and valuable services as a representative at the Council Board. At the time of Mr. Howard's defeat last year, we said that the time would come when services would be appreciated

we said that the time would come when these services would be appreciated, and when he would be brought forward as the unanimous choice of the electors. This has come about sooner than we expected, but it only shows the sudden revulsion of feeling against the present Mayor, who has utterly failed to come up to the expectations formed by those who supported him last January. We cannot yet tell what sort of a Council Mr. Howard will have under him, but we feel assured that whatever may be its complexion he will discharge his duties with a dignity, impartiality, and fidelity that will gain for him the respect of all classes et the community.

Mr. Chadwick having been forced to give up all idea of succeeding to the Mayoralty for a second term, seeks to take. refuge in the Reeveship, and comes out as a candidate for that office. His organ advanced a convenient excuse why he could not run for Mayor, that he could not spare the time to his duties. Such being the case, how can he spare the time to discharge the duties pertaining to the Reeveship, which, in addition to his attendance at the Town Council, will require his presence at the County Council three times a year at lesst, and each time extending over four days. Besides, as Reeve he would require to give his attendance at the various committee meetings of the Town Council, which he was not obliged to do as Mayor. And more than all that, he, at a previous meeting, intimated that he did not intend this year to run for any office. It is, therefore, evident that at the last moment he was thrown into the breach in order to lighten his fall, and give him a chancto make for himself a position in the County Council.

As regards his opponents we regret that two such good men as Mr. Elliott and Mr. Hart should be in antagonism, and we trust that such an arrangement will be come to before the election as well leave but one in the field as opposed to Mr. Chadwick, in which case we have no fear as to the result. The Heridd's sneers at Mr. Elliott and Mr. Hart whould be men an

cil as he will.

Mr. Sleeman, having been rather dishonourably shoved aside by Mr. Chadwick for the Reeveship, has been nominated for first Deputy. Mr. Kennedy, an old and valued representative of the Town, has been nominated against him. Several good men have been nominated for second and third Deputy Reeves, but it is doubtful if they will all stand. There are far too many candidates for Councillors in the different Wards. The nomination of so many distracts the electors, and serves no good pur-

The nomination of so many distracts the electors, and serves no good purpose. Far better would it be to have Ward meetings, as in old times, when the candidates could be selected without leaving it to nomination day, when there is no previous arrangement, and every man is free to nominate his friend, without considering his fitness for the office, or whether he will confriend, without considering his fitness for the office, or whether he will consent to run. This matter must be reformed in another year, for it would he greatly facilitate the work of getting a good Council.

Since the above was written we have received a letter from Mr. Hart, announcing that he declines to be a candidate for Reeve. It will be found in another column.

The War News.

December 31.

A St. Petersburg special says Russia will probably consent to an armistice on the basis of the ratification of the Armenian frontier, the free passage of the Dardanells, eaguarantee of good administration in Bulling and the indexendence of Ramania.

It is probable that Ruesia will reply that she is ready to open negotiations if the Porte directly addresses itself to St. Petersburg.

A St. Petersburg despatch says: The request of the British Government for information whether Russia would be disposed to enter into peace negotiations at the desire of the Porte has peen received if statements have been published abroad respecting the Ruesian answer and the conditions which she would propose for a settlement, such intelligence muscle premature and inaccurate. Nothing whatever has been determined, upon, the ugh fin well informed dir. less it is assumed that Russia will make no harsh reply to the step taken with the object of paving the way for peace, but will show herself accessible to any gearnest endeave us for the restoration of reace.

The following is stated to be the text of England's note to Russia:

Her Majesty's Government begins to inform the Emperor that the Porte is ready to open peace negotiations. The Emperor's wirdom and repeatedly expressed love of peace justify Her Majesty's Government in the houe that he will lend a favourable ear to the Sultan's request.

Another Vienna c rrespondent hears that Russia has already replied to England's note that if the Turks desire an armistice they must apply direct to the Russian Commander. It is reported that there are 25,000 sick in Bulgaria, and that the supplies are inadequate. This number probably includes the sick among the Turkish prisoners.

Along the eastern front, namely the River Loom, the Turks have withdrawn from all their positions, leaving only small armed bodies composed of troops and in-

The Municipal Elections.

The all absorbing subject of discussion in fown at present is the municipal elections. The nominations on Monday engaged a large measure of public attenuon, and since then speculation is rife as to the chances of the different candidates.

Mr. George Howard's election by acclamation to the Mayoralty is the best possible proof that could be given of his popularity with the ratepayers, and of their desire to recognize his long and valuable services as a representative at the Council Dead of the Custom of the Council Dead of the Custom of the Custom of the Mayoralty is the best possible proof that could be given of his popularity with the ratepayers, and of their desire to recognize his long and valuable services as a representative at the Council Dead of the Custom of the Custom

to receive any Turkish overtures to retruce.

A Vienns special says the peace party, at Constantinop e is gaining ground.

A Paris despatch asserts that the Porte has decided to accept an armistice.

A St. Petersburg telegram states chat Russia will be found more moderate than commonly expected.

A Constantinople despatch says:—Fuad Pasha, who is defending the Ikhliman defile, has been reinforced. It is believed that the defile is impregnable.

An Erzeroum telegram says: A junction between Generals Melikoff and Tergukasoff south of Erzeroum is believed to be imminent.

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The Political Correspondence says:

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