CLOSING EXERCISES

In Most of Cases a Programme Was Given by the

ing out of the regular.

Small Boy," W. Balcom; recitation, "A Little Bird Tells," W. Stubbs; recita-tion, "Dressing Mary Ann," Mary G.; model lessons, "Fractions," Div. IV.; song, "Jack Frost"; piane solo, "Beatrice Monk"; "Friends From Schoo Books," Div. II.; piano solo, May Moir dialogue, "Days of the Week," Div IV.; recitation, "What a Boy Can Do," Roy Palmer.

This evening a concert is to be given in the school, the proceeds to go in aid of better equipping the library. Rev. S.

J. Thompson will preside. The pupils of the school have prepared an excellent programme, consisting of the fol-

lowing numbers:
Recitations, Mrs. Gleason; mus piano solo, May Jennings; drill, Brownies (10 boys); motion song (stockings song), "When We Hang Up Our Stockings"; drill and song by 10 little girls, "We Come From Cloud-Afternoon by Magistrate lets"; drill, provinces; tableaux, hockey girls; recitation, "Some One Loves Us Best"; dialogue, "Mice at Play"; dia-logue, "Christmas Reunion"; reltation, "Rival Speakers"; motion and song, searf drill; drill, clubs (girls); drill barbells (girls); music, Mr. D.'s choir music. Watson Bros.

VICTORIA WEST.

In Victoria West school the pupils assembled and marked the closing for the holidays with a programme of excellent merit. It was as follows:

Chorus, "The Fir Tree," the school; recitation, "A Dream," Thelma Steele; Christmas carol, Div. V.; song, "A Jelly Good Song" (5 boys), Div. II.; "Lament of a Little Girl," Louisa Lee; way to Italy and that his wife was song, "Sleep, Baby, Sleep," girls of Div. V.; dialogue, "The Doll's Show," glrls of Div. IV.; song. "Jack Frost," In getting control of the children of the Duke agregating \$50,000, besides a fee of \$200,-000 for medical services. Div, V.; recitation, "Thanking Santa."

'SOUTH PARK.

This forenoon in South Park school the be closing of the school. It was as fol-

Recitation, "The Night Before Christ-Recitation, "The Night Before Christ-mas," James Pottinger. Chorus, "A Merry Christmas," school, Dialogue, Blanche and Guy Cavin. Boys' chorus, "The Cobbler's Song." Chorus, "Stilly Night," school. Recitation, "Just 'Fore Christmas,"

Piano solo, "The Fountain." Eileen Dumbleton.

Recitation, "The Smack in School,"
Dorothy Vincent.
Solo, "Lullaby," Annie McGillivray.
Recitation, "Two Little Stockings,"

TWO_MASTER LOST

Mary Murray. Chorus, "In Little Bethlehem," school Maloney.
Girls' chorus, "Lullaby."
God Save the King.

HILLSIDE SCHOOL At Hillside school a long programme was carried through. It was as follows: Round, "For Health and Strength,"

Opening recitation, May Grice.

Recitation, "The Christmas We Like,"
Cliste McHardy and Jean McEwen,
Song, "Mary Had a Little Lamb," girls. Recitation, "Confidence in St. Nicho-as," James McEwen. Dialogue, "The Day Before Christmas,"

Round, "Follow Me, Full of Glee," Recitation, "Guiding Santa Claus," Aylmer LeLevre.
Recitation, "A Lunch for Santa," Ada Verge.

ound, "Here I Go," school, Dialogue, "Christmas Wishes," by ten girls.

Round, "The Doh Chord," school.

Recitation, Bonness, harles Castleton.
Recitation, "Christmas in Holland," Andrea Nielson. Recitation, "Shoe or Stocking," Earl irvine.
Songs, "Old Santa Claus," "Santa Claus s Coming," by a number of boys.
Song, Thelma Ledingham.
Recitation, "Johnny's Letter," Joseph

Song, "The Snowflake," Thelma Small-"Christmas with Mother

en Martin.
Round, "Morning Bells I Love to Christmas quotations, eight children. ing under.

Christmas carol. "Sweet was th "Christmas Candles," six

irls.
Dialogue, "I Do." four boys.
Recitation, "Getting Ready for Santa, rothy Fetherstone "The Christmas Stocking, Rectarion, The Christmas Stocking, laude Symons. Violin solo, "Home, Sweet Home." Song, "I Wish You a Merry Christ-

KINGSTON STREET. At Kingston street school closing this norning there was a large crowd of parowd that the room was uncomfortabl full. Songs were sung by the different classes and also by the whole school together. Recitations by the individual pupils were all of a most interesting character. D. A. Fraser presided at the

Pupils.

At the conclusion Rev. A. E. Roberts gave a short but interesting address in which he emphasized the need of a suitable room in each school for the pupils to play in during wet weather, and to use for such occasions as closings, lectures and entertainments. After the children were dismissed the parents and others passed around and inspected the drawings on the blackboards, which were all made by the children, and were very cleverly and artistically executed, especially those in Miss Jesse's room. Miss Lawson and the other teachers received many congratulations on the quality of the work done in the school.

CENTRAL SCHOOL.

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Shakespearean reciter, is giving a programme before the pupils of the High school.

NORTH WARD.

At the North Ward school the pupils from the different divisions gathered in the assembly room, and an interesting programme was given. Rev. Christopher Burnett presided. The following was the programme given:

Song (9 girls) "Christmas"; provinces, 9 girls; dialogue, "Sailor Boy's Ambition"; recitation, "Basy Joe," John Cummings; recitation, "Wish of a Small Boy," W. Balcom; recitation, "Alittle Bird Tells," W. Stubbs; recitation, "Dressing Mary Ann," Mary G.

ARRESTED HERE FROM THE MOANA

WITH DESERTING WIFE

Afternoon by Magistrate

(From Friday's Daily.)

Antonio Loachiavio is, this afterno being prosecuted in the police court for deserting his wife. The instructions came to the chief by cable from Sydney, New South Wales. J. A. Aikman is defending and W. Moresby acts for the prosecution

It is alleged that Antonio deserted his wife at Sidney and also kidnapped recitation, "The Watermelon," Frank his two children that were placed in a Carroll; Christmas carol, "The First convent by order of the court. The both places for a disorder of the nose. Nowell," the school; song, "Popcorn," man went from Australia to Suva in He further testified that in conjunction Div. V.; recitation, "When Mamma the Fiji group and from there caught with the Duke he had arranged the was a Girl," Rita Mitchell; dialogue, the Moana for this port. He travelled mock funeral of Druce, and that the coffin was filled with lead the class test. "Christmas Dream," Div. IV.; solo, "Soldier Song," P. McPherson; chorus,

In getting control of the children Div, V.; recitation, "Thanking Santa,"
M. Crowther; slumber song, girls of
Divs, I. and II.; national song, "May
God Preserve Thee, Canada," school;
National Anthem.

Several short speeches were given by
visitors, after which the school was

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stated to those in charge that his wife
had been seriously injured in a railway accident, and that there was little hope of her recovery. He asked to
be allowed to take the children to see

At the hearing of the case on December 13th the prosecution announced it
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> tunity to leave the country. It is alleged that the accused violated an order of the Australian court. The prosecution is being conducted under the Fugitive Offenders' Act. If he is found guilty by the magistrate he will be sent back to Australia under an order from the Governor-General, the magistrate's judgment being handed up to that official for his sanction.
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> The redress which the prisoner has,

TWO-MASTER LOST OFF CONNECTICUT

Only Topmasts of Schooner David **Currier Showing Above Water**

-- Crew Saved.

Westbrook, Conn., Dec. 20.-While beating up the Sound from the eastward in an effort to reach Duck Island for shelter, the heavy-laden two masted schooner David Turner, of Hartord, Conn., either struck Crane reef or sprang a leak, and sank to-day two miles east of this point. The vessel is now lying with only her topmasts

above the water, Island light, watched the schooner as she struggled with the high wind and heavy seas, which have been running tailors.

The Semi-ready factory in Canada

an hour or so before the schooner cap-sized. The canal boat shifted her Germany sends 29,000.000 feathers

WORLD INTEREST IN GREAT ARMADA

Voyage of the U. S. Fleet is Not Being Made Under War Conditions.

London, Dec. 21.-Europe is showing surprising interest in the great Armada's cruise to the Pacific. H. W. Wilson, an authority of international repu tation, refers to it in the London Daily

was larger. The British channel fleet is weak by comparison. The German

will twice pass through the tropics and, owing to the intense heat, may try the smokelss powder which is apt to be affected by high temperatures.

"The world will watch with intense nterest this great experiment of a 15,on miles' cruise, essayed by what is practically an entire navy."

MOCK FUNERAL WITNESS ARRESTED

Robert Caldwell, Who Testified in Famous Druce Mystery, Hell! for Extradition

New York, Dec. 21.-Robert Caldwell, an American witness in the famous Druce case of London, was arrested at Hoboken, N. J., after the arrival of the steamer Kaiser Auguste Victoria to-day, on the request of the British authorities.

Caldwell is charged with perjury Caldwell testified on November 8th at the Druce trial that he knew the late Duke of Portland both as the Duke and as T. C. Druce at Welbeck Abbey, and at the Baker street bazaar added that he had treated the Duke in mock funeral of Druce, and that the coffin was filled with lead. He also tesfellow passengers that he was on the life of the Duke of Portland, tending

At the hearing of the case on Decem-

perience in this country in the case of A. T. Stewart, a dry goods men of Boston, whose secretary he was. He declared the will had been destroyed and another substituted, that a body was stolen from the gravevard and buried in the cellar of the Stewart mansion. The body was not found when the mansion was torn down several days ago. No action was taken against Coldwell in the Stewart case

TORONTO FINANCING.

Business Men Say Long Established Firms Are on a Perfectly Sound

Toronto, Dec. 21.—Business men are mphatic in condemning the number of reports of late emanating from irreponsible houses and of prominent financial men. Though there is a money tringency and banks are in some instances exacting their credit the stand. ng of practically all long-established firms is as sound as the currency sys-

SUITS MADE IN FOUR DAYS.

System Inaugurated in Canada is Be-

In England the merchant tailors are taking time by the forelock. The visit of the Semi-ready people to Great Britain has started into active life some wholesale "cut, make and trim" establishments. The merchant tailors will merely carry the cloth, take the measure and the style desired and send bove the water.

Captain Smith, the keeper of Duck the fabric to a large establishment which cuts, makes and trims suits and sland light, watched the schooner as overcoats for fifty other merchant

for 24 hours and saw the crew lower practically does this work for their a boat and make it fast astern. This was about half an hour before the about half an hour before the carry a stock finished to the trying-on the carry a large of the carry and the c chooner went under.

The crew landed at Saybrook Point his afternoon.

Stage, and in addition carry a large range of cloth samples. Suits are A fleet of stormbound vessels is anchored behind Duck Island, including nine schooners, an oyster steamer and of the Semi-ready Special Order Day.

cargo and was having a hard battle year to England for millinery purposes. to keep affoat reaching a sheltered. The Alpine air in Switzerland is free spot just in time to save her from go- | from microbes at an elevation of 2,000 Dainty Neckwear for Christmas

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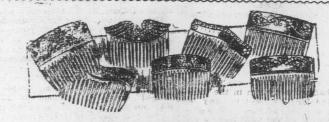
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"WINTER" IN WINNIPEG.

Winnipeg. Dec. 21.-The weather con tinues mild, and so far it has been the most remarkable winter in this respect in 33 years. Fall clothes have not been disearded, and horses are feeding

SMALLPOX NOT SPREADING.

nine schooners, an oyster steamer and of the Semi-ready Special Order Deto seven families, and a strict quarantary a steam canal boat, which put in there partment.

20,000 ON STRIKE.

Labor Situation Among Nitrate Workers in Chile Leads to Bloodshed.

and is daily growing worse. In Laguna yesterday there was an

150 ESCAPED DROWNING. Hazelton, Pa., Dec. 21.-More than

& Wilkesbarre Coal Company by the tapping of a large body of water which Valparaiso, Chile, Dec. 21, - The strike of the nitrate workers has resulted already in bloodshed and death, MOORS HEMMED IN.

Paris, Dec. 21.-A dispatch receved advertisements, is endeavoring to in from General Drude, in Morocco, de- duce mechanics and other artisans At Iquique, one man was killed and clares that two French columns have emigrate to Canada. tine is being enforced. The schools several wounded in an encounter with were closed some days ago.

Several wounded in an encounter with surrounded a mountain retreat in the authorities. A censorship has been which the rebellious Benis Nassen bodies have stopped all emigration

Mejillones or Caleta Buena districts. of it comes from China.

NO EMIGRATION UNTIL SPRING

Bruce Walker, superintendent of Cao miners narrowly escaped drowning nadian immigration in London, has a mine of the Lehigh Valley notified all hobbing agents received notified all booking agents regarding possession. Mr. Walker is also takin legal proceedings against a London booking agent who, through misleading

The Central Unemployed and other Snow and ice are melted in Siberia, not directly by the sun, but by the south winds. Even up to the beginning of June the Eurning sun scarcely produces any thawing effect.

Snow and ice are melted in Siberia, not dispatch to says according to nine months returns the Eurning sun scarcely produces any that the Eurning sun scarcely produces any the scarcely produces Editor Harden Accused of P Statements Contrary to ests of Society.

TO EXPOS

Maximilian Harden, who is having published statemen the interests of the German court was

COURT SCANDA

HEARING RESI

MOCKERY AS WEAPON

called as a witness, looked better in health than he w last Friday. He occasiona intently at Harden, but the paid no attention to him. Counsel for Harden m proceedings be quashed, on that a person could not son of the appeal and the ses, the proceedings

ot yet come to an end. The attorney for the state Mel, declared he had a righ the case before the crim spite of the fact that he to institute the prosecution before Von Moltke began complaint, on the grounds concerned. During the he private suit representatives istry of justice had perceiv terests of the public w and he now brought this in order to protect these in of counsel the judges and

was resumed. The presider court asked whether or not ings should be continued Dr. Izenbiel and Dr. Selle Moltke, and Herr Barnstel den, declared that they clients desired the fullest pu Izenbiel reserved the right the public be excluded durin ing of testimony relating

The indictment against Hi then read by the first assists.
It is a long document, cover den's political articles in Di for a period of several mont Following the procedure cles in Die Zukunft. Harde that he had written them in ests of the land he lived in ved, he said he had had of libelling Von Moltke. ered the influence of Princ

berg to be harmful, and he Here the president checke ing, and that the prosecut vicious inclinations and ha president of the court then each article written by the and argued with him in an show him his references of t ship between Von Moltke Eulenberg might have been stood. Harden explained w ence that he had not inte

between the subtleties in the kunft articles and the epithe the prisoner. The presider to Harden's statement that

the friends of Zu Eulenberg "Yes." replied Harden, a fair weapon, else where world's great satirists be?" In the course of his ex Harden said that he had no call witnesses to prove Moltke was abnormal. "I ha have said nothing libelous. cles are there, and if the c sured that they are defami here to bear any penalty."

Dr. Izenbiel asked if Ha meant to express esteem of Von Moltke. "I have no

Harden retorted, "of express

criticised."

Harden here began to show extreme weariness. The pre-clared that in consideration health of the accused he journ the court until to-mor Editor Harden, who two m was the favorite of the per was cheered and congrate hundreds of German adm came and went to the court to-day received with icy sile few hundred persons who he outside the main entrance of inal court to witness the de the principals in the prese of the Harden-Von Moltke

Harden is accused by thaving offended society b ings in "Die Zugunft," t Harden's own attitude 1 Instead of the passionate ciatory appeal to the per

months ago he was to-da and evasive and took care hind every legal barrier. The name of Emperor mentioned only once or hearing and then in Hard tion to the presiding judg lusions in the dialogue at r the persons called "The the person called "The I merely intended," bring out the fact berg's too great influence

his habit to refer to the 'darling.' This was a mos The day was spent in legs versy over the jurisdiction of