SXTY MEN MET DEATH IN

vices tonight from Yolande indicate plos *hat about sixty men met death in an explosion in the mines at that place

men are in the mine.

The cause of the explosion has not been officially determined. The mine has been pronounced free from gas by state inspectors, and it is supposed that the explosion was caused by dust. For the explosion it was a constant of the explosion was caused by dust. For the explosion it was a constant of the explosion was caused by dust. For ers of the mine, is headed by Dr. G. B. two hours after the explosion it was impossible to venture even near the mouth of the mine, so hot was the air model collieries of the Birmingham re-

The explosion was below the second exclusively, but everything pright sub-entry. The mines go down been done to insure the control of the con something like 1,500 feet. The force of the explosion was made known outside by the dust and timbers that were blown out in great quantities, destroying small buildings nearby and landing some distance away. There was

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 16.-Ad- | great heat near the shaft after the ex-

early today. The work of recovery is slow, and while hundreds of miners from adjacent mine camps are present to assist, it is thought that all of the dead cannot be taken out before tomorrow. Only twelve bodies had been recovered up to dark. Fewer than 100 Yolande miles a few miles from the conditions was terrible. Several of these men, were severely burned.

SUES GEORGE W. FOWLER

Company of Toronto has served notice of a suit for \$55,000, the alleged excess in of Mr. Fowler and others who shared in the British Columbia in the profits. timber and mills deal, which was ven-

It will be remembered that Peter Ryan gave two options on his British Columbia property. One was a public option of \$225,000 for the consideration of the Union Trust Company. The other was a private one of \$170,000 to

granged the transfer.

Arough. Mr. Ryan got \$170,000 and

When the ques of the property came up the Union Trust Co, sent Mr. McCormick and Mr. Irwin to British Columbia to examine "double option" deal which Supreme Ranger Elliott G. Stevenson openly styled a swindle. Union Trust was to buy. It was on

Was Interested, Though, in Family Elixir Roosevelt's Decision

to Retire

ON BOARD S. S. PRESIDENT GRANT, Monday evening, by wireless via Cape Race, N. F., Dec. 16.—The President Grant, which has among her President Grant, which has among her passengers Secretary of War William H. Taft, Mrs. Taft and their son Charles, has encountered disagreeable weather, which has retarded her progress and will probably make her a day or two late in reaching New York. Since salling on December 7 from Hamburg, where the secretary came aboard, the passage has been generally rough and the weather cold. We are due at New York on Thursday next, but are not likely to arrive in next, but are not likely to arrive in port before late Friday or Saturday morning. The Taft party is well, except Charles, who has been alling for several days, during which he has had some temperature. He is better tonight and in no danger. Secretary Tart was interested in the announce-ment from the White House in which President Roosevent reiterated his deation. The news was received on board the steamer by wireless Thursday, but the secretary would not comment upon it. He said that he had no informa-

tion on the present situation at home.
Secretary Taft addressed a concert audience in the main saloon tonight.
The topic of his talk, which was in-

MONROE, La., Dec. 16.—Another Italian was killed Sunday morning near Tremont, La., by Negroes, making three Italians to lose their lives on account of prejudice against their re-placing local lumber mill labor at Chathamville, La. Two other Italians twenty-six were robbed.

PASSED THREE-MASTED

SCHOONER ON FIRE

PENSACOLA, Fla., Dec. 16.—By wireless, on board steamer Caracoa, latitude 36.17 north, longitude 72.17 west: Passed three- masted schooner Gard-ner B. Reynolds of Bath, Maine, abandoned, on fire, awash and foremast iding. Dangerous to navigation.

WHOLESALE LIQUORS

WM. L. WILLIAMS., Successor to M. A. Finn., Wholesale and Retail Wine and Spirit Merchant, 116 and 112 Prince William St. Established 1870. Write for family price list. 28-11-17



C. H. R. Crocker, South Farming

PEGULIAR CIVIC

MELROSE, Mass., Dec. 16.-Frank J. Sherman, who for five years has been paying taxes as a citizen of Melrose and who was elected alderman from

a legal resident of the ward he represents, Sherman cannot sit with the Melrose city fathers. In that case Julius A. Serra, who has been previously a member of the board and who, at the last election received one vote, will take Sherman's place. Sherman says he will contest any action to unseat him.

dule. That is with the increase in scheme, Sir Thomas intended to have leaders' rate they were fairly satisfied and with the increase in machine in machine of the deputation which recently obtained an interview with Sir Wilfrid in pillar coal they were strongly protested. Further developments in the matters between the company and the special committee of the British cabinates.

BETTER THAN SPANKING.

Spanking does not cure children of spanking does not cure children of bed-wetting. There is a constitutional cause for this trouble. Mrs. M. Summers, Box W. 72, Windsor, Ont., will send free to any mother her successful home treatment, with full instructions. Send no money but write her today if your children trouble you in this way. Don't blame the child, the chances are it can't help it. This chances are it can't help it. This treatment also cures adults and aged people troubled with urine difficulties people troubled with by day or night.

FOR THE FEDERAL HOUS

TORONTO, Dec. 16.-Nomination for the Dominion parliament for Centre York was held at Thornhill today. Dr. P. D. McLean, Liberal, and Capt. Tom Wailace, son of the late Hon, N. Clarke Wallace, Conservative are the candidates. Welland County Conservatives today

nominated George Hanan for the Com-

the sharpest cough —try it on a guar-Cure antee of your money back if it doesn't actually Lures CURE quicker Coughs than anything you ever tried. Safe to take, -nothing in and Colds it to hurt even a in Chateauguay County, H. Mercier,

AMERICAN WITNESS IN FAMOUS DRUCE CASE HAS DISAPPEARED



resumably for America.

and the same person.

Replying to Magistrate Plowden, Mr

Atherley-Jones declared today that he

egarded the testimony of Caldwell

oints and that therefore, all his evi

ence should be obliterated. Without

nock funeral was false, Mr. Atherley

this occurrence could not be accepted. He also intimated his belief that Hor-

ace Avory, counsel for the defense had

established his contention that Caldwell and his alleged brother were one

Dickens would have lent himself to

A warrant for the extradition of

GOVERNMENT CANDIDATE

ELECTED IN CHATEAUGUAY

as having been discreditel on certa

Veorge Hollanby Druce, the clair ant to the Portland estates and any evidence given by Caldwell, and the day following it was discovered that Caldwell had suddenly left London,

New Contract With P. W. A. Was to Have Been Signed Yesterday

GIACE BAY, N. S., Dec. 16 .- Ne- Mr. Avory in opening for the defen otiations between the Dominion Coal denounced Caldwell as "the most no mpany and the P. W. A. delegates | xious perjurer who ever has polluted ctically at an end unless they He scouted the idea that Charles tract expires on the 3rd of of the dual personality of the Duke of ary. The P. W. A. committee de- Portland, and he declared Miss Mary led at their meeting on Saturday ev- Robinson, who itestified that she knew ning to call a meeting of their grand T. C. Druce as the Duke of Portland, ncil which meeting will be held on to be a suspicious witness and said December 27th at New Glasgow. Today that he would prove that part of her as the day upon which the new three testimony was false. ear contract was to have been sign- Mr. Avory announced that if necesed but no answer was forthcoming up to five o'clock. A letter was issued today by the P. W. A. in answer to Gen- ing of the grave of his father T. C. eral Manager Duggan's statement of Druce. last week. It says "It is well known to The only witness for the defense ninion Coal Company that since called today was a nurse named Bailthe three year contract went into force ey, who testified that she had held the the cost of living has greatly increas- hand of T. C. Druce, when he died on ed. The necessities of life are much December 26, 1864, that she had seen higher, while the wages have remained the body placed in its coffin, and that sationary. This forced us to apply to she had been present at the funeral. the Dominion Coal Companies and oth-er coal companies of the province for by two doctors, who have since died, general increase in the wage rate of was then read. Both physicians had certain classes and a readjustment in sworn that they attended T. C. Druce other classes of workmen. These mat-ters have been placed before you and The case was adjourned until Deccannot be said to have received fa- ember 20.

vorable consideration.

A warrant for the extradition of "Taking your statement as submit- Caldwell was issued at the Bow street" ted we find that apart from the two police court this afternoon and the police increase a reduction is to be made and rest him upon his arrival in that city. was today declared to be a resident of Wakefield, and Julius A. Serza, a former alderman, who received one vote in the same ward, may be returned to the board in place of Sherman, who received congisted to the same ward, may be returned to the board in place of Sherman, who received one vote in the same ward, may be returned to the board in place of Sherman, who received to the board in place of Sherman, who received to the place of Sherman, who received to the board in place of Sherman, who received to the board in place of Sherman, who received to the same ward, may be returned to the board in place of Sherman, who received to the place of Sherman, who received to the same ward, may be returned to the board in place of Sherman, who received to the same ward, may be returned to the place of Sherman, who received to the same ward, may be returned to the place of Sherman, who received to the same ward, may be returned to the place of Sherman, who received to the same ward, may be returned to the place of Sherman, who received to the same ward, may be returned to the place of Sherman, who received to the same ward, may be returned to the same ward, may be returned to the part of the place of Sherman, who received to show a partial increase in the price of powder the persons were more or less injured by the city engineer, which same of Cornell and Professor Simon New Glasgow.

INFORMEDIAL THE TO STIMMA TO Complete them this year having already secured the team this year having already secured the team this year having already secured the underty. The public of the United States trade as formerly. Principal Peterson referred to the fact that Canada had furnished many promisent men, such as Samuel Cunard, President Schurman of Cornell and Professor Simon New Glasgow.

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Mayor Eugene H. Moore, of Melrose tonight said that according to the law which says that an alderman must be a legal resident of the ward he representation.

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inet, which is considering the project.
This committee is under the presidency
of Lloyd George, president of the Board PHOTOGRAPHER. Photographer-Will you have a full- of Trade. length portrait, or a vignette, sir?
Vignette? I should think not! What do you suppose I have put my new boots on for, stupid.

"Oh, mamma, I'm so unhappy," sobbed the bride of two months, doesn't love me any more!" "What makes you think that, dear?" asked the mother anxiously.
"Because he expects me to give in whenever he is in the right."

Formal Opening of New Canadian Club House at

Roxbury

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 16 .- About 600 ersons, many of them former resints of the eastern provinces of Cannight of the new Intercolonial Club's beaten and said "Take your money." passengers on Saturday night's train lev street, Roxbury.

The club is composed of 300 Canadian-born citizens of the United States, citizenship being one of the qualificaa banquet at which President John A.

Campbell made the opening address Prayer was offered by Rev. Albert B.

At noon today Lieutenant Governor down and rendered unconscious.

Fraser, Dr. Peterson and Mr. Lavergne were the guests of honor at a luncheon tendered by Mayor Fitzgerald at boys who were sentenced for theft boys who were sentenced for theft boys who were sentenced for theft dies and friends of the Methodist.

CROWN BANK ROBBERS WERE VERY EXPENSIVE

TORONTO, Dec. 16.—The cost of the The group of which Sir Thomas sensational robbery of the Crown Trowbridge is the head is prepared to enter into a contract for a through service from Great Britain to Australia, as submitted to the Imperial conferdate with the sensational robbery of the Crown Bank and the long chase of the police after Adwin St. George Banwell and his wife is shown up in a judgment his wife is shown up in a ence, and Sir Thomas intends laying the given this morning by Justice Mabee demands of the proposed contract be- in which he awards the Crown Bank ence, and Sir Thomas intends laying the demands of the proposed contract before Sir Wilfrid Laurier with a view to obtaining a substantial subsidy from the Canadian government.

The deputation which recently visited the government simply advocated the general advantages of the scheme, and emphasized particularly the advantages of the ocean terminus being at an Irish port. Sir Thomas will now go Shiloh's Cure Irish port. Sir Thomas will now go further and will, it is understood, submit definite proposals to the Dominion government.

the bank about \$10,540,44. Out of \$40,
\$50.33 stolen \$37,908.24 was recovered but \$8,163.35 was expended in capturing took place in Sunny Bank cemetery. The service at the grave was conducted by Mr. Berrie. the absconder. The defendants in this

ILY.

MONTREAL, Dec. 16,-In today's election for the provincial legislature Mrs. Smith-My husband always says Mr. Burpee bridge contractor return

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QUEENS COUNTY MAN HAD THEMOST "BOOZE" AND WON THE BET; CASE TRIED OUT AT HAMPTON

HAMPTON, Dec. 16 .- On the arrival ward Flewelling between Rothesay of the Sussex express from St. John and Jubilee. Meantime the winner of aturday evening last, a passenger the bet had opened Best's parcel and named Joseph Best, belonging to Mid- took out a bottle which he put into land, was taken into custody and lodged in jail here for creating a disturbance on the train while under the influence of liquor. Today an information was sworn out again him by Police Inspector Tingley of Moncton. before James W. Smith, Justice of the Peace, and the case was gone into at length this afternoon. The accused being defended by Fred M. Sproul. From the evidence of Conductor Wesley H. Wilbur and Brakeman George Boyce, it appeared that Best had been acting badly from the time ductor Wilbur had felt it his duty to

wire from Coldbrook to Rothesay for an officer to be on hand to take him in charge on arrival at the latter station. No officer was at Rothesay however, and word was sent on to Hampton. The officials were not allowed to go into any particulars of what took place prior to the train crossing the Hampton parish line within which the magistrate has jurisdiction, Sufficient was proved of his violent behavior between Jubilee and Lakeside and his lic they were not asking for the full threatening, abusive, vile and blaschemous language to bring him withthe purview of the court.

Herbert Mallory, a nephew of the ccused was called as a witness for "this drink is the curse of the world," the defense. Mallory swore that he was imposed a fine of twenty dollars and a passenger with Best on Saturday costs, five dollars and ten cents, or night's Sussex express. They were in thirty days in jail. But if the defendthe first class smoker and Best was ant would sign a pledge not to drink boasting of the amount of stuff he had with him. He bet a dollar he had would allow the fine to stand. more than any other man on the train, pulling out the money.A Queens county young man took him up and pro- of his wounded right hand, and the duced a suit case filled with bottles costs being forthcoming he was at once of liquor. Best acknowledged himself set free. It may be said that many landsome stone clubhouse at 214 DudBest had a parcel with him which he said that Best's conduct was most outleft on a seat while he talked to Ed- rageous and his language vile.

his own pocket. The young man was pointed out by Mallory to Best but denied having taken it. It was at this stage that Best let himself loose and finally struck at the other with a bottle which was smashed by coming in contact with another used by the young fellow to parry the blow. The contents of each was spilled and each Mallory thought the conductor and

brakeman both swore falsely in regard to the language used by Best, Mr. Sproul, while not wishing to condone Best's conduct, pleaded the provocation he received by the stealing of his property, which was no less his than if saries for his family, and being son what in liquor, had used strong language in denouncing the theft of which he had been made the subject, and on this ground asked for the clemency of the court. Inspector Tingley said although the

authorities were bound to prosecute the cases for the protection of the pubpenalty to be enforced, but the charge had been fully sustained by the evi-

The pledge was quickly drawn up.

MONCTON, N. B., Dec. 16-New | Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Babbitt, who Shields of South Boston, and a native Brunswick hockey matters are rapidly just a few days ago buried their little of Nova Scotia. The dedication ode, written by J. W. Bengough, the well international and other big leagues. tis, have now two sons Bacon and known caricaturist of Toronto, was Yesterday there was registered at one D'Alva seriously til with scarlet fever. then read by Miss Marion Nicholas.

The toastmaster was Sidney O. Bigney of Attleboro, formerly a member new of Attleboro, formerly a member stock." Bliss was only part of his name stock." Bliss was only part of his name ill at the home of a relative in Marysof Governor Guild's council. Mayor and Woodstock not his address, he be-John F. Fitzgerald spoke for the City of Boston and presented the keys of the city to the Canadian guests, and here to make an offer to Chester Gregformer Governor John L. Bates of gory, the crack Moncton forward, who Boston for "the United States."

The principal speakers of the evening were Lieutenant Governor D. C. Fraser of Nova Scotia, Dr. W. Peterson, principal of McGill University, Montreal, and Armand Laverence M. P. for excelligh him in the restaurant husiand Armand Lavergne, M. P. for Montmagny, Que. Governor Fraser discussed Canadian affais in an eloquent of the stablish him in the restaurant business. The visitor intimated that Fredericton would have the championship quent discussed that Canada team this year having already secured will not be put on until spring.

Jewish store proprietor, was knocked day season will be a tableau, The

Saturday being taken to Dorchester this morning. Recently John O'Nell's dry goods store was broken open and two dollars taken from the till. An effort also was made to break into another store, and it looks like the work ening of Dec. 26th. other store, and it looks like the work of juveniles. The police believe that this afternoon to preach for Rev. Mr. an organized gang has been broken up Worden, the pastor of the Baptist

On their arrival from Woodstock by action had bonded Banwell to the extent of \$5,000 and Maunsell for \$6,000.

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Rev. J. C. and Mrs. Berrie were met Rev. J. C. and Mrs. Berrie were met MAKING TROUBLE IN THE FAM- at the station by kind friends who had a good supper provided for them and her mother. in the parsonage.

ed home from Newcastle where he has baby. 34 years of success commend Shiloh's Cure— String 702 votes to 659 east for Laberge and 316 for Dr. Peissant. All seems to think that second thoughts seems to think that second thoughts are best.

ville from a severe attack of diphther-Frederick Pond is still confined to Miss Alma Webb is yery ill with

The Methodist Sunday School will

by the arrest of these boys.

The storm which raged in Moneton all day yesterday and this morning has been general over the I. C. R., but not sufficient to delay trains.

Worden, the pastor of the Baytas worden, the pastor of the Provincial Deputy Grand Chief Templar of the I. O. G. T., gave an interesting address on the subject of temperance at the Cape on Monday evening, the control of the meets and at the close of the meets. GIBSON, Dec. 16.—The different 9th inst., and at the close of the meet-

REFORMATORY FOR LILLIAN

ST. CATHERINES, Dec. 16.-Eight months in the Mercer reformatory was the sentence this morning imposed upon Lillian Hamilton, a Buffalo young woman who last month worked a bogus private banker, for \$200. The woman pleaded guilty but asked for leniency on account of her two little children

CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears tie

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One of the Most Brilliant Men in Canada and an Able

Writer

MONTREAL Dec. 18.-John Joseph srael Tarte died at the home of his on-in-law, Dr. Martigny, on Sheroke street, this afternoon For some time past Mr. Tarte had

neen suffering from a fatal malady, and his friends knew that his days

vere numbered. The end came peaceully, after several days' of suffering. He died surrounded by all the members of his family.

His Grace Archbishop Bruchesi was ent from early morning until the propag

· For the past year Mr. Tarte had not een able to attend steadily to his ournalistic duties, but spent most of



J. ISRAEL TARTE

the spring and summer in his garden at his country home at Boucherville. He had intended to spend the winter ere and took his library from his n house over a month ago. The st change for the worse came nine ago, when he fell unconscious in his library and on recovery came imately to Montreal to the house of his son-in-law, Dr. Francois Martiny, on Sherbrooke street. Dr. Martigny saw at once that his condition was yery serious and informed him that he had but a few days to live. Mr. Tarte ned to recover a little, but on Saturday came a relapse and unconscious The end came peacefully at 2.45 p. m. Death was due more to a general breakdown of the system than to any specific

from which he never recovered poor health and since the general action in 1900, after which he went to Paris and was operated upon, his condition has been more or less serious, and only his indomitable pluck kept him at work.

Hon. Joseph Israel Tarte, journalist and statesman, was the son of the late Joseph Tarte, farmer, and was born at Lanoraie, P.Q.; the eleventh of January, 1848. He was educated at L'Assomption College, and was admitted to the netarial profession on the third of May, 1871. After practicing at L'Assomption for a short period he drifted into journalism, becoming editor of Les entides (St. Lin). Called to Quebec to occupy a similar position on L'Canadien and L'Evenement, he coninued there for a lengthened period.

In December, 1875, he offered himself as a Conservative candidate in a con-

test for the representation of Quebec Centre in the house of commons, but withdrew before the day of polling. He was at this time and for years subsequently one of the chief organ-izers of the Conservative party in the province of Quebec. He was elected in apport of that party to the Quebec of legislature on the twenty-third day of February, 1877. Re-elected at the general election in 1878, he continued to sit in the assembly up to the close of the legislature in 1881.

Exposed Tory Scandals

Returned to the house of commons for Montmorency at the general elec-tion of 1891, he declared war against "the corrupt influences ruling the Quebec end of Sir John Macdonald's government." Speaking of his dis-affection at this time the Toronto Globe says he had "sought to get Sir John to clean out his cabinet, but had failed, no doubt because the old premier be-lieved such action would break up his administration."
Mr. Tarte announced, therefore, that

he would go to Ottawa and do in parliament what his loyalty to his party had, prompted him to have done in a way to injure the government as little

It was in the early part of the session of 1891 that he launched his first bolt. He set himself at the earliest moment to the mission to which the electors of Montmorency had appointed him. The proceedings which followed his motion for an inquiry are rebered by everybody-the crowded sittings of the committee, where op-posing partisans and hired lawyers battled four torrid sumer months; the daily discoveries of fraud, the life or death fight of the discredited government; the storm of shame and indigna-

mer was pursued with ferocious lictiveness by the Ontario Conser-He proved his charges, but for that very reason his old leaders would not send away the men he laid his charges found he could no longer work with his old party. He became a follower of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Unseated for Montmorency in the early part of 1892, election on the fifth of January, 1893, and continued to represent it until the

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