The resolution of sympathy for the Irish people passed by the Washington House of presentatives will, no doubt, be regarded by the English people as a piece of impertinence, and the intermeddling American Congressmen will be bidden by the English press to mind their own business. The Americans, however, have a very pointed retort to any such accusation. The Philadelphia Bulletin, admitting that this is the view likely to be taken of the matter in English as taken of the matter in England, says:—
"We shall be able to remind the Britons that a very substantial precedent was offered when the Cobden Club undertook to promote the interests of free trade by helping the Demo-cratic party in the recent campaign.

Judging from the following letter, which ppears in the London Standard, the Land eaguers are carrying the war into Africa, that is to say into England, and the life of an rish landlord is not safe even in the British netropolis. "Will the law-abiding citizens netropolis. "Will the law-abiding citizens of London," says the writer, "believe that at or London, says the writer, believe that at present a policeman is on guard night and day at the house of Lord Lismore, in Old Burlington street, to protect him as far as possible from the threatened attacks of Irish assassins? Is Mr. Gladstone waiting for the murder of an Irish landowner in the streets of ondon ere he ventures to put unconstitu tional restraint on the liberty of preachers of sassination and mutilation, or asks for leave to coerce murderers ?

The Sarnia Observer will have it that the people are leaving Canada at the rate of 6,000 a month, and says it gets its figures om the United States Collector at Port furon. The Port Huron Times, on the other

"The number of Canadian immigrants coming to this country by way of this city has very materially decreased of late. Previous to the 20th of June the average number was out 200 a day, while since that time only bout a 100 a day have come over.'

Two hundred a day would be 6,000 a month. to that our excellent Sarnia contemporary must account for 10,000 of the peculiar people who flee from a thirty per cent. to a sixty per cent, tariff in order to escape the horrors of

The New York Scottish American has sound views on Canadian questions. It says :- "If Canada is ever to become a nation, and to benefit exclusively by her resources, she has nly one way of succeeding, and that way is remaining as she is. So far as her com-ercial relations are concerned, they are of her own seeking. If those relations are un-satisfactory she has the right to rectify them. ler present tariff is an illustration of this British interests are not inimical to Canadian interests. When they become se he people will doubtless take due care ople will doubtless take to Mr. Per-lves, and perhaps assign to Mr. Perrault the rôle of Financier in Chief of the Dominion. But until that times comes we fear that Mr. Perrault's zeal will have to conine itself to some less ambitious but more

The Manicoba Free Press is not a Tory organ, as the Globe would say, nevertheless it has faith in the syndicate agreement. Upon the main point raised by Mr. Blake it has

inis to say ;
"With regard to the land subsidy grant-"With regard to the land subsidy granted the syndicate, we do not entertain much fear that its power will be abused. Great land monopolies are not, as a general rule, to be encouraged. But the system already pussed by some leading members of the syndicate in connection with the St. Paul and Manitoha railway will, we are persuaded, be applied to the Canadian North-West with equally gratifying results. A liberal land policy will be the best possible assistance to the future prosperity of the railway; and as the syndicate become its permanent possessors, their own interests will lead them to sessors, their own interests will lead them to pursue a policy of encouragement to all actual settlers."

Here is a Liberal witness, knowing whereof ne speaks, denying Mr. Blake's pet theory.

It is pleasing to see the names of at least two of our countrymen in the honour roll of General Roberts' despatch, giving the details of the decisive battle of Manza fought en the 1st September last, the day fellowing the arrival of his army at Candahar, after their magnificent march from Cabul. The brave men referred to are Major S. E. Becher, 2nd Ghoorkas, and Capt. R. E. C. Jarvis, 67th regiment. Brigade-Major Becher is a nephew of Mr. Becher, Q.C., of London, Ont., and of Mr. Becher, Q.C., of London, One, and Capt. Jarvis is the younger son of the late W. B. Jarvis, for many years sheriff of the united counties of York and Peel. These officers have served throughout the whole of the Afghanistan campaign. Both have been honourably mentioned in despatches on sev eral previous occasions, Capt. Jarvis notably in connection with the gallant defence of the Bala Hissar on the night of the 11th Decem-ber, 1879. In the last despatch General berts states that General Macpherson rings the captain's name under his notice for ne intelligent manner in which he carried ou he duties of his appointment, viz., that o

There are many statutes unrepealed in Great Britain which, if enforced, would show that Christian country not to be quite so liberal as she is usually supposed to be. At the time of its passage in 1829, few measures were thought more magnanimous than the Catholic Emancipation Act, and yet it im poses restrictions on Jesuits and me other existing orders, communities or socie-ties of the Church of Rome, declaring it to be a misdemeanour punishable with banishment for life for any such to come into the realm without a license, or for any persons to be admitted to membership within the king-dom. If, although banished, they refuse to leave the country, the sovereign in council may order their removal, and if at the end of may order their removal, and if at the end of three months they are again found in the country, they may be convicted a second time and transported. Penal servitude has now been substituted for transportation, but still the punishment so far overleaps the object that there is no danger of the most narrow-minded and bigoted government ever carrying out the letter of the law.

The legal question has arisen in England as to whether a telephone is a telegraph. The Attorney-General has invoked the assistance of the law on behalf of the Crown against the Edison Telephone Company, of London, on the ground that the working of the telephone the ground that the working of the telephone for gain is an infringement of the monopoly possessed by Government for the transmission of telegraphic messages. The Government holds its monopoly under Acts of Parliament which describe telegraphs as "electric or other telegraphs or mechanical engines," and which define the term "telegraphic" as intended to include any appearants for transintended to include any apparatus for transmitting messages or other communications by means of electric signals. Edison's inatrument is termed, in the specifications of the Letters Patent, "the speaking or telephone apparatus," 'a telegraph operated by sound," "an instrument for transmitting sound by electricity," and so forth. In these terms lies the gist of the legal contention.
The Attorney-General says that the messages conveyed by Edison's instruments are telegraphic messages, and are conveyed by electricity, and that, with these instruments, the mechanical agency is the voice of the the mechanical agency is the voice of the person transmitting the message, while in the case of the other telegraphs the mechanical agency is the hand.

HOME AND FOREIGN NEWS. (BY TELEGRAPH.

CANADA. The epizootic is still prevalent amongs porses in the neighbourhood of Belleville. An agitation in favour of the Canada Temperance Act has been commenced in Resti

gouche County, N.B. Longueuil is preparing a by-law to give a bonus of \$10,000 to a car company of apring-field, Mass., to open works in that town. Quebec merchants state that the local retail trade is much better than it has been for many years past at this season of the year. Benj. Hodson has been fined \$25 and costs or two months in prison, at the Belleville Police Court, for driving a horse to death.

A number of pearls, valued at \$450, were discovered in a barrel of oysters at a restau-rant on Grenville street, Halifax, on Monday. The libel case of the Hon. A. Shea, Premier of Newfoundland, against the St. John's Telepram, resulted in a verdict for the de-

There was a severe shock of earthquake at Victoria, B.C., on Sunday evening, which was generally ielt. No damage has yet been reported.

The Licensed Victuallers have opened the ball in Carleton county by distributing pamphlets in opposition to the Canada Tem-D. Kellett, of Minden, was tried at Lindsay on Thursday for assaulting the warden of Minden, found guilty, and sentenced to

two weeks in gaol. The ore taken out of the Levant mine, owned by Kingston capitalists, is pronounced axtremely rich, and equal to that taken out of the Mississippi mine.

The Education Committee of the Carleton County Council have thrown out the charges preferred by John Duncan against the Rev. John May, county inspector n May, county inspector.

The male prisoners in the Londongael have been ordered to do laundry-work, as all the women prisoners have been taken to the Mercer Reformatory in Toronto. Chief Justice Meredith gave judgment at

Quebec on Saturday, maintaining the validity of the law requiring taverns to be closed at midnight and altogether on Sundays. A large number of teams left Ottawa for the shanties on Monday afternoon and yesterday morning. Lumbermen are paying \$1.25 p day for teams and \$1.10 to teamsters.

Another factory is about to be erected in the suburbs of Montreal. It will be for the manufacture of cotton goods, and will give employment to a large number of operatives. Owing to the death of the Duchess of Westminster, who was an aunt of the Marquis of Lorne, no entertainment will be given at Rideau Hall until after the 1st of January

The Ottawa police officer who was sent down for one month for contempt of court has gone to British Columbia. It is said not one of his brother policemen could be bought to take him to jail, and that they threatened to resign first.

A Halifax despatch says :- It is about deeded that the Dominion exhibition of next year shall be held in this city. The annual provincial exhibition will probably be held in conjunction with it. The action taken by Mr. Langlois, who op-

posed Mr. Valin some years ago in Montmor-enci, to recover penalties from the latter for violation of the Election Act, was dismissed in Court at Quebec on Saturday. Adamson & Renaldson, of London, Eng., intend despatching one steamer per mouth from Halifax direct to that port, or more should inducements be offered. The first vessel is to leave about the 12th of January.

Haliday, of London, who swallowed the goose quilt, have succeeded in extracting the obstruction from his throat, where it has lain

for nearly two weeks, and now he is pro-A litttle twelve-year-old son of Mr. Wm. Wingrove wandered away from his home in Lindsay on Thursday evening, and has not been heard of since. It is supposed that he got on a Midland train going south, and is somewhere along the front.

At the Port Hope police sourt on Saturday, a commercial traveller, giving his name as Frank Lowe, was charged with assaulting Mr. Geo. Wilson, editor of the *Guide*, last Thursday night. The charge was proved, and Lowe was fined \$20 and costs, in all \$27.50. A Seventh Day Adventist, of Strathroy, named Calvin Peters, was brought to the London gaol on Friday under commit-ment for thirty days, in default of a fine of \$9, for desecration of the Sabbath by husking

corn. He persists in keeping Saturday in-stead of Sunday. A bey while passing the St. James' school-house at London South a night or two age threw a large piece of ice at the door in a spirit of mischief. Mrs. James Hart opened the door to come out just at that moment and received the missile full in her face, re-

ceiving painful injury. Every day new deposits of minerals are being found in the rear of the county of Frontenac. The latest phosphate opening is five miles from Sharbott Lake. A Mr. Davis, of Perth, has purchased the mine, and is now working it. The ore will be shipped via the Kingston and Pembroke railway.

A computation has been made of the aggregate cost of the new buildings erected at Penetanguishene this summer, and the result shows it to be over \$76,000. Of this about \$40,000 is represented by new industries which will supply permanent employment. The building prospects for next year are particularly and the state of the supply supply the supply sup ticularly good

A man named Joseph Wilson applied to the A man named Joseph Wilson applied to the Brockville police on Saturday night and asked to be taken into custody, stating that he was a deserter from "A" Battery, Kingston. The chief telegraphed to Lieutenant-Colonel Irwin at Quebec, and received instructions to hold Wilson partitled deserved instructions to old Wilson until to-day, when a guard would be sent for him.

Mr. Pew, one of the owners of the Hull iron mines, is working up a new process of smelting iron by the use of petroleum. It is claimed that two barrels of coal oil will prouce the same results as two tons of coal. saving of several dollars on each ton will thus be effected. It is understood that extensive operations will be carried on at these mines next season.

On Friday an Ottawa saloon-keeper was charged with selling liquor to policeman Mo-Kenna. The officer was called as a witness and refused to say whether he get anything to drink in the saloon. The magistrate thereupon immediately dismissed him from the force, and committed him for one month for contempt of court.

The London Ministerial Association held a meeting on Monday, when a report was made

meeting on Monday, when a report was made by the deputation sent to interview Colonel Walker on the subject of Sunday church parades with military music. The colonel was reported to be firm in his refusal to put a stop to it, but said he would refer the quesfior to the officers in general. The report was laid on the table.

Mr. Sigismund Mohr, local manager and Air. Signsmund Mohr, local manager and agent of the Bell Telephone Co. at Quebeé, was on Friday fully committed to the Court of Queen's Bench by Judge Chauveau, on the charge of unlawfully obstructing a public highway with telegraph poles, and thereby committing a public nuisance. He gave ball to appear and stand his trial at the next term of the court, or the 27th of April

of the court, on the 27th of April.

A violent lunatic, named Henry Abbott, from the township of Olden, was committed to gaol at Kingston on Thursday. It required seven men to bring him to the city, and when in the cells he tore his clothes off.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES

His insanity was superinduced by fits, from which he has suffered for thirteen years. His wife has en many occasions saved his life. He will be sent to the asylum.

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The Rev. James Podd, who lately figured in connection with some scandalous talk, arrived at London yesterday to investigate the source of the same. The allegations against him were that he was giving to drinking, and also that he had stopped at Ingersoll in a house of ill-repute. He makes a general denial of the charges, and is indignant at being mentioned in such a connection.

A special meeting of the Sarnia Council was held on Monday night to receive a deputation of the citizens on the subject of having the bay made a Dominion harbour. After hearing the deputation's views on the matter, the Council nominated Mayor Leavs and Councillor Keays on behalf of the Council, and John A. McKenzie and Thos. Kenny on behalf of the citizens, as a delegation to proceed to Ottawa to lay the matter before the Government.

About twelve o'clock on Wednesday night a man wearing a slouched hat was observed leaving the gate of Mr. D. R. Meredith, on Albert street, Lenden, and to hurry rapidly Aftert street, London, and to hurry rapidly into Talbot street, where he joined a female companion. Shortly afterwards a bundle was found at the front door, which turned out to be a lively infant, A note was attached to the hundle as follows:—"Have mercy, I pray you, on my poor little child, and God bless you. A Silent Mother." The child has been sent to the Refuge. been sent to the Refuge.

Mr. T. O. Bolger, P.L.S., who has been engaged in surveying four townships in the neighbourhood of Fort Ellice, gives a very favourable account of the country. The land, he says, is equal to the best in Ontario, and is wall watered extends. and is well watered and wooded. In the early part of the present month the thermometer registered 35 degrees below zero, but none of his party, who were then on their way to Winnipeg, experienced any discom-fort from it, although not one of them possessed an overcoat. The country in the vicinity

of the survey is rapidly settling up. An old coloured man named Harris has disappeared from London in a mysterious manner. He came to that city with his wife a short time ago and took a house, but the couple were soon afterwards discovered to be in a wretched and totally destitute conditio They had no bed, fuel, or food, and could hardly have been worseoff. Ald. Hiscox, chairman of the relief committee, visited and re-lieved the old couple, and the Women's Christian Association also did their part. Since then the old man has wandered off, and

it is supposed he has been frozen to death. Some time ago a large amount of coal oil, condemned for not standing the test, was placed in the oil sheds at Kingston to await orders from Ottawa. Permission had been asked to re-treat it with American oil of a high standard, which request was granted. During the last week the operation of retreating has been going on, and on Wednesday morning the full number, fifty-four barrels in all was finished. The condemned oil els in all, was finished. The condemned oil registered 96 degrees and that with which it was mixed 136 degrees. Each barrel op an average held about 320 pounds, out of which 134 pounds were taken and replaced with the American oil of 136 degrees.

Arrangements for the public dinner in honour of Mr. John White, M.P. for East Hastings, which is to take place at Palliser's Hall, Foxboro', on Tuesday evening, the 28th inst., are about completed. A large attendance is assured, as there is a general desire on the part of the Conservatives of the fiding, and of his friends in the western and northern division of the county, to do hor northern division of the county, to do honour to a gentleman who deserves so well of his constituents and of his party. Sir Leonard Tilley will be unable to attend, but Mr. Bowell, Mr. McDonald, or Mr. Caron will be present if their Parliamentary defice will be present if their Parliamentary duties will

A few days ago a medical man of Carp was Many of the horses at the lumber shanties in the rear portions of Peterboro' and surrounding counties reveally affected with epizootic. A large umb of them are laid up, and the work in he code is greatly retarded.

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UNITED STATES. At Brooklyn there were 936 cases of diphtheria during the past six weeks, and of these

There are a large number of cases of diphheria reported in Buffalo, and in one section the public schools have been closed. Branches of the Land League have been stablished throughout the State of Rhode Island. A branch was organized at Newport

on Sunday night. The report of the executive committee of he National Board of Trade reviews the commercial interests of the country, disapproves of steamship subsidies, and advocates reci-

procity with Canada. An enthusiastic meeting was held at Omaha on Wednesday evening in aid of the indicted Irish agitators. Over \$300 was raised for the Parnell defence fund and a branch of the Land League formed. A man, representing himself as H. C. Con-

nely, and pretending to be assistant manager of the New York Herald, has been extensively victimising the railroads, theatres, and hotels at Chicago. He has disappeared. The Maspeth, L. I., school is closed on account of the fatal ravages of diphtheria. Five children, victims of the disease, were buried to-day, and thirty are hovering between life and death. John Rochbert lost two children and his four others are dying. The village of Winfield and Locust Grove have also been at-

tacked. tacked.

The Republican Union of Missouri, embracing the most prominent and influential negroes of St. Louis, has issued a call for a actional convention at Washington on March 3rd next. It says the negro has reached a significant juncture in citizenship, and the hour is propitious for the enhancement of that distantant.

Snow has fallen in Northern Virginia for thirty-three bours without intermission.

Travel has been impeded and trees broken down by the weight of the snow. A storm of such severity has not been experienced for twenty-five years. At Washington eight inches of snow has fallen, and at Freeport, L.I. fifteen inches is reported.

L.I., fifteen inches is reported. The severest wind and snow storm since 1834 has been sweeping the New Jersey coast since Monday night. Eighty feet of the Leng Branch piers has been destroyed, the sea breaking thirty of the large columns. The damage is estimated at \$30,000. New York and Long Branch trains considered at 11th and Long Branch trains were delayed at Little Silver by a snowdrift ten feet high.

The European steamers from New York took out on Wednesday 159,900 letters, the greatest number ever sent across the ocean on one day. The business at the post-office has increased to such an extent that the staff has been compelled to work overtime for many weeks. Local mail matter has increased one-third during the last three months, and the work of St. Louis from points south wast of St. Louis

\$500 Reward. They cure all diseases of the Stomach, Bowels, Blood, Liver, Nerves, Kidneys, and Urinary Organs, and \$500 will be paid for a Urinary Organs, and \$500 will be paid for a case they will not cure or help, or for anything impure or injurious found in them—Hop Bitters. Test it. See "Truths" or "Proverba" in another column.

On Thursday evening last a thief entered the residence of Mr. John Davis, Dundas street, while the family were at tea, and stole \$24 in cash from a trunk in Miss Ellen Davis' bad-room.

AQUATICS.

Lowdon, Dec. 17.—Robert Watson Boyd has challenged Hanlan to rew a match for the championship according to the terms of the Sportsman Challenge Cup for from two to five hundred pounds a side. Hanlan will probably accept, and the match will then take place over the Tyne championship course. Hanlan says it appears the best thing he can do is to buy a house and lot, bring his family ever, and settle down in England. Once here, it appears, he says, as if he is bound to remain. However, the championship of the world does not belong to England, but to Canada, and Torouto Bay is the only water on which he will defend that title. Laycock is in excellent spirits, and expresses himself confident, but very few people appear to share his opinion. Hanlan continues well, and is putting in lets of hard work, supported by Ross and John Bricht. continues well, and is putting in lets of hard work, supported by Ross and John Bright. Notwithstanding the fraternal proceedings the other night at the South London Music parties, and the fight is bound to be fought

out to the bitter end. No betting of moment is reported, and for the moment there is a lull in the excitement. Hanlan is not altogether reconciled to spending Christmas in Merrie England, but he laughingly says he supposes he must make the best of it. HANLAN AND BOYD. London, Dec. 19.—Hanlan has refused to extend the time allowed in his challenge to Boyd for a race after the former's match with Laycock. Hanlan says he only issued the challenge that there might be no doubt of his willingness to row anybody.

HOSMER AND RILEY.

New York, Dec. 20.—Scarcely a soul in America knew that among the fifty cabin passengers of the Inman steamer City of Chester, which arrived yesterday, were George H. Hesmer, the "lightning boy" of Boston, and James A. Riley, of Saratoga, so quietly did they take their departure from England. The somewhat poor showing they made in their races on the river Thames last month doubtless had considerable to do with their modesty, and as Hosmer informed a reporter, he did not wish for notonety until he had shown better power than he exhibited in his match with Laycock. When asked to give some explanation of his seemingly poor Course the said he did not seemingly poor converted the second seco with Laycock. When asked to give some explanation of his seemingly poor power, he said he did not know how to account for it unless by the heavy November fogs which prevailed on the Thames during the race. Hosmer looked to-day in splendid condition, and said that he enjoyed the trip home very much. He will settle down to hard work as soon as the aquatic season of 1881 opens, and will row a match with Riley. 1881 opens, and will row a match with Riley at an early date. He also states that he will meet Wallace Ross and Warren Smith before the season closes, and when he does the public will know that he was not at all himself when he rowed in the English matches. Riley had very little to say about himself, and seemed very much down-hearted at the showing he made in his English contests. He will go to work in earnest as soon as the ice disappears, and will leave no stone unturned to get the campaign of 1881. He has brought with him a beautiful English shell, which he had instantly forwarded to his home in Saratog where it will receive a fill home in Saratoga, where it will remain until the frost king has hid adieu to the lakes of that section. Riley did not know what his programme for next season would be, but he had no doubt that he would be an entry in

all the large regattas. BRUCE COUNTY COUNCIL V. WALKERTON CLUB WALKERTON, Dec. 16.—A curling match, one rink a side, between the Bruce County Council and the Walkerton Club, resulted in the latter winning by one shot. The following is the score:

WELLAND V. THOROLD.

Thorsold, Ont., Dec. 20.—A match was played here to-day on the Victoria skating rink between the Argylls, of Welland, and the Lornes, of Thorold, resulting in a victory for THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S PRACTICAL INTER-EST IN THE GAME.

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—His Excellency the Governor-General, desiring to add to the interest which the curling clubs have evinced throughout the Dominion for the competition for his prizes, has decided to give two cups the compete to be competed for by the this season, the one to be competed for by the iron-playing clubs and the other by the stone-playing clubs of the Dominion. A copy of the conditions under which this competition is to be conducted has been sent to the various secretaries for the information of competing clubs. peting clubs. A GREAT BONSPIEL IN PROSPECT.

Under the anspices of the Ontario branch, the three curling clubs in the city of Toronto have united to conduct a grand bonspiel on what is known as the "playing off" plan. This important event is expected to come off before the end of January next, and at Toronto. ronto. It is understood that if there is not sufficient room on the bay for the assembled votaries of the roaring game, the city clubs will throw open their spacious rinks for their accommodation, and will do their utmost to make the occasion enjoyable to their visiting brethren. Invitations are being sent out to all the clubs connected with the Ontario branch, now numbering over sixty, and it is expected that a large proportion of these will send two crack rinks from each to take will send two crack rinks from each to take part in the competition, which is likely to extend over two and perhaps ever three days, and at the close a very elegant and valuable silver cup will be presented to the champion club, as a memento of the occasion, and of their skill and success in the noble game.

As it is quite probable that the final competition for the Ontario silver tankard may take place in Toronto daying the same week take place in Torouto during the same week, in which is receipt the most proficient clubs in the province are expected to take part, the curling britherhood may look forward to a whole week of solid curling, weather, of course, permitting, and the good people of this western province may expect the opportunity of seeing this ancient and royal game conducted on a scale apparalleled in any other land, and with all the skill and enthusiasm which is possible in this the best and

asm which is possible in this the best, and most exciting to the participators, of all out-The English Army. What strikes the mind of the civilian is that we have a small army, which generally breaks down in all its details whenever any call is made upon it, and that our artillery, which we are given to regard as the best in the world, turns out to be not far from the

worst, while our military expenditure is out of all proportion with results. The total military expenditure of the German army is £16,592,000; on a peace footing it numbers 18,097 officers and 400,935 rank and file, on a war footing 31,185 officers and 1,273,346 rank and file, all trained soldiers, while behind this vast force there are the landsturm and the troops of the field reserve, which would enable it to place in the field 2,500,000 men weeks. Local mail matter has increased one-third during the last three months, and the mails from points south-west of St. Louis have more than doubled in bulk since this time last year. This increase is attributed to the improved business condition of the country generally.

And Hie, 40,740 shrones points and He, 40,740 shrones points and He, 40,740 shrones points and He, 40,740 shrones points are reserve force, 137,556 militiamen, 14,000 yeomanry cavalry, and 194,191 volunteers. It will be said that Germany can obtain men cheaper than us, on account of compulsory strength and Hie, 40,740 shrones points. English seldiers of the regular army, this does not account for the enermous disproportion in expenditure and results.—London Truth.

CITY ITEMS.

The Licensed Victuallers' Association have supplied the clergy with 1,000 tickets for Christmas cheer to be distributed to the

needy.

The legal profession and public generally will be glad to hear that a cablegram was received in this city on Saturday, announcing that the condition of Chief Justice Moss health has considerably improved since his arrival in the south of France, and that his speedy convalescence may be looked for.

Railway Deputation.—On Tuesday afternoon a deputation from Victoria and Bobcaygeon waited upon the Attorney-General and urged the claims of the Grand Junction railway to a Government subsidy to its extension way to a Government subsidy to its extension from Peterboro' to Bobcaygeon and Fenelon Falls. Hon. Mr. Mowat promised to consider the matter, but thought that there was little prospect of the Government giving aid to any railway next year.

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Mr. Ponton, of Belleville, who has been employed during the past summer on the Dominion Government survey of the country around Fort Ellice, was in the city on Monday on his way home. His party occupied seven days in the foot journey from Fort Ellice to Portage La Prairie, the present terminus of the Canadian Pacific railway. He reports that the passenger traffic between the Portage and Winnipeg has been large ever since the opening of the line. He also states that the whole country between Winnipeg and Fort Ellice is rapidly settling—farm-houses being constantly in sight during his seven days march, and sometines as many as thirty at a time. In a township near Fort Ellice surveyed last July, thirty families have already settled. The land south and east of the Fort is fertile, and supplied along the rivers with an abundance of large poplar suitable for building purposes. For some distance west on the Qu'Appelle river, says Mr. Ponton, the soil is sandy and inferior, but further west better land is found. He has little doubt that much of that region which borders on what what is known as the extension of the American desert will be found suitable for either farming or atock. extension of the American desert will be found suitable for either farming or stock-raising.

william Macdonald and Brock evens, two young men employed as compositors on the Evening Telegram, visited the bay on Tuesday morning for the purpose of enjoying a skate. After disporting themselves on the ice in the immediate vicinity of the wharves, they started out with the evident intention of crossing to the Island. When opposite Church street, and some distance from land, Macdonald skated on a weak piece of ice and went through. His companion who was not Macdonald skated on a weak piece of ice and went through. His companion, who was not far in the rear, managed to stop or turn off in time. Seeing Macdonald struggling in the water, Stevens, with great bravery, went into the opening, and made three or four in-effectual attempts to assist the former to the safe ice. The exertions made by Macdonald, coupled with the coldness of the water, weakered and houndhed him and be facility. weakened and benumbed him, and he finally sank to rise no more in life. Stevens retaine his hold on the ice, where he was seen by a passing skater, who sounded an alarm. Mr. Andrew Timon, President of the Seaman's Union, was quickly at the scene. He threw his overcoat to Stevens, who, catching hold, was drawn from the treacherous hole to the sound ice, when he lapsed into unconscious-ness. An ice-boat brought the young man to the city, and he was carried to the St. James Hotel. The deceased, whose body was shorly afterwards recovered by esplanade constable Williams, was aged about twenty-four years. His parents reside at Dunnville, whither the body has been taken.

A Corres Seized for Rent.—Very peculiar incidents in real life are occasionally brought under the notice of the newspaper reporters and the police authorities, but one reporters and the police authorities, but one of the most novel cases which has occurred in the city for some time came to light last week, when the Rev. Mr. Pearson interviewed the Chrief of Police and informed him that a man named Harry Tidyman, residing at No. 105 Berkeley street, had seized the corpse of one Mary McKay, an old woman, who had died in his house, for what or attendance, and threatened that unless \$25, were maid to him, and a similar amount were paid to a Mrs. Rolph, the corpse would not be allowed to leave his house for burial. It seems that the deceased, who halled from Newry, Ireland, came to live with Tidyman about nine months ago, and paid rent for a room and the use of the kitchen stove. Having fallen ill about five months ago she called in a young woman named Mary George to attend her, and forty-eight hours before her death, which occurred on Wednesday, she called in the Rev. Mr. Pearson, before whom she made her will, giving her attendant, Mary George, what remained of \$160 which she had in a savings bank in Church street, after paying her funeral avenues. mained of \$160 which she had in a savings bank in Church street, after paying her funeral expenses. As soon as Tidyman discovered that the dead woman had left the money to Miss George he kicked up a row, and put in a bill for \$25 alleging that the visitors to the deceased had worn out his carpets; and Mrs. Rolph put in her bill for \$25 for attendance on the old woman. Mr. Humphrey, undertaker, attended to take away the body at the request of Mary George, but Tidyman, who was master of the situation, would request of Mary George, but Pidyman, who was master of the situation, would not allow the body to go until the claims were paid. He also hinted rather broadly that the deceased had met with foul play at the hands of Mary George, and that unless he were paid somebody would suffer. A doctor's certificate was obtained to the effect that death had resulted from heart disease; and at the request of the Rey Market of the Rey Mar

ease; and at the request of the Rev. Mr. Pearson a detective was detailed to be present

at the funeral, with instructions to arrest lidyman if he created any trouble, which he

was prudent enough to avoid, and the re-mains of Mary McKay were conveyed to the

burying ground in peace on Thursday after A Child Instantly Killed by a Street Car. About fifteen minutes past one o'clock on Saturday afternoon a child named Mary Elizabeth Gurd was run over and instantly killed by a King street passenger car opposite Princess street. The deceased, who was three years and three months eld, was the daughter of Mr. George Gurd, who keeps a flour and feed store on King street, a flew doors east of Sherbourne street. The child was following her elder sister, a girl of nine years of age, across the street when the car years of age, across the street when the car approached from the west, and as she reached the south side of the track she was struck by the horses' breast, knocked down, and before the driver, John O'Keefe, could stop the car both wheels had run over the child's head, crushing it and instantly killing the little one. O'Keefe has been employed as driver for over two years, and was regarded as one of the most careful and reliable men on the road. As soon as he saw what had the road. As soon as he saw what had happened he ran off for Dr. DeGrassi, who visited the injured child a few minutes afterwards at her father's residence, but of course she was then dead. O'Keefe then proceeded to the Court street police station and surrendered himself a prisoner, pending the finding of a coroner's inquest. Upon hearing of the death of the child Dr. Riddel decided to hold an inquest, free of fees, however, as he did not feel justified in taking the oath at present required of cortaking the oath at present required of cor-oners, and issued his warrant for that purpose. The jury returned a verdict to the effect that the deceased had been killed by being accidentally run over by a street car, driven by John O'Keete, and that in the opinion of the jury the company should be compelled to furnish conductors as well as drivers for the cars. The prisoner O'Keete was then discharged by

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SATURDAY NIGHT LIQUOR LAW.

itation to the Attorney On Tuesday afternoon a large and influential inputation waited on the Hon. Mr. Mowat a reference to the present attempt to lengthen the time allowed for the sale of liquor on

saturday night.
Mr. G. M. Ross said they appe were endeavouring to have the present Act so altered that in the future taverns and har rooms might remain open until eleven o'clock on Saturday night instead of seven as now. Thinking such a course would be detrimenta to the best interests of the country, they, a the representative of a large class, wished by the representative of a large class, wished enter their protest for the sake and in the in

The Rev. J. C. ANTLIFF referred to the present orderly state of this city as compared with some cities in England, and was con-vinced a repeal of the Act would be followed by consequences disastrous to the province. He thought too much stress was placed upon the fact of the law being broken by unlicensed men, for so long as there was need of a law, just so long would it be broken. One object of a government was to make virtue easy and vice hard. To open these taverns until eleven o'clock would be to reverse this and render Rev. Mr. King did not think the Govern-

Rev. Mr. Kine did not think the Government were likely to go back on their former action, but as heavy pressure had already been brought to bear on it, and doubtless would again be brought during the coming session; the deputation had come to show their wish to sustain it.

Hon. Mr. Mowat, in reply, said that he first took an interest in this early closing of taverns some twenty years and when he voted taverns some twenty years ago, when he voted in favour of the present system. Since that time liquor dealers had made many attempts

time liquor dealers had made many attempts to have the clause struck out, and in previous sessions had waited on him for that purpose, but so far as he was personally concerned, without making any impression, and if they failed to do so in that length of time they had but slight hopes now. Still, they represented a large and influential body of citizens, and in justice they must be heard. If they can make it appear that it is the wish of the majority, or of a large proportion, of the sober and intelligent portion of the community to make the alteration they ask, it will be a very difficult question for the Government to deal with. In that case it will be necessary to meet their zeal, which in many instances has been underrated, with counter zeal, and it will be with no spirit of unwillingness the views held by the deputation will be met.

Work has been begin on the bridge over the Assiniboine at the south end of Main street, near Fort Garry. The piles for the first abutment have all been driven, and the construction will be proceeded with immediately. The contractors have the timber prepared on contract 14, C. P. R., and it will be on the site in a few days. e on the site in a few days,

The Whig says :- " Newhold, the forger, whose last escapade was to bolt with the wife of a jailor, after crossing from Canada settled in a small place named Pope's Mills, where he succeeded in forming a partnership with a flour miller. When last heard from he was n pursuit of his partner with an axe or bowie knife. He is passionately fond of adventure."

BIRTHS. SHEPLEY—On the 15th inst., at No. 51 Bleeker street, Toronto, the wife of George F. Shepley, Barrister, of a daughter.

CASTLE—At 110 Richmond street, Toronto, on the 15th inst., the wife of James Castle, commercial traveller, of a son. KIELY-On the 14th inst., at 43 Charles street, ac wife of Maurice Kiely, of a daughter. CRASHLEY-In this city, on the 17th inst., the wife of R. Crashley, of a son. Brown-On the 18tt, inst., at 61 Duke street, city, the wife of J. Brown, of a daughter. MURRAY On the 19th inst., the wife of Mr. George Murray, 30 Alice street, of a son.

AUSTIN—At 27 Magili street, Hamilton, on the 19th inst., the wife of Thomas B. S. Austin, of a

LITTLEHALES On the 19th inst., at 99 Park street, Hamilton, Mrs. T. Littlehales, of a daughter. MARRIAGES. HAMMET—HARB N -On the 15th inst., at St. James church, Paris, by the Rev. R. O. Cooper, Frederic Hammet, of Bracebridge, Muskoka, to Bessie, only daughter of Edward Harvin, Esq., of Paris. BEEBE-RICHARDSON—At the residence of the ride's father, on December 14th, by the Rev. anon Stennett, Fred. W. Heebe to Sarah, eidest laughter of Mr. Henry Richardson, all of Co-

KERR-CRAWFORD—On December 15th, at the residence of the bride's father, 79 Givens street, by the Rev. W. L. Rutledge, Jas. Kerr to Alice Crawford, both of this city. Crawford, both of this city,

IRVINE—MACFADDEN—At Stratford, on the 4th inst., by the Rev. P. Wright, Charles E. Irvine, to Minnie, second daughter of James Macfadden.

HARDWELL—RODDY—On Wednesday, the 15th inst., at the residence of Dr. Hall, Richmond street, Toronto, by the Rev. Richard W. E. Greene, James Hardwell, to Fiorence, only daughter of the late William Roddy, both of Toronto. BOYD—HILL—At Cineinnati, Ohio, on the 15th inst., by the Rev. Samuel Benedict, D.D., rector of St. Paul's, assisted by the Rev. C. W. Wendte, Edward Boyd, formerly a barrister at Toronto, to Sophie Thornton, daughter of Hon. George H. Hill.

Hill.

Savage—Sproule—On the 9th Dec., at the residence of the bride's cousin, John Wilson, Esq., Sheridan, by the Rev. J. McAllisier, W. S. Savage, Esq., of Trafalgar, to Julia H., your g st daughter of the late John Sproule, Esq., for nerly of Toronto.

LUDFORD—CARSON—On the 15th inst., by the Rev. Robert Gray, Mr. Thomas B. Ludford, of Richmond Hill, to Maggie, eldest daughter of Mr. Wallace Carson, of York Mills Hotel.

Howland—Morse—At Rochester. N. Y., on the evening of Friday, the 17th inst., by the Rev. C. J. Baldwin, D.D., Henry S. Howland, ir., of Toronto, to Louise, youngest daughter of C. A. Morse, Esq., of Rochester.

DEATHS.

DEATHS. McCowan—At Scarboro', on December 15th, Mildred Auburn. infant daughter of Robert, and Hannab McCowan, aged 7 months and 15 days. Hannah McCowan, aged 7 months and 15 days.

STEVENS—At her residence, in Brantford, on Thursday, the 9th inst, Elizabeth, relict of the late flev, Brooks Bridge Stevens, chapiain to her Majasty's forces, and daughter of the late Colonel Robert Nelies, of Grimsby.

SHEPPARD—On the 1th inst., at the residence of his son, of King street west, Waliam Henry Sheppard, in the 62nd year of his age.

McDonALD—At the Saskatchewan House, Minnidosa, N.W.T., on Sunday, 5th Dec., deeply recreited by all who knew her. Lizzie May McDonald, aged 25 years, youngest daughter of Hugh and Emily McDonald. PLATT—At 180 Jarvis street, on the 15th inst. Newell Locket, youngest son of John Platt, Esq. aged 15 years. SMITH—At his brother's residence, 20 Grange avenue, on the 17th inst., C. P. Smith, Esq., of London, aged 59 years, MOATLAY—Near Star Mound, Man. on the is inst., Christine, beloved daughter of Archibald and Elizabeth Moaulay, aged 14 months and 11 Daley-On Dec. 17th, at Montreal, Fanny Louise, eldest daughter of J. J. Daley, immigran Maddigan—On the 16th inst., at his late residence, No. 10 Bond street, Patrick Maddigan aged 52 years. age. 152 years.

BELFORD—At Ottawa, on Sunday, the 19th inst., Charles Belford, Secretary to the Board of Dominion Appraisers.

MURCHISON—Suddenly, on Saturday, 18th inst., Mabel May, beloved daughter of Richard Henry Murchison, age. 2 years, I month, 5 days.

WATERROUS—On the 19th inst., at Cooksville, John Wesley, only and beloved child of Edward and Elizabeth Waterhouse, aged 3 years and 6 months.

months.

WATT—At Oak Grove Farm, Niagara, Emily wife of Thomas Halliday Watt, and fourth daughter of Richard Tomson, Esq., of the Elms Ramsgate, Kent, England, aged 59 years imonths. mentas.

Deal, Walmer, Dever, and Kentish Telegram
(England) please copy. Turner—At her residence, St. George street, on Sunday, the 19th inst., Mary Margaret, wife of John Turner, and eldest daughter of the late John Taylor, upper Den mills, saced 37 years. John Taylor, upper Don mills, axed 37 years.

SHANNON—On the 20th inst., Samuel, infant sen of James M. Shannon, 137 Wilton avenue.

EVANS—In Hamilton, on the 20th inst., Robert Eyans, in the 53rd year of his age.

JAMSS—On Sunday, the 19th inst., at the residence of his father-in-law (Alderman Kelly), Hamilton, Mr. W. A. James, aged 33 years.

HILL—In Welland, on Monday, December 20th, William Hill, father of Mrs. E. Van Allen, of Hamilton, in his 65th year.

MCCLELLAND—On the 20th inst., at her late residence, Cookswills, Margaret, relict of the late Robert McClelland, formerly of Ballygowan, Banbridge, county Down, Ireland, aged 70 years.

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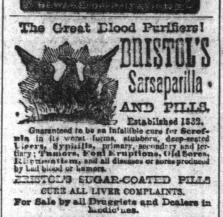
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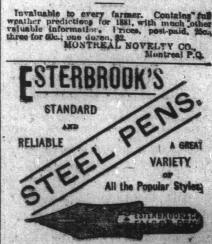
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