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MARCHING ON KHARTOUM

HOW THE BRITISH TROOPS WILL MAKE THEIR ADVANCE.

The Plans all Laid-The Corps That Will Take Part in the Expedition-Rebeis Cutting the Telegraph Wires.

and hussars will advance toward Khartoum by way of Gakdul and Shendy. A strong garrison will remain at Korti to constitute the advanced base. The rebels have cut the telegraph wires to Meraive.

THE SPANISH QUAKE.

Great Less of Lite-Buildings Tottering to a Fall-Other Countries Visited. MARID, Dec. 29 .- Official reports up to dnight on Sunday show that 526 persons were killed by the earthquake in the province of Granada and 100 in Malaga. At Alhama over 350 bodies have been recov. ered. At Parsana, in Andalusia, great amage was done and many lives lost; 60 es have been recovered. Many per-

Periana, destroying many houses and burying forty-eight persons. Eighteen were
rescued alive. It is reported 900 persons
were buried beneath the ruins of the buildwere buried beneath the ruins of the build-

VIENNA, Dec. 29.—A severe earthquake tives. The messengers between the meeting places and the residences of aldermen buildings. London, Dec. 29.—An earthquake was

felt in Wales to day. Many houses were VIENNA, Dec. 29 .- An earthquake was felt at Tarvis Sunday night. Violent shocks at intervals of an hour were also felt in the vicinity of the town. The in-

habitants were greatly alarmed.

Irish Nationalists at Belfast. and, believing him dead, strung him up to a rafter and left him. The landlord found him, and prompt aid saved his life. Tom Sing, a desperate ruffian, who is supposed to have been the leader of the gang, was struggle. The police believe he is the man who stabbed and killed a laundryman in this city a year ago and robbed him. Tom Sing was living with a white woman here. The demonity and the leadership of Parnell, and a fixed resolve to support the party to the utmost, declaring that the land parceled out to perpetual hireling pensioners as a reward for acts of cruelty must be ratored for acts of crue of their country to insist upon fair play in regard to the redistribution bill. Addres-ses were made by Biggar, O'Connor and O'Brien, members of parliament, who spoke hopefully of the future of the Irish

On the Ragged Edge.

BERLIN, Dec. 29 .- The British annexation of St. Lucia bay, on the coast of Zululand, will probably increase the friction between Germany and England. writes he has acquired by treaty from the king of Zululand the right to St. Lucia bay and 100,000 acres adjacent in behalf of Luderitz, the German merchant, who established a trading post at Angra Pe-

It is reported in diplomatic circles that

celebrated with great festivity at Hawarden. Birthday greetings reach Gladstone from all parts of the empire. The prince of Wales has sent cordial congratulations. of Wales has sent cordial congratulations.

Many liberal bodies have presented the
"grand old man" with addresses expressive of continued confidence and profound
admiration. The newspapers, without
distinction of party, devote leading articles to the culogy of the great statesman.

Defrauding the Czar. ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 29.-Important ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 29.—Important ager said several parties were in treaty for the purchase of the paper. treasury. Some officials have committed So far as unearthed, the frauds amount to 10,000 roubles. The salaries of

easury officials have been stopped pend- lark Saturday night four young men, g investigation.
Ten strangers were entrapped by the olice yesterday and searched. Five volvers, a quantity of dynamite and an sortment of revolutionary pamphlets was and on one of them.

The czar, czarina and czarewitch are

going on a trip through the Cossacks. The going on a trip through the Costacks. The czar will open the season with a ball at the winter palace on Jan 2. Two thousand guests have been invited.

The court officials deny any precautions have been taken against the nibilists.

wycliffe's Anniversary. London, Dec. 29 .- The Wycliffe quicentennary was celebrated at Edinburg and Glasgow to day. Addresses were delivered, enlogizing the principles of Wyc-life and John Knox. Prelacy was de-

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM.

Develand Declares That he Will Carry NEW YORK, Dec. 29 .- President-elect Cleveland has written a letter to the national civil service reform league, in which he says that practical reform in the Alexander Manning and J. J. Withrew civil service is demanded is abundantly CAIRO, Dec. 29.—Kortiadvices give particulars of the plan of the British advance. Gen. Earle, it is stated, will collect the infantry brigade above the fourth cataract and punish the Monazers. He will afterward push forward and open the desert route to Korosko, whence stores will be forwarded to Gen. Stewart. Mounted infantry guards and camel corps proceeded to Gakdul to-day with a large convoy of stores. The distance is 90 miles. The mounted infantry will afterward return to Korti with a transport of camels, when the headquarters of the artillery and hussars will advance toward Kharten and by the fact that a statute to be the fact that a statute to both further fact that a sentiment is generally prevalent among particular and by the fact that a statute to both further fact that a sentiment is generally prevalent among occurred in the dity council took place yesterday in th established by the fact that a statute to none but party friends I should deem it entirely proper to remind them that though the coming administration is to be democratic a due regard for the people's interest does not permit faithful party work to be always rewarded by appointment to office, and to say to them that while the democrats may expect all proper consideration, selections for office not

NEW YORK ALDERMEN.

Some Startling Developments to Be Made NEW YORK, Dec. 29 .- The board of aldermen met at 1 o'clock, but no action ons died of fright. The convicts in the | was taken on any of the mayor's nominasons died of fright. The convicts in the Seville prison took advantage of the excitement to create a mutiny, with the hope of escaping. The disturbance was quelled.

A land slip occurred in a mountain near Periana, destroying many houses and burying forty-eight persons! Eighteen were considerations passed have, according to rescaled alive. It is reported 900 persons was taken on any of the mayor's nominations. It is stated that two additional affidavits were prepared this afternoon establishing direct charges of corruption against certain aldermen, and that in spite of all the shrewdness and caution observed the channels through which the ingrementation was taken on any of the mayor's nominations. It is stated that two additional affidavits were prepared this afternoon establishing direct charges of corruption against certain aldermen, and that in spite of all the shrewdness and caution observed the channels through which the were buried beneath the ruins of the buildings of Albunvelas. Three churches at Antiquera were left in a tottering condition. The inhabitants are encamped in the fields.

The results in Malaga are even more terrible than heretofore reported. The loss in the town exceeds half a million. Two hundred and twenty seven houses were damaged. During the excitement a religious procession headed by the bishop implored the divine mercy. Renewed damaged. During the excitement a religious procession headed by the bishop implored the divine mercy. Renewed shocks were felt in various places to-day.

Further damage was done at Cordoya, and the behind the cordoya, and the cordoya are considered to the cordoya and the cordoya are cordoya, and the cordoya are cordoya. The movements of suspected the inhabitants are leaving the town in uteness. The movements of suspected aldermen are closely shadowed by detecknowledge. No place has been more closely watched than police headquarters when caucuses were held there. The esthe suspicions of the officials at headquar-

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Three Chinamen assaulted Hong Chung, laundryman, in Newark last week, robbed him, cut him

drivers' strike continues. About a dozen cars on the Magazine street line reached stations. The police seem to be in sympathy with the strikers, and were only inclined to interfere in cases of personal

A committee representing the various commercial bodies this evening arranged a compremise between the striking car drivers and the street railway companies.

quarters to transform the Congo free state into a monarchy.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—For several days the political and social atmosphere of New York has been been decided atmosphere of New York. NEW YORK, Dec. 29 .- For several days Cladstone's Birthday.

London, Dec. 29.—To-day is Gladstone's being 75th birthday. The occasion is being cal. He has been confined to his own room at times for several weeks, but dur-ing the past fortnight he has been out rid-ing and is rapidly mending.

> NEW YORK, Dec. 29 .- It is reported to day that the New York Star has been purchased by a son of England, publisher of the Sun, on behalf of John R. McLean of the Cincinnati Enquirer. The managing editor of the Star declined to be interviewed on the subject. The business man

Poisoned by Whisky and Osters. GREENSBURG, Pa., Dec. 29. - While on a Joseph Randall, Charles Smith, George Nichols, Scott Robertson, procured half a gallon of alcohol and drank it, mixing a portion with the cyster stews ordered at a saloon. On Sunday all were taken dangerously sick. Randall and Smith died in great agony, the others will probably re-

FOR THE NEW COUNCIL.

THE MATERIAL FROM WHICH THE BODY FOR 1885 CAN BE SELECTED.

Nominated for the Mayoralty-The

effect that Mr. Withrow was to succeed Mayor Boswell. H. S. Howland and Ald. Love proposed J. J. Withrow, and W. R. Brock and David Blain proposed Alexander Manning. The field was left to these two gentlemen. Both of them made lengthy addresses. Both candidates charged each other with making a political issue of the contest, and both promised innumberable other with making a political issue of the contest, and both promised innumberable blessings to the city if he were returned. Ald. Turner and Davies also made speeches. In the wards the following is a list of the actual candidates who are in the field. Many other gentlemen were nominated, but withdrew in favor of some friend. There will be no contests in St. George's or St. Stephen's wards, the nominees will be based upon sufficient enquiry as to the fitness instituted by those charged with that duty rather than upon persistent importunity or self-solicited recommendations on behalf of the candidates for

going in by acclamation.

St. George's Ward—R. B. Miller, returning officer—(By acclamation)—Ald. Walker, proposed by D. McKay and Thomas Ogilvy. Ald. Maughan, M. E. Snider and Peter Ryan. Ald. Verrall, Peter Ryan and Capt. McMaster.

St. John's Ward—John Ramsay, returning officer—Ald. John Irwin, W. H. Howland and Frank Somers. Ald. Thomas Hunter, Wm. Christie and H. M. Armstrong. Ald. Henry Piper, Frank Somers and Robert L. Fraser.

James A. Proctor, W. H. Howland and John Kent. Joseph Beatty, P. G. Close and Robt. L. Fraser. Robert McCleary, Frank Somers and Wm. Guinane.

St. Paul's Ward—Charles H. Bishop, returning officer—Ald. John Shaw, Albert A. Stannton and Thos. Taylor. Joseph Gibson, Thos. Carr and John Sheppard. Bernard Saunders, Wm. Booth and Geo. Pain. Thos. A. Hastings, George Scott and David Thompson.

St. Thomas' Ward.—John Burns, returning

lyle, George Duthie and Dr. J. M. D. Woods. Ald. D. M. Defoe, James Hunter and John McGill. Add. W. W. Farley, John Morvyn and R. J. Hovenden. Ald. John E. Mitchell, R. J. Hovenden and F. Rush.

St. Matthew's Ward—David Hunter, returning officer—M. McKee, G. W. Barrett and James Bedley. E. A. MacDonald, H. Pyo and Richard Martin. Ald. T. W. Elliott, W. Barrett and P. Macdonald. W. J. Smith, S. H. Defries and P. Macdonald. Ald. J. Jones, P. Macdonald and W. W. Hodgson.

St. Patrick's Ward—Ald. Brandon, C. Hubbard and W. M. McFarlane. H. Lucas, F. W. Luritt and Ald. Harvie. John Baxter, C. Hubbard and J. R. Allen. J. Pepler, J. R. Allen and R. Wetherson. John Low, J. Wright and E. Kent.

Cars on the Magazine street line reached Canal street from up town accompanied by squads of police. Early this morning the cars left up-town stations, but were met by large bodies of strikers, who turned the cars round and sent them back to the cars round and sent them back to the stations. The police seem to be in sym. W. Kankin and J. N. Lee, Counculors— E Terry, H. C. Stevens and J. Dennis. John Clark, Dr. Lynd and B. Goodman, W. C. Beddome, J. Gaby and W. Griffiths. Geo. Tait, D. Boyd and E. Wilcox. J. Lennox, J. N. Lee and D. Boyd. J. Norwich, H. J. Brine and J. C. Morgan.

Almonte—B. Rosemond. Brantford—W. J. Scarfe (re-elected). Cobourg - Lt.-Col. Gravely (re-elected) Cornwall—James Leatch Goderich—H. Horton, Hamilton-J. J. Mason (re-elected.) Kincardine-R. Baird, Morrisburg—W. McKenzie (re-elected). Niagara—H. A. Garrett. Ochawa—F. Rae. Owen Sound—John Rutherford. Oakville—Geo. Andrew. Petrolea—John Fraser. Pembroke-A. Foster. Peterboro-Geo. A. Cox. St. Thomas -E. Horton (re-elected). Southampton-Geo. E. Smith. Tilsonburg—Dr. Sinclair. Whitby—Dr. Bogart (re-elected.) UNITED STATES NEWS.

General Grant is in very poor health, and his family feel much anxiety regarding James Parker Treadwell, lawyer an estate is valued at \$5,000,000. Willing to Work, But Idle.

ST. Louis, Dec. 29.—It is estimated tha

laborers, and over one half of these, it is claimed, are also idle. great agony, the others will probably recover.

After Fever Frost.

Montreal, Nov. 29—Nicholas Pettjean of Coteau St. Louis, before going out this was found dead in a snow drift near the city yesterday, it is supposed from African fever, which he contracted while with Stanley, on his last expedition, and killed he containing carbolic acid, filled a small glass and drank it. His children saw his misself.

A Bad Pair.

Delmar, Del, Doo, 29.—James Hearn, aged 40, has eloped with the pretty young wife of Jacob Turpin. The pair are cousins.

Claimed, are also idle.

This excellent comedy has lost none of its freshness; it created just as much amusement last night as it did a year ago. Montreal last night as it did a year ago. Montreal last night as it did a year ago. Montreal last night as it did a year ago. Montreal last night as it did a year ago. World the curboard to get a glass of gin to warm him up. Instead of taking the gin bottle he took a similar one containing carbolic acid, filled a similar

MISPLACED CONFIDENCE.

A Story Which Many People Will Appre clate at the Present Season. The Saskatchewan Herald publishes the following, not as a fable, but fact: "A few Sundays ago the Crees at Eagle Hills invited their neighbors the Stonies to a feast. one of the chief features in which was to be a "give away dance," in which each person endeavors to outdo his neighbor in his liberality in giving away what property various wards. The mayoralty nomination occurred in the city council chamber at 10.30, City Clerk Blevins acting as returning officer. Mayor Boswell, Ald. Turner, John Hallam and Ald. Davies were nominated, but retired. Mayor Boswell said it was etiquette for the Crees, as the least tainers, to make presents to their guests, and this they did with so much liberality that when the fun was over there was not half-a-dozen blankets in their camp. They thought their friends would follow the Cree custom and return presents as valuable as any they had received; but in this they were disappointed, for they returned to their homes bearing with them the gifts they had received. Not to be outdone in politeness, the Stonies invited the Crees to their camp, promising as a special inducement to insure a large attendance, to illustrate one of their own peculiar customs—for different tribes have different customs—by showing how they treated the toms—for different tribes have different customs—by showing how they treated the blankets and robes taken from their hereditary enemies, the Blackfeet and others. There was a full turn out and a happy time generally, not unmixed with curiosity as to what the great custom was. When the time had arrived for keeping their promise the Stonies gathered all the blankets and other things given them by the Crees, and amidst much barbarous music and dancing, proceeded to cut them into shreds. The too confiding Crees went for wool, and were sent home shorn, and will now have leisure coolly to reflect how much better one blanket is in hand than two in prospective.

A GYMNASIUM FOR TORONTO. another Meeting of Delegates From the

Different Sporting Clubs. Two young men representing the principal athletic associations of the city met in visable to go before the public with a divi-dend-paying scheme or merely appeal to citizens on the score of providing a suitable mnasium for our young men without king for profits. An energetic commite was struck-who will make a more minute report as to details at a meeting to be called by the chairman in a week or so.

A quarter-mile footrace will take place this afternoon on the Rosedale grounds between Moffet and Tisdale for \$250 s Charley Smith has lost by inflammation his promising Long Taw colt, dropped July 4 last.

Morris & Patton of Lexington, Ky., have ought the 2 year-old colt Favor for \$12, 000. The colt won five races the past season, and stakes aggregating \$5000.

CARLE NOTES.

Baggallays & Spence, warehousemen During the week ending Dec. 6 there vers 1027 cases of smallpox in the hospit

Truninger & Co., bankers and mer-chants of London, have suspended owing The police of Hamburg have received letter threatening that an attempt will be made to explode the imperial naval obser-

A rupture between Russia and Khiva is feared on account of the authorities of Khiva having protected Tekka marauders hostile to Russia.

15,000 persons are cut of employment here, nearly all of whom are skilled in some branch of industry. The census of 1880 credits St. Louis with 17,000 day

A CRUEL TALE OF FRAUD.

MORE OF HANSON'S RASCALLY EM-PLOYMENT TRANSACTIONS.

How Thirty Men Suffered in the Woods of Muskoka—Deserted by Sharp Stage-Drivers After Paying Their Fares. The World is called upon once more to The World is called upon once more to denounce Hanson's employment bureau in the Mail buildings as a fraud and the manager thereof an unmitigated scoundrel.

Is it not about time-that a law was passed to pour is obliged to consider whether the acceptance of the English proposals would jeopardize its relation with other powers. If England and France come to an agreement of the council meeting last night, the members in their places were: Ald. Turner, Steiner, Love, Walker, Carlyle, Lobb, Smith, Harvie, S. A. Denison, Maughan, Verrail, Mitchell, Hunter, Barton, Hasthe Mail buildings as a fraud and the to punish such unscrupulous rascals as this man Hanson! There is hardly a day passes that some poor unfortunate man does not call on County Crown Fenton and pour into his ear a tale of hardship and suffering that he has undergone through Hanson's agency. In nearly every instance a case of palpable fraud is apparent, but owing to the peculiar exigencies of the statute it is hard to convict him. The railroads are also to a great extent abettors of Hanson. For every man that he sends over their lines he gets a percentage on the ticket sold. This percentage is an inviolable secret between the railroads and Hanson, and it is hard to get at the bottom of it. Probably when Hanson's action for criminal libel against the proprietor of The World comes up at the January assizes the whole thing will come out. In the meantime this paper will be pleased to repeat that

Hanson is a fraud; that he had to skip out of his native town in England for "crooked" work, and would once more warn all men out of work to beware of the in the cottage meeting building, Richmond warn all men out of work to beware of the swindler and his employment bureau. Yesterday three men called on Mr. Fenton and told a pitiful tale. They were Wm. Owen of 186 Dundas street, John Weatherhogg and Geo. Ingram. They stated that early in the present month they saw an advertisement in a city paper for 500 men to work on the Northern railroad extension at Callendar, signed by Hansen. They applied to him and were pal athletic associations of the city met in one of the parlors of the Rossin house last night to attend the adjourned meeting for the purpose of devising ways and means to build a gymnasium in Toronto. Major R. B. Hamilton, delegate from the Toronto Lacrosse club, occupied the chair. At the meeting held previously committees were struck to report on a feasible scheme. These reports were read last night and a discussion that lasted till 11.15 followed. P. D. Ross, delegate from the Toronto Bicycle club, and Mr. Pearson, from the conveyed them to Sundridge, where they conveyed them to Sundridge, where they B. Hamilton, delegate from the Toronto Lacrosse club, occupied the chair. At the meeting held previously committees were struck to report on a feasible scheme, These reports were read last night and a discussion that lasted till 11.15 followed. P. D. Ross, delegate from the Toronto Bicycle club, and Mr. Pearson, from the Athereum club, each submitted schemes which received a great deal of attion. It is supposed that \$20,000 will build a gymnasium that would accommodate the hundreds of athletes of this city. Billiard tables, bowling alleys, etc., would also be attached. The main questions are considered as the constant of the main questions. The tasks them to Callendar. The teams would meet them and itake them to Callendar. The teams did meet them at Gravenhurst and conveyed them to Sundridge, where they stopped for the night. When they got up in the morning they discovered that the about 3 o'clock and had taken their teams back to Gravenhurst, would also be attached. The main questions in with Hanson. Sundridge is store at 442'/Yonge street and asked for a number of the Metropolitan church will deliver a New Year's address in this building.

Till-Tappers in Custedy.

George Carlyle, a youth of 18, who lives at 33 Adelaide street west, has a decided inclination to handle other people's proper in the morning they discovered that the came about 3 o'clock and had taken their teams back to Gravenhurst. The stage contractor at Gravenhurst and 3 o'clock and had taken their teams back to Gravenhurst and 3 o'clock and had taken their teams back to Gravenhurst and 3 o'clock and had taken their teams back to Gravenhurst and 3 o'clock and had taken their teams back to Gravenhurst and 3 o'clock and had taken their teams back to Gravenhurst and 5 o'clock and had taken their teams back to Gravenhurst and 5 o'clock and had taken their teams back to Gravenhurst and 5 o'clock and had taken their teams back to Gravenhurst and 5 o'clock and had taken their teams back to Gravenhurst and 5 o'clock and had taken their teams back to G about sixty miles from Callendar, and the distance the thirty men started to walk The road was through the bush, and the sufferings of the party were terrible. For a day and a half they were without food

some of them got lost, and others turned back towards Sundridge. A few of the men turned back after walking a day and a half. One poor fellow with a sprained ankle had to lay down in the woods, as he of North Yonge street. to take care of him. Only eight of the whole party reached Callendar, when they learned to their dismay that no such a man as McInnes had a contract on the road,

and the other contractors had plenty of men. The roads were just black with men Fortunately for Mr. Owen and his two companions, they had a little store of money in Toronto, which they sent for and were thus enabled to return. The trip cost them about \$25 each. They reached Toronto last Friday, and applied to Hanson to refuad the money. He of course refused to do this, and said he had a letter

night. He is an intelligent, smart-looking Englishman and has been in Toronto since March last. He repeated his story in a minute, straightforward manner, and The World has every reason to believe him. He said that he has fears for the safety of the party and thinks they at least two of the party, and thinks they
may have perished in the woods. Others
are still in the vicinity of Sundridge and
Callendar begging to keep them alive.

Mrs. Driscoll of 66 Snerbourne street, whose son was one of the party referred to

A rupture between Russia and Adva is fared on account of the authorities of Khiva having protected Tekka marauders hostile to Russia.

The uneasy feeling in the financial circles of Vienna continues. Rumors are in circulation about the stability of various banks and commercial houses.

The Belgian liberal association have elected Janse, radical, president. Two thousand members of the radical party have seceded from the association.

Advices from Tonquin report daily epocunters between the French and Chinese outposts. China continues to pour troops into Tonquin and Formosa.

The annual meeting of L. O. B. No. 1 was held on Friday night in their hall, Chestaut street. Bro. Chas. Bansley, W. M., occupied the chair, when a large volume of business was transacted. The sympathy of the lodge was expressed, and prompt relief proyided for a sick brother, dangerously ill, and in order to meet further demands of a like nature it was decided to hold a concert in aid of the benevolent fund on Jan. 3, 1855. The following brethren were elected officers for the current year: Bro. Robt. McCleary, W. M., Pro. Joseph Smith, Bro. R. G. Peers, Bro. Thos. Daniel, Bro. M. Eads, director of ceremonies; Bro. W. Williamian, the contractor of ceremonies; Bro. W. Williamian, bro. Joseph Smith, Bro. R. G. Peers, Bro. Thos. Daniel, Bro. H. Eads, director of ceremonies; Bro. W. Williamian, bro. Joseph Smith, Bro. R. G. Peers, Bro. Thos. Daniel, Bro. H. Eads, director of ceremonies; Bro. W. Williamian, bro. Joseph Smith, Bro. R. G. Peers, Bro. Thos. Daniel, Bro. H. Eads, director of ceremonies; Bro. W. Williamian, bro. Joseph Smith, Bro. R. G. Peers, Bro. Chas. Bansley, P. M.; Bro. Dr. Allen Baines, physician. The officers for the current year: Bro. C. Bansley, P. M.; Bro. Dr. Allen Baines, physician. The officers for the current year: Bro. C. Bansley, P. M.; Bro. Dr. Allen Baines, physician. The officers for the current year: Bro. C. Bansley, P. M.; Bro. Dr. Allen Baines, physician. The officers for the current year: Bro. C. Bansley, P. M.;

GERMANY AND ENGLAND. The Peace of Europe More Than Egyp-

> BERLIN, Dec. 29.—The North German Gazette replying to a recent article in the London Daily News on the decision of the powers to ignore the proposals of England relative to Egyptian finances, and attributing this decision to the attitude of Bismarck says: European peace is more im France come to an agreement on the subject the agreement of the other powers will easily be obtained, they having less interest in Egypt to concern them in the event of the failure of the English proposals. It is to England's interest to induce Germany to accept the proposals and bring their united pressure to bear to induce France to accept them. Germany is too much interested in retaining the good will of France to snatch Anglo-Egyptian chestnuts from the fire Anglo-Egyptian chestnuts from the fire and attaches too great value to England's good will to want only to disoblige her through ill feeling. But she will not allow this to interfere with the policy of peace with France observed since the war. The difficulty lies in the reluctance of each power to decide before the others accept

r reject the proposals.

London, Dec. 29.—An entente cordiale has been arranged between France and Germany for neutralization of the terri-tory of the African international association. Bismarck has undertaken to present a declaration to the conference favoring an international protectorate over the association's territory.

A Christimas Entertainment. A large number were unable to gain admission to the Christmas entertainment street west last night. H. C. Dixon, who has devoted a great deal of time and atten tion to the cottage meetings, presided.
The place was tastefully decorated with The place was tastefully decorated with evergreens, mottoes, etc. The splendid choir opened the proceedings by singing "Gospel Bells." George Darby sang a comic song, and brought forth round after round of applause. Then Wm. Burgess, a youth with yards of shirt front, a huge watch chain and a strong English accent, read a portion of "Handy Andy," and pleased the audience so well as to secure an encore. Next Friday right Rev. Hugh Johnston of the Metropolitan church will deliver a New Year's address in this building.

theft. was noticed shortly after he left the store, and after a sharp chase man Robinson arrested him and lodged him in No. 2 station.

Rossin House Employes' Ball. Mark H. Irish tendered the employes o the Rossin house and their friends their eighth annual ball last night. The large dining-room was nicely decorated with dining room was nicely decorated with flags and evergreens and formed a capacious and elegant dancing-room. An excellent supper was served at midnight. To the taneful strains of the Iralian band, dancing was kept up till early this morning. The officers of the ball were: Charles Channell, chairman; John S. Boyd, secretary; management committee—Wm. Johnson, Wm. Schutz, T. R. Skelsey, R. J. Gormley, floor managers—F. J. Stokes, M. O. ley; floor managers—F. J. Stokes, M. O. Kenny, P. J. Chorman, P. McKenna, Geo. Kekewich. A ladies' and gentlemen's reception committee attended to the wants of their friends.

A Young Horse-Thief Captured. Frank Gray, aged 18, was arrested yes terday morning by Detective Cuddy at the Commercial hotel in Jarvis street. Gray worked for a farmer named John Dawson at Ashburn, near Whitby, and early yesterday morning drove off with a valuable Clydesdale stallion and buggy. The wires were put into use and Grawas easily traced to Toronto. He offered to sell the horse and buggy for \$165.

A Window Smasher Badly Cut. A pugilistic fit seized J. Macbeth as he was walking up Brant street last night. With one blow he smashed his imaginary antagonist to smithereens, and retire fainted. A policeman conveyed him to No. 3 station, and Dr. Archibald dressed his wounds, which are serious. As the owner of the window would not lodge a complaint, a charge of disorderly conduct was booked against him.

Two Boys Run Over. Wm. Gallagher and Wm. Colwell, two mall boys, who live at 21 James street, were run over at Queen and James streets about 12 o'clock yesterday by a horse

about 12 o clock yesterday by a horse attached to a butcher cart, on the side of which was the name "Fox." The driver did not wait to see the damage done, but drove rapidly away. The little fellows were pretty badly bruised, and had their clothes town. Dr. Hunter of Hamilton, in a sermon on lunday, took the ground that ministers should not be exempt from income and

house taxes while laymen pay those taxes, but that the house of God and the land on which it stands should be exempt.

The city council of St. Catharines has joined the demand for legislation tending to the abolition of tax exemptions.

FAGGING OUT THE YEAR

THE MORIBUND CITY COUNCIL GROWING CARELESS.

When Mayor Boswell took the chair at

western cattle market from Wm.Hodgson;
F. Beale and W.Kennear, compensation for damage to property on King and Dundas streets, respectively; "Bob" Hazleton, E. Wyatt and Harvey Amos are among the first aspirants for the vacant tax collectorship in St. Paul's ward.

In the last month Dr. Canniff admitted 54 indigents to the hospital. The bylaw naming Wm. Anderson and W. R. Hughes as corporation auditors for the next year was passed. The salary will be \$1350.

The executive report was handled in committee of the whole. A motion made by Ald. Smith to take 200 copies of the Memorial volume did not receive a two-

by Ald. Smith to take 200 copies of the Memorial volume did not receive a two-thirds majority, but the clause was sent back to the committee for further consideration. Ald. Walker moved a hoist to the clause repealing the bylaw prohibiting farmers selling to hucksters before 10 o'clock in the morning. Lost.

The recommendation of the executive committee to apply for authority to have all deeds entered at the city assessment department was referred to the committee.

department was referred to the committee on legislation.

Messrs. Wm. Christie, Charles Brown and other gentlemen were granted permission to speed their blooded stock on St. George street if they could secure the consent of the local property owners.

When Ald. Farley was speaking to his motion for Sunday street cars the council smashed up for lack of a quorum.

Mr. Lightfoot is a job printer living and arrying on business on the third floor over The World office, who gets into a peculiar mental condition quite frequently. About 1 in the morning, when this fit is on him, he comes to the window, shoves out his head, and talks in the loudest manner at imaginary enemics. The police shout up to him to keep quiet; he only laughs a demoniacal laugh and talks the louder, and threatens to jump out of the window. For two hours this morning he annoyed the whole neighborhood. He has flooded the building twice—he will probably wind up by burning it, as a favorite Guttenberg is to carry a lamp around the

Masonic Installation at Parkdale. The officers of Alpha lodge No. 384, Parkdale, were installed on Saturday evening. R W. Bro. T. F. Blackwood, D. D. G. M., assisted by R. W. Bro, Thomas Sergant, conducted the ceremony. The following are the officers: W. Bros. T. W. following are the officers: W. Bros. T. W. Booth, W. M.; Dr. G. G. Rowe, I.P.M.; Bros. John Chambers, S. W.; Dr. J. K. Riddall, J. W.; W. Bro. John Gray, treas.; Bros. A. R. Denison, secretary; A. Stuttaford, chap.; J. A. Wismer, S. D.; S. Horton, J. D.; E. J. Voss, I. G.; W. Stephenson, S.S.; J. O'Brien, J. S.; W. Hobbs, organist; W. McSpadden, D. of C.; W. C. Baddome and James Hewlett, auditors; W. Bro. E. A. Mumford and Bros. T. Adams and P. Peppiatt, hall trustees; Bro. Adams and P. Peppiatt, hall trustees; Bro. C. Davies, tyler. The retiring master, W. Bro. Dr. Rowe, was presented with a handsome past master's jewel.

[Judge Armour is at the Queen's hotel. J. C. Patterson, M.P., is at the Queen's. W. R. Meredith, M.P.P., is at the Queen Wm. Kersteman, jr., manager Bristol Loan company, is suffering from an attack of low fever.

Rev. Robert Cameron, baptist clergyman Brantford, has been made a chief of the Si Nation Indians, with the name Deyorih-wal hi—the man of plain speech.

Eugenie, ex-empress of France, is highly es-teemed by the people of Farnborough, on the streets of which town she is often seen afoot, not only "shopping," but on errands of char-

From Le Monde, Mont If commercial reciprocity is possible with let us work to obtain it. It would be a new element of prosperity for the country.

But we do not believe that the prosperity and happiness of the country is absolutely dependent on such a treaty. Canada is able to find other markets for the sale of her pro-

London Correspondence, Chicago News.

John King, Berlin, in the Varsity

Cloudy Colder Weather. St. Lawrence Ward.

Thomas Taylor is a candidate for aldermanic honors in old St. Lawrence ward.

Mr. Taylor has a large interest in the ward, is an enterprising young man, and his friends have every confidence in his election. Also that he would acquit himself with local rains from the lakes to the Atlantic end fair and extremely cold in the north-tic, and fair and extremely cold in the

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