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THE WINTER FAIR. Winter Fair at Amherst, opening at half-past two o'clock, all day offers excursion rates to the village lasts three days. To program will be: Mrs. President. Presentation of Building by the Fat Show Commission—C. A. Lusby, chairman.

OLD FOGY KNEW. Experience, Teaches People. Parents considered coffee stimulant beverage for old and so when a mere baby I come to drink it, and when I reach manhood, found myself troubled with nervousness, headache and an irritable temper and to obtain relief, I more and more coffee, thus adding to the fire.

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and of mine was obliged to resort to medicine as a last resort. Extreme nervousness caused drinking. I induced her to give up coffee, and at four months she began to gain, her nervousness gone and a beautiful complexion having been given by Postum Coffee.

VENEZUELA. Now Offers to Pay Up Her Most Debts.

The Practical Effect of British and German War Vessels off the Coast of Italy Plots in Her Claims.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—"If the seizure of Venezuelan gunboats does not result as we all hope, it will be necessary to proceed to a blockade."

Mr. Balfour assured the house that the papers in the Venezuelan matter were being prepared as rapidly as possible, and answering a question by Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt, he said they would include the communications with reference to Venezuela which had passed between the British government and the United States.

CARACAS, Dec. 17.—The following note was transmitted to President Castro this afternoon. It is signed by all the leading merchants, bankers and agriculturists of Caracas. It recalls the concessions of current opinion among the business element of this city.

"We the undersigned having met with the purpose of offering their aid to the government of Venezuela in the present conflicting situation which has been created by the aggressive attitude of Germany and Great Britain, and upon your request for our opinions in writing, we address you in the following terms:

"In view of the acts of violence already committed, and of the absolute importance of Venezuela to most forces with force in response to the allied action of Germany and Great Britain, in view of the fact that Venezuela has exhausted all the means required by civilization and diplomacy to put an end to the present situation and the government and the people of Venezuela having complied honorably and worthily to the demands of national honor, we consider with all due respect, that the moment to yield to force has arrived.

"We therefore respectfully recommend that full powers be given to the minister of the United States of North America, authorizing him to carry out proper measures to terminate the present conflict in the manner least prejudicial to the interests of Venezuela."

ROME, Dec. 17.—The rejection by Venezuela of the Italian ultimatum was expected, consequently the announcement that this had been done created no sensation and no surprise. During the day frequent communications were exchanged between Italy and Great Britain and Germany on the question of arbitration.

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ST. JOHN, N. B. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1902.

AGORDAS HAS BEEN ORDERED TO PROCEED AT ONCE FOR VENEZUELA.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—A despatch to the Daily Telegraph from The Hague, says that all rumors that Holland is acting against Venezuela are at least premature. The Dutch government will remain strictly neutral in the matter.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Our government is anxious that some settlement of the unfortunate situation that now confronts Venezuela should be reached as soon as possible. It is realized that the present conditions are not long without a climax being reached. With this in view, the state department already has given permission to Minister Brown to transmit to any messenger that Venezuela may wish to transmit to the Venezuelan government.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The developments in the Venezuela imbroglio, as revealed by Premier Balfour's statements yesterday, in his speech in the house of commons today during which Premier Balfour made the above statement, he conveyed the impression of possible, though as yet unnecessary, further hostilities, or that even arbitration on some basis might be accepted.

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OPINION THAT THE TROUBLE IN VENEZUELA WOULD NOT END UNTIL THE UNITED STATES WITHHELD PAYMENTS OF WHATEVER DEBTS MIGHT BE DUE TO HER.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—It is not apparent from today's cabinet meeting with regard to the transmission by the government of the United States of Venezuela's request for arbitration.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—It was learned tonight that France has addressed a note to the Venezuelan government, stating that she will maintain with reference to claims of her citizens against Venezuela. France makes a distinction between claims arising since 1899, when Castro became president, and those arising since 1899, when Castro became president.

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I. C. R. LOCKED UP By a Bad Washout Near Folleigh Lake.

Track Swept Away to the Depth of 30 Feet—Locomotives Ran Through Eighteen Inches of Slush—Section Mon Out Watching for More Breaks.

TRURO, N. S., Dec. 17.—A very bad washout occurred on the Intercolonial railway this afternoon between Folleigh Lake and Wentworth.

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BRITISH PARLIAMENT. Prorogued Yesterday Afternoon By Royal Commission.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Parliament was prorogued this afternoon by royal commission. Only a score of members of the house of commons were present when Black Rod summoned the lower house of lords to hear the King's speech, which was an unusually lengthy recapitulation of public events since January, including the action in connection with Venezuela, regarding which the speech said:

"I regret that the constant complaints which my government found it necessary to address to the government of Venezuela in regard to unjustifiable and arbitrary acts against British subjects and property during the last two years, have been persistently disregarded and that it has become necessary for my government, acting in concert with the German Emperor, which also has serious causes for complaint against the republic, to insist on measures of redress."

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THE VICINITY OF JACOB PARK, WITH A GUNSHOT WOUND IN THE BREAST, CARRIED OFF BY HIS LIFE OF \$20,000 AND HIS APPLICATION PENDING FOR \$50,000 MORE.

Mr. Whyte had applied for a policy of \$20,000 with the Manhattan company, and the policy was to issue Dec. 15. Another application had been made to the Mutual Life of New York, \$20,000; Equitable Life Insurance Society of New York, \$20,000; Provident Savings Life Assurance Society of New York, \$20,000; Union Central Life, \$10,000; New York Life, \$5,000; Northwestern Mutual Life, \$5,000.

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