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ALLEGED CHILD-MURDER.

INFANT BODY FOUND WITH WOUND IN SKULL.

Mrs. Christina Saunders and Miss Phoehe Davis of Orillia Township Under Arrest-John Pallister Charged as Accessory.

Orillia, Dec. 23.-As a result of coroner's inquest and subsequent pro ceedings in the Police Court Mrs Christina Saunders and her sister Miss Phoebe Davis, were committed to stand their trial at the next assizes charged with the murder of the for mer's infant child, and John Pallister the infant's reputed father, is charged with being accessory to the fact and with assisting in concealment of the

Acting upon information Constable
A. K. McKay went out to a house on
the fourth concession of Orillia township on Friday and arrested the two women, subsequently, however, returning them to their home. On Saturday, on the advice of Dr. J. McLean, coroner, he again went out and demanded the body of the infant. This was eventually given to him, and examina-tion revealed the fact that it had come to its death by other than fair means. There was a deep wound in the skull, made with some sharp instrument.

made with some sharp instrument, penetrating half an inch into the brain. The women were arrested and lodged in jail, and a jury was empanelled to hold an inquest. After viewing the body a post mortem was ordered to be made. This was done by Drs. W. C. Gilchrist and E. P. Kelly, who to-day brought in a written statement to the brought in a written statement to the effect that the child was born alive and had apparently come to its death by the wound in its head. The post mortem revealed the fact that the lungs had been inflated, showing that the child had lived some little time af-ter birth. Upon this testimony the Coroner's jury brought in a verdict charging the two women with the murder of the child. In the Fonce before Magistrate Booth, they were committed to stand their trial at the the child. In the Police Court, committed to stand their trial at the next court of competent jurisdiction.

Pallister was also committed, charged with being an accessory to the fact and with concealment of birth and burial of the child.

It appears that the two women live together in the house described with

together in the house described, with a young brother; Pallister, the elder, and his two sons occupying the rear half of the same dwelling.

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO. Another Gift From Rockefeller-Premier Ross Speaks.

Chicago, Dec. 23.-By giving \$1,850, 000 to the University of Chicago for its 1903 Christmas present, John D. Rockefeller has brought his donations to this institution beyond the \$13,000,000 mark. President W. R. Harper at the convocation to-night peered into the stocking and found the Rockefeller gift and another of a round million dollars. No name is attached to the latter gift, and the supposition is that it, too, comes from the Standard Oil magnate. Counting it as his donation, the grand total for the last fourteen years is \$14,302,374. Of the acknowledged gift a million

and a half is to be used for regular expenses, \$50,000 for Babylonian re-

Hon. Geo. W. Ross, Premier of Ontario, was the principal speaker at the convention last night. He was warmly applauded by the assembled

MENACE TO THE EMPIRE. One View of Demand For Treatymaking Powers.

London, Dec. 23.-The World's Work says that while Mr. Chamber lain is busy assuring us that the em pire will go to pieces unless wheat is taxed a real danger to the empire that has sprung up is receiving little or no attention. Sir Wilfrid Laurier's demand to be a treaty-making power is then the real danger. It is obvious that if Canada is allowed to make treaties independently then England must take the consequences of that independence. Engandence of that independence. quences of that independence. England, it is not to be expected by Canadians, will approve of the demand, but the matter is certainly one of

KILLED HER DEBTOR Woman Shot Man Who Owed Her Small Amount.

Helena, Mont., Dec. 22.-Charles Hillson, aged thirty years, was shot and killed by Mattie Lee at Phillips burg to-day. The woman claimed Hill-son owed her a small sum of money. When Hillson refused to pay her she shot him in the head, killing him in-

Mills Resuming Work.

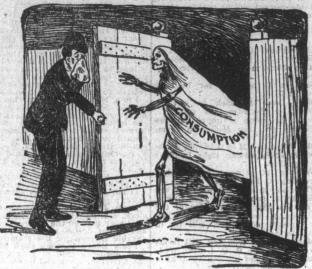
Pittsburg, Dec. 22.—The W. Dew-ss sheet mills of the American Sheet steel Company at McKeesport re-umed work in all departments last light. For several weeks but three night. For several weeks but three of the seventeen sheet mills have been working. A part of the Boston iron and steel mill department of the National Tube Works Company also resumed work last night after a shutdown of six weeks. At Gassport the eight-inch department of the Pittsburg Steel Hoop Company resumed operations to day after a suspension of two months.

Killed Her Hire Jan.

Owasso, Mich., Dec. 22—Mrs. Caroline
Collins of New Lathrop was to-day held
for trial on the charge of poisoning her
fired man. George Leachman. Leachman body was exhumed and poisonwas found in the vitel organs.

CATARRH

Great White Plague



Because it is such a slowly progress bive disease and lingers along, year after year, now better, now worse, but on the whole getting more deeply and firmly seated, people are prons to overlook its destructive tendencies and neglect catarrh. It is hard for one whose constitution holds him up for years against the progressive en-croachments of catarrh, to realize his danger and think of the time when somer or later vital organs will be reached, or some acute cold will fan the smouldering fire of catarrh into that devastating systemic conflagra_

So many neglect the beginnings of disease and allow it to become firmly seated and very difficult to dislodge. Only physicians who are familiar with the history of all, that in a large number of fatal sicknesses, has led up to the death, realize how often

foren.ost sourge of America. Its steatthy approach and lingering stay make it a dread toi the physician and a pest to the natient. It is vastly more than just a filthy and discourse of the state of th stealthy approach and lingering stay make it a dread toi the physiciam and a pest to the patient. It is vastly more than just a filthy and disgusting disease, making the breath odius and repulsive, causing one to choke, smuff, blow, sneeze, cough, gag hawk, spit and do the disagreeable "I have sold many catarrh cures things catarrh sufferers are obliged to do, but if allowed to run it, soon are to later becomes dangerous to life. Because catarrh is not alarming in its early stages, it is commonly allowed to progress until many, so many, deaths are due to diseases having other and various names but of which catarrh is the primary or base cause. other and various names but of which catarrh is the primary or basic cause. Catarrh is the beginning of more diseases than all other causes combined. It is capable of attacking most fluids, tissues and organs of the body. The poisonous secretions following up the macous tracts get into the throat and in lure the voice, into the throat and injure the voice, into the head and impair hearing, into the stomach and produce dyspepsia, into

ional disease, hence the folly of at-

I wonder if you have any idea how coolish you looked when you asked me to marry you?

No, I haven't, but I know I could not have looked half as foolish as I

WHISKEY MEDICINES.

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festation in one spot, drive it in, to

perhaps attack some more important and deeper seated structures.

If you have cararrh, even in its mas common or ordinary and supposedly sate form, and are gifted with uncommon sense you will not delay sacking a cure for it but endeavor to drive it out of the system before it develops into a disease that gives little promise or hope of cure.

True, all catarrhesufferers do no develop consumption or Bright's dis-ease, but careful inquiry will show that most who have died of these common and fatal ills were, pre-vious to i.s affecting lungs or kid-neys, afflicted with some recognizneys, afflicted with some recogniz-ed form of catarrh. Scuarc's Catarrh Tablets cure ca-

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A cure that is radical and lasting is the only cur. I is easy to dry up or drive in and suppress catarrh at some local point, with drying or astringent applications, but this is only a misorable subterfuge, a makeshift that will soon be apparent when ureatment is discontinued. Not so with the radical continued. stitutional cure by the use of Stu-art's Catarrh Tablets which, though not so rapid of action as suppress-ing measures, is lasting and satis-factory in the end. The catarrhal the head and impair hearing, into the stomach and produce dyspepsia, into the bowels and result in chronic diarrhea, into the blood and become scrofula, into the skin to be known as eczema, into respiratory organs and eczema, into respiratory organs and become consumption, into the urand permanency of the cures as complished by Schuart's Catarrh Tableits accounts for the fact that the multilude of people who have used them are so lavish in their praise. If you love health, a sweet breath, and a clear head, if you wish the trid yourself of the systemic tendencies, ness."

eventually dangerous disease.

Shuart's Catarrh Tablets are eftional disease, hence the folly of attempting its cure with local applications alone. It needs searching, systemic medication to effectually eradicate this blighting taint from the constitution. Purely local treatment will only suppress its outward manipulation.

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THE UPTON INQUEST.

FANNY M'GARVEY COMMIT TED FOR TRIAL.

The Coroner's Jury Find that She Killed Her Uncle While Suffering Consumption From Mental Derangement.

London, Ont., Dec. 23.-The inquest held in Strathroy regarding the Patrick Upton fromicide was not concluded until yes-terday. The chief witness, William Mc-Garvey, detailed the story of Fanny McGarvey's attack upon her uncle. It did not vary from what has already been repeatedly published. Witness said that Fanny had on more than one occasion sot up in the middle of the night and asked him to go out to her uncle's to see if the Clan-na-Gael had not murdered him, which she feared. At other times she was in a raving state instead of there being any ill-feeling between Fanny McGarvey and Upton, witness said they thought much of each other.

Following is the verdict rendered by the jury:—'We, the Coroner's Jury appointed to ascertain the cause of the death of Patrick Upton, who died on Dec. 18, do find that the said Fatrick Upton came to his death from wounds inflicted with an axe in the hands of Mrs Fanny McGarvey, on the evening of Nov, 7, while suffering from mental derangement.

Crown Attorney Magee appeared for the Crown, and Mr. John Folinsbee for the prisoner. Garvey, detailed the story of Fanny Mc

prisoner.
Fanny McGarvey was brought before
Squire Noble at Strathroy to-day, and
committed for trial at the next Assizes
on a charge of murder. The prisoner was
been a charge of the county fail, in this
city.

CONSPIRED TO MURDER.

True Bills Returned Against a Family at Rising Sun, Ind.

Rising Sun., Ind., Dec. 23.-In it eport regarding the investigation of the assassination of Miss Elizabeth the assassination of Miss Elizabeth Gillespie on Dec. 8, the Grand Jury has returned true bills of murder in the first degree against James Gillespie, a twin brother of the murdered woman, Mrs. Belle Seward are widowed sister, Mrs. Carrie Barbour; a niece of Dr. Thad. A. Re m., an emment physician of Cincinnati, and Myron Barbour, her husband. Denen grants were issued immediat ly Dr. Gi lespie, a brother of the accused, brought the indicted persons to the court house. A newspaper photographer attempted to make a picture the party and was struck by James llespie. The indictmen's charge the Gillespie. The indictmen's ca family with conspiracy to kill.

C.P.R. LAND SALES.

A Big Falling Off in November This Year.

Montreal, Dec. 23 .- A report received at the C.P.R. headquarters from its land commissioner, Mr. Griffin, at Winnipeg, shows the receipts for land sales in the Territories and Manitoba during November. The falling off in the total receipts was close to \$500,000. In November, 1003, they amounted to \$127,080, while during the same month last year they totalled \$598,787, a decrease of \$470,807. The decreases were as fellows:—In Manitoba, 7,750 acres, or \$28,693; in Assimboia, a decrease of 34,778 acres and \$161,142; in Sasof 34,778 acres and \$161,142; in Sas-katchewan, a decrease of 36,368 acres and \$130,024, and in Alberta, a loss of 39,952 acres and \$141,047. The falling off is ascribed in part to the decreased demand by American settlers.

HIS FOURTH MURDER.

Frank Burness Pleads Guilty and Must Die, New York, Dec. 23 .- With a verdict

that sends Frank H. Burness, a selfconfessed murderer, to the electric chair, a jury, before Judge Crane, yes-terday ended one of the most sen-sational murder trials heard in Brookerally referred to as "female weakness."

Catarrh of the eyes, ears, nose throat, bronchial tubes, lungs, liver, stomach, bowels, kidneys, bladder and other organs, is but a local manifestation of a lurking or constitutional disease, hence the folly of atlyn for months. Burness' fourth mur-der was committed on November 10 murders were calmly described by Burness to-day on the witness stand, and the murderer insisted that he commit-ted his last murder with premeditation and in a full realization of the conse and in a full realization of the consequences. The jury brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree. Burness smiled broadly when the jury was being poiled. Judge Crane said he would sentence Burness on Monday, and Burness asked the Judge if he would be permitted to say something. On being given the privilege, he said: "There may be an idea in the minis of some of the jurors that I hold a grudge against them for having found."

of some of the jurors that I hold a grudge against them for having foun! me guilty. I wish to say that I do not feel in that way in the slightest, and (laughingly) all I can say is I wish them all a merry Christmas."

When asked what he thought would be the result of his confession, he coolly replied: "Why, I only see one way out of it."

"What is that?"

"Why, the chair, of course," he replied.

Strike Against Wage Reductions Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 22. — Word has been received at the headquarters of the United Mine Workers that 1,000 of the United Mine Workers that 1,000 miners in Preston county, W. Va., have quit work on account of a reduction of ten cents a ton in their scale. Several of the operators in the Preston county fields are also interested in mines at other points, where 5,000 men are out on account of a similar cut of ten cents a ton.

Ontario Election Petitions. nto, Dec. 23.—The following On-petitions have been fixed for trial When you find a cough holding o

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TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

Stories of vast wealth left by Por-The new Roman Catholic church at Mc

The Court of Appeal has unanimously refused the application on behalf of W. H. Callaghan for leave to appeal. Figures published by the United States

Department of Commerce show an enormous increase in trade with Canada. Messrs. C. N. Bell of Winnipeg and J. X. Perrault have been appointed Secre

aries to the Transportation Commis Danish newspapers are urging the William Matheson, deputy returning of ficer in North Renfrew, was killed while felling a tree on his farm in Pembroke

township. Edgar Richards. Manager of the branch f the Royal Bank of Canada at Whitney Mines, Nova Scotia, ha's disappeared, His accounts are \$5,000 short.

Frank Burness, convicted at New York of one murder, and who confessed to three others, said he held no grudge against the jurors, and wished them

The following Liberals were nominated for the Commons yesterday:-Wentworth W. O. Seuley; West Algoma, J. J. Ke hoe: Stormont R. Smith: Missisquoi

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FIREMEN'S SKULLS CRUSHED. Battalion Chief and Fireman Killed While Fighting a Fire.

New York, Dec. 23.-Yesterday the bodies of Battalion Chief Coleman and Fireman Richard Joyce were ound in the cellar of the Mott street urniture factory, where they lost their ives last night while fighting the fire n the building. Their skulls had been rushed in by a beam, which rested ecross the heads of both. A STUDY OF OLD AGE

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BARKEEPERS MUST GO. No Room For The Gamblers in

Ohio O'dfellows' Lodges. Springfield, Ohio, Dec. 23.-Grand Master Charles C. Pavey of the Ohio Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Oddie lows has issued a circular to the effect that on January 1, 1904, all saloonkeepers, bartenders and processional gamblers shall either out the order or those occupations.

NOT IF IT COST TEN DOLLARS A bottle would I be without Polson's Nerviline," writes J. A. Ruth, a farmer' living near Trenton, Ont. Nerviline is the best household liniment I know. We use it for stomach troubles, indigestion, headache and summer complaint. I know of nothing better to take in hot water to break up a cold, or to rub on for heumatism or neuralgia." Every rheumatism or neuralgia." Every farmer should keep a few bottles of Nerviline handy and have smaller doctor bills. Large bottles 25c. at druggists.

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Men rarely are complimented the points of excellence of wh they are most proud,

JAPAN URGED TO STRIKE.

BELIEVED IN LONDON THAT WAR IS INEVITABLE.

Russia Now Directing Her Efforts to Gain Time-Britain and France Bringing Influence to Bear.

London, Dec. 23.-Discussing the far eastern situation, the London papers to-day say that Russia is playing for time, and when her moment comes she will snap her fingers at Japan. A section of the London press is strongly urging Japan to strike now. Assuming that war is inevitable, they say that Japan will rue it if she falls in with Russia's waiting game. If the two countries resort to war the sympathies and the prayers of Britain will be for Japan. What more the British would do nobody under

takes to say.

Great anxiety pervades all Europe on account of the situation. It might be an exaggeration to say that the prevailing belief in Britain, France and Germany is that war between Japan and Russia is unavoidable, but it may be said truthfully that the view of most persons whose opinions have weight is that the situation is so bad that the most natural outcome is war. About the most optimistic view is that there is still ground for hope that the two countries may reach a peaceful set-

London, Dec. 23.—The Berlin cor-respondent of The Times says it is thought here there is good reason for believing that Russia is by no means so warlike as she appears to European eyes. Russia, it is said, is feeling her way in order to discover how much she may demand of Japan now or in the future, with any prospect of success. This may be true, but according to the prevailing view in Europe, Russia is not likely to be content with Japan's "irreducible minimum demands," nor give up her programme

mands," nor give up her programme in Manchuria or Ccrea.

Tokio, Dec. 23.—It is ascertained in official rircles here that the Jayanese reply to Russia rejects the fundamenta points at issue, which are understood to include mutual guarantees for the preservation of Chinese and Corean sovereignty, while securing the individual interests of Russia and Japan.

The situation is graver than since the commencement of the negotiations, but is still susceptible to a pacific so-lution if Russia will quickly reconsider

The fact that Foreign Minister Komura called on Baron De Rosen, the Russian Minister, yesterday, instead of Baron De Rosen calling on Komura, Baron De Rosen calling on Komura, is, interpreted as meaning that Japan is determined not to afford Russia possible ground for claiming Japanese impetuesity as an excuse. Komura's communication is not believed officially to be necessarily tantamount to an ultimatum as rumored. matum, as rumored.

War preparations continue apace.

The transports and the warships can sail at five minutes' notice. The Japanese Government proposes immediately to undertake the completion of the Seoul-Fusan railroad, under the direct supervision of Japan.

Popular sentiment and the press are eagerly urging the Government to set

a limit to the "Russian tactics of ag-gression and insolent negligence." THOSE CHILIAN WARSHIPS. Russian Government Offered to Buy

Them. London, Dec. 23.-The following is published to-day by several papers as an authentic account of the purchase by the British Government of the Chilian warships Libertad and Consti-Chinan warsings Libertiae and Consu-tution. When the ships came into the market both the British and Japanese Governments were approached, and both declined to purchase. Later, Ja-pan, on account of developments in the installment plan, but Chili said no Russia then stepped in with an offer of £1,800,000, payable in twenty-four hours. At this psychological moment the British Government promptly ac-

quired the vessels for £1,875,000. FIVE MEN KILLED.

Result of Explosion at the St. Louis Power House.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 23.-The list of known killed in the explosion of seven boilers last night at the Geyer avenu power house of the St. Louis Transit Company has been increased to five. A number of employees are still mi

A LIVING TORCH.

Hamilton Woman Fatally Burned on the Street. Hamilton, Dec. 23.-Another

stance of the danger of using coal oil to start a fire in a stove was furnished in a sad manner about 6 o'clock las evening by Mrs. Partridge, 214 Mary Her dress caught fire from the blazing oil, and, after vainly fight the blazing oil, and, after vainly fight ing the flames in the house, she rai screaming into the street. He plight was quickly seen, and she wa given assistance, but by that time he clothing was entirely burned off. He condition was pitiable. She was re moved to the city hospital, where sh case was said to be hope ess. She is a33 years of age, and has four children The unfortunate woman was recently in St. Joseph's Hospital ill.

ROTHSCHILDS' GIFT.

Braces of Pheasants to Many 'Bu Drivers and Conductors.

London, Dec. 23 .- Fellowing the cur m of several years' standing, Lord Rothschild has presented a brace of pheasants to every bus driver and conductor who passes his Lordship's residence in Piccaship. Ask for Minard's and take no other,

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