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Yes we're busy! How could we be otherwise! Even if we only had the purely Xmas Novelties to talk about, but we have so much more, so very much. There are suggestions on every turn in this store, its worth without useless to attempt a description here. Come in whenever you are down street, you'll see a newness about the store each time you turn, because the goods sold are being replaced by reserve stock and later arrivals in quick succession. Come you're welcome

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THE CASE OF DREYFUS.

The Chamber of Deputies Discusses the Secret Documents.

M. BRISSON ON THE DOSSIER.

He Makes a Remarkable Declaration

Concerning It—There is Nothing in It, He Says, to Affect the Security of the State—When Dreyfus Starts—Cable News.

Paris Dec 20.—There was a repetition yesterday afternoon of the new formation in the Chamber of Deputies.

The Minister of War, M. de Freycinet, replied that he did not desire to appear as wishing to influence the decision of the Court of Cassation.

But now two of the newest 9.3-inch wire guns, 30 feet long and firing a shell of 300 pounds, are being mounted on Europa Point.

They can be loaded and handled by two or three men, and are so well mounted that they can fire a shot a minute.

They are superior to the old 18 and 100-ton muzzle-loading guns which some years ago were the rage at Gibraltar.

CAPE TO CAIRO HIGHWAY.

Encouraging News From Major McDonald

London, Dec. 20.—News has come via Zanzibar from Major McDonald, who is the head of a British exploring party in the interior of East Africa.

His reports give England further cause for congratulation in his plan to civilize the interior of East Africa.

It is reported that Capt. Dreyfus will leave Cayenne on Jan. 6 and arrive in Paris the end of the month.

FEARED COUP D'ETAT.

And Consequentially Did Not Have Prince Victor Napoleon Arrested.

London, Dec. 20.—The Paris correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says: "Prince Victor's recent journey to Paris was of more serious import than was at first surmised. His presence was known, but the government did not know that he would be there."

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SALISBURY FAR-SIGHTED.

British Premier Prepared for Recent Developments—His Attitude as to the Venezuela Affair a Forecaster.

Reading, Eng., Dec. 20.—At the opening of the Wellington Club here yesterday, the Earl of Salisbury, Under Secretary for the Colonies, discussing the foreign policy of the Government, maintained that the Marquis of Salisbury's management of the relations between Great Britain and the United States alone entitled him to the absolute confidence of the country.

The change which had taken place from three years back, when both countries were discussing the possibility of a misunderstanding, had been removed. The people of the United States had not understood Great Britain's real feelings towards them. Now they understood. This is all, but it is immense.

Great Britain has not proposed to use the United States for her purposes, any more than she has proposed to use the United States for her purposes.

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THE FINAL MEETING.

Joint High Commission Adjourns for the Holidays.

UNCERTAIN U. S. ATTITUDE.

The Canadiana Before Leaving for Home Give a Banquet Which was Attended by Most Distinguished Guests—Question of Reciprocity Toasted, and Sir Wilfrid Lupatelli in Same Spirit.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The joint high commission held its final meeting before the Christmas recess yesterday morning, but the session was brief and unimportant, no material progress being made.

With the information as to the trade concessions that may be expected from the United States, gleaned by them in the past few days, the Canadian commissioners will be in a position during the holiday season to consult with their colleagues as to the position they shall take when they return to Washington to conclude the negotiations.

It appears that there is still doubt and uncertainty as to the American attitude on several important points, and that even on the vital question of free lumber the American commissioners are not agreed.

While those in their confidence were filling the columns of the press with statements that the subject is closed to debate, the commissioners themselves, contrary to the report which was made concerning Saturday afternoon, had not given a final and decisive no.

The Canadian commissioners regard this continued evasion, however, after a number of sessions with the Senators, as pretty conclusive evidence as to what the final answer when it comes will be.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Louis Davies leave for home to-day as 11 in the forenoon. Mr. Charlton is to remain here for a day or two. Sir Richard Cartwright will be in London on Wednesday.

British Commissioners' Banquet.

Last night the British commissioners gave a banquet at the Shoreham in honor of the American commissioners and the leading society people of Washington, who have so generously entertained them during the past six weeks.

The banquet was a magnificent affair with the colors of Great Britain, the United States and the Canadian flag flying from the top of the building.

A great number of distinguished men, and was very long.

A string band discoursed soft music. The banquet was almost entirely free of speeches. Baron Hirschel in a few words congratulated the health of Her Britannic Majesty and the President of the United States.

Later the American commissioners were introduced to the Canadian commissioners. Senator Fairbanks proposed the health of the American commissioners.

He wished to return to Canada and an equally pleasant return to Washington in January. To this Sir Wilfrid replied. He said that he would be in London on Wednesday.

Some years ago a New Orleans merchant suddenly forgot the second number of his combination. He was in great distress, and was about to give up when he remembered that the second number was the number of the day of the month.

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SAFE LOCK PUZZLES.

THE TROUBLE THAT IS CAUSED BY LOST COMBINATIONS.

A Remarkable Experience With a Fire Door Safe, Which Defied the Attempts of the Experts For Three Days and Nights.

Once a painter working in the Commercial hotel slipped from his ladder and in falling struck his foot against the knob of the office safe. A few moments later the clerk attempted to open the door, but found them immovable; the blow had shown "up" the combination. As usual in hotels where some one is continually on duty close at hand, the outer lock was rarely used. It was last employed so long ago that nobody could remember the exact figures that governed it, and an expert was sent for. In detective stories this incident would have placed his life in jeopardy, but in this case the safe was not so valuable as the painter's life.

The "knob" of safe doors, as it is called colloquially, is something that occurs now and then in every city, and the most common cause is the sudden death of the man who has the combination. Some cautious merchant sometimes over with heart disease or epilepsy, and his safe is found locked as tight as a drum. In such cases there is only one thing to do. A hole is drilled through the door, so as to give access to the mechanism, and the lock is then picked with a wire.

As burglars often employ the same process it may be interesting to explain