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RIGHTS OF FILIPINOS

They File a Protest With the Peace Commissioners.

SAY SPAIN HAD NO RIGHT

To Decide to Hand the Philippines Over to the United States.

Their Argument Places President McKinley in an Awkward Position and Takes the Shine Off Admiral Dewey—They Claim That the United States Asked Their Aid as a Nation, and That Without Their Assistance Dewey's Story Would Have Been Different—McKinley, They Say, Was Only Aiding Them to Release the Yoke of Spain.

Paris, Dec. 25.—Aguinaldo, the insurgent leader in the Philippine Islands, has, through his financial representative, Agoncillo, filed a protest against the peace resolutions adopted by the commission. The protest says that the resolutions cannot be accepted as obligatory by the Philippine Government, since the commission had neither heard nor in any wise admitted the Philippine nation, who held an unquestionable right to intervene in them in relation to what might affect their future. Agoncillo then goes on to say: "I fulfil, therefore, my duty, when I protest, as I do in the most solemn manner, in the name of the President and the National Government of the Philippines against any resolution agreed upon at the peace conference in Paris, as long as the juridical political independent personality of the Filipino people is entirely unrecognized, and attempts are made in any form to impose on these inhabitants resolutions which have not been sanctioned by their public powers, the only ones who can legally decide as to their future in history.

Spain Had No Status.

"Spain is absolutely devoid of a status and power to decide in any shape or form the before-mentioned matter.

"The union of Spain and the Philippines is founded solely on two historical facts in which the exclusive right of Filipinos to decide their own destiny was implicitly recognized.

"First. The 'Bloody Treaty" (Pacto de sangre), of the 12th of March, 1565, entered into between the General Don Miguel Lopez de Legazpi and the Filipino Sovereign, Sikatuna, a compact which was ratified and confirmed on the one side by the King of Spain, Philip II., and on the other side by the monarchs of Mindanao, Visayas and Luzon, and by the Supreme Chief of that confederation, the Sultan Lacandola, proclaiming as a consequence the autonomous nationality of the Kingdom of New Castile formed by the Philippine Islands, under the sceptre by the King of Spain.

"Second. The so-called constitution of Cadiz in the discussion, vote, promulgation and execution of which the deputies and Filipino people took an active part; and by which constitution the nationality of 'the Spains' was made effective.

The Filipinos Protested.

"But from the very first moment in which the peninsular public powers attempted to impose their absolute sovereignty on the islands, the Filipinos protested by force of arms, and from the first attempt in 1814 the struggle in defence of their political personality was implanted.

"When in 1837 the violent deprivation of their rights was consummated, the Filipinos again protested, sustaining against them a fratricidal and inhuman struggle, which has lasted from that time onwards up to the present day.

"Falsehood, which always characterized the actions of the peninsular authorities, constantly hid from the world the fact of the resolution of force which has lasted almost a century.

Spain Not in Possession.

"At length, at the end of the present century, the Spanish forces have been completely routed by those of the natives, and Spain cannot now even allege the possession by her of the islands; because the permanency of a handful of peninsular soldiers (approximately 400), who are existing besieged in one or two fortresses in the south of the archipelago, cannot constitute such a right.

"The Spanish Government has ceased to hold any dominion by deed and by right; and the only authority which exists there and preserves order is that constituted by the Filipinos with the solemn sanction of their votes, the only legal fount of positive modern power.

"Under such conditions, the Spanish commissioners in Paris have not been able, within the principles of the law of nations, to give up or to transfer what, if they ever had, they had totally lost before the signing of the protocol of Washington and the arranging of the terms of the Peace Treaty in Paris. The Filipino people who consented to the 'Blood Treaty' and the 'Constitution of 1812,' annulled these conventions, by reason of Spain not complying with her undertakings and renewed their sovereignty by the solemn proclamation of the Philippine republic on the 1st of Aug., 1898, and by the establishment of a government and a regular and well-ordered administration created by the decisive votes of the natives.

The U. S. Have No Rights Either.

"If any juridical effect can be attributed to the Spanish action in the Peace Treaty, within the principles of international law, it is the explicit renunciation of all future pretensions over the land, the dominion and possession of which she had lost and therefore is only of use to make the recognition of the corporate body of the Filipino nation and that of their rights to rule effectively in respect to their future.

"The United States of America, on their part, cannot allege a better right to constitute themselves as arbitrators as to the future of the Philippines.

Acted With the U. S.

"On the contrary, the demands of honor and good faith impose on them the explicit recognition of the political status of the people, who, loyal to their conventions, were a devoted ally of their forces in the moments of danger and strife.

"The noble General Emilio Aguinaldo and the other Filipino chiefs were solicited to place themselves at the head of the suffering and heroic sons of that country to fight against Spain and to second the action of the brave and skilful Admiral Dewey.

"At the time of employing their armed co-operation with the commander of the

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POLITICS IN THE OLD LAND

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London Cable Writers Think Will Be Sir William's Successor.

ANOTHER LAND WAR IS IN SIGHT

If John Dillon's Plan of Party Politics is Carried Out This Coming Session.

New York, Dec. 25.—The London correspondent of The Evening Post, referring to the vacant Liberal leadership in the House of Commons, says: The information I was able to send you eight days ago regarding the reasons predominant with Sir William Harcourt in resigning the Liberal leadership in the House of Commons, and the intended nomination of Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman as his successor, was made publicly known here yesterday. Everyone admits that Sir Henry is a safe man, with an exceptional grace of pawky Scottish humor, who may be trusted to carry the Liberals over awkward parliamentary stiles as well as any man. Awkward stiles will be plentiful. Not the least awkward will be the Irish-Nationalist stile. John Dillon has, this week, outlined his party's tactics in the coming session. The new Irish County Councils are, he says, to be used as a political machine, as a powerful lever to force full Home Rule from England.

Another Land War.

More startling is Mr. Dillon's assurance that another land war is to be begun by a new unity Irish league. He says that despite some amelioration, the Irish farmers still are in a bad way, and thoroughly discontented with the decisions of the land commissioners. The new organization will follow the lines of the old Land League, with modifications, and will deal with the compulsory sale and enlargement of holdings as a remedy for the state of the congested districts, also with a division of the great grazing lands. "We have," adds Mr. Dillon, "a famine every five years. This can be remedied at the expense of a million or two."

Tired of Irish Agitation.

Liberals of the Rosebery type are admittedly tired of Irish agitation, but should Sir William Harcourt and Mr. John Morley give their blessing to this new movement, troubled days may again be before Ireland and England. Sore as the Ulster Tories are over reduced rents, new local government, and the coming Irish Catholic University, they will not brook a further Government surrender to the Nationalists.

What Mr. Ford Says.

Mr. Ford, cabling to The Tribune on the same subject, has this to say: "Undue stress has been laid in America upon Mr. Henry White's visit this week to Lord Salisbury at Hatfield House. It is a social engagement which he makes every year, and has no special bearing upon the revision of the treaty negotiations which will be conducted in Washington, where other Anglo-American questions are under consideration. While it is true that several country houses where Ministers and diplomats are entertained when Parliament is not in session are working centres, where foreign affairs are discussed informally, Hatfield is not one of these diplomatic capitals; it is a place where Lord Salisbury broods in silence over British politics, and he is not likely to mingle business with pleasure. The real diplomatic capital of England for eight months in the year is the country house, where men like Mr. Balfour, the Duke of Devonshire, Lord George Hamilton and Mr. Chamberlain are entertained.

At Salisbury's Country Seat.

If any ambassador wishes to approach Lord Salisbury informally on any subject and suggest a new line of action, he accepts an invitation to some country house where Mr. Balfour is a guest. The latter is Lord Salisbury's confidential adviser in foreign affairs, and Mr. Chamberlain also has great influence over him. England is almost the only European state where country houses are working centres of the governing class, where public business is despatched, and where Ministers confer with one another and exchange opinions with foreign representatives.

Mr. Asquith.

Mr. Asquith is almost the only prominent Liberal, except Lord Olisebery, who is constantly met at these exclusive country houses, and for that reason he is a favorite in society circles, as Sir William Harcourt's successor for the Liberal leadership of the House of Commons. He is ambitious and Mrs. Asquith is liked, and he has the best wishes of the West End for carrying off one of the political prizes of the new year. It is an open question whether he has the temper and flexibility required for uniting the distracted Liberal party. Mr. Campbell-Bannerman, if he be not too indolent to undertake the laborious task of leadership, is still considered by close observers as a probable candidate of the Liberal caucus. Mr. Fowler is also favored as everybody's friend and a national trimmer. Mr. Herbert Gladstone is preferred by Mr. Labouchere, and Sir Edward Grey's friends are seeking to prove that, while he is in sympathy with Lord Rosebery's diplomatic policies, he has strong Radical opinions on social questions. When the list is exhausted the name of any candidate competent to meet Mr. Chamberlain in debate is not found. Sir William Harcourt is the only man on the Liberal side who is in any sense a match for him."

A Serious Charge.

Belleville, Dec. 24.—Chief of Police Gunyon of Deseronto this morning brought to the county jail a man named James Beaverstock and his daughter, who have been committed to stand their trial on the charge of incest. They had their preliminary examination yesterday before Mr. Bedford, J. P., of Deseronto.

Dame's Gallery open Xmas—Monday—339½ Yonge street.

Humbert Grants Amnesty.

London, Dec. 26.—According to the Rome correspondent of The Daily News, King Humbert has signed a decree, granting amnesty to minor offenders in the recent Milan riots.

To-day's Program.

Mayoralty nominations at the City Hall, 10 to 11.

Aldermanic and trustees' nominations, from 12 to 1.

Ward One, at Dingman's Hall, by George Vennell.

Ward Two, at the Pavilion, by John Burns.

Ward Three, at Victoria Hall, by E. A. Scadding.

Ward Four, at Broadway Hall, by William Parsons.

Ward Five, at 273 Euclid-avenue, by Albert J. Keeler.

Ward Six, at St. Mark's Hall, by Samuel Hobbs.

Matinee at the Grand, "The Royal Box," also at 8.

"Lend Me Your Wife," at the Princess, 2 and 8.

"Under Sealed Orders," at the Toronto, 2 and 8.

Vaudeville stars, at the New Bijou, 2 and 8.

Re-opening of the Empire Theatre, high-class performances, 2 and 8.

Young Conservatives' at home, 8.

Young Liberals' meet, 8.

A TARDY CHRISTMAS TREATY DINNER.

WAITER JONATHAN: Waal, yes, stranger, things comes high here and thar comin' kinder middlin' slow, but yeou got ter take what's offered here or nawthin'. See?

WHAT BRITAIN IS AFTER NOW

Wants to Buy From Spain the Strip of Territory Opposite the Rock of Gibraltar.

WOULD HAVE THE KEY ON BOTH SIDES

Germany and France Are Said to be Working to Their Utmost to Prevent the Deal.

Madrid, Dec. 25.—By order of the Governor of Gibraltar, all Spanish laborers employed on British works have been discharged. Considerable concern is felt here at the news that fresh reinforcements of British troops have arrived here. It has been learned that England has offered a large sum for the cession of the strip of Spanish territory on the north shore of Africa, opposite Gibraltar, which includes Ceuta, but that German and French diplomacy is being exerted to the uttermost to prevent the sale.

DISASTER WHILE SKATING

Thirty Children Break Through the Ice at Brookline, Mass.—Three Drowned.

Brookline, Mass., Dec. 25.—The joyfulness of Christmas Day was sadly marred by one of the worst drowning accidents that have occurred in this vicinity for many years. Through the sudden breaking of the ice on Leverett Pond, in the park system, this afternoon, thirty young girls and boys were thrown into eight feet of water and, while numerous spectators and the police worked hard in saving them from a watery grave, three of the children were drowned before help could reach them. They were James W. Clattenburg, jr., 10 years old; Arthur Collins, 12 years old, and Emma Miller, 14 years old.

Moss Park Rink—Christmas day, skating afternoon and evening. Special illuminations at night.

Will Guilty Resign?

Montreal, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—It is stated here to-night in well-informed political circles that Mr. Guilty, M.P. for Bonaventure, has resigned or will resign his seat in the near future. Some state that Mr. Guilty finds that political life interferes with his business, which is a general store at Maria, while others claim that this is a pretext and that dissatisfaction with the Government is the real cause of Mr. Guilty's retirement from the House of Commons.

Cook's Turkish and Russian Baths. Open all night, 202 and 204 King St. W.

Emperor William's Christmas.

Berlin, Dec. 25.—Emperor William and the members of the Imperial family followed their Christmas observances to-day. Last evening the Emperor while taking his solitary walk in the neighborhood of the San Souci palace, at Potsdam, entered freely into conversation with the soldiers and workmen, giving them Christmas presents.

Smoke Union Blue Label Cigars.

Till '99 at Dineens'.

A farewell to the passing year, with low prices for ladies' and children's furwear at Dineens'. The reductions are marked for to-morrow.

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IRON MASK VS. CENTRE STAR

Full Court at Victoria Rendered an Important Judgment on Saturday Last.

CENTRE STAR APPEAL DISMISSED.

Will Actual Work be Done to Settle the Point in Dispute as to the Vein?

Victoria, B.C., Dec. 25.—The full court yesterday gave judgment in the appeal in the Iron Mask and Centre Star case, in which the Centre Star Company claim that they have on their land the apex of a vein which dips towards and under the land of the Iron Mask, and that they are entitled to follow this vein down to its termination. The Iron Mask Company, on the other hand, deny the existence of a vein, and say that if there is one, it has been cut off by a flat fault, and terminated.

Mr. Justice Walkem delivered the judgment of the court, concluding as follows: "The parties here have equal rights depending, however, on different title. The Centre Star have a right to follow a vein into the adjoining claim. The Iron Mask, until that vein is proved, have a right to all ore within the vertical lines of their claim. I think it should be left to the judgment at the trial to say whether or not actual work should be done for the purpose of elucidating any particular point with regard to the issues raised. The Chief Justice authorizes me to state that in his opinion the Centre Star appeal ought to be dismissed. The appeal will, therefore, be dismissed with costs."

Mr. Justice Martin delivered a dissenting judgment, holding that the Centre Star Company should have the inspection asked for.

Mr. Davis asked for leave to appeal to the Privy Council, but Mr. Bodwell was not ready to deal with that matter this morning. It will come up again before the full court on Jan. 9.

Ibex Mining Co.

Mr. Justice Drake yesterday delivered judgment in Ibex Mining Company winding up matters. By his judgment he places on the list of contributories Messrs. Turtheway (12,500) King and O'Brien (6500.) This case has been in the court for some time and this decision will likely be appealed, as the question was one before the full court and was referred back to single judge.

Closing the Year at Dineens'.

The holiday week reductions in prices for ladies' and children's fur-wear begin at Dineens' to-morrow. The reductions run from 10 to 25 per cent.

With Christmas past and the New Year ahead we are right into the social season. If your evening dress or blouse wants dyeing we can do it promptly and no matter how fine the fabric. Expert lace workers handle the lace cleaned here. R. Parker & Co., 787-791 Yonge St., Toronto. Tels. 3037, 3640, 2143, 1004, 5098.

The attention of users is invited to the merits of E. B. Eddy's indurated fibre ware tubs, pails, etc., which are for sale at all first-class grocery stores. Housekeepers readily recognize their superiority over the ordinary wooden tubs, etc. 135

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Smoke Union Blue Label Cigars.

LOVE, JEALOUSY, MURDER

The Terrible Distress Brought Into a New York Home on a Christmas Day

BY THE LOVE AFFAIRS OF CHILDREN.

Frank Nulty Shoots His Former Sweetheart and Puts a Bullet in His Own Brain.

New York, Dec. 25.—In the hallway of her home at 2371 Eighth avenue, Mamie Remly, a 17-year-old girl, was shot in the heart and killed this afternoon by Frank Nulty, 19 years old. At the same time Nulty shot himself through the head and was taken to a hospital, and it is believed he will die.

He Fell in Love.

The young man is a clerk in the branch of the post office at University Heights, residing near there with his parents. Four months ago Nulty and the young woman met. After that Nulty was a frequent caller at her home, and a month after the first meeting they were engaged. Nulty presented Miss Remly with a diamond ring and his picture. A short time ago the couple quarreled, and Nulty ended by throwing the ring and the picture into the fire and leaving the house. The girl told her mother of the quarrel and the engagement was broken off.

Became Insanely Jealous.

Still from time to time Nulty called. Once he said to the girl: "You will marry me, or no one; some day I will blow the top of your head off." A few days since he wrote her: "You had better go to confession, for the next time you leave church I am going to kill you."

And Committed Murder

This afternoon Nulty called at the house. He preceded his visit with a note on Saturday, and when the girl answered his ring at the bell to-day she carried with her a bundle of letters. She met him in the hall. A few minutes later her mother heard a scream and then a pistol shot and then a second and a third shot were fired. She ran to the hallway and there, near the door, lay two forms. One was her daughter, the other was Nulty. The man had fallen on the body of Miss Remly. He still held a revolver in his hand. The girl clutched convulsively at the package of letters tied with a pink ribbon.

An ambulance arrived from the hospital, but the girl was beyond aid, and her murderer was unconscious. The bullet had entered his brain and it is believed he will not live through the night.

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Edwards and Hart-Smith, Chartered Accountants, Bank of Commerce Building. George Edwards, F.C.A., A. Hart-Smith, C.A. 135

Iroquois Hotel.

The Sunday 6 o'clock dinner will be served to-day at 6 p. m. with music.

Moss Park Rink—Special illuminations Christmas evening. Band afternoon and evening.

WM. M'KENZIE IS OUT OF IT

Bank of Nova Scotia Will Finance That New Electric Road at Havana.

THE PRICE PAID WAS $1,800,000.

An Old Mule Road Will be Fitted With Electricity and Will be Stocked for Millions.

Montreal, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—The Bank of Nova Scotia is not going to establish a branch in Havana, as reported.

Messrs. H. C. McLeod, the general manager of that institution, and William Doull of this city, who arrived here yesterday from Cuba Libre, were after bigger game. In the first place the news is confirmed that Hanson Bros., bankers, of this city, and several other Montreal capitalists, together with a New York and English syndicate, have purchased the Havana Street Railway and all its franchises for $1,800,000 and as the Bank of Nova Scotia will finance the Canadian section of the big deal, Mr. McLeod went down to Havana to look into the possibilities of the enterprise. The general manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia was closeted nearly all day yesterday with the Hansons and it is understood his report is most satisfactory. As the purchased line was a mule road, it will be greatly extended and run by electricity, consequently the capital of the new company will be several millions.

It is also said that Mr. William McKenzie, who was supposed to have a dicker with the English syndicate, is now completely out of the deal.

Mr. McLeod left last evening for Boston and Mr. Edwin Hanson will go to New York to-morrow, and it is stated that work will be begun almost immediately.

ROBERT KING AN ALLEGED FORGER

Former Hotelkeeper at Walkerton Arrested in That Town by Pinkertons From Chicago.

Walkerton, Ont., Dec. 25.—Robert King, a former hotelkeeper, was arrested at Paisley on Friday night by Pinkerton men from Chicago, and remanded by Judge Barrett here yesterday for extradition proceedings next Saturday. He is charged with passing a forged draft for $550 on a bank at Rock Rapids, Iowa, but it is understood that there is a great deal more behind this charge. King professed to be making a fortune of late as patent rights agent, and has been spending money by the thousands around Paisley. Some interesting evidence is expected to be brought before the judge next Saturday, as a large number of witnesses are coming from the United States.

DON CARLOS STILL ON DECK

Says There Is Nothing in the Report That He Intends to Abdicate.

London, Dec. 26.—The Venice correspondent of The Times says: "Don Carlos, who is in perfect health, desires me to deny absolutely the report that he contemplates abdicating. On the contrary, he says he is more resolved than ever to fulfil his role to the end. He authorizes me to assert that he has asked an audience of the Pope and has requested nothing else of His Holiness."

Loan for Don Carlos.

Rome, Dec. 25.—The Agenzia Italiano asserts that a German syndicate has promised Don Carlos a loan of 30,000,000 francs in three instalments; the first when he has 10,000 men under arms; the second when he has captured Bilbao, capital of the Province of Biscayo, and the third two months after operations are commenced.

Pember's Turkish Baths, 129 Yonge-street

AFFAIRS IN SPAIN

Sagasta's Illness Delays Matters—Bank of Spain Asks for More Security.

London, Dec. 26.—The Madrid correspondent of The Standard says:—Senor Sagasta's illness has brought to a standstill the political crisis and the negotiations for the reorganization of the Liberal party. Many Liberals are opposed to Gen. Weyler's becoming Minister of War, because they fear he will aspire to succeed Sagasta as leader of the party.

El Liberal publishes an interview with Weyler in the course of which he is represented as declining to give any information regarding the crisis, but as insisting upon the necessity of a strong government. Such a government could not, he said, be drawn from the party led by Senor Silvela. Gen. Weyler hinted that the country would run great risks unless power were placed in the hands of a Sagasta-Weyler coalition government.

The Bank of Spain has ceased to make advances upon Philippine and Cuban bonds and has asked a supplementary guarantee for previous advances owing to the decline in the value of the bonds. The Government has arranged with Madrid and Barcelona bankers to advance the amount needed for the service of these bonds in January.

Armeda Tea has the Flavor.

BAKER CLAIMS $10,000

For the Death of His Wife in the Ill-Fated Portland Disaster.

Portland, Me., Dec. 25.—Edward L. Baker, through his attorney, has brought suit against the Portland Steamship Company on account of the death of his wife, Mrs. Buelah M. Baker, who was on board the Portland when she went down. The suit is for $10,000. The writ is quite long, and after reciting the facts in relation to the loss of the Portland, charges the company with carelessness in allowing the Portland to sail from Boston in the face of the storm when they knew the storm was threatening.

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DEATHS.

HUTCHINSON—At his residence, Weston, W. L. Hutchinson of the Weston Trading Company.

Funeral Monday at 2 p. m. to Riverside Cemetery, Weston.

MILLER—At his late residence, 243 Jarvis-street, Toronto, Hugh Miller, J.P., in his 81st year.

Funeral on Tuesday, 27th, at 3 o'clock, to the Necropolis.

THE TRANSVAAL AGAIN

British Life is Worth Little in Johannesburg To-Day.

BOERS ARE MURDEROUS

Edgar's Shooting Brings a Demand for the Protection of Great Britain.

Things Have Been Going From Bad to Worse in the South African Republic for Some Time and a Crisis Seems to Have Been Reached—Troops Being Sent Almost Daily to South Africa—Sir Alfred Milner in London.

New York, Dec. 25.—The London correspondent of The Times, referring to South African affairs, says: "An ugly but typical incident still further strains the relations between England and the Transvaal. The Boer police were called upon to quell a row in front of the house of a British subject in Johannesburg, named Edgar. They called out Edgar and a policeman shot him dead. The policeman has been released on $1000 bail.

A mass meeting of foreign inhabitants of Johannesburg has been called for to-morrow to protest against the insecurity of life and property under the Boer rule, and to demand protection against police tyranny.

Things have been going from bad to worse in the Transvaal for some time, and sooner or later such an incident as this will bring about a crisis out of which the Transvaal may not emerge at all.

The British force in South Africa is being steadily increased, in view of the eventualities. Four hundred men sailed from Southampton Thursday; more are leaving here to-day; there will be another draft a week hence—altogether 1000 men.

Sir Alfred Milner, Governor of the Cape, and Conyngham Greene, the British resident at Pretoria, are both in London and have had several conferences at the Colonial Office.

To a correspondent who had written Mr. Chamberlain about the need of protection for British subjects in the Transvaal, the Colonial Secretary curtly replies to-day that "British interests are thoroughly protected by Her Majesty's Government, not only in the Transvaal, but everywhere else, as well."

REMORSE EATING HIS LIFE OUT

Simeon Czuby, the Galician Murderer, Does Nothing But Moan and Cry—He Doesn't Sleep.

Winnipeg, Dec. 25.—The Galician murderer, Simeon Czuby, is still in a state of pitiable misery, and he moans and cries at intervals, in a manner to move even those hardened with experiences of remorse in others. He neither eats nor sleeps well, and his punishment, like that of the first murderer, seems more than he can bear.

Moss Park Rink—Excellent skating—Band Christmas afternoon and evening.

Many Happy Returns.

Rev. Principal William Caven of Knox College, born in Wigtonshire, Scotland, Dec. 26, 1830.

Happy Days! Happy Days!

Mr. E. S. Cox has decided to run in the Second Ward as alderman, and has made his rallying cry Happy Days. Mr. Cox's card is in another column.

Cook's Turkish and Russian Baths. Bath and Bed $1.00, 204 King St. W.

E. A. Macdonald Qualified.

The opinion of A. B. Aylesworth, Q.C., was asked as to the qualification of Mr. Macdonald. His opinion runs as follows:

Toronto, Dec. 23, 1898.

E. A. McDonald, Esq., Toronto.

Dear Sir—My opinion has been asked on the question of your qualification to be elected Mayor of the City of Toronto for the ensuing year.

I have been put fully into possession of the facts in regard to your assessment and the interest you hold as tenant of the premises Nos. 35 and 41 Grenville street, Toronto.

In my opinion you have the property qualification required by the statute for the office of Mayor of this city for the ensuing year. Yours truly,

"A. B. AYLESWORTH."

Pember's Turkish and Vapor Baths, 127 and 129 Yonge. Bath and bed $1.00.

Generally Fair.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Dec. 25.—(11 p.m.)—The pressure is generally high and the weather cold from the lakes to the Atlantic. There is a depression passing over the Northwest, causing comparatively mild weather there, and a chinook wind is blowing over Alberta.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 42—46; Calgary, 30—46; Battleford, 14—42; Qu'Appelle, 8—34; Winnipeg, 4—24; Parry Sound, 8—20; Toronto, 22—28; Ottawa, 16—18; Montreal, 22—24; Quebec, 12—16; Halifax, 32—38.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay: Generally fair, stationary or a little higher temperature; light local snow falls or flurries.

Ottawa Valley—Fair weather; little change in temperature.

Upper and Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Fair weather; little change in temperature.

Maritime—Moderate winds; mostly westerly; fair and cold.

Lake Superior—Strong south to west winds; mostly fair; rising temperature; light local snowfalls.

Manitoba—Strong winds or gales from the westward; fair and mild.

You needn't run to keep warm with good Overcoats, Ulsters and Reefers all marked at clearing prices during the New Year's Clothing Sale at Oak Hall, 115 King street east.

Steamship Movements.

Dec. 25.	At.	From.
La Normandie	New York	Havre
Wineland	New York	St. John's
La Champagne	Havre	New York