## UVER SULTANS BROTTER

#### Who Has Been Held a Prisoner but is Now Liberated.

The So-Called Pretender Wants the Throne for Him-A Spanish Sloop of War flas Arrived at Tangiers and Morocco is Quiet-Turks and Bulgarlans Fight and Fifteen of the Turkish Troops Are Killed o Wounded-Bulgarians Escaped-The Turkish Commander Fell-German Trade With the United States.

Gibraltar, Jan. 5.—The despatch of Spanish reinforcements to Morocco has been countermanded. The latest Isabel has arrived here. Spanish reinforcements to Morocco has been countermanded. The latest advices from Fez, Morocco, say that

Fighting for Sultan's Brother. Tangier, Morocco, Jan. 5.—The pretender has issued a proclamation that he is not fighting for the throne for himself, but for the Sultan's imprisoned brother, Mulai

It is now confirmed that the Sultau has ordered his brother's release, and that the honors of his rank be paid to him.

MINE EXPLOSION KILLS

Commission.

The Governor at a recent conference with the Kabule Chiefs pointed out to them that they were respon-

Turks and Bulgarians Fight. Turks and Bulgarians Fight.
Constantinople, Jan. 5.—In a recent light between Bulgarians and Turkish troops at the village of Drenova, in the Monastir district, fifteen of the latter were killed or wounded. The Turkish commander was among the killed. The Bulgarians, who were barricaded in a house, also sustained losses, but the survivors escaped. vivors escaped.

German U. S. Trade. Berlin, Jan. 5.— Partial returns from the consular district indicate that Germany's exports to the U. S. increased in 1902 by about \$5, 000.000 over those of 1901. The im-ports from the U. S. fell off, but no reliable figures are available.

\$204.10; average earnings of boys earnings of all employees, \$432.63.

against the estate of Lord Francis Hope has been settled amicably. The terms of the settlement have not

Frederick S. Shaw, of Columbia University, Yesterday broke the strength test record of 2,049 points by himself, according to the Sargent system of measurement, in November-tast. The new figures made by Shaw are 2,136.

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The Mayor of the city of Leon, Mexico, which has a population of 80,000, has issued an order that every house in the city must be repainted within a mouth. Paint dealers have had their stocks depleted as a result of the remarkable order.

CURZON'S SPEECH AT DELHI

Deplores Decadence of Indian

Native Arts.

Dellu, Despatch-This was the sec-

and a brilliant gathering of native

Lord Curzon made a noteworthy

speech on the decadence of Indian na tive arts. He deplored that native taste was declining, and that many

modern models were debased. It was

in the hope of arresting the prog-ress of decay that the exhibition had been organized. He appealed to na-tive artists and their patrons to study and imitate the beautiful spe-cimens of the past collected at the exhibition. They were witnessing in India one aspect of a process that was going on the purpose the read

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PRO-BOERS AND CANADA.

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Monterey, Jan. 5.—Dec. 29.—Gen. Samuel Pearson, the former Boer commander, who is here, says that plans had been made for an invasion of Canada with an army of pro-Boer Americans, when a stop was put to the proceedings by the death of the financial backer of the movement. He says that had it not been for the death of Edward Vanness, of New York, the invasion would have been made during March or April. The war was not ended until May.

Vanness had agreed to furnish all the money necessary to equip an army of at least three thousand men. He was a wealthy retired New Yorker, whose entire sympathy was with the Boers, according to Gen. Pearson's statement.

#### OYSTER

Effect of the Scare Over Fatal Weyard Banquet.

ALL ENGLAND IS ALARMED

London, Jan. 5.-No matter how. London may determine to throw off the excitement of its Christmastide, something extraordinary always crops up to keep people awake. This year the excitement is over oysters. The fatal mayoral banquet

at Winchester has caused no end Statistics of Mines Sent Into the Strike at whichester has caused no end of sensation. The post-mortems which declared the death of many prominent victims to be due to typhod from swallowing diseased oysters, foliowed by the death of the Dean of Winchester, also from having eaten oysters, have had a most disastrous effect on the English oyster trade. ter trade.

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Mr. Gann, one of the largest wholesale oyster merchants in England, in an interview, said the sale of oysters had fallen by about 75 per cent. "My own books," he said, "show that I have taken in about £5,000 less during the last three days than I should have, had this typhoid scare not occurred. I estimate that during the present oyster season this outbreak will cost the trade about \$500,000 worth of business."

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A worse feature, however, than the loss to the large merchants will be the falling off in the employment of those who get their daily bread in the oyster producing districts. For instance, along the Kent and Essex shores there must be 500 or 600 men employed on the oyster beds. The care means a shortage to 500 or 600 families—several thousand persons. The extent of the Emsworth's loss is best set forth in the following statement by Mr. Foster, one of the largest merchants in London:

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"In the week before Christmas we reckon to sell 100,000 oysters, but what has happened is that in the week before the scare we sold from 35,000 to 40,000. On Monday, the day previous to the first publication of the typhoid outbreak, we sold 5,000; on Tuesday the number was 3,000. Since then we have not disposed of 1,000 a day. On Saturday we did not get rid off a single oyster. On Monday 60,000 arrived by smack. They are useless. This week 50,000 more are due; they will be useless. I have at present in the beds about 50,000 oysters, valued at between \$5,000 and \$10,000, but they cannot be sold.
"Again, I have oysters, laid the

"Again, I have oysters laid in other parts to which no suspicion attaches, but the present scare will render their disposal exceedingly difficult."

#### U. S. CABLE LANDED.

san Francisco Now Linked With

Honolulu despatch-The U.S. cable was completed at 8.40 o'clock last was completed at 8.40 o'clock last night, when the two ends were brought together in Molokai Channel, 35 miles from Honolulu, where the San Francisco end had been buoyed since Dec. 26. Shortly after com-munication was established the fact was announced to the crowd in waiting, and was greeted with applause. Judge Cooper, representing Governor Do.e, who was absent from the island, eent a message to President Roos velt announcing the opening and ex-tending a greeting from the citizens of Hawaii. The public celebration, which has been held in abeyance until the completion of the cable, will be held in the capitol grounds to-mor-

NAVAL PRISONERS MUTINY. Discharged Revolvers, but Were

Cowed by Brave Officers. Boston, Jan. 5.-It was learned to day that an officer of marines quelled an inciplent mutiny, in which two prisoners of war were the chief prisoners of war were the chief actors, on board the Sound line steamer Plymouth last night. On board were twelve general court-martial naval prisoners, who were being taken from the Brooklyn navy

yard to the naval prison here, to serve out their terms. An escort of marines accompanied the men. Two of the long-term prisopers were unshackled and sent below in charge of two marines. These pris-oners disarmed their guards of their revolvers and began a general fusil-ade. The officer in charge, when he appeared, was confronted by one of the men with a drawn revolver.

The officer said: The officer said:

"Now, don't do anything foolish,"
and his words had the effect of bringing the anruly men into submission.

The men were reshackled. Ten shots
in all were fred. The prisoners were
tanded at Fall River and brought
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Middleport Tragedy Investigated by Coroners' Jury.

#### ARRESTS AT ANGASTER.

Alfred Hanley and Edward Ray. Well Known Butchers, Charged With the Previous Hold-up at the Home of the Watson Brothers-Much

Brantford despatch-The inquest Brantford despatch—The inquest into the circumstances attending the tragic death of Wesley Watson, which occurred last Tuesday morning at his home near Middleport, was resumed yesterday in the hall of that village. The session occupied about five hours. The chief evidence was that presented by James Watson, a brother of the deceased. Dr. Fissette, of this city, presided, and A. J. Wilkes, K. C., Crown Attorney, represented the Crown. W. C. Livingston' looked after the interests of the Watsons. Samuel Watson was not present, the authorities deeming his appearance unnecessary. To-morrow afternoon he will be taken before Squire Leitch, of this city,
James Watson told of the attack on himself and brother by burglars on November 22nd, who subjected them to torture to obtain the knowledge of the whereabouts of their money. His testimony was that they had on several occasions sought to have their landlord repair the buildings on the farm, but unsuccessfully, and during the present fall they declided to with-hold the rent of \$500 until such time as the repairs demanded were made. Fearing that the landlord could garnishee the money if they into the circumstances attending

hold the rent of \$500 until such time as the repairs demanded were made. Fearing that the landlord could garnishee the money if they had it in the bank they withdrew it all. This with the amount derived from the sale of their chattels, amounted to about \$2,600. They deposited this sum in two fruit Jars, and buried them in different parts of the farm. They told a few persons about doing so. The burglars secured the smaller jar. Ever since the brothers have lived in a state of nervous fear.

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The jury returned the following verdict: "We find that Wesley Watson met his death from a gunshot wound inflicted by Samuel Watson, during a period of irresponsibility induced by excessive nervous and mental fear bordering on mania due to the maltreatment previously inflicted by burglars, and the belief that they were again to be subjected to worse abuse by the same parties. We find no evidence of malice or premeditation, and believe that he fully supposed his victim was a burglar."

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Allred Hanley and Edward Ray were arrested in Ancaster Township on Sunday on a charge of entering the home in Middleport of Samuel and James Watson, gagging and binding the two brothers and robbing them. They were brought to Brantford by Constables Armour and Merrill, arraigned on Sunday before John A. Leitch, Justice of the Peace, and pleaded not guilty. The case was adjourned until Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. A great deal of interest is taken in this arrest. After the unfortunate tragedy in Middleport on Tuesday morning last, the two brothers told a story relating to the causes that led to the shooting. They stated that on Nov. 22 last their home was entered by two masked men, who selzed them when they came in bound and merced. Alleged Burglars Caught. last their home was entered by two masked men, who seized them when they came in, bound and gagged them, and tortured them into telling where they had hidden some money that they were known to have in the house. The brothers asserted at the time that they knew who the men were, in spite of the fact that they were masked and attempted to disguise their voices, but that the only witness who could know anything of the case refused to testify, and that therefore they could not take any action, having no evidence to offer except that of themselves. The events of last Tuesday, however, put a different complexion on the matter, and James Watson swore matter, and James Watson swore out an information against Han-ley and Ray. They stoutly main-tain their imnocence. Bail was ac-cepted for each of the two men on securities of \$400 each.

#### HE WAS VERY GREEN.

Paid a Crook \$10 to See Temple Building Revolve.

Chicago, Jan. 5 .- William Green, farmer from Saginaw, Mich., was the victim yesterday afternoon of a confidence man, whose manner of obtaining money from unsuspecting strangers was new to the police. Green, according to the police, gave the bunko man \$10 with the expectation that for a portion of that sum he would see the Masonic Temple turn. He also believed the stranger when informed that he would get his change back if he waited a few moments on the street corner. Green did as he was told, but after waiting almost an hour for the building to turn and apother hour for the man with his change, he became the man with his change, he becar the man with his change, he became suspicious that he had been swindled, and reported the case to Detective Sergeants Morgan and McGrath, of the central station.

Green had been in Chicago spending the holidays with friends on the south side. He left for his home last night but having a few heavest late. south side. He lett for his home fast night, but having a few hours' leis-ure before train time, decided to see the sights. He was amazed at the height of the Masonic Temple and was gazing skyward when he was accosted by a well-dressed stranger "Pretty tall building," remarked "The biggest I ever see," answered

got through being turned again, it just minutes ago."

Green was disappointed. He said he would like to see such a sight just so he could tell about it when he got back to Saginaw, but explained that he did not have time to wait, as he would miss his train. The stranger said if Green would let him have \$2 perhaps he could bribe the engineer to have the building make an extra turn. Green did not have two dollars in change, but gave the man a \$10 note. The stranger passed through one of the revolving doors and Green has not seen him since.

#### 300 CHILDREN MURDERED.

Horrible Baby Farming Conspiracy in Osaka.

Yokohama, Jan. 5 .- Details of a horrible baby farming conspiracy in Osaka have jest been made public here. An elderly woman, her married daughter, husband, and two others have been arrested for infanticide and it is learned that since they started operations this year hundred children were killed.

Marconi's Prophecy for the Near Future.

THE INVENTOR WAS BANQUETED

Halifae despatch-Citizens of Cape Breton gave a orlihant banquet has hight at Sydney to Marcon, the sage of wireless telegraphy. Eighty guests surrounded the tables. Mayor Crowe, of Sydney, presided. Mr. Marconi gave a brief survey of the milestones of wireless telegraphy. He said that about two years ago he thought that by using greater power than he had formerly used messages could be sent to greater distances, and he advised the company to establish a station for that purpose at Cornwall and ascertain whether it was or was not possible to communicate across the atlantic. The company did erect such a station at a cost of one hundred thousand dollars.

"The test made at Signai Hill last year assured me," said Marconi, "that trans-Atlantic wireless telegraphy was possible. My reason for going to ormerly used messages could be sent

trans-Atlantic wireless telegraphy was possible. My reason for going to St. John's was that it was the nearest point to Europe, but unfortunaely a cable company that appeared to have a monopoly on every mode of communication except by speech, intervened, and we had to forego further work. While in Newfoundland Teaching from received generous invitations from the Canadian Government to come the Canadian Government to come to Cape Breton. I came, and met with most enthusiastic reception. I would be doing the Italiah Government an injustice did I not express to it my gratitude for its moral and material assistance of my schemes from the very outset."

Mr. Marconi then referred to the uses to which wireless telegraphy is at present applied and said that when the system was further developed it would make it possible for a ship in distress to signal to a passing ship, as had aiready been done in the Cape Breton

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English Channel.

"Wireless telegraphy," he said,
"would by being a cheaper method
of communication, become a potent agency in cementing the ties that bind England to her colonies. The cables are efficient and good, but the cost prohibits their users the public at large. I have a contract with the Dominion Government to send com-mercial messages at a rate of the mercial messages at a rate of cents a word and Government business at five cents a word and don't you think this very cheap in comparison with the rate of twenty-five harged by the cable companies; and don't you also think that this reduction will do a great deal toward a better products disdeal toward a better understanding and better relations between the two countries? The cable started sending messages at the rate of £1 a word, but has come down to twenty-five cents. In the case of wireless telegraphy, is it not promising that when it starts with ten cents a word it may come down to one cent a word?

#### THE REFERENDUM.

Later Returns Increase the Majority to 96,026.

Complete returns from Fort William and Lake of the Woods show that the total vote cast in that constituency in favor of putting the Ontario liquor act into operation was 759, against 744, giving a majority in favor of the act of 15, instead of 19 against, as at first reported. Thus brings the total vote cast, irrespective of spoiled ballots, up to 302,128, of which 199,077 were in the affirmative, and 103,051 in the negative, giving a majority of 96,026. The respective percentages of 65.9 for and 34.1 against are not affected by the change in the figures. East Nipissing is now the only constituency from which the returns are incomplete. was 759, against 744, giving a ma-

#### 74 YEARS WITH ONE FAMILY. Record Made by a Servant in the Island of Jamaica.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Jan. 5 Among the prizes offered by the Gleaner, a Jamaica newspaper, in its Christmas number was one to the strant who could show the longest continuous service in one family in Jamaica.

There were fifty-rine competitors, and the prize was awarded to an old African woman, with seventy-four years' service to her credit. She is now eighty-nine years old and quite

the ctor fity-cight servants had been employed from five to seventy-

In the annual report of the Hamburg Chamber of Commerce the German press is urged to refrain from attacks on Britain.

### ANOTHER G. T. R. COLLISON

Victoria Bridge Scene of a Railway Tragedy.

#### ONE CONDUCTOR DECAPITATED

Montreal despatch—Following close-ly upon the Wanstead disaster the G. T. R. line was the scene of another bad accident to-day, though fortu-nately the loss of life was not great. As the result of a collision tetween two freight trains a con-ductor lost his life and considerable damage was done to property.

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The scene of to-day's accident was the great Victoria Bridge, which spans the St. Lawrence between Montreal on the north and St. Lawrence her were following each other on the east were following each other on the St. Lambert side of the bridge shortly before noon, running apparently under normal conditions, when the engine of the second train ran into the caboose at the rear end of the first, and the force of the impact was so great that the locomotive drove the caboose from the track on to the caboose from the track on to the car in front of it, and decapitated the conductor, Octave Tremblay. The collision was followed by a conflagration, which required the services of the Montreal fire department to suppress.

How the two trains came to be running so closely behind each other that a momentary stoppage of the forqumost of the two should have been followed by the second running into the rear of it will require investigation to explain. Conductor Tremblay was in the act of disconnecting his van from the rear of the train, the usual practice as trains leave the bridge, when the engine of the second crashed into it. He was standin; between the van and the next car in the act of making the disconnection when the collision took place.

BRITISH OR RUSSIAN?

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Max Nordau Sees a Mighty Combat for Supremacy

Vienna, Jan. 5.-In the course of an exhaustive review of the history of the world, contributed to the of the world, contributed to the Neue Frie Presse by Max Nordau, the writer deeply deplores the growth of military imperialism in the United States, and says that by the admission of the sprit of militarism, which was formally rigorously excluded, America is raising obstacles to the entrance of emigrants, whose only capital is their strong working arms. Speaking of the future off the world, M. Nordau says the opening of the Panama Canal, under American ownership, will mark the beginning of a new epoch. At first American ownership, will mark the beginning of a new epoch. At first the Anglo-Saxon element will seek to drive out the French and German flags floating over single points in the Pacific Ocean; then the struggle will be carried further to the Asiatic coast, where Anglo-Saxons and Russians will have to decide the momentous question of whether Eastern or Russian Asiaslall remain British or Russian. To this forecast M. Nordau adds: "One can only imagine with horror what such a gigantic struggle of nations and races will signify."

#### LOADSTONE IN RIVER BED.

Kentucky's Famous Suck Hole Proves

to be a Magnet. A deep hole of water in Nolynn Creek, ten miles south of Hogdenville. has for some time been attracting attention by reason of the fact that it has a very strong suction. For years it has been known as the "suck hole." It is about ten feet deep and about fifty yards long. The water is clear and bottom can caswatched by people in that section for a number of years, and it has also to some extent been avoided. It now develops that it is no "such hole," but in the bottom of the river it is claimed there is a streak of powerful load-stone.

A man in that community recently.

constructed, a large and substan-tial raft for the purpose of investi-gating the causes of the suction in this particular part of the river. It was discovered that the river bottom is solid rock and that through the centre of the rock, running length-wise, is a black streak It is about five inches in width and runs the length of the hole. This streak was examined with a common fish gig and was found to be very hard. The gig adhered to the stone, and it took no little pulling to extricate it. Fur-ther investigation was made, and it is said the streak following the bot-tom of the river is undoubtedly pow-erful loadstone. erful loadstone

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This hole was discovered over forty years ago by Enoch Atteberry, who came near losing his life in the water, having been rescued by two men, who pulled him out by means of a long pole. Lum Wess and Luther Trulock, also came near losing their lives in the hole a short time ago while seining. They were rescued half-drowned by other members of the party. The attraction was so powerful toward a chain on the bottom of the scine that the seiners had to abandon it. The hole is not in the main stream, but is an outlet.

A dog thrown into the water nev-A dog thrown into the water never comes out, but is quickly drawn to the bottom. When a trout line is A dog thrown into the water never comes out, but is quickly drawn to the bottom. When a trout line is stretched across the place the unseen energy attracts the hooks to the black streak and there holds them securely until they are drawn out. At times there is a strong undercurrent in the bayon, which is unaccounted for, and which often sweeps the bottom clean, relieving the loadstone of its collection.

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The locality of the suck hole is getthe locality of the suck hole is get-ting to be a much dreaded one, es-pecially by the superistitious. It is known to all negroes as the "death hole," and farmers in that section find it difficult to employ negro help. Many cattle and hogs have been lost.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

John Oliver, a prosperous English ironmaster, in Madrid, won the first prize of \$50,000 in the State lottery. He distributed the monog distributed the among his employees.

# Pottsville, Pa., despatch—By an explosion at the Oak Hill colliery today six or more mine workers were killed and a score severely burned. Among the killed are Hugh Curran, Patrick Martin and Michael Under. Coal Mine Statistics. Scranton, Pa., Jan. 2.—Statistics on hours and wargetfor 1991 have been forwarded to the Mine Strike mainiston by the Delaware Lackman Western. Among the Western. Among the Statistics of the summary are these: Scranton, Pa., Jan. 5.—Statistics on hours and wargktfor 1991 have been forwarded to the Mine Strike annission by the Delaware, Lackman of the summary are these: Number of collieries 19: number of **NEWS IN BRIEF**

CANADIAN. Toronto's building record for last ear amounted to \$5,034,000. Sir Oliver Mowat personally welpipeg now stands third in the importing centres in Canada.

The first fire of the rear did \$500 damage to Stanley Barracks, Toronto. Dr. A. Y. Scott, of Toronto, was reported much worse, with little hope of recovery.

News has been received at Ottawa hat a recent storm played havoc hith the Yukon telegraph line. There were 375 entries at the To-nto Canary and Cage Bird Society's low, 54 more than the record.

The Toronto Conservatory of Music has purchased the property to the south of its present premises. ed at Bracebridge to three years in Kingston Penitentiary for robbery. Mr. Chris Foley has consented to stand as independent labor candi date in Burrard for the Commons the annual ball of the Guelph

Defini, Despatch—This was the sec-ond day of the ceremonies of the coronation durbar, at which King Edward is to be proclaimed Emperor of India. Lord Curzon, the Viceroy of Iedia, carried out the programme for to-day by opening the Indian Arts Exhibition in the presence of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught fire brigade, Mayor Kennedy, on behalf of the business men of the city, presented the firemen with a new billiard table. Several changes are reported in the Winnipeg Tribune staff. Mr. R. L. Ri-chardson becomes business manager, and is succeeded in the editorial chair by Mr. J. J. Moncrief, news

Heirs to the Eli Hyman estate. Toonto are springing up all over the ountry. The latest claimants are eard from in San Francisco, where the first wife and one of the daughters of the Toronto miser have been located. Lawyers claim to have all the proof that is necessary to es-tablish their position re the estate.

The Indian staff corns is to be abol-

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

and was rapidly extinguishing tho of China and Japan. Nothing coustop it, because it was ineviable in age which