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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1895.

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MARRIED.

MORRISON - MARSHMAN - At the restdence of Mr. George Marshman, jun., Longwood road, brother of the bride, by the Rev. T. E. Harrison, of Melbourne, Alice, daughter of Mr. Job Marshman, Dutton, to Mr. Wil liam Morrison, of Dutton.

DIED. CUMMINGS-In London township, on Wednesday, Dec. 18, 1895. William Cummings,

Funeral will leave his late residence, con. 3, of London township, on Friday, Dec. 29, at 2:29 p.m.; services at 2 p.m. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation. Interment at Webster's Cemetery. NELSON-On Dec. 18, 1895, Sarah, beloved daughter of William and Sarah Nelson, aged

Funeral from her late residence, 1,050 Francis street, East London, to St. Peter's Cathedral, at 8:30 sharp Friday morning. Friends please accept this indination.

Amusements and Lectures

Advertisements under this heading two cents per word each insertion. No 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 comedy-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.

A LL ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETED for a most enjoyable evening at Collegiate Conversazione, Friday, Dec. 20. Miss Carlotta Desvignes, contralto: Jessie Alexander, elocutionist; Glee Club orchestra, promenade concert. Tickets for sale at Cairncross & Lawrence.

MERRY CHRISTMAS-GRAND ASSEM-BLY, City Hall, Dec. 24; Ensign's cele-BLY, City Hall, Dec. 24; Edisign & brated orchestra; grand march 8:15 sharp.
78k ywtz

M ISS RETTA MUTCH HAS BEEN engaged to sing at the Xmas concert, 79tf NELLIE BURNIP WILL SING AT THE Presbyterian Church concert, Christmas

RAND 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 on sale tomorrow. 78k

| OMINION EXPRESS ORDERS ON Canada, United States or Europe at following rates: Not over \$5, 5 cents; not over \$10, 8 cents; not over \$20, 10 cents. Frank B. Clarke, Richmond street, next Advertiser Office, sells those orders.

DALACE DANCING ACADEMY - 478 Richmond street, open afternoons and evenings. Classes as follows—Gentlemen, Monday evenings; ladies, Tuesday evenings; children, Saturday afternoons. Dayton & McCopmick

DRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING BY Princess avenue. A thorough system of teaching the modern glide waltz and all fashionable dances guaranteed. Lessons given any hour.

Meetings.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than tenewords.

VOTICE - NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the general annual meeting of the snareholders of the London Street Railway Company will be held at the office of the com-Company will be held at the office of the company, on Dundas street east, in the city of London, Ont., on Wednesday, Jan. 8, 1896, at 3 o'clock p.m. By order. CHAS, CURRIE, assistant secretary London Street Railway Company. Dated this 18th day of Treepphore, 1895. ant secretary London Street Railway Company. Dated this 16th day of December, 1895.

THRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH —
Thursday, week night meeting. 8
o'clock; parable of "The Laborer in the Vineyard," considered by Rev. W. J. Clark, b

COUNCIL NO. 25, CHOSEN FRIENDS— Meets to-night, East End Hall. Visitors me. S. BAKER, recorder. ILWINNING LODGE, NO. 64, A., F. AND A. M., meets to-night (Thursday). at 7:30 clock. Visiting brethren welcome. Frank Love, W M.; John Overbll, P.M., Sec. b

Domestics Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. WANTED - GENERAL SERVANT -None but experienced one need apply, 224 Central avenue, between 7 and 9 p.m. 78c NOW FOR XMAS-RING UP THE OLD reliable. Dwyer's Intelligence reliable, Dwyer's Intelligence Office. On hand: Cooks, generals, housemaids, dining-room 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 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. MAN WANTED TO TAKE CARE OF horses. Apply Martin O'Mara, Do minion House, corner York and Clarence street.

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

WANTED - FARMERS' SONS OR other industrious persons of fair education to whom \$75 a month would be an inducement. Write me with references. Could also engage a few ladies at their own homes. T. H. LINSCOTT, 155 Bay street, Toronto, 6the end 531 64bc eod 631

ORGANIZERS WANTED-PROFITABLE, permanent employment. Apply by let-ter. Grand Organizer Oddfellows, 49 King street west, Toronto.

CANVASSERS 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.

A GENTS-WANTED-\$20 PER WEEK-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 LAST SUNDAY NIGHT, BETWEEN St. Andrew's Church and J. G. Ross' drug store, pair gold spectacles. Finder please leave at this office. Reward. TRAYED NOV. 29, BLACK AND WHITE fox terrier, half grown; very short tail. Finder rewarded. H. C. Johnstone, merchant, Delaware. 79u bw

Palmistry.

PROF. SEGNO, SCIENTIFIC PALMIST— Parlors, 187 Queen's avenue. Consulta-

Houses, Etc., To Let.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. O LET-BROWN'S MAMMOTH LIV-ERY Stables, Dundas street, near corner Richmond, city. 69tf

OFFICE TO LET—DOUBLE ROOM WITH vault, first floor Albion Building; also front room on first floor; immediate possession Apply T. H. CARLING, at the brewery. 33:f 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 avenue, 10 rooms, modern conveniences. Apply Fraser & Fraser.

Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. CART WANTED TO BUY, IN GOOD repair and cheap. Address GEORGE 78c

Situations Wanted.

Advertisements under this heading one cent a word each insertion. No advertisement less than 10 words. No FIRST-CLASS EXPERIENCED STENO-GRAPHER (lady) wishes office work for a few hours daily; remuneration according to service required: unexceptional testimonials. Expert, this office. 76k tywt

PRACTICAL CUTTER - CLOTHING salesman; graduate Cleveland Cutting School; open for situation. Address F. H.,

Articles For Sale.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. FOR SALE-FIRST-CLASS 100 QUART OR SALE—FIRST-ULASS 100 milk route, Address Box 33, Adver-TISER.

FOR 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.

OR SALE-CLOVER AND TIMOTHY seed, baled hay and straw. ARCHIBALL BROS., Ingersoll. FOR SALE—JERSEY COW AND CALF
3 years old, big milker; makes two pounds

butter per day. Apply corner St. James and Wellington. 78c A PPLES-1,000 BARRELS-GREENINGS, Baldwins, Spies, Kings. Good stock. Right prices. GEO. TAYLOR & SON, 351 Talbot Street. Telephone 1,047.

TOR SALE-MILK, TESTING 5.01 PER

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 nosts niles etc. D. FERGUSON Manf. lumber, poses, piles, etc. D. FERGUSON, Manf. Agent, London, Ont.

35tf

Business Chances.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words. DLACKSMITH SHOP AND DWELLING for sale; well situated; good business comfortable house; good reasons for selling. Apply JAMES LOCKHART, Holyrood, Ont. 76k eod 65u

GATCH THE BOOM" - SMALL amounts invested in wheat and stocks now will pay sure profits. Send for fall Book and Market Review explaining how to make money. Bank reference furnished. M. OLIVER & Co., Chicago Stock Exchange, Chicago.

Educational.

HORTHAND AND TYPEWRITING taught by professional teachers at the Western Ontario Shorthand Academy, 76 Dundas street, London. Situations secure for graduates when competent. Wm. C. Coo, principal.

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

Massage Treatment.

MISS SHUFF-GRADUATE OF DR. S. Weir Mitchell's Hospital for Nervous Diseases, Philadelphia. Massage and Swedish movements, 497 King street, London, Ont. Phone, 502.

Gadsby, 328 York street, graduate of Walker's Park Sanitarium, Berks county, Pa. Swedishmassage and electric treatment given Removal of facial blemishes a specialty.

Jewelers.

REMOVAL-J. T. WESTLAND, JEWEL-ER and engraver, removed to 340 Rich-mond street, next to Grigg House.

Laundries.

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

Accountants.

CEO. W. HAYES, ACCOUNTANT AND Auditor, Insurance agent, 5 Masonic Temple building. Agent for Northern Assurance Company, Keystone Fire Insurance Company, Provident Savings Life Assurance Society. Strict attention given to all business. Call on me for rates. Telephone No. 1,176. GEO. W. HAYES. ywt

W. MAGEE, ACCOUNTANT, 413 Richmond street, or 640 Talbot street, London.

A LFRED A. BOOKER, ACCOUNTANT— 136 Elmwood avenue, South London. Telephone 1009.

Electro-Thermo Baths. 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.

Agents Wanted.

First insertion ic 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 temunera-tion. Apply L. W. BURKE, Superintendent, No. 5 Masonic Temple. 2tf

WANTED - GENTLEMEN OF GOOD W address to place building and loan stock. Men of experience preferred, Salary and commission. Address "Birkbeck." 163 Dundas street, London, Ont. 19tf

Artists.

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

Britons Taking a Graver View of the Venezuelan Question.

The London Globe on Canada's Position in Case of War.

Report That Russia and China Have Made a Secret Treaty Is Confirmed.

Russia Ceded a Winter Port-Italy Votes Money for the Abyssinian War.

THE QUEEN'S MOVEMENTS. London, Dec. 19 .- The Queen has left Windsor for Osborne House, Isle of Wight. WAR IN AFRICA.

Rome, Dec. 19.—Premier Crispi has asked for a credit of 20,000,000 lire for the purpose of pushing the military operations in Africa, contemplated by the Government. The committee on the budget has approved the request.

NEW PETROLEUM FIELD. London, Dec. 19 .- A dispatch from Vienna says that the discovery of petroleum in Galicia has caused a heavy falling in the price of that product. The Galician producers have decided to form a ring to regulate the output.

RUSSIA GAINS A POINT. Yokohama, Dec. 19.—The Nichi-Nichi confirms the report that China has offered Chan-Som Bay to Russia for a winter station. Advices received here from Vladivostock say that the secret treaty between Russia and China is an accomplished fact and that a survey of the proposed railway from Siberia through Manchuria has been ordered.

CUBANS DEFEATED.

Havana, Dec. 19.—The columns of Spanish troops commanded by Canella and Baquero, 1,100 strong, have defeated Jose Maceo, Bonni and Periquito Perez, whose forces numbered 3,000 men, in an engagement at Palmarit. cent butter fat, highest percentage in the city; 5c per quert delivered to any part west of Adelaide street. T. A. FAULDS, 348 Bathurst street.

The fight lasted several hours. The Cubans fled, leaving 46 dead on the field and carrying off many of their wounded. The Spandards, who stormed field and carrying off many of their wounded. The Spaniards, who stormed the position occupied by the rebels, lost 17 killed and 53 wounded.

MORE ATROCITIES. Constantinople, Dec. 19.—A letter dated Dec. 2 has been received here from an Am-PONY FOR SALE—QUIET AND SOUND—Will be sold cheap. Apply 637 Elias erican missionary at Caesarea, giving harrowing details of the horrors of the previou

> ONDON WEST, 1896—TO THE ELECT-J ORS—As a number of matters in this constituency have yet to be straightened up, at the request of my friends, and of others who may not have previously been counted as my friends, I consent to offer my services as Reeve for another year. Circumstances prevent me making a personal canvass, but I solicit the support of all who are interested in the future welfare of the village. Your obliged and faithful servant, D. C. MacDonald. 80n wt

Bylaw No. 928.

For taking the votes of the electors of the City of London upon the question of the advisability of providing for the issue of debentures of the Corporation to the extent of \$25,000 to raise money for the purpose of erecting buildings on the grounds of the Western Fair Association to replace these recently build and to to replace these recently burned and to provide further accommodation for the said Association.

said Association.

WHEREAS an application has been made by the Western Fair Association to the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London requesting that a bylaw be prepared for submission to the electors of the City of London at the ensuing municipal elections to ascertain their opinion with regard to the advisability of providing for the issue of debentures of the corporation to the extent of \$25,000 to raise money for the purpose of erecting buildings on the grounds of the Western Fair Association to replace those recently burned, and to provide further accommodation for the said Association.

burned, and to provide further accommodation for the said Association.

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London have assented to the submission of the said question to a vote of the electors of the City of London who would, under the provisions of "The Consolidated Municipal Act, 1892," be qualified to vote upon this bylaw if it were a bylaw requiring the assent of the electors of the municipality under the provisions of section 293 of the said act, before the final passing thereof.

233 of the said act, before the final passing thereof.

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London, as follows: 1. That a vote of the electors of the City of London who would, under the provisions of "The Consclidated Municipal Act, 1892." be qualified to vote upon this bylaw if it were a bylaw requiring the assent of the electors of the municipality under the provisions of section 293 of the said act before the final passing thereof, be taken at the same time by the same officials and at the same places as the votes for the election of aldermen of the said City of London at the next ensuing municipal elections are taken. 2. That the question upon which the vote shall be taken shall be "For or against the advisability of providing for the issue of debentures of the Corporation of the City of London to the extent of \$25,000 to raise money for the purpose of erecting buildings on the grounds of the Western Fair Association to replace those recently burned and to provide further accommodation for the said Association." 3. That the votes taken upon the said question shall be taken by ballot and the Clerk shall sum up the votes and declare the result at the same time as the result of the election of the Mayor of the said city is declared.

Passed in open Council this 2nd day of December, A. D., 1895.

Passed in open Council this 2nd day of De-tember, A. D., 1895. C. A. KINSTON, J. W. LITTLE, Clerk.

Clerk.

TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing is a true copy of a bylaw passed by the Municipal Council of the City of London, on the 2nd day of December, 1895, for the purpose of taking a vote of the freehold electorate of the said city on the 6th day January, 1896, by the officers helding the municipal elections, on the question contained in the said bylaw.

C. A. KINGSTON, City Clerk, 68k w

AUGTION SALE-NO RESERVE.

M ESSRS. PORTER & CO., will offer by public auction a large consignment of Ladies Tailor-Made Mantles and Winter Hats, the latest styles. Sale every night at 7;30 at their rooms, 420 Richmond street.

79k

H. PORTER, Auctioneer.

NOTICE TO SBARKHOLDERS.

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of the Ontario Investment Association will be held at No. 338 Richmond street, London, Ontario, on Friday, the 3rd day of January, A.D. 1896, at 2 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of taking into consideration the final disposal of the mortgages, stock, real estate and other remaining assets of the association, and for authorizing and directing the directors of said association as to the same. By order of the Board.

A. T. McMahen, Manager.

London, Ont., Dec. 18, 1895.

three days. The writer says that the Turks swarmed through the streets and into houses, stoning, clubbing and killing every Armenian within reach. The barbarity practiced passes all description. Men and women were literally hacked to pieces, and a thousand persons were killed on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 30. The American missionary also says that the Turkish soldiers confessed that the Government gave them permission to pillage. The boys of the American school are all safe, the letter concludes, and 109 fugitives are being sheltered in the mission buildings, but the safety of the missionaries depends upon the presence of the troops who are guarding

BECOMING GRAVER. London, Dec. 19.—The comments of the newspapers and public today upon the Venezuelan question generally agree that the situation is much more serious than they thought yesterday. There is a general feeling of disap-pointment at the action of Congress in supporting the stand taken by President Cleveland in his message to that body. The stock exchange here and the stock exchanges throughout the country continue under the influence of the difficulty which has arisen between Great Britain and the United States. At the same time, there is no excitement. Consols declined 1-4, for-eign funds were weak and American and Canadian stocks were lower on

continued selling. The Pall Mall Gazette's money article says: "Of course, whatever happens, America will lose credit over the affair. It is particularly unfortunate now when many of her railroads need

The afternoon newspapers all contain long editorials on the Venezuelan question, the general tenor of their utterances being the same as yester day, though all agree that the matter

is becoming much graver. The Globe, a high Conservative organ and newspaper which may be supposed to be on terms of intimacy with he Government, gives warning that Great Britain will remain firm, saying: "President Cleveland may appoint a dozen commissions; but England will remain firm in her refusal to recognize them and jurisdiction of this sort This is our unalterable position, be the consequences what they may. We will never submit to such unparalleled dietation."

The Globe is also irate at the recent utterances of Dr. Chauncey M. Depew, especially his reference to the easy manner in which the United States could conquer Canada, remarking: "The overwhelming naval strength of England would enable her to pour troops into Canada at any sign of danger; small warships could be sent to the lakes, and Chicago, Detroit and Buffalo would be utterly at their

Another Conservative M. P. Throws justified. Up His Seat.

Attorney-General Sifton or Manitoba's Position.

RESIGNED.

Henry Corby, Conservative member for West Hastings, has resigned his seat and gone abroad for his health.

MANITOBA'S POSITION. Winnipeg, Dec. 19.—Attorney-General Sifton returned from the east yesterday. To a reporter he said the Local Cabinet would meet on Friday or Saturday, and a reply to the Dominion Government on the school matter would be forwarded at once. It would be to the effectt hat Manitoba could not consent to re-establish separate schools as they existed in 1890, and as demanded by the remedial order sent to Manitoba. It was not for the Manitoba Government to propose any compromise; they were willing, however, to negotiate with the minority through a commission as to what amendments to the present school law would be acceptable to them and fair to all par-

SIR ADOLPHE CARON The end of Sir Adolphe Caron's political career is at hand. The Liberals have grown so strong in Quebec disthat only one seat can be carried by the Government, and that is not Sir Adolphe's. But abundant proof is furnished of the fact that he is repudiated by his own party. At a recent meeting of the Club Cartier-Mac-donald in the city of Quebec a resolution was adopted declaring that Sir Adolphe Caron is no longer the leader in that district, Le Moniteur de Levis, the organ of the Conservatives of the Quebec district, has been excommunicated by formal resolution of the Club Conservateur in Montreal because it denounces Sir Adolphe Caron. Le Moniteur is the organ of Hon. A. R. Angers. The president of the Conservative Club of Montreal is Hon. J. A. Ouimet. Le Moniteur has gone so far as to ask questions about money matters in connection with certain contracts and to hint also at some secret history connected with the Governor-General's demand that Sir Adolphe should explain certain of his transac-

tions. CARDWELL. The Cardwell campaign is in full blast. Sir Richard Cartwright spoke at Caledon East last night in the interest of Mr. Henry, and Mr. Foster spoke at Caledon in support of Mr. Willoughby. Dr. Montague went to Orangeville, but he is somewhat indisposed.

EUROPE PROSTRATE.

Gladstone Arraigns the Six Great Powers.

Spending \$500,000,000 Yearly Upon Armies. Yet Unable to Cope with Poor Little Turkey.

London Dec. 19. - A pro-Armenian meeting was held in the City Temple here yester-day, at which was read a letter from Mr. Gladstone, in which he said: "The six great powers which, between them, spend more than £100,000,000 yearly upon what is termed their defences, lie prostrate at the feet of an impotent Sultan, who, with their cognizance, appears to prosecute massacres at his will, day by day. Which power or powers is to blame I know not. Our country is quite able to cope with six Turkeys, and she is under peculiar chiga-tions, but she is not omnipotent. I sincerely hope that her Majesty's Government has not been in any degree answerable for bringing about an almost incredible situa-

On the Position Taken by Grover Cleveland.

The New York World Says He Has Made a Serious Blunder.

French, German, and Austrian Comment on the Situation - Britain Will Wait for an "Overt Act."

AMERICAN.

New York, Dec. 19 .- The World says: 'President Cleveland's message Congress on the Venezuelan matter is a serious blunder. It is a blunder because it is based upon a wrong conception, because it is not sustained by international law or usage, and because it places the United States in a

false position. "The President, in his message, like Secretary Olney in his dispatches, assumes that the policy of Great Britain in Venezuela involves a menace to this country. The President says that the doctrine (of Monroe) upon which we stand is strong and sound because its enforcement is important to our peace and safety as a nation and is essential to the integrity of our free institutions and the tranquil maintenance of our distinctive form of gov-

"This is the conception of the situation upon which the President bases his threat of war. It is the only conception that could justify our inter-vention in South America or warrant the extraordinary attitude of the Pres-

"England is not a foreign nation in this hemisphere. Great Britain owns more territory on this continent than we do. She was here before we were a nation. If she had the hostile intentions which the President's words impute, did she need to wait for a boundary dispute in distant Venezuela, with a hybrid race, to assail us or menace our republican institutions?

"The assumption is absurd, and with It falls the structure of ponderously patriotic rhetoric reared upon it by the President."

The Sun says: "War is not expected, despite the fact that no Jingo has overstepped the nark now toed by the Hon. Grover Cleveland. Probably the solution presented in President Cleve-land's message to Congress on the question of Venezuela will lose its seed of conflict before any actual clash between the United States and England

AUSTRIAN. London, Dec. 19.-The Vienna Neue Freie Presse says that the indignation expressed in England over President Cleveland's message in regard to the enezuelan controversy is abundantly

FRENCH.

The Paris Journal des Debats says that Mr. Cleveland's language undoubtedly places the United States in the alternative of fighting England, however monstrous that might be, or beating an inglorious retreat. The paper contests the right of the United States to intervene in the Venezueian dispute. The Monroe doctrine, it says, cannot be considered by the rest of the world as an international act possessing any value as a law of nations. In conclusion the Debats says that notwithstanding the unfavorable character of American political customs, it refuses to believe that Mr. Cleveland would risk the fortune and honor of the Americans for mere political motives. It hopes and believes that the good sense of the Washington and London statesmen will prevent an open rupture betwen Great Britain and

the United States. La Liberte says: Peoples of the same race and origin are accustomed to using strong language without fighting. Doubtless the differences will

be settled pacifically. The Paris Temps has a two-column editorial on the message, which it says is the gravest document signed by an American President since President Lincoln's manifesto on the Trent incident. The question is whether Mr. Cleveland is merely twisting the Lion's tail or is acting seriously. At any rate his action is without diplomatic precedent, unless such can be found

in the annals of the arrogant Roman

GERMAN. A Berlin dispatch says: The Vos sische Zeitung, in commenting on President Cleveland's message on the Venezuelan qusetion, says that President's sharp tone against England and his emphasizing the Monroe Doctrine will attract the attention of other powers. The National Zeitung says: "Rudeness toward unliked countries is the rule when Presidents re-seek office. As the Washington Government claims exclusive rights in the matter of arbitrating American affairs, the whole arbitration claim becomes a pure farce, as it is also the demarcation commission.'

The Boersen Courier says that England first haughtily treated the Alabama claims, but was afterwards obliged to accept arbitration upon the question, and that established a precedent. The Boersen Zeitung save that President Cleveland's answer leaves nothing to be desired in its outspokenness. England will begin to comprehend that America is no longer a field for English expansion. Mr. Cleveland appears to intend purposely to offend other powers, but it must be remembered that the elections in the United States are near.

IRISH.

The Dublin Freeman's Journal, in its comments upon President Cleveland's message regarding Venezuela, says: "There is no doubt that the President wrote with an eye to the elections, but there is no going behind the unequivocal pronouncement in which he contemptuously brushes aside Lord Salisbury's quibbles. It is no exaggeration to say that a serious crisis is imminent, unless Lord Salisbury's stifted periods have been mere

bluff, which is by no means improba-

ble. The collection of Venezuelan cus-

tone by British bluejackets-a worthy

Christmas

AN ELEGANT ASSORTMENT' OF DAINTY, USEFUL AND BEAUTIFUL

> GIFTS, IMPORTED BY

Chemists, etc., London, Ont.

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

Olnev's note, with the result that the diplomats answered that all of the powers having interests in America agreed with Lord Salisbury that the Monroe Doctrine, as stated by Mr. Olney, did not possess any international

authority. It is understood the British Government has not been informed officially of President Cleveland's message in regard to the proposed commission in connection with the Venezuelan boundary dispute, and that Great Britain will follow the usual diplomatic course overt action is taken by United States. The action of the House of Representatives in voting an appropriation for the expenses of the commission may hasten the crisis, but it is not expected that there will be serious development until the commission shall have arrived at Venezuela. Their presence on the Guiana boundary will constitute a grave menace and the necessary instructions will be forwarded to the authorities to maintain the interests of Great Britain in Guiana,

IN 'CONGRESS. Washington, Dec. 19.—The United States Senate committee on foreign relations decided to sit during the holi-day recess or the consideration of the Venezuelan question in its entirety. They will take up the President's message, but will not make it the only basis of their deliberations. It is their intention to take the question up in all its phases, and to that end they will have before then all the reports and other documents bearing upon that subject. The result of this inquiry, in all probability, will be a resolution defining the position of the United States on the Venezuelan dispute, coupled with a declaration of the Monroe Doctrine

discussed a bill to empower the President to appoint a commission to consider the Venezuelan boundary question and to appropriate \$100,000 for the tion was put and carried with a shout of "Ayes" and no opposing voice. A resolution was agreed to that the holiday adjournment be from Friday,

The House, amid much excitement.

Dec. 20, to Friday, Jan. 8. Then the House, at 12:45, adjourned until Friday, Hurled to Death.

next.

Fourteen Persons Killed on Board a Steamer.

Frightful Results of a Naphtha and Nitro-

Glycerine Explosion at Sea. Philadelphia, Dec. 19.—It has just been learned that the German ship Athena, from New York for Bremen, was lost at sea last Sunday, with the captain and thirteen men, who were part of a crew of twenty men. The accident was due to an explosion of the ship's cargo of naphtha and nitro-glycerine while the Athena was lying in a helpiess condition at sea off Cape

May, N. J. The following is a list of those lost: Capt. M. Haak, George Kenke, cook, Fritz Nehring, Hans Roehnig, John Spencer, John Anderson, Johann Voght, R. Wahlen, Sallmaske Holtz, Hans Asmussan, Wilhelm Heinz, Bernard Pechsteir and two cabin boys, names not known.

Those saved are: Alex. Franzelius, first mate. John Freese, second mate; William Moulder, carpenter; John Rudsit, Martin Billis, George Schroeder, seamen. The Athena left New York Dec. 10

with a cargo of naphtha in barrels

and several hundred cases of nitro-

glycerine. She experienced severe weather until Friday, when she had her masts carried away and sprung a leak. Saturday morning the Tafna was sighted. Distress signals were hoisted, but on account of the heavy, seas the British steamer could not get near her. On Sunday morning the Tafna approached the Athena, and when within a cable's length of her a fiame was seen to shoot out of the center of the deck and the portholes at the stern. A terrible explosion followed and instantly every man on board the doomed ship was either thrown or jumped into the icy water. The Tafna put out boats, but they were only able to pick up six men. The Tafna

on her voyage. The only theory that can be advanced for the explosion is that the side of the vessel was sprung during the heavy weather, and the barrels of explosive oil rubbing together caused a spark, which ignited their contents. The Athena was owned by Auborchard & Bostwick, of Bremen.

lay by for two hours before continuing

was 1,388 tons register, and her cargo was valued at \$45,000. Xmas Perfumes, new odors, new styles,

at Anderson & Nelles' drug store. Mr. Gladstone's voice shows no signs of age. If the listener but shuts his eyes when the old man is talking, he feels that he is being addressed by a

man in the prime of life. A LIFE SAVED .- Mr. James Bryson Cameron states: "I was confined to my instance of Lord Salisbury's power—
has been rudely postponed. The whole affair is discreditable to England. The manner in which Salisbury will climb down will be watched with curiosity."

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Cameron states: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the lungs, and was given up by physicians. A neighbor advised me to try Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, stating that his wife had used it for a throat trouble with the best results. Acting on this ad-ENGLISH.

A number of politicians seen at the various Conservative clubs maintained that diplomats, acting under the instructions of Lord Salisbury, had sounded the European powers during last autumn and prior to the dispatch of Great Britain's reply to Sacretary