. Stratford vs. Listowel. January 20-27-London II., vs. Stratford II., Listowel vs. Berlin.

Group No. 4: On or before January 15-(a) Osgoode-T. A. C. II., Varsity II. On or before January 13-(b) Victoria Colts vs. Granites II.

January 13 20-Granite II. vs. Welling-January 20-27-Wellington vs. Victoria

January 27-31-A. vs. B. Semi-final:-Winners of Group 1 vs. winners Group 2; winners Group 3 vs. winners Group 4. Dates and place of final to be arranged by the committee. In all cases games must be played in the rinks of the first-named clubs.

ATHLETICS. RYAN'S EASY VICTORY. Cincinnati, Dec. 19.—The fight between Jim Ryan and Mark Carroll for \$300 a side and the receipts was largely attended.

Ryan wen in two rounds. BURNED TO DEATH. Markham, Ont., Dec. 20.-Mrs. Nancy Malone was burned to death Wednesday night in her home. The fire is supposed to have been caused by the upsetting of a lamp.

A TOY LION REQUIRED. Wanted-One British lion, with a rubber tail, for the use of Congress. Apply after office hours to Sir Julian Pauncefote, Washington.-Minneapolis Journal.

THE REX BRAND.

Moore & Co., who for the last two years have conducted one of the largest pork packing and provision businesses in this city in the Covent Garden market are reopening at 234 Dundas street. This store, which is centrally situated on the north side of Dundas street, midway between Clarence and Wellington streets, has been remodeled and adapted for the pork business on a large scale. The firm does a flourishing retail, as well as wholesale trade, and have earned an enviable reputation for fair dealing. Their Rex brand of breakfast bacon and hams has become a favorite with Londoners as well as throughout all of Western Ontario. The firm will be glad to meet all their old customers at 234. They will also be pleased to welcome new customers at the new stand, and will pay particular attention to the retail trade. Moore & Company are provision dealers of experience and ability, and the general public have not been slow to recognize the fact that when they purchase from this firm they are sure of receiving satisfaction. The firm opens for business in the new stand tomorrow (Saturday).

One of the largest silk houses in Japan have consigned to George F.Burns, the furnisher, one hundred and fifty dozen pieces of their finest art silk drapings, five o'clock tea covers, and chair displays. They will be sold at the actual cost of production. Citizens will be well rewarded by viewing the display in the east window of Burns, the clothier's. This is an excellent op-portunity for the ladies to get something uncommon to decorate their homes with.

He-Yes, dear, I have taken your advice, and patronize the Palace Barber Shop It's the best shop on earth, or elsewhere, 60 1-2 Dundas street. zxv Xmas Perfumes, new odors, new styles, at Anderson & Nelles' drug store.

Senators Deprecate Haste in the Venezuelan Business

And Frankly Declare They Don't Expect to See a War.

Chili Inclined to Hold With Great Britain -So Is Spain-Lord Welseley's Wish.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The House Venezuelan resolution was laid before the Senate again, and Mr. Morgan (Dem.)moved to refer it to the foreign relations committee, and was supported in this by Mr. Sherman (Rep.). Both made speeches supporting the President, but protesting against haste. Mr. Sherman also expressed the belief that there would be no war, and that the matter could be adjusted peaceably.

Mr. Voorhees (Dem., Ind.) took ground in favor of immediate action.

Presentation to Rev. W. J. Clark by the Great Britain took five months to say that she would not arbitrate. He thought we should not make any further delay, but appoint a commission to see what belonged to Great Britain, and give her that and no more. He did not believe there was any danger of war, but thought the dignity of the States demanded that should act without any further delay.

Mr. Allen (Pop., Neb.) objected to a second reading of the bill, which would carry it over until tomorrow. In a short speech he said he did not expect there would be any war. He thought the amendment proposed by Mr.Dodge meant that there would be more of a political war than anything else. Mr. Hawley (Rep., Conn.) said it was not so much a case of war as in-

formation. No one knew what were the facts. Great Britain herself did not know. He wanted the bill referred, because it was the dignified and proper way. The bill went over until today, when

it will be referred to the foreign relations committee. A meeting at the State Department was held yesterday between Secretary Olney and the Ministers to the United States of Venezuela, Mexico and of Brazil. It is understood to have involved important consideration affecting South and Central American relations with the United States. There is reason to believe that all of the republics of South and Central America will communicate officially to the United States their hearty approval of the enunciation of the Monroe doctrine, made by the President and Mr. Olney. It is understood also that serious consideration is being given by the South and Central American diplomats North and South America, somewhat similar to the Pan-American conference, but with a view to political rather than commercial alliance.

BOOKWALTER'S IDEA. A Springfield, O., dispatch says: Hon. John Bookwalter, in a red-hot interview, characterizes the President's message as a weak attempt to turn from home dangers to a small one

8,000 miles away.
IN CHILI.
The Herald's Valparaiso, Chili, dispatch says: Chili, which is thoroughly conservative in its policy as a Republic, is greatly inclined to hold the views of Great Britain on the Venezuelan question. It is thought that the British Government has nothing to fear as to the outcome of

pute. Repeatedly is this opinion ex-Leading men in all circles here sharply criticize the interpretation put upon the Monroe doctrine by the United States.

OTHER VIEWS.

The Standard publishes a dispatch from Madrid saying that all the papers condemn President Cleveland's attitude. They contend that Spain is as much interested in opposing the progressive pretensions of the message. The Monroe doctrine, they declare, has only been developed because Europe has shown too much patience towards the American policy, which is a permanent menace to European rights in the new world. Foremost among those who condemn President Cleve-

land is Signor Castelar, the Republican leader. The Vossiche Zeitung says: This time it is a case of honor for the European states to stand by England's side, else Yankeedom will believe it has but to command the old

continent to obey.

General Lord Wolseley, commanderin-chief of the Britiish forces, in the course of an address to the inmates of the Soldiers' Home at Norwich, mentioned the difference between the United States and Great Britain over the Venezuelan question, and exclaim-"God forbid that there should be

Rev. Joseph Parker, in the course of a sermon in the City Temple, London, told his hearers that there would be no war between England and America. The Christians of both countries, he said, would keep the peace of

the world. "The Newest New Novel"

may be so intensely interesting that the reader may lie on a bed of suffering and yet read it; but certainly not with satisfaction or pleasure. Ladies who are given to much novel reading should feel perfectly well, to read with pleasure and profit. If afflicted with headache, neuralgia, pains in the back, dyspepsia, "Female Complaints" generally, first procure Dr. Pierce's Favorite prescription, prepared especially for women, and after using, you will read with pleasure. For sale by all medicine dealers.

A HANDSOME WINDOW.

The merchants in the city have always been up to date in window dressing, and this season has been no exception to the rule. One of the finest, if not the finest, is that of Sam K. Stewart 2021 Dundas street. It bright melodies and its series of elaborate shows not only a great deal of taste but a large amount of labor. Mr. Stewart not only has a fine window, but keeps a variety of pipes and cigars probably not excelled in the city. He is making a specialty of Tuckett's Heraldo Longfellow cigar for the holiday trade. Anyone requiring anything in the tobacconist's line should not fail to see Sam's stock.

Cerol Waterproof High Polish Shoe Dressing contains nothing injurious, ate, more costly and more perfectly Siamese Price. 15 cents. ZXV.

Christmas

AN ELEGANT ASSORTMENT' OF DAINTY, USEFUL AND BEAUTIFUL

GIFTS, IMPORTED BY

2 DRUG Main store, 216 Dundas St. Branch, Richmond & Piccadilly.

Gown and Cassock.

Ladies of His Congregation,

The lecture hall of the First Presbyterian Church was last night crowded to the doors, the occasion being the presentation to its able and beloved pastor, the Rev. W. J. Clark, of a very handsome clerical gown-cassock and gown, and bands, all complete. The presentation was made by Mrs. Robert Reid, sen., Miss Boyle and Miss Kennedy. The following address was admirably read by Mrs. Reid:

"We, the ladies of the congregation, desire to express to you our heart-felt appreciation of your unvarying kindness to us, individually and collectively; we are grateful for the sympathy, and affection you ever manifest to those who require them; for your earnest efforts to lead us to greater consecration of heart and life, and for your kindly interest in all our affairs. We wish to assure you that we are benefited by your example, as shown in your self-denying labors amongst us; and are helped by your pulpit, and prayer meeting services, to think more of spiritual things, and in some measure to overcome (in the small things of our daily life), our natural love of personal ease, and disinclination to effort; and are enabled to meet the call of duty, with a more resolute de-termination. We sympathize with you, with your dear partner in life (whom we believe is with us in spirit at this hour), and with your mother, in the affliction through which you are called to pass; we feel most deeply for you all; and pray that our Heavenly Fato an international convention, to be ther will enable you to realize; that in every situation His mercy will sustain those who put their trust in Him.

"Wishing to manifest our esteem and attachment in some tangible way, we decided to present you with a gown and cassock for your pulpit ministrations, which we trust will be acceptable to all. These are material things, but we cannot divest ourselves of them while here; and we do trust you will accept this gown and cassock as a token of the love and respect of the women of the church; and believe that their earnest prayer is that you may long continue your good work amongst us; and by the blessing of God, may be enabled, with earnestness, fidelity, and success, to discharge the onerous duties of a Christian minister.

"On behalf of the committee." In replying to the address presented, Mr. Clark said he would not plead ignorance that such a presentation was to take place, as he had been consult-ed beforehand by the ladies as to whether he had any objections to wearing a gown. But although not ignorant, he had made no preparation, trusting to the moment, inasmuch as language on such an occasion was dictated by the emotions of the heart rather than by the cunning of the brain. He expressed his warm appreliation of the many kind things said concerning himself and his work, and the kind references to members of his household in the address. Such expressed affection was one of the sweetest experiences a minister could have, and as far as humani help was concerned, gave courage as nothing else could do. He felt sure that in no other congregation in the church could relations between people and pastor be more cordial or kind than they were here. As to the gown itself, he presumed it would improve his appearance. The ladies always have an eye for the beautiful, and as nature had fallen a little behind in his case, they evidently thought it well to aid her. It had today at all events no ecclesiastical significance and would not make any difference in the quality of his sermons. He thanked them most heartily for their handsome and valuable gift, and prayed that the same spirit of harmony and kindly feeling that had characterized the congregation in all his knowledge of them, might continue and prevail. proceedings throughout were

cordial and enthusiastic. WIMAN FREE.

The New York Appeal Court Reverses

His Conviction. Albany, N. Y., Dec. 20.—The Court of Appeals has decided to sustain the judgment of the general term, reversing the conviction of Erastus Wiman for forgery. Wiman is a free man.

-The Simcoe correspondent of the St. Thomas Journal, under date of Dec. 18. says. "H. Ruthven McDonald at the Baptist church last night was greeted with a full house, and his different selections were well received. Mr. McDonald has a wonderful voice, and his rich rendition of the various numbers brought forth enthusias.

tic applause. -"Wang," the popular comic opera, which has, by its wholesome merriment, stage pictures, already gained the favor of theater-parties, will be heard here tonight, matinee tomorrow, and tomorrow night at the Grand. "Wang," always one of the most sumptuously mounted spectacular operas, has had a richer and an entirely new outfit provided for the coming season. Not an inch of scenery, not a scrap of the properties and not a costume used in previous seasons has been retained. Not only is everything new, but it is also more elabor-