WELL KNOWN VIOLINIST

Traveled Extensively Throughout the Provinces - Interesting Statements Concerning His Experience.

STELLARTON, N.S.-James R. Murray, well known violinist, of this place, who has traveled extensively throughout the Provinces, makes this statement:

"I was running down in health and my weight fell off from 175 to 150 pounds. Prescriptions did me but little good. My trouble was called nervous dyspepsia. I resorted to Hood's Sarsaparilla and after taking five bottles I was greatly benefited. I feel as well now as ever in my life, and have increased in flesh so that I now weigh 177 pounds. I am well known in this part of the country, having followed my profession, that of a violin musician for the last 26 years. I gladly tell my friends what Hood's Sarsaparilla has done for me. Before I began taking the medicine I did not have any ambition, but now all is changed and my dyspeptic trouble

perfectly oured." JAMES R. MURRAY. N. B. Ii you decide to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, do not be induced to buy any substitute. Be sure to get Hood's.

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Mining Stocks. Toronto, Dec. 27. — Following are today's closing quotations on the Toronto Mining and Industrial Exchange: Asked.

 Ohre.
 95

 Waterloo
 10

 Cariboo
 133

 Minnehaha
 22

 Cariboo Hydraulie
 105

 Old Ironsides
 105

 Smuggler
 18
 Smuggler. Winchester. Dundee Athabasca Pardanelles Noble Five Van Anda.
Big Three
Commandor
Deer Park
Evening Star
Giant Good Hope..... Montreal Red Mountain.....
 Montreal Red Mountain
 10

 Monte Cristo
 10

 R. E. Lee
 5

 Northern Belle
 8½

 Novelty
 5

 St. Paul
 6½

 Siiver Bell
 6½

 St. Elmo
 6
 St. Elmo.....

 St. Elmo
 48

 Virginia
 48

 Victory-Triumph
 10

 War Eagle Con
 300

 White Bear
 7

 B. C. Gold Fields
 6

 7
 7

 E. C. Gold Fields 7
Can. G. F. S. 7
E. M. Syndicate 6
Gold Hills 10

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Local Market.

London, Wednes	day, Dec. 28.
Wheat, white fall, per b	u681/2c to 69
Wheat, red fall, per bu	681/2c to 681/2
Oats, per bu	27% c to 281/2
Peas, per bu	54c to 63
Corn, per bu	44c to 45
Buckwheat per bu	
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WEEKLY REVIEW.

There have been very few changes in the values of grain and other produce in this market during the week just closing. Receipts have been unusually light. The general demand was steady. Among the changes that did occur, those of most importance are lower hogs and higher oats, turkeys and hay. The following list gives the figures at which the latest transactions were

made:	
GRAIN.	
Wheat, white, fall, per 100 lbs 1 14	1 15
Wheat, red, fall, per 100 lbs 1 14 @	1 14
Wheat spring per 100 ins 0 00 @	0 00
Oats, per 100 lbs 82 Peas, per 100 lbs 90 Corn, per 100 lbs 70 Bariey, per 100 lbs 82 Rye, per 100 lbs 85	85
Peas, per 100 lbs	1 05
Corn, per 100 lbs	1 00
Rye, per 100 lbs 85	85
Beans, per bu	
PROVISIONS.	
Honey, comb 9 @	12
Honey, extracted 7 @	10
Cheese, per lb	11
Eggs, single dozen	24
Megs, per dozen, basket, pkd. 14	18
Eggs, fresh, store lots, doz 00 @	00
Eggs, frosh, store lots, doz 00 @ Butter, por lb, retail 17 @ Butter, pound rolls, baskets 16 @ Butter, lb, large rolls or crocks 15 @	20
Butter, pound rolls, baskets 16 @	17
Butter. Ib, large rolls or crooks 15 @	16
Butter, per 10, tubs or nrkins. 10 @	14
VEGETABLES AND FRUIT.	10
	1 00
Pumpkins, per doz	75
Apples, per bag 50 @	1 00
Apples, per bag. 60 Apples, per basket 15 Apples, per barrel 1 50	40
Apples, per barrel 1 50 @	2 50
Beets, per dozen bunches 20 (4)	20
Onions, per bu 60 @	80
Celery, perdoz bunches 80 @	50
Turnips, per bag 25 @	30
Turnips, per bag. 25 @ Carrots, per bu. 12½ @ Parsnips, per doz. bunches 40 @	25
Parsnips, per doz. bunches 40 @ LIVE STOCK.	
Young pigs, per pair 2 00 @	3 50
Cows, cac'a	40 00
	4
Hogs, light, per 100 lbs 4 00 @	4 00
Hogs heavy, per 100 lbs 3 25 @	3 75
Pigs, young, per pair	4 00 3 50
Sows, per 100	25
Chickens, per pair 30 @	40
Heng par pair	50
HAY AND SEEDS.	
Hay, per con 0 30 Q	7 50
Straw, per load :	2 50
MEAT, HIDES, ETC. Beef, front quarters, per lb 44 @	5
Beef, front quarters, per lb 44 @ Beef, hind quarters, per lb 54 @	6%
Mutton, quarters, per ib 5	6
Mutton, quarters, per 15 5 @ Veal, quarters, per 15 5½ @	6
	9
Descard have the light 500 m	5 25
Dressed hogs 100 lbs, heavy . 4 00 @	5 00
Hides, No. 1, per lb	79
Dressed hogs 100 lbs, heavy 4 00 @ Hides, No. 1, per lb 71 Hides, No. 2, per lb 61 Hides, No. 3, per lb 54	51
Hides, No. 3, per lb	4
Wool, washed, per lb 16 @	17
Wool, unwashed, per lb 9 @	ii
Chickens, per pair 35 @	60
Ducks, per 1b 7 @	7
Turkeys, per lb 81/2 @	

The Oil Market. PITTSBURG, Dec. 27.-Oil closed at \$1 19. PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 28 .- Oil opened \$1 19. PETROLIA, Dec. 28.-Oil opened and closed

American Markets CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat—Dec., 68c; May, 7056c; July, 85%c to 68%c. Corn—Dec., 37%c; May, 39%c to 39%c; July, 39%c. Oats—May, 28%c to 28%c; July, 276. Mess pork—Jan., \$10 20; May, \$10 55. Lard—Jan., \$5 5; May, \$5 70. Short ribs—Jan., \$5, May, \$5 20. Cash quotations: Flour firm; nominally 10c higher. No. 3 spring wheat, 63c to 63%c; No. 2 red., 70c. No. 2 corn, 28%c. No. 2 yellow eara, 33%c. No. 2 white. 2%c to 65%c; No. 2 white. 2%c to 65%c; No. 3 white, 26%c to 29c. No. 2 rye,

54c to 54%c. No. 2 bariey, f. e. b., 40c to 47c. No. 1 flaxseed, \$1 10; northwest, \$1 14%. Prime timothy seed, \$2 30. Mess pork, \$8 25 to \$8 80. Lard, \$5 30 to \$5 42%. Short ribs, \$4 85 to \$5 10. Shoulders, 4%c to 4%c. Short clear sides, \$5 10 to \$5 15. Sugar, cutloaf, \$5 95; granulated, \$5 25. Eggs, firm; fresh, 22c 224c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 83,000 bushels; wheat, 2,000 bushels; corn, 819,000 bushels; oats, 7,000 bushels; rye, 71,000 bushels; barley, 74,000 bushels; 174,000 bushels; wheat, SHIPMENTS—Flour, 75,000 bushels; wheat, 390,000 bushels; rye, 20,000 bushels; barley, 20,000 bushels;

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Opening—Wheat, May-71c; July, 59c; Dec., 68%c. Corn, July, 39%c. Dec., 37%c; May, 37%c. Oats, May, 28%c. Pork. May, 310 66. Lard, Jan., \$5 52%; May, \$5 75. Ribs, Jan., \$5 02%; May, \$5 25.

English Markets. Ruling prices for the past four market days— The following table shows the quotations per cental at Liverpoo for the three previous market days. In the case of wheat highest

prices are given.		Dec. 21.		Dec. 22		Dec. 23.		Dec. 27.	
WHEAT									
Red Winter	6		6	3	6	21/2		21/2	
No. 1 Nor. Spring			6	1	6	1	6	1	
No. 1 Cal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Dec	5	101/2	5	101/8	5	111/8	5	111/2	
March	5	91/8	5	97/8	5	10	5	101/3	
May			6	814	5	81/4	5	81/4	
CORN-									
New	2	11	3	1134	4	0	14	0	
Dec				113%		1134	3	11	
March				103%		103		111/6	
		6	0	0		103		117/	
May			19	0	19	0	19		
Flour	13	0							
Peas				10%		101/2		10%	
Pork			50	0	50	0	50	0	
Lard			27	3	27	3	27	6	
Tallow	20	3	120	9	20	9	20		
Bacon, light	27	0	27	0	27	0	27		
Cheese, white			148	6	49	0	48	0	
Cheese, colored	100	6	148	6	49	0	19	0	

Wheat—Spot firm; No. 1 Cal., no stocks; No. 1 red northern spring, 6s 2d; spot No. 2 red western winter, 6s 4d. red western winter, 5s 4d.
Corn — Spot firm; American mixed, new, 4s 1½; Oct., 3s 7½d; Nov., steady, Dec., is 1½d; March, quiet, 4s %d.
Peas—Canadian. 5s 10½d.
Beef—Dull; Extra India mess, 65s; prime

mess, 50s.

Pork—Prime mess, fine western, 50s.

Bacon—Cumberiand cut, 28 to 30 lbs. steady, 35s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 40 to 45 lbs. 27s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs. 28s; long clear middles, light, 35 to 38 lbs. 28s; short ribs. 20 to 24 lbs. strong, 32s; clear beilles, 14 to 16 lbs. steady, 34s.

to 16 lbs, steady, 34s. Hans—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, dull, 37s. Lard—Prime western, 28s 3d. Butter—Finest United States, 88s; good, 65s. -American, finest white, 49s; do

Butter-Finest United States, 38s; good. Cheese-American, finest white, 49s; colored, 49s.
Tallow-Prime city, firm, 20s 9d.
Turpentine spirits—32s 6d.
Rosin-Common, 4s 3d.
Petroleum-Refined, 6s 8d.
Linseed oil—17s 3d.
Cottonseed oil—Liverpool refined, 14s 9d.

Dair; Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.-Butter steady; creameries, 14c to 201/2c; dairies, 121/2c Cheese steady, at 8%c to 10%c. NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Butter firm; western creamery, 15c to 21c; do. factory, 12c to 14%c; Elgins, 21c; imitation creamery, 13c to 17c; state dairy, 15c to 18c; do. creamery, 15c to 191/2c. Cheese firm; large white, 10%c; small white, 10%c to 11c; large colored, 10%c; small colored, 10%c to 11c; light skims, 7%c to 81/4c; part skims, 61/4c to 71/2c; full

Live Stock Markets

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Cattle—Receipts today were small and buyers slow to take hold: choice fat cattle were scarce and largely nominal, most of the cattle offered selling under \$5 35; the range of prices was \$5 to \$5 70 for good to choice steers, and \$4 to \$4 95 to commoner grades; feeders sold at \$3 to \$4 40; western range steers brought \$3 90 to \$5 30; choice calves brought \$6 10 \$6 85; commoner grades \$3 to \$6; bulls, cows and heifers ranged from \$2 to \$4 75. Buyers of hogs were not eager, though provisions were higher; were at an extreme range of \$3 30 to \$3 65, the bulk of the hogs changing hands at \$3 50 to \$3 55; pigs sold at Few sheep and lambs were offered, so that prices were easily maintained, lambs selling at \$4 to \$5 25 yearlings, \$4 to \$4 50, and sheep at \$2 25 to \$4 10 for inferior to prime natives; the sheep now coming are largely fed western; common to prime western sheep were salable at \$3 to \$4 50, few going over \$4. Receipts-Cattle, 2,500; hogs, 30,000; sheep, 8,000.

EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 27.-Cattle-The offerings were a couple of loads which were left over, and for which there was only a moderate inquiry. Calves were in light demand and lower; choice to extra were quotable at \$6 50 to \$7; good to choice, \$6 to \$6 50; coarse, thin calves were hard to sell on the basis of \$3 50 to \$4 50. Sheep and lambs-The offerings were loads; the market opened with a fair demand, but the best lambs sold lower than yesterday, the basis being \$5 25 to \$5 35; sheep dull and lower; choice to extra lambs, \$5 25 to \$5 45; good to choice, \$5 to \$5 25; mixed sheep, choice to extra, \$4 to \$4 25; good to choice, \$3 75 to \$4; fat ewes, \$3 50 to \$3 75; choice light yearlings, \$4 40 to \$4 50; the offerings were pretty well cleaned up. Hogs—The offerings were about 40 loads; there was a fair trade at a decline of 10c to 20c, which was mostly in the light hogs: good weight hogs were quotable at \$3 55 to \$3 60, mostly outside figures; medium, \$3 55; Yorkers, \$3 45 to \$3 55; mostly \$3 50; what pigs were sold were on the basis of \$3 40, but there were not many sold, the bulk being left over; roughs, \$3 to

\$3 10; stags, \$2 75. TORONTO, Dec. 27.-There were only eight loads of cattle on the market today, and receipts are expected to continue light until after the New Year holidays. Prices in all lines were quotably unchanged. The offerings of sheep and lambs were light, and prices were steady. Hogs—Receipts were light. Milch cows, \$25 to \$35. Export cattle, per cwt, \$4 25 to \$3 50. Butchers' cattle, choice, per cwt, \$4 to \$4 25; medium, \$3 50 to \$3 75. Stockers, \$3 25 to \$3 40. Sheep, per cwt, \$2 50 to \$3 50. Lambs, per cwt, \$3 75 to \$4 25. per cwt, \$3 75 to \$4 25. Calves, per head, \$3 to \$7 50. Hogs-Best selection, \$4 25; light, per cwt, \$4; thick fat, per

cwt, 34; sows, per cwt, \$3 to \$3 25. NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Beeves—Receipts, 18 head; nothing sold; feeling firm. Cables low; American steers, luc to 111/2c, dressed weights; refrigerator beef, 8c per lb. Exports today, 800 cartle and 4,448 quarters of beef; tomorrow, 43 cattle, 70 sheep and 2,400 qrs beef. Calves—Receipts, 75,165 on sale; veals firm; other calves steady; car of westerns unsold; veals, common to choice, \$5 to \$5 80; barnyard calves, \$3 50. Sheep and lambs-Receipte, 825 head; 7 cars on sale; sheep firm, but slow; lambs firm and a shade higher; \$1/2 cars, mainly sheep, unsold; sheep, medium to fair, \$3 50 to \$4; lambs, ordinary to choice, \$5 25 to \$5 90. Hogs-Receipts, 2,775; 238 on sale; market higher at \$3 70 to \$3 85; Shoice state

pigs, \$3 90. BRITISH LIVE STOCK MARKET. London, Dec. 27.-The British cattle trade is a shade firmer. Best American, 5%d; Canadian ranchers, 4d; Argentines, 4½d to 5d. Canadian sheep,

d; lambs, 64d; Argentine sheep, 5d. Working Night and Day.

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Fatally Burned While Writing Letter to Kris Kringle.

Fire in a Church During Christmas Ex! ercises—The Pastor Prevents a Panic.

London, Dec. 28.-A pathetic story comes from Sheffield today. A fiveyear-old girl was left at home with younger children while her mother was out at work. The little one occupied herself in writing a letter to Santa Claus, asking for presents for Christmas Day. She then posted the message by putting it in the fire. By some mischance the paper flared up and set the child's clothing alight. When the mother returned she found the little girl's charred body lying in front of the fireplace. The child was still living, but she died shortly afterward.

LEVEL-HEADED PASTOR. Peoria, Ill., Dec. 28. - During the Christmas exercises in the German Methodist Episcopal Church, Pekin, Ill., the large tree, loaded with gifts and lighted by hundreds of candles, caught fire and blazed up fiercely. The church was packed to the doors, and women screamed and several fainted when the pastor, Rev. Wm. Traeger, commanded the audience to be seated. He said the emergency of fire had been pro-vided for, and there was no danger if everyone kept still; then he directed the organist to play up loud and strong, and ordered the choir to sing loud.

The cool attitude of the pastor restored confidence, and the people sank back into their seats. Meanwhile, as the fire rolled and crackled, the music became louder. The pertor flicked burning embers from the tree that alighted upon his hymn-book to the floor, and stepped upon them, at the same time singing at the top of his voice. The fire brigade improvised for service in case a fire should foreak out threw a heavy wet tanpaulin over the tree, and the fire was stamped out. Then, despite the fact that the church was filled with smoke, the exercises proceeded minus the gifts, but with plenty of music.

SUDDEN DEATH.

Toronto, Dec. 28. - The youngest daughter of Mr. Thomas Holmes, a prominent resident of Wingham, expired from heart failure, without a moment's warning on the morning of Dec. 25. The interment took place in the family burial plot in Toronto. CABLE NOTES.

It is reported today that the bubonic plague has broken out in the district

of Delagoa Bay.
An Irish Catholic Layman writes to the Daily News advocating the establishment of a Catholic university in Ireland. He cites in support of his scheme the example set in Canada. The strike of the grocers' employes in Paris has suddenly collapsed.

WALLACEBURG BLAZE

Grist Mill of John E. Gordon Totally Destroyed.

Chatham, Ont., Dec. 28.-Albout 1:15 yesterday morning fire broke out in the large grist mill of John E. Gordon, Wallaceburg, and the flames, fanned by the strong west wind that was blowing, soon had the mill entirely enveloped. The firemen, seeing no chance of saving the frame mill, devoted their attention to O'Leary's warehouse across the street, and the L. E. and D. R. R. station, both of which had caught. A number of cars on the track were moved to a place of safety. The mile, a frame structure, was totally destroyed, the loss being between six and seven thousand dollars. O'Leary's loss and the loss to the L. E. and D. R. R. station will be covered by \$5,000.

SHE TEASED HIM

Rose Coghlan's Daughter Terribly Bitter by a St. Bernard Dog.

New Rochelle, N. Y., Dec. 28.-John T. Sullivan, an actor, who plays in "The White Heather" Company, and his wife, Rose Coghlan, who arrived here from Philadelphia, intending to spend Christmas with their little daughter, Rosalind, 13 years old, found that the little girl had been severely bitten by a big St. Bernard dog, and was in a precarious condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan were met at the station by Mrs. Trautman, a friend, who acquainted them with the accident. Miss Coghlan, on hearing the news, became hysterical, and fainted on the platform.

Little Rosalind was playing with "Bruce," a prize St. Bernard dog, at the home of Mr. Sullivan, in Neptune Park. The girl was teasing the dog, when he suddenly turned on her and buried his teeth in her cheek, tearing the flesh apart for several inches and fracturing the lawbone.

HE LIVED IN SARNIA

Sudden Death of James Robb, an Ad ventist Preacher.

Port Huron, Mich., Dec. 28.-James Robb, 75 years of age, a Seventh-Day Adventist preacher of some note, while returning from a short walk at 6 'clock Sunday evening, dropped dead when almost upon his own doorstep. He was picked up by passers-by, taken into his home and Dr. Patrick summoned, but medical aid was unavailing. The deceased was formerly a prominent resident of Sarnia, but remarried about three months ago, and has since resided at 1,613 Pine Grove avenue. He has several grown-up children by his first marriage, a son residing at Detroit. The deceased leaves considerable property.

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EACH PARTY WINS ONE

Loughrin (Liberal) and Allen (Conservative) Re-elected.

In Nippissing and North Hastings-A Race Appeal Defeated.

North Bay, Dec. 28.—The campaign in Niplesing that was brought to such a successful conclusion yesterday, resulting in the triumphant election of the Liberal candidate, Mr. John Loughrin, by a majority of over 600, was one of the most hotly contested that has ever taken place in Ontario. The Conservative was supported by a small army of workers, led by Mr. Klock, M.P., and Mr. Broder, M.P., who not only appealed to the prejudices of the French electors to vote for Mr. Lamarche on account of his nationality, but against the government on account of its alleged parsimony in the expenditure of public money in this district. The answer to the first-named appeal came in the form of a majority of votes for Mr. Loughrin from the French population, and the expression of their faith in the honesty of the government in a magnificent majority of over 600 for the government candidate in the district. At a large gathering here tonight congratulatory speeches were delivered to an enthusiastic crowd of Lib-erals by Messrs. Mackenzie, of Sudbury, Preston and Bishop of Toronto. Madoc, Dec. 28.—The election in North Hastings yesterday appears to have resulted in the return of Mr. Allen, Conservative candidate for the legislature, by a large majority. Thirty out of the 40 polling sub-divisions heard

from give Mr. Allen a majority of 570. A glance at the vote polled in some of the past elections in North Hastings shows how strong Conservatism is in that riding. At the general election in 1886 the total votes cast were: A. F. Wood (Conservative), 1,863; Dr. Faulkner (Liberal), 1,100. In 1890 A. F. Wood (Conservative) was returned by acclamation. In 1894 the Liberals again did not put up a candidate, and the fight was between James Haggerty (Conservative) and A. F. Wood (Independent Conservative). Mr. Haggerty was elected the vote standing 1.782 to 1.752. At the general election of March last the returns were: W. J. Allen (Conservative), 2,374; B. O. Lott (Liberal), 2,122: Conservative majority, 252.

ONTARIO'S **AGRICULTURE**

Interesting Bulletin Issued by the Department-Many Figures of Interest Given Out.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—A bulletin issued today by the department of agriculture gives a number of figures of interest concerning the agriculture in the

province. The report shows that in 114 cheese factories 1,455,937,148 pounds of milk was used, and 137,362,916 pounds of cheese was made. There were 66.104 patrons and the value of cheese produced was \$11,719,468. This is about \$3,000,000 more than the amount for

The amount paid to patrons for milk supplied was \$9,709,004, as compared with \$7,040,927 the year before. The creameries show even a greater increase. The quantity of milk sent was 7,708,265 pounds, and the value of the butter produced was \$1,403,609. This is almost three times as much as was produced in 1893.

Other statistics of interest may be summarized as follows: Total farm property value, \$905,093 .-613, which is five millions less than in

Livestock, \$93,649,804, which is also less than in 1896. Implements, \$51,299,098.

Buildings, \$206,090,159. The chattel mortage list decreased a small amount during 1897, from \$13,-561,716 to \$13,382,195.

The bonded debt of the municipali-ties has increased from \$26 51 per head to \$26 84 per head. The population is rated at 1,990,977, an

increase over 1896 of over 18,000. A good increase is reported in the hog, poultry, wool and honey business.

BORN ON A MOUNTAIN

Where Mother and Child Will Be Imprisoned for Months.

Vienna, Dec. 28.-Two men and a woman, the latter 18 years old, began the ascent of the Rax, one of the Semmering mountains, on Sunday. When they reached a shelter hut at a height of ney troubles, as well as women, and all | 1,400 metres the woman gave birth to a son. The weather was intensely cold. The men built a fire, and one of them descended the mountain and induced a physician to visit the woman. A heavy snowstorm is threatened, and it is probable that the party on the mountain will be imprisoned for a long time.

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THE POIRIER MURDER TRIAL

Rapid Progress Made-Counsel for Defense Addresses the Jury.

St. Scholastique, Dec. 28.-The trial of Sam Parslow for the murder of Isidore Poirier was resumed. Witnesses for the defense were summoned. Very rapid progress was made, and in the space of two or three hours sixteen witnesses were examined. They testified to the previous good character of Sam Parslow. Many of them said that his will was weak, and that he

was very easily led.
Mr. Ethier addressed the jury on behalf of the prisoner. The prisoner wept during the first part or Mr. Ethier's address, which was a very

able effort. The trial was resumed yesterday afternoon. Mr. Ethier resumed his ad-The court room was crowded. Mr. Ethier made a strong appeal to the jury on behalf of his client. It is likely today will finish the trial, as there only remains Mr. McKay's address on behalf of the crown and the

charge by Judge Taschereau. Mr. Ethier contended that Parslow had been influenced by the woman. Cordelia Viau was the mainspring of the deed. She it was who was to blame. Parslow had been a good citizen until he fell under her evil spell. Mr. Ethier's address was an exceedingly able one and affected all pres-The prisoner broke down several times during its delivery.

BRIEFS BY WIRE ***000000000000000000000000000**

Major Lord says that the Filipinos believe that "A Hot Time in the Old Town" is the American national air. Andrew Allen Bonner, aged 47, eld-

est son of Robert Bonner, proprietor of the New York Ledger, died at his home in New York, of pneumonia. Miss Mercedes Garcia, daughter of the late Calixto Garcia, the Cuban til Litterst told him in the morning. leader, died at the Pineywoods Hotel, in Thomasville, Ga., Tuesday evening,

of consumption. Senator Morrill, of Vermont, is seriously ill with an attack of grip, complicated with lung and heart trouble, and his death, it is said, is only a mat-

ter of a short time. Admiral Dewey is now the senior officer of the American navy, having reached that position without congressional action through the retirement Sunday last of Admiral Bunce.

At St. Johns, Nfld., on Sunday, the Orange Society walked to church for the first time in the history of St. Johns. Preparations were made to suppress the expected row, which did not materialize.

Joseph W. Pearson, who threw brick through a window of the British ambassador at Washington and escaped from an insane asylum there, surrendered himself to the Baltimore police Tuesday night. He said he was tired of walking the streets.

At Iona, Mich., while the gay Christmas festivities were in progress throughout the town Monday evening, a half dozen prisoners at the State House of Correction were working like beavers to secure their freedom and succeeded in squeezing through the hole they had made. Their names are Frank Edison, Frank Fisher, Lewis Ferguson, William Smith, James Miller, John Hubbard.

Judge Hamilton Ward, of the sueme court, died this morning at Wellsville, N. Y.

Four Hamilton shoe dealers were fined 25 cents each for breaking the 7 o'clock closing bylaw on the evening of

The bylaw granting partial exemption from taxes to the T., H. and B. Railway was laid over by the Hamliton city council. A grand-daughter of Alexander Ham-

ilton, Miss Alice Hamilton, aged 61, has been placed in a sanitarium at Pleasantville, N. J., with a strange hallucination. She imagines herself dead. The New York Auto-Truck Company,

with a capital of \$1,000,000, has been incorporated. With this capital it is proposed to place auto-trucks, operated by compressed air, in the streets of the

A special to the Times-Herald from Milan, Missouri, says: Walter M. Clark, Sullivan county's cattle king, has failed for nearly \$200,000. Clark has turned over every dollar's worth of his property to his creditors.

An engine, baggage car and passenger car were ditched near Brooke station on the Grand Trunk. The mail bags caught fire in the baggage car, and considerable mail was destroyed before the flames were extinguished.

News that a big strike has been made at the Leola copper mine has just reached Tacoma. Several days ago a solid five-foot vein of ore was opened just a few feet below the surface, which runs 20 per cent pure copper, and also carries 20 ounces of silver and paying quantities of gold to the ton.

The steamer China, just arrived from the Orient, carried the largest consignment of opium ever entered at San Francisco. There were 660 cases of the drug, valued at \$500,000. The total weight of the opium is 27,000 pounds, and the duty on it amounts to \$162,000 at \$6 a pound.

When a man gets in a hole he is always willing to be done by as he should

MIDDLESEX NEWS

Married-At the manse, Vanneck, on Wednesday, Dec. 21, Mr. E. C. Calvert to Miss Edith Scott.

Wm. Mann, of Chicago, formerly of Glanworth, Ont., is home spending the Christmas holidays, with his parents, at Glanworth.

Mr. Graham Walker, of Ilderton, attended the National Sheep Breeders' Association meeting at Lansing on Tuesday and Wednesday. Mrs. Cameron, mother of Mr. Alex.

Cameron, of Mosa, who was taken suddenly ill with paralysis, in the Presbyterian Church, Florence, on Sunday morning, died Saturday at the home of her son. The annual meeting and election

of officers of Ilderton Lodge, A. O. U. W., took place Tuesday night. There was a good attendance, and much interest was taken. Mr. W. P. Charlton was elected master, and Mr. A. L. Hodgins recording secretary. It was decided to hold the annual oyster supper of the lodge in the third week of January.

A very pleasant event took place at the residence of Mr. Wm. Cobban, of Muncey road, on Thursday evening last, when his daughter Jennie was united in marriage to Mr. John Blight, of Wyton. The bridal party entered the parlor to the strains of the wedding march, played by Miss Harris, of Ingersoll, the ceremony being per-formed by Rev. Mr. Leitch, of Dela-ware. The bride was attended by Miss Blight, while Mr. John Cobban looked after the interests of the groom. After ample justice had been done to wellspread tables, and congratulations received, the happy couple were driver to Komoka, where they took the trained for Chicago. The bride was the recip ient of many handsome presents at will be greatly missed by her numero friends in the Muncey road.

"CHEEKY" BURGLARS. New York, Dec. 28.—Burglars ent ed the county jail in New Brunswi

N. J., last night, and robbed the slee sheriff, George Litterst, of \$50 The jailer knew nothing about 12-YEAR-OLD BOY DROWNED.

Marine City, Mich., Dec. 28.-James Harris, aged 12 years, was drowned in Belle River yesterday morning. He was playing on some thin ice, when he broke through. His body was recovered in about ten minutes, but all efforts to resuscitate him proved futile.

CIVIL WAR IN BOLIVIA. Lima, Peru, Dec. 28.-Advices from Bolivia say the aspect of affairs there is serious. Young men belonging to the best society are joining either side, the banks have lost nearly all their clerks and civil war is inevitable.

MOORE GETS 19 YEARS. New York, Dec. 28.-W. A. E. Moore, made notorious through the "badger" case, in which proprietor Martin Mahon, of the New Amsterdam Hotel, figured as the victim, was sentenced to nineteen years' imprisonment. The second trial of his wife for robbery in

the same case will take place in Janu-IN PETERBORO.

Mr. J. M. Donovan Tells How Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured Him.

Peterboro, Dec. 2.-This town is famed throughout the Dominion as the most go-ahead, progressive, wealthy and up-to-date on the continent. This reputation is thoroughly deserved, and was earned by the quickness of the residents to see and to take advantage of a "good thing" when it comes our

One especially good thing that our people have benefited by is the king of kidney cures—Dodd's Kidney Pills a household remedy in Peterboro. Among those cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills is Mr. J. M. Donovan, who reports that this remedy cured him completely of Urinary trouble indicaing the first stage of Diabetes.

Dodd's Kidney Pills are the only remedy that has ever been known to cure this disease. They never fail. Steamship Arrivals.

Dec. 27. At. From. Numidian. Portland .Liverpool Spaarndam. Weimar.... Bremen Hesperia......Glasgow State of Nebraska..Glasgow Cephalonia Liverpool Dec. 28. At. From. Aller.....New York..... Westernland...New York.....

Chronic Eczema Cured.

One of the most chronic cases of Ec. zema ever cured is the case of Miss Gracie Ella Aiton, of Hartland, N. B. On a sworn statement Mr. Aiton says: I hereby certify that my daughter Gracie Ella was cured of Eczema of long standing by using four boxes of Chase's Ointment. William Thistle, druggist, of Hartland, also certifies that he sold four boxes of Dr. Chase's Ointment, which cured Gracie Ella. Boston is to have free ice water foun-

tains in all parts of the city next sum-

The great lung healer is found in

that excellent medicine sold as Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup. It southes and diminishes the sensibility of the membranes of the throat and air pas sages, and is a sovereign remedy for all coughs, colds, hoarseness, pain soreness of the chest bronchitis,