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Births, Marriages, Deaths

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Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths which are inserted in The Daily Advertiser also appear in The Western Advertiger. Births 25c, Marriagesand Deaths 50c.

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DRURY-At the residence of her son-in-law, Walter H. Morgan, 716 Colborne street, on Jan. 26. Jane, relict of the late Thomas Drury, aged 76 years. Funeral Saturday, Jan. 28, at 3 o'clock;

ROE-On the 25th January, Mrs. Ann Roe, in her 92nd year.

Funeral (private) from the residence of her son-in-law, R. W. Kidner, 386 Burwell street, at 3 p.m., on Saturday, to Woodland Cemetery. Service at 2:30.

Amusements and Lectures

PRINCESS - HOCKEY SATURDAY night, Jan. 28, London vs. Woodstock. Admission 25c. Coupons canceled. Game called 8. Band. Skating 9. JUBILEE RINK-OPEN AFTERNOONS— Saturday evening after skating, hockey match, Collegiate Institute vs. Y. M. C. A. Music. Music, skating hockey only 10 cents.

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-Have you seen the "Society Cakewalk?"
Newest dance out; sure to be very popular.
We can accommodate you with a private lesson any hour. Dayton & McCormick.

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING-Raphi teaching; low rates. All who desire a thorough knowledge of the art of dancing should avail themselves of this opportunity. Lessons any hour. R. B Millard, teacher of dancing, 346 Princess avenue.

Meetings.

I O. O. F.—SPECIAL MEETING OF CHOR-evening to make arrangements for attending the funeral of our late brother, W. G. Willis. Fred Durdin, N.G.; Frank Whittaker, secre-

LONDON COUNCIL, NO. 233, ROYAL Arcanum, will meet this (Friday) evening, at 8 o'clock, in Duffield Block. S. O. E.—CHELSEA LODGE MEETS THIS (Friday) evening. Visiting brethren welcome. A. E. Taylor, Pres. b

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A GENTS WANTED-WE WANT LIVE agents everywhere. No trouble selling our high-grade nursery stock and seed potatoes. Write us before engaging elsewhere. It will pay you. Blackford & Co., Nurserymen, Toronto. ZXV

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HIGHEST PRICE PAID FOR GENTLE MEN'S cast-off clothing. A. P. Sains bury, 90 King street. Mail orders attended to

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to buy your clothes here. We are selling at reduced prices now, but no reduction in our standard of making, which is always first-class.

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SPRING SKATES, 35c PAIR. SKATES hollow ground, 10c. Bicycling repairing at lowest prices. D. McKenzie & Co., 374 Richmond street.

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Dissolution of Partnership THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing between the undersigned, as confectioners and caterers, under the name, style and firm of Bradford & Hodgins, is, this day dissolved by must consent.

and firm of Bradford & Hodgins, is, this day dissolved by mutal consent.

The business will be continued by W. S. Bradford, who will assume all the liabilities of the firm, and to whom must be paid all debts due to the firm.

Dated 25th January, A. D. 1899.

Witness, W. S. BRADFORD, Amos Bradford. A. D. HODGINS.

A Big New Yorker

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--Our Lead.

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The new policy contract of a big New York life company is heralded with a great flourish of trumpets. The Globe of the 17th inst. points out that all of the attractive features so commended have been available to policyholders of The Ontario Mutual Life for many years. Policies issued in the interests of policyholders may be obtained from The Ontario. Examine one of them.

~~~ C. E. GERMAN.

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GENERAL AGENT.

Hon. David Mills' Instructive Address at Toronto.

Before a Large Audience-French and English Policy Contrasted.

Toronto, Jan. 27.-To an audience that filled the capacious assembly hall of the Students' Union to the doors, Hon. David Mills lectured on "The English in Egypt" yesterday afternoon.

The lecturer had already been lecturing for five years, yet he was vigorous for another turn. He was in good voice, and held his auditors well in hand.

He began by referring to the long and interesting history of Egypt, and to the lofty position it once occupied, and held that the present question of the English in the country was working towards the unity and prosperity of the em-

He dealt with the present condition of Egypt, and the relation that the United States occupied in respect to it. Mehemet Ali, in his adventurous career, was touched upon, and the Turks came in for severe acaunciation.

The lecturer awelt on the complicated system of government which existed in Egypt today. The administration is circumscribed in a thousand ways, and The administration is criminals and enemies of society take such advantage of this that many of them escape punishment for their misdeeds. As an example a criminal in Egypt of a foreign nationality may be tried by the consul of his own country, or he may be sent to his own country to be tried by the courts there. This immunity for foreigners was imposed at a time when the necessity for some such arrangement was undoubted, but at present it leaves the door open to many abuses, and renders almost unavoidable the escape of many criminals. Any remedy for this state of affairs would have to be with the consent of all the powers, and France, the lecturer said, might be depended on to withhold her consent, if out of nothing else than

ill-humor. WHAT ENGLAND HAS DONE. When England entered Egypt she intended to restore order and then retire, but difficult questions arose that made retirement impossible. England had an enormous interest in the trade of Egypt. England's intervention saved Egypt from great loss, and the Chris-

tian population from annihilation. What had England done? She had improved the valley of the Nile and had furnished the only real nationalists the country ever knew. During the past ten years English capital had laid 115 miles of drainage, 1,400,000 acres of and had been made fertile, and 900 miles of agricultural roads and light

railroads completed. England had a formidable task in governing Egypt. She denied to herself coercive means and governed through Egyptian authority. British power was shown and exerted through officials. The advice given by the officials was "of supreme wisdom, sup-ported by invisible authority." The soldiers had no official position; they were merely foreign visitors. The consul-generals had the power of a British

minister. FRANCE IS MISTAKEN. France's attitude towards Egypt was said to favor the bondholders, to the neglect of the bonded. "France never scrupled to avail herself of any chance to get some advantage for herself at the expense of Egypt." (Applause.) England had drawn no special commercial advantage to herself. Her percentage of trade was no greater than previously. If her position were more permanent she would greatly increase her trade. France opposed any change in position. She thought she had a grievance; that Egypt should belong to

"France is mistaken! Those who have interests in Egypt wish property secured. France would legislate against all people except French. She represents nobody but herself." France exerted a selfish influence. She bullied Egypt be-fore the English occupation. She has perpetrated abuses and resisted every attempt to put an end to useless officials if they were French. She has a separate postoffice, while other nations have long ago given them up.

'THE CROSS OF ST. GEORGE. French occupation of Egypt was growing yearly less and less availing. English occupation meant an equal chance to all nationalities; it would be

different if France occupied. He hoped to see the time when British authority would stretch from Alexandria to Cape Town. England was marking Africa with the cross of St. George, and it was in the interests of Africa and her people, for England was doing more than all the rest of the civilized world.

The lecturer closed by declaring that British sovereignty in Egypt had a destiny, and he hoped that British statesmen would not falter in doing their share in fulfilling the destiny.

South Sea Islands Devasted by Great Gales.

Villages Destroyed, Vessels Wrecked and Many Lives Lost.

Cotton Mills. Unsuccessful Results of the Last Boer Campaign-Great Mortality Among

Russian Soldiers in China.

Serious Strike Riots in Russian

London, Jan. 27.-Late advices from Australasia bring details of the terrible cyclones which swept the South seas about the middle of December, devastating villages, wrecking shipping and causing many deaths. At Samarai, in New Guinea, on Dec. 11, the gale was terrific. Cocoa palms went down by hundreds and were carried to sea. Torrents of rain fell. Twelve vessels were wrecked. The cutters Mayflower and Nabua were total wrecks at Basilaki. The ketches Bebem and Baidan were lost off Goodenough Island, and Mr. Kenny, manager of the New Guinea Development Company, was drowned, together with his crew, save the boy. The mission steamer, Albert McLaren, went ashore, and the lugger Lysander and cutter Fleetwing were totally wrecked at Wedan. The cutter Porti was smashed near Port Glasgow. The schooner Ellen Gowan and the cutter Ivy were lost in the Kossman group and Capt.

Godel and crew were drowned. WHOLE VILLAGES DESTROYED. In the Solomons the hurricane did most damage, whole villages being destroyed. Hundreds of cocoa planta-tions were uprooted and yam patches leveled. Over 500 natives are reported

to have been killed. Capt. Pentecost, of the yacht St. Aubin, who brought the news of the disaster to Sydney, says he saved a woman who was to nave been killed as a sorceress, she being accused of having caused the nurricane. He bought her, the purchase price being a pig, and took her to another island,

where she was released. LLOYD'S NEW RULES.

At a general meeting of Lloyd's a resolution was adopted providing that henceforth all policies and agreements Russia Appoints Consuls to the of insurance upon vessels or cargoes shall be deemed and warranted free from capture, seizure or detention, and the consequences therefrom, any at-tempt, threat, piracy excepted, and that they shall also be free from all consequences of hostilities, whether before or after a declaration of war. unless a provision to the contrary is obtained in the agreement and signed by the underwriters. It was further resolved that the resolution passed at the meeting on June 25, 1898, dealing with the matter of war risks, be re-

scinded. CARLIST DEMONSTRATION. London, Jan. 27 .- The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says: Senor Mellas, the Carlist deputy who was expelled from the last cortes in May, 1898, for a speech in the chamber, in which he used a Scriptural quotation referring to an unfortunate nation whose kings are boys, has just held a reception near Muria. It was attended by Carlists enough to fill 30 coaches. A riot is reported to have taken place at Penardana de Braciamonte, in which a rioter was killed and a sergeant

wounded. STRIKE RIOTS IN RUSSIA. The Standard publishes the following dispatch from Moscow: There have been serious strike riots in the cotton mills in the east St. Petersburg district. The police, while attempting to raid the workmen's barracks, in order to arrest a strike leader, were attacked by the workmen, one policeman being killed. The Cossacks were then sum-moned, and they literally stormed the barracks, fighting their way from floor to floor, assailed with bricks, other missiles, and boiling water. The workmen were eventually forced into the garrets, where the Cossacks severely flogged them with whips and arrested 200. It is said the Cossacks flogged men, women and children indiscriminately.

MORTALITY AMONG THE RUSSIAN TROOPS.

According to a dispatch from Port Arthur, the Russian post in the Liau Ton Peninsula of China, bad water is causing terrible mortality among the Russian troops. Two hundred and fifteen died during November and December, and the average mortality is now four deaths daily.

BOERS BEATEN.

Advices from the Transvaal say that the Boer campaign against the native chief Mpefu has already cost \$375,000. There have been three burghers and twelve Swazies killed. Mpefu and his fighting general, Tromp, remain in their chosen stronghold, with their fighting forces intact. The campaign, it seems, has been an abject failure, and therefore the royal salutes, triumphal arches, and the eulogistic address at Pretoria, in honor of the returning general, have their humorous aspect to the cynical observer.

RESULTS OF THE WAR. Sir Matthew White-Ridley, secretary of state for the home department, in

a speech referring to the historical events of the past year, and particularly to the Hispano-American war, said that while the absolute neutrality of Great Britain had not been properly appreciated by one of the contestants. the English people had been gratified at the good feeling which had arisen between the United States and Great Britain. The results of the war had been to bring America face to face with some of the colonial problems and diffi-culties which Great Britain had long experienced. "This," he continued, "is a serious event for the great powers of the world, but it is not likely to pire, which gladly acknowledges the kindly sympathy and the sense of common objects now animating alike the citizens of Great Britain and the war minister, heard of the matter, he

United States. The growth of such a feeling is far deeper than the formal alliance suggested by some. SPANISH CABINET DELIBERA-

TIONS. Madrid, Jan. 27.-The cabinet met resterday under the presidency of the queen regent. The absence of General Correa, the minister of war, was much commented on. Premier Senor Sagasta outlined the government's intentions relative to the peace treaty. He said that information received by the minister of foreign affairs had created the impression that President McKinley found the treaty would be defeated in the senate, and apprehended an obstinate resistance upon the part of the Philippine insurgents against the Americans. Therefore, the premier insisted that the convocation of the cortes

should no longer be delayed. The cabinet met again in the evening, Senor Sagasta presiding. It appears that the evidence before the courtmartial showed that Gen. Jaudenez had sufficient ammunition and food at Manila to have enabled him to resist longer. The court ordered his arrest, whereupon he surrendered himself. It is reported that the courtmartial will exonerate Gen. Toral, on the ground that he acted under superior instructions, but that Admiral Montejo, who was defeated by Admiral Dewey, at Cavite, will be tried for the incom-petent condition of his fleet. The newspapers assert also that Admiral Cenvera is awaiting trial.

CABLE NOTES. King Albert of Saxony has arrived in Berlin, and other princely guests are

arriving, to celebrate Emperor William's 40th birthday. The Narod (St. Petersburg), in an article criticising the recent anti-Rus-sian speeches of Lord Charles Beresford, says it anticipates no results in direction of obtaining British alliances with Germany and the United States, and declares that England would do better to look toward Russia for such a relation.

Matters in connection with the strike of dockmen and railway employes at Colon, Colombia, and at Panama are

growing worse than better.
Mr. White, the United States ambassador to Germany, had a long and cordial conversation on Wednesday with Herr Von Buelow, German imperial secretary for foreign affairs, regarding the Samoan question.

Great Britain Defied by the Czar.

Soudan. Grave Charges Against French

Officials Proved True. Tampered With Arsenal Stores-Deteat Was Inevitable Had France Fought England.

WHICH POWER?

London, Jan. 27. A question which possibly may have far-reaching results has just cropped up between the English and the Russian governments. The latter, pointedly ignoring the paragraph in the Anglo-Egyptian convention promulgated last week prohibiting the presence of foreign consular officials in the Soudan save by the consent of England, has just deliberately appointed four consular officials to take up their residence in the Soudan on the alleged ground that the imperial government attaches lively importance to an accurate knowledge of the political and commercial development of the Soudan, and proposes to give every assistance to

Russian merchants proposing to do business there. Now, the English Government has already intimated that it desires, neither foreign consuls nor even missionaries at Khartoum or elsewhere in the Soudan, until, at any rate. Lord Kitchener has had time to organize the government of this vast African empire and to place its administration upon a proper basis. Until that is accomplished, England will have no foreign consuls to render Lord Kitchener's task more difficult through their intrigues with the natives. Least of all will England tolerate Russian consular officials, who are always far more disposed to further political schemes than to foster any

commercial undertakings.

WHO WILL GIVE WAY? It now remains to be seen which country will give way; whether it is Russia who withdraws her demand upon the Turkish and Egyptian governments for exequaturs for the newlyappointed consuls in the Soudan, or if it is England that will recede from the position which she has just taken. There is no doubt that if she permits the Russian consuls to establish themselves in the Soudan she will be compelled to concede the same advantages to all other nations, including France, and that the task of Lord Kitchener will be rendered thereby not only diffi-

bult, but well-nigh impossible. By some of the political and government authorities here it is considered that this appointment by Russia of consuls for the Soudan, following so quickly after the promulgation of the Anglo-Egyptian convention last week, has for its object to bring the entire Egyptian question on the tapis, with a view to its discussion by an international congress. They seem to think that it is a sort of notification on the part of Russia that she does not propose to have England suddenly place her foot up what has been until now, theoretically, at any rate, an important part of the Turkish Empire.

A GREAT SENSATION.

Paris, Jan. 27.-A great sensation has been created here by the news current in political and diplomanc circles to the effect that the discovery has been made that large stores of cartridges of the world, but it is not likely to in several of the principal arsenals be disadvantageous to the British Em- have been tampered with to such an

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at once sent two general officers, in whom he could place the most absolute confidence, on a tour of inspection of all the government depots. They have by no means completed their task, but the investigations already made have produced such startling results as to confirm the most grave

Indeed, there is every reason to believe that had France gone to war with England at the time of the Fashoda crisis she would, like Russia, in the war with Turkey, have been handicapped beyond all recovery by the discovery too late that more than half

of her ammunition was useless. It may be remembered that Greece's magnificent torpedo squadron was rendered useless during the war owing to the fact that it was found after the squadron had put to sea that the detonators had been removed from nearly all the torpedoes. There is no doubt but that something of the kind would have befallen France in the event of war being declared last November.

#### ALL-ABSORBING THEMES

Nothing concerning the matter has appeared as yet in the press, save in the most guarded fashion, but the affair is the all-absorbing theme of discussion in diplomatic circles, and it is certain that when the thing becomes more generally known popular confidence in the army will receive a still further crushing blow, for it shows that, in spite of the immense sums of money that have been spent upon the army since 1870, its administration is just as rotten as it was shown to be when the war with Germany broke out, and when the various stores and equipments credited to the state were found to have disappeared, while the ordinance and ammunition were worth

Meanwhile the various firms of army contractors are thriving to such an extent that they are converting the business into joint stock companies, the shares starting at an immense premium. Indeed, it is no exaggeration to assert that the nation is being defrauded in just as colossal a scale in connection with the army today as previous to 1870, when Baron Seilliere, father of the Duchess of Sagan and of Tallyrand, made not one but several fortunes by furnishing paper soles to the boots and shoddy cloth for the greatcoats of the soldiers to whom were intrusted the defense of France.

## THE COLD WAVE

Came Suddenly in New York-38 De-

grees Below Zero in Geneva. Geneva, N. Y., Jan. 27 .- A cold wave struck here last night. The mercury

dropped 33 degrees. PHENOMENAL CHANGE. Buffalo, Jan. 27. - An extraordinary change in weather conditions was recorded in this city yesterday afternoon. The day had been comparatively mild, with the wind calm, until about five o'clock, when the wind suddenly veered to the west and blew a furious gale. For a time heavy snow fell and a wild blizzard was on. The highest velocity attained by the wind was at six o'clock, when seventy miles an hour was recorded. The temperature dropped from 42 degrees at 5 p.m., to 26 degrees at 8 p.m., an indications were for a further fall of from 10 to 15 degrees before morning. Heavy plate glas windows were blown

in in different parts of the city, but no serious damage is reported. DEATH OF REV. JOHN BELL.

Port Elgin, Ont., Jan. 27.—Rev. John Bell, pastor of the Presbyterian churches at Burgoyne and Dunblane, died yesterday after a month's illness. The deceased, who was thirty years of age, was a son of the late Rev. Alex. Bell, formerly pastor of St. An-YESTERDAY IN WALL STREET. New York, Jan. 27.-In Wall street yesterday, bullish sentiment seemed to increase with the lapse of time, and was reflected in brisk buying, which lifted many shares to the best prices ever recorded. Heavy realizations

were absorbed without difficulty, and

the rise was so general that the shorts,

who had counted upon a reaction to

set in owing to the rapidity of the

movement, were forced to cover. The standard stocks resumed their old lead-

ership, and helped drag pretty much everything else up with them. Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. removed ten corns from one pair of feet without any pain. What it



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