Many People Killed by a Land-

slide in Italy.

Breaking Through the Ice

on the River Lis.

Holocaust at a Rehearsal of Chrismas

Exercises - Six Girls Burned to

Death and Many Others Injured.

About 2 o'clock an enormous rock,

deafening roar and without a mo-

ped was about 50,000 cubic yards.

FORTY CHILDREN DROWNED.

Frelinghem, near the French fron-

mission to play on the frozen River

ed, but others are still missing.

SIX CIRLS BURNED TO DEATH.

badly injured during the rehearsal of Christmas exercises of one of the classes at St. Francis school yester-

day. There were fourteen little girls in the class, and they represented different characters. Two of them appeared as lambs, and wore white fleece on their garments. The fleece

on one caught fire from an open gas

iet, and in an instant the whole ring of little ones were in flames. Sisters

of the school ran to the rescue, and were also badly burned. Six died al-

most instantly from burns, and four of

the survivors will die.

The dead are: Mary Wavering, Alma Middendorf, Bertha Freund, Jose Rossewog, Miss Hickey and Irene Frei-

burg.
The badly injured are: Josephine

FATALLY CRUSHED.

diche, employed at the M. C. R. shops, who was crushed against a wall by a box car on Monday, died of his in-

juries yesterday. He was aged 50, and leaves a widow. Two brothers, James

and Thomas, and two sisters, Mrs. Boynton and Mrs. McDonald, reside

Amusements.

"WHY SMITH LEFT HOME."

This indescribably funny three-act farce is being played at the Grand

"DEVIL'S ISLAND."

novelty will be the production at the

Grand on Monday (matinee and night) of "Devil's Island," a play founded on

the famous case of Capt. Dreyfus. It would be small wonder if, viewing the sensational episodes of this case, with

the innumerable melodramatic possi-

bilities, there were not at least a half-dozen plays with Capt. Dreyfus as the

central figure. "Devil's Island" is by Vera de Note and 'Arthur D. Hall, and it will be a most elaborate scentc pro-

duction by Vera de Noie, who has done so many big things in the way of dra-matic spectacles. Maurice de la Tour

is the Capt. Dreyfus of the play. The

cast is one of uncommon strength, and includes that forcible and emotional

THE HOLIDAY WEEK ATTRAC-

TION.

Commencing on Tuesday, Dec. 26,

actress, Ethel Brandon.

A timely and interesting dramatic

St. Thomas, Dec. 23.-Joseph Gau-

catastrophe spread consterna

were drowned.

Sister Ephia.

the Gulf of Salerno.

several villas.

act number.

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TRIGGER.

MELROSE RIFLE CLUB. The Melrose Rifle Club met on Dec. 00 yards, on rest;

200 yards, off-hand: Steinhoff 7 5 10 10 4-36 Oliver 6 5 9 7 6—33 J. Shaw 7 4 4 7 10—32 Harrison 6 9 7 8 2—32 Harrison 3 7 3 5 9—27 Steinhoff 7 6 3 3 5—24 Harrison 4 6 3 6

J. K. Morris 44. BASEBALL.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Milwaukee, Dec. 23.—President Ban Johnson, of the American Baseball League, and Chas. Comiskey, of St. Paul, held a conference on Thursday with President Killilen, of the Mil-waukee Baseball Club, supposedly over the makeup of the circuit of 1900. President Johnson said the circuit would probably begin with teams in Minneapolis, Milwaukee, Chicago, Grand Rapids, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Detroit and Buffalo. TURF

RACING AT NEW ORLEANS. New Orleans, Dec. 23.—The track was heavy yesterday.
First race, selling, 7 furlongs—Trebor won, Agitator 2, Estaca 3. Time,

Second race, 6 furlongs—Inlook 1, Avalor 2, Magic Light 3. Time, 1:20. Third race, selling, 1 mile—Cuiras-sier 1, Elidad 2, False Lead 3. Time, Fourth race, handicap, 6 furlongs-om Collins 1, Judge Wardell 2, Refu-

gee 3. Time 1:18.

Fifth race, selling, 1 mile—Strangest
1, Prospero 2, Col. Cluke 3. Time,

AT OAKLAND. San Francisco, Dec. 23.—Oakland track fast yesterday: First race, Futurity course, 2-year-olds—Limerick 1, Saul of Tarsus 2, J. V. Hayes 3. Time, 1:11½.

Second race, 5 furlongs—F. W. Brode 2, Gundara 2, Gioro 3. Time, 1:01½.

Third race, 7 furlongs, selling—Tirade 5. Stutters 1, 200

1, Stuttgart 2, Monday 3. Time, 1:28. Fourth race, 1 mile, all ages—Con-

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stellator 1, Bogus Bill 2, Ailenna 8. Fifth race, futurity course, selling—Sly 1, Tiburion 2, Pana Min; 3. Time,

Sixth race, 7 furlongs—Horton, Casdale 2, Lost Girl 3. Time, 1:27. FISTIC.

FISTIC AFFAIRS. Articles of agreement have been signed for a 25-round bout between Frank Erne, champion light-weight pugilist, of Buffalo, and Jack O'Brien, of New York, to take place at the new Broadway A. C., on Jan. 19. A guaranteed purse of \$5,000 or 50 percent of the gate receipts is the incentive, of which 75 per cent will go to the winner and 25

to the loser. FORBES-McGOVERN. New York, Dec. 23.—Terry McGovern, the "Brooklyn Terror," defeated Harry Forbes, of Chicago, last night. The lads met for a 25-round go at 118 pounds, Marquis of Queensbury rules, but the battle only lasted three seconds over a round and a half. Mc-Govern outclassed his opponent from the word go. Al Smith put \$1,000 against \$600 that Terry would whip Dixon, and the bet was taken by a

SENSATIONAL SUICIDE.

well-known club man.

New York, Dec. 22.-Wm. Muttes, 12 years of age, senior member of the firm of Kimball Bros. & Co., tobacco manufacturers, committed suicide today by shooting before a mirror in his store. He is said to have lost considerable money in Wall street re-

THIS MINISTER

Three Painful Surgical Operations Fail ed to Cure-Suffered for Twenty Years-Found Relief and Cure in Dr Chase's Ointment.

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to pity.-Landon. A DINNER PILL — Many persons suffer excruciating agony after partaking of a hearty dinner. The food partaken of is like a ball of lead upon the stomach, and instead of being a the stomach, and instead of being a healing nutriment, it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are wonderful correctives of such troubles. 'They correct acidity, open the secretions, and convey the food partaken of into healthy nutriment. They are just the medicine to take if troubled with indigestion

Annual Christmas Entertainments by Public School Pupils.

Forty Children Drowned by Many of Them of a Patriotic Character -A Number of Presentations.

The pupils of the Simcoe street school held their annual Christmas exercises yesterday afternoon. The rooms were all tastefully decorated and presented a very attractive appearance. Excellent programmes were given in the Rome, Dec. 23.-A terrible disaster different rooms.

took place yesterday afternoon at Mr. Beal's and Miss Skelton's classes Amalfi, the popular tourist resort on held their entertainment together in the kindergarten, and a very enjoyable time was spent. Those taking part were: Ollie Avey, Robert Angus, Olive Sussex, three girls (dialogue), Mary Douglass, Tom Logan, Gordon Cottrell, upon which stood the Cappuccini Hotel, slid bodily into the sea with a Letta Lyons, Chester Smith, Sophie Jacobson and Dorothy Edge. After ment's warning, carrying with it the ment's warning, carrying with it the refreshments had been served, Master hotel, the old Cappuchin monastery Robbie Angus, on behalf of the class, below, the Hotel Santa Calerina and presented Mr. Beal with a very handsome morocco writing pontfolio, gether with an address, to which Mr.

Many people were buried in the de-Beal made a suitable reply. bris, which crushed four vessels to The pupils of Grade VI. had the room tastefully decorated with flags the bottom of the sea, destroying their and drawing done by the pupils. After crews. The mass of earth which slipa programme of songs and recitations a pientiful feast of nuts, candies, etc., The population is in a state of terror, was enjoyed by the pupils.

fearing fresh calamities. Troops have arrived upon the scene and begun res-In room II. the following scholars contributed to the programme: Charlie cue work.

It is believed that the loss of life is heavy, including a number of monks and the occupants of the hotel. As Westman (chairman), Clara Newton Lock Harrison, Willimene Sage, Neil McDonald, Eldridge Gale, Ethel Moore, Flossie Chatto, Beatrice Thorne, Lena yet it is impossible to ascertain the ex-Sweeny, Charlie Graham, Edna Lister, Johnston Wilkins, Hilda Stephenson, Amalfi is a small but lively town of Jennie Ingle, Minnie Shott, Mabel Mc-Leod and Edna Clampitt. In room VIII. a concert was given 7,000 inhabitants, situated at the entrance of a deep ravine, surrounded

by imposing mountains and rocks of the most picturesque forms. The Capuchin monastery was founded in 1212 by Cardinal Pietro Cauano for the by the children, after which oranges, candies and nuts were distributed. The following scholars contributed the programme: Maud Hill, Nellie Nixon, Cistercians, but came into possession of the Capuchins in 1583. The building, which stood in the hollow of the Annie Gartshore, George Wheatcroft, Vernon Davis, Fred Land, F. Denison, S. O'Neil Mamie Weekes, Florence Weekes. Frank Denison was chairgreat rock that rose abruptly from the sea to a height of 230 feet, contained fine cloisters and a charming veranman, and several choruses were given by the class. da, and offered magnificent points of view. The town is mentioned for the first time in the sixth century, when it enjoyed the protection of the Eastern Emperors. In the twelfth century

The programme in room 9 consisted of a number of choruses by the class and individual numbers by Bert Miller, Laura Ingles, Pearl Kermath and Laura Swayze, G. Hoskins and B. Foden, L. Ingles, J. Sweeny and T.

the sea began gradually to undermine the lower portions, and a terrible in-undation in 1343 proved still more dis-The National Anthem by the class brought the affair to a close. The pupils of Miss Fleming's class spent a very enjoyable time Thursday afternoon. A lengthy programme of Brussels, Dec. 23.-Upwards of 40 school children were drowned yestersongs, recitations and dialogues was carried out, after which the children disposed of a goodly quantity of candies, nuts and oranges. The room day afternoon in an ice accident at was appropriately decorated for the occasion with holly and blackboard drawings. Master Charles Waggoner The school children of the district had been given a holiday with permade a very pleasant chairman dur-

ing the afternoon.

In Grade 2 recitations were given by Lys. When the merriment was at full height the ice broke suddenly and the Dottle Stephenson, Ruby Stephenson, children disappeared. A few were rescued half dead, but the majority Lily Hayes, George Long, Ivy Campbell, Frankie Roe, Ida Moore, John Greer, Fred Davis, Mabel Moorhouse, Thirty-six bodies have been recover-Sadie Barned, Herbie Newton, Eddie Barrows, Russell Croden and Ernie Powell. These were interspersed with tion throughout the town, where nearly every family suffered loss. choruses by the class. Jessie Long gave a solo.

The children of Grade 1 held their

Quincey, Ill., Dec. 23.—Six little girls Christmas concert Thursday. A pro-were burned to death, four probably gramme was rendered consisting of fatally burned, and eight other persons recitations, solos and choruses by the class. The small performers had an appreciative audience in their friends and playmates. At the close of the concert oranges, nuts and cane were distributed to the children. candies AT THE KINDERGARTEN.

The children of Simcoe street kindergarten held their annual Christmas exercises Wednesday, before a large crowd of spectators. The perform-ance consisted of songs and games, illustrating the Christmas thought, the Santa Claus chorus being especially well rendered, and "Soldiers of the Queen" was greeted with loud applause. But the climax was reached when a huge Christmas tree, decorated with chains, lanterns and presents. all the work of the children, was presented to view at the close of the Bone, Wilhelmina Kottendorf, Lena Zeiger, Laura Menka, Miss Soenbing, Alevia Timpa, Jose Werner, Father Andrew Butkueben, Sister Ludwigus, Sister Rodolphia, Sister Theodeta, programme. The children were allowed to present their beautiful gifts to the mothers; then each child was made happy by receiving a dainty cardboard canoe, laced with ribbon and filled with popcorn and candy. The proceedings closed with "God Save the Queen."

Victoria School.

Divisions VI. and VII. of the above school entertoined a large number of parents and visitors from the following programme: Class recitation, "Kriss Kringle," five girls, dialogue, "Seven Little Sisters"; carol, seventh division; dialogue, "The Model Class," division; dialogue, "The Model Class," boys of the seventh division; recitation, Ida Weldon; chorus, "Kriss Kringle," sixth division; chorus, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," sixth and seventh divisions; dialogue, "The New St. Nicholas," sixth division; carol, "Christmas Bells," seventh division; dialogue, seventh division; chorus sixth and seventh division; carol, "Christmas Bells," seventh division; carol, "Christmas Bells," seventh division; chorus sixth and seventh division; carol, "Christmas Bells," seventh division; chorus sixth and seventh division; carol, "Christmas Bells," seventh division; carol, "Christmas B seventh division; chorus, sixth and sev-Opera House this afternoon, and will enth divisions. A feature of the enterbe repeated this evening. It is the kaughing success of the day, and is in tainment was the presentation to Miss Maud M. Walsh of the beautiful Boyle the wittiest vein of the talented aumemorial medal, which is given each thor, while the company presenting it year to the scholar in each school who are all players of ability, bringing out year to the scholar in each school who the unctuous humor to the full. Teh house should be packed this evening.

ation. In each of the rooms a musical entertainment, followed by a Christmas tree, was given, and the children went away with their pockets well filled with the sweet things that Christmas never fails to bring. In one of the rooms, instead of a Christmas tree, the children hung stockings about room, and brought presents for one another to fill them.

The scholars taking part in another room were as follows: Norah O'Gor-man, Esther Swartz, Edwin Chivas, Lil-He Richardson, Mary Allsopp, Islan McKenzie Vera Hodgins, Bessie How lett, Cyril McBride, Ruth West, Ethe Dowdett, Ethel McKay, Charlie Pennie, Kathleen O'Gorman, Olice Ross, Eddie Kennedy, Mervin Webb, John Smith, Gladys Legg, Minnie Gauid. The following contributed to the junior division programme: Jean Mc-Crimmon, Retta Caldwell, Chester Herald, Vivian Reeve, Leona Noyes, Jessie Mitcheil, Edith Vanstone, Retta Caldwell, Mabei Berry May Burridge, Willie the Lyceum Company will give seven performances, retaining the plays that best pleased on their last visit, and adding "David Garrick" and "Romeo and Juliet." Since their last visit the Henderson, May Seccombe, Anna Ken-nedy, Thornton McBride. A number of dialogues and choruses were also on the programme.

FATAL COLLISION.

Lyceum Company has met with ex-cellent success, and is rapidly making a continental reputation for the ex-cellence of their productions. Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 22.-Wm. Lanigan, an engineer on the Lackawanna road, was instantly killed and his fire-man, Herman Shulte, was probably A Great Builder.—The D. & L. Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil is a great builder. It gives weight, add healthy flesh, and overcomes any downward tendency of health. Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd., makers. fatally injured in a collision this morning between a passenger train of the Buffalo and Southwestern Road and an engine of the Lackawanna, at the junction of the two roads in the suburbs of the city.

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Questions Answered.

NEGLIGENCE.—A spur of the rail-road is in the middle of the street. A car to be loaded stood on this spur. A number of teams were driving up on the left-hand side of the street. A is following with the rest. B crossed the track and tried to crowd between the car and A, who told him that he was getting out of his proper place, but B said he was going to crowd in, and hit his (B's) horses with the whip. A's horses jumped and broke the wheel of B's wagon. Is A liable for damages? Ans.-Not upon the facts stated, which show that the damage was caused by B. SIMCOE.—A makes a will, which says: "And, fourth, to divide and pay the residue of all my estate, share and share alike, unto my children," naming each child, "payment to be made by my executors as soon as they are in a position to do so." Before A's death two of his sons die, and each have a wife and children. In accordance with section 27 of the wills act, who will recelve their shape? Ans.—The widow and children of each son receive his share under section 36 of the act. One-third to widow and rest of share to children equally.

FALSE PRETENCE-A came around lately with his team, gathering for his

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neighbor B, whom, he said, had the misfortune of having his house and barn burned, and that the family barely escaped in their night clothes. He would take most anything, grain, clothing or cash, and got a good load in this locality, and also some cash. Now, it seems that his whole story was a fabrication, and there was no buildings burned. Is B liable to be punished as a criminal? Ans.—Yes; if the facts are as stated, he may be convicted of obtaining property by false pretences, and liable to imprisonment not exceeding three years.

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