

ever, but only results. Third, the documents presented re inexcusably lacking in infor-

Copenhagen found against him." "I haven't thought of that,' answer-ed the doctor." "Eat you must think of it,' I said, 'a situation of this importance must he considered from every angle.' "Well,' answered the doctor, 'if the university should find against me, t believe I should go back among the Eskimos of southern Greenland and try to carry on there such a medical mation which would prove that e "astronomical observations" erein referred to, were really ade; and also contain no details regarding the practical work of the expedition, and the sledge journey which would enable the committee to determine their reliability. The committee, therefore, is of the opinion that the material transtry to carry on there such a medical hearing. mission as Dr. Grenfell has made fam- He ask mission as Dr. Grenfell has made fam-ous.' The doctor did not say what would become of his wife and child-ren." Henry Wack, Dr. Cook's lawyer, and the friend who is the authority for the statement above, were both asked to bight how much money they. Lord Curzon was enthusiastically remitted for examination contains no proof that Dr. Cook reached the May Withdraw Degree. The report is signed by all six mem-bers of the committee, viz., Prof. Elle Stromgren, director of the astronomito-hight how much money they thought Dr. Cook made from the sale cal observatory: Dr. O. R. Pochule, astronomer, attached to the observa-tory: Gustav Holm, explorer: Prof. of his narrative to newspapers in this country and abroad, and from his lectures. "More than \$60,000," said Mr. Wack. "More than \$100,600," said the A. B. Yersen, president of the school of navigation; Dr. Royder, director of the meteorological office, and Dr. F. A. Engstrom, director of the Lund Obriend. It is announced that the Harpers twenty years. Runciman, at Bradford, said that if friend. Prof. Stromgren to-night character will not now publish Dr. Cook's "Conized Cook's treatment of the univerquest of the Pole." The board of aldermen, who voted Dr. Cook the freedom of the city on his return to this country, have now Explorers and scientists almost unanimously have lost faith in Cook's before them a resolution to withdraw their grant.

said to-night: "On the way back to the east, I asked the doctor in so many words what he would do if the University cf Copenhagen found against him." of fears." "They are not there to protect hon-"They are not there to protect hon-est industry against confiscation, they are there to defend the monopoly which plunders industry. They are not

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C C C nesty, while one of his warmest suprters, Knud Basmussen, helped to frame the report. The evening papers attack Cook and severely reproach him for hiding, which they regard as O

servatory.

a sign of a gullty conscience. The rector of the university, Dr. Balomonsen, when questioned as to the possibility of the university canceling the degree which it conferred on Dr. Cook, said that no decision had been reached, but he thought the degree could be withdrawn in the same way the government could deprive a person of an order obtained under false

"Absolutely Unreliable."

Professor Olufsen, secretary of the Danish Geographical Society, said: "It is the saddest event in my life. As an explorer there seems to be no doubt that Cook is absolutely unreliable." The National Tidence inds concola-tion in the fact that others honored Cook when he returned to civilization

Cook when he returned to civilization. The president of his country and its envoy to Copenhagen," says the paper, "were the guarantors for him. D' mark did not blunder alone. Our coun-try must now leave this sad affair to America and Cook.

Notody could feel more sorrow at the commission's crushing statemen than myself, for I had learned to ap-preciate Cook st a devoted friend and an honest mark" said Captain Roakd Amundsen to-day. "I prefer to believe that Dr. Cook himself was confident that he had arrived at the north pola If he is swindling, he must-have changed his character in the past ten years.

"Childish Attempt at Cheating."

"My confidence in Cook had been based on personal impressions, on reports that I had received, and also on the testimony of the Eskimos, when they all said that he had made the trip from Cape Sparbo to Etah, and such a trip doubter the day and such a trip during the dark of winter would suffice to make a man famous. But papers which Cook sent to Copenhagen University are most impudent. No schoolboy could make such calculations. It is a most childish attempt at cheating. Cook has killed himself

by his own foolish acts." Commodore Hovgaard, the explorer. said: "Altho it has not been proven that Cook did not reach the pole, I can only regard Cook now as an impostor. The documents handed the comm sion of the University of Copenhagen for examination were: 1st, a typewrit-

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## SHOULD TAX FOREIGN WHEAT

MONTREAL, Dec. 21.-(Special.)-F. W. Thompson, vice-president and man-aging director of the Ogilvie S Flour Mals Company, was esked whether he thought the United Kingdom would be inought the United Kingdom would be justified in placing a duty on all for-eign wheat and flour, and whether, should this he done, her overseas do-minions could be depended upon in the near future to meet ther full require-ments ments.

Mr. Thompson replied that he was convinced that Great Britain would be fully justified in taking such action.

> BAIRNS' NEW YEAR'S FESTIVAL

We have in hand to date \$200 for the New Year Festival. This will provide 800 bairns with a first-class dinner. The badges entitling the holder to dinner and transportation are being printed at The World's new office on Richmond-street. Any adult person who will help to distribute them among those for whom they are intended may get them on Friday night at the front office.

In the meantime send in your denations in cash.

A Word About Toys.

A well-known citizen has no-tified us that he will furnish the tree and give a subscription towards the presents. Since we have decided to have a tree, we want toys, and good ones. OUR CREED IS THE BEST GIFT FOR THE POOREST CHILD. We call for a present for each boy and girl. This will apply principally to dealers in such

wares. But our first thought is to fill their empty stomachs and bring sunshine into their lives. To this end we will be pleased to hear from entertainers, musicians, vocalists. We want to give the youngsters a good time. WILL YOU HELP US? J. M. Wilkinson.

He asked that the coming fight should

seven.

Lord Curzon was enthusiastically re ceived at Burnley, where he replied to Winston Churchill. Walter Long, in Wiltshire, said tariff reform would produce £18,000,000 an-nually and give Ireland home rule, and we should require to conquer it within the foreign fleet went to Belfast other-wise than on a visit of courtesy, they

would be as prizes, flying the British Other speeches are too numerous to

note, tho the following by Sir A. Spi-cer, president of the London Chamber of Commerce, is interesting: "Australians," he said, "are willing

as a nation to give us small preference, tut not as individuals. They want to buy that which suits them at the lowest price. We forget the ef-"I don't know," fects of our running down our commer-that cial position. We must find some way give of preventing strong statements as re-gards British decadences from getting out to the dominions. Personally I do not believe them." He also urged cheaper cable rates.

Asquith also said that of the colonial preference was only to apply to food, invidious distinctions would be made. Was South Africa to receive no preference whilst Canada and Australia did? Was that the way to weld the bonds of empire?

ANOTHER ARREST AT COBALT

J. Parr, Charged With Theft of Ore, Will Be Brought to City.

J. Parr, alias J. Connolly, a restaurant keeper in Cobalt, was arrested there last night, at the request of the did Ald. Baird. Toronto police, making the twelfth arrest in connection with the ore thafts at the mines. He, with G. Neilson, alias Barber, arrested at Cotalt Sun-day night, will be brought to the city to-morrow by Detectives Murray and Guthrie, who left for the mining town

last night. Parr, like the others, is charged with illegal selling of ore, and is known to have received more than \$9000 from have received over \$8000 during the ed.

same period. Still more arrests are expected.

BIGGEST TRESTLE BRIDGE READY

ronto Addressed by Controller Hocken and W.F. Maclean.

At a crowded meeting tast night Con-At a crowded meeting tast night Con-troller Hocken was accorded a rousing reception by the citizens of ward seven. reception by the citizens of ward

"The longer I study this proposed their head. tube scheme the better I like it," ne said. "Since 1891 there have been add-ed to the city 5800 acres, and the Toronto Railway Co. refuse to extend

their lines into that territory. "Rapid transit must be obtained underground or on a special right-of-way. Our proposed tube system will provide

of you.' don't know." said

Railway Company as opposed to the of parliamentary constitution and with rights of the people. "What Toronto needs to-day is to

regain her freedom, to get the control. of the local traction system in her own hands. It is perfectly indecen

the way men and women are crowded in the street cars, and Mr. Hocken is staking his political reputation to bring you relief. main duty before the people of Toronto now is to encourage this scheme that will improve the trains-

portation facilities and preserve control of the traction system for the pub-

Ex-Ald. Hales also spoke briefly, as



Roumanian Politician Struck by One Bullet and Slightly Hurt.

EUCHAREST, Dec. 21.—A workman to-day fired three shots at J. J. C. Bratiano, the Roumanian premier and minister of the interior. One of the minister cruck the minister, slightly inthe Wilkinson company during the bullets struck the minister, slightly in-past year. Nellson is also known to juring him. His assailant was arrest-

BY-ELECTION DELAY.

suggested here that the Ottawa by-election may be delayed indefinitely. It

NORF-M.K. Va., Dec. 21.—The Nor-folk and Southern Raiways fl.090.09 5 1-2 mile trestle bridge across Afroe-marke Sound, N.C., the longest of its kind in the workd. These been completed. The first train. will cross it this weak. The first train. will cross it this weak. To of Walland, attempted suicide by cur-ting his throat. Not long ago his young wife took carbolic acid in a similar st-tempt.

Enthusiastic Meeting in West To- Law Lords Put a Crimp in the Cyrene Preceptory Will Take Auto Lead of Presents For Child-**Election Campaign of the** ren of Widows, Labor Party.

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city more vividly before the public, in the hope that increased financial assist-

against it. The referendum was purely advisory

to their successors of February next, when the new board of control will

NATIONAL PARK AT FALLS

Small Annual Tax Per Horse Power

to Pay the Cost.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 21 .- The

be inaugurated.

ance may be forthcoming.

A militant aggressiveness among the LONDON, Eng., Dec. 21 .- The whole Masonic societies of the city in the matter of extending the Christmas spirit to local charitable institutions is very much in evidence just at present. Cyrene Preceptory, Knights Templar,

for example, are planning a crusade to the Heme for Incurable Children on The judgment declares that trades unions cannot legally make compul-Christmas morning. About forty mem-bers in full regalia will meet at the sory levies on their members for parliamentary representation purposes. Nearly two million members of trades unions have hitherto been compelled

by their unions to contribute to the salaries of 47 members of parliament a speed of 30 miles on St. Gair-avenue and, out of similar compulsory levies, and 20 miles per hour right down some 80 Labor candidates are now the centre of ward seven without dan-standing for parliament. Many memger of accident. The tubes will take a bers of trade unions habitually vote for traffic of 60,000 people and relieve every part of the city.

part of the city. "Defeat me for mayor and you'll only paid their shillings because, if never hear of tubes again, or else you'll they refused, they would have been hear of them loaded up with such a driven out of the union. price that it will frighten the life out The executive of the Labor party management, and suitable replies will

meets immediately to prepare a W. F. Maclean, M.P., gave a splen-did address in support of Controiler gal and will press Mr. Asquith to accept it as a government measure, and ne, fight the election on that issue. that Controller Geary wants to give the people of Toronio his judgment and said the trade union relief in the matter of street car contract placing the members' vote and accommodation. He is friendly to the action into subjection, not to his own people who are trying in every way to convictions, but to the union's deci-further the interests of the Toronto sions, was incompatible with the spirit

the independent freedom of a representative institution. COMPANY RESPONSIBLE

LIGHT VOTE ON LIGHT PLANT Inquest on Christo Vassie Who Fell Into Vat lat Canada Foundry.

2800 Montreal Property Owners Voted "That Christo Vassie came to his death Dec. 11 as the result of the in-furies received thru falling into a vat while in the employ of the Canada Foundry Company. We consider the company responsible for the accident by net having provided proper appli-of a total of over 20,000 voted to-day on the referendum on the expenditure

by not having provided proper appli- of \$2,000,000 for a municipal electric light plant. The proposition carried by

morgue last night. The evidence showed that Vassie fell

into an electro-plating vat containing hot cyanide of polassium and Carbonate of copper Dec. 11, while helping to take out a heavy piece of metal.

but before he got there the block and tackle rope broke and Vassie fell.

STEEL CONS STOCK OFFER

establishment of a national park on the American side of Niagara Falls is Christmas is the Season to Buy Them In. OTTAWA, Dec. 21.-(Special.)-It is Employes Can Subscribe for Preferred recommended in a letter of Secretary Shares at 125. of War Dickinson to the house to-day,

25; Wallace, 9; Whitem toria, 16. The liquor people failed to carry ap peal against local option in Treherde

## **BATTLE IN NICARAGUA**

Revolutionists Win a Partial Victory -Heavy Losses.

BLUEFTELDS, Mcaragua, Dec. 21.—The revolutionists, under command of General Estrada, have completely routed the Ze-layan forces, near Rama. Estrada has captured Recreo, Vasquez's strongest po-sition, and he was victorious all along the line, which stretches for a distance of eight miles.

Empties Penitentiary.

MANAGUA, Dec. 21.-Returning to his hotel, after having taken the oath Temple Building at 10 a.m. and a spe-cial street car will take them to the home. Accompanying the party will be an automobile laden with Christmas presents and Santa Claus will have nouncing political amnesty and the resomething nice for each individual lease of the inmates of the penitere hild in the institution. In addition the Knights Templar will dous cheering. Minister Irlas attempt present the management of the Home ed to speak, but he was cried down. for Incurable Children with a cheque

## to help the good work forward during the coming year. The visitors, after making a tour of inspection of the wards, will extend compliments to the Stranger Fires Four Shots Into Him-

self at Montreal.

MONTREAL, Dec. 21.-(Special.) -

The Mystic Shriners, too, have scoured the city locating needy widows and This evening, a man named Ellingwood children of deceased brethren, and left here by the Boston train in comabout one hundred such families will be looked after. Eight or ten automo-biles will set out on Christmas morn-They were evidently quarelling, for at ing laden with turkeys, plum puddings, Montreal West the man left the train fruit, etc., and every Masonic home in need of Yuletide help will get at. bcdy. He said, while at death's door The Masonic order in Toronto have taken up the matter of bringing the needs of charitable institutions in the

DEATH DUE TO ASSAULT

Suspicious Circumstances in Connegtion With Ex-Mayor's Death.

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.-(Special.)-The death on Saturday last of ex-Mayor George Cox is now said to have been due to ill-treatment at the hands of a man in whose house he had spent the earlier portion of the evening of Dec. 4.

## TORONTO LOPSIDED.

Look at the large map on another page ances." The above was the verdict returned by Coroner S. Singer's july at the woting in favor and the English Don valley and ravines have stopped Toronto's growth to the east.

The Bloor-street viaduct will cure this, will give population over the Don, and restore the balance. Every owner of property on Yonge-

street and east of Yonge-street will be

enormously benefited by a new growth

of population to the east. The viaduct

will do this. Look at the map and vote

REAL TIME FOR FURS.

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for the viaduct bylaw.