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Mews Summary.

Business failures in Canada number 26 against 48 in this week a year ago. Lionel G. Garden has been gazetted British consul general for the island of

Cuba Cuba. Lady Minto has accepted the honorary presidency of the executive of the Victor-ian Order of Nurses. The appointment of J. W. Carmichael as Senator is gazetted. John Howatt Bell is gazetted member for East Prince.

Joseph Fraser, of East French River, Pictou county, N. S., was killed Friday while Gitting a tree. His son witnessed the actident.

The next session of the Supreme Court will commence February 21. The last day for filing cases is Jan. 31st, and of depos-iting factums February 4th.

It is regarded in well informed quarters in Faris as probable that France and Great Britain will reach an agreement on the Newfoundland shore question which will be satisfactory to Great Britain.

be satisfactory to Great Britain. At Fredericton, Friday, Earnon Phillips was found on Poor House hill frozen to death. Phillips started to walk to Rusa-gorish a couple of days ago. He was be-tween 60 and 70 years old and unmarried. Sir Charles Dilke favors Sir Henry Campbell-Baunerman, formerly chief sec-retary for Ireland and former secretary of state for war, as Sir William Vernon Har-court's successor as Liberal leader.

The reply of Lord Salisbury to the pro-posal of Emperor Nicholas for a disarma-ment conference of the powers, which is just published, promises the cordial co-operation of the British government and asks for an indication of the heads of discussion at the conference.

discussion at the conference. A barn at Banks, Ala., belonging to a white farmer named Green was burned Wednesday. Suspicion was directed towards Marshall McGregor, a negro in Mr. Green's employ. Thursday morning his body was found hanging to a tree.

his body was found hanging to a tree. By the will of the late Mrs. Caroline L. Macy, of New York, the New York Teacher's College is bequeathed $$200 \mod 3$ and \$5,000 is bequeathed to the Presby-terian hospital. The estate is valued at upwards of \$1,500,000.

The state is traited in the state is traited in upwards of \$1,500,000. T. H. Hall, at corner Germain and King streets, St. John, has still on hand a few copies of Peloubet's Notes on the Sabbath School lesson for 1899. These will be mailed to any address at \$1.25 each. He-has also in stock Arnold's Notes, in cloth binding, at 55c. Each mailed. A despatch from Paris to the 'Evening News' says that the Anarchist movement in France has received an enormous ful-petus through the growing fear of miliary despotism. The sum of two hundred thousand fraces has been placed at the disposal of M. Sebastien Naure for the purpose of establishing an Anarchist daily newspaper. spaper

newspaper. A blue book has just been issued con-taining the correspondence between Great Britain and France on the subject of trade restriction in Madagascar. The only con-cession is the revocation of the decree confining the coast trade to French vessels. All the London morning papers comment upon the blue book, asking how it is possible to live in amity with a country which tramples upon treaty rights and treats a friendly country in such a manner. The Comeda Gazytta today contains the

treats a friendly country in such a manner. The Canada Gazette today contains the plebiscite returns. The total number of affirmative answers was 278.487, and the total number of negative answers 264.571, giving a majority for of 13,916. In Nova Scotia 34,616 votes for and 5 402 against ; in New Brunswick, 26,711 for and 9,576 against ; in P. E. Island, 9,461 for and 1,146 against.

1,146 against. A very curious presentation of the number of Irishmen, of the stamp of Wolseley in England, the Duke of Tetuan in Spaia, General O'Brutscheff in Russia, Viscount Taafe in Hungary, who are lead-ers in many nations, is given in the January Cosmopolitan under the title, "Irish Lead-ers in Many-Nations." It will be found interesting to all who have even a drop of Irish blood in their seins. "The Jews in Jerusalem": is another article in the same number, possessing interest for a large class.

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* Personal. * Rev. H. Morrow who was in Nova Scotia hat summer and at that time expected to return to Burma in the autumn, is now in Deland, Fla., his health not having improved as he expected and the climate of Boston proving too trying for winter residence. His health has im-proved much since voing to Florida about a month ago. Mrs. Morrow's health had improved, but having gone to her old home in Rochester, Vt., in the autumn, ake had the misfortune to fall and break her arm. Mr. Morrow hopes, however, that they will both be able to return to Burma next summer.



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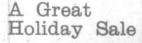
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