Winter Finds Out What Summer Lays By.

Be it spring, summer, autumn or winter, someone in the family is "under the weather" from trouble originating in impure blood or low condition of the system.

All these, of whatever name, can be cured by the great blood purifier, Hood's Sarsaparilla. It never disappoints. Boils—"I was troubled with boils for months. Was advised to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, and after using a few bottles have not since been bothered." E. H. GLADWIN, Truro, N. S.

Could Not Sleep-"I did not have any appetite and could not sleep at night. Was so tired I could hardly walk. Read about it restored me to perfect health." Miss Jessie Turnbull, Cranbrook, Ont.



Hood's Pills cure liver ills; the non-irritating and

THE MARKETS.

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A. M. HAMILTON & SON'	S REPORT.
London, Monda	ay, Dec. 24.
Wheat, white, per bu	61%c to 63c
Wheat, red, per bu	
Oats, per 100 lbs	75c to 78c
Peas, per bu	50c to 54c
Corn,per bu	42c to 44c
Barley, per bu	331/2c to 43c
Bckwheat, per bu	401/2c to 45c
Beans, per bu	\$1 00 to \$1 10
Dressed hogs	\$7 25 to \$7 75
The receipts were light. from Saturday's quotations.	No change

YOUR Christmas CAKE

Will be THE BEST if you use PURI-TAN FLOUR. This is a fact. -FOR SALE ONLY AT -HAMILTON'S, 373 Talbot St.

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English Markets

Ruling prices for the past our market days-The following table shows the quotations per cental at Liverpool for the three previous market days. In the case of wheat highest prices are given.

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WHEAT-	- 1	J.						
Red Winter	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0
No. 1 Nor. Spring	6	3	6	3	6	3	6	3
Walla	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 Cal	6	21/2	6	21/2	6	3	6	3
Dec	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feb	5	1i	6	0	6	01/4	6	01/4
March	6	0	6	01/4	6	01/2	6	03/8
CORN-	1	-1.5	199	D.F.			1	
New	4		4	1	4	21/2	4	21/4
Old	4	3	4	3	4	11/2	4	11/4
Oct	0	0	0	0	0	0	U	0
Nov	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	0
Jan	3	103/8	3	10	3	103/8	3	95/8
March	3	91/8	3	91/8	3	9	3	83/4
Flour	20	0	20	0	20	0	20	0
Peas		73/4	5	73/4	5	73/4	5	6
Perk, prime mess	72	0	72	0	72	0	72	0
Lard			38		38		38	3
Tallow	24		25		25	6	25	0
Bacon, light	45	6		6	46	6	46	6
Cheese, white	51		51		51	5	51	6
Cheese. colored	52	6	52	6	52	6	52	6
Liverpool, De	c.	24	W	heat	-5	Spot	fin	m;
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tive; Feb., 6s ¼d; March, 6s ¾d; nominal. Corn—Spot easy; American mixed, new, 4s 1d; American mixed, old, futures quiet; Jan., 3s 9%d; March, d. Flour-Steady; St. Louis fancy winter steady, 8s 6d. Hops-At London winter steady, 8s 6d. Hops—At London (Pacific coast) steady, £2 5s to £3 5s. Peas—Canadian, 5s 6¾d; quiet. Beef—Dull; extra India mess, 67s 9d. Pork—Firm; prime mess, western, 72s. Hams—Short No. 1 California, 6s 3d; May nominal. Corn—Spot easy; American cut, 14 to 16 lbs, dull, 44s. Bacon—Dull; Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, 48s; short ribs, 18 to 23 lbs, 46s; long clear middles, light, 35c to 40 lbs, 46s 6d; long clear middles, light, 35c to 40 lbs, 46s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 40 to 45 lbs, 46s; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, 42s 9d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, 53s 6d; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, steady, 34s. Lard—Quiet; American refined, in palls, 39s 3d; Quiet: American refined, in pails, 39s 3d; quiet; American Fenned, in pans, 398 3d. prime western, in tierces, 358 3d. Butter—Finest United States quiet, 95s; good Uniter States dull, 81s 6d. Cheese—Easy; American finest colored, 52s 6d. Tallow—Prime city firm, 25s; Australian, in London, steady, 27s. Cottonseed oil—Hull refined spot, quiet 20s 6d. Turnentine fined, spot quiet, 20s 6d. Turpentine spirits—Dull, 28s 9d. Rosin—Common steady, 4s 7½d. Petroleum—Refined quiet,

7s. Linseed oil—Steady, 3is 6d.

The imports of wheat into Liverpool last week were 64,800 quarters from Atlantic ports and 19,000 quarters from other ports. The imports of corn from Atlantic ports last week were 100,600 quarters.

American Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Board of trade markets were dull today, because of the holidays. May wheat closed unchanged. December corn closed 1c. January 3/c and May %c lower. Oats closed unchanged, and provisions practically at yesterday's final figures. Seaboard clearances in wheat and flour were equal to 528,000 bu. Primary receipts were 794,000 bu. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 524 cars, as against 412 last week. Local receipts were 115 cars, one of contract grade. A year ago was a holiday. Estimated receipts on Monday—Wheat. 150 cars; corn, 610 cars; oats, 248 cars; hogs, 33,000 head.

The leading futures closed as follows: 610 cars; oats, 248 cars; nogs, 36,000 nead.
The leading futures closed as follows:
Wheat—No. 2, Dec., 70%c; Jan., 70%c to
70½c; May, 73c. Corn—Dec., 37%c; Jan.,
357%c; May, 35%c. Oats—No. 2, Dec., 23%c
to 23½c; Jan., 21½c; May, 23½c. Mess
pork—Jan., \$12 20; May, \$12 15. Lard—
Dec., \$7 20; Jan., \$6 80; May, \$6 87½. Short
withe—Lan. \$6 27¼c. May, \$6 27¼c.

ribs—Jan., \$6 271/2; May, \$6 371/2. Cash quotations: Flour dull; spring specials, \$4 30; patents, \$3 40 to \$3 85; straights, \$3 10 to \$3 60; clears, \$2 90 to \$3 30. No. 3 spring wheat, 66c to 71c; \$3.40. No. 3 spring wheat, 65c to 11c; No. 2 red, 72c to 744/c. No. 2 corn, 374/c; No. 2 yellow, 374/c. No. 2 oats, 22½/c to 22½/c; No. 2 white, 25½/c to 26½/c; No. 3 white, 24½/c to 26c. No. 2 rye, 50½/c. Barley, fair to choice maiting, 52c to 58c. No. 1 flaxseed, \$1.50; No. 1 northwestern, 21.50. Prime timothy seed \$4.40. Mess Prime timothy seed, \$4 40. Mess \$11 221/2 to \$11 27. Lard, \$6 90 to Short ribs sides, \$6 25 to \$6 50. Dry salted shoulders, 5%c to 6%c. Short clear sides, \$6.65 to \$6.75. Clover, \$10 to \$10.25, Eggs dull; fresh, 20c. Receipts—Flour, 35,000 bbls; wheat, 168,-

Receipts—Flour, 25,000 bbis; wheat, 165, 600 bu; corn, 494,000 bu; oats, 265,000 bu; rye, 6,000 bu; barley, 50,000 bu.
Shipments—Flour, 24,000 bbis; wheat, 12,000 bu; corn, 116,000 bu; oats, 92,000 bu; rye, 2,000 bu; barley, 14,000 bu.

THE OIL MARKET. OIL CITY, Pa., Dec. 22.—Credit balances, \$1 07; certificates closed \$1 09 bid.
PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 22.—Oil closed

Live Stook Markets EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 22.—Cattle—Market very quiet; offerings small; calves in light supply, fair demand, steady; choice to extra, \$7 to \$7 25; good to choice, 21 loads; choice to extra lambs—Offerings, 21 loads; choice to extra lambs, \$5.50 to \$5.60; good to choice, \$5.35 to \$5.50; fair to good, \$5 to \$5.55; common to fair, \$4.25 to \$5; sheep, choice, to extra, \$4 to \$4.25; good to choice, \$3.75 to \$4. Hogs—Light, in active demand; heavy dull; heavy, \$4.95; and so; mostly \$4.95; mixed Yorkers and \$5; roughs, \$4.40 to \$4.60; \$t,ags, \$3.73

to \$4; close steady; good clearance. CHICAGO. Dec. 22.-Cattle-Receipts. 200: good to prime steers, \$5.25 to \$6; poor to medium, \$3.65 to \$5.20; selected feeders, \$3.75 to \$4.40; mixed stockers, \$2.50 to \$3.75; street, Toronto.

cows, \$2 40 to \$4; heifers, \$2 50 to \$4 40; canners, \$1 75 to \$2 35; bulls, \$2 40 to \$4 30; calves, \$3 75 to \$5 50; Texas fed steers, \$4 to \$4 85; do, grass steers, \$3 25 to \$4; Texas bulls, \$2 40 to \$3 45. Hogs—Receipts, 18,000; mixed and butchers, \$4 65 to \$4 95; good to choice heavy, \$4 75 to \$4 95; rough heavy, \$4 60 to \$4 70; light, \$4 60 to \$4 92½; bulk of sales, \$4 82½ to \$4 90. Sheep—Receipts, 1,000; good to choice wethers, \$3 70 to \$4 25; fair to choice mixed, \$3 15 to \$3 25; western sheep, \$3 60 to \$4 20; Texas sheep, \$2 25 to \$3 50; native lambs, \$4 to \$5 25; western lambs, \$4 50 to \$5 25.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES. London, Dec. 22.—Here and at Liverpool cattle are firmer, at 12c to 13½c per lb, dressed weight; refrigerator beef, 9½c to 9½c per lb.

The Dairy Markets.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The receipts of butter for the week amounted to 34,912 pkgs, and shipments to 2,101 pkgs. Receipts of cheese for the week aggregated 14,813 boxes, and shipments 3,487 boxes. Butter—Receipts, 2,442 pkgs; steady; factory, 11½c to 16c; imitation creamery, 14½c to 19c. Cheese—Receipts, 752 pkgs; market quiet and firm; fancy large fall made, 11¼c to 1½c; fancy small fall made, 11¼c to 12c. Eggs—Receipts, 4,788 pkgs; market easier; state and Pennsylvania, 23c to 26c; western regular packing, at mark, 18c to 22½c; western, loss off, 24c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Butter steady: The Dairy Markets.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Butter steady; creamery, 17c to 25c; factory, 11½c to 16c; June creamery, 17c to 23c; imitation creamery, 14½c to 19c; state dairy, 16c to 23c. Cheese firm; fancy large fall made, 11½c to 11½c; do, small, 11¾c to 12c. CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Butter was dull; creameries, 15c to 23c; dairies, 12c to 20c. Cheese dull, 104c to 11%c.

CHRISTMAS SUNDAY IN THE CHURCHES

Special Music, Sermon and Floral Decorations Marked the Day.

In all the city churches yesterday the approach of the anniversary of Christ's birth was, as usual, marked by special services. From nearly every pulpit at least one of the day's sermons had for its subject the advent of the Messiah and the influence of his coming on the succeeding ages. As usual floral decorations and special music formed an important and enjoyable portion of the services. The many excellent choirs which London boasts vied with each other in the effort to render artistically and rever-ently the tributes of song which the world's masters of music have laid at the feet of the Christ Child. The musical services in St. Paul's and St. Peter's Cathedrals, Dundas Street Center, First and Wellington Methodist Churches, St. Andrew's and First Presbyterian Churches and Tabot Screet Baptist Church were especially worthy of note.

Remembered Their Foreman.

The employes of the E. Leonard & Sons' boiler shop on Saturday presented their genial foreman, Mr. T. D. Smith, with an address and finely upholstered chair. Following is the address:

To T. D. Smith, Esq.:
At this season of the year when friends are engaged in the delightful task of exchanging greetings and sending messages of cheer and goodwill, we desire to place on record the high esteem in which you are held both as a man and an overseer for others and in their interests. We remember the period of years that have elapsed since you assumed the responsible position you now occupy, and we would express the hope that you may be long spared to reap the reward of your energy and industry. As a token of our regard we ask you to accept this chair, accompanied, as it is, by our very best wishes for a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Signed on behalf of the boiler shop of E. Leonard & Sons, JAMES S. COOK,

J. J. FRYER. Mr. Smith made a neat address in reply, thanking them for their kindness.

JAS. BOXER.

RE CAR SERVICE. To the Editor of The Advertiser: I would like to ask, through your valuable paper, if the street car company has the right to put passengers out of their cars, after paying their fares, and keep them in the cold night air for twenty minutes until another car comes up. This occurred tonight at twenty minutes to 9 o'clock at Richmond and Oxford streets, and many ladies and children were passengers. Quite a few children were passengers. walked home on account of cold. Surely, Mr. Editor, this city of London should be protected from such abuse in travel by any company whatever. To see ladies and children turned out on the streets in the cold at nine o'clock is not pleasant. because, as they say they were behind time. Have these people to suffer? This occurred twice in one day. Cannot something be done to stop this abuse in travel? One who suffered.

D. M. DONALD, 510 Grosvenor street, Dec. 22, 1900.

LATTER DAY SAINTS.

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 24.—The annual meeting of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, otherwise the Mormons, was held here Saturday. The total membership in Ohio was reported at 250 out of a total in the country of 300,000. Ben E. Rich, of Chattanooga, Tenn., was elected as state president.

ASTHMA CURED. There Were Only Four Cases of Asthma in Nanaime, B.C., and Have All Been Cured by Clarke's Kola Compound-The Facts as Given by a Leading

Druggist. Mr. Watkinson, a bricklayer, with Vancouver Coal Company, states: Clarke's Kola Compound is the only preparation that ever gave him any permanent relief from asthma. Before taking this remedy he lost one month's work through asthma, and since he has not lost a day during the past year. He says, "I consider it a Godsend to the asthmatic."

A well-known cigarmaker, who used be a great sufferer, and could not do any traveling outside this city, told me the other day he makes his trips to Union and other places regularly, and has not had a single attack of asthma for over a year. "Thanks to Clarke's Kola Compound." He said no amount of money could estimate its

value to him. Mr. J. C. Wilson, a carpenter here was almost a hopeless case, and is now completely free from asthma. He took but four bottles.

Mr. Alex. Dixon, a well-known con-tractor here, who was the first case of asthma cured, says he has spent hundreds of dollars during ten years in search of a cure, but has at last than twenty-four years. All Druggists. found it in Clarke's Kola Compound. He took in all about six bottles, and is completely cured. He has sent several fellow-sufferers to my store for it. Signed, F. C. Stearman, Phm.B., Chem-Nanaimo, B. C.

Clarke's Kola Compound will permanently cure any case of asthma or chronic bronchitis. Sold by chemists everywhere. Send for Dr. Clarke's book on Asthma, free. Address the G. and M. Co., Limited 121 Church

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At Bayley's.

Here's where a saving can be effected. The whole of this grand stock to be cleared. We suggest a few lines on which 50c will go as far as a dollar in other stores.

Fans.

Elegant French Fans, the latest and most dainty designs at half price.

Purses.

Nice assortment of Fine Purses, handsomely finished in correct shapes; half regular price.

Handkerchiefs.

There are none to compare with our styles; largest range in Western Canada; hundreds of dozens at half price.

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Very choice assortment, specially imported for fine trade; half regular price.

Umbrellas.

Handsome stock at halr

Gloves.

Special lot of latest shades.

Everything Must Co at the Great Retiring Sale.



A MODERN TENDENCY

To Popularize the Church-Is It Detrimental?

At Saturday night's meeting of the Baconian Club, a debate upon the resolution: Resolved, "That the modern tendency to popularize the church is detrimental to the progress of Christianity," was decided in favor of the affirmative. It was maintained, in support of the proposition, that the primary and essential office of the church was the spirit of good of Jesus Christ and the making of a Christian. When a departure from that main object was made it was detrimental to the progress of Christianity. Christianity in itself was not popular. When the church devoted its forces to the gathering of crowlds, it was wastenergies that might and should be used in advancing Christianity. Choirs, paid singers, paid organists and popular sermons were intended to attract crowds, who went not for worship but to hear the concert and listen to the sermon on war or politics. In brief, the efforts to make the church popular dissipated energies that might be better used in making Christians. The negative contended that Christianity should not be confounded with doctrine or dogma, while the present tendency might be detrimental to doctrine and dogma, it was not so to true Christianity, which was in itself a life. The highest, purest, noblest life manifested itself in all spheres of man's activity, social, commercial and political. The Christian must be an allround man. The church should recognize, encourage and offer opportunities for the development of the physical and intellectual as well as the spiritual, if it was to fulfill its mission. church, in fact, should supply that which was necessary for the fullest possible development of an all-embracing Christian life.

Saw Death Near.

"It often made my heart ache," writes L. C. Overstreet, of Elgin, Tenn., to hear my wife cough until it seemed her weak and sore lungs would collapse. Good doctors said she was so far gone with Consumption that no medicine or earthly hope could save her, but a friend recommended Dr. New's Discovery, and persistent use of this excellent medicine saved her life." It's absolutely guaranteed for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis. Asthma and all Throat and Lung diseases. 50c and \$1 at W. T. Strong & Co's. Trial bottle

George W. Pattison, aged 70, a pioneer publisher and printer, known throughout Michigan and several other states, died at his home in Birmingham yesterday. He established the Western Star, the first daily newspaper published in Buffalo, N. Y., in 1834, also the Grand River Times, now the Grand Rapids Democrat, in 1837.

To cure a cold in a night—use Vapo-Cresolene. It has been used extensively during more

High tides strong winds and heavy rains have broken through the British Columbia dykes and the Fraser Valley farming lands have been badly flooded.

Do You Want Consumption? Are you really looking for it? Inviting it? Then pay no attention to your hacking cough, and your weak throat. You can prevent it, though. Take Scott's Emulsion early. when viting it? the cough first begins,

BADEN-POWELL'S

Rumors Regarding the Raising of One Thousand Recruits in Canada.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 24.-Lord Minto has had a communication from Hon. Joseph Chamberlain in regard to getting recruits from Canada for Baden-Powell's force in South Africa, but so far none of the ministers of the crown have seen it. The militia department have no information to give on the subject.

The information given out to the Conservative press from the government House is that 1,000 men are wanted in Canada to recruit for Baden-Powell's force, and that they will receive five shillings a day. If this number is recruited here, then ten rearbancies and fifteen Neutenancies in captaincies and fifteen lieutenancies in the imperial army will go to the Can-

Dr. Borden is here, but has not yet heard of the matter.

The Toronto Globe's London, Eng-land correspondent says: "I hear on good authority that in response to representations from the Canadian authorities that a number of residents of Canada are anxious to become members of the constabulary force which Col. Baden-Powell is organizing in South Africa, but have no facilities for doing so without paying their own way either to South Africa or to England, the war office has arranged to establish recruiting depots in Canada for the force in question. It is understood a considerable number of applications have been received by the Canadian Government, which, however, has hitherto been unable to take any action.'

News at a Glance.

Lord William Beresford is ill from Tammany has ordered closed down all

the New York gambling houses Pare, the noted bank robber, had his leg amputated in Kingston penitenti-

Emma Goldman, the Anarchist, is to make a tour of the country to speak on anarchism. Baptiste Joseph Dormer,

twelfth Baron Dormer, is dead, in the 71st year of his age, says a London cable. The American Express Company will give \$5 each to about 10,000 of its

older employes, for Christmas, in Chi-Frank Souder, a German, sixteen years of age, was killed by falling clay while working in Odell's brickyard, Ot-

tawa East. Carrie Hanley, a 14-year-old girl, who was burned in public school, 44, New York, while playing Santa Claus, died on Saturday.

Gov. Roosevelt has removed from office Col. Gardiner, district attorney of New York county, and appointed Eugene J. Philbin to fill the vacancy. Eugene and Byron Day and George

W. Patterson, three of the most dangerous criminals in the country, have been arrested at Rochester, N. Y. The body of Mrs. Alfred Price, who has been missing from her home on St. Patrick street, Toronto, since Thurs-

day, was found in the lake near Sunny President McKinley's second inauguration on March 4, will be marked by ceremonial splendor never before attempted in the city, says a New

York World dispatch from Washing A formal request from Bolivia that the United States use its influence to settle the boundary trouble between Bolivia and Chili, has been denied, says the Washington special to the New

York Times. Robbing of mine pillars by the Pennsylvania Coal Mining Company has caused a cave-in, which has swallow-ed about 30 feet of the main street of Pittston, Pa, and threatens to engula other parts of the town.

The American steamer Jennie Hall (Capt. Lawson), from Trinidad, Nov. 10, for Baltimore, which stranded eight miles south of Cape Henry at 4 a.m. on Saturday, is a total wreck. The captain and two men were drowned.

An Indianapolis dispatch says Receiver Clark, of the Chosen Friends. thinks that creditors have little prospect of realizing much from their claims. The utmost they can hope for, he says, is 10 cents on the dollar.

A cablegram to the department of finance states that official notice has been given in the London Gazette of the admission of the Dominion scribed stocks to the list of securities in which trust funds may be invested. To save his mother from abuse and to save himself from a beating with a poker, Albert Albertson, aged 17 years

of age, shot and killed his father a their home in Wentworth avenue Chicago. Young Albertson was arrested. A special from Portsmouth, Va. "Cut down in the darkness by a big ocean steamship, the little schooner Emblem (Capt. Geo. B. Mar-

shall) went to the bottom in Hamp-ton Roads Saturday morning. The sailors escaped in the dory. Daniel Hawthorne, who is wanted at Montreal on a charge of forgery, was neatly captured at Detroit on Saturday by Detective Elias Baker. Several supposed forged checks were found in his pockets. He consented to return to Canada without extradition proceedings.

Advices from Sitka, Alaska, state that town is in a condition of sup-pressed excitement, fearing an outbreak of Indians. The United States Marines stationed there are under arms, and the marshall and the deputies are taking every precaution protect the whites.

BICKLE'S ANTI-CONSUMPTIVE SYRUP stands at the head of the list for all diseases of the throat and lungs. acts like magic in breaking up a cold. A cough is soon subdued, tight-ness of the chest is relieved, even the worst case of consumption is relieved, while in recent cases it may be said never to fail. It is a medicine prepared from the active principles or virtues of several medicinal herbs, and can be depended upon for all pulmonary complaints

IT IS A LIVER PILL.-Many of the ailments that man has to contend with have their origin in a disordered liver, which is a delicate organ, peruliarly susceptible to the disturbances that come from irregular habits ack of care in eating and drinking. This accounts for the great many liver regulators now pressed on the at-tention of sufferers. Of these there is none superior to Parmelee's Vegetable Pills. Their operation though gentle is effective, and the most delicate can them.

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ALL THIS WEEK.

Christmas Specialties.

EIDERDOWN COMFORTERS

Made from the finest selected English down, beautifully covered with satin and sateen, and absolutely down proof. Frices within the reach of all. Just the thing for a Christmas present.

TABLE COVERS.

These are shown in Velvet, Tapestry Chenille and Silk, from 1 yard square to 2 yards by 3; also Indian Covers, elaborately embroidered with gold.

Cushions, covered and uncovered and Cushion Tops. Five O'Clock Tea Cloths, all sizes, hemstitched and fringed. Shams and Scarfs in Roman embroidery.

SPECIAL BARGAINS IN CARPETS.

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GENTS' TIES-Specials at 25c and 50c. GENTS' MUFFLERS-Quilted, from 50c to \$1 00 each.

GENTS' SQUARES-From 20c to \$1 00 each. GENTS' HANDKERCHIEFS-Linen and silk, beautiful assortment.

GENTS' GLOVES-Lined Kid, at 75c, \$1 00 and \$1 25 per pair. LADIES' TIES-In silk and lace. LADIES' KID GLOVES-See our guaranteed Gloves at \$1 00 per pair.

LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS—A large range of silk, lace trimmed and hemstitched handkerchiefs, from 5c each up. FINE LINENS—A nice line of Table Linens, 2 yards wide, at 35c per yard, and so on, up to the fine bleached goods, 2½ yards wide, for \$1 00 per yard.

FANCY TOWELS-At 50c, 65c and 75c each; beauties. NAPKINS, DOILIES and SIDEBOARD DRAPES-At moderate prices.

TRY US FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

GRAY & PARKER, 150 Dundas Street.

POLITICAL POINTS

North Gosfield Liberals will banquet Mr. M. K. Cowan, M.P., at Cottam, on Jan. 9.

Mr. Robert Rogers has been taken into the Manitoba Cabinet as minis-ter of public works, Mr. McFadden becoming provincial secretary.

The next speaker of the House of Commons, as already announced, will be Mr. L. P. Brodeur, M.P., for Rouville, and it is understood that his secretary will be Mr. W. W. Edgar, of Toronto, son of the late Sir James Mr. Edgar acted in a similar capacity for his father while he was

Henry Corby, M.P., announces that in consequence of ill-health he will retire from political life. It is said to be likely that Hon. G. E. Foster will receive the Conservative nomination for West Hastings, in succession to

Henry Corby, who has announced his intention of resigning. It is understood that all the election protests of Nova Scottia have been dropped. Premier Roblin on Saturday

the oath of office as premier, president of the council and minister of agriculture of Manitoba. Hon. Mr. Rogers was sworn in as minister of public works. Hon. Mr. McFaden will retain the provincial secretaryship and the municipal commissionership. other portfolios will remain as

Sir Hibbert, in an interview, said that he had heard nothing of the story that he would be temporary leader of the Conservatives in the house till a new leader is chosen. It might possibly have found its source in the fact that he is now senior privy councilor of the party, and it usual for the gentleman holding such priority to be offered a prominent

THE ONLY HELP.

A Victim of Bright's Disease for Many Years-Cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Neepawa, Dec. 24.-Mrs. T. H. Mc-Kee, formerly of Listowel, came here as a last resort. Had suffered ten years with Bright's Disease. Reported to be past help and dying, her reappearance on the street in apparent good health was a pleasant surprise. The explanation given was that her little boy had insisted that she should use Dodd's Kidney Pills and prophethat they would cure her. She : "From the first few doses I began to feel better, and after taking four and a half boxes, I say it with heart-felt gratitude, I am perfectly Dodd's Kidney Pills is the only medicine in the world that has ever cured a case of Bright's Disease

LITTLE GIRL FATALLY BURNED. Jarvis, Ont., Dec. 24.—The three-year-old daughter of J. C. Mills, drug-gist and G. N. W. Telegraph agent, of this village, got possession of some matches, and while striking them set fire to her clothing. Before the mother and other members of the fam-ily could get to her rescue, the little was so badly burned that she died Saturday morning.

BLAZING TOBACCO.

Kingsville, Ont., Dec. 23. — At one o'clock last night fire destroyed the large buildings east of the town, formerly known as the Bauslaugh sash and door factory. The machinery had been removed and about twelve tons of home-grown leaf tobacco, which was stored in the building, was consumed, the Erie Tobacco Company losing six tons of last year's crop, and Messrs. J. D. Wigle and Walker about three tons each of the season's crop. There was a small insurance on build-

ing and tobacco. FRICTION OVER NEWFOUND-

LAND. St. Johns, Nfld., Dec. 24.-On the last day of December the Anglo-French modus vivendi respecting the New-foundland coast expires, and this may creat complications between the two

foundland Legislature will consent to renew the present arrangements, in which case friction may ensue, unless Britain makes another arrangement with France. The colony's position, however, is so strong with the British public that such arrangement must be decidedly favorable to the colony.

> PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS. Toronto, Dec. 24.-The following appointments, among others, are gazetted: Judge Barron, of Stratford, to be local master of the su court for the county of Perth; Mr. J. D. Moore, of Galt, to be registrar of deeds for the county of Waterloo; Dr. John A. Meldrum, of Belmont, to be associate corner in the county of Middlesex; Dr. J. B. McMurrich, of Bothwell, to be associate coroner in Kent county. The British-American Furniture Company are given permis-sion to change the name to "The Can-

ada Furniture Manufacturers." BANDITS BURGLARIZE BANKS. Dalton City, Ill., Dec. 24.—Between \$3,000 and \$4,000 was secured by a gang who dynamited the vault of the Dalton City bank Saturday. Although a posse was quickly formed, no trace of the

robbers has yet been secured. Cleveland, Dec. 24.—Burglars late Saturday night attempted to rob the Exchange Bank at Madison, O., 25 miles east of this city. They blew open the safe, but were frightened away securing its contents. The safe contained a large sum of money, but not a

PARDONER PINGREE'S LATEST. Detroit, Mich., Dec. 24.—Governor Pingree has just released eight state prison convicts in a bunch-seven on parole and one by absolute pardon. The pardoned man is Chas. C. Bostwick, sent from Lake county to Jack-son prison in December, 1897, for 15 years for criminal assault. Bostwick's alleged victim was his daughter, who has since made affidavit that she testified falsely against her father at the instigation of her mother, who was anxious to get rid of him, being en-amored of another man, whom she has since married without securing a divorce from the convict.

DROWNED IN THE THAMES. Chatham, Ont., Dec. 23.—The first fatal accident for this season in the River Thames occurred on Saturday night between 7 and 8 o'clock, when an unknown man of some 25 years of age met a watery grave under sensational circumstances. The scene of the accident was at the rear of Riverside Terrace, a fashionable residential row in the west end of the city. The neighborhood was startled by piercing shricks emanating from the river. The cries for help brought a crowd to the scene, but none could be of any assistance. The ice was honeycombed, and no one ventured on it. Boards were pushed out toward the drowning man, but they failed to reach anywhere near him. The firemen's ladder was sent out towards the victim, but when success was almost near he disappeared. No boats were kept near at hand.

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