### SEMI-WEEKLY SUN, ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 26, 1903



T is quite likely you are doctoring for the wrong thing. Or perhaps you are taking medicine for a trouble you really have but which has been brought on by that common ailment-constipation.

Whatever your trouble, do you find it stubborn to treat? Do you wonder why you do not get cured? Are you sometimes almost discouraged?

Try doctoring your bowels. Don't imagine because you seem regular, or maybe once a day for a time, then a day skipped, and so on, that you have healthy bowels. Everybody needs a gentle laxative occasionally. Where you think you may be all right, you may be all wrong. Likely as not it is the cause of something else you are suffering

# **LAXA=CARA TABLETS**

do not purge or strain. One after each meal acts upon the intestinal canal gently but surely, cleaning it out completely. This gives every other bodily function a free and healthy action. It allows Nature to take her course, where she has been obstructed before. Even though you are what you imagine reasonably regular, that is no sign you do not need LAXA-CARA TABLETS.

Try them and know that there is one sensible and effective cure for clogged bowels. The chances are that is the seat of the trouble you are suffering from. They will do you good, anyway, and will probably show you the truth of some things.

YOUR DRUGGISTS SELL LAXA-CARA TABLETS FOR 35 CENTS PER BOX, OR SENT POSTPAID ON RECEIPT OF PRICE 一种记忆

FRANK WHEATON, FOLLY VILLAGE, N. S. SOLE AGENT FOR CANADA # #

HOW A SUNSTROKE

#### of the North Pole.

his peculiar sunstroke.

snake. He wore flannels clear through new incubator made. the summer and a cloudy day would The warm weather had now set in give him a chill right in July or Au- and the third lot of eggs was packed

as a lark, knowing that he was a wel- ed, and he was just about to trek back come guest anywhere. , to the lumber camp when a Mormon It was fairly pathetic to see the way missionary got hold of him and took Ike warmed up that season to every him into the fold. He never had a more That Soaked in Led to the Discover friendly word ne got. He seemed to earnest convert and lke wanted to have some warning of what was to start out as a missionary at once. So come. It makes a heap of difference the Mormons, in view of his peculiar to a man of Ike's disposition whether case, sent him up to Alaska to do some everybody seems glad to see him or warm proselyting. After Mrs. Jerusha Snow gulped not, and as spring came on again he He made the hit of his life up there

Jown her false seeth by mistake, she took to brooding and dreading the He was as popular with the Eskimo always swallowed her food whole in with the first buds, Jerusha chucked snakes, and as soon as he could tell order to give the teeth something to him back into the incubator. Ike had the women from the men, he began to work on down there. That economical grown so much stouter that she had seal wives upon himself. The Eskishe was, and by this you may guess to have the manhole enlarged, where moesses flocked to him like old maids how she made use of like after he had there was only room now for fifteen what a glowing proposition he was as this peculiar sunstroke. Up to this time Ike had been thin ing came out all right, and the se-stopped to get a divorce. Ike just as a tail and as cold and clammy as a cond, Jerusha forgave him and had a married them all as they came, no-

for

anyhow.

keep it nice and warm, while the chor-

the other delicacies of the season for

the family table. The contrast be-

was one that filled him with peace and

No man can monopolize too many of

trouble with the Husbands Union.

Now, it takes about three months

idea, but when he does he usually

keeps it about his person until he dies.

After chewing their own reindeer skins

while Mormonism might offer advan-

widowers, especially where the popula-

tion was so limited and there were not

So they fixed up a little surprise

night and tore him from the bosom of

his family and toted him out into the

snow. They escorted him about twenty

miles away from the settlement and

left him in the teeth of a blizzard,

with a warning not to come back.

But Ike rather enjoyed it. He just

more than enough wives to go around, the way home.

an Eskimo to get an

Ike would have been about the most

circle except for one thing.

body barred, from 16 to 60. He didn't even talk religion to them at first, by reason of not knowing the language, gust. The harvest field under a broil-ing hot sun was the only place he hatched with all a mother's natural right well acquainted he could explain could enjoy himself, but at last he got care until the twenty-first day. Not a Mormorism.

an overdose of it, through a combin- shell cracked. Jerusha went back and He had forty-eight wives working set the calculations the professor had and there are also also be the tracked at her calculation of whiskey and supshine and it hold at her calculations are also be the tracked at her calculations of the best are also be the tracked at her calculations are also be the tracked at her calculations of the best are also be the tracked at her calculations are also be ther calculations are also be the an overdose of it, through a combin- shell cracked. Jerusha went back and He had rorty-eight wives working made, in that Ike arrived at the pole fish boys who do this, sellittle she got a new wrinkle in her brow, but ing of the language. Brigham Young

All you had to do was to buy four thousand dogs and load them down with supplies. You left the supplies at various places along the route, in little iron boxes where the bears couldn't get at them, and as fast as the supplies were properly placed you began to kill and eat the surplus dogs.

When you discovered the pole you simply put a tag on it to prove ownership, brought home a sliver of it to prove that you had been there, ate dog and cached supplies on the way back and arrived at the edge of civilization, covered with glory and with just enough dogs to land you in comfort. It was an enticing prospect to

Ike, so he invested his all in dogs and supplies and headed for the aurora The plan worked like a charm, but

Ike was the only man to reach the pole. The others of the expedition he put into it. With the greedy pillow stuck, end up, in the snow as they one but he ingured that as soon as he got by one congealed, to act as guide posts trousers and hangs them up in place to the future explorers. This rather up-

borealis.

stayed there.

gle blessedness for awhile, these Es- til at last it dawned on him that every

kimo men came to the conclusion that direction was south from the pole and

tages to the womenfolk it could hold tention to dog cultivation in order to

party for Ike. They came along one they will find the pole inhabited by a

of pay

gs and

deer and other food supplies.

some and you might wonder why he

This is the real reason. You see,

when he approached the pole he for-

got to put up any signs to mark the

consequence was that when he got

ready to go back he didn't know which

way to start. He spent days trying to

figure out which way was south, un-

then he gave up. He turned his at-

keep up his food supply, and sat down

plorers to come along and show him

This narrative is published merely

as a warning to Peary and others that

comfortable fat man and that the

belongs to Dozeville. Ike must have

tempered the climate a whole lot by

this time, though, for he has been up

PAY ON THE I. C. R.

New Schedule of Increased Wages

for Trackmen Handed Down by

Mr. Fielding.

The Moncton Transcript gives the

ollowing details of the new schedule

Hon, Mr. Fielding. It is not all that

the men asked for but the Transcript

Under the new rate vard foremen in

the larger yards, such as St. John, will

Regular section men in larger yards

Regular section men elsewhere \$1.40

Yard section foremen, in smaller

Regular section foremen elesewhere

Foremen of extra gangs \$2.75 a day

Track carpenters or skilled mechanics

with a kit of tools, \$2.00 per day.

Foreman of track carpenters receive

states that it is probable it will be a

eceive \$2.25 per day.

vards, \$2.00 per day.

\$1.50 per day.

per day.

\$1.85 a day.

\$2.50 a day.

for trackmen as conceded by

OLIVER THUMM.

there quite a spell now.

onor of furnishing the real discoverer

to wait for Peary or some other ex-

direction by which he had come. The

## THE NIGHT WHEN SANTA CLAUS COMES.

In all the wide world there is only one, apparently, who understands the geography of this planet. And this one is the personage known as Santa Claus.

To him the round earth is as a small ball for he can travel its circumference in twenty-four hours and to him climate and conditions are nothing. Saint Nick is known in every land for he comes to one place as Kris

Kringle, to another as the Good Saint, and to another as Saint Nick. But he comes always with his bag of toys and always on Christmas eve. It is doubtful if any man can tell at

what age he began to know Santa Claus. He was one of the first feeble recollections of childhood; and every boy and every girl spent a vigil watching for him on the night before Christ-But Santa Claus never comes when

you are looking for him; and as this boy or girl dropped asleep, weary with watching, just at that moment the the saint drove up on the roof, stole down the chimney and departed, leaving behind him the Christmas presents which he was to bring.

And everybody knows that Santa Claus spends all the year making these presents. In his workshop off in the cold latitudes, he has thousands of dolls, millions of little carts, myriads of whistles and more drums and Noah's arks than could be packed in a city. All the twelvemonth he labors upon

these gifts, putting the finishing touches to them the very day before Christmas. Then comes the packing of the bags of toys, the loading of the led and the harnessing of the fleet reindeer which will carry him over the roofs and to the very chimney tops. Santa Claus is a wonderful fellow in that he knows exactly what is expected at each home and exactly what is needed. He never makes a mistake on this point, and he seldom leaves either too much or too little. He is exactness itself in this respect, and while he is the soul of good taste he is also he soul of judgment.

Never does the little boy of the family get a work box: seldom does the litgirl get a drum. Santa Claus knows the requirements of each child and elects just according to what he or she should have. The number of dolls which the saint

takes around with him annually is roughly estimated at a billion: the umber of other toys in varying quantity, according to their popularity, with

stables of horses leading the list ; and then there are tin kitchens and little rocking chairs and thousands of other things which are very important when the Christmas tree is scanned. Santa Claus is very heavily laden an-

nually in the matter of Christmas trees and he brings a tree with him for every home desiring such an adjunct. Where no tree is wanted he brings the toys and arranges them on the mantel and in the hanging stockings-for every child hangs up an expectant stocking.

It is said that Santa Claus has a very strong feeling regarding the holiday stocking and much prefers that it be a short one. He does not like that long stocking with its difficult leg which bulges when it should not bulge

case he has no patience; and he has no use for the boy who sews up his

(St. John Star.)



Cermany, beautifully dressed with long **the state of** curly hair (dark or blonds) handsome bisque bead, jointed body, passy teeth, beautiful blue eyes that open and shut, very sipilarily dressed, lovely fancy dress, underwear, with hat, shoes, stockings, etc., dressed complete from head to shoes, an elegant and lovely doll, sweet and pretty as a picture, ahe shuta her eyes and goes to sleep as natural as baby herself. Girls, do you desire to receive free of all charge and without a cent of cost this beautiful big fleeping jointed doll pearly **One-Half Yard Tall** 

or a few hours' work after school. In order to introduce Marvel Washington Bine in every home, we have decided to give sway hundtreds of big. Hovely dressed sleeping and jointed Dolls for selling only 16 packages of our Famous Marvel Bluing, at 10 cente a package. Don's send a cent. Order 15 packages to day. We send them by mail, postpaid. You sellit at 10 cents ndreds of big. lovely dressed sleeping and jointed la for selling only 15 packages of our Famous Marrel Bluing, 0 centsa package. Don't send 3 cent. Order 15 packages by We send them by mail, postpaid. You sell it at 10 cents incage, and with each package seldy ou give a prize ticket, ch entities each customer to receive a beautiful present from limost everybody burys. You can sell the 15 packages in a few hours. When sold return us the money, SL50, and we will carefully pack and promptly forward to your address this big lovely dressed and jointed sleeping Doll. We arrange to pay all charges an 15 right toyour address. We walt every honcet girl to send in her address done. We will carefully pack and promptly forward to your our dedress this big lovely dressed and jointed sleeping Doll. We arrange to pay all charges an 15 right toyour address give you a handsome Hitle bisque jointed Baby Doll, with lovely long hait. We give you the two lovely Dolls for solling only the 15 packages. Please understand this is no catch word scheme to decive our little friends, byt an Honest proposition made by a well known firm to advercatch word scheme to deceive our lits honest proposition made by a well k tise our business. We also send you an beside the two Dolls if you are quick Once and be the first in your locality to h \_\_\_\_ Teronto, Ont.





Manitoba, Dec. 2nd.

ROSSER, Manitoba, Dec. 2.-This

The

# THE OTTAWA OF AUSTR Its Choice Is a Matter of Very Difficulty—Goobarraganda | That is One of Tumut' Chief Drawbacks.

At Bombola, Its Rival, Death H ficulty in Making an Impres -The Times on Austra-

Y.

lia's Future.

...

(Special Cor. of Toronto Glo SYDNEY, N. S. W., Nov. and, London; France, Paris nany, Berlin; Canada, Ottawa tralia-what? That is the que the hour here. And on its ans cends the fate of I know no many examination candidates i o come. For, no matter how c tion and education may adva suppose schoolboys will always demned to learn the countries world and their capitals. And Australia, at the present schoolboys may see not only tory, but geography in the n for the two houses of parliamen been quarrelling over the choice

new federal capital. Just now the choice seems to tween Tumut and Bombala, two inland towns, each of 1,500 souls ated about one hundred and fifty apart in the southeastern co New South Wales. A fortnigh in the house of representative mut was chosen from the sever rants by a majority of eleve Bombala was promptly substitu a majority of nine when the b sent up to the senate. And the matter stands, with no pros final settlement till the new liament is chosen. In all prob the deadlock has been brought deliberately to postpone indef this capital question, so dear t South Wales, so hateful to

les that naturally tear all young THE FEDERAL CAPITAL

and so indifferent to the rest of

tralia. The whole story is filled

delightful illustrations of the je

When federation was first r each colonial capital cherished hope of being chosen capital new commonwealth. The most ing feature in Australian settlem the size of its capital cities. S and Melbourne, each with its million inhabitants, contain be them more than one-quarter of population of the continent. Bri in Queensland, and Adelaide, in Australia, total three hundred sand more: and both Hobart Perth would be counted goodly cities in Canada, But it so h

that the two biggest cities had be

them all the arguments based

```
nearly got him ready for the
                                     she finally had to give up that there would have been proud of him. All he
white graveyard on the hill.
 Most people, when they have a sun- was a mistake somewhere in the date did was just to sit in the big igloo and
streke, are bothered with sun head-
                                     and waited another day.
                                      That day nor the next did a chick us went out and captured blubber and the pole so his dogs wouldn't stray or
aches, and the like for the rest of their
natural lives, but with Ike it was dif-
                                     put in an appearance, and then she
ferent. It seemed to sort of strike in broke open an egg.
                                      It was hard boiled!
on him, and fill his system just chock
full of never ending heat. When he got
                                       She broke open another.
                                       It was hard boiled!
up and around he was about the most
    mfortable company one could have
                                       Right on through the lot she went,
                                     getting madder and madder every min- contented man in the whole Arctic
until fall at least. Jerusha would
scarcely let him come in the house un-
                                     ute. Every one of those two hundred
til cold weather set in, but along in and forty eggs was boiled as hard as
November she came to realize what a a rock. Ike was too hot to act as a
prize lke had become.
                                      human incubator any more.
 She couldn't cook on him, of course.
                                      It ruined their domestic happiness.
His heat was too slow for that. But
                                     Jerusha tried him in the summer
she made him stay right in the house, kitchen to heat the wash boiler, but
morning, noon and night, when he
                                     just about the time the water got hot
wasn't working, and he kept three like would go to sleep and roll over on
                                     his side. She tried every way on earth and cooking their own blubber in sin-
rooms as warm as toast all that win-
ter, to say nothing of being a mighty to make him of some value, but it
agreeable bedfellow on freezing cold
                                     was no use and he became a despised
nights. Ike was the most popular man
                                     loafer about town. He took to sit-
In Dozeville, too, as soon as they found ting out in front of the post office or
out his warm and genial nature. No in front of Hon. Worley's store dozing out very little benefit to bachelors and
party was complete without him on all day long and, as a consequence, he
frosty nights, and people who were
                                     grew fatter and fatter and hotter and
saving of their fuel were always in+
                                      hotter. The only consolation he could
                                     get out of it was that he would be
viting him out to spend the evening.
                                      more in demand than ever next winter,
Ike had never been so well appreciat-
ed in his life, and he began to get fat
                                     but that did not mend matters any
and jolly, and hotter. day by day.
                                  · | just then.
 Humanity is fickle, however, and hap-
                                       One day, while Ike sat napping on
piness is short lived. As winter pass-
                                     the town hall steps, Dave Benson hap-
ed and spring wore on his friends
                                      pened along and noticed that Ike's
dropped away. Their affections grew
                                      finger was smoking. He stood scratch-
   ler as the weather grew warmer,
                                     ing his head and trying to believe his
and by June everybody in Dozeville
                                     own eyes when all at once Ike's hand
would get up and walk away as soon
as he hove in sight. Mrs. Snow drove
 im out of the house, but, just the
```

```
same, it worried her to think of all
that heat going to waste. To be sure,
on rainy wash days, she made him sit
in the attic to dry the clothes, and
when the old speckled hen left her
eggs and refused to go back on the
nest she made Ike hatch out the set-
ting, but that wasn't much help.
  It gave her an idea, though, and she
had an incubator built right away. It
was hig enough to hold Ike and twenty
dozen eggs, and it worked like a charm.
though it was queer to walk back in
the orchard and see Ike sitting there
with his head and arms sticking out,
smoking and reading all day long, or
dozing in the sunlight that filtered
through the leaves.
  From July to the first of November
he became the mother of nearly a thou-
sand chickens, and Jerusha began to
be quite attached to him again, seeing
that her chicken farm was beginning
```

```
to pay pretty well. Poor fellow, that
was all he craved now, just affection,
and he used to fairly sniffle when Je-
rusha came out and spoke a few kind
       to him on hatching days.
 With the first frost Ike's popularity
began to gladden his heart again and
he picked up flesh faster than ever.
people were able to have their par-
ties, and everybody was glad again to music to his soul. With a pedal and
```

meet that dear, warm hearted Mr. propeller attachment Ike could have home. He put up a line of talk that Snow. No wonder he liked winter so easily solved the airship problem, but would have melted the heart of a cabwell. As far as mere comfort went what would have been the use? Very bage, and by the time he was through be was all right all the year round. In few people would care to be sunstruck he had Ike convinced that it was a the summer he was so hot anybow just to be able to soar like a bird, and, duty he owed to civilization to dis-that the thermometer made no differ-beside, it might not always soak in as cover the North Pole. Not only that, to him, and in the winter he went it had done with him.

This is considered a pretty good joke in Alaska where ordinarily, burst into a blaze! Dave knew right such circumstances, a man is found away that this was a case of sponnext morning, if he is ever found a taneous combustion, so he rushed for all, frozen nicely and solidly into the a bucket of water and put out the landscape. flames. That was only the beginning, In laughed at that blizzard-fairly pulled spite of all the care Ike took from his whiskers, so to speak-and trudged hen on to keep in the shade and not cheerfully on. In the morning he found a frozen dog, and by this time exert himself, he caught fire every now and then, and it was no uncomhe was well enough set in Eskimo ways mon thing to see the Dozeville Volunto consider frozen dogs a delicacy, so teer Fire Department come dashing down the street, dragging the little he had a bit of breakfast and lay down in a snow bank for a nap. That red hose pump to put Ike Snow out. dog lasted him till he reached the next He had to change climates, that was settlement, where he introduced Mor all, and Jerusha was glad enough to let him go. He spent that fall and monism with great temporary success But from now on he was to winter in one of the Michigan lumber peace. No sooner would he begin to camps. They paid him a salary just radiate Mormonism and surround himto sit around in the bunk house and self with converts and comfort than keep it warm for the boys. Summer the news would creep in from his pre found him still further north, as "The Marvellous Human Balloon," with a vious pastorate, and he would have to one horse circus doing the Canadian move on. provinces.

around in his shirt sleeves as happy ' Ike was sorry when the season clos-. poles.

```
From Sitka to Point Barrow he pro
                                                 selyted faithfully. He was still act-
   His act was a wonder. On a hig
                                                ing as a missionary when he discover
 platform, in full view of the crowd, he
flate from the heat of his body and right down to St. Michael to rest, and
ing up into the blue, air of heat
ing up into the blue air of heaven,
buoyed up by his own hot air, amid a
```

to \$1.70 per day. teur Polar Expedition stopped in to Men in charge of wing plows, write home for money and met Ike. flangers and yard plows when it That kept the professor from writing operation are to be paid \$2.75 per day Other men employed in such plows etc., in operation are to be paid fifty bage, and by the time he was through ents per day in addition to their regular rate of wages whatever their

ccupation. Ten hours will constitute a day's work for these men on the but that it was a keen delight to hunt plows, and their over time will be

paid pro rata.

over a ton and a half of jerked reinmas morning. Why there was once a little girl who Ike's wanted a great many Christmas pres- the jail went into effect, there sat down first care was to build a corral around ents. She watched and watched for Santa Claus intending to ask him to these seventy were men and twentyget eaten by bears, and his second way leave a great many things. By and three were women. Yesterday, after to get a good rest before he started by she grew sleepy and resolved to go some months' trial of the system, there tween these meek and helpful creatures back home. The climate suited him to bed. and the Jerusha he had left behind right down to the ground, for there But before she went to bed she took was no danger of spontaneous combustion, but still it was mighty lone-

the coming of Saint Nick. the other sex without getting into Ike never was much of a thinker, and

```
And he came. But what do you think
de did? Into the big bag he poured a the winter, and after considerable dis-
lot of sawdust and shavings. But the
It is a lesson to the greedy.
warmly, for in spite of the fact that
he travels fast, it must be remember-
ed that he travels far, and if the night
be cold, he has a great chance to grow
shivery en route. The reindeers are
fleet, but the air is keen and on the
night before Christmas there is frost
```

in the air and sometimes in cold cities the snow is piled high. But Santa Claus makes the trip in

safety. His swift reindeers bring him and his warm fur coat enwraps him. Over the roof he speeds and down the chimney he comes. It is all done in

a trice, and then away he goes. Santa Claus neglects no home, for o every house at which he is expected he comes.

Santa Claus makes his calls at dead of night, for he is one of those fellows who like to do without being known. and he is a saint who prefers to make his gifts when you are not looking at him.

MEN OF THE DAY.

The Rev. Dr. Edward Everett Hale. clergyman and author, who was selected at the republican caucus as chanlain of the United States senate, taking office on January 1, was born in Boston, Mass., on April 3, 1822. Captain Nathan Hale was his great-uncle. while his father was Nathan Hale. Dr. Hale, who has been the pastor of the South Congregational church in Boston since 1856, and is now its pastor emiritius, commenced his studies in the Boston Latin School, and from there entered Harvard University graduating in 1839. For two years he was usher in the Boston Latin School. He then took up the study of theology After receiving his license to preach. Dr. Hale accepted a call to the Church of the Unity in Worcester, Mass., in 1846, and remained there until 1856. He was married in 1852 in Hartford, Conn. to Emily Baldwin Perkins. Besides being editorially connected with num-

erous literary journals, Dr. Hale has Rough carpenters, wharf men, \$1.50 written copiously, being the author of histories, biographies, essays, ballads, short stories and general articles.

SALARIES ADVANCED.

The following officials in connection with the Customs, St. John, received their Christmas present from the government yesterday in the shape of an advance in salaries: J. E. Whittaker, appraiser, \$100; John Jenkins, Michael Morrisey, Patrick O'Brien and Robert Clerk, \$50 each.

little village saw much stir this after-On the day when the rule regarding noon and evening, it being the occahard labor for prisoners confined in sion of a very pretty wedding. to dinner ninety-three prisoners. Of contracting parties were Emerson R. Steeves and Miss Annie E. Beechell, third daughter of H. J. Beechell of Rawcliffe-Grange. The church was crowded to the doors with many were forty-three of the prisoners, of fgriends and honored guests of the whom thirteen were women. This is family. The bride, who was gracefulher little petticoat, and, pinning it to- the report Ald. Lewis, chairman of gether, she hung it from the mantel- the committee, made at a meeting held ly dressed in a corded white silk dress with a brussels lace veil, was given piece like a great bag, all ready for yesterday afternoon. The meeting was away by her father, H. J. Beechell, and for the purpose of deciding what was had as bridesmaid Miss Gertie Beechto be done with the prisoners during ell. The bridegroom was well supported by the Rev. Mr. Leslie of Manitoba

City.

cussion it was decided to let Ald. Lewis College, Winnipeg, and the Rev. Mr. little stockings that hung by the side handle the whole affair and deal with of the bag he filled with pretty toys. the prisoners as he sees fit. Ald. Le-Cowley of the same city officiated After the ceremony upwards of one wis also added to his report some Santa Claus usually dresses very facts, which went to show that while hundred of the friends repaired to the family residence, where a sumptuous there has been a certain decrease in wedding dinner was partaken of, durthe number of arrests there has been ing which many toasts were offered a very large increase in the amount of and responded to. Numerous telemoney paid in for fines. This is all grams from friends who were unable cash to the city, and, in addition, there to be present were read. is a great saving in the expenses of

The presents were numerous and the jail, owing to the fewer prisoners valuable. confined there. Also there has been a lot of work done at the park.

On the other hand, practically the on-COURT GRAND BAY. y expenses incurred have been the pay

of two guards and the purchase of din-At the regular meeting of Court ner cans, boots, socks, etc. Grand Bay, No. 1,907, the following of Since yesterday week the prisoners ficers were elected: W. J. Usher, C. R.1 have not been to work in the park, ow- Henry Hamm, V. C. R.; D. M. Hamm, ing to the inclement weather, but the C. D.; L. M. Curran, Phy.; D. R. guards have reported regularly at the Usher, R. S.; G. C. Hamm, F. S.; Chas, jail in the mornings. On days when Hamm, S. W.; Chesley Stevens, J. W. the men are not sent to work the W. Stevens, S. B.; Stephen Stevens, guards get no pay. J. B.; Chas. Stevens, Chap.: J. A. Gild liland, Treas; G. C. Hamm, D. M. Ald. Lewis has not yet decided what Hamm, Trustees. Installation to be will be done with the prisoners during the winter. He has, however, decided the third Monday in January.

that the work will now stop until the first of January, and consequently the REFORMING THE I. O. O. F. gang will not be sent out during Christ-

mas week. It is understood that Ald. SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Dec. 22.-Grand Master C. Ravey, of the Ohio Christie objects strongly to the proposal of sending the men to the North Grand Lodge of the Independent Order End, but Ald. Lewis is still of the opin- of Odd Fellows, has issued a circular ion that this is the best place for them, to the effect that on January 10, 1904, and has in mind the construction of all saloon keepers, bar tenders and prothe proposed temporary shed on Vic- fessional gamblers shall either quit the order or those occupations. toria square.



convenience and central location thus the rivalry was soon redu the capitals of New South Wal Victoria. Sydney, the mother Australia, had the advantage i ority and, perhaps, in natural 1 Melbourne, the larger and perha more progressive city, had t vantage of being the more acc for most of the states. Their claims were urged with such je and their voting strengths we evenly balanced, that no decisi favor of either could be made w risking the whole prospect of tion. It was, in fact, a stal But at last a compromise was an by following the Washington e and arranging that the new a government should be in a te specially acquired by the co wealth for that purpose. An 125th section of the constitution vides that this new federal te containing at least one hundred miles, should be situated in New Wales, but not within one h miles of Sydney, and that parl should sit in Melbourne until th capital was ready. In that way ney and Melbourne each felt t had frustrated the unrighteous tions of its rival. But the am and the jealousies were not ye They were, indeed, so inconve active that the Barton gover out of sheer moral cowardic ostponing from month to mon choice of the new capital, and now the ministry shirks the re bility of making a definite se The New South Wales gover which must grant the territor; pointed a commissioner to inve the proposed sites, and he r strongly in favor of the B district. Sir William Lyn federal minister for hom fairs, then appointed a royal c sion to make a new repor his commissioners, strangely bracketed the first place Tum Albury, both in Sir William's ate. Meanwhile Sir William ha organizing picnic parties of r tatives and senators to visit th ous districts proposed, so that might form a personal jud Climate, character of the soil, an building material, railway rainfall and water supply wer the factors in the choice, but became clear that the chief would be accessibility. Northe were therefore rejected early. land is the only state lying north of New South Wales, a four states on the south an would be sure to vote for a s capital on the same principle t maritime provinces would pref c to Winnipeg as the capital a. In the Australian summ ain journeys involve untold MELBOURNE'S ANGER

Meanwhile Melbourne was ing quite naturally that it was ther unnecessary to choose a n Ital with such haste, or to n rliament from its present Able quarters in that city. constitution provided for a