

Alien Books Authorized Insult to Local Talent

Minister of Education Responsible for Deplorable Action in Regard to Text Books.

"Is it surprising that so many of our young educated men are leaving the country for larger American centres where it is known for a certainty that the very government of our province has grossly ignored local ability in behalf of the circulation among our school children of text books from the pens of American authors? I think not, and I might state that indisputable evidence of the Education Department playing this unbecomingly partial part is afforded by a comparison of several American text books with subsequent issues of Canadian text books.

A revelation of a condition of things that reflects the most absolute discredit upon the administration of the educational affairs of Ontario has been the outcome of this query and its supplemented statement. It has transpired that the children in the schools of the province are paying tribute to American talent in being compelled to use American writings included in several text books authorized by the Minister of Education within a recent date. This cannot be denied as an outrageous discrimination against Canadian talent and cannot be justified by any economic or other reason that the government authorities may put forth by way of explanation.

American books have been supplied with grammars and geographies published by the Canada Publishing Co., but Hon. Mr. Harcourt, it has been found out, in his last list, put on an extra grammar and two extra geographies published in the first place in the United States and placed on the Canadian market by a company, strange to say, that created a few some time ago because the government dared to authorize certain books containing colored illustrations from American presses.

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Speculation Now Rife.

That a policy would be adopted by the Minister and approved of by his colleagues—a policy of authorizing duplicate text books on those subjects, and those of American origin, has opened up a wide field of speculation as to the reason for authorizing such a peculiar and extraordinary course for a government that has boasted so loudly on the subject of Canadian patriotism. It has been suggested that it was the price paid by the government to close the lips of late publishers just before the last election, but whether this was the case or not, the fact of imposing an additional tax on the people by such an authorization savored of a wilful and impudent act on the part of Mr. Harcourt, calculated only to serve his own political ends, and to that on a campaign which threatened his political existence, the Minister could be imagined than the authorizing

VENEZUELA ROW GOES TO TRIBUNAL AT THE HAGUE

London Receives Roosevelt's Refusal to Arbitrate in a Luke-warm Manner.

Washington, Dec. 26.—President Roosevelt will not be arbitrator of the Venezuelan controversy. The whole vexatious subject will be referred for adjudication of the Hague Tribunal. Epitomized, this was the situation, as it had resolved itself at the conclusion of the cabinet meeting today.

ENGLAND NOT SATISFIED.

London, Dec. 27.—Except by the opinion of the government, who view it as a virtual defeat, and as discrediting the ministry, the latest phase of the Venezuelan trouble has been welcomed very lukewarmly. It is feared the Hague Tribunal will entail endless and wearisome details, with no assurance that, in the end, President Castro will still be in power, or Venezuela in the mood to abide by the decision of The Hague. In short, that element of guarantee, which would have accompanied President Roosevelt's acceptance of the office of arbitrator, is now lacking.

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KILLED AT A CROSSING.

Two Men Run Down by a Train on New York Central.

Syracuse, N.Y., Dec. 25.—A special to The Post Standard from Port Byron states that Raymond and Frederick Holcomb, sons of Amos Holcomb, were killed by a fast train on the New York Central, while driving to their father's home, four miles out of the village, to eat their Christmas dinner. The accident occurred at the Oakland crossing, one mile east of the Port Byron station. Raymond Holcomb was instantly killed, but his brother lived long enough to say a few words. The deceased were both married.

LOOK TO UNITED STATES.

Vienna, Dec. 26.—It is reported here on good authority that Archduke Ferdinand and the Crown Princess of Saxony and their companions purpose going to the United States.

The quality remembered long after the price is forgotten. We are the only Canadian manufacturers of Cold Pressed Rosedale. Price list 1001. Canada Foundry Company, Limited, 14-16 King Street East.

LONDON'S CITY CLERK.

London, Dec. 26.—At a special meeting of the City Council tonight C. E. Edwards, M.A., was elected city clerk to succeed Mr. Kingston.

A GRATE FIRE.

Rosedale lots for sale. 300 feet frontage, great lot, best part of Rosedale. Will be sold at a sacrifice for quick sale. Divided into suit purchase. L. T. Roy, 32 Adelaide.

Edwards & Company, Chartered Accountants.

230 Wellington St. East—Geo. Edwards, F. C. A., A. A. H. Edwards.

Jury's Verdict Not Guilty Continuous.

After a two months' continuous trial, the verdict of the public is unanimous that the best-class work and reasonable prices the Toronto Art Company's small credit art store is at the front. 404 Yonge-st. 246

CHRISTMAS FINE ART EXHIBIT.

Mr. Atkinson's latest paintings on view at Matthews Art Gallery, 96 Yonge St.

To Commercial Travelers and Others.

See Walter H. Blythe, Medical Building, Phone 2770 before placing your accident policy. 136

Died Within a Minute.

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Bridget O'Neill, a woman aged 55 years, died today and died within a minute. An inquest will be held.

Six o'clock dinner at New Carlton Hotel.

Hotel Albion, Stratford, Under new management, \$1.50 and \$2.00 per day. Strictly continental house. Thomas F. Hook, proprietor. 67

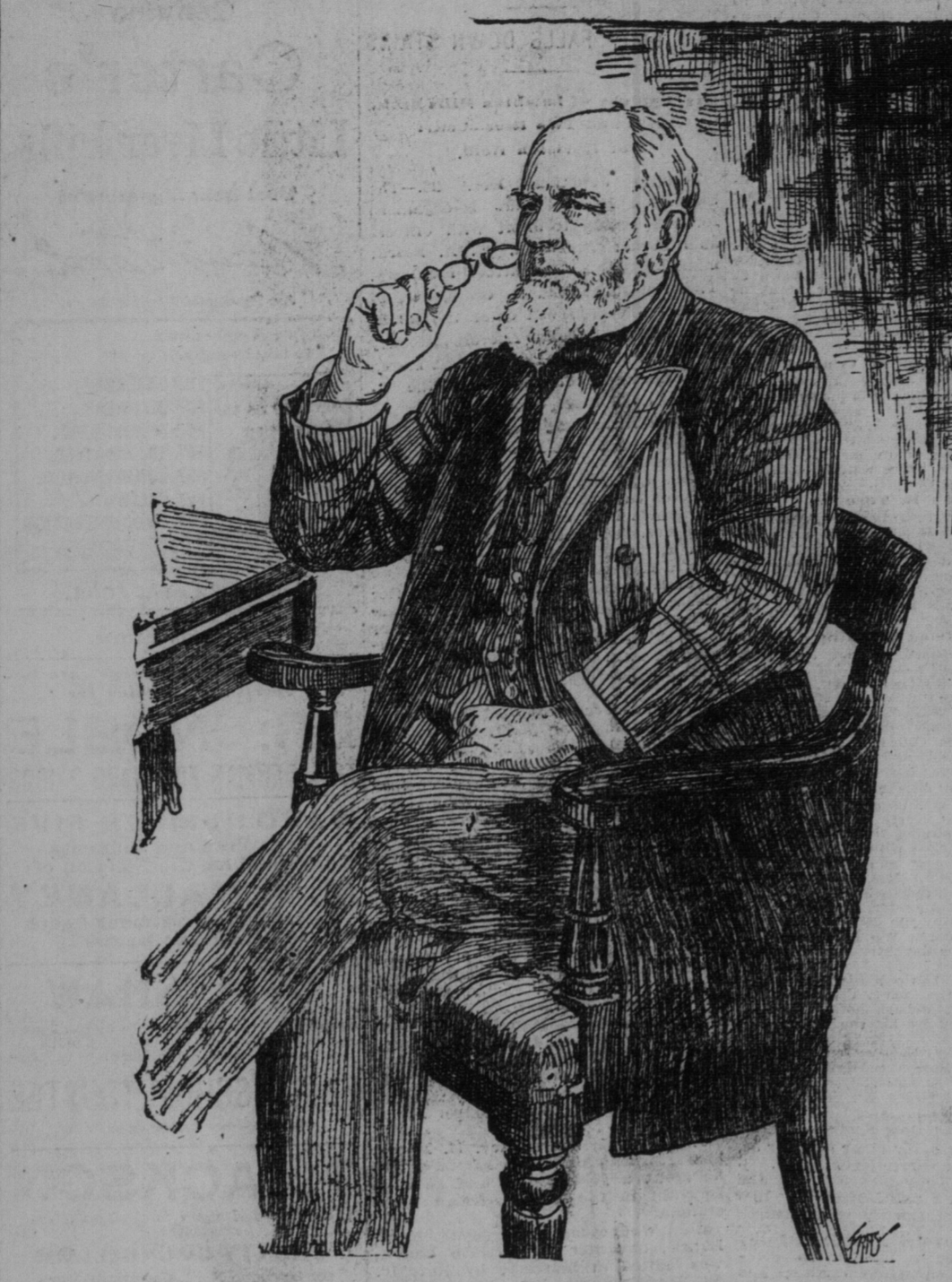
Chamberlain a Conciliator Dead to Past Animositities

Accapies Offers of Boers to Fight in Somaliland as Pledge of Peace.

Durban, Natal, Dec. 26.—Colonial Secretary Chamberlain and Mrs. Chamberlain, who left Portsmouth, Eng., Nov. 25, on board the armored cruiser Goodhope, landed here at 10.30 this morning. They received a warm welcome from large crowds of people.

The long speeches made by Mr. Chamberlain in the course of reception functions were notable for their strength in tone of conciliation and as expressing his confidence in Lord Milner, British High Commissioner in South Africa. Bearing in mind, seemingly, the rumors that his visit would come from the displacement of Lord Milner, Mr. Chamberlain declared his belief that his visit would have the effect of strengthening Lord Milner's hand, who, he hoped, would be seen in conciliation as he had been

THE MAYOR'S CHAIR—HIS BY RIGHT OF SERVICE.



ALD. DANIEL LAMB.

ALDERMAN LAMB OUTLINES HIS PLATFORM TALKS OF ENTERPRISES HE PUSHED ALONG

Will Urge the Establishment of an Annual Stock Show at Upper Market.

By right of service the Mayor's chair for 1903 is Ald. Lamb's. This is only one of many reasons why electors should back up his candidature, but this one rises up and strikes you at a glance.

Business men of Toronto look with considerable interest to the opening of the Upper, or Farmers' Market. Some twenty thousand farmers are tributary to this market, which will be opened for business in the early spring. Ald. Lamb, who is the father of the St. Lawrence Market and the Upper Market plan, will urge the establishment of an annual fat stock show at the Upper Market. In addition he hopes to secure the location of a monthly horse fair at the same place, which will enable the farmers and business men generally to deal in horses at regular periods and promote the industry largely.

"Yes, I am the author of the St. Lawrence market plan," exclaimed Ald. Lamb to The World, "and I flatter myself that it is a good thing for this city and the surrounding community generally. I secured the passage of an appropriation of one thousand dollars as premium for the best plans of the project offered, and I interested the St. Lawrence Market Association in the scheme for quick action. We sent a committee to some of the large cities of the States for practical ideas and carried the plan off successfully. I expect even greater results from the Upper Market, which will be ready for business in the spring. I intend to urge an annual fat stock show to be located there, as well as a monthly horse fair where horses may be sold and traded in general. There are 20,000 farmers ready to trade at this Upper Market, and the result will be a substantial improvement in the city's general trade. I have for some time urged the establishment of this fat stock show. It will be a good thing.

"I am generally recognized as the author of the Radial Railway scheme, and it was worked out in conjunction with the St. Lawrence Market idea. We are just waiting for a proper agreement—one that will safeguard the public's interest. Of course I will not consent to any agreement that will have the slightest tendency to embarrass the city with reference to perfect freedom in the Toronto Street Railway lease proposition. I am determined on this, and I believe my public utterances have been sufficiently clear in the past to establish my position in this respect.

"On the subject of public utilities I am very pronounced in my views. I have always been so. I believe all profit that accrues in this direction should revert to the people. The acquisition of the gas plant I am warmly in favor of and have always been so, but I have insisted and continue to do so that any transaction between the city and the owners of the plant must be purely business. We must have full value received for all money paid out. I have insisted on all lines on this score. No fictitious value must be considered in the acquisition of the gas plant, or any other public utility."

PECULIARLY FIT.

Ald. Lamb is peculiarly fitted to deal with questions of this character, since he has had much experience in the industrial and commercial world. For years he was prominently identified with manufacturing in Toronto. He retired in 1888, but has remained in close touch with these forces. Having been born and reared in Toronto and given the best years of his life to the upbuilding of the city, Ald. Lamb is peculiarly fitted to handle problems relating toward an improvement of public welfare. His thirteen years' service in the Council has stamped him as a unique figure in municipal affairs, and given him an insight into them that renders his judgment excellent.

SAYS HOWLAND IS OUT OF IT.

Fight is Between Ald. Lamb and C. Robinson.

The Mayorally contest is between

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TWO OF TWELVE ALIVE.

Snowslide Buries Miners—Three Bodies Found—Others Missing.

Nelson, B.C., Dec. 26.—Yesterday a large snowslide came down the mountain at the Molly Gibson mine, about 9 miles from here. It carried away one end of the bank house at the mine, in which 12 miners were sleeping. Two of the men escaped, three dead bodies have been recovered and seven are still missing, a relief party accompanied by a physician has left Nelson for the scene of the disaster to try and rescue or recover the missing men.

NAPANEE BANK ROBBER OUT.

Holden Serves Nearly Five Years at Kingston Penitentiary.

Kingston, Dec. 26.—W. H. Holden, released from the penitentiary on Christmas Eve, after serving four and three-quarter years for the Napanee Bank robbery, has started for his home in New Haven, Conn. He looks stouter than before his entry to prison, and his hair has grown grey. He left in good spirits after giving the prison officers safe for alleged intentions.

Monuments.

The McIntosh Granite Monument, 1121 Yonge-st., Tel. 4540. Terminal Yonge-st. car route.

MARRIAGES.

McGREGOR-QUAGLEY—On Dec. 24th, 1902, by the Rev. Alexander Sanson, Lic. Trinity, Ethel E. Quagley, eldest daughter of Mr. John Quagley, 100 Markham-st., to Mr. E. S. McGregor of Detroit, Mich. Canadian papers please copy.

Deaths.

BRENNAN—On Dec. 25th, 1902, at his late residence, 123 Manning-avenue, Toronto, Mr. John Brennan, aged 64 years.

Funeral on Monday morning to St. Mary's Church, at 9 o'clock. Interment in Mount Pleasant.

CLINE—On the 25th inst., George Cline, in his 60th year.

Funeral from his late residence, 243 Oak-street, to the Necropolis, at 2.30 p.m., Saturday, 27th inst.

McGRATH—At 300 Huron-street, on Friday, Dec. 26th, 1902, Annie E., second and dearly beloved daughter of James and Mary McGrath, aged 18 years and 4 months.

Funeral on Monday, Dec. 29th, at 9 o'clock, to St. Basil's Church, thence to St. Michael's Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

PATTON—At her late residence, 338 Queen-street east, Lillian Patton, wife of John Patton, departed this life surrounded by her family, on Dec. 26, 1902.

Funeral on Monday, the 29th of Dec., at 3 p.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

STEVENS—At his parents' residence, Mountain Top, Hamilton, on Dec. 26, Thomas (formerly of Toronto), eldest son of Thomas and Sarah Stevens, aged 23 years 9 months 9 days.

Funeral Sunday at 3 p.m.

LAKE SUPERIOR DIRECTORS.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 26.—The directors of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company, which had just effected a loan of \$3,500,000 to assist the concern in carrying on its business, held a meeting today to consider changes in the organization necessitated by the financial arrangements in order to make places on the board for representatives of the banking concerns which advanced the loan. F. S. Lewis, W. P. Douglas, Edward C. Lee and James Butterworth resigned, and their places were filled by Chas. McDonald and Chas. H. Tweed of Speyer & Company, New York; Horatio G. Lloyd, president, and Thomas Cuyler, vice-president of the Commercial Trust Company of this city. Joseph H. Schwartz, who has been a member for several years, was elected vice-president to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of E. C. Lee.

CHANGES IN G.T.P. OFFICIALS.

John W. Lord, Freight Traffic Manager, Makes Announcement.

Montreal, Dec. 26.—Some important changes are announced by John W. Lord, freight traffic manager of the Grand Trunk. D. O. Wood, assistant traveling agent, has resigned to accept service with Messrs. Robert Ford & Co., as western agent, with headquarters at Stratford, and is succeeded by F. R. Porter.

J. J. Henneford, traveling freight agent, succeeds Mr. Porter, and R. C. Manson, traveling freight agent of the eastern division, succeeds Mr. Henneford. F. G. Adams, contracting agent, Montreal, succeeds Mr. Manson, transferred.

Blaze Affords a Spectacle

Loss Estimated at \$25,000

Boake Mill on Howland Avenue With Dry Kiln and Lumber Destroyed.

A spectacular sight was afforded several thousand people at the head of Howland-avenue last night in the destruction by fire of the premises of the Boake Manufacturing Company's mills, consisting in all of the main building, a two-story structure, about 100x145 feet, which included a planing mill, extending, the burned area is located just outside the north city limit, and the work of the firemen, which was not strictly incumbent upon them, was considerably hampered by the poor water pressure obtained. The total loss will not exceed \$25,000, and of

First Shot in North Grey Certain Charges Refuted

FLYER SHOULD BE KITE, SAYS DR. GRAHAM BELL

Talks of His Experiments With Flying Machines and His Success.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, who has just returned to Washington from his summer home in Cape Breton Island, tonight made the following statement in connection with reports that he has invented a flying machine, that he has invented a flying machine. "The newspapers have been premature in announcing that I have been at work upon a flying machine. I have not any flying machine at all and have not been trying to make one. I am, of course, interested in the problem, and have come to the conclusion that a properly constructed flying machine should be capable of being flown as a kite, or anchored to the ground, and that, if a properly constructed kite should be capable of use as a flying machine, it provided the building of a kite of solid construction, capable of carrying up in a moderate breeze a weight equivalent to a man and an engine, and so formed that it could be suitable for use as the body of a flying machine, and with supporting surfaces so arranged that when the kite is cut loose it would come down gently and steadily and land uninjured. I have satisfactorily accomplished this, but do not care at the present time to make public the details of construction."

WHERE THE ROCKS.

Guards Keep Up Search for Firearms Near Andjan.

Askaniya, Russian Turkestan, Dec. 26.—The oscillation of the earth at Andjan continue. The people there are using railroad cars to live in. They are not leaving the town on account of their business interests. Committees have been appointed to prepare lists of the losses to life and property. In the Andjan district 15,000 houses were destroyed. Until the shocks cease guards will be kept on the railway between Andjan and Fedonens to watch for fires along the line. The railway station at Andjan threatens to collapse. Barracks to be used for the shelter of the people who have been displaced, and will soon be ready for occupation.

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GIRL'S TERRIBLE DEATH.

Vienna, Dec. 26.—At Oedenburg, in Hungary, the belle of the town, a girl of 18, complained of illness the other day and became insensible. A doctor decided that she was dead, and the girl was placed in a coffin, which was carried to an unheated room.

Next day a sister of Mercy who came to prepare the body for burial was horrified to find that it had moved. A medical examination proved that the girl, who was undoubtedly dead, had only been in a trance, and after regaining consciousness for a short time had succumbed to the intense cold of the room. An official inquiry is to be held.

ROSES, ORNATIONS, LILIES OF THE VALLEY AND ALL CHOICES AT BOWEN'S GOLF FLOWER SHOP, 311-33 YONGE ST.

PARLIAMENT EARLY IN MARCH.

Montreal, Dec. 26.—Hon. Raymond Prentiss announced tonight that parliament would meet early in March. Among other leading questions that will be upon the agenda is the tariff reorganization bill, the last line project and the G. T. P. R.

Sanderson's Mountain Dew Scotch.

Patents—Fetherstonhaugh & Co. Patent Attorneys, Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and Washington.

Don't overlook a vote for Stephen W. Burns to fill the vacancy in Ward 4 for alderman.

FAIR AND COLD.

Metropolitan Office, Toronto, Ont., Dec. 26, 8 p.m., 1902.—In the Northwest Territories the weather has been mild to-day, and in Manitoba the cold has moderated. In Ontario it has been colder, whilst in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces there has been a slight increase in temperature. Light falls of snow have occurred locally in Ontario and generally in Quebec, while in the Maritime Provinces both rain and snow have fallen.

Minimum and maximum temperature: Victoria, 42-46; Kamloops, 38-44; Calgary, 24-32; Ok. Appleton, 10-18; Winnipeg, 28 below-zero; Varsity Sound, 4-10; Montreal, 12-22; Toronto, 35-24; St. Paul, 18-22; Quebec, 38-20; Halifax, 24-36.

Lakes and Rivers in Fair Fresh northerly and northwesterly winds; fair and cold, with snow buries.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf-Saint Lawrence currents to northwesterly winds; snow.

Maritime Provinces—Fresh in strong winds; cloudy, with local falls of rain or sleet.

Lake Superior—Fair and quite cold. Manitoba—Fair and a little milder.

Had for the Asking.

A copy of the little pamphlet "Making Life's Journey Easy," published by the Dunlop Tire Company, tells all about rubber heels.

Try the Dunlop at Thomas'.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

Dec. 26. At. From.

Citi di Milano, New York, Genoa

Lacania, Quebec, New York

Anglian, London, Boston

Winnipeg, London, Philadelphia

Salacia, Glasgow, Baltimore

Rotterdam, Rotterdam, New York

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President of Conservative Association Makes Pointed Remarks re Marked Ballots.

Owen Sound, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—The first shot in the campaign in North Grey was fired to-night and was accompanied by one of the most tremendous gatherings of a political character ever seen in the town. The Town Hall was crowded to the doors, and hundreds, unable to gain admittance, were turned away. Over the stage the banners, "Whitney, our Next Premier," and "George M. Boyd, the People's Candidate," waved, while other mottoes graced the walls, such as "Time for a Change," "Down With the School-Book Ring." The campaign here is reaching fever heat, and enthusiasm prevailed of the most intense character.

Who Were There.

On the stage were seated: Richard Blain, M.P., John W. St. John, M.L.A., J. P. Downey, M.L.A., W. S. Middlebro, president of the North Grey Conservative Association; Charles Gordon, T. I. Thompson and James McLaughlin. Mr. McLaughlin, chairman of the meeting, pointed out in a few ill-considered remarks that Mr. MacKay had been unseated on the very first charge of corruption, and that had he not thrown up his hands other charges of the most glaring character would have been proved.

Libel Suits Galore.

The political issues have been somewhat submerged by the charges preferred against the local Conservative by A. G. MacKay at the meeting last Friday. As a result of these charges, The Toronto Globe is the defendant in a suit for damages for \$25,000. The Toronto Star is suing Mr. MacKay himself for \$10,000. President Middlebro entered on a defence of the inflammatory charges. Mr. MacKay had read an affidavit afterwards published in The Globe and Star, in which he stated that Matthew Beckett, a Conservative worker and a highly-respected carriage maker, had fired a character named Bob Campbell into the committee rooms, where he administered to him whiskey, drugged with morphine. Mr. Middlebro was sorry that Mr. MacKay had stooped to such infamous charges, which, at the first hearing himself that they were absolutely true.

Slight Mistake, That's All.

Mr. MacKay had read the death-bed statement of Robert Campbell, that he had been drugged by Matthew Beckett in the Conservative committee rooms, yet Campbell was alive to-day, walking the streets of Owen Sound. The speaker wished to be fair, however. They claimed that it was a mistake that they meant that Bob Campbell was the man who had been drugged and had died from its effects two months ago. Unfortunately Robert Loughhead had died a pauper in the General and Marine Hospital. Did he die of morphine poisoning? Mr. Lang, who made out his certificate, stated that he was sent to the hospital suffering with acute heart disease several years' standing, but Loughhead did not die until two months after the alleged date of his death, or four months after the election.

Heart Disease, Not Poison.

At this juncture the speaker read an affidavit made by Dr. Murray, the physician in charge, that his patient had died of endocarditis, or acute heart disease.

MURDERS EVERY DAY.

Capt. Metcalfe Describes Present State of Cape Town.

Kingston, Dec. 26.—Veterinary Capt. Frederick Metcalfe has reached home after 18 months' service in South Africa. While there he was attached to the Imperial Light Infantry and Scottish Scouts. Capt. Metcalfe thinks there is a bright future in store for South Africa, after affairs resume their natural trend. Cape Town is at present the Monte Carlo of the world. A lot of privation exists there, and murders are of daily occurrence. It is no place for the average white man looking for work unless he has a little capital.

IN Town for the Holidays.

Capertines, and many odd sizes in Cape Gaitlets, etc., besides other things which they are desirous of clearing out. Every one of these will be sold at reduced prices so that this week is a good one for you to get a splendid fur garment at a low price.

FAIR AND COLD.

Metropolitan Office, Toronto, Ont., Dec. 26, 8 p.m., 1902.—In the Northwest Territories the weather has been mild to-day, and in Manitoba the cold has moderated. In Ontario it has been colder, whilst in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces there has been a slight increase in temperature. Light falls of snow have occurred locally in Ontario and generally in Quebec, while in the Maritime Provinces both rain and snow have fallen.

Lakes and Rivers in Fair Fresh northerly and northwesterly winds; fair and cold, with snow buries.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf-Saint Lawrence currents to northwesterly winds; snow.

Maritime Provinces—Fresh in strong winds; cloudy, with local falls of rain or