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A Green Christmas.

Marvelously Mild Winter Weather
in England.

How the Queen Spent the Time-
Honored Holiday.

The International Situation Has a
Warlike Look.

England's Minister Congratulates the
Italians Upon Their Defeat
of the Dervishes.

Clemenceau Shows the Needs of the
French Navy—A German Invents a
Fog-Creter for Military Use
—Explosion of a Bomb
in Church.

Cholera in Russia.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 24.—There were
27 fresh cases of cholera and fourteen
deaths here yesterday.

A Bomb in Church.

PARIS, Dec. 25.—A bomb exploded at
midnight in the church in Rezeris, De-
partment of Herault. A large congrega-
tion was present, but nobody was hurt.

What Sara Says.

PARIS, Dec. 25.—Sarah Bernhardt says
the average talent of American actors and
play-writers is lower than the French, but
that America is ahead of Paris in stage
settings and artistic treatment of details.
Mrs. Maybrick May Get Another
Trial.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Baroness De
Reques, mother of Mrs. Maybrick, has re-
tained a solicitor to reopen the Maybrick
poisoning case. The Home Office has been
communicated with and it is claimed that
new and sensational evidence has been ob-
tained.

A Sixpenny Pamphlet Brings \$370.
LONDON, Dec. 25.—Somebody unearthed
an uncut copy of the original sixpenny
pamphlet edition of Gray's "Elegy," printed
by the author in 1751, which sold on Wednes-
day for \$370. The first edition of the
"Vicar of Wakefield" brought \$270.

Fatal Duel.

VIENNA, Dec. 25.—A pistol duel was
fought three days ago at Innsbruck be-
tween Lieut. Teucher and an army sur-
geon. Teucher was killed and the surgeon
was shot in the neck. The challenge was
due to a trivial dispute.

The Pope Surprised Them.

PARIS, Dec. 25.—The Rome correspond-
ent of the Gaulois says that the clearness
and vibrating force of the Pope's voice
when he spoke before the Sacred College
on Saturday surprised all hearers, and
must put a stop to immediate speculation
concerning his successor.

Russia and the Vatican.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—A Rome correspond-
ent says an entente between Russia
and the Vatican has been formed on the
nomination of bishops of Poland. Russia
has removed her objection of Catholic
bishops going to Rome, and on Friday the
Pope gave an audience to the Polish bishop.

A Fog Creator.

BERLIN, Dec. 25.—Smokeless powder has
been followed by the invention of a fog
creator. A German named Reihm has
made a shell which he declares will plunge
the troops at whom it is aimed into almost
complete darkness. The smoke will also
make the men cough, sneeze, and cry till
they are helpless.

A German Judge's View of Kissing.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—All Europe is talking
about the decision of the Court of Appeals
of Holland in a case of assault by a young
man who kissed an unwilling girl in a
street of Utrecht. The judges dismissed
the case, declaring that "to kiss a person
cannot be an offense, as it is in the nature of
a warm mark of sympathy." The authori-
ties of Holland are expecting a large male
immigration.

A Swindler Arrested.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—An American young
woman, Miss Hazel Coleman, of New York,
has set a good example by prosecuting one
of the horde of swindlers who prey upon
those who are seeking historic homes.
She paid a fellow \$20 to get her a small
part at the Comedy Theatre. The next
week she found that she had been deceived,
and that there were many other victims.
The swindler was arrested and committed
for trial without bail.

Enlarges Upon the Hard Times.

BERLIN, Dec. 25.—The Berliner Zeitung
enlarges upon the present condition of
starvation in German industries. Work-
shops which usually furnish employment
to twenty men have been obliged to reduce
their forces to two. The depression is felt
more severely in the building trades, in-
cluding carpenters and cabinet-makers, but
it also extends to others. The Christmas
sales are reported by the shopkeepers to be
small beyond parallel, all the cheapest
goods finding buyers.

Royal Pensioners.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Mr. Labouchere finds
a good deal of popular support in his op-
position to a further grant of \$50,000 a year
to the Duke of Saxe-Coburg (the Duke of
Edinburgh) now that he has become a Ger-
man prince. The government has yielded to
the request of the royal family on the
ground that the duke finds his German estate
so encumbered that he is still in absolute
need of an allowance from the British
treasury. There will probably be a lively
debate when the matter comes again before
Parliament.

Less Holly and Mistletoe.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—It is noted that the
use of holly and mistletoe, which formerly
was the most distinctive feature of the
English Christmas, has greatly gone out,
particularly among shopkeepers. For
every dozen stores thus decorated ten
years ago there is hardly one to-day.
Accounts of mild weather and large mor-

talities come from all parts of the continent,
and the great fun interest centering in
Leipsic and Vienna, which ordinarily do a
tremendous business at Christmastide, are
threatened this year with grave losses.

How the Queen Spent Christmas.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Christmas was cele-
brated at Osborne House as usual. After
divine service, attended by the whole
household and conducted by the Rev.
Clement Smith, chaplain, the Queen drove
out. A family dinner was followed by a
select children's party, given by Princess
Beatrice's oldest boy.

At Sandringham the Princess of Wales
and the Duke and Duchess of York at-
tended service in the parish church. They
passed the rest of the day in absolute
quiet.

The French Navy.

PARIS, Dec. 25.—Mr. Clemenceau,
already half-forgotten, has revived public
interest in himself, or his paper, by a
series of disclosures about the French
navy. They amount to a general com-
plaint that certain classes of ships are
inefficient, and many absolutely unsea-
worthy or unserviceable. They do not,
however, touch seriously the main ques-
tion at issue as between the French and
English navies, nor challenge ex-Secretary
Tracy's general statements that French
battle ships are better built and armed than
English. The French press is, nevertheless,
less taking the matter up, and an inquiry
into the state of the navy will be moved
when the Chamber meets.

Premier Tricoups in Bad Odor.

ATHENS, Dec. 25.—Numerous meetings
held throughout Greece have petitioned
the King to dismiss Premier Tricoups and
his associates. Negotiations between
the creditors and the government have
been suspended on account of a protest
made by the French and English hold-
ers of Greek bonds against Tricoups' plan
to appropriate revenues already pledged.
Tricoups, the representative of a bond-
holders' syndicate, will leave Athens to-
morrow without having effected any ar-
rangement with the government.

England and Italy in Accord.

ROME, Dec. 25.—The British ambas-
sador last evening congratulated Baron Eiano,
Minister of Foreign Affairs, upon the victory
of Italy over Dervishes near Agordat.
To-day the British charge d'affaires called
upon Baron Eiano and congratulated him
and the Italian government in behalf of
the Queen. In diplomatic circles the
opinion is that the victory will strengthen
the relations between Italy and England,
owing to the prospect it opens of Italy's
ability to aid England some time in
Egyptian Sudan.

It is stated that an agreement has been
concluded between England and Italy for
mutual protection of their citizens in
Brazil.

Bad for the British Farmer.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—This morning's
Standard says: "A statement has just
been issued by the Board of Agriculture
estimating the produce of wheat, barley and
oats in Great Britain for the year 1893.
It affords no ray of hope for the farmer.
The yield of barley in England was
10,000,000 bushels less than in 1892;
of oats six millions less, though the area
cultivated for both grains exceeds that of
the previous year. The acreage of Great
Britain under wheat decreased by 23,000
acres, and the yield was 9,000,000 bushels
under that of 1892. Rents within recent
years have fallen 50 per cent., yet they
are to pay."

Cost of the Ardnamoan Case.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—The cost of defending
Alfred Monson against the charge of
murdering Lieutenant Hambrough was
\$4,500. His advocate's fee was \$1,050.
All the expenses were paid by Monson's
mother. The verdict in the Ardnamoan
case meets with unanimous popular ap-
proval. The evidence day by day was fol-
lowed with intense interest throughout the
kingdom. The principal points of public
criticism is that such a verdict ought not
to make it impossible to try the accused
again. The case before an English jury
would have resulted in an acquittal before
a disagreement. The latter would be more
popular because it would not allow a re-
trial after an opportunity to collect more
evidence, such as the discovery of Scott.

Anything But a Peaceful Prospect.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Throughout Europe
there is estimated to be 130,000 more men
under arms than at last Christmas. It is
now the universal expectation that when
the Christmas of 1894 comes around it will
find an altered map. The train is too
heavy. Something must give way some-
where during the coming year. There is
exaggeration in speaking of this view as
universal. So keen and tranquil an ob-
server as Sir Charles Dilke, who has been
always heretofore in the habit of assuring
men where matters seemed critical that the
chances really were heavily against a war,
has now changed his mind. This is true of
other students of the international situa-
tion less well known, but whose opinions
carry great weight.

Gladstone's Holiday Reflections.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Mr. Gladstone takes
with him to Brighton, where he passes his
brief Christmas holiday, the consciousness
of a week well spent, from a party point of
view. He has won a party victory in the
House of Commons on the question of
naval defence of the empire, and another
at Acre, which turned largely on
labor; the first by a full, the second by a re-
duced, party majority. It may be reckoned
as a set-off to this reduction that he, or
rather Mr. Asquith, induced the House to
give him nearly double his normal party
majority for disagreeing with the Lords on
the contracting-out clause of the Employ-
ment Liability Bill. His journey to Brighton
implies no failing in health. He goes as
Mr. Armstrong's guest for four days of
fresh air. No mortal who can spend them
elsewhere spends his Christmas holidays
in London.

Anarchists in a Bad Way.

MADRID, Dec. 25.—The Anarchists in
Spain are having a bad time. Codina, who
threw the bomb in the Barcelona Theater,
has been arrested and, as confessed, and
which is unusual, has given the name of his
accomplices. Spanish notions of legality
are not pedantic, and these gentlemen are,
it is said, to be tried by court martial.

Anarchists everywhere are being hunted
over the frontiers. Switzerland has long
shared with England the honor of being
their refuge. The hotel-keepers who govern
that country have heretofore been dis-
posed to regard all comers, criminals or not,

otherwise, as paying guests. They are now
considering whether the State can afford to
pursue purely business view of moral
and political questions. The Federal
Council has drafted a strong bill against
Anarchists, and if it be passed Switzerland
will no longer be for Anarchist purposes
the Alsace of Europe.

A Green Christmas.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—The proverb about full
churchyards and green Christmas is new
thing, but it is a long time since anything
so discouragingly verdant in midwinters
was experienced in Northern Europe.
With the exception of an evanescent flurry
a month ago, there has been no hint of snow
and hardly a frost worth mentioning. Trees
and shrubs throughout Southern England
have bud and there are reports here and
there of early planted crocuses being
already in bloom. Closely linked with
these are other reports of an exceptionally
high death-rate everywhere, which is ex-
plained only in part by the influenza.
Christmas trade is said to be worse than
usual, principally because of the con-
tinued monopoly of British holiday wares, seen
this year to have produced nothing at all
in the way of attractive novelties.

Bimetallism in England.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Lord Salisbury's
speech in the Upper House during the
debate on Indian finance is regarded as a
definite pronouncement in favor of inter-
national bimetallism. It is possibly in-
tended to have momentous consequences.
Nasim's bimetallism predicts the early in-
crease of the currency scheme as a plank
of the orthodox Tory platform; but that is
scarcely probable until the numerous Tory
monometallists have been converted. The
subject acquired considerable prominence
in the Acre election contests, but that is
scarcely to be wondered at, because of
the strength of the Liberal cause. The
Liberal newspapers of that country are
compelled, owing to the pressure of
local opinion, to keep an open mind on cur-
rency matters, and some of them at present
are giving considerable space to the discus-
sion of the silver problem. The Liverpool
Post, an influential Liberal organ, gives
prominence to a letter advocating the
adoption by England and her dependencies
of the United States of a second, or silver
international standard, upon relation to
the first, or gold standard. "All coins
made through gold currency being settled
by the international dollar currency being
settled by the international dollar currency,
the latter being the silver dollar divided
into 100 cents."

Unfortunately for the silver people, this
popular interest in the currency question
is practically confined to Lancashire and
the letters which, upon local press, have
been worked hard for several years to arouse
public opinion, but outside of the two
counties named it has not made the slight-
est apparent impression, although it has
been free to issue on salaries lecturers
and free lecturers on the subject.

Mabel Sievers' Love Letters.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—The comedy of the
week has been Lady Mabel Sievers' at-
tempt to compel a former lover, Capt.
Crosbie, to give back her love letters. She
is probably sorry she asked for them, at
least in a law court. She is the sister of the
Marquis of Ailesbury. In September, 1893,
Crosbie wrote in a newspaper announcement
of the marriage of Lady Mabel, to whom he
had been engaged for several months. Next
day he received a letter breaking off the en-
gagement. The society papers printed
the letter, which was broken off because
of the captain's marriage to another woman.
Lady Mabel told the judge the same
thing when she asked him to compel
Crosbie to return her letters. Then the
captain's lawyer read a few extracts from
the letters which, he explained, were re-
tained because they were evidence of the
falsity of Lady Mabel's charges. A few
days before her marriage to Sievers she
wrote to Crosbie:

"I write you a tiny line about the settle-
ment and I will not trouble you with
money. In a few days all will be done
with and we shall be far from lawyers.
We shall have about 100 people witness our
marriage. I have written in bed, as usual.
No time to say to-morrow, as it is a case
of church all day. To-morrow is the sec-
ond time of the banns, and that will be
only three weeks, my darling, and then
your bunny will be really yours, and she
will be the company of another bunny."
Lady Mabel told the judge that she had
no intention of marrying Crosbie when she
wrote him this letter, which she asserted
was a tissue of falsehoods.

Justice Hawkins, one of the most promi-
nent judges of the bench, was indignant.
He then passed judgment upon both the
moral and legal rights of discarded lovers to
retain their sweethearts' letters:
"There are some letters that every hon-
orable, right-feeling man would desire to re-
tain, but which a charge is made against
him, and when an engagement is broken off,
on the day before the lady's marriage, and
when, after that, there are paragraphs
written in the society papers which are
utterly and completely untrue, I confess that I
am not in any way surprised that the gen-
tleman should wish to keep those letters, and
show these statements to be unfounded. If
any authority could be shown that the
lovethefters should be given up, that might
be another matter; but that could hardly
be when the letters were written to a man
by one who subsequently accuses him, and
the very letters in question show the accusa-
tions to be untrue."
The judgment was for the defendant,
with costs.

The Flood at Brantford.

Forty Families Have to Huddle Out in a
Hurry—Two Bridges Wrecked—
The Water Lower.

BRANTFORD, Dec. 25.—The water in West
Brantford is lower to-day. About 2 o'clock
this morning the water reached Eagle
Pier and some 40 or 50 families had to
move out in a hurry. The water in the
river is now running over the canal bank.
It is reported that the canal bank below
the star works has given away. This will
make an outlet for the water. The bridge
over the canal at the White mill is washed
away. The bridge at the foot of Murray
street is wrecked.

Why will you allow a cough to fester
your throat or let it run the risk of
filling a consumptive's grave, when by the
timely use of Bickel's Anti-Consumptive
syrup the pain can be allayed and the
danger avoided? This syrup is pleasant to
the taste, and unsurpassed for relieving
heating and curing all affections of the
throat and lungs, coughs, colds, bronchitis
and throat.

Late Canadian News.

Sudden Death at a Reception to
Lieut.-Gov. Mackintosh.

A Young Man Has Both Feet and Both
Hands Amputated.

Some 214 cases of the grip have been re-
ported in Lucan.

Nicholas Connolly, in jail at Ottawa, is
in poor health.

Rev. C. E. Belt, M.A., of Harristown, has
been appointed rector of Bartonville and
Stony Creek.

A young man named Lyons, who had his
limbs badly frozen, has had both hands and
both feet amputated at Winnipeg general
hospital.

David Dowrie, of Hamilton, received an
unexpected Christmas present on Friday
evening in the shape of a baby a week or
so old, left in a basket at his door step.

Port Hope has been an independent town
for municipal purposes, but has been taken
back again as a municipality of the county,
and will send a representative to the
Northumberland and Durham county
council.

John Mathews was arrested and had been
in jail in Stratford for a week charged by
Elizabeth Wisby with breach of promise
of marriage. They made it up and were
married on Saturday, and the case is now
devoid of interest.

The little 3-year-old daughter of Mr.
C. S. Maharg, of Union street, Toronto,
Junction, got hold of a bottle of strychnine
Friday evening and swallowed the con-
tents. Her life was saved with great
difficulty.

A young man named Schuyler, who
represented himself as a student at a To-
ronto newspaper, has been traveling in the
vicinity of Aylmer and swindling the
people. He was arrested, pleaded guilty,
and was sent to jail for six months with
hard labor.

The Toronto World says the Ontario
Government contract for first quality
straight roller flour for the public insti-
tutions of the Province for the year has
been let at \$2.98 a barrel. The World says the
very low one for a yearly contract.
It is probably the lowest price ever reached
in Ontario.

A Calgary dispatch says that Major John
Stewart, one of the original owners of the
first town site of Calgary, and largely in-
terested in real estate at Annapolis, died
very suddenly on Friday night during a re-
ception in honor of Lieut.-Gov. Mackin-
tosh, from rupture of a blood vessel in the
brain.

The following appointments have been
made by the Ontario Government: To be
local master of the Supreme Court and
deputy registrar of the chancery division
of the High Court for the county of
Oxford, W. T. McMullen, Woodstock; to
be an associate coroner for the county of
Middlesex, Dr. John Walker, Glencoe.

A meeting of the leading citizens of
Hamilton was held on Friday evening with
a view of taking steps for the establishment
of a female university in that city. The
proposal is to merge the present Wesleyan
Female College into such an institution, to
secure more stock, to procure larger grounds
and erect new buildings, if possible, and
ask the Legislature for university powers.

A case of smallpox is reported in Hope
township, Ontario. Dr. Bryce was down
investigating it on Thursday.

One of the largest funerals seen in Wind-
sor was that of Mrs. Joseph Malsonville
Friday and Saturday. The funeral was
held at St. Alphonsus Church, where
the services were held, was filled to
overflow.

The case of Wentworth vs. Smith has
been settled by the county paying the
township \$500 towards the costs of the
case and the township settling the bill of
costs.

THE WORKING WORLD.

Two Michigan Railroads to Raise
Wages Jan. 1.

Garment Workers in the East Desert the
Knights of Labor.

DETROIT, Dec. 25.—The Detroit, Lansing
and Northern and Chicago and West Michi-
gan railroads made a general reduction in
wages last August, and now send out the
glad tidings that they will resume the old
scale Jan. 1. Business does not warrant it,
the general manager says, but the roads
are going to try it anyway in the hope that
an increase of business and added zeal of
employees may help them to make it per-
manent.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—A meeting of the
Clothing Cutters' Assembly 2853 of New
York, 2004 of Brooklyn, and 6224 of New
ark, Knights of Labor, was held recently
to consider and decide on the advisability
of abandoning the Knights of Labor and
joining the United Garment Workers of
America, which organization is affili-
ated with the American Federation
of Labor. Over 600 members were
present, and was unanimously decided
to renounce the Knights of Labor.
It is stated that this step will speedily
cause the downfall of the Knights of Labor,
as the garment workers are said to be the
backbone of that organization. A long
manifesto attacking the Knights of Labor
and setting forth reasons for the severance
of the relations existing heretofore between
them is issued by the garment workers.
It alleges dissatisfaction with Grand Master
William H. Green.

BELLINGHAM, B.C., Dec. 25.—The coal
operators, Trol, Brown, James Turnbull &
Co., Kidd, Franklin and the Spencers, of
Barnesville and Cambridge, Ohio, have
sought their miners that mines will close
down on Jan. 1 if the miners do not accept
the same price as is paid the miners in West
Virginia. About 1,000 men will be idle if
a compromise is not reached. The River-
side steel works at Bellingham have closed
down for the winter. Six hun-
dred people are out of work.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—The tin plate work-
ers of Neath, Wales, have accepted their
employers' ultimatum of a 10 per cent.
reduction of wages. Their action is con-
sidered important, as it is expected to lead
to a change in the standard of wages fixed
in 1874.

NOTES.

It is claimed that there are at present
some 200 agitators, pressmen and binders
out of work in Montreal.

Seven of the operators of the Lehigh
Valley Railroad have been arrested at
Scranton.

White Haven, Pa., charged with being the
cause of the wreck at that place during the
strike, which cost the company \$170,000.
Five of the seven are brotherhood men.

FOLLOWING THE CLUE

To the Men Suspected of Killing the
Williams Couple.

A Reward of \$500 to be Offered for the
Arrest of McWhirrell.

TORONTO, Dec. 25.—Walker, whose
arrest has already been referred to, is not
the man. The man that the detectives are
looking for, and for whose arrest a liberal
reward will be offered by the authorities,
is well known to the police. His name is
McWhirrell, alias McGuire. The following
is a perfect description of him:

"Wanted—Walter McWhirrell, alias
McGuire, aged about 24, dressed well, and
tall, with an English accent; five feet six
inches; dark complexioned, dark brown
hair, brown eyes, bald forehead, mole on
both cheeks, scar on the corner of the right
eyebrow, scar on the second finger of the
left hand, good teeth, prominent mouth,
small brown mustache, eyebrows meet in
the center over the nose, slim build; born
in Scotland; gentleman's servant; affects to
be a jockey, and knows all about horses."
In the Rogues' Gallery here there is an
excellent picture of the man wanted. The
story of McWhirrell's convictions is as fol-
lows: In 1888 he was arrested in Ottawa,
charged with larceny, and he got six
months in the Central Prison. In Septem-
ber, 1892, he stole a horse belonging to Mr.
Norman, livery stable keeper on Queen's
street west, and got six months. Since he
was liberated he has been lost sight of by the
police until he turned up in the Williams
affair.

The Government detectives are arrang-
ing for a reward of about \$500 to be offered
for the arrest of McWhirrell.

FOUND A SISTER.

After Fifty Years the Burner Family Is
Reunited—Unceasing Search
for the Missing Sister.

TORONTO, Dec. 25.—After half a century's
separation and an unceasing search of many
years David and William Burner have
found their only sister in the Lucas county
almshouse.

The children separated 50 years ago,
when David, the younger, was 22 years old.
The sister Rose married a man named
Childs and lived in various Ohio towns, and
up to the time of the war corresponded
with her brothers. Then all communica-
tion ceased. The boys were in the army,
and when they came out had lost all trace
of their sister. Some twenty years ago,
however, they began a systematic search
for her.

Detectives were employed, but all efforts
proved vain until yesterday, when chance
revealed Mrs. Childs' whereabouts. She
had lived for some time in Whiteside, and
had \$1,200 worth of property. It is al-
leged that a physician set up a claim of
\$1,000 for his services, had her taken to the
almshouse and confiscated the property.

GONE UP IN SMOKE.

A Little Fire at Lucan—Dr. Shaw Losses
Heavy.

LUCAN, Ont., Dec. 25.—A small stable be-
longing to Mrs. Rebecca Porter, situated in
the rear of her premises, took fire at 8
o'clock p.m. to-day and was burned down.
There were two horses in the stable belong-
ing to Dr. Shaw, which were also burned.
Small insurance on the building.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 25.—1 a.m.—The
club house and all the stables of the Pitts-
burgh Driving Association at Homewood
were burned this morning.

THE BATTLE CREEK HORROR.

Conductor Scott Was Not Responsible for
the Horror.

MARSHALL, Mich., Dec. 25.—After being
out an hour and a half the jury in the trial
of Conductor Scott, on the charge of man-
slaughter in being responsible for the colli-
sion on the Grand Trunk at Battle
Creek on Dec. 20, by which 25 lives were
lost, brought in a verdict of not guilty.

CHRISTMAS EVENING BATTLE.

Between Austrians and Magyars—Sev-
eral Fatally Hurt.

HAZLETON, Pa., Dec. 25.—During a
wedding celebration at Derringer to-night
a party of Austrians attempted to blow up
the house with dynamite. The unsuspect-
ing occupants were notified in time to
escape. Subsequently a pitched battle
took place between the Austrians and Magy-
ars. Guns and knives were used with
terrible effect, and at least a dozen persons
sustained injuries, some of them fatal. But
four of the injured can be found, the
friends of the others having spirited them
away. These are "Mike" Roskies, shot in
the head; Hannibal Linnat, shot in the
groin; Thomas Burbons, cut in the stomach,
and Luke Drake, cut in the hand. About
100 men participated in the fight.

SANTA CLAUS STUCK.

The Chimney Had to be Taken Down to
Let Him Out.

NEWCASTLE, Pa., Dec. 25.—Samson Get-
holz, a Shipper Rock township farmer,
thought to surprise his family last night
by sliding down the old-fashioned chimney
and impersonating Santa Claus. He made
the passage all right until he reached the
center of the chimney, where he stuck fast.
Getholz yelled for aid. The members of
the family did not recognize his smothered
voice and ran from the house terror-
stricken. Neighbors were summoned and
after much difficulty Getholz made him-
self known. The chimney was torn down
level with the roof, a rope was lowered, and
by the united efforts of three men Getholz
was pulled out.

An Old Lady's Horrible Death.

TORONTO, Dec. 25.—An old lady named
Maggie Bennett, aged 75, came to a sad end
last evening. She, it appears, had been an
inveterate smoker, and, having taken tea
as her wont, she filled her pipe and
settled back for a quiet smoke. Mrs.
Bennett had, however, thrown a piece of
lighted paper on the floor, and in a short
time the carpet was in flames, the latter
communicating with the old woman's
clothing. Being unable to save herself,
the unfortunate was fatally burned and
died in the greatest agony.

Steamship Arrivals.

Dec. 25. At 7 a.m. From
Kalgoor