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CHURCHES OF UNITED

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reatest Percentage by Seventh Day Adventists, With Christian Scientists Next-There Are 194,116 Churches in the

Country

New York, Jan. 8.-The



e of a court room are not as this be true or not Chatterer is certain with vapory, unsteady eyes, solid clothes and as conducive to merri that if the two for or little children who trial of the Goodspeed case nightly conduct the street piano recital on old.

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Charlotte street could cash up all the good intentions to contribute into actual coin of the realm, they could take their family of its seriou ong Charlotte street an evening riday and the boy ections with a skill cians shivering at their work. The gentle-man with me dropped a piece of silver in the box, but it was too late in the week for a newspaper man to have any miney and too early for night. I remarked that it was too pay night. I remarked that it was too bad, but I had no money and would have to pay up the first time I was in funds. himself, but could m an to tell me that this to pay up My companion laughed. "It's so with everyone." Why I never kept strict count, but I am satisfied I owe those ur-count, but I am satisfied I owe those ur-count I am satisfied I owe those ur-count I am satisfied I owe those ur-i I am satisfied I am sa "Why, the tanyard," replied "Oh, yss, sir; the tan re," answered the boy intended to put in their box at times when while the throng of spec my pockets were empty. So you see there is a lot of us at the "I locked he'em 'oop because 'e wa maun, ded droonk on this

ation by the crown asking him for th f the day found. Young Keng ey were all in the tan-beard of the Usually the bench of repentence is re-gruited from the streets of a great city; but the North End sleuth's place of medithe main body," in Hon. Mr. McKeown. It occurred one evening when the list tor of North End cops was smoking la-boriously and apparently pondering over the why and wherefore of the coals in the Quick as or's witty comment wn, you can inform that your government has

sergeant moved mightily from his chair, old saying that the way to Sheol and, crossing the room, turned the knob. Then the door swung back and a big man

he questioned; aye, it'll be he the speaker the fire. from the outside-rambling knocks, and a kick. Then the door again opened, and the gentleman who drank fell headlong in, and with maudlin curses tried to recover The sergeant surveyed the heap for serious minute; then trudged to the cel He gripped He gripped the coat collar of Then came the sound of heels of the his victim into the peace and see

arrested." and he pr

ant with an air And a half hour later there was an of-ficial entry on the report book; an entry Now, it's only once in a long and lreary time that a man is arrested be-

The early portion of the week was opolized in St. John by the Scotch. Everywhere one wandered there was sh it is averted that the for the Sco and makes the total regular Catholic com-municant list in the United States 9,401, success and produced numerous specimens of wit which must have convinced the aliens present that Sydney Smith had dyspepsia when he proposed a surgical operation to enable a Scotchman to under-stand a joke. One of the best of the bon 798, 1,575,000 fewer than are claimed the Catholic Directory as populati Other Catholic bodies gained a suffici here came a softened banz the Polish Catholics, door, and a gulping of bungled oring the total Catholic bodies, to 120,634. Th mote was the product of a local curler, who averred that curling was a very an cient game. "It was," he said, "a matter

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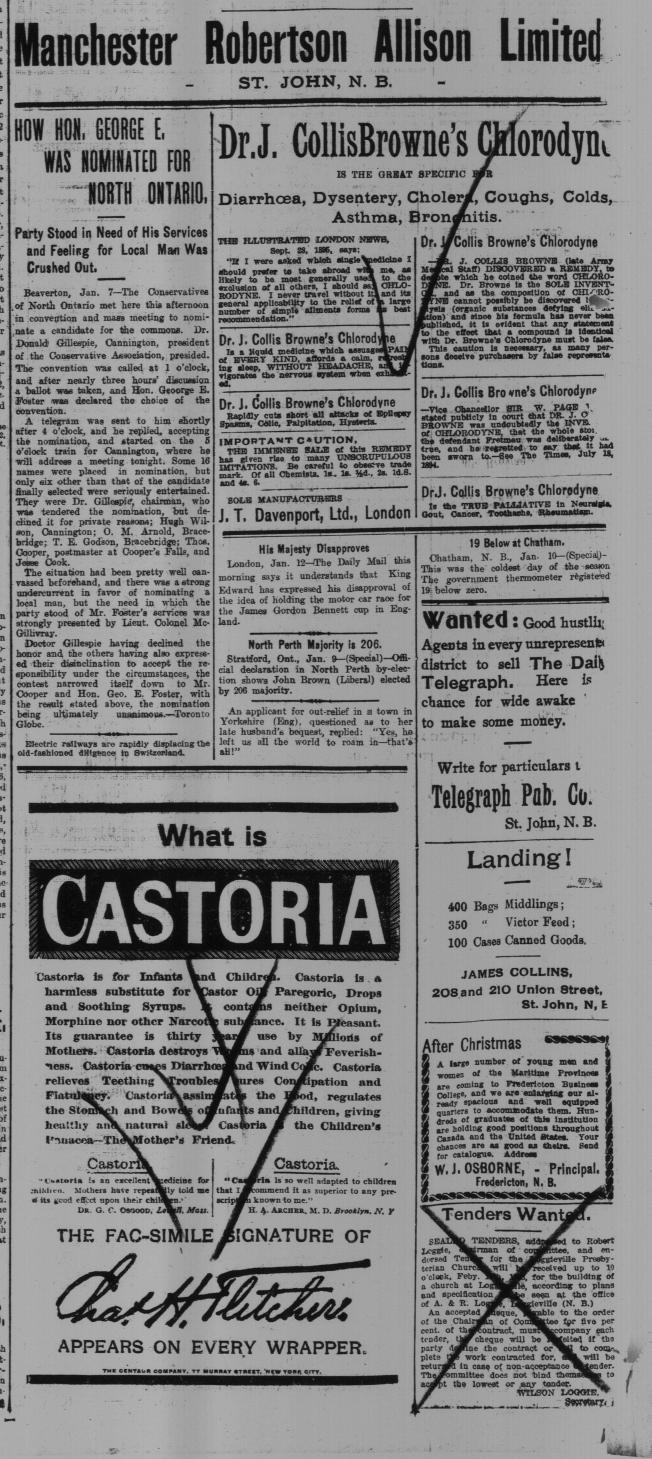
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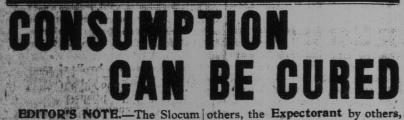




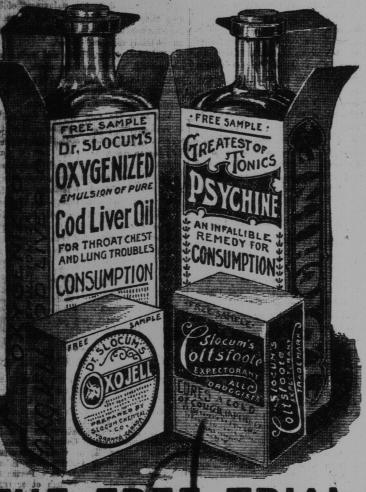
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cient game. "It was." he said, "a matter of sacred record that David, the sweet singer of Israel was a curler, and no mean one at that, as was shown when he cust the stone in his game with Goliath. It is a pity," continued the local wit, "that the record does not clearly show which of those great skips won the game. That fact must ever remain in doubt, for while the record shows that David made a grand shot at the finish, it is also stated that it was Goliath's end." And the Scottish visitors did not need any surgical opera-tion to enjoy the joke.

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cestershire nine years ago and works on a farm in the vicinity of Milkish, The other eva ng he came on an errand to the city, but was afraid to re-cross the ice after eve. ng he came on an errand to the city, but was afraid to recross the ice after dails, so was afforded shelter for the night in a police station. He looked as if he wouldn't go into hysterics at the prospect of a day's wrettle with the beauties of argiculture, for his hands were big, brown and hard, and when he exercised his tongue it was clear that devotions to the merry pastimes of the barn-yard largely applogized for picturesque errors in his grammar. He appeared to have a spirit of hu-manity, too, for when he entered the

grammar. He appeared to have a spirit of hu-manity, too, for when he entered the guard room he removed his cap and seem-ed anxious to impress the policemen with the fact that it was only because of his personal helplessness that he had been born. But, after he received a lunch and accepted an invitation to a seat by the fire, he waxed slightly sociable; aye, even voluble, and talked concerning people and places he knew. "Have you never attended school?" he was asked.

"Oh, thet wer 'ome. I went one fore-noon, and wer licked in the hafternoon, un they 'aven't saw me since." "But wouldn't you like to 'be able to read?"

A cheerful head-shake, and a sheepish thrust of the hand through his rough yel-low hair, "I couldn't know me name if I saw ut un a thousand places." The boy is lasty, and it might be that he would revenge himself on anybody who would call him names; so Chatterer, though fully appreciating the value of an education, and lamenting the lad's ignor-ance, cannot help entertaining a sneaking -yea a despicable satisfaction in knowing the boy cannot read-the newspapers at all events. CHATTERER.

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE.

United States Officials Think That It Will Be Stamped Out This Winter.

Washington, Jan. 9-In a report received ed today by Secretary Wilson, Doctor Salmon, the chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, who is in Boston directing the campaign against the foot and mouth epi-demic says that the disease will be stamp-ed out this winter, unless it has been car-

red out this winter, unless it has been car-ried to some other part of the country where it is yet undiscovered. The experts have only two herds on hand which were reported within the last two or three days. The largest of these herds was to have been WIDOWS

Ottawa, Jan. 11.-(Special)-The British government has cabled the militia depart-ment to look up all the widows and or-phans of deceased soldiers, who fell in south Africa, who are entitled to per sions,

Following are the best known religious bodies, with the latest figures of the com-municant membership, and their respective percentages of growth during 1902, arranged in the order of each percentage. Figures are for members within the United

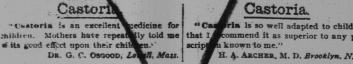
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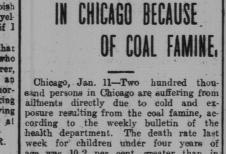
So great is the pressure for pulpits when desirable ones fall vacant that most peo-

ple imagine there are more ministers than thurches. The facts are directly the op-posite. Hardly a religious body in Am-erica but has more churches than ordained









ters, all bodies, is 147,113, and it is not rapidly increasing. On the other hand, the number of churches rapidly increases,

and so does the proportionate cost. There are 194,116 churches in the whole United States, and the estimated cost to main-

tain them, with betterments each year is \$260,000,000. Methodists have 56,787, the

CHATTERER. week for children under four years of age was 10.2 per cent. greater than in the corresponding week of last year, and among persons over 60 it was 36.7 per cent. greater. K-Add Venezeula. La Guaira, Jan. 11-United States Min-ister Bowen left Caracas this morning for La Guaira on his way to Washington. President Castro, all members of the ministry, the leaders of Caracas society, and all the German residents, the British colony and other foreigners assembled at the railroad station to bid him farewell.



WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.