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LONDON, CANADA, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1899.

Births, Marriages, Death

MARRIED. **TUNTER-WESTON-At the residence of the** bride's parents, 921 Lorne avenue, on Tuesday, Dec. 26, by the Rev. W. J. Ford, Mr. S. J. Hunter, of Detroit, to Miss Bell, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. Weston.

LIED. CARTER-On Dec. 26, 1899, at the family resi dence, 344 Grosvenor street, David Carter, in his 75th year.

Forecast private, Thursday, at 1:30, from the above es dence, to Woodland Cemetery.

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**Amusements and Lectures** London Athletic Club. GRAND OPERA HOUSE, Thursday, Jan. 4, 20=Round | Jimmy Smith Glove

Sandow Snyder (Detroit.) A. St. Pierre, Detroit, and B. Carroll, Roches, 10 rounds. T. Taylor and T. Barber, 6 ands. Admission-25c, 50c, 75c. 39n xtzyxw GRAND OPERA HOUSE-

he Lyceum Company. night. "David Garrick;" Thursday, "Mer-nt of Venice;" Friday, "Othello;" Saturday atinee, "David Garrick;" Saturday night, Romeo and Juliet." Popular prices—Matinee; c. 25c; night, 15c, 25c, 36c, 50c. Seats now on

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## Meetings.

THE CITY OF LONDON HORTICULTUR-Al. Society—A meeting of the above society for organization will be held in the lecture room of the Y. M. C. A. building on Wednesday, the 10th January, at 7:30 o'clock p.m. J. A. Balkwill, organizer, 39k xtty MEMBERS OF THE WOMEN'S AUXILI-sociation will please meet in association parlors tomorrow (Thursday) at 3:30 p.m. sharp. important business.

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WANTED AT ONCE-BUTCHER-WITH experienced Apply Thos. Hamlyn, 417 Hill street. 39c WANTED-AT ONCE, FOR SECTION 3, Dawn, second-class professional male teacher. Duties commence Jan. 3, 1900. Apply to James Skinner, Rutherford, Ont, 39c bw

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NOTICE—I DESIRE TO NOTIFY THE public that on Oct. 1, 1899, I retired from the business of painting and paper-hanging, which I have conducted for 45 years. I thank my friends for many favors and hope they will extend the same to my sons, who are carrying on the business at the old stand, 156 Wortley road. All accounts owing to me after 12n 15 road. All accounts owing to me after Jan. 15, 1900, will be placed for collection. All persons having accounts against me are notified to send them in at once to 156 Wortley road, London. (Signed) Wm. Westland. London, Dec. 23, 1899.

Administrators' Notice to Creditors.

ESTATE OF HENRY BRIERS, DECEASED—Notice is hereby given pursuant to chapter 129, R. S. O., 1897, that all persons having claims against the estate of Henry
Briers, late of the City of London, in the County
of Middlesex, railway watchman, who died on
or about the 23rd day of November, A. D. 1899,
are on or before the 10th day of January, 1900,
required, to deliver full particulars of their
claims, duly verified by affidavit, to the undersigned administrators. After said last date the
administrators will distribute the assets of the
said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which
they have had notice. Dated 19th December,
A. D. 1899. The London and Western Trust
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Dignan, 418 Talbot street, London, their solicit
ors herein.



Tenders for Supplies for the Year 1900. Tenders for Supplies for the Year 1900.

SEALED TENDERS for supplies, addressed to the Superintending Engineer, Welland Canal, St. Catharines, will be received until 16 o'clock on Wednesday, 10th January, 1900, for the supply and delivery of various articles of Timber, Hardware, Castings, Fuel, Paints, Oils, etc., for use on the Welland Canal and its branches for the year 1900.

Specifications, forms of tender, and other information can be obtained at the Superintending Engineer's office, St. Catharines, on and after Thursday, the list day of December, 1899.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

L. K. JONES, Department of Railways and Canals
Ottawa, Dec. 20, 1899.

# Large Variety Boer Gunners Driven Away

And Three of Their Guns Put Out of Action.

Results of a Sortie From Ladysmith on Friday--Bombardment by the Enemy Proceeding Slowly -- Guns at Chieveley Camp Dropping Lyddite Shells Among the Boers.

Methuen May Remain at Modder River for Three More Weeks-Interesting Artillery Practice-Unconfirmed Report of a Canadian Picket Being Cut Off-A Rothschild Among the Volunteers.

a.m. - Dispatches from South Africa are still greatly delayed. But they are arriving more freely, which shows that the censorship has been relaxed. There appears to be no great change in the

A dispatch from Lorenzo Marquez, to Simon's Town, where he succeeded in making his escape from the British

London, Wednesday, Dec. 27 — 4:50 | make any serious move, pending the A dispatch from Chieveley camp, dated Thursday, Dec. 21, says:
"Lyddite shells are daily thrown into

tion of Ladysmith."

the Boer camp to prevent them working at the trenches. The firing of the big guns is heard daily from the direc-Commandant Demeillon, who was captured at Elandslaagte and brought



Lord Kitchener of Khartoum.

Lord Horatio Kitchener is the young- | Last year he was made governor of est man of his rank in the army. He the Soudan, and took up the work of reclaiming that vast territory to comentered the Egyptian service in 1882, and saw a great deal of fighting during the troublous years that followed. His executive capacity was soon recognized, and upon him mainly fell the himself by many feats of personal task of creating the Egyptian military system. His reconquest of the Soudan tongue, which gave him great influwas a triumph of organizing genius.

dated Thursday, Dec. 21, gives the following from the Boer head laager dated Dec. 19:

"The British naval guns at Colenso have been cannonading Bulwer bridge, over the Tugela River, with a view of smashing it. The bombardment of Ladysmith is proceeding slowly. Gen. Joubert has arrived here and been accorded a hearty welcome. He addressed the burghers on Dec. 18.

"More British prisoners have been sent to Pretoria, including Col. Bullock, Major Walters, Major Bailwark, Major Foster, Capt. Dick, Capt. Nortern, Capt. Fitzherbert, Capt. Ford, Capt. Hutchinson, Lieut, Bonham, Lieut, Smithers, Lieut. Thorne, Lieut. O'Conneyghy, Lieut. Kunbauld, Lieut. Christian, Lieut. Briggs, Lieut. Birch, Lieut. Halford, Lieut. Larbuil and Lieut. Jones.'

ANOTHER SORTIE.

London, Dec. 27.—A dispatch to the Daily News from Ladysmith, dated Friday, Dec. 15, by heliograph, says:
"Another sortie last night. Gen. Hunter, with 500 volunteers, destroyed one six-inch Creusot gun, one howitzer and one Maxim. One Briton killed. The Boer gunners fled."
There is an idea in some quarters

There is an idea in some quarters in London that Gen. Buller's destruction of the Tugela River bridge heralds an attempt to cut off the Boers now

cruiser Penelope, has been recaptured. ON THE MODDER. London, Dec. 27.-Dispatches from

merce and social order. From this peaceful mission he has been called to

South Africa to be Lord Roberts' chief-

of-staff. Kitchener is not only a great administrator, but has distinguished

Modder River, dated Thursday, Dec. 21, report that intermittent firing was continuing on both sides, although the Boer shells fell short. A number of Free State burghers had surrendered. THE CANADIANS.

There is an unconfirmed report that a Canadian picket was cut off near Belmont. It is also asserted that fever is raging among the Boers.

The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily News, telegraphing today, says: Lord Methuen, I understand, intends to remain at Modder River about three weeks longer. From Boer sources, hitherto singularly well informed, I learn that there are 8,000 European officers and men, skilled in modern military tactics, particularly artillery, now in Pretoria as reserve. An administrative official in the Cape service, who has just returned from official relieving duty in the Dutch district, says the news of the British reverses has been received with great joy, even in localities where there are no open

The tests of wireless telegraphy at Modder River have been highly successful, communicating over a distance of 70 miles. Six Marconi instruments intended for the Boers have been seized

ARTILLERY PRACTICE A Modder River dispatch of Dec. 19 says: The British artillery fired four south of the river, but the general shots from 4.7-inch guns this morning. O

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Chemists and Perfumers, 216 Dundas street. Since the British artillery has proved more powerful, the Boers are trying to conceal the location of their guns, and are waiting for the British to get withing rifle range. All permits to pass pickets have been canceled. A market has been established at the fourth line

of pickets, where butter, milk and vegetables are allowed to be sold by licens. ed farmers. The newspapers continue actively discussing and criticising the management of the campaign. The advent of horse-sickness draws increased atten-

tion to the question of the transports and the want of wagons, which may tie the British forces to the railways. The Daily Chronicle says: Plenty of wagons could be obtained from the United States, but the government, with very indiscreet patriotism, have failed to avail themselves of the opportunity. It would have been better if the officials had followed Lord Kitchener's example at Atbara bridge. Will they

even now apply to the American fac-The Times editorially attacks the administration of the war office, cailing attention to correspondence dis-closing "glaring defects," and declaring that the British army is being managed for the benefit of the war office, and

not for the nation. A RICH VOLUNTEER London, Dec. 27.-Mr. Lionel Walter Rothschild, Unionist member of parliament for the Aylesbury division of Buckinghamshire, eldest son of the first Baron Rothschild, and the latter's heir, has volunteered for service in

South Africa. He was born in 1863, and is unmarried. THE DELAGOA BAY QUESTION. London, Dec. 27.—The Time in a special article, discussing the international aspects of Boer importations through Delagoa Bay, says: "Were we to adopt either with or without the consent of Portugal, the drastic measures which are so airily suggested in some quarters, we might find ourselves suddenly confronted with international complications far more serious and injurious to the successful prosecution of the South African war

than the evils of which we sought to ecure an abatement." Lord Somerset wrote to the Times urging the seizure of Lorenzo Marquez and its retention, if necessary, until the end of the war in order to prevent the landing of war material for the Boers.

COLONEL LONG.

A Pietermaritzburg dispatch, dated Dec. 20, says: There is reasonable hope of Col. Long's recovery. It is thought the bullets passed clean through his body, as none have been found. Other wounded are progressing

favorably.

The British had to destroy the Colenso road bridge to prevent the Boers bringing the artillery across. 30,000 COLONISTS UNDER ARMS.

Cape Town, Dec. 27.-The recruiting of British colonists in Cape Colony is actively proceeding. Thirty thousand are already under arms, and several thousand more will be added. BUGLE BLASTS:

The government has chartered the Lake Erie, of the new Elder-Dempster Company's line, which was built for the Canadian mail service. She is a vessel of 12,000 tons.

The war office has nominated Sir William Stokes as consulting surgeon to the South African forces. He will

leave Dublin for the Cape in a few The directors of the Bank of Montreal have surbscribed 3,000 guineas, or \$17,500 to the British patriotic fund. The subscription was unanimously decided upon at a meeting of the di-

rectors this afternoon. The Sixteenth Lancers will go to South Africa from India at the special request of Lord Roberts, even after the government had decided that no more troops should be withdrawn from India.

The transport Tantallon Castle has arrived at Cape Town with a number of howitzers and quick-firers, which Gen. Buller urgently needs.

## The Canadians.

Winnipeg, Dec. 26 .- It is expected that the two troops recruiting in the district around Moosomin, Port Qu-'Appelle, Regina and Moosejaw will (Continued on page 2.)

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# **BOER GUNNERS**

Continued from page 1.

arrive in the city on Jan. 6, when the other section of B Squadron will meet here and entrain for Halifax, the

point of embarkation. Capt. Williams has decided to purchase extra horses. About 30 saddle beasts, and 4 draught horses will be bought. Capt. Williams, or the Dra-goons, will likely receive an appointment on the contingent.

Toronto, Dec. 26 .- The first troop of the mounted infantry for South African service was organized here to-day by Col. Kitson, and 30 men of the Royal Canadian Dragoons were sworn in. The other 12 men to com-plete it will be taken on tomorrow morning. The total number to be enlisted in Toronto for the mounted in-cantry, including the dragoons, will be 5. This number may be increased, if It is found that the quota asked at other recruiting stations is not reached. Of the 43 only 10 men and two farriers will belong to the second troop, the other 31 being wanted for the headquarters staff. The balance of the second troop will be made up of 10 men from the 2nd Dragoons, St. Catharines; 10 men from the 3rd Dragoons, Peterboro, and 7 men from the Princess Louise Dragoons, Ottawa. The 31 men who are wanted for the headquarters staff Col. Kitson has decided to enroll at Toronto in light of cided to enroll at Toronto in lieu of the small number of duty men required. These men will all enlist as, privates, but their positions will be as officers' servants, cooks, drivers, wagun men and orderlies

Montreal, according to Col. Kitson's arrangement, will supply 23 duty men. The decision of the government to en-list so many police and ranchmen accounts for the small number who will be taken from Eastern Canada. The militia brigade officer at Hali-fax is still besieged with applications for positions on the second South Af-

fican contingent.

Fifteen men, including Major J. B.
Rankin, are applicants from Chatham quez, Dec. 21, says: and vicinity for positions in the sec-ond Canadian contingent. Miss Belia Bradford, graduate of the Chatham General Hospital, also desires to go as

AT KINGSTON.

Lieut.-Col. Stone has arrived in the city and will remain until the local contingent of Canadian volunteers will embark for Halifax. A number of vol-unteers from Belleville, Picton and Peterboro have arrived in the city for medical examination.

Among the successful applicants outside the battery are ex-Batteryman Guest, Picton, and Pte. Norval, late of the Yeomanry Cavalry, England. Dr. G. H. Bowen, Gananoque, has offered his services to the government for the campaign in South Africa.

AT BELLEVILLE. Bellevile, Ont., Dec. 27.—Sergt. E. Green and Pte. Barnwell, of this city, have passed the examination at Kingston for the South African contingent. Sergt. W. H. Ponton was sworn in at Kingston.

ST. KITTS TO SUPPLY TEN MEN. Lieut.-Col. Gregory, of the 2nd Dragoons, received a telegram from Tomounted rifles.

EIGHTEEN MEN FROM HAMILTON. Major Hendrie, of the Hamilton Field Battery, has received orders from Ottawa to commence recruiting men for the artillery brigade of the second South African contingent, and a recruiting station will be opened at the gun sheds. More than enough applications have already been received to fill up Hamilton's quota, but the best men will be chosen, regardless of all political or social influence. The instructions are that eighteen men-eleven gunners and seven drivers-will be accepted for

FORTY-FOUR OF THE R. C. D. Winnipeg, Dec. 27.—Capt. Williams, D.O.C., has selected 44 men from the Royal Canadian Dragoons to comprise one troop of D squadron for South African service.

FOR D BATTERY.

Port Hope, Ont., Dec. 27.—Sergt.-Major Taylor, 48th Battalion, examined ten men for D battery, special service, and will continue for some days. The applications are still pouring in from the county of Durham.

VOLUNTEERS FROM LOWELL. Halifax, N. S., Dec. 27.—Two young me. Fou men arrived in the city on Saturday arrested. evening from Lowell, Mass., having come here especially to try and get places on the second contingent. They were Alfred Watson and George Boothroyd. Both are able-bodied young Englishmen, who had been at Lowell ed in both field and garrison artillery in the British forces, and Watson is a good rider and shot

THREE BATTERIES. cable from the war office asked that an extra squadron of mounted men be sent instead of one of the field batteries, but this has been countermanded again by the war office, and the three batteries will be sent as originally arranged for.

## GEN. LORD ROBERTS

Sailed from Gibraltar Today for Cape

Gibraltar, Dec. 27.—The British steamer Dunottar Castle, having on

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But Mrs. Douglas derived little

Proof after proof we have been furnishing how B.B.B. makes bad blood pure blood and cures cases that even the doctors failed to benefit.

Here's the case of Mrs. John Douglas, Fuller, Ont., an ac-

count of which she gives. "I have used B.B.B. for impure blood, pimples on the face and sick headache. I tried a great many remedies and spent dollars for doctors' medicine but derived little benefit. I then started using B B.B. and only took four bottles when my skin became clean and free from all eruptions. My other troubles disappeared also and I am now in perfect health."

board Gen. Lord Roberts of Kandahar, commander in chief of the British forces in South Africa, arrived here yesterday evening. Gen. Kitchener, who came from Egypt to join Gen. Roberts as his chief of staff, embarked on board the Dunottar Castle, and the vessel sailed early this morning for Cape Town.

WHAT TICKLES THE FRENCH. The demands that are being made in certain quarters in England for immediate action on the part of the British Government to prevent the transport of supplies to the Boers by way of Delagoa Bay, have quickened French interest in the possibility of trouble between the United States and Great Britain, in consequence of the seizure by British cruisers of American flour off Lorenzo Marquez, says a French dispatch. Nothing so tickles the French palate as the merest suspicion of a possibility of seeing an Anglo-American quarrel grow out of the Transvaal war

# HOW CHURCHILL

A Brief Sketch of His Daring Escape.

Clambered on to a Rapidly-Moving Train-Many Narrow Escapes From Discovery.

Lorenzo Marquez, Dec. 22.-Mr. Winston Churchill arrived here late last night and left for Durban by the steamer Induna.

London, Dec. 27 .- Mr. Winston Spencer Churchill has cabled and the Morning Post has published today an account of his escape from captivity with the Boers, after having been taken prisoner in the reconnoissance of

HID IN A TRUCK. "In the evening I concealed myself in a railway truck under a great pile of sacks. I had a small store of good water. I remained hidden so, chancing discovery. The Boers searched the train at Koomati Port, but did not search deep enough. After sixty hours of misery I came safely here. I am very weak, but am free. I have lost many pounds in weight but am light in heart. I shall avail myself of every opportunity henceforth to urge earestly the unflinching and uncompromising prosecution of the war.

WHY HE MADE THE VENTURE. "On the forenoon of Dec. 12, the Transvaal's secretary of war informed me that there was little chance of my release. I therefore resolved to escape, and the same night I left the State School Prison in Pretoria by climbing the wall when the sentries' backs were turned momentarily.

"I walked through the streets of the town without disguise, meeting many burghers, but was not challenged in the crowd. I got through the pickets of the town and struck the Delagoa Archbishop Corr Bay Railroad. I walked along it, evadronto, instructing him to recruit ten ing the watchers at the bridges and men from his corps for service as culverts, and waited for a train at beyond the first station. The 11:10 goods train from Pretoria had arrived before I reached the place, and was

MOVING AT FULL SPEED. boarded it with difficulty, and hid under coal sacks. I jumped from the train before dawn, and was sheltered during the day in a small wood, IN COMPANY WITH A HUGE VUL-TURE.

which displayed a lively interest in me. I walked on at dusk, There were no more trains that night. The danger of meeting the guards of the line con-tinued, but I was obliged to follow it, as I had no compass or map. I had to make wide detours to avoid bridges, stations and huts, and so my progress was very slow. Chocolate is not a satisfying food.

THE OUTLOOK WAS GLOOMY. but I persevered with God's help. For five days my food supply was very precarious. I was lying up by daylight, and walking by night.

ESCAPE DISCOVERED. "Meanwhile my escape had been discovered, and my description telegraphed everywhere. All trains were search and everyone was on the watch for me. Four times the wrong people were

'The sixth day I managed to board train beyond Middleburg, from whence there was direct service to Delagoa.

## At the Grand

The reaction following the holiday festivities, and the lack of popular interest on Shakespearean drama, combined to give the Lyceum Theater Company a rather small house at the Grand last night. "Hamlet" was the bill, and Mr. Edouard D'Oize in the role, evinced considerable originality, refinement and force. The play was admirably staged, and the supporting company, which has been strengthened since their last appear-ance here, was thoroughly capable. Miss Effie Hext, as Ophelia, made up in grace and charm what she lost in force. The cast:

Horatio ..... Joseph Selman Guildenstein .... Clarence Warfield Osrick Mamie Lorimer
Marcellus Clarence Warfield Beneardo Charles Jarvis
G'host of Hamlet's Father William Clifford
First Player Henry Keefer
Second Player Charles Jarvis
Ombalia

Ophelia ...... Effic Hext Queen Gertrude .... Marguerite Saxton Player Queen ...... Mamie Lorimer
The company will play a five night's
engagement. The bill for tonight is
"David Garrick."

Tomorrow Night' Recital. Citizens who have not already secured their seats for Watkin Mills' recital at the Auditorium tomorrow night should do so today. The concert promises to prove one of the greatest treats ever afforded by our citizens. Mr. Mills will be assisted by Mr. Henry S. Saunders, solo 'cellist, and Mr. W. Spencer Jones and Mr. W. H. Hewlett, accompanists. A varied and popular programme will be rendered, including selections from all the great masters, as well as several English, Irish and Scotch bahlads. Call or telephone No.50 today and secure your seats, as there

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is sure to be a bumper house.

# OF PEMBROTEN

A Number of Claimants Turn Up in America.

Back of the Claim Lies a Romantic Story.

Bogus Enclyclial Published in South America Granting Permission to Priests to Marry.

London, Dec. 27.-The estate of the late Earl of Pembroten in England is laid claim to by a large number of alleged heirs in Delaware, Pennsylvania and Maryland, says a Wilmington, Del., dispatch. The value of the estate mounts up into the millions and back of the claims and the heirs is the ro-mantic story, which runs thus: A sea captain named Stirling, early in the present century married the daughter of the earl. He disowned her, and she and Stirling settled in Delaware, where, after several children were born, father and mother died. Before the earl died he tried to locate his daughter, but failed. Now Mrs. Anna Annstrong, of Smyrna, Del., Mrs. Anna Stewart, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Louise Lightward, of Baltimore, descendants of Stirling, have taken up the matter and will endeavor to get the estate.

SPREAD OF THE PLAGUE. Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 27.—The British consul at Noumea confirms the report that the plague in a severe type is raging, and that many deaths from that cause have occurred in New Caledonia. The governments of Australia have taken stringent precautions for quarantining arrivals from Noumea.

A BOGUS ENCYCLICAL. A dispatch from Rome says the Vatican has received information that newspapers in many parts of South America have published what purported to be a papal encyclical granting permission to priests to marry. Many priests, it is said, have taken advantage of the permission extended by the "encyclical." His holiness has authorized the promulgation of a statement pronouncing the encyclical to be a

FRENCH STRIKERS CALM. St. Etienne, France, Dec. 27.—The coal miners are calm today, but the mines are guarded by troops. Only 25 per cent of the miners descended into the pits today.

DECREE FOR HOLY YEAR. New York, Dec. 27.—By a decree just issued from the Vatican relative to the celebration of the jubilee of holy year marriages between Protestant and Catholics cannot be made during 1900 except by special dispensation direct from the pope. Marriages between Protestants and Catholics have been permitted by the Catholic Church only by dispensation of the bishops, but for the holy year this power of dispensa-

Archbishop Corrigan, in a circular, states that the pope suspends special faculties to ordinaries of dioceses, "so that, at this season particularly, Rome should be the great fountain of mercy and spiritual favors for the Catholics of the entire world." This is understood in Catholic circles to mean that only by applying direct to Rome shall dispensations be granted during the year 1900.

"BISMARCK'S MEMORIES" SUP-PRESSED.

A Berlin dispatch says that the sons of the late Prince Bismarck have stopped the publication of the third vol-"Bismarck's Thoughts and Memories," because it contains Bismarck's own statement of his dismissal from office. This is in conflict with the kaiser's version of the incident, and the sons don't wish to irritate the emperor. The publisher, who paid a large sum for the copyright, has started suit against the sons.

## 00000000000000 **NEWS NOTES**

00000000000000 Fire in the business and of Hastings, scale that the surface of the bark was Minn., caused a loss of \$200,000.

John Hoover, jealous, shot and killed his wife and himself in Indianap-Bushrod Underwood, famous Con-

federate army scout, is dead in Washington, aged 56. The residence of Philip Murphy, at ing, Fletcher. Ont., was visited Monday plied in every case just as soon and night by burglars and \$500 stolen. No just as frequently as a watchful in-

The Catholic church at Campbellford, Ont., was burned yesterday morn-

ing, with all the contents; loss \$6,000. insurance \$3,000. Playing with an old musket resulted in the death of Maggie Drayer, aged 14, at the hands of Mrs. William Tay-

lor, in Topeka, Kan. Employes of the American Window Glass Trust in Pittsburg all got \$10 gold pieces Christmas. The corporation gave away \$60,000.

About 2 p.m. Monday Mrs. Thompson, one of the oldest and most respected residents of Dundas, Ont., died very suddenly. She was about 84 years

The ice in the Saskatchewan River at Medicine Hat broke up Monday, and moved down stream, leaving the river

National Bank, of Boston, to which the company was largely indebted.

In the case of Mrs. Sanderson, whose trial at Marshall, Mich., for the murder of her aged husband has been in progress for two weeks, the jury rendered a verdict of not guilty. Mrs. Sander-son burst into tears and collapsed into her father's arms when she heard the verdict. She soon revived, how-ever, and thanked each juror personailly. It was charged that she had killed her husband by putting ground glass in his food.

EVERY DRUGGIST in the land sells Pain-Killer. The best liniment for sprains and bruises. The best remedy for cramps and colle. Avoid substi-tutes. There's but one Pain-Killer, Perry Davis'. 25c and 50c. xt Mrs. Jones-Did Mrs. Smith's son

graduate as an allopath or a homeo-He's been living at home ever since he took his degree.—Judge.

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# HILDA BLAKE

For the Murder of Her Mistress at Brandon, Man.

The Girl Met Her Awful Fate With Firmness.

Brandon, Man., Dec. 27.-Hilda Blake was hanged this morning. The drop fell about 8:40. The girl was perfectly calm as she walked up the steps of the scaffold.

HER CRIME. Hilda Blake was a domestic, who shot and killed Mrs. John Lane, of this place, by whom she was employed, early in July last. The servant and her mistress were alone in the house, and the latter was putting up curtains. On being shot, Mrs. Lane rushed screaming to the lawn, where her little children were having a tea

party, and fell dead.

Hilda Blake, on being questioned, said a tramp had come to the house and asked for food; that Mrs. Lane told him she was too busy to attend to him, and that he then fired at her and ran away. The whole town turned out to look for the murderer, and a Galician immigrant was acceptable but proved his innocence and was re-On July 10 Hilda Blake was arrested and identified as a girl who, on June 20, had purchased a revolver and cart-

ridges while in Winnipeg. HILDA'S CONFESSION. The girl made a complete confession, and begged to be allowed to commit suicide. She said she had purchased the revolver with the intention of kill-ing herself; but that in a fit of insane jealousy she went up to Mrs. Lane, kissed her, and then shet her. First she fired at her head, then as her

mistress ran away she shot her in the back, the second shot having fatal Hilda Blake was 22 years of age,

## HOW TO FIGHT SAN JOSE SCALE

Important Circular Issued by the Ontario Agriculture College.

In a bulletin on the San Jose scale, Prof. Lochead, of the Ontario Agricultural College, says:

Before spraying operations are undertaken it is advisable that a thorough pruning of the trees be made, and all useless limbs and twigs removed. Most orchards will be able to withstand. withstand considerable pruning. If the trunks of the trees are rough and encrusted with lichen or moss, they should be carefully scraped so that no part of the tree can possibly es-

cape the treatment.

All orchardists of the Niagara region now agree with the inspectors that the San Jose scale is prevalent in both the township of Niagara and the city of St. Catharines. Dearness, in a letter published late ly in several of the newspapers of this district, says: "The owner of an infected tree must kill the scale or it will kill the tree." I was interested in this statement, for, as I have already stated, many persons would not believe in the destructiveness of the scale in this province, somehow pinning their faith to the theory that it could not withstand the severity of our winters, or the parasites which would appear in such large numbers

that the scale would be kept in check. am of the opinion that the axe and fire method will still be voluntarily used on many trees. Whenever have become so infested that there has been a decided loss in vitality, then, I think, the orchardist would be wise in using the axe and fire. Prof. Forbes, of Illinois, one of the best fighters of the scale in the United States, says (Bulletin 56, July, 1899): "Trees so covered with the generally concealed were commonly cut out and burned. The San Jose scale can clearly be kept in check by thorough spraying with whale-oil soap, but it can't be exterminated where it has once effected a lodgment only by drastic measures of destruction, supplemented by careful spray-ing, or by repeated treatment ap-

just as frequently as a watchful in-spection gives any evidence of the presence of the scale." The cost of treatment will always be a determining factor in the fight with the scale. Rather than go to the trouble of treating a poor, weakened orchard with whale-oil soap or crude petroleum, the owner will likely prefer to destroy his trees; but where the trees are of the proper variety, in good, healthy, bearing condition, the owner will find that treatment with some one of these remedies will eventually The Catawba Islanders get their soap for 3 cents a pound, but it is likely we shall have to pay 4 cents a pound for it by the barrel. The soap is applied at the rate of two pounds to the gallon of water, and as it requires 11/2 gallons of the solution for an ordinary sized peach tree, and 2½ gallons for an apple tree, the cost of the materials alone will be 12 cents for a peach tree and 20 cents for an apple tree. The cost of the crude petroleum will probably be less. The beneficial results of the whale-oil soap treatment on peach trees on Catawba Island are described by Prof. Webster, of Ohio, who says: "A careful, conservative estimate, made by those competent to do so, indicated that there was an average of 75 per cent more peaches on the treated trees than there was on the untreated, and that the difference in size and flavor of the treated trees would amount to fully 50 per cent, and the growth of tree and amount of foliage 35 per cent. Growers claim, and with apparent reason, that the treatment with whale-oil soap for San Jose scale has given them an average of \$1 per tree profit, the soap costing them about 4 cents per pound laid down." It has been found that the only safe time to apply whale-oil soap to peach trees is the period eight or ten days after the opening of the buds, when the reddish tinge appears. All whale-oil soaps are not effective. The soap which has given best satisfaction in the United States is a soft potash whale-oil soap, containing nearly 12 per cent of potash. Experiments with crude petrole Experiments with crude petroleum have not been so largely tried as experiments with whale-oil soap. Prof. J. B. Smith, of New Jersey, secured splendid results, but no experiments were made in early winter, consequently no results are given for early winter treatment. It is generally conceded,

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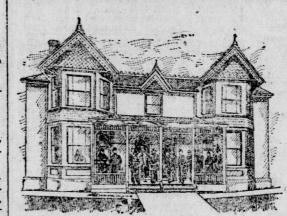
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ferent. However, experiments will tell us, and it would be well if the orchard men would supplement the trial experiments about to be started. How many will volunteer to spray their infested count? Let the spraying be done thoroughly, so that every part of the tree

## HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY FORMED

Seventy-three Members Secured in a Few Days-Organization Meeting on Ja uary 10.

distinguished as London is for the beauty of its tree-lined streets and the should be destitute of any organization for the encouragement of flower cultivation. It is satisfactory to know that this condition of things is about to be remedied by the formation of an horticultural society in affiliation with the Fruit-Growers' Association of Ontario, and in accordance with the ing the formation of such societies, and prescribing the regulations by which they are to be governed. At a recent meeting of the Entomological Society the subject was brought forward by Mr. Beall, a delegate sent for the purpose, and a small committee was formed to canvass for members and to arrange for organization if successful. It consisted of Mr. J. A. Balkwill, Rev. Dr. Bethune, Mr. J. H. Bowman and Mr. W. E. Saunders. The act requires that there should be at least 50 members, subscribing \$1 each, and the names had to be obtained by Thursday, 21st, and sent in to the department of Agriculture. With the assistance of Mr. J. Paine, the committee were entirely successful, and had procured no less than 73 names by that afternoon, and others have been obtained since. the terms of the act the first meeting for the election of officers and the organization of the society must be held at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. The lecture-room in the Y. M. C. 10. building has been secured, and it is hoped that there will be a large attendance. Each member receives the illustrated monthly magazine, the Canadian Horticulturist, and a share

## gladly give all necessary information.

in the semi-annual distributions of

bulbs and plants. It is proposed to hold

a series of flower shows during the

summer, and occasional public meet-

ings, at which addresses will be given

on suitable subjects. Anyone wishing

to join should apply to any of the

albove-named gentlemen, who

At the Auditorium. Mr. Grenville Kleiser, the clever impersonator and reader, appeared before a fairly large audience at the Auditorium last night, presenting a splendid programme from "David Copperfield." Mr. Kleiser is a master of his art. He possesses a sympathetic and beautifully trained voice, and to this is added a nicety of discrimination and a histrionic talent of the highest order. which enabled him to interpret the widely diversified characters of Dickens' great masterpiece almost as per-fectly as they could be represented on the stage. Mr. Kleiser captivated his audience and held them at his will during every moment he occupied the

It is estimated that in the beginning of the new century England will have 82,000,000,000 tons of coal still un-

## A TEMPERANCE PLEDGE OF 1804

Fouth of July and Military Musters Were Red Letter Days.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Fred Daly took up the subject for the educational half hour, "Retrospect and Prospect." His review of the progress of temperance sentiment in the last half century was most encouraging. In our own city fifteen years ago, with a much smaller population, we had It seems an anomoly that a city so 118 licenses, while now we have only The following pledge was adopted by a temperance organization in 1804: 'Any member of this association who lawns and gardens of its residents, shall be convicted of gross intoxication shall be fined 25 cents, unless such act of intoxication shall take on the 4th of July or any regularly

appointed military muster.' The strong temperance sentiment of today is largely due to the work of the societies which sprang up at the wo-man's crusade in 1873. A resolution of sympathy was pass-

ed for Mrs. Darch, for the death of act of the legislature of 1895, authoriz- her niece, Miss Minnie Kay, who was also a member of our union.
Our next meeting, Jan. 9, is Crusade Day, and all the members are urged

(Signed) Maud White, Rec. Sec. FOR THE CONTINGENT.

Montreal Recruit to Swell the Ranks of

Cures by Dodd's Kidney Pills. Montreal, Dec. 15.-Robert S. Thomson, employed at Auld's Factory, 642 Laugehietiere street, is the latest recruit to the army who have indorsed Dodd's Kidney Pills in this city. Gradually but surely all prejudiced persons are being won over to the side of the conqueror of Bright's Disease and Diabetes, the two former tyrants of

the human race. Mr. Thomson says: "I used several remedies and consulted some of Montreal's best doctors, but they could not give me any relief. I read of Dodd's Kidney Pills, bought a box, and tried them. Before this I could not sleep, having to get up so often, but now 1 am all right in this and every other respect.

TWELVE LIVES LOST. Norfolk, Va., Dec. 27 .- The Johnston Line steamer Noranmore, arrived here vesterday afternoon from Liverpool. Capt. Richardson, her commander, reported having seen an unknown ark founder at sea with her crew of twelve

MILLIONS IN DIVIDENDS, New York, Dec. 27 .- Something like \$225,000,000 will be paid out in interest and dividend payments in this city, Boston and Philadelphia soon after the beginning of the new year. Of this amount about \$165,000,000 will be disbursed here, \$30,000,000 in Boston the balance in the Quaker City. Much of this money will come from the national debt, interest payments on a large proportion of which mature on Jan. 1. Another source of income will be the government payment of quart-erly interest on the four per cent

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## SPORTING WORLD

Results of the Racing at Oakland and New Orleans.

Jockey Joe Weber Suspended Indefinitely-Checker Match-Notes.

HOCKEY.

The members of the London Hockey Club took their final outdoor work last night, taking a three-mile run in the snow. All members are requested to be at the Princess Rink not later than 6 o'clock to have their first practice on ice. "I feel confident," said Trainer George Black this morning, "that our team, in their present condition, can again win the championship. Oh, yes; the Nationals gave the St. George boys an awful beating, but when they come against the London team they will find a lot of hockey players. I am sure we shall give the strong Wellingteam a harder battle than they are looking for when we meet. Our chances are very good of winning the

GAME POSTPONED. The game arranged for next Fri-cay between the Londons and the Wel-lingtons, of Toronto, has been postponed.

FISTIC. THE L. A. C. CONTEST.

Besides the Smith-Snyder bout on the 4th of January, at the Grand Opera House, the management have secured two rattling preliminaries to open their show with, Arthur St. Pirie, the Detroit lad who fought Smith a draw in their first meeting and lost the decision to him in the second, will be seen here with Bernard Carroll, the clever little Rochester boy, and this will, without a doubt, prove a fast ten-round contest, as both men are sure of getting a decision. Then come the favorites, Taylor and Barbar, who will go six rounds. The clever exhibition they made at the last contest here is a guarantee for the interest of this event. The contest will begin at 8:15 sharp, and the management of the London Athletic Club are untiring in their efforts to make this the success of the season and will opare no expense to give the public the worth of their money on Thursday,

TURF

AT NEW ORLEANS New Orleans, Dec. 27.-Knight Banneret was the only winning favorite

yes erday. First race; selling, 1 mile—Blue Lick 1, Manifus 2, Jimp 3. Time, 1:48. Second race, 6½ furlongs—Knight Banneret 1, Sadie Burnham 2, Crane 3.

Pime, 1:271/4. Third race, selking, 11-16 miles—Len-nep 1, Elkin 2, Rushfields 3. Time, 1:54½.
Fourth race, handicap, 7 furlongs—
Strangest 1, Trillo 2, St. Wood 3. Time,

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—Jime Gore 1, Wiggins 2, Bill Jackman 3. Time, 1:17/2. AT OAKLAND.

San Francisco, Dec. 27.-Yesterday the track was fast at Oakland. First race, Futurity course, selling-True Blue 1, Braw Lass 2, Meadow

Lark 3. Time, 1:11. Second race, %-mile, selling—Tutilie 1, Gusto 2, Devereaux 3. Time, 1:01. Third race, 1 mile-Ventoro 1, Storm King 2, Hindoo Princess 3. Time,

Fourth race, 11-16 miles, selling— Favorsham 1, Einstein 2, Morinel 3. Time, 1:46%. Fifth race, %-mile, free handicap— Plan 1, Dr. Sheppard 2, King Carnival

8. Time, 1:27. Sixth race, 11-16 miles, selling-Ben , Silver Tone 2, Pat Morrissey 3. Time,

The stewards have suspended Jockey Joe Weber indefinitely for his rides on King Carnival, Nov. 21, and on Loving Cup, Dec. 20. The stable of George W. Miller, the St. Louis horseman, owns Loving Cup, was reinstated, as it was shown he bet on the mare when she made such a poor showing. NOTES OF SPORT

Another turf war threatens in Cali-Thorpe leads the jockeys at the

'Frisco tracks, and Boland is the star at New Orleans. Those who have figured out John L. Sullivan's earnings in the ring place the amount at \$931,400.

As a tribute to his ability as a fighter, several will-known sporting men have decided to present Terry McGov-ern with a diamond-studded belt, emblematic of the bantam-weight championship of the world. Jack Everhardt, the southern fighter,

is now a horse owner, having purchased a 2-year-old that gives promise of developing into a sprinter of quality. Tod Sloan is going to California for a few weeks, but says he does not expect to take any mounts while there, and wi return to England early in the

'Skeets" Martin rode 48 winners out of 138 mounts during his brief season in England, and likes the game so well that he will return to that country about March 1.

After the first of the year a new rule goes into effect, whereby jockeys are to receive personally all fees for riding in races where the stable by which they are employed is not represented. Eddie Bald, the Buffalo cyclist, who went to England to back Tod Sloan's mounts, wears a very cheerful exterior, but he has failed to mention how much of the \$10,000 that he took abroad with

him for speculative purposes, burdened him on the return passage. CHECKERS. A TIE MATCH.

Toronto, Dec. 27.—Champion R. M. McLaurina, of Windsor, played three games of checkers last night with James Wylie, regarded as the strongest local man. The score was one win each and a draw.

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## THE BURIAL OF D. L. MOODY

Remains of the Great Evangelist Laid in the Grave.

East Northfield, Mass., Dec. 27.-The funeral services in memory of Dwight L. Moody were held at the congregational Church at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, with an attendance which recarls the summer days when hunareas came to Northfield to attend the meetings made famous by the presence and innuence of the dead evangelist. Men who for many years have been connected with Mr. Moody's work took part. Rev. C. I. Schofield, D. D., officiated, assisted by Rev. R. A. Torrey, of the Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, and appropriate music was sung by the choir of the church and the Mount Hermon male quartet, which has assisted Mr. Moody in the work here during the last two years. The body was borne to Round Top, a historic spot upon the grounds of the institute, for burial. At the grave a hymn was sung, Rev. Mr. Torrey offered prayer, and Mr. Schofield pronounced a bene-

In the procession were the following honorary pall-bearers: Ira D. Sankey and George C. Stebbins, of Brooklyn; R. C. Morse and D. W. McWilliams, of New York; Rev. W. J. Herdman and Rev. George C. Needham, of Phila-delphia. Mrs. Moody's expressed desire that the services should be as simple as the life of the evangelist always had been, was followed.

service opened with a hymn, Little While," by the choir of 150 students. An invocation was followed by the Scripture lesson, read by Rev. A. T. Pierson, of Brooklyn. After prayer the Mount Hermon quartet sang "Immanuel's Land."

Rev. Dr. Schofield then delivered an eulogy, in which he said: "Whether we measure greatness by qualities of character, by qualities of intellect, character, by qualities of intellect, or by things alone, Dwight L. Moody must be accounted great. The basis of Mr. Moody's character. ter was sincerity, genuineness. He had an inveterate aversion to all forms of sham, unreality and pretense. Most of all did he detest religious pretense, cant. His first question concerning any proposed action was, 'Is it right?' Besides all this, Mr. Moody was in a wonderful degree brave, magnanimous and unselfish. The power of Dwight L. Moody lay, first, in a definite experience of Christ's saving grace, He had passed out of death into life, and he knew it. Secondly, Mr. Moody believed in the divine authority of the Scriptures. The Bible was to him the verse of God, and he made it resound as such in the consciences of man. Thirdly, he was baptized with the Holy Spirit, and knew that he was. It was to him as definite an experience as his conversion. Fourthly, he was a man of prayer. He believed in a living and unfettered God. But, fifthly, Mr. Moody believed in work, in ceaseless effort, in wise provision, in the power of organization, of publicity." Rev. R. At. Torrey followed with eulogy, based upon Mr. Moody's life as exemplifying

the grace of God, and several visiting ministers spoke briefly.

The exercises at the church closed with the hymn, "When Morning Gilds the Sky." The body was then carried to the burial-place at Round Top. The choir sang "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," and after prayer and a benediction the bedy was lowered to its restingulate. body was lowered to its resting-place.

## Good Advice.

Mr. Isaac Holden, Omemee. Ontario, formerly of Toronto and Montreal, cattle buyer, well and favorably known all over Ontario and Quebec, says in regard to Dr. Ward's Blood and Nerve Pills: "For the past two years I have been a great sufferer with muscular and nerve rheumatism, and chronic constipation. The rheumatism got so bad the early part of the past winter that I could not get round without the help of a cane; even then it was only with great difficulty and excruciating pain. My blood was stagnant: my legs, feet, arms and hands feeling numb all the time, brisk rubbing failing to restore circulation. Frequently when walking a spasm of pain would take hold of the muscles and nerves of my legs and in an instant I became powerless and would fall perfectly helpless. The first of January last I was in such a crippled state, and suffering such constant pain, that I felt I must go to bed and be laid up helpless and suffering for an indefinite time, with the probabilities that I would never be able to get around Fortunately my son, who had received a great benefit from Dr. Ward's Blood and Nerve Pills, said:

"rather, why not Try thes this? "I did so, and in one week felt so much better and so much relieved from pain that I have continued the use of them. They cured me of constipation, and the rheumatic pains have entirely disappeared from my loins and stomach. They have restored healthy and natural circulation of my blood and enabled me to get around without

inconvenience. "They are a marvel in the medicine line. It is the only medicine of the many I have taken that gave me immediate and permanent relief. I am satisfied that if I had not taken them I would today be helpless in bed, suffering torture which only those who have active muscular and nervous rheumatism can imagine.

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ALMOST SCALPED. St. Thomas, Ont., Dec. 27.-E. R. Routledge, formerly an advertising solicitor for the Windsor Record, met with a terrible accident yesterday morning. He was going upstairs to his room in the Grand Central Hotel, when he lost his balance and fell. The back of his head came in contact with a post and his scalp was badly cut. His nose was broken, and he received a large gash under one eye. Dr. Lipsey was call-ed, and he found it necessary to put 20 stitches in the scalp. It is thought he will recover.

BLIND MAN'S CRIME.

Baltimore, Dec. 27. — Franklin B. Livingston, a blind man, aged 56, choked his wife to death yesterday morning at their home in this city. Later Livingston walked into a police station, gave his name and address, and claimed his wife tried to smother him with a feather-bed. Livingston was locked up and the police went to the house, where they found the nude body of the woman in a bath-tub, as Livingston had said. Jealousy is thought to have caused the crime. The man is a civil war veteran, having lost his eyesight in the battle of Fair Oaks. He had a pension of \$72 a month.

## JOTTINGS FROM NEAR-BY PLACES

MOUNT BRYDGES.

Mount Brydges, Dec.26.-On Wednesday last a number of the friends and parents of the pupils of school section No. 4, Caradoc, visited the school for the purpose of bidding farewell to Miss Jessie F. Lawrence, of Thames-ford, who has so successfully conducted the school during the past two years, and is now resigning to take charge of school section No. 2, West Zorra. After a thorough review of the work of the school and the singing of several patriotic songs by the pupils, Miss Mabel Humphrey stepped to the platform, reading a parting address, while Miss Flossie Willsie presented Miss Lawrence with a beautiful lady's toilet set, as a slight token of the esteem in which she is held by the pupils. Miss Lawrence made a suitable reply, thanking them for their kind remembrance, and alluding to the fact that a teacher's duties were relieved to a large extent by the co-operation of pupils and parents. Miss Lawrence came to the section a total stranger, but has won for herself a popularity that will be held in long remembrance.

### STRATHROY.

Strathroy, Dec. 26.-Messrs. A. E. Murray, Alex. Rose, G. P. Smith. F. Newton, of Toronto; Sept. Thompson, of London; Hugh Thompson, of Grand Rapids; Alex. Leitch, of Kingston, spent Christmas with relatives in town. Miss May Crotty is spending a few days with her brother, Mr. J. Crotty, of Bothwell.

Milton Bixel and William Lindsay, of the Kingston Military College, are spending the Christmas holidays with relatives here.

The remains of Mr. L. R. Richardson, who died in London last week, were brought to Strathroy and interred in the Strathroy cemetery Sunday after-Miss Minnie Hill, daughter of W. F.

Hill, has been engaged as teacher of the Elmira public school, at \$330 per annum. The death of Miss Pedley, of Caradoc street, took place in Chatham last

Miss May Rason and Olive Thompson, who have been attending Toronto Normal School are home for the holi-

D. Robertson, of Chicago, is the guest of his brother and sister for a few days this week.
The Women's Christian Association will give their annual concert and dinner to the inmates of the House of Refuge on Wednesday, Dec. 27, com-

mencing at 2 p.m. The association will bepleased to have offers of assistance. Cakes and pies may be left at the residence of Mrs. Armstrong on Tuesday, Miss Bertha Saddler and Miss Nellle

Clarke, of London, are home for the Christmas holidays. St. John's annual Sunday school entertainment was held in the Lyceum last Tuesday evening, an excellent programme of songs, drills, recitations,

## LAKE SHORE

dialogues being presented.

Lake Shore, Bosanquet, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Howland, of Argyle street, Forest, has returned to her home from the resi-dence of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson here, past three weeks.

The trustees of S. S. No. 7, Bosanquet, are evidently much more than satisfied with Mr. Nathaniel McDonald as their school teacher, as they have re-engaged him at a \$25 increase of Miss Hattie Shannon, of Kettle

Point, is in bed sick, and but slight hopes of her recovery are entertained. Miss Ella Fraser is off to London, holidaying with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Paine, and will probably continue her visit all winter. She will be missed by a large circle of friends, and especially by the choir of the Congregational Church.

Much sympathy is felt for Mrs. Ben Clemens, whose right arm was lacerated by the mower last summer. Amputation has been found and was accomplished last week. Everyone hopes to hear of her re-

The Methodists are good at getting up noney-making devices in connectup work. This time ith the church work. This time he Indians to the front. Being inger of losing the organ from their Stony Point Church, they started out with photos of their pastor, Mr. Bartlet, and his wife. The debt is nearly cleared off. Christmas night they had a Christmas tree, and new year's night they will have their anral feast.

Jeff Bresette is building a new pier for the use of Kettle Point pleasure-seekers next season. Jeff is an early Mr. Gustin's broken leg is not doing

Rev. Mr. Cook, who has been supplying the Congregational Churches

of Lake Bosanquet and Ebenezer, in Warwick, for the past few weeks, is likely to be invited to become their

The Jerusalem News, which has been published in Forest for this year, is to be discontinued. It was a bright little five-cent monthly, but several things conspired to make it unprofitable. Firstly, there are two papers published weekly in town, and they are both taken by almost every one for miles around, and two are enough. Secondly, the majority of people are more concerned about the war news and political matters than about the return of the Jews to Palestine. Still, those who have taken the Jerusalem News are sorry to say good-bye, instead of wishing it a happy new year.

## BELMONT.

Belmont, Dec. 27.-The annual Sunday school anniversary of Kilmartin Church was fitly celebrated on Friday evening, Dec. 22, with Rev. John Currie, pastor, in the chair. Messrs. Douglas Ewan and Albert Campbell won well-merited applause from the large and representative gathering, with Miss Hattie Smith as accompanist. The quartet by Messrs. Albert Campbell and D. Ewan and Misself Campbell and D. Ewan, and Misses Sarah Jane Douglas, of Yarmouth Center, and Flora Smith, of Mapleton, charmed the audience. Instrumentalists, Misses Olive McIntyre, Ida Penhale and Hazel Gilbert. The choir sung with fine effect, "Somewhere." The silver offerings totaled about \$20.

Mr. John A. Campbell, Yarmouth, was taken suddenly ill on Christmas Day. Dr. Willson, of St. Thomas, was summoned, and pronounced the trouble enlargement of the liver.

Mr. Mansfield, a progressive farmer of Brandon, arrived at the residence of Wm. Cousins, Westminster, and gladdened the household in the prospective participation of a happy event.

## GLANWORTH.

Glanworth, Dec. 27.—Julius, son of Madison Fisher, aged 2½ years, met with an accident on Thursday, sustaining a tracture of one of his legs in C.H.McBride, F. W. Fasnoombe, H. S., C. E.

two places from the kick of a young horse. Dr. Nichol had the patient removed to the Amasa Wood Hospital, St. Thomas, where Drs. Gustin and Lawrence reduced the fracture.

Gordon, son of Elder Duncan McColl, was taken to the general hospital, London, and subjected to a critical operation by Dr. Wishart, assisted by Dr. Nichol, when a detached bone was removed from his thigh.

The annual entertainment of the Sunday school under the ausoices of

Sunday school under the auspices of the Anglican Church was held on Wednesday evening in the spacious hall, with Rev. S. E. G. Edelstein, the popular pastor, in the chair. Messrs. Dr. Nichol and William Brodie officiated as soloists. The choir gave several choice selections with great precision, Mrs. Shore acting as accompanist. Mr. Charles A. Randall, of San Francisco, Cal., is the guest of Elder John

The output of the creamery totals from 600 to 700 pounds of butter per week. Maximum price realized, 23c per pound. Dr. Hugh McColl, of Lapeer, Mich. is spending Christmas at his maternal

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Meehan's Monthly for December says: Ignorant writers are fond of ridiculing the culture of fruits and vegetables under glass, as if the sole object were to get something out of season. They do not know that the skillful gardener can beat nature every time in quality as well as in the time when the article may be said to be in season. We have to learn that, to some extent, in the house culture of tomatoes, cucumbers, lettuce, and some other things—and those acquainted with the results understand full well that mere out-door culture could never have product of equal quality—the prices obtained by those who grow for market, compensate for all the extra trouble involved. Grape culture under glass was once very popular in America; but the easy production of the foreign grape in the open air of California, dampened the ardor of our cultivators. But no one has ever yet found a bunch of California grapes to equal the results of a first-class grape-grower of the article under glass. Even in Germany and France, where the grape does well in the open air, the glass-house grape-grower finds a good profit in his occupation, if he is a real gardener and not an empiric. La Semaine Horticole notes that a cultivator of this class, Brussels, produced a bunch that weighed over seven pounds. It was sold at auction, and brought about \$5.50, which we suppose is about the highest price ever paid for a single bunch of grapes.

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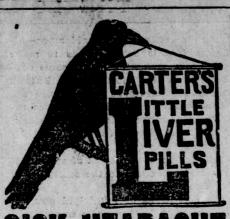
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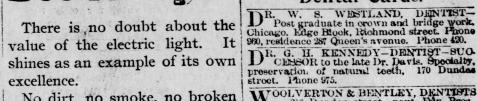
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## Ontario's Agricultural Progress

The annual report of the bureau of industries for Ontario for 1898 is packed with interesting statistics relating to the agriculture of the province. The total value of farm property in Ontario in 1898 is given as \$923,022,420, divided es follows: Farm land, \$556,246,569; buildings, \$210,054,396; implements, \$52,-977,232; live stock, \$103,944,223. The total value of farm property in 1897 was \$905,093,613. Last year the value of farm lands showed the first improvement since 1886. The average value per acre last year was \$39 46, or an increase of 71 cents over 1897.

The rural area assessed in 1898 was 23,392,584 acres, or 32,156 acres more than in the preceding year. Last year there were 12,993,614 acres of cleared land, an increase of 140,533 acres. There were 7,294,026 acres of woodland last year, a decrease of 95,000 acres; 3,200,-065 acres of swamp or marsh land, a decrease of 13,000 acres; 2,708,043 acres in pasture, a decrease of 49,798 acres, and 8.835.272 acres under crop, an increase of 133,567 acres. The comparative yield of field crops for '897 and 1898 is shown in this table:

	1892.	1897.
Bu	shels.	Bushels
Fall wheat 25,1	58,713	23,988;05
Spring wheat 6,8	73,785	4,868,10
Barley12,6	63,668	12,021,77
Oats86,8	58,293	86,318,12
Rye 2,6	73,234	3,382,00
Peas13,5	21,263 .	13,867,09
Buckwheat 2,3	373,645	3,646,18
Beans		981,34
Potatoes14,8		16,100,79
Mangel-Wurzels21,9		18,103,38
Carrots 4,3		4,433,62
Turnips64,7		68,297,14
Corn for husking 23,4		24,663,99
	Tons.	Tons
Corn for fodder 2,1	28,073	2,669,82
Hay and clover 4.5		3.811.51

The yield per acre in fall wheat was 24 bushels in 1898, or 3.5 bushels more than the average for seventeen years, although falling short by 1.2 bushels of the average for 1897. The Georgian Bay district last year showed the splendid average of 26 bushels. The average yield of spring wheat last year was 17.7 bushels per acre, being 2.6 more than in 1897. Barley last year showed an average yield of 28.9; oats, 36.6; rye, 16.2; peas, 15.6; corn, 71.0; desirable in South Africa at present. buckwheat, 15.8; beans, 16.8; potatoes, 84; mangels, 458; carrots, 347, and turnips, 427. The hay crop averaged 1.79 tons to the acre. The area in flax dropped from 16,240 acres in 1897 to 10.720 acres in 1898.

In 1898 there were 1,187 cheese factories in Ontario, an increase of 26. There was a decrease, however, in the is very rarely indeed that a strong wake of cheese of over nine million character in this world avoids exciting pounds from the great output of 1897. jealousy, or making enemies. but the season of 1898 leads 1895, the next highest year, by nearly nineteen million pounds. The average price of cheese, too, dropped over half a cent per pound last year, so that the patrons received but \$8,417,535 as compared with \$9,709,004 in 1897. This is equivalent to 61.2 cents per 100 pounds of Richard Cartwright; Capt. Gustave milk, or four cents below the average of five years. Hastings, with 96 factories, produces 11,505,082 pounds, while Oxford, with 9,922,553 pounds in 43 fac-Sir Alphonse Pelletier, speaker of the tories comes next.

The number of creameries in the province last year was 282, an increase of 68 over the previous season. The output of the creameries last year was 9,008,992 pounds, an increase of 1,300,-727 pounds. The patrons received last year \$1,294,220 for milk or cream supplied, being 60.6 cents per 100 pounds of milk.

The live stock is numbered as fol-

	1898.	1897.
Horses	611,241	613,670
Hogs		1,284,960
Cattle	2,215,943	2,182,326
Sheep	1,677,014	1,690,350
Poultry	9,084,273	8,435,341

Putting everything together the record is one of progress and promise in agricultural conditions. The upward tendency of land values, which began to be noticed last year, still continues. The present year has also witnessed a great expansion in the volume of agricultural exports. The farming interests will be the first care of the Provincial Government and much is expected from the policy outlined by Premier Ross.

## Municipal Reform.

Whether the legislative body would be improved by lessening the number of them, sitting at the board, is a question of considerable debate. Some Imagine that six men would be better qualified for the task than eighteen, or twelve, and there is a movement reduce the number of wards for this experiment. There would probably be less agitation and dispute at the board, were the lesser number brought in. The business would be apt to run along more smoothly with so few comparatively to talk. There is the pos-sibility, in fact, that the legislative part of the work would be reduced to barest formality. Suppose the six should agree amongst themselves to have no wrangling or misunderstanding, but merely at their public meetings agree formally to ratify that which it would be easy to canvass privately so near to the conclusion, would that state of things be any better safeguard of the public interest than the present enlarged number of councilors? It is an old axiom that in the multitude of councilors there is The more wrangling or discussion the better for the people. It is more calculated to let daylight into passing affairs than the smug and "respectable" formalism referred to.-London Free Press.

The Free Press is not fully informed. There is no movement to reduce the number of wards; the electors will vote on the proposition to abolish them entirely. If the ward divisions are wiped out it is likely that the number of aldermen will be reduced. No one has proposed that the number shall be as low as six. If we mistake not, ten has been suggested as a reasonable quota. Ward abolition is intended not so

much to make fewer aldermen-although that is desirable as to make better aldermen. There are some capable men in the field this year, but we do not hesitate to say that there are others who have proved themselves unfit to hold public office. These latter, or most of them, will be elected by virtue of their ward "pulls," but they would have little prospect of success if they had to appeal to the suffrages of the whole city.

The conditions of municipal government seem to be generally unsatisfactory. Complaints are heard from every quarter and schemes of reform are in

The chief difficulty is the reluctance of the best class of citizens to serve on municipal bodies. Believing that part of the fault was in the system, several cities and towns in Ontario have given up the plan of electing aldermen by wards, and have reduced the representation, and in every case the results have been encouraging. London has nothing to lose and much to gain by the experiment.

Electors have still five days in which to think over municipal matters.

Mr. Clarke Wallace has succeeded in making himself ridiculous. It did not require much effort.

Under the present system the average elector can vote for only three aldermen. He has nothing to say about choosing the other fifteen

The merchants of the city generally agree that the holiday trade has been the best in years. It would have been still better had the snow and cold weather arrived a few days earlier.

That Fenian raid story is a clumsy joke. The Fenian invaders of 1866 sincerely believed that Canada was crying for deliverance from British rule. They expected to be welcomed with open arms, and were met with fire-arms instead. If the Fenian order is still alive, its leaders must know better than did those of 1866.

## What Others Say.

We Have All Kinds. [Ottawa Free Press.]

The Canadian voyageur was found to be a necessity in the Egyptian campaign. It looks as though a few Indian or other prairie scouts would be very

### Negative Virtue.

[Woodstock Sentinel-Review.] It is sometimes said of a man, usually a weakling, and from a sort of postmortem kindness, that he has not an enemy in the world. It is seldom that such a statement is to the man's credit and is not often spoken with truth. It

> Their Personal Interest. [Winnipeg Free Press.]

English journals are noting the fact that four leading Canadian ministerialists have sons fighting under the British flag in South Africa, namely, Major Robert Cartwright, son of Sir Joly de Lotbiniere, son of Sir Henri Joly de Lotbinere; Lieut. C. M. Dobell, Senate. Three members of the Do-minion cabinet thus have the most direct personal interest in the war. Two out of the four names given, as the English papers do not fail to remark, are those of French-Canadians.

## Where the Boers Fail.

[Louisville, Ky., Courier-Journal.] The war editor of the New York Times thinks that both Kimberley and Ladysmith are doomed, and he is almost sure that Kimberley is. The Boers, however, will have to adopt new tactics if they capture either of the towns. They cannot do it by lying off behind intrenchments and shooting at them. They must get out in the open and expose themselves in assaults upon fortifications. The Boers as yet have done none of this sort of fighting; and it would seem that if they had stomachs for taking the two towns, they would have made the effort in the first weeks of the war, before the approach of British reinforcements. Perhaps their recent successes will stimulate the Boers to a more offensive policy; also perhaps their recep-tion at Kimberley and Ladysmith will convince them of their mistake in attempting such a policy.

## Light and Shade.

"You don't mean to say you have had your cooks in three weeks?"
"Yes; and that isn't the worst of it, either! One of them is still with us.'

Customer (emerging from the bargain counter crush)-Help! My leg is broken. Walker-You will find the crutch department, sir on the fourth

floor, in the rear.

Chollie-Are you fond of the water? Elsie-Exceedingly. At the mere thought of sailing over the bounding waves I can hardly contain myself. -Yes; that's the way it af-

fects me. too. Caller (to little Bobby)-Bobby, what makes your eyes so bright?

Bobby (after a little thought)—I 'spects it's 'cause I ain't had 'em very

A. Conan Doyle says that for absentmindness he holds the world's championship, but we doubt could win out against the Colorado woman who put her baby in the oven to roast and sung a lullaby in an en-deavor to soothe to sleep the stuffed turkey she rocked in the cradle.

A DINNER PILL — Many persons suffer exeruciating agony after partaking of a hearty dinner. The food partaken of is like a ball of lead upon the stomach, and instead of being a healing nutriment, it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Parmelee's Vege-table Pills are wonderful correctives of such troubles. They correct acidity, open the secretions, and convey the food partaken of into healthy nutriment. They are just the medic take if troubled with indigestion.

# EAST ENDERS

No. 5 Ward Candidates Appeal to Their Electors.

Mayoralty Candidates Also State Their Respective Claims for Support.

Hall Was Too Chilly for Comfort, but Lively Speeches Kept Enthusiasm Above Freezing Point.

About 300 people alternated shivering with shouting in the east end hall last night, the occasion being the first ward meeting of the municipal campaign. A box-stove in a corner of the hall was the center of attraction. Those obliged to remain outside the small circle of its influence endeavored to keep warm by enthusiastic attention to the speakers. The fifth ward candidates for aldermen and school trustee, and the mayoralty candidates addressed the meeting. All the speakers were accorded a fairly courteous hearing. The energetic attacks by the Socialist speakers and by Mr. Tom Sargent upon the existing state of affairs were received goodhumoredly.

Ex-Ald. Jesse Welford was chairman and called the meeting to order at

ALD. PLANT. The first speaker was Ald. Plant. He was warmly applauded. After thanking the electors for returning him to the council, the speaker, as a member of the finance committee, dealt with the causes of the council's overdraft of over \$10,000 this year. The \$8,000 overdraft of 1898 was referred to, and a number of circumstances outside the control of the municipal authorities cited as causes of the present over-draft. These included unlooked-for expenses, and an unexpected decrease in revenue by reason of the Ontario Legislature's revenue bill, respecting the assessment of loan companies. The calling out of the militia was another large factor in causing the overdraft. The city auditors' recommendation regarding the annual redemption of de-bentures, was lucidly set forth by the speaker, and indorsed as a step to be taken by the incoming council. Ald. Plant announced himself as a labor candidate and read the platform of the labor party. Of the first plank—public ownership of all public franchises—little need be said. The idea was spreading rapidly, and that plank ninetenths of the electors were now in favor of. (Applause.) Touching upon the question of the abolition of the ward system, Ald. Plant characterized the system as "pernicious." As to the abo-lition of the contract system, he said it would be in the interest of all classes. The speaker was opposed to alder-manic interference in the city engin-eer's department. "If this were stopeer's department. "If this were stopped," he said, "the city would be hundreds of dollars to the good." He also advocated union of the different engineering departments under municipal control. (Applause.)

ALD. WILKEY. Ald. Wilkey reviewed the work of No. committee, of which he was a member during the past year. He had at-tended about 50 meetings of the committee, and had done what he could For some years the gravel put on the streets in No. 5 ward was not road material at all. It was put on in the fall and scraped off in the spring. The speaker objected to that, and in his objection had not had the support of his colleagues. One of them had gone so far as to say there was a "nigger in the fence" somewhere. "That was un-' he said; "I would as soon see Mr. Baldwin put the gravel on as the Old Nick himself; for there is no difference between them." (Laughter.) Wilkey also referred briefly to his connection with the sewerage and hospital committees. He spoke highly of the new buildings, but added that the cost of maintaining the new hospital would be three times as much as the old building cost. The speaker was also a member of the sidewalk investigation committee. There was an impression in some quarters, he said, that something had been hushed up by that committee. But the committee made a full report, that was fair both to the city and the contractor. They had found that one of the contractors fully as might have been wished, but the fault was with the engineer's department. Proper measures would be provided next year. The speaker, in conclusion, advocated the abolition of

the ward system. ALD. DREANEY.

Ald. Dreaney submitted a statement of the finances of No. 3 committee, of which he was the chairman. He had not been on so many committees as Ald. Wilkey. Ald. Wilkey had been anxious to get on all those committees, so they let him.

Ald. Wilkey — They wanted level-headed men on those committees. Ald. Dreaney—Yes, you bet; they're the kind of men who fix up their own property. (Laughter.) No. 3 committee, Ald. Dreaney went-on to say, had been economical, and

kept within their appropriation. other committees were not to blame, however, for their overdrafts. There had been unforeseen expenses. The calling out of the militia was one of the causes of this. But it was a great mistake. The speaker had said it was a mistake at the time, and he said so

CONTRACTOR BALDWIN. Contractor Baldwin arrived too late to hear Ald. Wilkey's reference to Old Nick, but someone told him of it. He Baldwin) was there to defend himself, he said. He was greeted with cries of "Platform," and complied. He had been on that platform before Mr. Wilkey was an alderman, and he would be there when Mr. Wilkey was out of the council. He was no weathercock It would have been all right, he said, if he had drawn gravel to Mr. Wilkey's property. The speaker's sallies were received with jeers and laughter. Ald.

Wilkey joined in the latter.

NOT A CANDIDATE. Mr. George Burdick stated that it was an error that his name should go on the ballot papers. He had declined Saturday evening, but was too late. However, he was present to say that he was not a candidate. He also wished to say something to the workingmen of No. 5 ward. He urged them to exercise their power in the coming elections. He was opposed to the destruction of property. If they wanted legislation in their own interests, they should attain it with the ballot. was the only weapon they had in the struggle between capital and labor.Mr. Burdick was applauded loudly

JOHN TUKE. Mr. John Tuke, a former street rail-

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way employe, said he had been asked by a number of the workingmen in No. ward to be a candidate, and he solicited the votes of his hearers.

J. W. BARTLETT. Mr. J. W. Bartlett referred to his long residence in East London, and his connection with the town council before amalgamation, as reeve, deputy reeve and councilor. He promised to do all his power to advance the interests of the electorate.

FRED APPLETON.

Mr. Fred Appleton (Socialist) referred to Ald. Rumball as a capitalist, and said: "The workingman who votes for a capitalist in this election is a cur. They 'throwed' you in the mud this summer, and they'll keep you there a hundred thousand years if you let them." (Applause.) He assured the workingmen that they would get the same dose from the capitalistic class, whether in municipal office or in their own counting-room. He appealed to the workingmen to choose one of them-selves as their representative. Their bosses couldn't be their servants. place of the ward system they should have proportional representation, he If there had been proportional representation last January would have been two Socialists in the council. The speaker denounced ex-emptions, and advocated the franchise for women. In conclusion he said he had been accused of being opposed to unions. The Socialist Labor Party was out for the whole working class-union

or non-union. THOMAS SARGENT.

Mr. Thomas Sargent was wildly applauded. He was puzzled to know where the citizens' money had gone. Some of the aldermen might jingle some of it. Why had Springbank Park been purchased? Was it not for the street railway company? The wool had been pulled over the eyes of the electors for years. People who would say the councils in past years had not been in league with the company, had heads that were not put on straight, or the right stuff was not in them. Ex-Mayor Little was the most expensive tie the city ever had. If he had held office for a few more years the citizens would not have a dollar to call

Mr. Sargent was frequently interrupted by calls of "Time," and "Give it to Once a pointed criticism caught the speaker's ear, and he retorted: "One fool at a time, my friend."

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE. Mr. E. W. Boyle, who is seeking reelection as school trustee, made a pointed speech. He had, while on the board, been as economical as it was possible to be, and not interfere with the efficiency of the teaching staff. The board had been called extravagant. I: all the trustees were directly responsible to the citizens the expenses might not be so large. But the high school trustees were appointed by the council, and were not responsible to anyone directly. In the past two years the fifth ward had contributed more teachers to the staff than any other ward. The speaker had not been satis-fied with anything which had so far been presented to the board along the line of domestic science. The unani-mous vote of the board to have a new six-roomed school on Chesley avenue had been turned down by the council. One of the aldermen for the ward had opposed the issue of the debentures. The aldermen thought the school good

nough for years to come.

A Voice—He's not good enough for us for next year.

Mr. Boyle went on the speak of the

board's finances. There would be a surplus of from \$700 to \$1,000 of public school funds, and about \$200 of high school funds. By recent changes at the high school a saving of \$1,500 a year had been effected.

MR. W. BURLEIGH.

Mr. W. Burleigh held that there should be a change on the board of education. The expenses of the board ran up to some \$80,000 a year, and were increasing. The reason for these increases was largely due to increases in salaries. He knew for a fact that the board had increased a teacher's salary without the party ever asking for it He was opposed to a fee being placed on the Collegiate Institute entrance. "A capitalist dodge," interrupted a Socialist.

Many workingmen were not able to pay that fee, the speaker said, and their children were shut out. He was in favor of free education and a reduction in the cost of school books. He was opposed to teachers being paid while on the sick list.

THE MAYORALTY CANDIDATES

Ald. Rumball was greeted with hisses from the Socialist section of the audience. He referred briefly to his ex-perience as an alderman. He had been accused of being a capitalist. He wished he were one. "There are not many in this room tonight, who, if they could be one, would refuse." (Applause.)
Where was the line to be drawn? If all who employed Tabor were capitalists his opponent, Mr. Darch, was in the same category as himself. The speaker claimed to be a worker. He had worked on the bench and on the farm. What little money he acquired he put in fac-tories to help build up the city. (Groans from the Socialists.) "If you would sooner have a man put his money in bonds or mortgages, then I don't know the citizens of London," he said. He went on to speak of his work during the past year as chairman of the fin ance committee. Twice during the year aldermen were particularly sensitiverate was being struck, and shortly before the elections. Some of those who kicked most about the rate being fixed as high as 23 mills most to say about the over-draft, and were the most anxious to spend money in the fall fixing up streets for their friends. There had been a number of extraordinary expenditures this year, and it must be borne in mind that although \$360,000 was raised by a 23-mill rate, the expenditure of all but 6.1 mills was out of the council's hands altogether, and out of the 6.1 mills, salaries, hospital management, etc., had to come. A large portion of it was fixed. This year the militia had been called out. For that the speaker was not responsible. He was out of the city at the time. This and other extraordinary expenditures accounted for the overdraft. The speaker then told of the part he played in bringing about the cement sidewalk bylaw. Referring to the last election, he said the Socialist candidate got 650 ballots. That he believed was now the full extent of the This caused an uproar, which the

chairman succeeded in quelling.
The speaker had, and would continue to, act conscientiously. He would en-deavor to do justice to one and all. In reply to Mr. Ross, Ald. Rumball said he did not favor the abolition of the property qualification for aldermanic candidates.

MR. FRED DARCH. Mr. Fred Darch, the Socialist candidate for mayor, criticised Ald. Rumball for saying he would try to do justice It was that same flim-flam.

sugar-coated thing the faboring men were always met with. But the labor-ing men would not make a mistake again. He said: "You're scales of the worst kind if you don't go and drop your ballot in the box and say 'No more capitalism for me.' Ald. Rum-ball puts his money in factories for himself. There were no workingmen at the meeting where Ald. Rumball was brought out. Not on your life!— not for a minute." In time, he claimed, the Socialists could control the council and wipe out the system that was oppressing them. The speaker said he was in favor of the abolition of the property qualification. It was an insult to the intelligence of the workingmen of the city. He warned his hearers against political ward heelers, and "If one talks to you, give him to understand you are on to him, and he will do his sneak." Mr. Darch criticised the waterworks system as being responsible for consumers having to pay more than they should, and draw a bright picture of the municipal-izing of the street railway, electric

## light plant, and other public works.

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Local Market. A. M. HAMILTON & SON'S REPORT. London, Wednesday, Dec. 27. Wheat, white, per bu ......66c to 67c Wheat, red, per bu ..... 66c to 66c Oats, per bu ...... 281/4c to 291/2c Barley, per bu ......42c to 44c Rye, per bu ......50c to 56c Beans, per bu ..... \$1 to \$1 35

WEEKLY. The grain trade was light this week. The bulk of the receipts were oats and wheat. Prices show little or no change. The wheat situation was a little weak, and prices inclined to go lower, but the limited supply kept it from taking much of a drop. At today's session

\$1 10 was the ruling price.
Oats fluctuated a little; outside markets are still reported lower than this one, the result is the disposition to buy cheaper oats here continues, and at present it looks as if January oats will be a little higher than October. Today's sales were made at 83c to 85c, with 83c to 87c covering the week's

Barley-Scarce; feed sold at 80c 82e; malt at 85e to 90e; almost no business in the latter.

Peas—Brought 95c to \$1, mostly 95c. The supply was light and the demand

Corn-A few small lots of flint corn came in; the price paid was 80c to 85c; the quality was poor and damp. Beans-There were much better de-liveries than was expected, but the quality was poor; sales ranged from 75c to \$1 25 a bushel. There seem to be only a few lots left in growers'

hands, and they are not disposed to No buckwheat or rye offered. Dressed hogs sold at \$5 to \$5 35, the best bringing \$5 25 easy, and some days Live hogs brought \$4; there were

Very few transactions occurred in HINDU PRAYERS FOR THE QUEEN young pigs.

Hay sales ranged from \$8 50 to \$10; some days \$9 50, and even \$9, was the highest price obtainable. At today's session \$10 was the price of all good loads.

quite a lot delivered.

Straw sold at \$2 75 to \$3 a load.

## **Buckwheat Flour**

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St. Thomas Market. St. Thomas, Dec. 23.-Wheat, old, per bu, 67c; wheat, new, 67c; oats new, 28c to 30c; peas, 50c to 60c; barley, 35c to 60c: corn. 40c; flaxseed, per cwt. \$2 45 to \$2 50; timothy seed, \$1 50 to \$1 75; clover seed, per bu, \$6 70.

The Oil Market. PITTSBURG. Pa., Dec. 27.—Oil opened at 166 and closed at \$166.
OIL CITY, Dec. 28.—Credit balances, \$166;

American Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Wheat, after opening firm on the weather and the decrease on passage and shipments, weakened on the heavy increase in the visible. May closing 1/4c to %c Provisions closed 21/2c to 5c higher to unchanged. Primary receipts were 1,bushels, compared with 2,733, 300 last year.

The leading futures closed as follows: Whe at No. 2 Dec., 65c to 65%c; May. 69%c; July, 69%c to 69%c. Corn—No. 2 Dec., 30%c; July, 69%c to 69%c. Corn—No. 2 Dec., 30%c; June, 30%c to 50%c. Corn—No. 2 Dec., 22%c; May, 23%c. Mess Pork—Jan., \$10 92%; May, \$10 37%. Lard—Jan., \$5 47%; May, \$5 70. Short ribs—Jan., \$5 25; May, \$0 45. Casn quotations—Flour, steady; No. 3 spring wheat, 62c to 64c; No. 2 red, 61%c to 69c. No. 2 corn, 31c to 31%c. No. 2 oats, 22%c to 22%c; No. 2 white, 24%c to 25%c; No. 3 white, 24%c to 25c. No. 2 rye, 55c. No. 2 barley, 38c to 43c. Cloverseed, \$8 to \$10; No. 1 flaxseed, \$1 49%; No. 1 Northwest, \$1 49%. Prime timothy seed, \$2 35. Mess pork, \$3 70 to 510 15. Lard, \$5 15 to \$5 50. Short ribs sides, \$5 15 to \$5 40. Dry salted shoulders, 5%c to 5%c. Short clear sides, \$5 45 to \$5 55. Sugar, cut loaf, \$5 70; granulated, \$5 78. Eggs, firm; fresh, 20c. The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat resh, 20c. RECEIPTS-Flour. 34.000 barrels; wheat,

87,000 bushels; corn, 223,000 bushels; oats, 255,000 bushels; rye, 5,000 bushels; barley, 50,000 SHIPMENTS-Flour, 18,000 barrels; wheat, 7,000 bushels; corn, 97,000 bushels; cats, 116,000 bushels; rye, 6,000 bushels; barley, 31,000 bushels.

Live Stock Markets. NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Beeves—Receipts, 434; no trade of consequence; feeling firm; no cable quotations received; shipments none; tomorrow, 850 cattle, 1,112 sheep and 9,760 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 180; steady; veals, \$5 to \$8 25; barnyard and fed calves, \$3 to \$4; southern calves, \$3 121/2 to \$3 30. Sheep and lambs-Receipts, 151/2 cars on sale; sheep firm; lambs 15c higher; all sold; sheep, \$2 to \$4 50; lambs, \$5 10 to \$6 25; one deck, \$6 40; Canada lambs, \$6 25. Hogs-Receipts, 3,871; market 10c to 15c higher;

good western hogs, \$4 65. CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Good to choice body strike the pavement of the feders, \$4 25 to \$4 80; good to choice cows, \$3 50 to \$4 50; helfers, \$3 to \$4.75 calves, \$4 to \$7.25. Mixed and butchers' hogs, \$4.05 to \$4.30; good to choice heavy, \$4 15 to \$4 35; heavy, \$4 to \$4 10; light, \$3 95 to \$4 25; bulk of sales, \$4 15 to \$4 25; native wethers, \$4 25 to \$4 90; lambs, \$4 to \$6; western wethers, \$4 to \$4 65; western

western wethers, \$4 to \$465; western lambs, \$5 25 to \$585.

EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 26.—Cattle—There was one load on sale, not enough to effect a quotable change in the market; the feeling is still firm on good fat butchers' grade. There were no fat butchers' grade. There were no fat butchers' feeling steady on basis

# of \$7 50 to \$3. Sheep and lambs—The offerings were light, only seven loads; there were three loads of Canadas on sale; the demand was active, and the basis strong at \$6; choice to extra lambs were quotable at \$6 75 to \$6; good to choice, \$5 50 to \$5 75; sheep, choice to extra, \$4 25 to \$4 50; Canada lambs sold on the basis of \$5 80 to \$6. Hogs—The supply was light; the demand was active and the prices strong to higher on the heavy hogs; heavy were quotable at \$4 40 to \$4 47½; mixed, \$4 35 to \$4 45; Yorkers, \$4 30 to \$4 35; choice pigs, \$4 25 to \$4 30; roughs, \$3 75 to \$4; stags, \$3 to \$3 50; the close was full strong on the heavy hogs. The Dairy Markets.

The Dairy Markets.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Butter strong; western creamery, 23c to 27c; do. factory, 15½c to 20c; June creamery, 22c

to 25½c; imitation creamery, 17c to 22c; state dairy, 18c to 25c; do. creamery,

22c to 27c. Cheese firm; fall made fancy, small, 124c to 13c; fall made, large, fancy, 123c; late made, small,

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Butter steady; creameries, 16c to 25c; dairies. 16c to

The Queen's Kind Words to Her

Little Guests at Windsor,

On the Occasion of Her Majesty's

Empress.

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Christmas Tree Entertainment-

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describe at length the joyous time had

at Windsor Castle, when Queen' Vic-

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tainment to the wives and children of

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games, and rolled on the rich, soft

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and she wore a gold-framed miniature

on her breast. She smiled when a hush fell on the throng as they reached

gazed curiously at her, but she be-came radiantly smiling as each mother

brought forward her children. An ap-

propriate gift was taken from the tree

by the attendants, and passed to the Queen, who handed it in a charmingly

To one of the mothers her majesty

After the tots were given a chance

guests sat down to a high tea, being waited on by Princess Christian, Princess Beatrice, the Duke of Connaught

and Lord Lorne, the Queen meanwhile

being wheeled around the room, saying: "Be happy, my children; I want

be driven to their homes, after

five learned Brahmins officiated.

the following translation:

Queen-Empress.

the firemen.

the window-sill.

first was the presentation to the priests

ish; may her majesty's subjects move

on the path of righteousness: may all

treason disappear; may famine and pestilence fly away; may the people of

the Transvaal come to repent their acts

of folly, and may her majesty's forces/

gain victory and success on the field of battle in South Africa."

glory and success of her majesty, the

BOY'S WILD LEAP

Tragic Death of Henry Oppenheimer

in Brooklyn, N. Y.

New York, Dec. 27.—Tearing himself away from the grasp of his father, who

was trying to restrain the boy, Henry

Opperheimer, jun., aged 19, frantic with fright, caused by a fire in their apartments on Franklin avenue, Brooklyn, leaped from a fourth story window today and was killed. The other mem-

bers of the family had been rescued by

The father and son were making

their way down the stairway, which was filled with smoke and darting flames, when the son suddenly shout-

ed: "Father, we can't get out! I'm going to jump!" With that he rushed

into a room on the fourth floor and

turned the key in the lock. He refused

to let in his father, who had followed to save the boy. The man smashed the panel and seized his son by the shoulder. The boy struggled wildly,

tore himself away, and sprang from

the figure swaying on the sill, and begged him not to jump. The Oppen-heimers recognized the figure and advi-

ed their ories to the noise. Oppen-

heimer ran downstairs and reached the

street just in time to see his son's body strike the pavement. The boy was

If no one should tell you about it

you would hardly know there was cod-

liver oil in Scott's Emulsion, the taste is so nicely covered. Children like 1i,

and the parents don't object.

The crowd in the street below saw

**PANIC-STRICKEN** 

motherly way to the little recipients.

presence, and the little children

carpets to their hearts' content.

12c to 121/4c; large late 11%c to 12c.

22c. Cheese firm, at 12c to 12%c.

Idea of Acquiring Danish West Indies Given Up.

Looked Upon by America as an Unfriendly Act.

Indies, either by purchase from Den- Come and see. marck or otherwise. The correspondent of the Associated Press received this information from an authoritative source. The German embassy in Washington has left no doubt that any such attempt would be looked upon by the Americans as an unfriendly act, and as a serious infringement of the Monroe doctrine. According to the same authority the reports representing that Denmark is negotiating to sell the islands to the United States are

foundation. Dr. Paasche, leader of the National Liberals in the reichstag, has just re-turned from a four months' trip in the United States, Cuba and the other West Indies. The trip was undertaken for the united German sugar interests, the object of Dr. Paasche being to study thoroughly what prospects cane sugar had in the regions through which he passed of competing successfully with German beet sugar under the existing American tariff. In the course of an interview today he expressed the opinion that German sugar would be driven out of the United States market within three years, unless the United States grants better terms than the present tariff. He will fully discuss the matter in the reichstag, and will also publish a book on the subject. Dr. Paasche, who says he greatly enjoyed his experiences in the western world, speaks enthusiastically of the "phenomenal prosperity everywhere apparent in the United States." He believes a way will be found to effect a commercial treaty with the United

either entirely premature or without

States, which will be beneficial to both countries. It is asserted in official quarters that the new tax rate on accumulated capital in Prussia shows an increase of five milliards.

'Armored trains will hereafter be a regular feature of German war equipment. Extensive experiments have been made on the military railroad line from Schoeneberg to Kunersdrof. Various types of plated trains have been used, all made at Krupp's works. It has been found that a light armored train with an armored can before the said: "I have not enjoyed a party more for years. It gladdens my heart to give pleasure to families of my galtrain, with an armored car before the engine, in which a machine gun is placed adjustable for firing in three directions, is the most available type. These cars are open at the top. to make the room ring with the noise of their trumpets and guns, all the

There has been another heavy snowfall in Germany, and street traffic is greatly impeded. One lesson from the severe snows of the last two weeks is that the accumulator electric car system is a failure. The Berlin lines will substitute overhead wires.

### tertainment was an unqualified success. The children left reluctantly, to merriest party ever held within Wind-OF 8,000 MEN Hindu astrologers are connecting the famine, plague and British reverses to

the peculiar conjunction of the plan-ets, when, on Nov. 15, seven planets Now in Pretoria, the Men Being were in the sign of Scorpio. The Hindus of Bombay, therefore, to avert further calamity and insure success to Europeans. the British arms, arranged for special

American Story as to the Terms on prayers and religious ceremonies at one of their great temples. Seventy-Which Roberts Took Command-Gen. White Feels Easy at Lady. of valuable shawls and money. The

priests then invoked divine blessings on the rulers and ruled, and the people sang hymns in Marathi and Gu-jarati, of which the Indian papers give London, Wednesday, Dec. 27 .- The Daily News' Cape Town correspondent says he learns from well-informed Af-"God grant that the illustrious and rikander Bond sources that there is a merciful Victoria may always enjoy perfect peace and happiness. That feelreserve of 8,000 European officers and ings of loyalty may remain deeply rooted in the hearts of her subjects; and men at Pretoria, all of whom are skilled in modern tactics, particularly that her kingdom may be free from all foreign invasions. May all differences between the rulers and the ruled vanthe handling of artillery.

SENTRIES ARRESTED.

London, Wednesday, Dec. 27 .- A Cape Town Dispatch to the Daily Chronicle, dated Dec. 21, says it is reported that several men who were lately employed as sentries have been arrested as the result of a discovery At the close of the service three of a plot to concheers were given for the long life, Boer prisoners. of a plot to connive at the escape of

GEN. WHITE IS NOT ANXIOUS. New York, Dec. 27 .- The World today has a dispatch dated Pieter-maritzburg, Dec. 24, which was sent by its correspondent in Ladysmith by heliograph to Pietermaritzburg. The dispatch says: "Although expected relief has been delayed, Gen. Sir George White feels no anxiety. The garrison has an ample store of provisions. The health of the troops continues good, considering the season Officers and men are in excellent spirits, and will render a good account of

themselves in any public event. "The Boers made an attack on the British left, but the defense was evidently stronger than they expected. The British would not go out beyond their strength.'

ROBERTS TO BE SUPREME. New York, Dec. 27.—Lord Roberts, according to the Herald's London correspondent, absolutely refused to take command in South Africa until this ultimatum was acceded to: "The only ultimatum was acceded to: "The only conditions under which I will go out are that I shall have absolutely supreme command and receive no in-structions from home."

This was said at a meeting at the war office, at which were present Lord Lansdowne, secretary of the state for war, and Lord Wolseley, the commander-in-chief. It lasted for hours, during which it was demonstrated by the arguments, that the originary of these guments that the opinions of those present were far from being unani-mous. When the point he insisted on mous. When the point he insisted on had been yielded, Lord Roberts then demanded that Gen. Kitchener be given him, and this was agreed to. It is argued now that Roberts and Kitchener will so completely reorganize the methods of the campaign that it will be March before the first decisive move is made to end the war."

TO BE ROUGH RIDERS. New York, Dec. 27.—Sydney Paget, racing partner of W. C. Whitney, and brother of Almeric Paget, Mr. Whitney's son-in-law, sails today for England, where he will join the body of rough riders now being organized by Lord Wolverton for service in South

A BOER SUPPLY DEPOT. The British consul at New Orleans, La., is authority for the statement that New Orleans has been one of the object corts used by Boer agents for

# ABANDONED Under- BAYLEY'S

Warm Underwear for cold weather. We're always doing a good business in our Underwear and Hosiery Department. Smart buying and close Berlin, Dec. 27.—The German gov- selling always means business. We ernment has definitely abandoned all have some special bargains in Ladies' idea of acquiring the Danish West and Children's Underwear this week.

At 16c-Special lot of Ladies' Vests closed fronts; worth 25c, on sale at

At 25c-Ladies' Warm Vests, bes't union of wool and cotton, open fronts, well made and nicely trimmed; worth 35c, for 25c. At 50c-Ladies' Warm Wool Vests and

Drawers, fine rib, a clean, well-made garment; selling now at 50c. Children's Warm Vests, all sizes, at 12½c, 15c, 18c, 20c and 25c. Have you tried our "Can't Wear 'Em Out" brand of Hosiery for boys and

girls? If not, come and see our specials for this week. Al for boys, of bright English worsted, wide rib, very heavy, great wearers; price, from 25c.

SPECIAL—Winter-weight, fine Cashmere Hose, spliced heel and toe, a beautiful bright stocking for girls; price, from 20c up. FOR LADIES—We have a leader at

37½c-a stocking well worth more. Give our Hosiery Department a trial. We are offering some special bargains in our Dress Goods Department this

securing supplies for use in the Transvaal, and that British ships were used to carry the supplies as far as Rot-There was no legal way of preventing this.

BOERS HAVE A 96-POUNDER. Modder River, Dec. 20—Delayed in transmission.—The Boers have mounted a 96-pounder to counterbalance the British naval guns throwing lyddite

Cape Town, Dec. 27.-Sir William MacCormack, president of the Royal College of Surgeons, who volunteered his services to the army, reports that excellent hospital work was done in connection with the engagement at

Tugela River on Dec. 15. Trains full of wounded men began leaving the field for Estcourt at 2 'clock in the afternoon. Others quickfollowed, and the field was cleared of the wounded at 5 o'clock, the volunteer ambulances working splendidly. nas through the Chieveley hospitals, from which all the patients were transferred to the base hospitals by the morning of Dec. 17.

## A LIFE OF CHRIST

an Maclaren Has Written It for McClure's Magazine-A Notable Work

In McClure's Magazine for December is begun the publication of "The Life of the Master," by the Rev. John Watson. The decision to undertake such a work was made soon after Mc-Clure's Magazine became an assured success. The editors, feeling that they had a great and intelligent constituency looking to them for the best thought on all subjects, realized that they could not neglect the domain of

The undertaking was entered upon with a reverent determination to spare neither themselves nor their resources. Their first endeavor was to find a writer for the life they had in mind. It was a long and serious search. It ended in the selection of the Rev. John Watson. familiar to every household in two continents as "Ian Maclaren." Al-though Dr. Watson is known to many Americans simply as the author of 'Beside the Bonnie Briar Bush" and other exquisite tales of Scottish life and character, the great work of his life has been that of a Christian clergy-man. Over twenty years of experience in this work of the ministry have de-monstrated to him the full sufficiency of the Christian scheme in satisfying the needs of human tife. So that it seemed to the editors of McClure's Magazine that Dr. Watson combined in an almost ideal way the spiritual insight, experience, literary ability and scholarship which the work demanded. When they approached him on the subject, they found that for many years he had cherished the desire to write just such a life of the Master as they had in mind; so it was not difficult to persuade him to undertake the work for McClure's Magazine. The text of the full "Life" is now

tial in feeling, noble in sympathy and pregnant in meaning. It has been prepared with the full knowledge of a scholar, but its scholarship is never obtrusive. Dr. Watson's method is to take the vital and human results of learning and to use them in enriching and illuminating the narrative. Thus the holy story remains simple indeed under Dr. Watson's treatment, though it is enhanced by the new light of scholarship. He enters into no controversy over questions of dogma, but dwells instead upon the great ethical teachings which Christ gave to the world, and by which human society and governments have been changed.
Dr. Watson's "Life of the Master" is
a work which will help men; it will Dr. Watson's "Life of the Master" is a work which will help men; it will show them anew what that life has done for the world; it will help them to realize, if they have never realized it before, that the best in their lives and before, that the best in their lives, and and strength. Mandrake and Dande-in the lives of the men and women lion are two of the articles entering whom they know, has its origin in the into the composition of Parmelee's teachings of the Gentle Galilean; it Pills. will show them with clearer vision that no philosophy, no religion, no science has offered the world anything that will replace the teachings of that

The work will be splendidly illustrated by the artist, C. K. Linson, who has spent the last three years in Palestine specially for this purpose.

Little Charles-Sister told mamma yesterday you was born to be a poli-

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## BRITISH ARMY

The Imposing Headgear That Could Be Obtained Only in Americs.

[London Daily Telegraph.]

of headgear in the British army, and it was with something of a shock that Christmas.

people read in the papers the other Mrs. Mad day that a committee was going to sit to consider the growing scarcity of the Mr. Archie McKellar, of York, spent to consider the growing scarcity of the bearskins from which are made the Christmas with his relatives here. imposing full-dress hats of the foot guards.

War office committees on clothing are dreadful things, but those that will hold their entertainment on Frisit on hats are unutterable. Everybody day evening, Dec. 29. A good time is remembers with horror the alleged helmet which such a committee produced a few years ago. It was to be the universal head-covering of the British army, and must be serviceable and useful. The committee decided, as a first principle, that an article possessing these two qualities must be ugly. Proceeding from this premise, they gave full expression to their ideas of utility, and produced a head-covering the like of which was never before seen on earth, and it is to be hoped never will again. There are members of the headquarters staff who to this day have not quite got over the sight of the experimental helmet devised by the committee. Fortunately, only one was made, or instead of only having to lament the scarcity of recruits, the nation would have found itself without any army whatever. No regular soldier or self-respecting militiaman—a volunteer will wear anything-would have put it on, and its adoption into the service would have left no service to wear it

This much is necessary to explain the alarm felt the other day when it was announced that a war office headdress committee was about to tamper with the guardsmen's bearskins. Fortunately, the committee has only limited powers. Its only function this time is, so to speak, to haggle with tradesmen. The plain fact is that bearskins are growing scarce, and the cost of providing the guards with their magnificent "tall hat of fur" is increasing yearly, in a remarkable manner. Only one kind of fur is used for this purpose. It is that produced by the American black bear, and as Ursus Americanus, despite the extraordinary cordiality subsisting between the two great branches of the Anglo-Saxon race, refuses to produce well-furred integument in sufficient quantities to cover the heads of our guardsmen at a reasonable rate, the never-failing re-source of a committee has been called into operation.

It costs, on an average, £1 a head per annum to maintain the imposing appearance imparted by the busby. The great caps cost the government about £8 each. Those worn by Coldstreams are a little less, but those for the Grenadiers and Scots Guards cost more than that sum. According to the regulations, a busby must last for eight years, but there are several reasons why the regulation "life" of a busby, like the regulation life of a whole lot of other equipment, falls considerably short of the war office span. One of the principal reasons is that the cap is only a home service equipment. When a guard's battalion is ordered on foreign service, the big busbies-stirring battle pictures to the contrary notwithstanding—are re-turned to the store at the Pimlico clothing factory. They are not kept there waiting for the return of their formers owners, but are reissued to newly-joined recruits or to battalions returning home, so that men get what is called "part worn equipment."

## Steamship Arrivals Dec. 26. At From Montrose. Halifax Liverpool Californian Liverpool Portland Numidian Liverpool Portland Norwegian Glasgow Boston Dec. 26.

letters telling us of the great benefits derived from the use of The D. & in hand. It is a work deeply reveren- L. Menthol Plasters in cases of neuralgia, rheumatism, lame back, etc. Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd., manufactur-

Mr. Clyde K. Green, manager of the radial railway, is to be made traffic manager of all the Cataract Power Company's electric railways in Hamil-

Mr. W. H. Bewell has resigned the principalship of the Mount Forest schools, and Mr. George Theobald, of Embro, has been appointed to succeed him.

FAGGED OUT .- None but those who have become fagged out know what a depressed, miserable feeling it is. All strength has gone, and despondency

A school teacher, having instructed a pupil to purchase a grammar, the next day received a note, worded thus, from the child's mother: "I do not desire for Luiu shall ingage in gram-mar, as I prefer her to ingage in usefull studies and can learn her how to speak and write properly myself. I have went through two grammers, and I can't say as they did me no good. I prefer her ingage ni german and draw-

ing and vocal music on the plano." Worms cause feverishness, moaning Mr. Skimpley—A politician? I wonder why she thinks so.

Little Charles—She says you can do
so much talking without committing
yourself.—Chicago Times-Herald

Worms cause leverishless, moaning
and restlessness during sleep. Mother
Graves' Worm Exterminator is pleasant, sure and effectual. If your druggist has none in stock, get him to procure it for you

## KOMOKA.

Komoka, Dec. 27.-Mrs. W. Mowat, o London, spent Christmas with relatives Miss Mamie Nash, London, visited relatives here.
Miss Ethel Scoyne, London, is visit-

ing her friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Rowland, of St.
Thomas, visited friends here. [London Daily Telegraph.] Mr. D. Rowland, of Hamilton, and For more than 130 years "a tall hat of fur" has been a conspicuous article Christmas at their home here.

Wm. Scott, of Detroit, was home for Mrs. Madge, of London, visited at her

Mr. C. Waugh returned after a visit to friends in Detroit. The Methodist Sabbath school here expected. Mr. and Mrs. W. Hare are visiting friends in Westminster. Miss Kate McLachlan is visiting

friends in Alvinston. Mr. and Miss Pulliblank, of St. Marys, visited at Mrs. J. Lince's. Mr. D. Doan returned to Ingersoll. Mr. George Doan is on the sick list.

In Spitzbergen the longest day is three and one-half months.



WELLAND CANAL. NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and indorsed. "Tender for Improvements at Port Colborne," will be received at this office until 16 o'clock on Friday, the 26th day of January, 1900, for the works of improvement at the upper entrance to the Welland Canal

ment at the upper entrance to the Welland Canal.

Plans and specifications of the works can be seen on and after the 26th day of December, 1899, at the office of the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, and at the Superintending Engineer's office at St. Catharines. Printed forms of tender can also be obtained at the places mentioned. In the case of firms there must be attached to the tender the actual signatures of the full name, the nature of the occupation and residence of each member of the same, and further, an accepted bank check for the sum of \$10,000 must accompany the tender. The accepted bank check must be indorsed over to the Minister of Railways and Canals, and will be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the work at the rates and on the terms stated in the offer submitted.

stated in the offer submitted.

The accepted bank check thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders

are not accepted.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.
Contractors are specially notified that the conditions requiring the works to be wholly completed by the 30th day of June, 1902, will be rigidly enforced and all penalties for delay en cted. By order, L. K. JONES,

Secretary, Dept. Rwys. and Canals, Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, December 21, 1899. 37i eod

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Toronto Stock Market. TORONTO, Dec. 27. ronto......250 renants.....166 lamilton 196
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fontreal Gas.

Dominion Telegraph ... 135
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Lanada Pacific Ry. Stock ... 90%
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London Street Railway 185 London Loan.
London and Ontario......
Ontario Loan and Debenture.

Montreal Stook Market. MONTREAL, Dec. 27. Canadian Pacific, ..... 901/4 Duluth, common 6
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Bell Telephone 180
Royal Electric 188
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## English Markets.

Liverpooi, Dec. 27.—Closing.
Wheat—Spot, spring. dull; winter, firm; No.
Cal. 6s 2½d to 6s 3d; No. 2red western, winter,
rm. 5s 3d; No. 1 red northern spring, firm,
s 1½d; No. 1 red northern, Duluth, steady, 10d; futures, steady, Dec., 5s 6½d; Jan., 5s 6½d; eb., 6s 3½d; March, 6s 11¾d; May, 6s 11½d. Corn—Spot, quiet, American mixed, new, s 5¾d; 1o. old, firm, 3s 7d; futures, steady, ec., 3s 5½d; Jan., 3s 6½d; Feb., 3s 6¾d; March,

Plour—St. Louis fancy winter, firm, 7s.
Peas—Western, 5s 10½d. Canadian, 5s 5d.
Beef—Prime mess, steady, 76s 3d; extra India
mess, steady, 82s 6d.
Pork—Prime mess, fine western, steady
65; 6d; de, medium, western, 42s 6d.
Lard—American refined, in pails, firm, 30s
prime western in tierces, steady, 28s 6d
middlings, light, dull, 33s.
Hams—Short—cut. 14 to 16 lbs., dull. 43s.
Bacon—Cumberland cut. 28 to 30 lbs., easy,
30s; short—ribs. 18 to 22 lbs., steady, 34s,
long clear middles, light, 30 to 35 lbs. dull,
33s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs.
dull, 33s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs,
dull, 33s; clear bellies, 14 to 18 lbs, dull,
32s 6d.

ulders-Square, 12 to 14 lbs, firm, 33e 6d.

Shoulders—Square, 12 to 14 lbs, firm, 33s 6d.
Butter—Finest American, 95s; good, 75s.
Cheese—American finest white, firm, 57s; colored, firm, 56s; do, old, firm, 54s 6d; ordinary, new, 43s 6d.
Tallow—Prime city, firm, 25s; Australian in London, firm, 26s 9d.
Hops—At London (Pacific coast), firm, £3 10s to £4 10s.
Cottonseed oil—Hull refined, Dec.-April 18s.

Turpentine spirits—Steady, 38s.
Rosin—Common, firm, 4s 6d.
Linseed oil—23s.
Petroleum—Refined, 7%d.

The imports of wheat into Liverpool for the week were: From Atlantic ports, 550,000 quarters; Pacific ports, none; other ports, 13,200; quarters. Imports of corn into Liverpool from Atlantic ports, for the week, were 82,600 quarters.

Toronto Produce Market

Toronto, Dec. 27.-Wheat is dull at 65c to 65½c for red and white west. Goose wheat is steady at 69c to 70c west; the fatter was low freight to New York. Manitoba wheat is steady at 78c for No. 1 hard, grinding, in transit. Flour-The market is dull; cars of straight roller in barrels are quoted \$2 85 west. Millfeed-The offerings are light; there is a good demand and the market is fair at \$14 to \$15 for shorts and \$12 to \$12 50 for bran west. Barley is steady at 38½c for No. 2 and 39½c to 40c for No. 1 west. Buckwheat is quiet at 47c west. Rye is dull at 50c west. Corn is unchanged at 31c for Canada yellow; American is steady at 401/4c for No. 3 old; 41c for No. 2, and 881/4c to 29c for new, Toronto. Oats

are steady at 25c for mixed and 25½c for white west. Peas are dull at 57c west. Eggs are steady at 15c to 18c, the latter for fresh-gathered; limed are quoted at 16c. Butter is quiet at 15c to 18c for dairy tubs, and 17c to 18c for large rolls. Creamery is steady at 21c to 21½c for tubs and 22c to 23c for prints. Dressed hogs are firm at 35 20 for cars of mixed weights here.

American Markets.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Flour—Receipts, 22,485 packages; sales, 3,100 packages; quiet but steady. Rye flour—Steady; fair to good, \$3 10 to \$3 25; choice to fancy, \$3 30 to \$3 50. Wheat—Receipts, 51,800 bu; sales, 850,000 bu; options opened firm, at ¼c advance, and were sustained during the forenoon on higher cables; Jan.,72%c; March, 74%c to 75 5-16c; May,74%c to 75c; July, 75c to 75%c; Dec.,72%c. Rye—Dull; state, 56c; No. 2 western, 60%c, f.o.b., afloat. Corn western, 601/4c, f.o.b., afloat. Corn— Receipts, 66,300 bu; options dull and easy, under the week of larger re-ceipts. Oats—Receipts, 65,800 bu; opcelpts. Oats—Receipts, 65,800 bu; options dull; track, white state and western, 31c to 34½c. Butter—Receipts, 5,894 packages; firm; state dairy, 18c to 25½c; state creamery, 22c to 27½c; western creamery, 22c to 27½c; June creamery, 23c to 25½c. Cheese—Receipts, 4,115 packages; firm. Eggs—receipts, 12,636 packages; steady. Sugar—Raw, steady; fair refining, 3 13-15c; refined, quiet. Coffee—Dull. Hops—Quiet; state, common to choice. Hops-Quiet; state. common to choice, 1898 crop, 7c to 9c: 1899 crop, 12c to 14c: Pacific coast, 1898 crop, 7c to 9c; 1899 crop, 12c to 14c. Lead—Steady; bullion price, \$4 45; exchange price, \$4 70 to \$4 75.

BUFFALO, Dec. 27.—Spring wheat—No. 1 northern, 74%c asked. Winter wheat—No. 2 red, 71½c; No. 1 white, 70½c on track. Corn—No. 2 yellow, 36½c; No. 3 yellow, 35¾c; No. 3 corn, 34¾c. Oats—No. 2 white, 29c; No. 3 white, 281/4c; No. 3 mixed, 261/4c

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 27.—Wheat—No. 1 white and No. 2 red, cash, 70½c; Dec., 70½c; May, 73%c. MILWAUKEE, Dec. 27.-Wheat-

Cash. 67c. CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Opening - Wheat, May, 69% to 69% c; July, 69% c. Corn, May, 32% c. Oats, May, 23% c. Pork, May, \$10 40. Lard, Jan., \$5 50; May, \$5 70 to \$5 72%. Ribs, May, \$5 40; Jan., \$5 27%.

Chicago Exchange.

CHICAGO. Dec. 27.

Following are the fluctuations on the Uhicage Board of Trade furnished by F. H. Butler broker, Masonic Temple. Phone 1278.

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Live Stock Markets. CHICAGO, Dec. 27. - Cattle - Receipts, 17,500; native steers slow; 10c lower; butchers stock weak; canners about steady; stockers and feeders quiet; beeves, \$4 20 to \$6 60; cows, \$3 to \$4 50; heifers, \$3 to \$4 75; canners, \$2 25 to \$3; stockers and feeders, \$3 to \$4 80. Hogs—Receipts today, 25,000; tomorrow, 30,000; left over, 3,191; options steady; closed slow; mixed and butchers, \$4 05 to \$4 30; good to choice heavy, \$4 12½ to \$4 32½; rough heavy, \$4 to \$4 10; light, \$3 95 to \$4 25.

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## Latest Probabilities.

Toronto, Dec. 27-10 a.m.-Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the lower lakes region: Westerly winds; fair and cold.

-Mr. Melton Bartleman, of Hill street, left for Detroit last night. -The London contingent of the Brantford Old Boys left for that city this morning.

-Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Fewings, of Toronto, are spending the holidays with friends in this city.

-Mr. Bert Bonser left last night for Detroit after spending a few days with his parents in West London. -Mr. T. G. Watson, of Greenwood,

B. C., formerly of London, is in the city on a purchasing trip. -Miss Maggie Hartford, 108 Briscoe street, has gone on a visit to Chicago to her uncle, Mr. James Adams. -Mr. Harry W. Walker, of the Molsons Bank staff, spent the Christmas holidays at his home in Belleville.

-Miss Margaret Warmington, city, has returned home after making a six months' visit with relatives in

-Miss Hattle Fox, daughter of Mr. Thomas Fox, Clarence street, city, left Sunday night for a two months' visit to Chicago friends.

-Mr. John Turner entertained the inmates of the Children's Aid Shelter to a drive around the city and dinner at his residence, Mount Pleasant avenue. Christmas day.

-In Tuesday evening's Advertiser typographical error was made in call-ing the officers and men of the London Field Battery to meet on Friday even-ing. It should have been last (Tues-

-The third of the series of twilight organ recitals will be given by Mr. W. H. Hewlett in Dundas Center Methodist Church on Saturday afternoon next. Mr. Hewlett will be assisted by Mrs. Caldwell, the well-known so-prano, of Toronto. An interesting pro-

WE thank our many custom-ers for past favors, and wish them a

Happy and Prosperous New Year. ADKINS, THE JEWELER.

gramme has been prepared, which will THE SITUATION attend.

—At the last regular meeting of Court Magnolia, No. 8.089, A.O.F., these officers were elected for 1900: Chief ranger, W. Perce; C. S. R., F. Hawe; treasurer, S. T. Gale (retained); financial secretary, R. Whitten; S. W., Thomas Jacobson; J. W., J. M. Stew-art; S. B., Wm. McCrackin; J. B., G. Gash; surgeon, Dr. Teasdall (retained).

-Michael Hook, the Tecumseh House manager, met with another runaway accident vesterday afternoon. He was driving with a companion, and while down in No. 3 ward the horse took fright at a street car. Mr. Hook's companion was thrown out and dislocated his shoulder. The injury was promptly attended to. Mr. Hook was badly shaken up, but was not seriously hurt. He had a somewhat similar experience about a week ago. -The new Methodist Church at Arva

was crowded on Friday evening last, it being the annual Sunday school Christmas tree and entertainment. The superintendent, Mr. E. McNab, occupied the chair and introduced a highclass programme, consisting of reci-tations, character songs, drills, chor-uses, etc. Santa Claus arrived just in time to help unload the presents from a Christmas arch. Each scholar was presented with a beautiful book by the school, which is in a flourishing condition. -The McClary Manufacturing Com-

pany's salesmen from different parts of the Dominion are in conference at the head office here today. The meeting was arranged by the firm, in order that the travelers could discuss among themselves and with their ployers the prospects for future trade and how best to promote it. Among those who are here are Messrs. T. S. Smith, formerly of London, W. E. Bulmer, W. Jeffrey, M. F. Irwin, E. H. Grenville, J. Chalmers, D. G. Clark and J. J. Foote. There are seventeen salesmen in all.

-The Detroit Philharmonic Club are to be the attraction at the Auditorium New Year's night. The club consists of William Yunck, first violin; Herman Brenckner, second violin; Frank Reschke, viola; Frederick L. Abell, violoncello; and these artists will be assisted by Bertram Schwaghan, the eminent baritone. Plan opens Friday, and a crowded house is assured. The Cleveland Leader and Herald says: "The ensemble work of the club could bardly be excelled. The exquisite unanimity of the grading, shading or 'coloring,' the instantaneous answering of the tones in the changes of tempo was wonderful, and hushed the audience to absolute silence, so intense was the impression and so legitimate the admiration."

MACHINISTS ELECT OFFICERS. The International Association of Machinists, Lodge 383, London, elected these officers at their annual meeting: H. Clark, president (re-elected); M. McKeough, vice-president; F. O. Ramsey, recording secretary; A. E. Harrison, financial secretary; H. Marshall, treasurer; Geo. Reed, conductor; H. Holliday, inside sentinal; O. Q. Brady, T. Mungall and R. Irwin, trustees.

BOTH CAN BLOW THEIR HORN. On Saturday, Mr. Wm. Courtis, of South London, advertised for a cornet lost on the Proof Line road. A telephone message was received at the Advertiser yesterday that it had been found, and shortly after Mr. Courtis called and was given the address of ering lost articles the Advertiser is without a peer. It's circulation that

PALL-BEARERS THRICE IN ONE MONTH.

The remains of the late Mrs. George Rawlins were interred in Woodland Cemetery yesterday afternoon. A large number of friends joined in the funeral cortege. The services were conducted by Rev. J. G. Fallis. The pall-bearers were six brothers, Messrs. James, John, Joseph, Robert, Thomas and William Cartledge. This was the third death in this family within the month, and in each instance the same six brothers were pall-bearers.

THE POLICE COURT.

At the police court this morning William Waddell pleaded guilty to stealing a bicycle from Edward Anderton, and was sentenced to nine months in the Central prison. The bicycle was taken from in front of Talbot street barber shop on Dec. 21.
Robert Biggar, charged with stealing an overcoat from John Campbell, pleaded guilty, and was given four months in the Central. West Clifford, a vagrant, and Thos. Morkin, a drunk, were discharged.

A KICK OVER THE TELEPHONE.

Whir-r-r! Buzz-z-z! "Hello!"

"Is that The Advertiser?" "Yes.".

"Well, for goodness' sake, don't let that ad. of mine go in today's paper.'
"What ad?"

"Hostler wanted." "Who's talking?" "J. B. Jennings, Western Hotel."

"Why, what's the matter with the 'Well, I had over twenty applicants for the position last night, and more this morning before I was out of bed.

Take the ad. out sure." "All right, Mr. Jennings." The above conversation referred to a 10-cent advertisement in last evening's edition of The Advertiser only,

and which brought results so swiftly. It's always the same, and shows The Advertiser has the circulation and ic carefully read.

BIG FAILURE IN BOSTON. Boston, Mass., Dec. 27.-Edward C. Hodges & Co., bankers and brokers, of 53 State street, suspended business today. The firm is one of the largest in the city. Its dealings have been principally in municipal bonds. The firm is a member of the Boston and New York stock exchanges and the Chicago

WEDDED HIS LATE WIFE'S SISTER New York, Dec. 27.-Charles O'Brien and his newly-wedded wife sail today for Liverpool. The woman was Mr. O'Brien's sister-in-law, whom, after his first wife's death, he desired to marry, but was prevented by British law. So a few weeks ago they left England, coming to this country, and were married in the New York city hall by Ald. James J. Smith.

Steamship Arrivals. Montrose... Californian. Numidian. Liverpool. Liverpool. Glasgow. Gibraltar

Antwerp... New York New York Liverpool... Liverpool... Hamburg... riesland. Strathaven. Lake Huron

## UNCHANGED

Boers Entrenching Near Gen. Methuen's Outlying Pickets.

London, Dec. 27.-The war office here received the following dispatch from Cape Town, dated Tuesday, Dec. 26: "There is no change in the situation. Methuen reports that the enemy's force So Far in the Molineaux Murder Trial has increased, and is engaged in intrenching three and a half miles from his outlying pickets. Methuen reconnoitered with two squadrons of mounted infantry for two miles along the line and drew the fire of four guns and two Vickers, machine guns; four horses

were hit. The Queen's Christmas message was received with enthusiasm. Gatacre is endeavoring to open com-munication with the Indwe collieries.

## FOR THE SECOND CONTINGENT

Recruiting Going on Rapidly at All Points-Fine Class of Men.

Edmonton, N. W. T., Dec. 27.-The mounted police at Fort Saskatchewan and here have volunteered to a man from Major Griesback down. The city civilians also sent in applications.

ALL OVER SIX FEET. Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 27.-Thirteen men have been selected at West Prince Albert for South Africa so far, 11 at Portage la Prairie, and 6 at Brandon. The men selected at Brandon are all over six feet and have seen active service; all are good horsemen.

AT REGINA. Regina, N. W. T., Dec. 27.—Volunteering is proceeding by leaps and bounds, there being very many more personal volunteers than can possibly

be accepted. Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 27.-The list of officers for the Canadian contingent is more than three parts completed, but although it has been promised by the minister for some time today, it is not likely to be ready before late this evening. The finding of the special officers at the front, so that some of them may be had for the present contingent, and other matters, have all taken up greater time than was at first anticipated.

AT HAMILTON.

Hamilton, Dec. 27.—Major Hendrie, of the Hamilton Field Battery, opened a recruiting station at the gun-sheds this morning at 9:30, and up till noon 39 men had offered their services for the artillery brigade. Surgeon-Major Griffin of the 13th Battalion, who was appointed medical examiner for recruits enlisting here, had examined a dozen men during the morning, and out of those a goodly pro-portion had all the necessary qualifications called for in the order. None of the applicants have been enrolled as yet, and none will be enrolled until the examination of applicants is completed, so that the best men may be chosen. Major Hendrie's instructions are to enlist eighteen men, eleven gunners and seven drivers, for C Battery of the Artillery Brigade in the second contingent, and from present indications he will have no difficulty in securing the services of a very high class of gunners. It is confidently expected here that Lieut. Miller, of the local battery, will be chosen as an of-ficer from this district on the second contingent.

AT TORONTO. Toronto, Dec. 27.—When the recruiting station for mounted infantry was opened at the armories this morning, 50 men lined up in the hope of being selected. Col. Kitson wants, 43 men, but does not intend to take the first comers. Half of the 60 were rejected at once and the balance put on the list for future consideration. Most of them will be selected, as they are a decidedly good lot. Fifteen of them are of the Body Guard trained troops, and good shots; three are former Mounted Policemen; several are old ranchmen, and one was in the United States Cavalry. The balance of the cavlarymen and eighteen of the artillery will be recruited tomorrow.

## THE CANADIANS ARE ALL WELL

Cheerful Christmas Greeting Cabled From Belmont.

dent sends the following dispatch this afternoon:

"Capt. Rodgers, of Ottawa company, cables from Belmont, dated today, to Mrs. Rogers. The message says:
"'Happy returns. All well.'"

## THE FLOUR SEIZURE

New York, Dec. 27 .- The seizure of

Ambassador Choate Has Had No In structions in the Matter.

vessels with flour destined for Delagos Bay—the Mashona, the Beatrice and the Maria, owned in London and loaded by the Pennsylvania Milling Company—is opposed by the interested per-sons, but the question whether flour is contraband of war remains open. The British consul in this city was shown the newspaper paragraph relating to the detention of these vessels, which carried flour shipped to merchants in Johannesburg before the outbreak of the war, and his comment was: "If you will show me anyone who can define contraband of war, I will tell you what I think about this. If our countrymen considered flour contraband of war, as giving aid and comfort to the Boers by being part of their sustenance, it was perfectly right to seize the vessel

contraband of war.' London, Dec. 27.-Inquiries made today by a representative of the Associated Press at the United States embassy, show that the American ambassador, Joseph H. Choate, has not yet received instructions from Wash ington regarding the seizure of cargoes of American flour by British warships off Delagoa Bay, Portuguese East Africa, on the ground that the flour was intended for the Boers, and was therefore contraband of war.

on the high seas, even though they

were directed to a neutral port. In the recent Chinese war rice was declared

Nominations. At Warwick the following men are standing: For reeve, T. B. Laws, John McCormick and Hopkin McFarlane; for councilors, the following were nom-inated: Messrs. Clark, Blaine, Chalk, Finner, Jones, Graham, Duncan, Rey-Crawford, Henley and McCormick. A few resigned.

The two leading 5c union made Wn. HIKIDS, Manu-

## NO ESSENTIAL FACTS PROVEN

-- It Has Lasted Forty-Four Days.

New York, Dec. 27.—Some of the jurors in the case of Roland B. Molineux, who is on trial for the alleged murder of Mrs. Kate J. Adams, hav-complained to Recorder Goff about be ing under the constant and almost painful surveillance of detectives. They say that ever since the organization of the jury a detective has been assigned to each member of the jury, and this detective his shadowed "his man" with a zeal that is annoying as it is aston-ishing. The complaining jurors aver that they are not only dogged, but that their business places are invaded, and even the privacy of home life is disturbed by the detectives. Foreman Martin said that he and his family were much disturbed by the detective of the district attorney. District Attorney McIntyre said today that fifteen detectives were chosen for this purpose, a detective being assigned to each one of the jurors. He said that it was not unusual to have detectives shadow jurors during the trial of an important murder case. It was essenfor justice and public good that this should be done. It was said that Recorder Goff told the remonstrating jurors that he could do nothing for them, and that they went away dis-

The Molineux murder trial, now in its 44th day, has broken the record for long-drawn-out murder cases by one may, without any of the essential points having been proved. It yet remained today for the prosecution to prove that a murder had been com-mitted, or that a package of poison had been sent through the mail; and listening for nearly a month to the testimony and explanations of the handwriting experts has had a palpably wearisome effect upon the jurors.

## **MUSICIANS IN RUSSIA**

Unlike the Late Czar, Nichola s 1I. Not Fond of Music.

Musicians who go to Russia and are successful there rarely return without some valuable evidence of their appreciation at the Russian court. Mme. Sembrich includes in her famous collection of jewelry some beautiful pieces presented to her by the late czar before whom she sang several times dur-ing her visits to Russia. She has also a diamond and ruby pin given to her by the present emperor. There is no such demand for the presence of musicians at the court of Russia now as there was during the lifetime of the late czar. Music is not one of the arts that interest Nicholas II. It was a clumsy fake, therefore, which alleged that he was cultivating now a tenor voice which he could already use with considerable facility. The present emperor of Russia cares nothing about music and in this par-

ticular is unlike most of his family. His father played well for an amateur on the cornet and for ten years took lessons on that instrument from a pro-fessor who to this day praises the skill and industry of his imperial pupil. The czar even formed a brass band, consisting chiefly of officers, and begged the conductor engaged for it to treat all the members without ceremony, whatever their rank happened to be, as he knew that they could be made proficient only by this means. In this band the czar played the saxa tuba. He was also known to take the baton from the conductor's hand and lead the court band for a while when the occasion was not too formal for such a prank. He was also an admirer of Richard Wagner, although the music of that composer is heard less today in Russia than any other European country. Once to surprise the czar on his birthday the dowager empress had her eldest son learn the wedding march from "Lohengrin" on the piano. That was when as a young man, Nicholas was compelled to practice daily and most unwillingly on the piano. The birthday concert is said to have been a complete fiasco, although the czarovitch had the satisfaction when it was over of knowing that he had come out of the ordeal with no less credit than his mother and sisters. The present czarina is an acomplished pianist, just as her mother-in-law was before her. She is said to be especially fond of Brahms' music, but has never been able to instill any love of music into her husband. the stories of his French songs, his well-trained tenor voice and his own accompaniments which he plays

on the piano are all fictions.

Among the Russians of royal blood who are musicians, is the Grand Duke Constantine, who is Konstantin Romanow, or as he is more commonly indicated, K. R., is well known as a composer. He is said to have come into the world while his father was playing the 'cello in the adjoining room and this anecdote has of course been used to explain his later devo-tion to the art. His father was an expert performer on the instrument, which scarcely seems sufficient excuse, however, for his playing on it at so critical a time in the fortunes of the family. His wife is also a musician, and she has composed a symphonic place called "The Titan." The Grand Duchess Helene Pawlowna founded the conservatory in St. Petersburg and her grandchildern, Duke George and Princes Helene of Saxe-Attenburg, are more interested in music than any other members of the Russian aris-

Lord Stanley, member of parliament for the West Houghton division of Lancashire, has been ordered to join Lord Roberts' staff forthwith. Lord Stanley (Edward George Villiers) the eldest son of the sixteenth Earl of Derby, and is 34 years of age.

To the Mayor of the City of London: We the undersigned electors of the city of London, hereby request you to call a public mass meeting of the electors in Ward No. 2, for Thursday night, 8 p.m., to discuss munici-

DAVID ROSS and others. To David Ross and others.

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## - The Face -Behind the Mask

A Romance.

The room was spacious and richly Just enough light stole through the oriel window at the fur-Ther end, draped with crimson satin, embroidered with gold, to show it. The floor was of veined wood of many colors, arranged in fanciful mosaics, and otrewn with Turkish rugs and Persian mats of gorgeous colors. The walls were carved, the ceiling comiced, and all fretted with gold network and gilded moldings. On a couch covered with erimson satin, like the window drap-ery, lay a cithren and some loose sheets of music. Near it was a small marble table, covered with books and drawongs, with a decamter of wine and an exquisite little goblet of Bohemian glass. The marble mantel was strewn with ornaments of porcelain and alabaster, and a beautifully carved vase of Parian marble stood in the center, filled with brilliant flowers. A great mir-ror reflected back the room, and beneath it stood a toilet-table, strewn with jewels, laces, perfume-bottles and an array of costly little feminine trifies such as ladies were as fond of two centuries ago as they are today. Evidently it was a lady's chamber, for in a recess near the window stood a great quaint carved bedstead, with curtains and snowy lace, looped back with golden arrows and scarlet ribbons. Some-one lay on it, too-at least Ormiston thought so; and he went cautiously forward, drew the curtain and looked

"Great heaven! what a beautiful ce!" was his cry, as he bent still further down. really a bride. The bridegroom could not have loved her much, I fancy, or

"What the plague is the matter?" asked Sir Norman, coming forward.
"You have said it," said Ormiston. recoiling. "The plague is the matter. There lies one dead of it!"

Curiosity proving stronger than fear, Sir Norman stepped forward to look at the corpse. I was a young girl with a face as lovely as a poet's vision.
That face was like snow now; and in
its calm, cold majesty, looked as exquisitely perfect as some ancient Grecian statue. The low, pearly brow, the sweet, beautiful lips, the delicate oval outline of countenance, were perfect. The eyes were closed and the long dark iashes rested on the ivory cheeks. A profusion of shining black hair fell in elaborate curls over her neck and bride: a robe of walte satin brocaded with silver, fairly dazzling in its shining radiance, and as brief in the article of sleeves and neck as that of any modern belle. A circlet of pearls was clasped round the snow-white throat, and bracelets of the same jewels encircled the snowy, taper arms. On her head she wore a bridal wreath and veil—the former of jewels, the latter falling around her like a cloud of mist. Everything was perfect, from the wreath and veil to the tiny sandaled feet; and lying there in her mute repose she looked more like some exquisite piece of sculpture than any-thing that had ever lived and moved in this groveling world of ours. But from one shoulder the dress had been pulled down, and there lay a great

hvid purple plague-spot! "Come away!" said Ormiston, catching his companion by the arm. "It is death to remain here!" Sir Norman had been standing like one in a trance, from which this address roused him, and he grasped Or-

miston's shoulder almost frantically. Look there, Ormiston! There lies very face that sorceress showed me fifteen minutes ago in her infernal caldron! I would know it at the other end of the world!" 'Are you sure?" said Ormiston.

glancing again with new curiosity at the marble face. "I never saw anything half so beautiful in my life; but you see she is dead of the plague." "Dead! Oh, she cannot be! Nothing so perfect could die!" 'Look there!" said Ormiston, point-

ing to the plague-spot. "There is the fatal token. For heaven's sake, let us get out of this, or we will share the same faite before morning.' But Sir Norman did not move-could not move; he stood there rooted to the spot by the spell of that lovely, life-

Usually the plague left its victims hideous, ghastly discolored and cov-ered with blotches; but in this case there was nothing to mar the perfect

beauty of the satin-smooth skin, but one dreadful mark. There Sir Norman stood in his trance

as motionless as if some genii out of

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London is a huge, half-regulated mechanism, the expression of a thousand impulses to crowd together all those things which humanity cries out for. Close, side by side, are thrust, tailor shop, book mart, and fishmonger's stall, and human needs, but illcept the dead-eart, already almost full on its way to the plague-pit. The driver stopped at his call and instantly followed him upstairs and into the room. Glancing at the body with the clothed in human forms, push in and out, pass and repass-the forms change, the needs remain the same,

moral sussion or to take him by the collar and drag him headlong down the stairs, when a providential but rather dismal circumstance came to his aid. A cart came rattling down the street, a bell was loudly rung, and a hoarse voice arose with it: "Bring out your dead! Bring out your dead!"

Ormiston rushed downstairs to intercent the dead-cart already almost full

ceal his feelings, and caught hold of the sheet himself. In this fashion the

flead bride was carried downstairs and

laid upon a shutter on the top of a pile

It was now almost dark, and as the

cant started the great clock of St. Paui's

struck eight. St. Michael's, St. Alban's

and the others took up the sound; and

wild unrest across it, and the air was appressingly close and sultry.
"Where are you going now?" asked

Ormiston. "Are you for Whitehall tonight?"
"No," said Sir Norman, rather deject-

edly, turning to follow the pest-cart. "I am for the plague-pit in Finsbury

"Nonsense!" exclaimed Ormiston, energetically; "what will take you there? You surely are not made enough to follow the body of that dead girl?"
"I shall follow it! You can come or

"Oh, if you are determined, I will go with you, of course; but it is the craziest freak I ever heard of. After this you need never laugh at me."

"I never will," said Sir Norman, moodily; "for if you love a face you have never seen, I love one I have only have never seen.

looked on when dead. Does it not seem

sacrilege to throw anyone so like an angel into that horrible plague-pit?"

"I never saw an angel," said Ormiston, as he and his friend started to go after the dead-cart. "And I daresay

there have been scores as beautiful as

that poor girl thrown into the plague-

pit before now. I wonder why the

house has been deserted, and if she was

not even the pestilence could have scar-

"But, Ormiston, what an extraordinary thing it is that it should be pre-

cisely the same face that the fortune-

think I could be mistaken in such a

case? I tell you I would know that face at Kamschatka or the North Pole.

for I don't believe there ever was such

"So be it, then! Your object,

"Precisely so. Don't talk; I feel in no

not talk, accordingly; and in silence

the two friends followed the gloomy

dead-cart. A faint young moon, pale

and sickly, was struggling through

drifts of dark clouds, and lighted the lonesome streets with a wan, watery

glimmer. For weeks the weather had

been brilliantly fine-the days all sun-

now Ormiston, looking up at the troubled face of the sky, concluded mentally that the lord mayor had se-

lected an unpropitious night for the grand illumination. Sir Norman, with

his eyes on the pest-cart, and the long

white figure therein, took no heed of anything in the heaven above or in the

earth beneath, and strode along in dis-

mal silence till they reached, at last, their journey's end.

[To be Continued.]

MINNIE PALMER'S ESCAPE.

was bowing her acknowledgments at

the end of her act at Shea's last night,

a plaster ornament fell from the ceil-

ing and only missed her head by about

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shine, the nights all moonlight;

faith in La Masque for ever.'

Ormiston looked doubtful.

not, just as you please!"

ed him away.'

another created."

of bodies in the dead-cart.

for they are never satisfied.

The real things are the buildings, the monuments, and the Thames; the utmost sangfroid, he touched the dress the monuments, and the Thames; the unreal are the people who rush by like baddy-colored phantoms on a vaudeville stage. The crooked ways of man, the narrow courts and lanes dodge siyly in among scarce wider streets and bump aduaciously against some great stone building. The little shops which line the lanes leer at you through half-closed window-fronts: and indifferently remarked:

"A bride, I should say, and an uncommonly handsome one, too. We'll just take her along as she is, and strip these nice things off the body when we get it to the plague-pit."
So saying he wrapped her in the sheet, and directing Ormiston to take through half-closed window-fronts; the bigger shops along the strand offer in profusion all their contents, or snuggle down among the serious ex-changes, with merry disregard of the hold of the two lower ends, took the upper corners himself, with the air of a man quite used to that sort of thing. Ormiston recoiled from touching it, and Sir Norman, seeing what they were about to do, and knowing there was no help for it, made up his mind, like a sensible young man as he was, to con-

queer effects they make.

In London the small shops are pushing and crowding along the thoroughfare of competition untroubled by the approach of organized department In their still unconscious simplicity, they have not learned the wily art of window decoration. A candy shop has in the window a basket of red and yellow gum-drops and a heap of chocolate done up in silver paper. A hatter displays his whole stock in trade with green labels pinned the two young men paused to listen. For many weeks the sky had been clear, brilliant and blue; but on this night dark clouds were scudding in wild upper across it and the air was on the brims of straw and Derby. The shoe shop next is not so confused, for there is an inevitable symmetry about a pair of shoes. Then, open to the air, and recognized a rod away is the stall where fish, damp and glistening, are piled one atop the other. And so it

> LIKE AN OLD-TIME FAIR. The buying and selling of London are like some old-time fair--the shops so often seem no more than booths and of but short life. And turning just one corner you are out of it all and back 100 years. Take such a turn off Charing Cross—where cabs and 'buses keep up a din till long after 12 at night, where flower girls stand bareheaded on the curb, and crowds are worrying along in different directionsand you can be almost alone in a mel-ancholy street lined by lodging-houses having the dignity of old women who wear false fronts and leave their shoe laces untied.

One house looks more alert. It has a plate set in between the parlor windows, announcing the residence of Benjamin Franklin some 100 years ago. But a thin, gray cat sits carefully on the edge of the grating over the cellar way. Up the street there is another, not so gray but thinner—London is full gray cats and wizened old women.

And yet at the other end of this cobble-stone street one comes out on the Thames, and in the mist that rises from the river after sunset are seen the solemn perpendiculars of the houses of parliament. They rise above the petty transitory buildings about them just as the chimes of Big Ben teller showed me. There she was alive and here she is dead; so I've lost all ring out every quarter above the jar-ring noises of cabs and venders' "Are you quite sure it is the same,

A "PAVEMENT ARTIST." There is a wide stone wall along the "Quite sure?" said Sir Norman, in-ignantly. "Of course I am! Do you ink I could be mistaken in such a knees at his base drawing with colored chalks, which she smears with the palms of her hands. There is a gray tower against a pink sky, a stretch of water and some green trees. She has made four pictures, and they are all country scenes. She looks up as course, in following that cart is to take a last look at her?" you pass with a defiant movement of her pretty head; her eyes are large and dark, and her wrists are thin and red mood for it just at present."

Ormiston smiled to himself and did as she rests her hands on the dusty

> On the other side of the embankment the Hotel Cecil stands back in its sixstory greatness behind a shabby parkway of trees and bushes. Quite a way down, past Queen's College, there is a archway, and underneath a flight of stone steps. These lead into the outer Temple court, and passing in there is a labyrinth of squares, passageways and smaller courts.

> The buildings are tall and stolidlooking. They will never tell the legal secrets of the barristers who have had chambers within their walls; they will not confess to us what they confessed to Dickens—the windows are not frank and clear, but have small panes which in the gathering dust scarcely throw back the light that comes in over the tops of the other buildings.

THE TEMPLE WIG SHOP. In one corner of the Temple cloisters there is a little pigeon-hole shop where wigs and gowns are in display. They

might be the same that were there 50 years ago; there is dust about the And then there is a dingy little park, put right down into the stone paving. A young man comes from a darkening

doorway, drops a roll of documents, picks them up, and takes a hurried cut across the grass plot and hurries down Plum court. A woman sits all alone on the one bench, swinging her foot in its ragged shoe and bending her head over a basket. Her hair is matted, and sticks

out of the holes in her hat. She is the only person in there except the man who lies under a stone near the Templars' Church; he has lain there 300 y ears, if one makes out the figures rightly, so many feet have helped to ru them indistinct. The old church is three or four feet

below the rest of the place. It is on the former level of Fleet street. Under a lilac bush that shades another old gravestone there is a blinking, purring at, a cheerful guardian of a memory. It is all still and quiet. Some way it is oppressive, and you are glad to come out suddenly into the bustle and confusion of Fleet street.

"THE CHESHIRE CHEESE." Dodging in front of a Piccadilly 'bus and avoiding a "sandwich" man, you came to the other side of Fleet street, and nearby there is the sign, "Wine Court." It's a narrow court, and almost dark—just light enough to see another weather-beaten sign hanging out from a door only a few feet away. "The Cheshire Cheese" is inscribed thereon. From the door comes the heavy laugh of a man and the heavy 'chug" of ale glasses on a wooden

Inside there is, first of all, a smell of toasting cheese and the large portrait of Dr. Johnson and a ghost of Boswell's presence. The deep fireplace is cold, and the small-paned windows let in just enough light to note the rough dges on the favorite seat of Dr. Johnson-rather hard and narrow for the portly gentleman, but making dignity conspicuous by denying comfort. There are tables, three of them, on the other side of the small room, and there is

plenty of good cheer at each one. Thackery and Dickens used to come here, too, but they have no portraits. Goldsmith lived just across the court for a long time, and there is no doubt about his taking a glass of ale here

But it is the Welsh rarebit and rab-bit pie which link today with the past, and you feel a subtle sympathy with

the "Arabian Nights" had suddenly turned him into stone (a trick they were much addicted to), and destined him to remain there an ornamental fixture for ever. Ormiston looked at him distractedly, uncertain whether to try moral sussion or to take him by the collar and draw him headlong down the

## FACTS ABOUT

A Fragment of a Comet's Tail-The In tense Cold of Space Felt by Man.

The atmosphere forms an armor which is almost impenetrable to the meteors that are constantly pelting the earth. Most of the meteors are small. They come rushing through space, strike the atmosphere, and the friction against the molecules of air heats them to a white heat, and sets them ablaze. Sometimes part of one may reach the earth; but as a rule they are consumed and the dust alone, cosmic dust, drops upon the surface. One of the earliest known meteors fell in 204 B. C. in Phrygia, where for a long time it was worshiped. It was carried to Rome, and was supposed to be a messenger from the gods. Livy de-scribes a shower of meteoric stones. The people were greatly alarmed, and The people were greatly alarmed, and the senators were demoralized, and declared a nine days' festival to propitiate the gods. There is at Mecca a meteorite which fell in 600 A. D., and is still worshiped by the faithful. In Chinese literature there is mention of meteors which fell in 644 B. C. The oldest metaorite which was seen to fall oldest meteorite which was seen to fall is now on exhibition at Ensisheim, Alsace, Germany. In 1492 it came crashsace, Germany. In 1492 it came crashing down through the air with a roar that prostrated the peasantry with fright. It buried itself deeply in the earth. It weighed 200 pounds, and hangs today in the parish church.

The Chupaderos meteorite, which weighed 25 tons, fell in Chihuahua, Mexico. The largest meteorite known is the Peary stone which weighs and

is the Peary stone, which weighs approximately 10 tons. The stone of Canyon Diable weighs at least ten tons, and exploded high in air, the pieces found all over the surrounding country. In Italy several instances are known of the loss of life from meteorites. A peasant was sitting in his cabin and was killed by an iron mass that crashed through the roof; the act was regarded as a visitation of divine anger. The city of Milan is perhaps the only one that has been struck by a meteorite. A meteorite of several pounds' weight fell in the heart of that city in the year 1660, on the authority of Paolo Maria Tezzayo, and struck a Franciscan monk. More remarkable are the falls at sea. That a ship should be struck would seem an extraordinary chance, yet a Swedish ship was so struck, the stone killing two of the crew. On Dec. 1, 1896, the ship Walkomming was sailing from New York to Bremen, when

her officers noticed a brilliant meteor that appeared to be bearing down on the vessel from southeast to northwest. It passed with a loud roar and hissing sound, and plunged into the sea ahead of the ship. That is was a meteor of large size was evident, for a few minutes later the ship was struck by a tidal wave. Even more remarkable was the experience of the British ship Cawdor, which reached San Francisco Nov. 20, 1897. During a severe storm, a large and brilliant meteor was observed rushing down upon the ship, and with a roar and filling the air with fumes of sulphur it passed between the masts of the ship and fell into the sea not fifty feet from the rail.

One of the greatest curiosities pos sessed by man today is a supposed fragment of a comet in Mazapil, Mexico. The fragment is believed to be a part of the tail or Biela's comet. In 1846 something happened in space; wreck occurred; Biela's comet may have collided with another comet; in any case, the comet divided and many flying observers remember seeing the two parts gradually separating. Some fatality pursued one part of the comet and it met its fate in infinite space, Mterally went to pieces and became a wreck upon the shoreless sea of space. Astronomers predicted that if the comet itself did not appear in 1872 its wreckage would become visible as shooting stars, and this prediction was realized apparently as on Nov. 27, 1872, there burst from the heavens cloud of shooting stars. During the display one piece dropped upon the earth and was secured at Mazapil, Mexico, and was declared to be a part of the great comet.

The average meteorite immediately after its fall is intensely hot; but at least one, which was handled immediately after falling still held the in-tense cold of space. A few men can say that they have experienced this. A meteorite exploded above Dhurmsala, Kangara, Punjaub, India, in 1860, a section was picked up immediately by some natives who dropped it with expresions of pain. The explosion had exposed the interior of the meteor which had been chilled by the intense cold of space and was so cold that its effect was like a burn. This fragment is to be seen in the Field Museum. Of It. Dr. Farington, the curator, said:
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Local temperatures.—The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory here on Tuesday, Dec. 26, were: Highest, 27°; lowest, 9°. Today sun rises 7:51, sets 4:48; moon rises 2:40 a.m., sets 12:54 p.m.

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-Dr. W. L. Stack, of New York, is among the guests at the Tecumseh

-Mrs. (Dr.) Ziegler, with her children, is visiting friends in Berlin,

Guelph and Toronto. -Mr. Harry Turner, of Indianapolis, is spending his holidays with his parents on Becher street.

-Mr. D. J. McClary, driver of Star Pointer, the famous racing horse, is visiting his brother at Derwent, Ont. -Rev. Dr. Johnston, who has been

-Mr. Cecil S. Gunn, of the Meris visiting his parents at 225 Wellington street.

-Mrs. Samuel Handford, of Snowflake, Man., is on an extended visit with her mother, Mrs. Gould, 170 Adelaide street.

-Miss Sarah Ross, York street, and Miss Grace Hyslop, West London, have gone for a week to visit friends in St. Thomas. -Mr. A. E. Mathewson, of New-

combe, Endicott & Co., Detroit, spent Christmas at the parental, home, 484 Dufferin avenue. -Miss Maud Hodgins returned to

Simcoe on Tuesday, after spending Christmas in the city, the guest of Miss Ethel Jenkins. -Messrs. H. S. and W. M. Dickson, who have been spending their Christ-

mas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dickson, Burwell street, returned to Detroit yesterday. -Mrs. Samuel Handford, of Snowflake, Manitoba, is on an extended visit with her mother, Mrs. Gould, of 170 Adelaide street. Mrs. Handford has

not visited London for fifteen years. -The members of the German Lutheran Sunday school wish to extend to the citizens their hearty thanks for their liberal assistance and donations for their Sunday school and Christmas celebration.

-The conductors and motormen of the Wellington street branch of the Don't judge a man's bravery by his street railway system wish to express to Mr. George Robinson their thanks for the serviceable and beautiful neck-

ties presented them. -A Hamilton telegram of the 25th says: Frank Bailey, of London, who is visiting friends here, met with a painful accident on James street this afternoon. A horse fell on the pave-ment, and he assisted the driver to get it on its feet. When it arose it ki ed him on the leg, breaking it. The fracture was a bad one, the bone protaken to the general hospital.

-An enjoyable supper was given last night in the Palace Cafe to about 25 boys from the West London Presbyterian Mission. It was the result largely of energetic work by Miss Dottie Cowan, and the boys showed their hearty appreciation of her kindness, when she arose in reply to the toast to "The Ladies." Rev. Dr. Johnston re-plied briefly to the toast of "The Queen." The party dispersed after singing the "National Anthem."

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## MATRIMONIAL

A Quartet of Christmas Day Weddings at St. Thomas-Several Local Nuptials.

At the residence of Mr. W. H. Walsh, Talbot street, St. Thomas, on Christmas night, Mr. George Clark, of Bay City, Mich., and Miss Cinda Pierson, daughter of Mr. W. Pierson, were united in marriage by Rev. Canon Hill.

At the Grace Methodist Church parsonage the Rev. W. Godwin united in the bonds of matrimony Mr. James Taylor, of Yarmouth township, to Miss Fanny L. Collins, of Union. Mr. Floyd L. Wood and Miss Gertrude Pike performed the duties of coit-

E. A. Lewis, Center street, St. chants' Bank agency, New York city, Thomas, was the scene of a very marriage of Ada Louise, daughter of Mr. D. J. Lewis, to Percy L. New-combe. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Spencer in the presence of the immediate relatives of the contracting parties. Miss Louise Hawley acted as bridesmaid, while Mr. H. W. Wright, of Aylmer, ably supported Wright, of Aylmer, ably supported the groom, and little Muriel Lewis was a very pretty maid of honor.

For the second time within two months the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Leakey, 35 Walnut street, was made glad at the sound of wedding bells. Christmas day, at 4 o'clock, their daughter, Miss Marian Bearney Leakey, was united in marriage to Alfred John Miller, son of Robert Miller, barrister, St. Thomas, by Rev. Dr. Philp, pastor of the First Methodist Church. The groom was attended by his brother, Mr. Charles Septimus Miller, and the bride by her sister, Miss Sarah

HUNTER-WESTON.

A pretty wedding was solemnized yesterday morning at the residence of Mr. N. Weston, 921 Lorne avenue, when his youngest daughter, Miss Bell Weston, was united in marriage to Mr. Samuel J. Hunter, of the Detroit Free Press, formerly of The Advertiser. The house was prettily decorated with palms, holly and foliage, and the ceremony was performed by Rev. W. J. Ford, of the Centennial Methodist Church, in the presence of a large company of guests. Miss Nellie Weston, sister of the bride, was the bridesmaid, and carried a bouquet of pink roses. Both the bride and bridesmaid were gowned in pearl gray, trimmed with white satin and muslin de soie. The bride's going away gown was a tailor-made suit of green cloth. She entered the room leaning on the arm entered the room leaning on the arm of her father, and carrying a beautiful bouquet of white bridal roses. Little Frieda Hunter, niece of the groom, acted as maid of honor. She was dressed in pink silk with overdress of white organdie, and carried a basket of pink carnations. Mr. John F. Neil, of Toronto, was groomsman. Miss Addie Lillywhite played the Wedding March. After a dainty wedding break-March. After a dainty wedding break-fast the happy couple left for Toronto and other eastern points to spend their honeymoon. On their return they will reside in Detroit. Many costly presents were received, bespeaking the high esteem in which the young couple are held. Among the guests present from a distance were: Mrs. Mann, of St. Paul, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. W. Yates, Toronto; Mrs. Armstrong, of Chicago, and others.

AT SOUTHWOLD STATION. On Christmas day, at high noon, a very interesting event took place at the residence of Mr. J. E. Stormes, when his only daughter, Miss Eliza, one of Southwold's most popular and one of Southwold's most popular and estimable young ladies, was united in holy wedlock to Mr. Joseph W. Smith, of Parkersburg, West Virginia, but formerly of Talbotville, by Rev. J. Henderson, of Sheddon, in the presence of a select company of relatives and friends. Among the many useful and costly presents received by the bride was an elegant gold watch from the groom, and a beautiful purse, con-taining \$100, from her father. After the company had partaken of the dainty wedding repast and Christmas dinner, the young folks drove to Shed-

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GOULD-COLLINS.

A quiet but very pretty wedding was solemnized at high noon today, it being the marriage of Miss Lucretta C. Collins, daughter of Mr. Asa Collins, of 323 Horton street, to Mr. John C. Gould, of Richmond street, formerly of Exeter. The bride was assisted by her sister, Miss Isabel M. Collins, while Mr. R. C. Sparling supported the groom. The house was prettily decorated with palms and ferns. After the wedding ceremony, at which Rev. Jos. Edge officiated, the guests to the number of about 40 partook of a dainty ber of about 40, partook of a dainty wedding repast. Mr. Fred Fitzgerald played the wedding march from "Lohengrin." Many beautiful presents evidenced the esteem in which the young couple are held by their many friends. Mr. and Mrs. Gould left this afternoon on a trip to eastern cities. Guests were present from Exeter, Marlette, Mich., Belleville and Toronto.

CONNOR-GLENDENNING. Miss Lillian Jane Glendenning, youngest daughter of Mr. W.J. Glendenning, of 143 Oxford street, was united in marriage on Monday to Mr. Alfred E. Connor, of the London Coffee and Spice Company. The ceremony was performed at the Church of St. John the Evangelist by the rector, W. T. Hill. The bride was assisted by Miss Alice E. Connor, sister of the groom, and the groom was ably supported by Mr. Charles E. Glendenning, brother of the bride. Little Gladys Boyd, the bride's niece, was maid of honor. Only the immediate relations of the bride and groom were present. After a wedding repast at the residence. wedding repast at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. and Mrs. Connor left on the 4:30 train for the Eastern States. The presents to bride and groom from friends and relatives in groom from friends and relatives in England and at home were numerous and costly, and showed the high esteem in which the happy young couple are

## THE MARKSMEN OF THE SEVENTH

On Christmas night the house of Mr. Men Who Won Certificates in This Year's Contests-Volunteers for South Africa on the List

> The Military Rifle League certificates have been received by Major Hayes for distribution among the successful marksmen. First-class certificates require that 88 per cent be scored. A score of 80 per cent gained a second-class certificate. Pte. Sutherland, of No. 1 Company, of the Seventh, gained a first-class certificate. He is a successful applicant for a position on the second contingent. His score totaled 90 per cent. Sergt. George Sippi, who is now in South Africa, was in the second-class. The winners of first-class certificates were: George Hayes, W. E. Hiscott, T. J. Murphy, A. Galbraith, W. A. McCrimmon and H. Erskine. Second-class men were: F. M. Allen, Walter Smith, George Sippi and M. Hues-

## WRECKED BY AN EARTHQUAKE

Every Brick Building in San Jacinto Cal., Destroyed-Several Indians Killed.

San Jacinto, Cal., Dec. 27.-This little city is a scene of desolation. People are beginning to recover from the terror inspired by the earthquake, which centered here on Christmas morning, and destroyed every brick building in the town, and some definite estimates of the damage wrought can now be

At the Saboba Indian reservation here a dance had been held the night before, and large quantities of whisky. consumed by the Indians, sent most of them into a drunken stupor before the shock came. A number of squaws had huddled together in an old building, and were sleeping off the effects of the liquor. The heavy walls fell in upon them, six being killed outright and two dying later, while a score more were badly injured.

Main street presents a sad appearance. It is impossible to walk along the sidewalks because of the heaps of debris and overhanging walls. Brick walls were razed to the level of the ground, with thousands of dollars' worth of merchandise buried underneath. There is not a business house in town but has suffered. Fleetyle in town but has suffered. Electric wires are down and some of the power houses have fallen in. The walls of the county hospital were badly dam-

It is said that rumblings had been heard for several days about Taqulis Peak, in the San Jacinto range, sup-posed to be an exinct volcano. Be-tween San Jacinto and Hemot, geysers of hot sulphur water have appeared, and the fumes are so strong that no one can go near the geysers

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## Sunday Work In Massachusetts.

[The Outlook, New York.] In response to an act of the legislature a year ago, the Massachusetts Bureau of Labor Statistics has made a careful inquiry into the amount of Sunday labor now performed in the commonwealth. It finds that of 1,075,-000 persons engaged in gainful occupations, probably 150,000 are expected to labor on Sunday. Of these about two-thirds are engaged in domestic service, in which the consciences of mistresses often secures servants a free half-holiday, on Sunday, accom-panied by a free half-day during the week. The immense amount of Sunday work performed by women for their own households is, of course, un-recorded. The manufactories of the state, which employ one-half of the working population, perform practically no Sunday work whatever. Mercantile business makes almost as good a showing. It is only in news and transmen employed on Sunday is large or increasing. The newspaper offices canvassed report that of the 1,429 persons employed by them, 811 work on Sundays—though generally for shorter hours. The telephone and telegraph companies report that their working force is 442 on Sundays as against 2. force is 443 on Sundays, as against 2,-185 on week days. The express com-panies employ 305 persons on Sunday, as against 1,778 during the week. The rallroad and street railroad companies.

however, perform the great body of the Sunday work that has recently grown up. Not until 1881, says the Springfield Republic, did the Massachusetts Legislature permit the rail-way commission to license the running of such Sunday trains as the public conveniences demanded, including excursion trains, at lower than the regular rates. Since that time there has been a gradual extension of the Sunday service. On the steam railroads, the average number of persons employed on Mondays is now 6,718, as against 27,480 on week days; and on the street railway it is 8,232 on Sundays, as against 10,320 during the week. On the street railways nine hours generally constitute a day's work on Sundays, as against ten on week days, but there is no regular rest day for the men who do Sunday work, and one can be obtained only, with loss of pay, on application to the management. This is certainly a wrong. The legislature that permits Sunday work should stipulate that employes shall have one free day in every seven. It is unfortunate that the present report intimates that employes prefer a week day for rest. If this be true, it is impossible to account for the trades union agitation against Sunday work."

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