ada. We could put a million men in the field, or more if necessary, and 50,000 would be quite enough to occupy Canada. If our torpedo system is as complete and perfect as it is reputed to be, I don't apprehend that any of the great English battleships could enter any of our important ports. After taking Canada it must be a defensive war with us, and we should have decidedly the best of it.

In my opinion, such a war would last less than one year, when England would be forced to accept such terms as we chose to give. It may be argued that we are not prepared for war because our standing army is so small. This is a great mistake. Our National Guard in all the states is very effective, and we have more than enough experienced and skilled men to handle and direct in a thoroughly soldier-like manner more than twice the number of troops required.

GEN. MARTIN T. M'MAHON. iron, would blu ible attack and sucof troops required.
GEN. MARTIN T. M'MAHON. From The New York Journal.

navy, though infinitely smaller nbers and weight of armament, posed of equally good material ould be concentrated in pretty numbers against such of force as she would be send against us. But at prehe fleet we could concentrate under any circumstances be than a match for the present of Great Britain in American fest Indies waters, fast cruisers of the Columbia would be detached to rout upon the Paris, New York, St. Paul it. Louis, armed with five-inch which should be purchased alat once, would sweep the seas, hen we recall what the Alabama henandoah did to our commerce years ago, a faint idea of the le destructive power of these a can be realized. A hundred teers would sweep the seas, and uld take the larger part of Engranyy to watch and to pursue

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Irish-Americans to her aid. We should annihilate the commerce of Great Britain before making peace. Let India, Australia, and British Africa take care of themselves. I don't think it proper to go more into detail at present.

WILLIAM P. CARLIN,
Brigadier-General, Retired, U.S.A.
Washington, D.C., Dec. 23.

From The New York Journal.

In case war should come between the United States and Great Britain over the Venezuelae aboundary line, I think the action of the President and Congress is based upon an entirely new interpretation of the Monroe doctrine. That interpretation itself is fairly open to question; but were it not, the method of advancing it has easy this with the understanding that the Venezuelans are fully armed and equipped. Their position would be strengthened by the facel that the republics of South and Central America would make common cause with them.

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Such a war on our part would be the facts are admittedly in disjunct. For this aspect of the matter the President alone is responsible. Nobody could have believed it possible in the foundary dispute between the lines. From The New York Journal

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lor to the hair, and also prevents it falling out. Mrs. H. W. Fenwick, of Digby, N. S., says: "A little more than two years ago

tro' is vital to the restoration of confidence in us on the part of others, and above all, to insist that no further steps shall be taken in this matter exceut with deliberation and with a

Red Hot War News Sent From Toronto to a New York Paper.

spatche from its Toronto correspondent in its issue of this morning: "Commercial interests were disturb-ed to-day over a telegram from Otta-

the authorities in the event of war. Preparations are being made to place guns-on the boats laid up at this port, and gunners are under schooling

"The greatest excitement prevailed in the city when the news became pub-lic, and in the clubs retired army offi-

cers declare their willingness to again shoulder a rifle and fight in defence of Canada and the rights, of Great Bri-tain. The Government intends to forti-

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"Thave used Ayer's Hair Vigor for three years, and it has restored hair, which was fast becoming gray, back to its natural color."—H. W. HASELHOFF, Paterson, N. J.

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A NEW YEAR'S DANCE

HALFBREEDS AND INDIANS.

It would depend largely on the general military policy of the United States to determine where hostilities would first take place in the event of war. If the first move were made by this country it is probable that fighting would occur on the lakes or on the Canadian border. There would also be engagements fought on the Atlan

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by a thin board partition, of which a by a thin board partition, of which a good quarter section in the centre was removed to admit of the two rooms sharing a single stove. There was a in a marvellous manner to the little one.

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space between the lines.
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8—Don't hold the reading close to the 9-Don't study at night, but in the

morning, when you are fresh.

10—Don't select your own glasses a the outset.-Canada Lancet.

A Swiss statistician, a man of leisure, he aken the trouble to count the number of steps he took in walking during the whole year. The number New York, Dec. 24.-The Journal of he finds to have been 9,760,900, or an average of 26,740 steps a day. Going still further into details, he declares that over 600,000 of these steps were taken in going up and down stairs. wa that the Government is negotiat-ing with the owners of lake steamers which can be converted into cruisers to place their vessels at the disposal of

Paris proposes to put an end to the emplaint that a policeman can never be found by establishing seventy po-lice kiosks in different parts of the city. A policeman will always be on futy there, who will communicate with the nearest station by telephone,

nan with him to send out at once in

ON STAGE AND PLATFORM

The opportunity which will be af-orded the public of Toronto of hearing the great Thomas Orchestra on the 7th and 8th of next month at nominal The Rudson Bay Company's Annual
Reception to the Indians at Le Biche—
Life in the Great Barren Greunds of the
Northwest.

Half-breeds — French and Cree—
constitute the larger share of population at La Biche, if I may class as
lie is population those scattered over the
limediate surrounding country, and
where the settlement consists of just
tince cabins besides the Hudson Bay
Company's. But, after all, the French
blood reveals itself chiefly in a few
Christian names and in the more fanciful coloring and use of some articles
of wear, for there is little French spoken, the children of mixed parentage
tongue, Cree. There are not more than
one hundred Crees who come into La
Biche, which is the most northerly
post where treaty money is given, and
they are not thriving to any very great
extent, nor increasing. The annuity of
about five dollars a head is not sufficle to support and just enough to interrupt keen hunting; they plant a few
potatoes, which grow here fairly well,
but are making no progress towards
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nation more to the south.

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The Rudson Bay Company's Annual

The and 8th of next month at nominal
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I am the son of a British officer and was born at Niagara. I followed the trade of shoemaking until the confinement and continual sitting posture began to tell on me, which was fully 20 years ago. Since then, up to 1886, my life was one of constant pain and misery. At first the pain was like a gnawing sensation over the bladder; becoming worse, it passed up the spine to the kidneys, causing intense suffering, so that I have often fallen to the ground in an agony of pain, perfectly helpless, I have been confined to my bed for weeks and could not urinate without using a catheter. I was never well and had to abandon my trade. not urinate without using a canever well and had to abandon



I tried local physicians, a specialist at Detroit, electric belts, shocks, patent medicines, etc., without relief, and felt that death would be a deliverance. At last happening to see an advertisement of Doan's Kidney Pills, I sent and got a box, and the immediate relief I experienced was astonishing. I kept on taking them and soon found I was cured. The agonizing pans stopped and has never returned. The cure has been sure and lasting, and I am glad to let the world know it. I travelup and down the country a great deal and have seen many equally bad cases cured by these pills. A. H. Fletcher, Kingsville, Ont.

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To many in this city festive Christmastide brings little enough of joy, and there would be a dearth of Christmas cheer in many homes were it not for the generosity of those citizens who, as members of St. George's Society, the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society and kindred organizations, seek to ameliorate the condition of their poorer brethren by providing for their Christmas dinner. Yesterday, in accordance with their annual custom, these societies distributed their Christmas provisions.

There was a throng of poorly clad nual custom, these societies distributed their Christmas provisions.

There was a throng of poorly cladmen, women and children in waiting at St. George's hall, in Elm-st, at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, when the distribution was begun. For several hours thereafter the crowd taxed the capacity of the hall and the patience of the committee in charge. At one time it required all the president's persuasiveness to keep the applicants in order. All were supplied, however, some 8000 pounds of beef and 1600 loaves of bread being distributed, in addition to 400 pounds of tea, a proportionate quantity of sugar and candies and biscuits in abundance.

The day's workers were: Percival F. Ridout, president; George Stanway and George H Gooderham, vice-presidents; W. T. Boyd, J. H. Mason, S. Trees, J. J. Allworth, F. B. Cumberland and R. W. Elliott, past presidents; G. W. Beardmore, D. Plews, James Spooner and D. T. Symons, stewards. Henry Lucas, F. Sole, Elms Henderson and George Musson, committee. Secretary J. E. Pell, a veteran in benevolent work, was in evidence throughout the day. Seven hundred families, or about 8500 persons, were supplied with materials for to-day's dinner.

At the Irish Protestant Seciety.

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At the Irish Protestant Society.

The rooms of the I.P.B.S. in Yongestreet Arcade also presented a busy scene for several hours yesterday. Although the applications were not as numerous as in previous years, there were distributed provisions as follows: 2500 pounds of beef, 225 pounds of sausages, 500 loaves of bread, and a large quantity of currant bread, tea, sugar and butter. This represents the Christmas dinners of some two hundred families.

Secretary John Bailie was in charge, with the following gentlemen as assistants: President R. C. Hamilton and James Hunter and Messrs. Robert Moon, Alex Purse, Frank Somers, and Samuel Crane.

New York, Dec. 24.—The Mail and Express this afternoon prints the following: An American who has been lowing: An American who has been sojourning in Cuba for some time past, and who has had excellent opportunities for observing the course of war in the island, returned to New York to-day and told what he had learned. He reports a heavy fight outside of Havana between the Insurgent forces under Maximo Gomez and the Spanish troops. The engagement took place near the town of Colon.

"It is worthy of note," he said, "that this town is within 120 miles of Havana, and while the Spanish authorities, as is always the case, report slight vana, and while the Spanish authorities, as is always the case report slight losses on their part and the rebels as having been severely punished it cannot obliterate the fact that the troops of Maximo Gomez have marched from the easternmost province, a distance of about 400 miles, with but slight hindrance on the part of the Spaniards. iards.
"Some 100 miles to the eastward of

"Some 100 miles to the eastward of Colon is the celebrated "Trocha," or trench, a dead line heavily fortified and garrisoned to prevent the entrance of the Insurgent troops, but which they have passed without firing a shot. They are now in the richest sugar producing province in the island.
"In point of fact, three-quarters of the island is at present disputed territory, there only remaining loyal to spain the provinces of Havana and Finas del Rio or Vuelta Abajo, where the tobacco growing interest can not Finas del Rio or Vuelta Abajo, where the tobacco growing interest can not afford to be disturbed, as this would cut off a large income supplied by the Cuban cigar manufacturers of Tapma and Key West.

"The Insurgents are well supplied with ammunition and arms. The Spaniards have not caught a single supply expedition. For years Cuban manus.

iards have not caught a single supply expedition. For years Cuban manufacturers have been contributing to a fund for this very revolution.

"The Cuban patriots are blowing up roads, tcutting telegraph wires and firing the sugar-cane. When the Government troops appear they retreat without offering battle.

"The ability of Spain to pursue the war depends on her ability to collect the taxes and contributions. A very large part of this income is derived from the cane industry. With the exception of a few sugar states very

from the cane industry. With the exception of a few sugar states very close to Havana, there is no grinding of cane in the island to-day. This the Spaniards characterize as anarchist warfare, but certainly the best way of beating an enemy is to cut off his supplies and that is the policy of the Cub-

ans.
"Spain has 115,000 men in the field, commanded by 48 general officers, the flower of the Spanish army. The Spanish authorities say that there are only 40,000 or 50,000 Insurgents divided into

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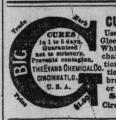
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