M'GOVERN'S NEXT BATTLE.

Brooklyn's Terrible Terry Tackles Champion George Dixon. January 9.

COLORED MAN HAS CONFIDENCE.

Boxing Bouts Arranged to Take Place in Ottawa Next Thursday Night.

New York, Dec. 23.—New York followers of boxing have now turned a good share of their attention towards the bout between George Dixon and Terry McGovern for the featherweight championship, an event that comes off on Jan. 9. It is generally believed that the wonderful little Brooklyn boxer will defeat Dixon, knock him out, and, for the first time in many years, the dusky boxer will enter the ring a second choice. McGovern's fight with Harry Forbes last night has done a great deal to stimulate the feeling of confidence in him and his prospects. Coming, as it did, on the heels of McGovern's very successful Western tour, it indicates that Palmer's conqueror is not stalling.

Dixon and McGovern met in the ring at the Broadway Club the other night. Dixon returned from Mount Clemens yesterday for a brief stay in this city. Last night he went target a line on McGovern, whom he is to meet at the Broadway A.C. Dixon has been in the West for the last three weeks, and is in rare form. He left Lakewood this morning, where he will stay until his fight with McGovern takes place, in a talk with a reporter, the dusky champion said yesterday:

"Few people give me credit for still possessing enough strength to stave off any ambitious rival for my laurels. I am in good health now and am not scared because the public think that McGovern will knock me out. Hundreds of fighters have been trying to do that for years, but none, so far, has succeeded. I want to win this fight for one reason, and that is I desire to leave the ring with flying colors. I know I am going to quit the business, win or lose, and I don't care to give up my profession un-ess I can retire with my record unblemished."

Ottawa's Boxing Bouts.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—Sporting circles are interested in the sparring contest arranged for next Tuesday evening in the Capital Association rooms between Jimmie Smith of Toronto, the 118-pound champion of Canada, and Joe McKay of the Rochester Athletic Club. It will be a 10-round contest. In addition to this there will be a 10-round contest between Allen and Barney Britton, and a number of interesting club swinging and dumb-bell exhibitions by F. A. Morris, gymnastic instructor, and a couple of little bouts between Prof. J. W. Davis, boxing instructor of the association, and a number of his pupils. Among the latter, it is said, will be one of Ottawa's excellent hockeyists. Mr. R. H. Bennett, the official referee of the Crescent Athletic Club of Toronto, will act as master of ceremonies.

Around the Ring

At New York Saturday night, George Mc-Fadden and Jack Dale fought 20 rounds to a draw.

Tommy Dixon has signed articles of agreement for a fight with Oscar Gardner, the Omaha Kid, to be decided Jan. 22 in the arena of the Metropolitan A.C. of Wheeling, W. Va.

At Niles Friday night, the fight between Jack Finnegan of Pittsburg and Jack McCormick of Philadelphia was stopped by the sheriff in the 18th round, and saved McCormick from a knockout. Referee Hurst gave the decision to Finnegan.

Tommy Wynne, the New York bookmaker, is a firm admirer of Peter Maher, and offers to bet $1000 even money that the Irishman will defeat Kid McCoy at Coney Island on New Year's day. Martin Dowling is also backing Maher, and is ready to invest $500. The prevailing odds are 6 to 5 on Maher.

At Hot Springs, Ark., Saturday night, Jack Stenzler of St. Louis and Ed Dunkhorst of Syracuse fought a 20-round draw. Lundhorst had the advantage of 40 pounds, and showed himself very clever and active for his weight. Stenzler was clever, but entirely too light for the opponent. Although the latter seemed unable to knock him out, Stenzler was severely punished.

Edward Kennedy of Montreal, who has been in New York several years, will return to his native city to spend a few weeks with his parents. Kennedy is well known in New York as an admirer of sports, and numbers among his acquaintances Bob Fitzsimmons, Tom Sharkey, Jim Jeffries, Jim Corbett, Jim Wakely and Kid McCoy. He has met both in Montreal for years, and his friends in that city are making preparations to accord him a royal welcome.

Fred Baker of Oswego, the Furious Brakeman, called at The Buffalo Courier office Saturday and said that his manager, Billy Welsh, is ready to match him against Andy Ward of Sarnia at 133 pounds, the bout to come off in Buffalo, or any place suitable to Ward. In case Ward refuses, this is open to Sandee, Young Gibbs, Goldstein or Hogan. Baker is in good form at present, and under Billy Welsh's tutorship he is improving rapidly in skill, for Billy is a clever teacher.

The Fifth Round.

Vienna, Dec. 23.—This evening the fifth round of the Kanloch memorial chess tournament was concluded in this city. Results: Popiel and Zinkl adjourned their game in an even position, Pilick lost to Wolf, Brody and Albin adjourned their game in an even position, Maroczy and Alapin adjourned their game in favor of the former. Schwarz lost to Kortc and Schlechter and Marco drew.

Better Than Drugs.

"D.C.L." (Black Bottle) Scotch Whisky, taken with Soda or Selba Water, is a drink "fit for the gods." Thoroughly matured in Sherry Casks. Unrivalled as a Table Whisky. Taken as a "night-cap," it promotes sound and refreshing sleep. No bad after-effects. One case sent to any address in Ontario, prepaid, on receipt of $12. Adams & Burns, Agents, Toronto.

THE VICTORIAS OF WINNIPEG

Prairie City Club in Condition to Place World-Beating Team in the Field.

THEY WANT THE STANLEY CUP

Challenge Sent to Montreal on Saturday for Games With Champion Shamrocks.

Winnipeg, Dec. 24.—(Special.)—The challenge of the Winnipeg Victorias for the Stanley Cup, emblematic of the hockey championship of Canada, left the city en route to the trustees on Saturday. The document is short and pithy. It briefly sets forth that the Victorias, being champions of the Manitoba Hockey Association, are thereby entitled to meet the Shamrocks, last year's Eastern champions, and expresses the desire that the trustees shall fix dates about the middle of February, preferring the 12th, 14th and 16th of that month. The arrangement as to a referee, umpires and other officials of the games will be completed later.

This will make the third trip of the Winnipeg Victorias to the City of Montreal.

The club was never in better condition to put a world-beating team in the field than it is to-day. Never has the playing membership been as large as at present, and never has material been of a higher grade. In goal is Whitey Merritt, at point is Roddy Flett; Charlie Johnstone, at cover, is the fastest man in the country; while Hain, Captain Campbell, Giggus, Levekue and Roxborough will make one of the heaviest and fastest attacks that ever stood on ice. Added to these, there are such men as Macdonald and Bole as reserve forwards, and M. Flett for defence—so that in case of accident or injury there will be no reason to count games lost.

Hockey Rink for Buffalo.

Buffalo, Sept. 24.—Frank C. Mabee, formerly of the Fort Erie Racing Association, has interested himself in the hockey situation in this city and has undertaken to build a new covered rink which will meet with all the requirements of the Ontario Hockey Association rules, under which the games of the Buffalo Hockey Association are played.

Mr. Mabee has secured the lease of the big building at No. 560 Broadway, which for many years was used as a roller skating rink, and will expend almost a thousand dollars in having it put in shape.

When completed, Buffalo will have one of the best rinks in this part of the country and one that will compare favorably with any of those in Toronto.

Max Veleveger is the proprietor of a patent by which ice can be preserved even when a thaw prevails outside. Mabee has engaged Mr. Veleveger to take charge of the new Broadway rink.

Efforts will be made to have the Buffalo Hockey Association play all its championship games on this rink and as it is the only one in the city that conforms with the rules of the association it is quite probable that this one will be chosen.

After the Puck.

The St. George's play at Guelph on New Year's Day, weather permitting.

The O.H.A. and the management of the Caledonian Rink have not yet come to terms about having the games played there this season.

Word comes from Cobourg that they will have an exceptionally fast team that will be managed by Mr. Knox, who is a well-known athlete.

The Shamrock-Victoria match in Montreal, in which the goal nets are to be used, will be played next Saturday on account of scarcity of ice last week.

The Aberdeen hockey team of Ottawa will start the season with a trip up west, commencing Thursday next, when the team will go to Peterboro to meet the cracks of that town. The team may go to Brockville and Belleville.

Queen's have closed with J. W. Conant of the Duquesne Gardens, Pittsburg, for four games, on Jan. 24-27, inclusive. The team will hardly have time to go to Philadelphia, but have asked Buffalo for a game on the evening of the 23. Queen's has asked Ottawa City for a game during the Eastern Ontario trip in New Year's week.

The Kingston Ramblers have organized and the following officers were elected: Hon president, J Morgan Shaw; president, W J F Mailagh; 1st vice-president, E J B Pense; 2nd vice-president, William Gee; secretary-treasurer, J Kearns, jr; manager, J Hamer; captain, George Kidd; committee, S Polson and W Downey; honorary members, A Shannon, S C Dean, H M Nimmo.

A new hockey league has sprung into existence. It is called the Ottawa Valley hockey league and the officers are: President, C G Fennock, Renfrew; 1st vice-president, F J McDonnell, Pembroke; secretary-treasurer, J S Oliver, Carleton Place. There was a hot discussion over the advisability of admitting Smith's Falls to the league, but as Arnprior was the only one favoring it it was decided not to admit them this year. The teams in the league to-day are Carleton Place, Arnprior, Pembroke and Renfrew. The first matches take place on Jan. 5, when Arnprior plays at Carleton Place and Renfrew plays at Pembroke.

BASEBALL IN WINTER.

All-American Aggregation to Take a Trip to Cuba—N.Y. State League Averages.

New Orleans, Dec. 23.—Cuba is to be invaded by a baseball team from this country, an aggregation to be known as the All-American Baseball Club, will leave this city for Havana soon for a stay of two months. With the exception of one person, a Spaniard, a local man, who is slated to play shortstop—the club will be made up of talent from the National and minor leagues.

Two of the Cincinnati Reds are booked on the expedition—Beckley and Steinfeldt. The others are: Childs of Philadelphia; Marr, of late of Cleveland; Dan Phelan, Jimmy Delaney and Xaver O'Brien of New Orleans, and Johnny Gonding, once of the Eastern League, who caught for the Reading (Pa.) Club last year.

Averages of State League.

Buffalo, Dec. 23.—President John H. Farrell of the State League of Baseball Clubs to-day made known the official batting averages of the players in that league for the season of 1890. Of the ten leading batsmen Toll of Rome heads the list with an average of .406 in thirteen games. Whistler of Schenectady, in sixty-two games, bats .400; Hill of Binghamton follows with .379 in ninety-four games.

Ban Johnson's Circuit.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—President Ban Johnson of the American League and Charles Comiskey of St. Paul held a secret conference yesterday with President M. K. Killen of the Milwaukee Baseball Club, supposedly over the makeup of the circuit of 1900.

President Johnson said the circuit of the American league would probably begin with teams in the following cities: Minneapolis, Milwaukee, Chicago, Grand Rapids, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Detroit and Buffalo.

Two Hundred Thousand a Year

Is what I retail of my famous "Collegian" Cigar at five cents straight. J. A. Thompson, 73 Yonge-street.

Letter from Archbishop O'Connor.

The Christmas services in the Roman Catholic churches of the city to-day will be the same as is usual in that festival. Yesterday a circular letter from Archbishop O'Connor was read in all the churches of the Archdiocese. It announced the midnight mass on New Year's Eve, in accordance with the decree of the Pope, sanctifying 1900, as already published.

LACKMAN NOSED OUT ALPEN

Crescent City Handicap Goes to 8 to 1 Shot, Split Favorites Among the Also Rans.

OWNERS AND JOCKEYS SUSPENDED.

Advance Guard at 2 to 1 Wins the Two-Year-Old Race at San Francisco.

New Orleans, Dec. 23.—Boland's weak finish on Alpen lost the $2000 purse hung up for the Crescent City Handicap to J. McCafferty. The colt ran his race to-day, a performance in striking contrast to his last, and Lackman, who won, just nosed him out. Duke of Middleburg, who coupled with Moroni, figured a favorite, could not extend himself in the heavy going. Supreme, a 2-year-old filly, ran 50 yards past the wire and dropped, completely exhausted, of, probably the only instance of sending a 2-year-old such a distance in such going. Ed Gartland's people scorched the ring in the second race. It was the black gelding's first appearance at this meeting, and the books opened him at tens. The inflow of wise money soon cut the price to three and at this he went to the post. Morris did the running, and won the only successful favorite of the day. Joe Murphy and Jockey Kelley for 30 days on account of the Inconla colt running of the race Monclerich. The stable of J. H. Jones and Jockey A. McIntyre have also been suspended, pending an investigation of the running of the horse St. Fonzo. Wea-her cloudy; track heavy. Summaries:

First race, selling, 1 mile—Miss Dooley, 108 (Hornbaker), 5 to 1, 1; Good Order, 108 (Dawson), 5 to 1, 2; Donalda, 108 (Kuhn), 20 to 1, 3. Time 1.55. Chaucery, Ejidal, Shinfane, Prince of Indra and Uncle Lewis also ran.

Second race, 6 furlongs—Ed Gartland, 105 (Mitchell), 48 to 1, 1; Tyrba, 97 (Wedderstraud), 3 to 1, 2; Meddlesome, 95 (Olvira), 6 to 4, 3. Time 1.21. Manfus, Lord Neville, Belle Ward, Chantilly, Chiffon, Ypsilanti and Grey John also ran.

Third race, 7 furlongs, selling—Don Clarencio, 108 (Posson), 12 to 1, 1; Blue Lick, 107 (Winchell), 8 to 1, 2; Monereith, 114 (Kitley), 3 to 1, 3. Time 1.38. Refuse, Judge Quigley, Hampden, Sedan, Clardon, Sunbora and Scanland also ran.

Fourth race, Crescent Handicap, 1¼ miles—Lackman, 101 (Dominick), 8 to 1, 1; Alpen, 103 (Boland), 12 to 1, 2; Prince Blazes, 102 (W. Jones), 4 to 1, 3. Time 2.04½. Moroni, Deering, Laureate, Eva River, The Bar of Bethlehem, Supreme and Duke of Middleburg also ran.

Fifth race, selling, 1 mile—St. Lorenzo, 113¾ (Fabor), 8 to 1, 1; Aniabla, 110 (Boland), 5 to 1, 2; Insolence, 110 (Harshberger), 5 to 1, 3. Time 1.52. Juanetta, Bright Night, Nailer, Big Indian, Very Light also ran.

Entries: First race, selling, 1 mile and ½ furlong—Fewess, Brushfields, Nannie Davis, Chantilly, Crystalline, Cavallo, Finer'del Rio, Ruskin, Belle Ward, David 85, Good Order, Elidad, Lord Neville 96, Etra H., Rehodgiht 100.

Second race, 5 furlongs—The Miller, Pedant, Sadie Burnam, Commander Miller, Clara M., De Pannie 100, Gola Pools 103, Isolette, Aviator 105, Turner II, Sam Fullom, Ted Coombs 11, Prince of Verona, minn 108. Third race, selling, 2 miles—Bright Night, Sainfoso 90, Suffsex, Joe Shelby 110, Monk Wayman, Pancharn 105.

Fourth race, Christmas Handicap, 1 mile—Florias 90, Watercrest 95, Alpen 100, Eva River 102, Laureate 110, Moroni 105, Duke of Middleburg 111, Imp. Mint Sauce 112.

Fifth race, selling, 1 mile and 20 yards—Sanatrol 85, Judge Quigley, Astor 95, Domna Blat, Elsie 100, Tom Kingsley, Tillie 103, Trebor 103, Arprinter, Refugee 104, Furbush 106, Watchorn 107, Dr. Walmsley, Albert Vale 109.

Another for Advance Guard

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—Long shots cleaned up the card at Oakland to-day. Plug, in the third race, won easily at 15 to 1; February repeated his win of the other day. The summaries:

First race, ½ mile, maidens, selling—Racery, 104 (Burns), 8 to 1, 1; Miss Soak, 119 (J. Daily), 12 to 1, 2; Deberita, 101 (Dennis), 3 to 1, 3. Time 1.15¼. Enw Leaa, Majesty, Jennie Nevine, The Offering, Tsezajara, Florence Fink, Padre Jose, Avernte, The Waif, Midia, Flero and Vincenta also ran.

Second race, 1 1-16 miles, selling—Eiuseno, 92 (Bassinger), 6 to 1, 1; Senator Staines, 96 (Henson), 8 to 1, 2; Codi 07, 107 (Walsh), 6 to 1, 3. Time 1.48½. Sylvan Lass, Hohenlohe, Marplot, Uim, Tom Talvert and Lost Girl also ran.

Third race, 1 1-16 miles, selling—Ping, 92 (Stuart), 15 to 1, 1; Potente, 104 (Flintoe), 3 to 1, 2; Don Luis, 102 (Vitati), 7 to 1, 3. Time 1.46¼. Tarde, Go to Bed, Dr. Bernays, Grand Sachem and Alicia also ran.

Fourth race, 1 mile, purse—Advance Guard, 93 (J. Martin), 2 to 1, 1; Florence Zelia, 90 (J. Ranch), 3 to 1, 2; Devoy, 93 (T. Walsh), 2 to 1, 3. Time 1.38½. Erwin also ran.

Fifth race, 1 1-16 miles, selling—Tappan, 118 (Thorpe), 8 to 1, 1; Topmast, 110 (Spencer), 7 to 5, 2; Red Pirate, 93 (J. Ranch), 25 to 1, 3. Time 1.46½. Opponent, Imp. Mistral 11, and Anchored also ran. Poor Land left at post.

Sixth race, 1 mile, selling—Strongoli, 111 (Thorpe), 5 to 1, 1; Ben Lodi, 106 (Owens), 5 to 1, 2; Pesce, 106 (T. Buran), 2 to 1, 3. Time 1.43. San Mateo, Strongoli and Theory also ran.

Oakland entries: First race, ½ mile, selling—Imperialist, Formere 116, Olimfina, Strongoli 113, The Hill 104, Flower of Gold, Fireball 111, El Arte, Alesian 92.

Second race, ⅞ mile, selling—Bogus Bill 114, F. W. Brole 110, Bee Foe 100, Bambonila 106, Alcindor, Miss Camilla 98, Brigand, Mont Eagle, Favorite 105, Nonfile, Miss Madeline 102, Louis B., Mc-Whirter 101, Gilssando, Expedient, Gundam 95.

Third race, 1 mile, purse—Montelibre 107, Flchesiohe, San Venado 105, Melharth 102, The Fretter 101, Canduio 98, Anchored 93. Fourth race, selling, 1¼ miles—Personne 97, Dare It, 95, Dr. Marks, Dr. Bernays 93, Ledara 88, Deduce 73.

Fifth race, Christmas Handicap, 1¼ miles—Topmast 116, Rosormonde 115, Nunamax 108, Imp. Mistral II, 104, Lothian 97, Osculation 95, Scones Caesar 83, Sixth race, Futurity Handicap, purse—Yellow Bell 111, Frank Bell 109, King Carnival 107, Midlove 106, Steer Abbey 103, St. Cuthbert 108, Noris 98, Alumnum 95, Good Hope 90.

Brighton Beach Stakes.

New York, Dec. 24.—Since the present management of the Brighton Beach Racing Association assumed control there has been remarkably rapid progress in its position in the turf world, until at the present time it is in the front rank of metropolitan associations.

President William A. Engeman is nothing if not progressive. Any plan that tends towards the advancement of the welfare of the turf is adopted without hesitation. This fact is particularly noticeable in the announcement of the Produce Stakes of $15,000, for mares covered in 1899, the produce to run as 2-year-olds in 1902. In accordance with the latest tendency in such events the race is divided in two parts, one for colts and one for fillies. The provision for fillies is what the breeders, as well as the horsemen, most want, and will be thoroughly appreciated.

In addition, as will be seen by the conditions printed below, liberal provision has been made for fillies in the events to be run during the season of 1900. The Electric, Distaff, Spinster and other stakes are exclusively for fillies, and it is the intention to frame several conditions of overnight events for their benefit.

The Brighton Handicap, which like most others places in the line with the Subur-ban and Brooklyn Handicaps, is among the stakes announced, to be run next season. The Brighton Cup, one of the most popular long distance features of the American turf, is also announced.

The Foxhall Stakes of $5,000 for 2-year-olds, to be run in 1901, will be one of the richest events in this country, and is sure of a liberal nomination.

The Brighton Handicap, which like takes its proper place in the line with the Suburban and Brooklyn Handicaps, is among the stakes announced, to be run next season.

Smith Under Arrest.

George Smith, 253 Huron-street, was placed under arrest on Saturday, at the instance of the County Police, who hold a warrant charging the prisoner with theft.

MAFIA AT WORK IN SICILY.

Astounding Revelations Being Made at a Murder Trial Now on in Milan.

ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WAS USED

By This Secret Society to Rob and Murder a Bank Manager.

London, Dec. 24.—Perhaps the most remarkable incident on the Continent last week was the trial at Milan of certain Sicilians arrested for the murder of Signor Notarbartolo, at one time manager of the Bank of Sicily at Palermo. From revelations made at the trial, it is evident that Signor Crispi and the Marquis di Rudini, who are both Sicilians, connived at the tyranny exercised by the secret society known as the Mafia.

Signor Notarbartolo was ousted from his position because he was an honest, fearless man, and refused to allow some of the chiefs of the Mafia to rob the bank. One of them named Palizzolo was actually present in his place, and, although his character was well known, he was the defendant by the Central Government. The ruffian not only made away with the funds of the bank but is accused, apparently justly, of having contrived the murder of his predecessor.

Now Brought to Trial.

Only under the present Ministry have the ringleaders of this far-ramifying secret band of robbers and assassins been arrested and brought to trial. It would have been impossible to try them in Sicily, so the whole machinery of the court, including witnesses and counsel, was taken to Milan to render the proceedings free from terrorism.

To Kill the Mafia.

The revelations have been such as positively to cause a sensation in Sicily itself, and it is now stated that Palermo is going to endeavor to cleanse itself. Arrests are being made right and left among people known to be connected with the Mafia, and for very shame the respectable inhabitants of Palermo are getting subscriptions throughout the island to help refund to the Notarbartolo family the cost of the trial.

THE DUKEDOM OF WESTMINSTER.

Late Duke Had an Annual Income of £700,000—Viscount Belgrave Successor.

London, Dec. 23.—While most persons know that the late Duke of Westminster was one of the richest men in England, no London newspaper has taken the trouble to procure an estimate of his wealth. He owned several London properties of real estate, which, together, according to the Duke's own statement, made six hundred acres. Much of this is in Belgravia, the aristocratic residence quarter. He also had 30,000 acres in the country and an annual income of £700,000. His realty values in London were probably worth £30,000,000. The heir to the dukedom is the late Duke's grandson, Viscount Belgrave, now in South Africa, an aide-de-camp of Sir Alfred Milner, the Governor of Cape Colony. The papers abound in anecdotes of the late Duke. He was rather shabby in dress, and his life at Eaton Hall was that of an ordinary country gentleman. At any time during his stay in Cheshire the Duke might be seen riding or walking about his park, usually smoking a cigaret, not merely on account of tobacco but he used medicinal cigarets as a remedy for asthma. To his household the Duke was always an enigma. He rarely spoke to the servants, and had an odd way of leaving bits of paper about on chairs, with a word of blame as to the conditions, but with such personages as his house steward, his coachman and his head grooms he was on most amiable and confidential terms.

The Duke's Successor.

The successor to the title is Viscount Belgrave (Hugh Richard Arthur Grosvenor), born March 19, 1879, eldest son of the late Earl Grosvenor, oldest son of the dead Duke and Mary (who married George Wyndham, M.P.), daughter of ninth Earl of Scarborough; educated at Eton.

THREE FIRES YESTERDAY

Were Extinguished by Firemen Before Much Damage Had Been Done.

A little before the noon hour yesterday flames were seen bursting out of the top story of the brick building at 40-42 Lombard-street. A still alarm was sent in to No. 5 section, and in a few minutes the downtown firemen were on the scene. The fire originated in the basement and spread up through the elevator shaft to the premises of the Dominion Licorice and Novelty Company. The rear portions of the two lower flats are used by The Catholic Register Company and Charles Boddy, printer. The flames wrought damage to the above-mentioned parties' stocks to the extent of about $500 each. The loss on the building will amount to $500.

What might have been a serious conflagration occurred early yesterday morning in the Clapp Shoe Company's store at 215 Yonge-street. When the firemen arrived the building was filled with smoke and flames were shooting up through the hot air registers. By timely action the firemen extinguished the blaze with the chemical engine, thereby saving the stock from damage by water. A defective furnace was the cause.

The house H. Bedford at 120 Bartlett-street was also badly scorched in the early hours of Sunday morning. The loss on contents is placed at $600 and on building $500. The furniture was insured in the Liverpool and London and Globe Company.

ONLY TEN PERSONS KILLED

In the Disaster of Amalfi, on the Gulf of Salerno, Italy, on Friday.

Rome, Dec. 24.—It now appears that the disaster at Amalfi, on the Gulf of Salerno, which is near Naples, reported yesterday afternoon, caused by the rock on which stood the Capuccini Hotel, slipping slowly into the sea, was not so extensive in its fatal results as at first supposed. Only ten persons were killed.

OPENING OF THE HOLY DOOR

Impressive Ceremony Performed By His Holiness at St. Peter's Cathedral.

ROMAN NOBILITY WERE PRESENT

Leo Smiled, But Grew Pale and Showed Signs of Fatigue at the End.

Rome, Dec. 24.—The Pope solemnly inaugurated the holy year by performing the impressive ceremony of opening the holy door of St. Peter's Cathedral at 11 o'clock this morning. The ceremony was performed in the vestibule, which was handsomely decorated. In the presence of the papal officers, the members of the diplomatic corps, leading representatives of the Roman nobility and a number of specially invited guests.

After donning the pontifical robes, the Pope, borne on the sedia gestatoria and escorted by the papal guards, proceeded with the cardinals and the court to the Sistine Chapel, in the Vatican Palace, where were gathered representatives of the Roman religious orders and clergy. After a brief prayer before the holy sacrament, which had previously been removed from its tabernacle, the whole procession, headed by the cardinals, proceeded along the galleries of the Vatican to the basilica of St. Peter's.

The Ceremony.

In the vestibule the papal throne had been erected. The Supreme Pontiff ascended the throne, which was immediately surrounded by cardinals and dignitaries. Suddenly a heavy bell boomed. Leo rose and walked towards the holy door, preceded by the grand prelates. Cardinal Monaghese-Vannutelli, prefect of the congregation of bishops and regulars, met him and handed him an artistic golden mallet, given by the Italian bishops. Leo, wearing the mitre, uttered the verses of the liturgy and struck blows with the hammer on the door, which had previously been cut with a knife.

The Door Swung Back.

A few moments of solemn silence followed, the Pope and the papal dignitaries in their state robes being grouped before the door. Then the latter swung back and the officials of St. Peter's swept the threshold and door posts with holy water, while Leo opened the Psalm, "Jubilate Deo," which was taken up by the pontifical choir. The Pope, however, again covered his head and, holding in his right hand a crucifix and his left a lighted candle, knelt at the threshold amid the strains of "Te Deum." Rising to his feet he stepped alone within the portals of the vast and empty Basilica. The cardinals and others followed. At this moment all the church bells in Rome rang out. Leo stopped before the altar of Michael Angelo, where the janitors of the holy door for the coming year kissed his feet. He addressed a few words to them on the importance of the ceremony and then proceeded to the altar, where sacrament was offered, followed by a short blessing.

Pronounced the Benediction.

Then, advancing on the sedia gestatoria to the high altar, he pronounced a spoken benediction, according to the plenary indulgence. By a quarter past one, he had returned to his private apartments, having performed the ceremonies with great apparent satisfaction. He was smiling throughout, but grew pale and showed signs of fatigue towards the end. Nevertheless, he gave the three blows upon the door with considerable force.

Profound silence was maintained throughout the ceremony save when the Pope gave his blessing, which evoked a loud "viva." The weather was fine and an enormous concourse assembled in the precincts of the Basilica. Order was preserved inside by the Pontifical Guards, and outside by the Royal Carabineers and the police.

MOLINEUX BREAKING DOWN.

Effect of the Strain of the Long Trial is Working on His Nerves.

New York, Dec. 23.—Roland B. Molineux appears to be breaking down. The effect of the strain to which his trial has subjected him has been such as to cause him to make complaints to his counsel, Weeks and Barlow, and they have asked Recorder Goff, if the prisoner could not have more exercise and like stimulants. As a result of this request the recorder yesterday ordered the warden of the tombs to permit Molineux to have more exercise. His confession, as judge put from his appearance, is pretty bad. He looks almost pathetic at times. Hereafter Molineux will have an hour in the yard of the prison every day and two hours in the tier. Mr. Weeks has given the warden a bottle of whisky and Recorder Goff also ordered that the defendant be permitted to use stimulants during the rest of the trial, whenever he chooses.

Did He Punch the Conductor ?

Walter Woods of 3 McDougall's-lane was arrested on Saturday night by P.C. Stevenson of the St. Andrew's Market Division. He is charged with assaulting Albert Dow, a street railway conductor, with whom it is said he had some words.

Words

Many of our patients can hardly find words to justify praise of our treatment of cases of drunkenness. We can give you the wonderful results by the score of cases. We're proud to say that the wonderful results of the Gold Cure has kept our office busy. With the exception of our patients we can hardly find words to tell you the story of the strongest proof of the wonderful Keeley treatment. We hold positive assurance that... The Ontario Double Chloride of Gold Cure Co., Limited.

Horse-Stealing in Ontario County.

Whitby, Dec. 24.—Much interest is taken in the theft of a valuable brown mare, 7 years old, 15½ hands high, two white feet above the fetlock, star in forehead, somewhat stiff with collar; one Mexican saddle, with wooden stirrups, and dark grey goat robe, were also stolen. Some time ago Mr. William Cassidy of Ashburn had a horse, buggy and harness stolen from his barn. Last November John Underhill, of Glenmajor, had stolen a horse, buggy and cutter. They were also stolen.

Henry Farris No More.

The death occurred on Saturday morning of Mr. Henry Farris at his late residence, 70 Birch-avenue. Deceased, who had reached the age of 74 years, had been a resident of this city for many years. He was universally respected.