Abyssinian demonstration on the Kassala road renders the situation still more critical. Nothing can be done at present as an immediate advance would mean disaaster. British gun boats have gone to Massowah. One thousand women and children with four hundred soldiers are bravely holding out at Sincat. Even with the promptest action on the part of England there will be barely time to save those people from a terrible fate. It is believed there are twenty thousand rebels between Suakim and Sincat. Should the Egyptians attempt to march to Berber it is believed that a hundred thousand rebels would oppose them. A general order was issued on Monday announcing the appointment of Baker Pasha as governor-general of Eastern Soudan. Major Holroyd, a British officer has been dismissed from the Egyptian service for striking a native officer.

COAL AND IRON.

LONDON, Dec. 31. John Faust Easby, coal merc'aant, Bradford, has failed; liabil-

ities £1.00,000. Heary Brogden, iron master and form erry a partner of Alexander Brogden, had failed; liabilities £720,000. Samuel King, church colliery proprietor, has failed; habilities £97,000.

Alexander Brogden, M.P., iron master, has failed; habilities £723,000.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 31. Contrary this evening ordering a sus-Thursd and last

coal superintendents as it was generall believed full time would be the rule. Car are scarces through the Wyoming valley. The chute at the breakers are all blocked with coal. The half time causes no alarm here, as the miners never work steady dur

ing the winter months.

Reading, Pa., Dec. 31.—The Philadelphia and Reading company's rail mill closed to day, probably permanently.

Three hundred hands are thrown out. The officers stated that it was 1821. officers stated that it costs \$37 a ton to make rails here, while in other parts of the country they can be manufactured for \$35

A TOO PLAIN-SPEAKING PRIEST.

onary, while preaching yesterday at the church of St. John, denounced the im morality which prevails among the working men. About twenty of the latter rose and denounced the preacher's assertions, and stoned the pulpit. A rush of the congregation for the doors ensued and a number of people were injured. Several arrests

The congregation in the church where he trouble occurred to-day numbered over 2000. Father Hammerle had specially denounced socialism. Suddenly a loud whistle was given which was the signal for tle was given which was the signal for slouting and hooting from all parts of the thurch. The demonstration had evidently been pre-arranged. Cries of "fire" were also raised and a panic ensued. The alarm was fearful. Firemen, police and surgeons soon arrived and the panic was allayed. Twelve persons were injured. Military patroled in the vicinity of the church throughout the night. Four persons have been arrested charged with being concerned in the disturbances.

AN UNPROHIBITED MEETING.

A Conflict Between Orangemen and Na ionalists Expected at Dromore.

DUBLIN, Dec. 31.—There is great excitement to-day in Dromore. The orangemen there are disappointed because the government did not prohibit the meeting nationalists announced for New Year's day, and have determined to prevent it. roops are arriving.

THE ORANGE CALL TO ARMS. The Letter Proved to be a Forgery. LONDON, Dec. 31 .- The circular said to have been issued to the grand masters of

orange societies, urging the formation of armed volunteers, was a forgery. Hurder in St. Petersburg. PETERSBURG, Dec. 31.—The murder of Lieut. Col. Sudikin of the gen'darmerie on Friday night was committed in the Rathoff building, near the Moscow rail-way tation. The murderers left a letter behind, stating that their next victims would be Count Tolstoi, the minister of interior and General Gresser, chief of the

St. Petersburg police. CALCUTTA, Dec. 31. - The expedition under Gen. Hill, which left Bolukupung for the Akha country to release a number officers, repulfed three attacks upon ton Dec. 23. The expedition lost one man killed and eight wounded.

Anniversary of Gambetta's Death. The Amiversary of Gambetta parts, Dec. 31.—The anniversary of the th of Gambetta was observed to-day. rial tablet was erected at his resi ence at Ville de Auray and wreaths de posted upon his tomb at Nice.

Obnoxious to the Romanist DUBLIN, Dec. 31.—The dead body of ngeman was found in a bog hole day near Portadown, county Armagh sts in the vicinity.

The Comet of 1812. HESTER, Dec. 31.-Prof. Lewis Swift er of the observatory has discovered Pons comet, which had a singl has a double one now, the nd the shorter three degrees. changes as it approaches be seen with the naked ening.

BETTER DEAD THAN LIVING

Mysterioga Death of a Woman who Sis for her Husband and His Ristress GLEN FALLS, N.Y., Dec. 31.—Great ex citement prevails here over the mysterious death of the wife of Frank D. Colts late death of the wife of Frank D. Colts late this afternoon on the top of the Luzerne menutain, six miles north. The husband of deceased occupies a rengh wooden structure in the weeds. Nancy White, a woman of bad character, has been an immate of the place over a year. She and Colts lived together in idleness while his out and earn money and provisions for their support. Although the neighbors live within a few yards of Colt's house not a word was heard by them of the wife's sickness until some one went to the house and found her dead. Deceased has frequently told the neighbors that her husband would kill her, and many believe hat her fears have been realized.

WORK FOR CONGRESS.

Suppressing the Lotteries-Proposed For-feiture of Railway Lands. 
WASHINGTON, Dec. 31. — Postmaster-General Gresham is preparing a bill, which it is proposed to have introduced into congress, to exclude newspapers publishin, lottery advertisements from the poun-

rate.

The committee on public lands expect to report a number of separate bills when the congress reconvenes, declaring forfeited lands that have been granted certain railroad companies. The companies most interested are in the northwest and south. The amount of land involved is reported by the chairman of the committee to be between fifty and one hundred million acres. The Texas Pacific land grant, it is expected, will be reported forfeited. This grant alone involves fourteen million acres.

A Masked Robbery in Daytime. New York, Dec. 31.—Mr. Church, cashier and superintendent of John Dwight & Co.'s soda factory, was assailed by two masked men to-day as he was leaving the depot of the Secondavenue elevated station at 111th street. After being knocked down and stunned he was robbed of a satchel containing \$2200 in bank notes. He had just drawn the money from the bank and was on his way to the factory to pay the employer. nployes.

in Exhibition that was Open on Sunday. NEW YORK, Dec. 31.-In the Jefferson narket police court to-day a summons was market police court to-day a summons was issued for the appearance of J. Hopkinson Smith, director of the Bartholdi art loan exhibition, who was charged by S. H. Provost, secretary of the Sunday closing league, with violating the Sunday law by opening the exhibition on that day. The summons is returnable Thursday.

Ryan's Intentions CHICAGO, Dec. 31.-Paddy Ryan, his wife and mother arrived here To-night from Toledo. He says he will pull any one's nose who calls him a coward, and for which, the next time they meet in a saloon, he proposes to whip Sullivan in a rough and tumble fight.

The Mission to Rome. PITTSBURG, Dec. 31.-A prominent gen eman of this city states that everything published concerning the object of the meeting of the bishops of Baltimore is in-correct. He says the real business of the meeting was to devise a system of church government which will allow the priests

greater liberties, and this is necessary prevent a rebellion. Poison in Eggs. CHARLOTTE, N.C., Dec. 31.-John C Marsh, lawyer, and his wife, James Boylin and Reese Blair were poisoned by eating

eggs on Sunday morning at Beaver dam. Marsh died. The others are supposed to be out of danger. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31. - Executio aggregating between seventy-five and one hundred thousand dollars were filed this afternoon in the sheriff's office against the firm of Friedberger & Strouse, dealers in

PITTSBURG, Dec. 31.—The Elmer War ner Boston comedy company, was stranded in this city to-day, T. A. West, the ad vance agent, having decamped with all the available funds.

Killed by a Policeman. New York, Dec. 31.-Thos. Fitzpatrick. who was shot by Policeman George Smith while resisting arrest on Christmas day, died this morning.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

An attempt to get up an O'Donnell emonstration in San Francisco failed. There are 400 cases of measles in Balti The Ætna flour mills at Akron, O. have been destroyed. Loss \$150,000; insured for \$40,000, well distributed. It is said that a majority of the leading coal companies in New York have agreed to cut down production one-half from Jan

uary 1st to April 1st. The estimated reduction of the United States debt during the year amounts to about \$110,000,000. The reduction of the debt for December was twelve millions. Villard has resigned the presidency of the Northern Pacific. He is suffering

greatly from nervous prostration. A. J. Cassett and Frederick Billings are an nced as his probable successors. Wm. Thompson, of Dubuque, Iowa, has offered to go to England and remove Mr. Justice Denman, who sentenced O'Donnell, if furnished with funds. Thompson says ne has special facilities for doing so, be-ause his father holds a prominent position ander the British government.

THE OLD WORLD IN BRIEF.

Another nihilist printing office has been discovered at Warsaw. The compositors

scaped.

The London Times says China wants eace, and that if she asks the good flices of the United States, that government under the Burlinghame treaty can-

ot refuse to give it. The Prussian ministry has ordered the payment of salaries dating from Oct. 1, 1883, to the catholic priests in the dioceses of Kulm, Ermeland and Hildesheim, which

nitherto have been suspended. The rate of discount in London, Eng. bank bills, sixty days to three months, is 22 per cent, and for trade bills, sixty days to three months, 3 to 32 per cent. A VERY MYSTERIOUS TRAGEDY.

A Docter Led Blindfolded to Treat a Dy-ing Woman and a Wounded Man. Bidderord, Me., Dec. 31.—Important revelations in the supposed murder on Saturday evening have been ascertained from Dr. Gratton. He says some time on Saturday night he was called by two men, who secured him to go with them. They who secured him to go with them. They refused their names. When they reached Franklin street they put a bandage over his eyes and led him through several streets near the methodist church and the house they entered was, he thinks, in that vicinity. They led him into an uncarpeted bedreom with painted floor, where he was locked in, his companions leaving him. Here he found a young weman with a deep gash extending from the right ear down the throat. She was extremely low from loss of blood. She said, "Doctor, for God's sake, save my life." He feared she would die while there and does not think she could have livet five minutes longer had he not been present. He connected the arteries and bandaged the wound. He knocked at the door and was immediately taken to another room, where he found a man with a cut from his nostril down to the mouth and one tooth knocked in. man with a cut from his nostril down to the mouth and one tooth knocked in. After treating this patient he was taken back to Franklin street street blindfolded and the bandage left over his eyes. Then the men dodged away before he got a further view of them. While in the house he heard a considerable noise in another room and a man's voice say, "I will have his blood or her mine."

CHRISTMAS IN NEWFOUNDLAND. Why Orange Processions Are Held in the

People have been asking why the orange-men of Newfoundland hold their walk at this time of the year. For this reason: that now is the only time the Newfound anders are all at home; at any other landers are all at home; at any other period of the year the men are mostly away to the fisheries. In Newfoundland the old calendar is still in vogue, or rather it is still remembered inasmuch as both New Christmas and Old Christmas, Dec. 25 and Jan. 6, are both observed, and the intervening ten days are one round of festivity, and walks. In the parlance of the island these ten days don't count. The popular these ten days don't count. The popula-tion of the island is about 200,000, 80,000 of whom are catholics. Orangeism is said to be rapidly spreading among the remain-ing 120,000 protestants,

THINGS THEATRICAL.

The Holman's played at Detroit last The New York theatres did

ousiness on Christmas day.

The Bernhardt's coat of arms should be korsewhip rampant, and her motto, Ingenious advertising is the essence of

It is said that Poole, Gilmore and Colville expended \$20,000 in placing The Pavements of Paris before the public at Niblo's Garden theatre, New York. Judge Barrett, author of An American lack's with trying to kill his play, but the critics say it was a cold, cold corpse before it was alased on the boards.

Mr. Edward Compton has attracted criti-cal attention in London by a performance of Malvolio, which is said to give ground for hope that he will in time prove to be a worthy successor to his father.

The London Athenœum says that the acting of Mary Anderson is devoid of

tragic power or inspiration, and that her Galatea, which was expected to be her best part, was a disappointment.

Her Majesty's Mapleson endeavored to secure Heuck's opera house in Cincinnati to present his company there during the musical season, but the managers of the house would not have it. So Patti work

Salvini will begin a brief series of performances in Convent Garden theatre, London, on the 1st of March. There is a report that he will essay Hamlet in English, but this is scarcely credible, as Salvini has always declared himself too old to under-

The one-act piece written by Mr. W. S. Gilbert for Mary Anderson will be produced about the 15th January and will be called Tragedy and Comedy. It tells the story of a virtuous actress, who, being per-secuted by a noble libertine, gives him a rendezvous and thus places him in the rendezvous and thus places him in the power of her husband, who kills him in a duel. While the fight is in progress the heroine entertains the friends of her lover, who suppose that her anxiety touching her husband's fate is merely simulated for their enjoyment. Hence the title.

Col. Rathbone's Case. still unable to make a rational statement He continues to labor under the deluthat he is the victim of persecution.

PROMINENT PERSONS.

Henry Irving plays this week at Haven ey's theatre, Brooklyn.

Jay Gould is suffering from a severcold, but there is no alarming symptoms. Gambetta, the father of the late states nan, denies that he has married his serv It is stated that Mr. Parnell intends to

George W. Lane, president of the New York chamber of commerce, died suddenly nday morning.

Mr. Frank Macdougall, son of Hon. William Macdougall, is contesting the mayoralty of Ottawa with Mr. Bate. Rev. Dr. Wilson asks God to forgiv Dean Lyster for saying that while at King ston he long sought another and more lucrative position.

Three baronets and a peer, Lord St Leonards, grandson of the eminent chan-cellor, have recently helped to swell the list of bankrupts in England;

Lawrence Barrett and Thos. W. Keene are both playing in Syracuset this week. It is alleged the one is trying to "down" the other, a jealous feeling having existed between the rival tragedians ever since their refusal to act together at the Cincinnati dramatic festival.

Lord O'Hagan, the first Roman catholic Lord O'Hagan, the first Roman catholic lord chancellor, and the first chancellor ever made a knight of St. Patrick, scarcely goes near Ireland now. He has married a second wife of an English aristocratic Roman catholic family, who has given him an heir. They live much in London, and are now at Biarritz. Ireland gets small share of the means he made there.

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ADDITIONAL DETAILS OF THE TRA-GEDY.

The Prisoners Taken to London—one of Them Positively Identified—Their Per-sonal Appearance and Occupation. London, Ont., Dec. 31.—The detailed ac

ounts of the Middlensiss murder have been a most brutal affair. It seems the letters while his son was reading a news paper at the stove. The shutters were up and the door barred. A few minutes after Sa knock came at the store door, Silco first and then let them in The boy, how-ever, opened the door at once, when in walked two masked men. One of them took charge of young Silcox, when the second walked down to the old man and second walked down to the old man and presented a revolver at his head and demanded his money. Silcox said all he had was in the till. The burglar then caught hold of Silcox and shoved him along before him, round the end of the counter, until they reached the till. Here he seems to have shored the old man down while he was emptying the drawer. This emptied, the burglar, it is said, took three heavy weights off the counter, and dashed them at the prostrate man's head, two of them taking effect. Leaving Silcox unconscious, the burglar walked straight to a desk in the rear of the store, opened it, and took out a pocketbook containing \$200. On finding this he exclaimed: "Here's what we're looking for." Silcox's little girl happening to come in through a side door, the second burglar took both children tack through it into the hallway of the house, and told them to keep quiet. They then left. The boy at once gave an alarm and said that Wrightman was one of the burglars. Constable Johnston of Melbourne followed Wrightman to a dance at Iona, where he had gone, and met him returning in company with Graham about 2 a.m. The boy presented a revolver at his head and de-

Wrightman to a dance at Iona, where he had gone, and met him returning in company with Graham about 2 a.m. The boy positively identifies Wrightman and says he is the man who struck the blows. It is said that Silcox recuvered consciousness before he died and also stated that Wrightman was one of the parties. Circumstantial evidence is against the prisoners. They were seen around the village in the early part of the evening, and shortly before 8 were observed going in the direction of Silcox's store, and soon after that started for the dance.

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On the arrival of acting Crown Attorney McKillop of this city on Saturday night a coroner's jury was empaneled, who viewed the body and then adjourned till Wednesday next. The prisoners were brought to the jail here.

Silcox was a widower and lived alone with his two children, a boy of 12 and girl of 10

of 10.

The prisoners, Wrightman and Graham, were brought from Middlemiss to this city in a sleigh. They were in custody of Constable Johnston of Melbourne, assisted by two other men. Prisoners are confined in the coording to the warrant.

10.30 a.m., when they are to re-appear be-fore Squires Adam Clark and Malcolm Campbell for further examination. The in-formation upon which the charges referred to in the remand are founded was laid by the lad, Wra. Logan Silcox, who witness

the lad, Wm. Logan Silcox, who witnessed the tragedy.

Albert E. Wrightman, the elder of the two, is 22 years old, and wears a moustache. His appearance is rather prepossesing. He says he is a telegraph operator by occupation, that his people reside near Middlemiss, but that he has relatives in the Gore of London township, and others in the city of Hamilton. He talked freely upon various topics, with the exception of the robbery and murder, in reference to which he maintains a discreet silence. When arrested at the dance in Iona he is said to have denied all knowledge of the affair. It was stated at the jail that about \$180, a revolver and a mask were found in affair. It was stated at the jail that about \$180, a revolver and a mask were found in his possession when arrested, and further, that young Silcox was able to identify him as being one of the masked robbers.

James Graham, the other prisoner, is a beardless youth of 20 years, but is of a

beardless youth of 20 years, but is of a more sullen disposition and of a heavier cast of countenance than Wrightman. He declines to enter into any conversation at all. His occupation is that of a clerk. Neither of the prisoners appear to be at all depressed by the circumstances in which they are situated.

What to Drink to Keep You Warm.

"If you want a drink that will keep you warm a whole night long out of doors, said an old policeman to a friend, "don't drink whisky or rum or any liquor. The heat they afford is short lived, and leaves

heat they afford is short lived, and leaves you cold and weak. They are worse than nothing. But drink a glass of ale and pepper—new ale and common black pepper. It will not affect your head, but it will keep your blood warm in the keenest wind and coldest rain.

"I never tried the pepper part of that prescription," said a Third avenue cardriver, "but ale is, I know, thought to be very warming. We car drivers have colder work than policemen do, I think, and the old ones among us have tried every drink you ever heard of. A lot of us were talking the whole thing over the other night. Hot rum, hot whisky, brandy and ginger, and all the cold clear alcoholic ginger, and all the cold clear alcoholic drinks were discussed. But the majority were in favor of hot coffee. That is the least hurtful, the most heating, and the longest lasting drink I know of."

It is the custom of the Chinese, Siamese and Annamese to allow the nails on all their fingers, except the forefingers, to grow to a greatlength, and among the former they sometimes attain the incredible length of from sixteen to eighteen inches. Among the Siamese so distinctive a mark of nobility are long nails esteemed that the belies and beaux wear silver cases, either to protect their nails or else make believe they are there, whereas in reality they are to protect their nails or else make believe they are there, whereas in reality they are not. As regards the little finger, the writer tells us that "ambassadors and visitors of distinction from Asiatic states to Europe are often observed to permit the excessive growth of the nail of the little finger, and this is also a common occurrence with many of the people of India and other parts of Asia."

One Word. "Sire, one word," said a soldier now at Biarritz. Ireland gets small share of the means he made there.

An old negro says: "Sass is powerful good in everything but children. Dey need some other kind of dressing." "Sire, one word," said a soldier one of the Frederick the Great, when presenting him a request for the brevet of lieutena "If you say two," replied the king, "I have you hanged." "Sign," replied to soldier. The king stared, whistled a signed,

LOCAL NEWS PARAGRAPHED. This is the day every one swears off. New Year's matinee at the Grand or use this afternoon.

His honor the governor and Mrs. Robin son will receive this afternoon from 4 until 6 o'clock.

The argument in the North Victoria local election case was heard at Osgoode hall yesterday.

The charge against Henry Clare of stealing money from Joseph Leddick was dismissed by the magistrate yesterday.

The amount of customs duties collected at this port for December amounted to \$222,462, and in December, 1882, \$189,205, increase \$33,257.

Mr. B. M. Sargant was granted the sum of \$100 by the Commercial Travelers' association for his kindness in assisting the secretary during his busy season.

The methodist ministers of the city resterday discussed the university question, but no definite stand was taken in the matter, the discussion being adjourned for a fortnight.

Yesterday afternoon the waitresses the St. Lawrence coffee house present Mrs. Lawson with a beautiful album as slight token of esteem. Miss A. Lamo taine and Miss G. Ryder made the presentation.

The attention of Ald. Farley, chairman of the fire and gas committee, is called to an assault made upon a ratepayer by an attache of the Berkeley street fire hall during the nominations in St. David's ward yesterday.

Not by any means the least attractive place of amusement to day will be the Royal dime museum. Three performances will be given, at 10 a.m., 2 p.m., and at 8 in the evening. Take the little ones to see the museum.

the museum.

Yesterday afternoon the messengers of the Great Northwestern telegraph company presented Mr. Joseph Hickson, manager of the delivery department, with a handsome gold ring and address as a token of the esteem in which he is held by them.

At 8.30 last evening a boy noticed flames in an upper scaffold on the Yonge street arcade. He ran to the court street station and gave an alarm. On reaching the arcade the firemen found quite a blaze, but half-a-dozen buckets of water carried up ladders sufficed to extinguish the flames.

The following officers were elected by ladders sufficed to extinguish the flames.

The following officers were elected by the bakers' union on Saturday night: President, J. McMillan; vice-president, James McMahon; treasurer, Wm. Dunn; recording secretary, Joseph Lynch; financial secretary, H. Stevens; and sergeantat-arms. R. Coldstock. Messrs. James Claxton, John Outram and the president were elected delegates to the trades and labor council.

labor council.

-No more useful Xmas present than a light running "Wanzei" C or F machine can be made to wife, mother or maid at this festive season. We specially recommend the 'Wanzer' machines, knowing them to be noiseless, light running, and more improved than any other. Special terms to cash customers. Depot in Toronto, \$2 King street, west.

THE READER QUESTION.

great deal of trouble, confusion and ex-pense—to the public as well as to the province—have been caused, as their organ confesses, and for that blundering and its consequences Mr. Mow it and his colleagues will be held to a strict account. From the Kingston Whig (Ref.) We regard as most sensible the declar

We regard as most sensible the declaration of the minister of education that he will, if possible, limit the authorization of school readers to one series. To submit the matter of school readers to competition was a mistake, which experience has made the more apparent, but it is not our desire to say anything which can now reflect upon a gentleman whose disability is so universally lamented.

The difficulty, forseen from the beginning, of leaving the adoption of any particlar series of books to the school boards, bombarded on all sides by the agents of rival firms, has of late looked the more serious in consequence of a rumor that the

serious in consequence of a rumor that the government purposed to give its approval to a third series. Nelson & Co. and Gage, & Co. only have grievances, and Hon. Mr. Ross will do what he can to redress them. The new minister of education has begun his official career in a promising way. His intimation in regard to school readers has elicited the applause of the people generally. But one series of books is required, and we hope there will eventually be but

From the St. Catharines News (Ref.) The new minister of education has taken a step in the right direction when he proposes to get along with one edition of school books. The authorization of more than one book was a mistake, and whoever than one book was a mistake, and whoever consented to that course committed an error that will probably cost the country a considerable sum of money before the matter is settled. There seems to have been a mixing and muddling here. It was a mistake, evidencing an amazing degree of weakness, to subject the country to a war between anthors on a constion of so weakness, to subject the country to a war between authors on a question of so much importance. Now, we have two authorized books on hand, and the government will find it a difficult task to get rid of either of them. And yet in the interests of the country one of the books must be tabooed. The works cannot have cost the respective publishers much less than \$50,000, and the authors cannot afford to lose their work by neglecting to push them into the schools. How the difficulty is to be got over Mr. Ross may know, but we fail to see, and may well await results. But there will be trouble unless the whole matter is handled with firmness and good judgment. There are a great many educationists interested in the books referred to outside of Toronto. ronte.

Dr. McCammon was ye Clasgow are the candidates.

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TRIBUTE TO A POPULAR MANAGER.

Just fifty of the officials and en the Toronto, Grey and Bruce railway sembled in the waiting room of that ro in Union station last evening to honor the late general manager, Mr. Ed. Wragge, a substantial present. All of the departments of the road were represented. M James Wilson, master of transportation occupied the chair and made the presentation on behalf of the donators. The tribute consisted of two magnificers olid silver side pieces, four solid silver salt cellars and spoons, a solid silver salt cellars and super way, as a mark of respect and esteem, and appreciation of his many kind acts during the fourteen years he was general manager of the road. Toronto, Dec. 31, 1833.

The enginemen of the road then presented Mrs. Wragge, through her husband, with a beautiful silver water pitcher, in scribed as follows:

Presented to Mrs. Ed. Wragge, by the locomotive engineers of the Toronto, Grey and Bruce railway.

All of these articles were gotten up in a very artistic manner, and each piece had the creat of the Wragge family neatly engrossed on its polished surface, and were manufactured by J. E. Ellis & Co., the well-known jewelers.

Mr. D. McNicoll, freight and passenger agent of the road, led off in the congratulations to Mr. Wragge on his promotion to a larger sphere of railway work, and was followed by Mr. Donnelly, agent at Mount. Forest, Mr. Flint of the Queen's wharf, Mr. John Gordon of the trackmen, and Messrs. Lynd, Spry and Wicks from the engineers. Mr. Wragge made a suitable and happy acknowledgment on behalf of himself and Mrs. Wragge. the Toronto, Grey and Bruce rally

A QUIET NEW YEAR'S EVE.

New Year's eve as a night of carousing and festivity is quietly and surely passing away; at least the observations of the past two or three years certainly point that way. Last night the streets were comparatively quiet, and the police made very few arrests for drinkeiness. Notwithstanding that there is excellent eleighing, the city did not present any more bustle than it asually does on a fine Saturday night. However, it is said that aff this will be made up for to-day. A World reporter stood at the corner of Church and King streets at midnight. All that there was to indicate that 1883 was passing into the illimitable shades of the past was the musical peals of the chimes in the cathedral steeple close by Otherwise the locality was very quiet. A few minutes later a black column began to move from the church. It was people coming from the watch night services—a good old custom. In the Metropolitan and other methodist churches watch night services were also held and were well attended. It will not be out of place here for the city staff of The World to wish their many readers.

Maughan and Walker, Richard Tinning and George Verrall.

The usual pledges were made by all the gentleman who decided to remain in the fight.

Suburban Nominations.

Parkidate.—Reeve, Wm. P. Atkinson and Hugh McMath; deputy reeve, S. S. Booth and Thomas A. Thompson; councillors, W. C. Beddome, Benjamin Goodman, Isaac Lennox, Edward Terry.

York Township.—Reeve, A. L. Wilson, Henry Duncan; first deputy reeve, Frank Turner, C. E., returned by acclamation; second deputy reeve, Joseph Watson, S. T. Humberstone; third deputy reeve, J. W. Potter, Joseph Davids.

He rang the bell, and was ushered in. We saw in the hall a graceful boy, he was bardly a man of beautiful features, fair com-

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

In bringing to the city Mr. Daly's comedy, entitled 7-20-8, Sheppard has undoubtedly made a The reputation won for the play in first presentation here last night is such will make it one of the conversation topics of the week. The professor, professor's poetic victim, 7-20-8, and other very interesting individuals of play you may expect to hear someth about in the course of next few days versation. The play is announced to every night this week, with three matin and each performance will undoubtedly witnessed, by large, if not by crow houses. It is not often a play is rep with so many interesting characters, e possessing its own individual species humor, and each set off to contrast so wish the other personations. Of the thetic or of the waterions to give the play tains not the least. It is comedy for beginning to end, and very full of The reputation won for the play well reflected in the demonstrations audience. The laughter is gentline a is almost incessant. Of the compar whom the piece is presented it may be that they are excellently well fitted for his separate role, and there is app a well-studied harmony in the acting whole. The cast includes Mrs. Maeder, Mr. Bartram, Mr. Hotto and Maeder, Mr. Bartram, Mr. Hotte and Flagg, who assume the principal charac. The piece must be seen to be apprecia as no adequate idea of its character ca obtained from a description of the plot scenes. Suffice it to say the events h on the efforts in the finding of the orig of a portrait exhibited at the academy numbered 7-20-8, from which the derives its title. There will be a mat this afterneon.

ford, with an elegant meet with ferule of gold appropriate a tobacco pouch, and an addr of good wishes. Mr. Reilly dress, Mr. E. Killeen made the Mr. Rutherford made a suit

Today Mr. T. P. Galt en of Beatty, Chadwick, Blackstock & and Mr. R. R. Neville, that of B Chadwick, Blackstock & Neville offices of both firms being over the b

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exterday's Nominations—Mayor Reswell Returned by Accimental The Con-tests in the Wards and Suburbs.

The nominations for mayor and aldermen yesterday were not eventful in any preside at the head of civic affairs for another year. He was nominated yesterday by Mr. James Beaty, M.P., and seco hy Mr. John Hallam, and declared ele

being elected by acclamation.
Paul's ward Mr. John Shaw enter son will ask the electors to leave out one of the present members—Carlyle, Trees or Sheppard—and return him. In St. Andrew's, Ald. Farley is the only one that will seek re-election. Besides him there will stand James Hunter, John E. Mitchell, S. J. Willcox and D.M. Defoe, There is a long list in St. Stephen's ward, and the following gentlemen will stand: Ald. Crocker and Denison and E. W. Barton, William McLeish, John Rischie, jr., J. W. Kennedy; Ald. Murray retires. In St. Patrick's ward, the nominations were: Ald. Turner, Baxter, and Dr. Rolls, John Harvey, James Brandon, John Laxton, John Lowe, Samuel Dunbar, Benjamin Hinchelifie. Add. G. M. Evans retires. In St. David's ward Ald. Blevins, Adamson and Allen, and Wm. Hague, Wm. Lamb and Andrew Murphy were nominated. In St. Lawrence ward the only additional nomination to the present

nominated. In St. Lawrence ward the only additional nomination to the present members is ex-Ald. James Lobb. In St. George's ward Ald. Ryan retires and the following gentlemen will run: Ald. Maughan and Walker, Richard Tinning and George Verrall.

The usual pledges were made by all the gentleman who decided to remain in the fight.

nardly a man, of beautiful features, fair com-complexion, and dressed in the height of fa He entered the parlor, cordially gr

way that he set his face. That will be a harder task than you im

"In what way?" she asked. "You will tire of me," said he. "But you are so interesting," she said.
"Who was that who went out of the back foor as I came in at the front?" he inquired.
"An old tramp who has lived with us a year

back, a sort of dependant."

"Well, he is my brother, and a year ago he came here with brighter prospects than even I have to-night. You soon tired of him as you will of me." lance! You but jest. Besides, your name

"Eighty-Four," said he.
"That was old Eighty-Three that went out," "Anto I shall follow in his footsteps sooner or later," he said with a sight,
"Well do not let us have a funeral over it.
Come into the drawing-room and refresh yourself. There is wine and cake."

ad broken his strongest resolution SOME GOOD RESOLUTIONS. never go election

I'll neverberight till I'm annexed Park We'll never be late again-The Grand Trunk THE WORLD WOULD LIKE TO KNOW If Meliroy stuffed Bingham's quail with

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING