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The Magnet is loaded with meal, potatoes and aquantity of Government stores of all descriptions sent to relieve distress of the famishing inhabitants of certain sections of Ireland. Three other British gunboats which have engaged in similar work for some time past have been ordered to continue this duty for three months longer.

Te-Day's Developments in Kilkenny.
KILKENNY, Det. 22.—Polling opened briskly this morning and everybody is looking forward to a nost exciting day. Parnell and his candidate, Vineen Scully, arrived upon the scene at an early hour. The town is occupied by a body of police and a company of 50 oldiers. Timothy Healy has just started for Castlecomer, which place, in his opinion, will be the keystone of the fight.

Strong and enhusiastic contingents of supporters of boh sides have arrived at a Castlecomer. The feeling of a majority of yoters so far as ecild be judged by outward appearances this morning seemed to be anti-Parnell. As a rule the leading members of both the Parnellites and McCarthy your carrived and free the rank and file.

A Letter from Gladstone.

Losdon, Dec. 22.—Mr. Gladstone, in a letter to Mr. Robert Peel, a grandson of Sir Robert Peel, vio is Home Rule candidate in Marylebne district, says: "For the first time since commencing in Parliament the strugge under O'Connell, the Irish party, bent on a constitutional and effective scheme o'chome rule, is looking to Great Britain to pronounce judgment in the contest between Ireland and the minority of the seeders to Parnell. The Liberals of Great Britain, who themselves, since 1886, have had to assist and overcome a similar secession, will not doubt which side they are to recognize with the name and true tite of 'the Irish party,' with its honorable tradition of resistance to wrong. Assuredly you enter the field at a moment of Great Britain, who themselves, since 1886, have had to assist and overcome a similar secession, will not doubt which side they are to recognize with the name and true tite of 'the Irish party,' with the homo

the Legislature for that constituency.

A convention to nominate a candidate to contest North Norfolk in the Liberal interest for the seat in the Local Legislature rendered vacant by the death of Mr. J. B. Freeman will be held in the town of Simcoe on Tuesday, Dec. 29.

MONDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 22, 1890.

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The dead body of the child was found in the well.

The will of the late Matthew Thomas, of Cincinnati, gives his entire estate, \$150,000, to the city in trust for the benefit of the McMicken University.

At the Evraud-Bompard trial in Paris admission sold as high as 500 francs. The press were let in in detachments, tickets being issued giving half a day's sitting.

Some hunters have discovered the cave wherein the Younger-James gang hid during the raids on Northfield, Minn., where six men were killed. The skeleton of James was found.

A daring robbery took place in St. Boniface, Man., on Friday night. The butcher shop of J. B. Lauzon was entered and between \$800 and \$900 worth of Christmas beef stolen.

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THE BEHRING SEA DISPUTE

Believed to be Quite Susceptible of a Settlement by Arbitration.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Sir Julian Paunceforte, British Minister here, maintains that the Behring Sea dispute is quite susceptible of settlementhy arbitration, though the President and Mr. Blaine apparently refuse to admit it.

States is regarded as very improbable. Sir John Thompson, Minister of Justice, said that from observations he had concluded that in the United States the administraterm when it is convenient for them to carry on negotiations with a foreign coun-try in diplomatic language. Hon. Mr. Tupper, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, says that all the arts of the diplomat have not yet been exhausted. He confidently expects a satisfactory settlement.