WHOLE NO., 11331.

Births, Marriages, Death

BORN. OOOK-At 628 Wellington street, city, on Dec. 5, 1899, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Cook, a

SHANLY-At St. I. rence Hall, Montreal. on Sunday mornin. Dec. 17, 1899, Walter Shanly, Esq., C.E., ex-M.P., of Thorndale, aged 82 years and 2 months.

Funeral will take place tomorrow, Tuesday, t 3 p.m., from the residence of his nephew, fr. Charles J. Shanly, 301 Piccadilly street.

DALY-On December 17, at the residence, West London, Dennis Daly, in his 80th year. Funeral from his late residence, 108 Forward avenue, West London, on Tuesday, Dec. 19, at 9 a.m. No flowers.

Hamilton papers please copy.

GRAY-At her father's residence, 1052 Mary street, Lena, eldest daughter of Richmun Gray, aged 23 years.

Funeral to be held on Wednesday, at 3 o'clock (service at 2:30), to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

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DEWEY KITTENS.

Money-Making Scheme Spoiled by the Police

New York, Dec. 18 .- A street merchant, known as "Hustling Pete," is said to have been detected by the police in a scheme to make money enough to enable him to retire from business in a few days. According to the story, as soon as "Pete" heard that seven kittens had been born in an event which occurred about a week ago, he started in to collect as many kittens as he could lay hands on in Greater New York. Beginning early yesterday morning he stood at Twentyfourth street and Broadway with six kitten in a basket, which he quickly sold at \$1 50 each as the "Original Dewey Kittens." As fast as his basket was emptied he refilled it with six more, and it is estimated that before he stopped he had sold 250.

GUNNING ACCIDENT. Chatham, Dec. 18.—Two lads named Flood and Wordell, residing in Blengetting over a fence one of the guns was discharged, and young Flood's hand was badly shattered. The sur-geons hope to be able to avoid ampu-

A Change of Commanders

Roberts Takes Control Baron in South Africa

Chief of Staff.

Gen. Buller Will Look After Affairs in Natal.

War Office Urged to Send 100,000 More Men.

Ever to Win.

The Queen Anxious To Be Touch With the Cabinet,

And Delays Her Departure From Windsor Until After Christma3-British Officer Taken Prisoner While Going to Meet a Flag of Truce.

London, Dec. 17 .- Baron Roberts of Kandahar and Waterford, commander of the forces in Ireland, has been appointed to the chief command in South Africa, with Gen. Lord Kitchener of Khartoum as his chief of staff. Shortly before midnight the following notice was posted at the war office:

"As the campaign in Natal, in the opinion of her majesty's government is likely to require the presence and undivided attention of Gen. Sir Redvers Buller, it has been decided to send Baron Roberts of Kandahar and Waterford as commander-in-chief in South Africa, with Lord Kitchener as chief-of-staff."

MILITARY MEASURES. The war office today issued the following announcement:

"Acting upon the advice of the military authorities her majesty's government has approved the following

"All the remaining portions of the army reserve, including section 'D,' are called out. The seventh division, which is being mobilized, will proceed to South Africa without delay. "The commander-in-chief in South Africa has been authorized to continue to raise, at his discretion local

troops, mounted. "Nine battalions of militia, in addition to two battalions which have already volunteered for service at Malta, and one for service in the Channel Islands, will be allowed to volunteer for service outside of the United Kingdom, and an equivalent number of militia battalions will be

embodied for service at home. . "A strong force of volunteers, selected from the yeomanry regiments, will be formed for service in South Af-

"Arrangements are being made and will shortly be announced, for the employment in South Africa of a strong contingent of carefully selected volun-

"The patriotic offers which are be ing received from the colonies, will, as far as possible, be accepted, preference being given to offers of mounted contingents.'

AROUSED.

London, Dec. 18, 4:45 a.m.-Events or the past week have evidently aroused the government and the war office to a full sense of their responsibility of the magnitude of the task before them, and the papers unanimously applaud this awakening. Rumor has it that the question of expense has really been at the bottom of the half-hearted masures hitherto adopted, and it is not unlikely that Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, chancellor of the exchequer, and other members of the cabinet will LORD ROBERTS' SON

The tragic circumstances of the appointment of Lord Roberts almost simultaneously with the announcement of the death of his promising son, excite the deepest public sym-Lieut. Roberts was an only son, and had been his father's aidede-camp since 1895. He served in Waziristan and in the Chitral and Nile expeditions. Such was his display of gallantry on Friday in an attempt to rescue the guns, that he was recommended for the Victoria Cross.

THE GOVERNMENT SCORED The Liberal organs foreshadow a serious reckoning for the government when the time comes. The Daily Chronicle hints that Gen. Sir William Butler, who was recalled from the Cape command because of his Boer sympathies, long ago advised the government that the prosecution of London, Dec. 18.—The Court News Mr. Chamberlain's policy would make makes the following announcement:

With Lord Kitchener as heavy reinforcements for the Cape imperative. The Daily News says: "The government's decision is either a result of panic or the confusion of utter miscalculation.'

Lieut.-Gen. Sir Charles Warren, commanding the fifth division of the first army corps, has arrived at Cape Town. It is understood he will pro-ceed to Port Elizabeth."

WHAT THE TIMES SAYS. The Times, commenting on the situation, says: "Neither the Crimean ambassador. war nor the Indian mutiny gave rise to greater dangers to the empire than that by which we are now menaced, nor at neither of these periods was Great Britain so isolated, politically, nor regarded with such dislike as is now everywhere manifest. Unless the calmness which is now observed proseeds only from apathy or want of British More Determined Than sufficient imagination to realize the imminent danger to the whole fabric of our empire, the great efforts now urgently required may be made before it is too late to relieve the situation. We are fighting not merely for a supremacy in Africa, but for our position as a world power. We know we have miscalculated the strength

Total, 1097.

of our foe, and we are resolved to make that miscalculation good."

BULLER'S LOSSES. London, Dec. 18.—Gen. Buller reports to the war office that his losses in Friday's engagement were: Killed. 82; wounded, 667; missing, 348; a total

of 1,097. The war office late Saturday night issued the following list of Gen. Buller's

casualties: OFFICERS KILLED. Field Artillery-Capt. A. H. Goldie and Lieut. C. B. Schrieber. Dublin Fusiliers-Capt. A. H. Bacon and Lieut. R. C. B. Henry. Carley and Capt. Frank C. Loftus.

Medical Corps-Capt. M. L. Hughes. Thorneycroft's Mounted Infantry -Lieut. C. H. Jenkins. OFFICERS WOUNDED. Devonshire Regiment-Five.

Rifle Brigade (the Prince Consort's Own)-One Fifth Brigade Staff-One. Inniskillen Fusiliers-Eight, Border Regiment-Three. Connaught Rangers-Two. Dublin Fusiliers-Three. Irish Fusiliers-One. Horse Artillery-One. Field Artillery-Five. Medical Corps-One.
Mounted Infantry-Three.

Natal Carbineers-Two. South African Light Horse-Two. The wounded include Captains N. Goodwyn, J. F. Radcliffe, P. U. W. Vigors, Hon. St. Leger Jarvis, A. J. Hancock, W. F. Hersey, H. J. Buck-ley, J. E. S. Probyn, H. M. S. Lewan, J. E. R. Brush, H. D. White-Thompson, H. I. Reed, F. A. G Elton and W. N. Congreve; Majors R. H. G. Heygate, A. W. Gordon, and F. A. B. Ragington; Colonels I. G. Brooke, Racington; Colonels I. G. Brooke, Long, H. Hunt, and Lieut. Ponsonby, of Thorneycroft's Mounted Infantry, Lieut. Hon. H. S. Roberts, son of Lord Roberts of Candahar and Waterford.

MISSING Officers taken prisoners or missing-Field Artillery, five; Devonshire Regiment, three; Essex Regiment, one; Scots Fusiliers, six; Royal Ar-

BARON ROBERTS' SON. Lieut. F. H. S. Roberts, son of Baron Roberts of Candahar and Waterford, who was wounded in the engagement at Tugela River, is dead. London, Dec. 17.-Gen. Buller, at his Chievely camp tonight, is recuperating his badly hammered troops. Gen. Lord Methuen showed signs of life at Modder River, where for two hours his artillery shelled the kopjes. Nothing

was heard from Ladysmith. THE OPPOSING FORCES. The Sunday papers mostly follow the lead of Saturday's morning and afternoon journals in their comments on the situation. It is estimated that Gen. Buller has under his command nearly 40,000 men, of which the cavalry and mounted infantry number 7,500, and

regular infantry 28,900.

The Boers, under Joubert, strongly entrenched, and commanding both fording places of the river, are believed to have numbered at least 15,000, with plenty of artillery well served. ONLY A TEMPORARY CHECK.

Notwithstanding the three successreverses, Englishmen are more determined than ever to win, and at the army and navy and other clubs tonight the impression prevails that the check is only temporary. The government view is probably voiced by the Right Hon. Walter Long, president of the board of agriculture, who, speaking at the ship brokers' dinner in Liverpool, intimated that the cabinet committee on national defense had considered the advisability of utilizing the militia and volunteers abroad. He emphatically asserted that the government in no way attempted to interfere with the to interfere with generals in their military operations. Some say that another 100,000 men are wanted, and, Mr. Long declared, government does not propose to send them, it will be wanting in its duty to the country. For his own part, Mr. Long said, he failed to see that the necessity had arisen, but if it does arise, the 100,000 will be forthcoming, and they will be sent. THE QUEEN DELAYS HER DE-

PARTURE.

"The arrangements made for the Queen's departure from Windsor have been postponed until after Christmas, as. owing to the present state of affairs in South Africa, the Queen is unwilling to be a great distance from

Not for years before has the Queen decided to spend Christmas away from Osborne. Her decision to remain at Windsor, in touch with the cabinet, is a measure of the gravity of the crisis and of the anxiety her majesty feels for the welfare of the country. She is, nevertheless, in fair health. On Saturday morning she took her usual drive, and just before dinner that evening she received Lord Wolseley, who, with Major-Gen. Sir Henry Peter Ewart, crown equerry to the Queen, dined at Windsor. The flag to the American hospital ship Maine is highly appreciated by her own people, as well as the American in the state of the well as the Americans in London, and the morning papers express the hope that it means something more than a

pretty ceremony. FOR THE MAINE FUND.

The farewell banquet at the Carlton Hotel on Saturday evening in aid of the fund for the American hospital sh Maine, realized £2,000. Among those present were the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, the Marquis of Lorne, United States Ambassador Choate and Mrs. Choate. Prince Christian Schleswig-Holstein, Lady Randolph Churchill, Mrs. Arthur Paget, Count Devn, the Austro-Hungarian ampasse dor and Baron de Staal, the Russial

From Methuen.

FLAG OF TRUCE DESREGARDED. dians who have gone to the Transvaal. office has received the following disdated Dec. 17, from Gen. Forestier-Walker, at Cape Town:
"Methuen reports that Lieut. Chan-

dos-Pole was taken prisoner last Thurs- Defense Commission, in a letter to day, when going to meet a flag of truce. the Times, referring to the speech He was waving his handkerchief in re-"Gatacre has removed his troops and stores to Sterkstroom from Putter's

"French has established headquarters at Arundel.
"Vaderwere, with a command, is reported moving south from Jacobsdal."

BRITISH GRIT. The latest accounts regarding the battle of Magersfontein show that the retirement of the British troops was execued with the greatest order and coolness under the heavy Boer fire.
It is said that if the Victoria Cross were to be granted for every act of conspicuous gallantry upon the part of the British soldiers, it would be necessary to distribute the decoration by hundreds.

BOER BOASTS. the lyddite shells were harmless when the from an old member of the Grand they fell on earth, but destructive when Trunk Rifle Brigade, now resident in they fell in stony places. Only one in four exploded. Boer prisoners boasted that they could have held Magersfonteln for two weeks. They said that Inniskillen Fusiliers Major J. F. W. if the Highland Brigade had massed D. Roberts, the author and poet, of and stormed the trenches after the New York, offers his services. first surprise, the British loss would are a number of nurses and militia have been heavier, because the Boers and ex-militia officers all over the from the kopie on the side were ready country. to enfilade the trenches if they had

been charged. AT MODDER RIVER The Gordon Highlanders were held in reserve until 10 o'clock on Monday morning, when they went forward in wide order toward the base of the east kopje. They got within 500 yards of this point without any causes worth mentioning, then they suddenly encountered a strong cross-fire. The Boers had allowed them to reach the point where they were concealed in the trenches, and then the burghers enfiladed the Highlanders. Early in the fighting the Highland Brigade demoi-ished the Scandinavian contingent, of

were taken prisoners. bered 16,000. The Free State troops were at the base of the hill, and the to be disposed to enlist. Transvaal burghers along the right of the trench. The scene opposite the Transvaal troops in the direction of the hospital was pitiable. Many burghers were expected, and from information could be seen helping wounded comrades into wagons and then driving off. The Boers were almost invisible from Modder River. Occasionally they were noticed rounding the side of a kopje. lines was trained so as to give a view to the east and west, and report the effect of the shell fire. It was too far

distant from the enemy, however, to be of great service. Parties who were out looking for the wounded on Tuesday morning saw Boers burying their dead in a long trench along the base of the hill where the fighting took place. A Boer doctor accompanied the Brit-

ish ambulance corps among the wounded on the field this morning. A LETTER FROM CHURCHILL. London, Dec. 18.—A special dispatch from Pretoria, dated Wednesday, Dec. 13, says that after the escape of Winston Churchill he wrote to the Transvaal war office, declaring that, as a correspondent, he considered his detention as a prisoner unjustifiable. He expressed in his letter the highest appreciation of his treatment. escape was cleverly executed, but there is little chance of his being able to cross

PRAYERS FOR DELIVERANCE. New York, Dec. 18.-At the services the Hamburg-American Church of St. George the Martyr, this city, yesterday, special litany prayers for deliverance were read. This was done at the request of Queen Victoria, who recently asked that in all of the English churches these prayers be offered for the welfare of English arms in South Africa.

The Canadians. CANADA OFFERS A SECOND CON-

TINGENT. Ottawa, Dec. 18.-There was quite a stir in the city when it was bulletined that the imperial government had accepted the offer of the Australian government for a second contingent. Major Hurdman, Capt. Arnold and Lieut. Morrison waited on Gen. Hutton and renewed the offer to send to the Transvaal the Ottawa Field Battery. The general said that he would lay the matter before the government. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was sent for by the governor-general, and it is understood that the subject discussed was a second contingent. Canada's offer for a second contingent is now in the hands, of the imperial authorities, and all that is necessary is notification of its acceptance, and it will be at once forwarded. A cabinet council was called

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for 2:30, when the matter was fully dis-

TANGIBLE APPRECIATION. Ottawa, Dec. 18.-Carleton county council, at its meeting Saturday, passed a resolution eulogizing the Cana-London, Monday, Dec. 18 .- The war and the council voted \$100 towards the

contingent's benefit fund. London, Dec. 18. - Arthur Loring, secretary of the Imperial Federation Bank at the annual the shareholders, says that when the president of the largest financial institution of the capital goes out of the way to state that Canada not only ought to, but is able to, contribute to the maintenance of the royal navy, we may be sure that action of this kind is not far distant. The portion of the speech referred to begins with the very great prosperity of the bank and ends with the direct proposition of an annual contribution to the cost of supporting the British navy. Major Kurlman and other officers of

the Ottawa Field Battery, have renewed the offer to send the Ottawa Field Battery to South Africa. The minister of militia at Ottawa is besieged with applications from all over Canada and the United States BOER BOASTS. with offers to go on service in South Africa. He has got an applica-

> Kingston, Ont., Dec. 18.-In his address in Convocation Hall Sunday afternoon, Principal Grant declared that the Canadian Parliament should be called together immediately, so that the voice of the people on the crisis in South Africa might be heard. "These reverses of the British arms

in the Transvaal will make us more united than ever before," he said. Lieut, Dwyer, of the Royal Artillery, at Halifax, N. S., has been ordered to South Africa. Col. Collard says the Leinster Regiment, also stationed there, may be ordered to the Cape, as England wants every available man. about 200. Some of the Scandinavians and B, of the Royal Canadian Artiled to do garrison duty. Batteries A It is stated that the Boer force num-bered 16,000. The Free State trans-

The orders received at Quebec from Ottawa to procure 1,000 carbines, such as served out to cavalry and artillery. received from official sources they are already executed. A thousand of Lee-Enfield rifles for the infantry, carbines for artillery and cavalry, three Maxim guns, and also all the equip-A captive balloon behind the British ments necessary, are already in order at the armory, and at the disposal of

the department of militia **Fireside Fighters**

CRITICS WHO ARE IGNORANT. The New York Tribune's London correspondent says: Military men lay stress upon Gen. Buller's order for retirement of the army to the camp, when the battalions were eager to continue the fight for the recovery of the guns, as convincing proof of the prudence of his leadership. They also resent the idea that the batteries were deliberately entrapped in broad daylight, or that Gen. Buller was responsible in any degree for this accident. They assert that generals in the field are exposed at home to ignorant criticism, and charged with neglecting precautions for protecting their men, when they adopt approved scientific methods of saving life. Foreign military attaches in London consider the criticism to which the British army is now exposed from the continental press as London, Dec. 18 .- The Morning Post

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Sentiment of Europe Regarding the South African War-Austria and Italy Feel Deeply for Britain--Her Defeat Pleases

Hon. H. H. Asquith on the Duty of the Hour-Britain's Claim as a World Power at Stake-Presentation of the Queen's Flag to the American Hospital Ship Maine-Sad Farewells-Col Long's Slap-Dash Manner Lost the British Their through incompetent diplomacy. Guns in Friday's Fight.

specimens of the colonial troops."

BEGINNING OF THE END.

The Deutsche Tages Zeitung calls it

the beginning of the end, and con-

cludes its article thus: "We in Ger-

many do not wish England to get off

cheaply. The more they are humbled

in the Boer war and the more com-

the better for us."

world power is secured in her navy.'

empire never had to meet, for, as

things are now, England will have to

thank the other powers for their sin-

AUSTRIAN OPINIONS.

Vienna. Dec. 18.-Gen. Buller's re-

verse is the subject of almost univer-

sal comment in the Austrian press to-

found in the situation of Ladysmith,

and they conclude that the capitula-

tion of that place may shortly be ex-

pected. The Neue Freie Presse says:

political consideration, there could

"If the attack was the outcome of a

The Fremdenblatt fears these suc-

whether the Boers know how to follow

the consequences of the two last reverses may, in so far as human judg-

ment can foretell, be the fall of Lady-

smith and Kimberley, and the out-break of an Afrikander rebellion and

that, unless something wonderful hap-

pens in the meantime, an improve-

ment can only be secured by reinforce-

ments, which are not expected till

The Deutsche Volksblatt believes the

cause of Gen. Buller's defeat, as on previous occasions, was faulty recon-

SYMPATHY FOR THE BRITISH.

Budanest Dec 18 The Mayers

Neuezel, commenting on the British

check in South Africa, expresses the

warmest sympathy for the British

army in its misfortune and adds: "Every liberal nation in the world

Great Britain, the standard bearer of

Hungary would sorely feel the conse-

quences of any loss of power by Eng-

ITALY PROFOUNDLY DISTRESSED

Rome, Dec. 17.-Gen. Buller's reverse

produced a profound impression in all

circles here, where it is regarded as

Britain, and the chief responsibility

falls upon Mr. Chamberlain. The probability is that the final success of

the British troops will thereby be con-

The Italia is of the opinion that the

cause of imperialism in South Africa

The Tribunal says the defeat brings

into prominence the weakness of the

CALM DISCUSSION IN FRANCE.

in a week Parisians met news venders

but at the same time without any out-

trie, treat the British disasters as joyful tidings, but the respectable journ-La Liberte, Le Journal des Debats, La Libirte and others, discuss the

THE DUTY OF THE HOUR.

Right. Hon. H. H. Asquith, address-

world with exhibitions of freaks of new

diplomacy. The situation confronting us, after reading today's painful news,

is so serious that it is hardly possible to speak of any other topic. We can-

regrets. Sterner and more urgent du-

ties are laid upon us. We must not

news soberly and moderately.

siderably diminished."

has sustained a severe check.

civilization, were shaken.

Avanti says:

British artillery.

The Weiner Abendblatt thinks that

up a victory.'

January.

pletely their power in South Africa is

The Boersen Courier says: "The at-

case England's position as a

London, Dec. 18 .- The public is just | the New South Wales Lancers as beginning to realize that with 100,000 men in the field no progress is being made in any direction, and Kimberley and Ladvemith seem as far off as ever from the promised relief. While Gen. Buller's reverse was an unexpected blow to the public that had pinned its faith to him, it would appear that the original plan of campaign, if adhered to, would have given better results, for the besieged towns have shown themselves quite capable of holding out. As it is now, the British forces are split up, have been seriously repulsed, are unable to co-operate, and, at any rate, for the present, are unable to reach their objectives. It was for this plan that the central advance was sacrificed. Even the relief of Ladysmith can scarcely have great alleviating consequences to the cam-paign as a whole, unless its moral effect quiets the growing disaffection in Cape Colony and disheartens the Boers to a more serious extent than their other minor reverses have so far done. But, however looked at, the British

position is most unenviable and there is a great cry for more troops. Lord Londonderry urges the war office to send out 100,000 more men, saying: Conceive the effect on the empire if Methuen is forced to surrender." The St. James' Gazette caps this with the intimation that the treasury witholding the funds necessary to send out reinforcements, adding: "If this is so, Lord Salisbury's reluctance to sacrifice a colleague will not serve to shield a minister who stands between Britain and the restoration of her damaged superiority in South

VOLUNTEERS WORKED UP. On the other hand, there are many magnificent examples, through public speeches and editorials, of the great common sense which is the backbone of the nation. There are people who molore Englishmen not to make of themselves, and not to imagine that a few reverses make it necessary to drain the country of every man able to carry a rifle. The volunteers are greatly worked up and numbers of applications to serve in regiments, from individuals, have been received. The Associated Press learns, however, that Lord Wolselev believes that though these men are excellent as volunteers, thy lack the evenness, in the ranks and among the officers, which marks they are "brilliant in spots, but weak in others," and while he appreciates the offers, he sees no way to accept them at present.

The action of the National Liberal Federation in deciding to support a vigorous prosecution of war, but rethe full right of criticism, now and in the future, while stating that there is much to be deplored in the conduct of the negotiations preceding the hostilities, may be said to voice the opinion of the bulk of the Liberal

GERMANS JUBILIANT.

Berlin, Dec. 18 .- The German press and people are jubilant over the news from South Africa, and everywhere in the streets people stop each other and offer congratulations. Among the press comments tonight is that of the Kreuz Zeitung, which says:

column is destroyed and the campaign against the Boers is disastrously end-What, however, means more, is that England's decadence, long ago apparent to far-sighted statesmen, has thus become visible before the new

The Vossische Zeitung says: "The English yesterday met the greatest defeat in this campaign, so productive of disappointments and losses."

The National Zeitung says: "The second chapter in this war is now also ended and is much worse than the Its effects upon the Afrikanders in Natal and Cape Colony must be very unfortunate for the English cause."

The semi-official Post, after making merry of the English pretentions in not count upon her colonies, citing

CANCER RUNS

IN FAMILIES.

hose With Hereditary Predispositi n Should Take Treatment in Time.

The writer on cancers in the British Encyclopedia says that nearly half of all cases can be traced to hereditary predisposition. Nearly every authority on malignant growths emphasizes the fact that in a large proportion of cases it will be found that either the father or mother, grandfather or confidence of the country and the atmy grandmother, died of the disease. This in a gallant general on the strength of in a gallant general or a single hereditary tendency to cancer shows that the disease must be of a constitutional nature, and it should also put those persons whose progenitors have died of the disease on their guard to take treatment on the very first indihas been shed on the methods of treating this serious malady. The barbarities of the knife and plaster with their overwhelming percentage of failures regrets. Sterner and more urgent dued by a constitutional remedy, that exaggerate the reverses and disasters builds up the depleted strength, of today. They may become victories searches out the cancer poison in every corner of the system, and with-

resistible superjority, however great the sacrifices involved, the country will eadily sanction. The nation confidently expects the government to do what is necessary. It is our duty to be UNITED AND CALM,

and to concentrate all our resources, material and moral, upon a task which we cannot lay down or leave incomplete without dealing a blow alike at the honor and safety of our own em-

Mr. Asquith's speech fairly expresses the moderate average opinion of the situation. 'A more radical view, which, however, has few open followers, was echoed by Sir Wilfrid Lawson in an address to the Liberals of Carlisle. He accused the government, after bring-America, Germany, Russia and France, of plunging it into war in South Africa,

A MEMORABLE EVENT. The West India docks were gay Saturday afternoon with about 6,000 prominent people present to witness the presentation of the Queen's flag to the American hospital ship Maine. The Duke of Connaught, surrounded by the ladies of the committee, presented the flag to Lady Randolph Churchill, saying: "Ladies and gentlemen,-In the name of her Majesty the Queen, I present this Union Jack to the hospital ship Maine, as a mark of her Majesty's appreciation of the generosity of those who have found money for the ship, and also as a mark of her appreciation for the charity which a large number titude of the British people in view of these hard knocks deserve every praise," and the paper adds that, "inof American ladies and gentlemen have shown towards the soldiers of the Queen, speaking their own language, who are now fighting gallantly in South Africa. It is a great pleasure to me The Lokalanziger says: "Surely a severer trial the British world and to be asked to perform what I believe to be a most unique ceremony. Never before has a ship sailed under the combined flag, the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes, and it marks, I hope, an occasion which brings out cere love of peace only if she emerges from this war with a whole skin and mere loss of prestige." the feeling of generosity and affection for each other. I cannot thank those who have come forward in this manner sufficiently for what they have done. As an officer in the British army, I feel, I can assure you, most deeply for what you have all done, and I am sure the officers and men, day. Most of the papers incline to the assumption that Gen. Buller's military who, I hope, will reap the benefits of this well-founded ship, will ever bless motives in hurrying engagements are those who have done so much for them. would like to mention many names, but I am afraid it is impossible. But I will ask Lady Randolph Churchill to accept, in the names of those who have worked with her, the thanks both of the sovereign of the country and of only have been the excitement pre-vailing among the Afrikanders and all Englishmen and women for the splendid gift of this hospital ship." Lady Randolph Churchill replied, the state of public opinion in Engcesses will bring the Boers fresh auxiliaries from the Dutch Cape Colonists, but adds: "Yet, it is to be seen

thanking the Queen and the Duke of Connaught. The Bishop of Islington blessed the ship, and the flag was hoisted by the duke and broken out, an immense Union Jack, with a red cross in its center, flying out in the sun-shine. The "Star-Spangled Banner" shine. The "Star-Spangled Banner" and "God Save the Queen" were played by the Scots Guards band, and the cheering of the crowds was augmented by the dockers, who clustered along the iver banks and j Simultaneous with the Duke of Con-naught loosing the Union Jack, the the mizzen-mast. Before leaving the Maine, the Duke of Connaught was

presented with a gold maple leaf, sent by Canadian girls. AN IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY. like those of the days of the crusaders. was witnessed at Canterbury Saturday forenoon, when a large company of the East Kent Regiment, known as the "Buffs," marched to the cathedral, escorting the regimental colors, which were placed in the sanctuary. Dean Farrar accepted the custody of the colors, conducted the impressive cere-mony and addressed words of sympathy and encouragement to the sol-diers, who sail for Africa in a few British regiments no carry their precious colors in foreign

wars, but deposit them in their home

SAD FAREWELLS. Affecting leave-takings continue from week to week, as one division after most serious for the military prestige another is ordered to South Africa, of England. The afternoon papers deofficered by the best blood in England. vote long articles to the subject. The Among the mothers who are part-"It is a veritable disaster for Great ing this week from their sons are Lady Edward Churchill, Lady Filmer, Lady Chesham and Lady Leconfeld. Wives of distinguished officers, who had planned going out to the Cape to be near their husbands, have been strongly advised to remain in England. Lady and many more have decided to stay at home, where they can receive private dispatches and war office bulletins with less delay than at Cape Town, which is sometimes 36 hours behind London in trustworthy news. Lord and Lady Tweedmouth are bent Paris, Dec. 17.-For the third time upon going to the Cape after Christrunning along the boulevards today mas. Many officers' wives are doing fine work as nurses at Pietermaritzshouting "Crushing defeat of the Engburg and other hospitals. Lady Henry lish!" and "Great Victory for the Bentinck and Mrs. Bagot will estab Boers." The French people heard and lish an ambulance camp on the veldt read the news with interest and disas soon as they arrive in South Afcussed these British defeats in the resrica. Prince Christian's ambulance taurants and cafes without a display train, the Princess of Wales' hospital of sorrow or sympathy for the British, ship and the American hospital ship Maine are war charities which will ward demonstration of gleeful satisbe in practical operation within a few afction that could be regarded as of-fensive by British spectators.

The violently Anglophobe press, such as La Libre Parole and La Pa-

THE ROYAL IRISH. In additional to the denial from Waterford, cabled to the Asociated Of This City, From Personal Exper-Press, the commanding officer of the 1st Battalion of the Royal Irish Regiment at Aldershot has telegraphed. saying there is absolutely no truth in the statement cabled to the United States that the reserves of the bating the Tyneside Liberal Association talion cheered for President Kruger at Newcastle, said: "Nothing is more and threw their rifles and accourtements into the river when leaving Waterford on their way to South Africa. He adds: "The Royal Irish reserves arrived here complete as dispatched from Clonmel. There was no unjust than to seek to undermine the confidence of the country and the army deficiencies in either men, arms, or comes responsible persons to go about whistling for alliance or dazzling the

accoutrements." HOW THE GUNS WERE LOST. The London correspondent of the New York Tribune cables: Military men do not hold Gen. Buller responsible for the loss of the guns, nor do they consider "entrapped" and accurate word for describing the accident which befell the artillery. They lay searches out the cancer poison in every corner of the system, and without and cutting or suffering, radically and permanently cures the disease.

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the task we have undertaken ought not to have been seen sooner is a question which will have to be answered hereafter, but now it is clear that our force is inadequate. It is the universal opinion of all parties that whatever accession is needed to give the army in Reichstag are now home for the Christmas kolidays, but the four days of budget debate have left deep traces. The main results were the open rupture proclaimed between the Conservative party and Prince Hohenlohe, in which it will be interesting to see which wins; secondly, the Miquel-Lieber duel, in which Dr. Von. Miquel gave some hard knocks; thirdly, Herr Richter's speech amounting to a general arraignment of the emperor and the government, and fourthly, Count Posadowsky-Wehner's remarks about German relations with the United States and Great Britain. Count Posadowsky-Wehner said he regretted that "our commercial relations with America are not wholly good, but I am convinced that right and justice in this are on our side." Then, talking about the necessity for a larger German navy, he said: "The real pro-peling cause is that the commerce of

the world, undivided, should not go wholly to England and America, for which purposes we must be prepared to be similarly strong as those powers." Another remarkable feature of Another remarkable feature of Count Posadowsky-Wehner's speech was the part in which he ridiculed the agrarian Roesicke, who had upheld the Boer states as political and enonomic

ideals for the German nation. NAVY BILL LIKELY TO PASS. Herr Richter's three hour oration was replete with witticisms as usual One of the most effective was when referring to the groundless rumors about the Danish West Indies he said: "No wonder with \$17,000,000 paid for the Caroline Islands that we are bulling the market and prompting all other countries to ponder whether they have not some cast-off pair of islands

Herr Richert, who spoke in the name of the pro-navy radicals, pointed out that the proposed naval increase was a popular movement, adding: "Things which people do not want, even the mightiest monarch or the mightiest

statesman cannot carry:"
The deepest and most lasting impression was produced by Count Von Buelow's solemn and pathetic declarations when the reichstag adjourned. The attitude of different parties toward the naval bill is not yet clearly defined; but from inquiries made by the correspondent of the Associated Press among the leaders of the different factions, it can be said that the chances of the bill's passage are most

OPEN DOOR IN CHINA. From an authentic source the correspondent hears, regarding the "open door" in China, that the Washington government has not yet asked any other power besides Germany to furnish assurances, verbal or written, to Germany's answer is entirely favorable, all the other powers interested will be asked, including France, Russia, Italy and Great Britain. It is expected that all of them will answer favorably, except, perhaps, Russia; but it is hoped that strong moral pressure can then be brought to bear on Russia to yield.

have prevailed throughout Germany this week and this has produced considerable suffering. From all larger cities there are reports to that effect and there have been many deaths due to exposure. In Berlin alone there were eight deaths from exposure dur-ing the last four days. The temperature was lower than for years past. At Koenigsberg, it was 23 degrees below zero, in Berlin 18 degrees below, and at Breslau 22 degrees below.

Steps are being taken to erect a monument to Emin Pasha in Oppein, his native place. MM. Chatnard and Guillaumet, of Paris, have made preparations to establish a permanent French theater in Berlin beginning in April next.

MRS. WARD'S NOVEL ELEANOR. The chief feature of the hundreth volume of Harper's Magazine will doubtles be Mrs. Humphrey Ward's novel, Eleanor, which will-begin in the January number and run twelve months. A grance over the bound volworks of all the great novelists were first offered to American readers through its pages. Dickens, Thack-eray, George Eliot, Du Maurier, and fact all the great writers, both in the United States and abroad, were frequent contributors. Of Dickens works, Bleak House, Little Dorritt, Our Mutual Friend and Many other shorter works appeared in Harper's. Thackeray was first known in America through the Virginians, Denis Duval, The Adventures of Philip, and The Newcomes. George Eliot contributed Daniel Deronda and Romola; Du Maurier, in Trilby, took the country by when revenue officers were still unstorm, and Thomas Hardy won his known and smuggling was still an easy first reputation in American by his novels which appeared as serials in this periodical. There is a distin-guished line before Mrs. Ward, but her own fame is not built on the sands

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MONTE CRISTO

Description of the Place, Whose Name Is Famous-A Beautiful Spot.

[St. Louis Republic.] What magic there is in a name! This was finely illustrated a few days ago when it was announced that the young Prince of Naples had purchased the Island of Monte Cristo as a present for his charming wife, and had erected there a hunting lodge, which he proposes to make his headquarters when ever the fancy seizes him to flee from the glare and bustle of court life and to enjoy a few days' hunting and shoot ing in a place that knows not the tele graph or the postman, and that, though a part of Italy, is practically a terra incognita, even to the Italians

themselves. The island which the Prince has bought is an insignificant little strip of land, and yet there is a fascination about it that renders the news of its purchase of interest to the thousands in all countries who are familiar with the name of Monte If Dumas had not written his famous omance, with its wonderful, if im-

possible, hero, it is doubtful if any one of us would pause very long over the dispatch that the Prince of Naples had become the owner of the island. no wonder, for what would one know or care about the place if the delightful French story-teller had not directed our attention to it and had not en-thralled thousands by his graphic de-scription of its wild scenery and of the splendid life which the multi-million-aire count led while he was master of Outside of Dumas' work you will find very little mention of the island. One or two Florentine chroniclers speak of it, one modern historian tells us that it has a weird and romantic appearance at sunset, and the leading encyclopaedias contain merely a few ines about its dimensions and general appearance. Of its past history no author gives any account, and evident-

ly for the reason that it has not been inhabited for a long time.

Yet that It has had a romantic history is pretty clear. Situated as it is, in the Mediterranean, 27 miles south of Elba, it is manifestly impossible that it was always as isolated and as desolate as it has been within the last few centuries, and by gleaning here and there in old records one can obtain a fair idea of its past. First, however, it is necessary to have a clear conception As seen from the Mediterranean, it

flercely against it, and it is not easy to make a landing. Neither does it contain anything likely to attract the ordinary tourist. The ground is mainly covered with bowlders, and there is not an acre of land which can be cultivat-ed. On the other hand, the sportsman and the naturalist will find many treasures amid this mass of rock. Wild goats have long been suzerains of the place, and partridges have long made it their home. The chirping of grass-hoppers is heard on all sides, and the brilliant butterflies and beetles luxuriate in the dense scrubs and g asses which are found here and there.
Myrtles and olive trees spread in all directions, forming many a labyrinth, and gray old lichen veils the deformity of many an uncouth rock.

There are grottoes on the island, but hardly such a one of Dumas describes—the one in which the marvelous treasure was found. "There were at least 1,000 ingots of gold, each of which weighed from two to three pounds. Then he piled up 25,000 crowns, each of which was worth about 80 francs, and bore the effigies of Alexander VI. and his predecessors, and he saw that the compartment was not half empty.

And he measured ten double handfuls of pearls, diamonds and other gems, many of which, mounted by the famous workmen, were valuable beyond their intrinsic worth."

At the same time there are few places in the world where a treasure is more likely to have been buried, and for the very good reason that in bygone ages the island of Monte Cristo was a favorite resort of smugglers and and if some of those old outlaws could only speak, they would surely tell many a tale of daredevil deeds done amid the desolate rocks in the days and profitable pursuit. There is indirect testimony that many a jovial banquet was held here by reckless Italian Robin Hoods, many from Corsica and Sardinia, during that memor-able epoch when Lorenzo the Magnificent was playing his superb role in the City of Flowers, and there is more than one old legend which tells how African bandits frequently found the island a sure place of refuge. And yet all this time the island was, strictly speaking, uninhabited, being at the best merely a temporary lodging-place for those whose hands were against every man as every man's hands were Italy has owned this barren place from time immemorial, and about twenty-five years ago there was some

talk of establishing a penal colony there. According to one authority considerable progress was made in this direction, but it is evident that the experiment, if tried at all, was not a success, as otherwise the island would hardly have been sold to the Prince of Naples. There was certainly grim irony in the thought of transforming into a prison for criminals the very place which for so long was a future than we ever knew before. refuge of criminals.

That the Prince and Princess of Naples will heartily enjoy whatever days they may spend on this rugged and romantic spot is certain. Both of them are fond of outdoor dife, and there are few better sportsmen than the prince in Europe. For that matter there are very few women who are more skillful than the princess with shotgun or rifle. She frequently goes on a shooting expedition, and rare indeed is the day on which some trophies

do not fall to her gun. She recently went to Spitzbergen for some shooting, and was successful in bringing down many reindeer, as well as a large number of eider ducks and other game. Delighting as she does in free outdoor life, she was naturally pleased when her husband presented her with the island of Monte Cristo, and she has interested herself much since then in the shooting-box which the shooting-box which and visit Covert Garden Market. There was will see such a block of traffic and is being built there and in the arrangements which are being made to convert the rest of the barren island into

and in Eleanor we may look for something beyond the ordinary. It is said that it is, in the main, a love story. The scene is laid in an old Italian villa on the Campagna, and the interest centers in the dove of an American girl and on English woman for the sibility on Our Shoulders.

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If the prince and princess they can be as isolated on their island as they would be in the heart of Africa, but with this difference, that with a few hours after the whim seizes them they can be transported from their oasis to the heart of Italy; in the shape of some hundred or so of whereas, if they were sojourning on old women. They dart in and out whereas, if they were sojourning on the black continent they would find the journey back to civilization much

longer and more difficult. In conclusion, it may be said that, thanks to the Prince of Naples, we are likely to learn much more about the island of Monte Cristo in the near prince and princess may desire soli-tude at times, but they are not hermits, and there is little doubt that the wild goats will see more human beings during the next few years than they have seen before for a long time. There is equally little doubt that, il the island contains any treasures-botanical, geological, or whatever they may be—the world will hear of them before very long.

FEMALE POLICEMEN OF LON-[London Mail.]

London, unknown to most of its inhabitants, has a police force the like of which does not exist in any other

Garden has a police force all to itself, among the carts, order the drivers to stop, or back their horses, or move on. They shout and shake their fists and catch the horses' heads, and, if necessary, shy turnips or potatoes at the drivers. But they always succeed in having their own way. Only for these women it is believed that it would be necessary to read the riot act every Saturday morning. in Covent Garden. As it is, the women police make a comfortable living out of their profession, the drivers giving them daily tips, while the proprietors

ing up the duty of keeping order a

impossible job. But still you will find

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WILL LOP OFF FOUR CLUBS

Conclusion About Reached by National Basebali Magnates.

Intermediate Schedule for the Ontario Hockey Association.

Meeting of the Canadian Rugby Football Union-Other Sporting Matters of Interest.

HOCKEY.

O. H. A. SCHEDULE. The first meeting of the new execu-

tive of the Ontario Hockey Association, was held Friday night, at the National Club, Toronto.
Under rule K, the committee granted the London Hockey Club permission to play players from the London

City League. intermediate schedule was adopted as follows: A-Barrie vs. Collingwood by Jan. 3; Collingwaad vs. Barrie, by Jan. 9. B-Orillia vs. Midland, Jan. 3; Mid-

land vs. Orillia, Jan. 9.

B½-Winner of A vs. B, by Jan. 16.

C-Newmarket vs. Toronto University, Jan. 16; 'Varsity vs. Newmarket, C1/2-Winner of C vs. B1/2, by Jan. 30. D-Wellington vs. Lindsay, Jan. 3; Lindsay vs. Wellington, Jan. 9. E-Queen's vs. Frontenac, Jan. 16;

Frontenac vs. Queen's, Jan. 23. F-Belleville, vs. Peterboro, Jan. 3; Peterboro vs. Belleville, Jan. 9. G-Winner of D vs. F, Jan. 16. H-Winners of G vs. E, Jan. 30. I-Listowel vs. Seaforth, Jan. 3; Seaforth vs. Listowel, Jan. 9.

J-Harriston vs. winners of I, Jan. K-Sarnia vs. Windsor, Jan. Windsor vs. Sarnia, Jan. 9. L-London vs. Seaforth, Jan. Seaforth vs. London, Jan. 9.

M-Winners of K vs. L, Jan. 16. N-Parkdale vs. National, Jan. 3; National vs. Parkdale, Jan. 9. O-Waterloo vs. St. George, Jan. 3; St. George vs. Waterloo, Jan. 9. P-Winners of N vs. O, Jan. 16. Q-Winners of J ys. M, Jan. 23.

R-Winners of P vs. Q, Jan. 30. S-Winners of H vs. C1/2, Feb. 12. T-Winners of R vs. S, Feb. 20. The junior schedule will be completed in a few days.

The games will be played on the ice

of the first named team. The Capitals of Ottawa and the Iroquois club were admitted to the senor series, and the application of the Midland-Waubaushene and waterloo-Berlin clubs for amalgamation were

"BLONDINE" GILMOUR. Toronto Telegram: The Wellingtons are going to have a fine time in London, Ont., New Year's, and big pre-parations are being made to receive them. They will take up their full team and give London some fast hoc-On the London team will figure

The O. H. A. championship season will be opened in London on Jan. 3, when Strathroy will play here. George Black is getting the team into firstclass shape.

PASEBALL. THE NATIONAL LEAGUE MEET-ING.

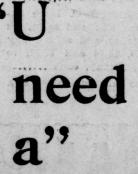
New York, Dec. 18.-The National League today abruptly closed its five days' session on Saturday. The adjournment was taken with the understanding that the members were to be called together in the near future to hear a report by a special committee appointed to provide ways and means for the reduction of the league circuit. According to expressed views of cer-tain members an eight-club league is in gas plants, which seem to give splennow almost a certainty. The matter has now narrowed to how much money will be necessary to buy off the four cities it is proposed to drop. The clubs in Question are Louisville, Baltimore, Cleveland and Washington. The matter of a schedule was laid over for a further meeting.

FOOTBALL MEETING OF THE R. U.

Montreal, Dec. 18.—The annual meeting of the Canadian Rugby Football Union was held here on Saturday evening. It was resolved that the deciding championship game be played

on Nov. 24, 1900, or at any earlier or later date that my be agreed upon by the clubs interested. The financial statement showed a balance at the credit of the union of \$45 50. It was decided to buy 16 badges to be pre-sented to the Peterboro team, who won the intermediate championship. Discussion of the rules was next in order. Ontario delegates were a unit

in opposing any change in the exist-ing scrimmage. Mr. Claxton's amendments were voted down. The only changes in the rules made were the following: Rule 16 was wiped out and in its place the following rule was adopted: "No player shall hold with his hand or arms an opponent who has not the ball, under a penalty of free kick to side not offending, or of-fending player being ruled off." In a scrimmage players may obstruct or block opponents with the body, but shall not hold with the hands or arms; a player may obstruct, charge interfere with or hold an opponent who has the ball. No player shall backtrip, scragg or tackle an opponent under penalty of a free kick, and no one shall play in a match wearing projecting metal or gutta percha on any part of his clothing. The second sentence of rule 10 was wiped out and replaced by "An offside player is placed on side (a) when an opponent has run five yards with the ball; (b) when the ball has been kicked by or has touched an opponent; (c) when one of his side has run in front of him with the ball, or (d) when one of



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his side has run in front of him hav-ing kicked the ball when behind him." The elections were all by acclamation, and resulted as follows: A. D. Ford, Kingston, president; A. G. B. Claxton, Montreal, vice-president; J. McD. Mowat, secretary.

WHEEL.

ELKES VS. TAYLOR. New York, Dec. 18. — Six thousand people saw Harry Elkes, of America, defeat Edouard Taylor, of France, in the hour paced international championship at Madison Square Garden Saturday night. Elkes finished almost two miles in the lead. His distance was 31 miles 3 laps; Taylor, 28 miles 91/4 laps FISTIC.

CONNOLLY GOT THE DECISION. Eddie Connolly, of St. John, N. B., was given the decision over Kid Mc-Partland, of New York, at the end of 25 rounds of fighting at the Broad-

TURF WINNERS AT NEW ORLEANS. First race, selling, 1 mile-Village Pride won, Koenig 2. Frank McConnel 3. Time, 1:421/4.
Second race, 6 furlongs—Himtime

Third race, selling, 1 mile and 70 Fourth race, preliminary Derby, 3 miles—Alex won, Prince of Verona 2, Red Cross 3. Time, 1:141/2. Fifth race, selling, 1 mile—La Grange won, Waterhouse 2, Sallie La-mar 3. Time, 1:421/2. mar 3. Time, 1:421/4.

SPORTING NOTES. Zoraster has been racing on the California tracks five weeks, and he has won eight races.

The mare Jess was so badly injured during a work-out at New Orleans last week that her owners were forced to destroy her. Ben Vincent has been suspended for 30 days by the stewards of the Crescent City Jockey Club, for the inconsistent

running of his horse, Seaport. Charles Crow, the ex-London pitcher, is to be married on Christmas Day. In a letter to Pete Lohman he says he hopes to get into baseball again next season. He is in business at Niles, O. John A. Rubie, one of the best known trap shooters in the west, died at his home in Beloit, Wis., Friday.
Jan. 22 is the date named for the bonspiel of the Northwestern Curling Association, and it will be held in Mil-

waukee this winter. War is being waged in Scotland against heavily nailed boots on the golf links. They make sad havoe with the wet putting green, and it is claim-ed they are unsuitable for the sport

altogether.
The annual report, showing the receipts and expenditures of the athletic association of the University of Chicago, shows a deficit of \$12,000 41.

JOTTINGS FROM **NEAR-BY PLACES**

EXETER.

destroyed the electric plant in Exeter "Blondine" Gilmour, who has consented to play one more season. He is convenience, for the bright, cheerful parts of Cape Colony, and the attitude of the Dutch farmers is turbulent. a great help to the team in every way, appearance so eagerly aimed at in and it may be truly said of "Blondine," without him, where's the band?" appearance so eagerly aimed at in window-dressing and store arrangements, especially at Christmas time is ments, especially at Christmas time, is impossible with the oil lamp, which seems to shine with the brilliancy of old-time tallow dips. But the business man, being good-natured, and feeling sorry for those whose loss is greater than his own, patiently awaits the May Be Accepted From Canada Before new dynamo, which is expected this week. W. T. Acheson, of the Central Hotel, who conducts one of the most comfortable and best appointed houses in the northern country, is installing an acetylene gas plant, and intends within a few days to have the system in operation. The use of lamps will be entirely dispensed with, for jets are to be placed in every room, which will afford the large number of men who frequent the place much additional There will likely be a boom

did results. The Parsons Produce Company have done an enormous business in poultry this year, and have big staffs of workers both at Centralia and Exeter busy preparing luscious specimens of fowl for Christmas consumption. consignments are being shipped to the

Northwest. The cutting off of the evening mail service at Hay postoffice is causing patons there much annoyance. The peobe at night, because the patrons all being working people, are unable to call during the day, and it makes it impossible for them to obtain the evening papers the same day as published without going to Exeter. It is thought the serving mail will be changed if the authorities are pressed.

The laundry lately run by Thomas Bros. has been purchased by B. Makins, who is now busy getting things into shape, and with the benefit of experience gained in big laundries in large cities, will be in a position to do work in first-class style in the quickest possible time. The new proprietor has many friends in the rounding country who will assist him in building up a prosperous business.

NIAGARA WHIRLPOOL SUICIDE IDENTIFIED.

Niagara Falls, Dec. 18.-The found in the whirlpool on Thursday has been positively identified as that of J. C. Richardson, of North Easton, Pa. The burial will probably be at Man- be as serious as the dispatches indilius. N. Y. Richardson was for several years a resident of Jamestown. MR. CLEVELAND HAS RHEUMA-TISM.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 17.-Former President Grover Cleveland is confined to his house with an attack of rheu-matism. Dr. J. H. Wickoff, his physi-cian, said that the attack is slight, and that Mr. Cleveland will in all probability be in his usual health soon. THREE MEN ON FOUR WHEELS. Three Men on Four Wheels is Je-

rome K. Jerome's rather eccentric title for the series of humorous stories which he has just completed for the Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia. Every one who has read Three men in a Boat—and who has not?—will wish to follow the misadventures of Mr. Jerome and his two companions on their tour through Germany astride a tandem and a Mr. Jerome's wit is no less keen, nor his humor less kindly, than when he scored his first great literary success ten years old. The first story of Mr. Jerome's series will appear in the Post of January 6. It has been superbly ilustrated in half-tone by Mr. Harrison Fisher.

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Nov. 29, ten-hour fight at Modder River, and retreat (no report).

Dec. 9, defeat at Lombard Kop (no report)

Dec. 11, victory at Stormberg...

Dec. 17, victory over Methuen...

Dec. 15, loss at Gouthampers...

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expert: "Buller's battle cannot be fol-lowed except in a vague general way. His dispatch does not pretend to be more than a statement of affairs.
Buller's purpose at present is to relieve Ladysmith and join hands with Gen. White. To do that he must cross the Tugela. His failure on Friday was complete, but not final. An advance Nov. 11, Orange River reconnoiswill probably be delayed until a fresh arrival of artillery."

REV. DR. PARKER'S APPEAL. London, Dec. 18.—Rev. Dr. Parker, during his Sunday sermon to an immense congregation in the City Temple, insisted that something should be done to stop the bloodshed in South Second race, 6 furlongs—Himtime won, Wood 2, Dolly Weitoff 3. Time, only one able to do so. Continuing, he said: "A word from her would bring an honorable peace and avert a most yards—Traveler won, Lobengula 2, miserable Christmas. For us the thou-Matchbox 3. Time, 1:48. sands of widows and orphans will sands of widows and orphans will make this Christmas hideous beyond any other the world has ever seen. God save the Queen. Send into her heart the holy inspiration which will, by its legitimate expression, burn the chariot in the fire.'

BOER CANT.

New York, Dec. 18.—Relating an interview with the Boer commandant after the battle of Stormberg, the Jourand Advertiser's correspondent with Gen. Gatacre's column, quotes the commandant as saying concerning the Boer victory: "How can we doubt that it is the hand of God? Taken completely by surprise and no idea the British were coming to attack us. Our first intimation of approach was the arrival of their men within easy range of our best position. Yes, it was surely God's work."

BUGLE BLASTS. The Natal Government Gazette announces that Gen. Buller has appointed a commission to inquire into the losses of the people of the colony resulting from the Boer invasion. There are reports of uneasiness in Bastuoland. The natives are restless on account of Gen. Gatacre's disaster at Stormberg, and are clamoring for arms. It is believed, however, that Sir Godfrey Lagden, the British resident commissioner, has the Basutos well in hand. Mr. Seymour, advising engineer to

the Ecksteins, offered to raise a volunteer force of 2,000 to assist the regulars. The offer was accepted.
Some of the western Transvaal
burghers have gone to the Johannesburg district. Many of the Boers speak English. The condition of Gen. Joubert, who is ill at Volksrust, is improving. The Transvaal Government is employing natives to work in mines, paying them

£1 a month and feeding them. It is rumored that Winston Churchill, the newspaper correspondent, who recently escaped from Pretoria, has captured at Waterfalboven, The disastrous fire which a week ago
lestroyed the electric plant in Exeter

about half-way
Portuguese territory.
Secret meetings of Boer sympathiz-

THE SECOND

Long-Hon. Joseph Chamberlain's Dispatch to the Premier.

Ottawa, Dec. 18.-The position taken by her majesty's government in London on the question of the second contingent will be of particular interest now, and therefore the imperial dispatch on the question is worthy of reproduction. The communication from the colonial secretary to the A New Discovery, But Not a Patent governor-general was in the following

"Your ministers' generous offer to send without delay a second contingent for service in South Africa has received the attentive consideration lets. of the secretary of state for war and his military advisers. But they re-The offer will, however, certainly be borne in mind, and her majesty's government will have no hesitation in events make it possible to do so. Her majesty's government attach great importance to the fresh proof of Canadian sympathy and good-will, and desire to express their grateful apprecia-

tion of it. (Signed) Chamberlain." From the terms of this dispatch it will be seen that the Canadian government's offer of a second contingent is still before the British government. and that the moment the formation of such a contingent is deemed expedithe war office authorities, Canent by ada will be notified, and the contingent will thereupon be immediately organized. If the situation continues to be as serious as the dispatches of tocate, it seems probable that the second contingent will be called for.

FELL IN THE FRAY

Estimates of Boer and British Losse in the South African War.

The losses of the South African war up to date can only be crudely estimated. British returns are ragged and incomplete, while Boer losses are either utterly unknown or vaguely estimated. The following figures have been reported from time to time: BOER LOSSES.

Oct. 14, at Mafeking killed and many wounded, Col. Schiel and others made prisoners Total roster of Boer prisoners, Nov. 15, at Ladysmith...... Nov. 20, loss at Ladysmith

Dec. 16, victory at Colenso Total 6,126

Boer losses in nine battle are not re-

BRITISH LOSSES. Oct. 12, at Mafeking Oct. 18, at Ladysmith..... Oct. 20, Gen. Symonds and others, after eight Lours fighting.....
Oct. 21, at Rhodes' Drift
Oct. 24, at Reitfontein farm.... Same day at Kimberley...... War office summary to date, Oct. 15Oct. 30, at Ladysmith.....

Oct. 30, at Ladysmith....... 2,000 No. 3, same place, small loss........ Nov. 7, same place Nov. 17, ambush at Estcourt..... Nov. 20, at Ladysmith, small Nov. 24, Methuen at Belmont..... Nov. 27, Hildyard's loss at Est-

Nov. 27, Methuen at Gras Pan.... Nov. 27, at Modder River Dec. 9, capture of Lombard's Kop Dec. 11, Gatacre at Stromberg, loss Dec. 15. skirmish at Zoutpans.... Dec. 16, Buller at Colenso, eleven guns and loss of 1,097

Total killed, wounded and prisoners

IISTORY MAY REPEAT ITSELF

and vexatious, but they cannot alter the final result of the war. About that we have no misgivings. And here we would advise our pessimistic readers to remember what happened in the war of the North and South in America. The South began with plenty of successes and daring raids after the manner of the Boers, but the final result was not affected thereby. Unless we are not mistaken, it was Grant, who, even at the moment of the greatest triumphs of the South, declared that the South was like an empty eggshell. looked very round and solid, but all its strength was on the outside. Once pierce it and it would collapse. for there was nothing left inside. It is so with the Boers. With splendid pluck and energy they have placed their whose armed force on their frontiers, or, rather, on our territory, and for the moment they are doing great things. When once, however, our grasp begins to close in on the eggshell it will collapse. The force which makes so great a show has nothing to rest upon but emptiness. When the Boer collapse comes it will be as quick and complete as have been the Boer achievements in the first few weeks of the war. But though this is our firm belief, we do not think that the colapse will come at once. It will certainly be many months; it may be a year before we pierce the shell, and it may be, and, indeed, we think it probable, that there are in store for us defeats and anxieties more and worse than any we have yet experienced. All we desire to insist on is that the collapse will come, and that when it does it will be extremely sudden and complete. The Boers will seem stronger than ever before their fall, just as Lee were burying the dead only five or six miles from Washington only a month CONTINGENT or so before the final scene in the Apponattox Courthouse.—London Spec-

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About 600 western horses were ship ped the other day from Jersey City for South Africa. The average salary paid to Methodist preachers in the United States

DEATH'S DOINGS

Demise of Bishop Champoux-Walter Shanly Passes Away.

St. Polycarpe, Que., Dec. 18.—His Grace Bishop Louis Sepherin Champoux died early yesterday morning after a severe illness, which extended over several weeks. He was 60 years of age. He had spent 32 years in the Montreal, Dec. 18.-Walter Shanly, C.E., who as an engineer stood at the head of his profession, died here yester-

day, aged 80 years. Mr. Shanly was born in Ireland in 1819, and came to Canada with his parents in 1836. After his arrival in Canada he was employed on many important public works. He was general manager of the G. T R. from 1858 to 1862. His most import ant engineering work was the con-struction of the Hoosac Mountain tunnel-a feat that was considered impracticable by engineers. Mr. Shanly was for many years a prominent member of the Canadian Parliament, and a personal friend and supporter of Sir John A. Macdonald. Buffalo, Dec. 18 .- After a long and useful career. Gen. William Finlay Rogers died while he slept, and had a

peaceful smile on his face when his daughter entered his room Saturday morning to arouse him for breakfast. His last days were passed of the home his son, former City Engineer Thomas J. Rogers, No. 17 Whitney Place. Deceased was 79 years of age. He learned the printer's trade, and at 20 years of age established a weekly paper at Honesdale, Pa. In 1846 he came to Buffalo, was foreman of the Courier's composing room, and established the Buffalo Republic, which was a daily, and was later known as Our blunders are extremely tiresome the Times-Republic. When the civil and vexatious, but they cannot alter war commenced he was captain of company C, 74th Regiment. He became colonel of the 21st New York Volunteers, and when mustered out was brevetted brigadier-general for faithful service in the field. He afterwards was commissioner of enrollment, and later provost-marshal of the 30th district of New York. He also served for many years as major-general of the 8th division of the National Guard, State of New York. He afterward held important civic offices, and was prominent in Masonic circles.

William Ellis, ex-superintendent of the Welland Canal, and one of St. Catharines' most prominent citizens died suddenly on Friday of inflammation of the lungs.

THROWN FROM A CAB. Toronto, Dec. 18 .- Mrs. James Rogers, sen., 49 Wellesley street, was thrown from a cab at the corner of Church and Wellesley streets about 11 o'clock Saturday night and instantly killed Her cab was being driven across Church street, when it came into collision with a trolley car.

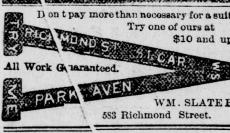
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London Advertiser. (ESTABLISHED BY JOHN CAMERON IN 1863,

London, Monday, Dec. 18.

No Ground for Panic. Itary undertakings, the British have a in the end. We have only to point to and the conquest of the Soudan within the latter half of this century.

History today is repeating itself. Now that the Eritish people begin to Paliament, where the royalty could be realize the true proportions of the task before them, they will bend themselves to it with that invincible spirit which readiness to defend it, the men who has triumphed over far greater difficulties than now confront it.

The tidings of disaster have been borne with a magnificent calm, which has excited the admiration even of the jealous critics of continental Europe. There is not the slightest symptom of panic in the mother country. It is well for us to remember that the news sent to this continent is colored for use in the United States, which has the most sensational press in the world. We must discount much of it, while recognizing the gravity of the situation.

The East Middlesex Bye-Election.

the vacancy having been caused by commercial affairs, but he was per-

late member Mr. T. D. Hodgens. new Premier, Hon. George W. Ross, ish trade and commerce lie were thorcommends itself to the electors of all oughly educated for their work. But shades of opinion, and it is especially commercial education would not by gratifying to us in this neighborhood itself go to the root of the matter. to see the highest position in the gift In his belief, better discipline among of the Province held by a son of Mid- children at home, greater and more dlesex. It would be a graceful tribute widespread belief among parents in If the unexpired term of the Legisla- the inestimable value of good educature were allowed to be filled by Mr. | tion for their children, and a thorough Hodgens' late opponent, Dr. McWil- foundation in elementary and secondliam, who conducted his campaign in ary education had done more to proa dignified, manly way, that com- mote the commercial success of Germended him to the large body of the many than any system of commercial so, there is no reason why, with pro- were well attended to in Great Britper organization and a moderate edu- ain, the best laid scheme of commercative campaign East Middlesex cial education would fail. There is should not show as great relative good common sense in this criticism. friendliness to the policy of the new Premier, as did South Ontario and South Brant a few days ago. Dr. Mc- good nerves, eat sugar. That is the William, if he can be induced to again view of the surgeons and generals of become a candidate, would make an the German army, after careful experideal representative, being an exceed- iments on the men under their charge, ingly capable and persuasive speaker, a man of absolutely unblemished character, and disposed to take a large and who is now at the head of the physioltolerant view of politics looking to the well-being of all classes of the com-

The Money Value of British Rule. Among the speculations as to the results of the present war in South Africa not the least interesting to us In Canada are those of the gold mine owners. John Hays Hammond, a distinguished operator on the Rand, has just submitted a special report, along with the annual statement of the directors of the "Consolidated Gold Fields of South Africa." which the British Chancellor of the Exchequer will no doubt peruse with special satisfaction. In reference to the benefits likely to be gained to the gold fields as an outcome of the conflict now raging. Mr. Hammond says: "The amelioration of conditions consequent upon good government will most materially enhance the value of the properties of Wit-Watersrand district. Not only will there be a direct saving per ton on our treating, but the tonnage of payable ore will be thereby considerably increased." The economies to be effected will, he says, be in connection with the cost of labor and of mining supplies, especially dynamite. the suppression of the traffic in stolen amalgam and gold, now being extensively carried on, etc., And putting an estimate of the gains which the industry may be expected to realize, Mr. Hammond writes: "I would regard the sum of 6c. per ton as conservative estimate of the direct and indirect benefits of good government. The saving would be equivalent to an enhanced profit of from £7,500 to £12,-000, and would result in an increase of annual dividends by the amount of £4,826,535, based on last year's ton-

The arithmetical accuracy of Mr. Hammond's calculation may, of course, be objected to; but, in any case it must be conceded that this statement by one of the millionaire gold mine operators in the Rand will strengthen the determination of the British Chancellor of the Exchequer to charge a considerable portion of the expenses of the war to the treasury of the Transvaal. The fact that an industry should be specially selected for increased taxation. But when a heavy expenditure of public money is under- it, Liberal and Conservative alike suptaken, chiefly for the relief of an in- port the government in its intention dustry from special disabilities, and dustry from special disabilities, and verses that are now met with will to place it on a much more favorable only make the final settlement more and profitable basis, there is no in- secure. justice in calling upon it to contribute to the cost. In this view we are joined by the London Economist, a representative financial authority. In other words, it is suggested that in the Transvaal, the same measure of jusmining industry as Canada has extended to the gold miners in the Yukon. The poor or unfortunate miner, who does not dig out of the earth more than \$5,000 in a year, has to pay no tax. But the successful his political adversaries once accused him of deceitfulness and hypocrisy, but he rose to the occasion. "They say I am two-faced," said Mr. Eddy. "Now, gentlemen, looking mournful and homelier than usual, "do you believe that, if I had two faces, I would be wearing this one?" This did up all his critics tice shall be meted out to the gold

nage of ore crushed. It would, how-

ever, take several years to fully re-

alize the saving in question."

his ten per cent. With this money, means for the protection of life and property have been provided, British law and justice has been established, and kditor. John Cameron and a model camp has been maintained. A telegraph line has been built, roads have been opened up, hospitals aided, the poverty-stricken provided means for Without the royalty, the taxpayers History shows that in their great mil- in Canada would have had to put their hands in their pockets to provide these perfect genius for meeting calamity at necessaries to civilized life. Yet we the outset, and retrieving it gloriously have a section of our people endeavoring to make the miners disloyal to the Crimean war, the Afghan war, British institutions and formenting trouble by their attacks on the Government for collecting the royalty. It is a disgraceful attempt, because in assailed and where Hon. Mr. Sifton, Minister of the Interior, expressed his now go up and down the country caviling at it, failed to raise the issue.

> In future, we may be sure, necessary new railways in Manitoba will be built as public works.—Hamilton Herald.

We don't believe it, though we should like to see it done.

In view of what is being said with regard to the best means to make the education of this country as practical as is possible, recent remarks on the subject of education in the Motherland will be interesting. Speaking at a gathering in the British metropolis in support of the establishment of a The electors of East Middlesex will faculty of commerce in connection shortly have laid upon them the duty with the University of London, Sir of choosing a representative for the Michael Hicks-Beach said that he was Ontario House to fill in the remainder not a great believer in the view that of the term of the present Legislature. the British people lacked success in the sudden and lamented death of the feetly ready to admit that success might be more largely augmented if We believe the forward policy of the | those with whom the interests of Brit-However, if this cannot be education, and unless these matters

If you desire to be strong and have

ly associated with Professor Koch, and ogical laboratory of the German army, states that a sugar diet increases the muscular power in a comparatively short time, and in a considerably shorter time than white of egg, the effect of which, however, is more lasting, though sugar has the advantage of being cheaper. The extraordinary rapidity with which sugar is absorbed by the body explains the rapid effect on the nervous system, which is of the greatest importance in all cases where a speedy bodily recuperation distance marching. Professor Pfuhl, in a series of successful experiments with sugar on his own person, has found that after long walks, three or four lumps of sugar removed all feelings of lassitude, and to a certain extent, restored elasticity in the muscles, this effect being frequently produced in the short space of a quarter of an hour. He is of opinion that artificial substitutes for sugar, such as saccharine, etc., have not all the same effect. Professors Senator and Munk, eminent physiologists of the Berlin University, have come to the conclusion that sugar has a high nutritive value as the purest and most easily soluble hydrate of carbon.

What Others Say.

One Comfort. [Ottawa Journal.] The Boers will evidently make the British army a much better fighting machine before they are through.

Not So Deadly. [Detroit News.] Casualty lists from South Africa are

calculated to reconcile us to the elu-

siveness of our Philippine foe.

The Tail Twister.

[Louisville Courier-Journal.] A little of Senator Mason, of Illinois, is endurable. A little of a clown is usually endurable. But Mason every day the year round, and each day more asinine, if possible, than the pre-ceding day, has a tendency to pall.

No Doubt About the Result.

[Stratford Beacon.] If there is any bright side to the reverses the British have encountered it is the steadfastness and grim determination with which the British at home meet them. Whatever question there may be as to the causes which led to of seeing the matter through. The re-

Ugly Face, Pretty Wit.

[Boston Herald.] The homeliest man in congress is Mr. Eddy, of Minnesota, and he rather prides himself on this fact. Some of his political adversaries once accused

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Rye, per	bu	50	e to 56c
Beans, T	er bu	\$1	to \$1 35
The re		e light. No	change

American Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.-Provisions were conspicuously active on the board of trade Saturday, weakening heavy profit-taking, precipitated by the Boston financial difficulties, May pork closing 20c; May lard, 12½c, and May ribs, 7½c to 10c under yesterday. Wheat weakened on the government report, but steadied on a better export inquiry, May closing 1/8c down, cats unchanged. Wheat was weak the greater part of the session because the trade thought the government re-Boston financial deport bearish. moralization also had a depressing effect. Exports were light. Foreigners, were the principal buyers throughout, towards the close made their influence felt, and as their moves believed to reflect bulish deductions from the tangled South African situation, the locals raised their bids a pit, and shorts did some covering. shipping demand also improved

The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat -Dec., 65%c; May, 69%c; July, 69%c. Corn-Dec., 30%c; Jan., 31c; May, 33c. Oats-Dec., 22%c; May, 24c to 24%c. Mess Pork -Jan., 36 12%; May, 24c to 24%c. Mess Pork -Jan., 26 45; May, 25 65. Short ribs -Jan., 25 37%; May, 25 65. Short ribs -Jan., 25 37%; May, 25 65. Short ribs -Jan., 25 37%; May, 25 22%. Cash quotations-Flour, steady; winter patents, 24 00 to 33 10; spring specials, 23 20; clears, 32 90 to 33 50; straights, 33 to 33 20; clears, 32 90 to 35 50; straights, \$2 70 to \$3; bakers, 31 90 to \$2 50. No. 3 spring wheat, 63%c to 64%c; No. 2 red. 67c to 68e. No. 2 corn, 31c to 31%c; No. 2 yellow corn, 31%c to 31%c. No. 2 yellow corn, 31%c late in the session.

bushels, SHIPMENTS—Flour, 13,000 barrels; wheat, 34,000 bushels; corn, 98,000 bushels; oats, 158,-000 bushels; rye, 32,000 bushels; barley, 12,000 bushels.

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The Oil Market.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 16.—Oil opened at \$1 66 and closed at \$1 66. English Markets.

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

WHEAT-		3.		1.		5.		6.
Red Winter	-	0	-	01/	-	0	7	0:/
Tied Willier	5		5	814	5	81/2	5	81/2
No. 1 Nor. Spring		111/	6	0	6	1	6	01/2
No. 1 Cal	6	2	6	2	6	2	6	2
Nov	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
March	5	95%	5	976	5	10	5	10%
_ May	5	95%	5	97/8	5	974	5	10 .
CORN-		-/0		-/-				
New	13	634	3	634	3	7	3	7
Old	3	6%	3	634	3	7	3	7
Dec	0	0	0	0	ó	ò	0	o
Jan		61/	3	63/	3	65%	3	614
Feb	1 3	6	3	61/2		61/4	3	
March		6	3	64				63%
Mar.	3				3	61/8	3	
May	3	55/8	3	54	3	51/8	3	5 1/8
Flour	17	6	17	6	17	6	17	6
Peas	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Pork	57	6	57	6	57	6	57	6
Lard		6	29	9	30	0	29	9
Tallow	25	6	25	6	25	6	25	6
Bacon, light		6	34	6	34	6	34	6
Charse white		0	57	0	57	0	57	0

... 59 0 59 0 59 0 59 Liverpool, Dec. 18.—Closing.

When —Spot, firm; No. 1 Cal., 6s 2d to 6s 25/d; No. 2 red western, winter, firm, 5s d; No. 1 red northern spring, firm, 6s 1d; No. 1 red northern, Duluth, steady, 5s 10d; futures, quiet, Dec., 5s 63/d; Jan., 5s 63/d; Feb., 3s 63/d; March, 6s 10d; May, 5s 93/d.

Corn—Spot, American mixed, new, firm, 3s 7d; 10, old, firm, 3s 7d; futures, quiet, Dec., 3s 63/d; Jan., 3s 63/d; Feb., 3s 63/d; March, 3s 64/d; Feb., 3s 63/d; March, 3s 64/d; Feb., 3s 63/d; March, 3s 66/d; Feb., 3s 64/d; March, 3s 64/d; Feb., 3s 64/d; March, 3s 64/d; Feb., 3s 64/d; Feb.,

d.

ur—St. Louis fancy winter, firm, 7s.

s—Western, 5s 10½d. Canadian, 5s 5d.

if—Prime mess, steady, 76s 3d; extra India, steady, 82s 6d.

k—Prime mess, fine western, steady 1; do, medium, western, 42s 6d.

rd—American refined, in pails, steady, 1; prime western in tierces, steady, 28s 6d; lings, light, dull, 33s.

ms—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., steady, 45s.

con—Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs., dull, about the 18 to 22 lbs., steady, 35s;

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, steady, 25s 6d; Australian in London, firm, 25s 3d.

Hops—At London (Pacific coast), firm, 23 10s to 24 10s.

Cottonseed, oil Living

Cottonseed oil-Hull refined, Dec.-April frm, 18s.
Turpentine spirits—Firm, 38s 6d.
Rosin—Common, firm, 4s 4½d.
Linseed oil—23s.
Petroleum—Refined, 7½d.

The imports of wheat into Liverpool for the week were: From Atlantic ports, 50,800 quarters; Pacific ports, none; other ports, 26,000 quarters. Imports of corn into Liverpool from Atlantic ports, for the week, were 50,800 quar-

Live Stock Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16 .- Cattle generally steady; this week's receipts, 62,000 head; largest this year, and the largest week in December since 1893; fancy est week in December since 1893; fancy Christmas beeves, \$7 to \$8; good to choice, \$5 40 to \$6 80; poor to medium, \$4 30 to \$5 25; mixed stockers, \$3 to \$3 75; selected feeders, \$4 25 to \$4 65; good to choice cows, \$3 50 to \$4 05; heifers, \$3 50 to \$5; canners, \$2 to \$3; bulls, \$2 50 to \$4 20; calves, \$4 to \$7 50; fed Texas beeves, \$4 25 to \$5 25; grass Texas steers, \$3 25 to \$4. Hogs active; 10c higher; good clearances; mixed and butchers, \$4 05 to \$4 25; grood to choice butchers, \$4 05 to \$4 25; good to choice heavy, \$4 10 to \$4 25; rough heavy, \$3 95 to \$4 05; light, \$4 05 to \$4 20; bulk of sales, \$4 10 to \$4 20. Sheep and lambs steady; natove wethers, \$4 to \$4 50; natove wethers, \$4 to \$4 50; lambs, \$4 to \$5 70; western wethers, \$4 to \$4 50; western lambs, \$4 65 to \$5 50. Receipts—Cattle, 300 head; hogs, and the state of the state 20,000; sheep, 1,000.

EAST BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 18.— Receipts of sale and rough cattle, sheep and hogs, during the 24 hours ended at noon today were: Cattle, 20 cars; sheep and lambs, 50 cars; hogs, 37 cars. Receipts—Cattle, 14 cars; sheep and lambs, 11 cars; hogs, 14 cars. Cattle—The offerings were 7 loads of cattle, most of which were held for Monday. Calves were in moderate supply, fair demand and lower; choice to extra, \$7 25 to \$7 50; good to choice, \$7 to \$7 25. Sheep and lambs—Forty-six loads on sale; unchanged from yesterday; choice to extra lambs, \$5 50 to \$5 60; good to choice, \$5 25 to \$5 50; common to fair, \$4 25 to \$4 75; sheep, choice to extra, \$4 25 to \$4 50; good to choice, \$4 to \$4 25; there was a fair demand for Canada lambs on the basis of \$5 60, with 23 loads on sale; the close was steady. Hogs-Thirty fresh loads on sale; active demand the best part of the day; heavy, \$4 35 to \$4 371/2; mixed, \$4 30 to \$4 35; Yorkers, \$4 25 to \$4 35; pigs, \$4 20 to \$4 25; roughs, \$4 35 to \$4 60; stags, \$2 90 to \$3 25; the close

was a little easier. NEW YORK, Dec. 16.-Cotton-Futures opened steady at the decline: December, \$7 25; January, \$7 30; February, \$7 33; March, \$7 40; April, \$7 42; May, \$7 46; June, \$7 45; July, \$7 47; August, \$7 42; September, \$7 05; Octo-

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.-Cotton-Spot closed quiet and steady; middling uplands, 711-16c; do gulf, 715-16c; sales, 276 bales; futures closed barely steady; December, \$7 20; January, \$7 25; February, \$7 31; March, \$7 38; April, \$7 41; May, \$7 44; June, \$7 44; July, \$7 45; August, \$7 41; September, \$7 05; October, \$6 94; November, \$6 90.

The Dairy Makets. NEW YORK, Dec. 16.-Butter quiet: creamery, 23c to 27c; do factory, 151/2c to 20c; June creamery, 22c to 251/20 imitation creamery, 19c to 22c; state dairy, 18c to 25c; do creamery, 23c to fancy, Cheese firm: fall made 27c. small, 1234c to 13c; do large, 121/2c to

do large, 11% to 12c. CHICAGO, Dec. 16 .- On the produce exchange today butter was steady; creameries, 16c to 25c; dairies, 16c to 22c. Cheese firm at 11% to 12½c.

12%c; late made, small, 12c to 12%c;

THEY REFUSE TO COMPROMISE

Federation of Labor Discuss the Matter of Boycotting.

Detroit, Dec. 18.-The question oycott against concerns which employ part union and part non-union crafts-Saturday's meeting of the American

Federation of Labor. The matter was brought out through consideration of a resolution declaring that the boycott against Swift & Co. is universal and applied to the Swift packing establishments in cities where the company employs union labor as well as in those where it does not.

Treasurer Lennon differed from most of the speakers on this subject. He held that it was inconsistent and unfair to organized labor and only retarded a boycott to push it in industries where union labor is employed. He offered, however, the following ad-

dition to the resolution: Resolved, That union men should not remain in the employ of any concern which has been declared unfair by the American Federation of Labor. The Lennon amendment was defeated by a very large majority and the

resolution was adopted. The British and Canadian fraternal delegates were asked to further this boycott. The adverse report of the committee on organization on a proposition for a national union for the paperhangers was adopted on a roll call vote, yeas

The appointment of a committee of five was directed to report upon the justice of the decision of the Illinois State arbitration board in the matter of the Chicago piano and organ mak-

ers' difficulties Action was taken against consolida-tion of the Central Labor bodies of the tion of the central labor bodies of the two Kansas cities, empowering the executive council to again prefer charges against Claude M. Johnson, director of the United States Bureau of Printing and Engraving, and alleged "foe" to organized labor, and that if again unsuccessful in cusing Johnson's removal, the matter should be presented to

A resolution to place the Buffalo Pan-American Exposition on the "unfair" list was sent with other similar

declarations	to the executive	e council.
Steam	nship Arriva	ıls.
Dec. 16.	At	R rom
Montevidean	Glasgow	Portland
Children and Contract	New York	Duckmon
Karamania	New York	Manlan.
riruria	New York	Livornool
Island	New York	Cononhagen
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Dec. 17.	New York	From
L'aquitane	New York	Havro
Patricia	New York	Hamburg
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St. John City	Halifax	St. John

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All lruggists refund the money if it falls to cure. 5c. E. W. Groves' signature is on each box. Burglars cracked the safe in Thos. Lawry & Sons' warehouse, Hamilton, and carried off about \$270.

Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one

CHARGE WAS

City Solicitor Meredith.

Usual Lot of Lively Personalities-Mr. Bartram Now After City Engineer Graydon and Crown Attorney Magee-Police Court News.

The charge of perjury preferred against T. G. Meredith, city solicitor, by W. H. Bartram, was heard this morning by Magistrate Love, and dismissed. The defendant elected trial by magistrate. Mr. Bartram objected Mr. Love said Mr. Meredith had a right to be tried by him if he so

Mr. W. R. Riddle, Q.C., of Toronto, appeared for the defense.

Among the witnesses who gave evidence were Deputy Clerk of the Crown Col. Macbeth, Mr. Alex. Purdom, Ald.

ming up the case, said he failed ut-terly to understand how Mr. Bartram could charge Mr. Meredith with perjury. There was absolutely nothing to show that perjury had been committed. "This prosecution," said Mr. Riddle, "is a disgrace to the prosecutor, and a disgrace to the prosecu tion of justice. Such a disgraceful prosecution has never been offered in Canada before, or in any country where the English language is spoken. There is not the faintest shade of evidence to convict Mr. Meredith on the charge laid against him."

Mr. Bartram-It is a disgrace to the country that a man like the defend-ant can evade the law, because he has two brothers on the bench. If he was in England he would get his

Magistrate Love—Mr. Bartram, remarks of this kind will not be allowed in this court. You should never have made them. You must confine yourself to the case.

Mr. Bartram-Mr. Riddle himself is a disgrace to the legal profession. In making the remarks he did he disgraced himself in the eyes of the pro-fession. I always understood that the profession of law was an honorable one, and am surprised at the manner in which my learned friend has heaped on his abuse.

Magistrate Love-Mr. Bartram, you will have to keep to the case, and stop indulging in personalities. Mr. Bartram-Mr Riddle is one of those gentlemen, I see, who has found favor, and has the ear of the court. In dismissing the case, his worship said that the evidence did not in any way show that Mr. Meredith had committed perjury. He was satisfied that

Mr. Meredith did not sign any false statement. The case in question was in connection with certain statements signed by the defendant regarding the municipal elections in January last.

Mayor Wilson, who gave evidence. asked Mr. Bartram to make his examination short, as he had already given several days listening to his nonsense. A little later he appealed to his worship, and asked if he had to listen to the childish questions of Mr.

Mr. Bartram--You will have to spend several more days with me be-fore I get t' ough with you, and you must answer my question Mr. Bartram was fllowed to swear to an information, charging City Engineer Graydon with neglecting to carry out the instructions of municipal council of London, regarding taking certain measurements of streets in West London. The date for

the hearing was reserved. Mr. Bartram also asked to be allowed to swear to an information charging James Magee, Q.C., county crown attorney, with neglecting to prosecute a bill of indictment to the grand jury at the December sessions of the peace, in the case against ex-Ald. Wm. Scarrow, re the maintaining of hitching-post on the public street. The magistrate reserved his decision

until Wednesday. John Cavanagh, charged with killing his mother, Mary Cavanagh, was further remanded until Saturday, Dec.

Wm. Campbell and Benjamin Snyder, two youths charged with being drunk and disorderly, were each fined

James Langley, the youth charged with having had a hand in robbing the Wortley road school, was allowed

go on suspended sentence. Previous to this Langley always had a good Walter Cook, charged with working a horse with sore shoulders, and with selling beef unfit for consumption, was remanded until Wednesday. Chester Liley, a drunk, was allowed

THE CAR-BURNING AT POTTERSBURG

Trial of Richard Howard at the December Sessions of the Peace.

Richard Howard, accused of causing over \$200 damage by breaking and setting fire to a street car at Pottersburg on the evening of Aug. 19, was placed on trial at the county court tals morning. The prisoner was defended him to languish in pain and depression by Mr. Essery, and Mr. Magee prosecuted.

James Riogers, the motorman, told of the car being derailed by a coupling-pin placed on the rails. The motorman and conductor were alone on the car when the accident occurred, and they retreated from a shower of stones, leaving the mob in possession Charles Johns, one of the wrecking

crew who brought the damaged car to the barn, placed the value of the damage at between \$300 and \$400. When he reached the scene the windows of the car were broken, the seats smashed and the cushions burning.

Two women who saw the car destroyed also gave evidence against

FAGGED OUT.—None but those who have become fagged out know what a have become fagged out know what a depressed, miserable feeling it is. All strength has gone, and despondency has taken hold of the sufferers. They feel as though there was nothing to live for. There, however, is a cure—one box of Pharmelee's Vegetable Pills will do wonders in restoring health and strength. Mandrake and Dandelion are two of the articles entering into the composition of Parmelee's

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to his worship trying the case; but Handsome Glove or Necktie Boxes in finely polished or decorated wood, only 253 Fine Opal Want or Laundry Tablets; regular 50c; now only...... 25c Beautiful Beauty Pins-Hearts,

Love, etc., in sterling silver make; a lovely gift, only 25c Fancy Collar and Cuff Boxes, ever popular for the gentlemen, from. 50c Toilet Dressing Cases, with very fine fitting; wonderful value, at

Atomizers, handsomely decorated, and very new in design, at Albums—A choice lot of Albums at 75c to \$1 25; worth more.

Fancy Goods

Fine Wooden Workboxes, fitted with needles, scissors, etc., and lock genuine Vienna Bronze, in quaint designs. We're having a grand run on these lines, and in some styles quantities are limited. The Band Series at 5c each is a taker. The Inkstand at 25c a wonder; also the Match Holder at 25c and the Walking Pussy at 10c. They

are all sellers. China—Dainty China Cups and of New Fans, Empire Fans, really swell styles, at. \$1 00, \$1 25 and \$2 00 See the New Harlequin Fans, perfectly fascinating.

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Did you ever find any store sell Handkerchiefs so cheaply? Did you ever find any store showing such dainty styles? Specials for this week:

Gents' Initial Handkerchiefs at 15c; worth 20c. At 20c; worth 30c.

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Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 500 dozen, at 12½c; worth 20c and 25c; and 50 dozen Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs at 5c; worth 10c.

Fine Hemstitched, at 5c, 8c, 10c and 15c. See these; they're not ordinary.

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Special import for Christmas trade. We are in receipt of new and pretty shades, specially imported. This makes the very best opportunity for getting the correct style, in 3 qualities, at \$100, \$125 and \$150. SPECIAL-Balance of those \$125 English Pique Sewn Kid Gloves, at 79c. Stock well assorted in sizes and colors.

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THE MEMORIAL ANNIVERSARY

Bishop of Niagara.

Yesterday the services for the 26th anniversary of its erection was held at Memorial Church. The Right Rev. J. Philip Dumoulin, Bishop of Niagara,

was the preacher at both services. At the morning service his lordship spoke on St. Matthew, xi., 2, 3: "Now when John heard in prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, and said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?" He said in part: Of all Old Testament heroes and prophets none were more prominent than John the Baptist. Hundreds of years before his advent the prophets had pointed to

him as the voice of one crying in the world's wilderness "Prepare ye the way of the Lord." Now John had come. There was nothing of the scribe about the Baptist, nothing of the Pharisee, nothing of the rabbi; he was distinctively the man of his day. in the power of God. He had not to go to the market place to reach the The people flocked to hear this bold preacher, who so fearlessly denounced the prevalent evils of the age, and with a voice that made the desert ring called God's people to repent.

It seems almost incredible that John uttered the words before us. These are the words of a doubter. Was John really thinking that his confidence in one whom he had believed to be the guest of honor at the annual reunion of Christ, had been misplaced? Was he without sail or rudder, being tossed the tossed the tossed to the tossed of doubt? It is hard to believe that Ross' health was drunk amid cheers, the bold and fearless John could say to after a eulogistic speech by the chairhim whom he had pointed out as the Lamb of God, "Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?"

John, for his zeal, had been imprisded. In reply, Mr. Ross said he redeated. oned. He who had all his life been accustomed to breathe the pure air, to drink the pure water, and to sleep

beneath the canopy of heaven, had now been thrust into the dank and gloomy dungeon of that damp and gloomy castle. The once strong and healthy man. Their recognition meant more to man had been weakened and crushed. him than the ordinary compliments In his physical weakness he was led which were called forth in large measto brood over his own unhappy condition. When he was told of the mighty to his career, it was quite true he had deeds of his illustrious cousin—that at his word the blind received their sight, the future, at that early stage he had the deaf given their hearing, the lepers restored to health, and the dead raised to life-he began to wonder why he who was so mighty, who was doing so much good in the world, to whom he had been so faithful, should permit in that awful prison. Sending immediately two of his friends, he asked Jesus: "Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?"

His lordship very vividly pointed out the application of this lesson in every-day life. Strong men may at any time reduced to weakness. Under the trial of some crushing adversity, some look for another?"

The answer of Jesus to men today is John again of the might of the Messiah. So today, when men are cast down by the reverses of life, the word of admonition is that they should call to mind the mighty dealings of their God in former days, and remember how he has blessed them, and by meditation upon God's goodness to know that he loves, and that his love is everlasting.

Specting, of parliament and of platform speaker simultaneously. His ambition had for some time been to be a lawyer, and he had studied law while engaged in newspaper work. Later he resumed his course, and entered upon the practice of that noble profession in 1877.

Mr. Boss then briefly sketched his

In closing, his fordship gave a very career in the house and his transfer to eloquent encomium to the late Bishop the Ontario Government. They had cronyn, in whose memory the church been kind enough to say that in all his

of the strong and beautiful character that had been such a power for good to both his clergy and people. The with a confidence in Canada. (Cheers.) that had been such a power lot to both his clergy and people. The preacher recalled with gratitude the moment when, by the laying on of his moment when, been set apart for the toasts of "The Old Town," and "The Ladies," were also honored.

The following officers were elected at the banguet: President, M. work of Christ in this diocese. Broad and strong were the foundations that Parkinson; first vice-president, Henry he, as the first Bishop of Huron, had laid for the Church of Christ in this his field of service. His works and life ston; committee, J. W. Cook, B. Weir, will be a permanent monument to his F. L. Letts, J. P. Heaty, G. M. Mur-

John, v., 20: "We know that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wick-The loving John would not edness." speak of the world as worse than it really was. For this wicked world God has procured a great and eternal bless-This blessing is the gift of his Son, and eternal life by him. second and third Sundays in Advent give us the means whereby this truth is being given to the world; by the inspired word of God, and by the efforts of the Church of Christ, by her preach ers and teachers, the "ministers and stewards" of these mysteries.

STRATHROY

Hon. G. W. Ross Discusses Old

Times With Them. The Premier's Early Career-A Hard

Worker-A Pleasant Reunion. Toronto, Dec. 18. The premier of Ontario was the the Strathroy Old Boys' Club at the

as one of the kindliest he had ever received, and which overtopped the honors paid him in his capacity as a public ure to his official position. In regard not seen any future before him. Whatever came to his hand to do ne had endeavored to do with all his might. We lived in a democratic age, where we were the architects of our

It was 32 years ago last June since he first saw Strathroy in a business At that time he had thrown aside the mantle of the teaching pro-fession, and launched upon the somewhat uncertain sea of journalism, as editor of the Strathrov Age. For several years he discharged the various duties pertaining to the position of editor of a small weekly paper, being disheartening malady, the once strong reporter, editor, collector, and canvassman feels that his God is not to him er for advertisements and subscrip-what he once seemed. In that moment tions. (Laughter.) Later another of depression and trial he cries: "Art journalistic adventure was in company thou he that should come, or do we with Mr. Luxton on The Huron Expositor. This was abandoned for the place of public school inspector for the same as that to John. The master Lambton county. While holding this said to that deputation from John: "Go position he was persuaded to accept GRATEFUL and show John again those things the Liberal nomination for West Midwhich ye do hear and see." There were no words of reproof; no sign of impatience; they were simply to tell the duties of electioneering and of in-John again of the might of the Mess spectiag, of parliament and of plat-

Mr. Ross then briefly sketched his career in the house and his transfer to the Ontario Government. They had

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undertakings he had been reasonably successful. It might be so, but it was owing to one circumstance. He had been endowed with more than the or-dinary powers of application. Hard work had been a delight to him. Perhaps he had worked as many hours after night as most men in public life today. If he had achieved success, i was not so much owing to any powe nature conferred upon him as to hard

Mr. Ross then proceeded to recall many of the features of life in the old town of Strathroy. It was a town in which a good social element prevailed, and where no person need go astray i he had the good sense of a well-bred Canadian. It had a reputation for its excellent school and church advan-tages. The advantages of the teachngs in the Sunday schools of the town had remained with many of the able men who had gone to live in other places. They were proud to remem-mer, too, that one of their boys had gone to the Transvaal war. If they could but send him a message, how glad he would be to know that his fellow-townsmen remembered him whil he was fighting the battles of Great Britain and the empire. (Cheers.) In concluding, Mr. Ross again thanked the gathering for the kind things said of him. Long might Strathroy continue to give of its citizens to the work of pupilc men in the country, mer whose citizenship would be a credit to Canada. If there was one thing which had been erected. He spoke touchingly tion that he had been successful to

revered memory.

In the evening he preached from I. son, Harry Murby, Jos. Armstrong, J.

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So Weak She Couldn't Sleep or Work -Hands Trembled-Restored by Using Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

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Toronto Produce Market

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Toronto, Dec. 18 .- Wheat-Steady, at \$4c to 651/2c for red and white west; goose is steady, at 69c west and 70c to 70½c on a low freight to New York; Manitoba wheat is firm, at 771/20 No. 1 hard at Sarnia, and 78c at Owen Sound, grinding in transit. Flour-Fair demand; market steady; cars of straight roller in barrel are quoted at \$2.85 to \$2.90 west. Millfeed—Steady, at \$14 to \$15 for shorts and \$11 50 to \$12 50 for bran west. Barley—Dull, at 38c for No. 2 and 39c to 40c for No. 1 west. Rye-The market is quiet and unchanged, at 50c west. Corn-Unchanged, at 31c for Canada yellow west; American is quiet, at 401/2c for No. 3 old, 41c for No. 2, and new yellow is at 381/2c here. Oats-Firmer; asked for mixed, 25c to 25½c, and No. 2 west at 26c to 26½c west. Peas—Steady, at Eggs-Steady, at 18c fo fresh-gathered, and 15c to 151/2c for Butter-Steady, at 18c to 19c for choice large rolls, and 14c to 16c for medium; creamery steady, at 21c to 211/2c for tubs, and 22c to 23c for prints. Dressed hogs, \$5 25 to \$5 30 for cars of mixed weights here.

Live Stock Markets CHICAGO, Dec. 18 .- Cattle-Receipts, 16,000; strong; butchers and canners the evening. active, shade higher; feeders firm; beeves, \$5 40 to \$8; cows, \$3 to \$4 85; heifers, \$3 50 to \$5 40; canners, \$2 to \$3; stockers and feeders, \$3 to \$475; Texas grass steers, \$3 25 to \$4; Texas fed beeves, \$4 25 to \$5 25. Hogs-Receipts today, 46,000; tomorrow, 30,000; left over, 2,500; market 5c to 10c lower; tops, \$4 20; mixed and butchers, \$4 to \$415; good heavy, \$4 05 to \$4 20; rough heavy, \$3 85 light, \$4 to \$4 15; bulk of sales.

\$4 05 to \$4 15. Chicago Exchange.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18. Following are the fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade furnished by F. H. Butter broker, Masonic Temple. Phone 1278.

Open High. Low. Close.

Wheat—Dec. 67% 67% 67% 68% 67% Mheat—Dcc. 67 %
May 705%
Corn—Dec. 315%
May 331%
Oats—Dec. 222%
May 241%
Pork—Jan... 10 10
May 10 40
Lard—Jan... 5 50
May 5 65
Ribs—Jan... 5 37
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American Markets. CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Opening—Wheat. May, 10c to 69730; Dec., 664/c. Corn, May. 334/c to 334/c. Oats. May, 244/c to 244/c. Pork, May, 310 371/2 to 310 40. Lard, May, \$5 65. Ribs, May, \$5 66.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 18 .- Spring wheat—No. 1 Northern, 75½c; winter wheat; No. 2 red, 71½c; No. 1 white, 70½c. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 36c; No. 4 yellow, 35½c; No. 3 corn, 35½c, on track. Oats—No. 2 white, 29c; No. 3 and to avoid as far as possible the charging of extreme rates for money. DETROIT, Dec. 18.-Wheat-No. 1

white and No. 2 red, cash, 71c; Dec. 71: May. 74c. TOLEDO, Dec. 18 .- Wheat-Cash and

Dec., 694c; May, 73½c. Corn—Dec., 32c; May, 33½c. Oats—May, 25½c. MILWAUKEE, Dec. 18.-Wheat-

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.-Flour-Receipts, 19,952 bibls; sales, 4,000 pkgs; more active, and held higher on the strength in grain; Minnesota patents, \$3 80 to \$4; Minnesota bakers, \$2 80 to \$3 10; winter patents, \$3 50 to \$3 80; winter straights, \$3 35 to \$3 45; winter extras, \$2 60 to \$3; winter low grades, \$2 25 to \$2 40. Rye-Firm; sales, 150 bbls; fair to good, \$3 10 to \$3 25; choice to fancy, \$3 30 to \$3 50. Wheat-Receipts, 56,425 bu; sales, 1,650,000 bu; options active and stronger this morning on war talk, higher cables, bullish foreign statistics, and liberal covering; March, 75%c to 75%c; May, 753-16c to to 73Zc. Rye-Steady; state, 56c to 57c;

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No. 2 western, 61c, f. o. b., afloat. Corn -Receipts, 155,025 bu; sales, 15,090 bu; opened and sympathized with wheat and provisions, and advanced sharply also; Dec. 39%c. Oats—Receipts, 47,-600 bu; options dull and nominal; on track, white state and western, 31c to

Butter-Receipts, 5,200 pkgs; steady; state dairy, 18c to 25c; state creamery, 23c to 27c; western dairy, 23c to 24c; June creamery, 22c to 25½c. Cheese-Receipts, 1,131 pkgs; firm; fail made fancy, small, 12%c to 13c; fall made, large fancy, 12%c to 12%c; late made, small, 12c to 124c; large late made, 114c to 114c. Eggs—Receipts, 2.756 pkgs; steady; state and Pennsylvania, 24c to 25c; western, 21c to 24c, Sugar-Raw quiet; fair refining, 313-16c; refined quiet; crushed, 59-16c; granulated, 31-16c. Coffee—Steady; No. 7, 67%c. Hops—Steady; state common to choice, 1898 crop, 7c to 9c; 1899 crop, 12c to 15c; Pacific to 9c; 1899 erop, 12e Lead-Steady; bullion price, \$4 45; exchange price, \$4 65 to \$4 75.

Latest Probabilities

Toronto, Dec. 18-10 a.m.-Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the lower lakes region: Southeast to southwest winds; fair Tuesday-Showery and milk.

-Miss Sharman has returned from a visit to Toronto and Hamilton, -Mr. Tait, who fives near Glencoe, was brought to Victoria Hospital this morning for treatment under Dr.

Meek's care. -- Arthur Borland, a cigarmaker, was arrested today, charged with assaulting the foreman of the shop in which he worked. August F. Krutzer.

-Mr R S Wilson lately cashier of the Montreal branch of the McClary and go, even with infantry.

Manufacturing Company, has entered "Would you kindly let me know wheupon his duties as cashier in the head

office here. -Skating promises to be as popular as ever this season. There were good crowds at the Princess Rink Saturday afternoon and evening, and the ice was in excellent condition.

-A recount of the ballots cast in the West Elgin bye-election on Dec. 2 will begin on Wednesday at 2 p.m., at the court house. St. Thomas, before Judge Ermatinger, at the request of Mr. Mac-

-It is probable that the next meeting of the grand royal arch chapter a united and loyal people, it is at this of Masons of Canada will be held in moment. Hence my writing this letter this city on the 24th of January. The most important matter to be considered will be, in all likelihood, the question of the advisability of raising the exaltation fee from \$10 to \$20.

-The spectacular, romantic drama, "The Three Musketeers," was presented at the Grand on Saturday afternoon and evening before fairly large and well-pleased audiences. Mr. Harry Glazier took the leading role with much spirit and ability. His support was capable, and the staging and costuming were on quite a lavish scale.

-The third "sociable" in Messrs. Dayton & McCormick's course of hops proved to be most enjoyable. Soldiers of the Queen" two-step, which was so popular in the previous sociables, was again received most enthusiastically. The "Rag Time" two-step was a favorite also. The efforts of McCormick to assure for each one present a good time, tended materially to increase the pleasure of HON. DR. JOHNSTON AT THE

AUDITORIUM. The Hon. Dr. Johnston, of Jamaica, preached to a large congregation in the Auditorium last evening. He spoke from no chosen text, but used the life of Joseph as his basis of thought. In those days it was not until the season of trouble came upon them that the people turned to Joseph. At the present time there existed a spirit of apathy in regard to Christian matters, and, judging from the signs of today he looked forward to and confidently expected a general revival of Christian interest, and as the people turned to Joseph, so would they turn to Christ today. He referred to the war in the Transvaal, saying there could be no doubt about England's right in this war and of her ultimate success.

FLURRY IN WALL STREET

Prices Take a Tumble-Action of the Clearing House.

New York, Dec. 18 .- The air of the stock exchange this morning was full f apprehension and uncertainty. The market became panicky on the ancharging of extreme rates for money.

The market quieted down somewhat after this news was announced; but before that time the fall in prices of stocks had extended on some stocks all the way from six to twelve points. SEVENTY PER CENT FOR CALL

MONEY. Bids of 50 per cent for call money were made this afternoon on the stock market. Seventy per cent was demand-

CLOSED ITS DOORS.

The Produce Exchange Trust Company of New York Suspended Business.

New York, Dec. 18 .- The Produce Exchange Trust Company closed its doors at 10 o'clock today. The stock market slumped heavily on the news. A notice upon the door read that the com-pany had suspended payment pending an examination of its books. The company's officers are located in the Standard Oil building at 29 Broadway. A statement issuped before showed that the assets were ample to

meet all liabilities. New York, Dec. 18.-The suspension of the firm of Henry Allen & Co., bankers and brokers, was announced on the

Stock exchange today.

New York, Dec. 18.—The liabilities were said to be \$11,649,600, while the assets were given as \$11,719,580. The Produce Exchange Trust Company was organized two years ago, with a capital of \$2,500,000, and had a reported surplus and undivided profits at this time of over \$2,500,000. Its business was chiefly with merchants, tradesmen and corporations in the immediate vicinity, and was also supposed to do some of the banking business of the Standard Oil Company.

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Letters to Col. Gartshore From Former Londoners Offering to Volunteer.

Campbell Dineen a Former Londoner Receives a Commission in an Imperial Regiment and Will Serve in South Africa.

The interest that has been aroused by the report of a second Canadian contingent, and the patriotic spirit in which it has been received by Canadians, both at home and abroad, is illustrated by the two letters given below. The first is from Mr. Harold A. Richardson, son of Canon Richardson, who was a lieutenant in the First Hussars, and the other is from Mr. Malcolm MacGregor, in D Company of the Seventh Fusiliers during the North-west rebellion. Both gentlemen are now in New York city. The letters were received by Lieut.-Col. Gartshore by this morning's mail. They are as follows:

"New York, Dec. 14.

going to the seat of war in South Africa. I would like to go if such is the case, and especially if there is a chance of the cavalry being called upon, but would give up my position here ther or not there is a second contingent going, and who I can apply to? I think every Canadian that can should held out the mother country. Yours very

sincerely (Signed),
"HAROLD A. RICHARDSON,
"Late Lieut., First Hussars."

The second reads: 'New York City, Dec. 14, 1899. "Wm. M. Gartshore: "My Dear Major,-You will, course, be surprised to hear from me after all these years of silence, but I think if ever the British Empire need

CABINET MEET

in Consultation.

Mr. Chamberlain Was Not Present-Launch of a Cunarder

London, Dec. 18.-Lord Salisbury came to London on Saturday, returning to Hatfield House in the evening. Regarding the suggestion that the premier came specially because of the news of Gen. Buller's reverse and summoned an emergency meeting of the cabinet, it is announced that the gathering w's simply one of a series of meetings a cabinet committee on national defense, to which only a limited number of members belong, and which did not necessitate their presence. Mr. Chamberlain was not present.

CUNARD LINER LAUNCHED. The Cunard Line steamer Saxonia was launched Saturday at the Clyde-

bank yards. London, Dec. 18.→Canadian opinion in London fully shares the reported dissatisfaction in Canada over the inaction of the imperial government regarding the Pacific cable. The Manchester Guardian urges that the matter cannot be shelved much longer; if any real difficulty has cropped up it is better it should be stated. Rightly or THE PLAGUE.

Plymouth, England, Dec. 18.-The London, has arrived here with a native Indian fireman on board suffering from the plague.

TERRIFIC CYCLONE. Cable Company today issued the foi-lowing: We are advised that the cable command." between Mozambique and Lorenzo Marquez is interrupted. A terrific cyclone at Mozambique has caused interruption of the Delagoa Bay cable Houses have been blow a down and ships in the harbor have been wreck-The test station was unroofed, but the instruments were saved.

PRO-BOER MEETING IN DUBLIN. Dublin, Dec. 18.—The announcement

Committee on National Defense Popularity of Generals Roberts the British defeat at Majuba Hill. and Kitchener.

> Their Appointment Gives a More Cheery Tone to Military Discussion.

Probability of a Second Canadian Contingent Being Accepted.

A Curious Coincidence-Wild Rumors Pass Round the Stock Exchange -Kimberley All Right.

London, Dec. 18. - "Bobs," as Lord Roberts of Kandahar is familiarly known, is a name to conjure with in Great Britain, and that Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener are considered the right men to relieve the disastrous situation is South Africa, is amply evidenced by the more cheery tone of all the war discussion this morning. In spite of the attempts of the authorities "New York, Dec. 14. wrongly, the home government has in-"Dear Col. Gartshore,—I see there is possibility of a second contingent being very enthusiastic about the Buller, the fact remains that the new appointments cannot be regarded as otherwise than the penalty for his Peninsular and Oriental Line steamer failure. A semi-official communication Ballarat, from Calcutta, Nov. 15, for says: "The disposition to regard the change as a reflection on Gen. Buller is

ENTIRELY ERRONEOUS, As the forces engaged in South Africa New York, Dec. 18.-The Commercial increase, officers of higher rank are command."

The communication then instances the successive steps from Gen. Symonds to Gens. White and Buller, and now to Gen. Roberts. In spite of the plausibility of the argument, everyone recognizes that it is not the whole The friends of Gen. Buller see in the headlong plunge of the cabinet a suspicious panic, and they picture hasty conclaves, and the ministers with blanched faces, telegraphing to Roberts and Kitchener to come and save the

THESE ARE OVERDRAWN. there is no denying that the prodigious exertion which the government considers necessary to crush the two little republics shows that even sedate Lord Salisbury sees the extreme gravity of the present aspect of affairs. Probably the ministers remembered the peril which the public seem to have forgotten of a possible rising of the Kaffirs Indeed, unpleasant rumors are already current in this direction. Such a contingency would be infinitely more serious than a rebellion of the Dutch. LORD KITCHENER.

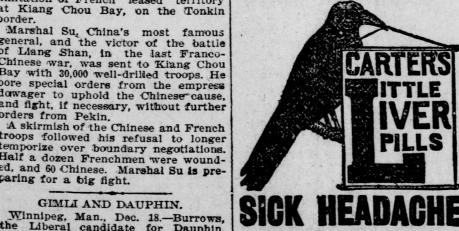
Gen. Lord Kitchener, who has been appointed chief of the staff of Gen. Lord Roberts of Kandahar, the new commander-in-chief of the British forces in South Africa, will leave Omdurman Tuesday, and will arrive at Cairo Friday. He will start for Cape Town as soon as possible. LOTS OF VOLUNTEERS IN

NEW YORK. New York, Dec. 18.—Sir Percy Sanderson, the British consul-general at New York, said yesterday that hundreds of loyal Britons had called at the consulate to offer their services to the British army in fighting the Boers. Many of them were veterans of other wars, while a great number were striplings. "As consul-general, I have no authority to enlist their services," said Sir Percy. "There are no moneys with which to transport them to the seat of war. A British consulate is not

a recruiting station. WHAT AMERICA SHOULD DO. Dr. Minot J. Savage, of the Church of the Messiah, preached strongly yesterday in favor of the English side of the Transvael controversy. Among other things he said: "I believe, friends, that a disaster to England would be the greatest calamity that could be conceived. Next to the destruction of our own republic, I believe, if worst comes to the worst, and there was a the east for the two world ideals which owe it as the highest duty to God to place every ship, every gun, every dollar she possessed, at the back and beside England." Every person in the congregation applauded

ON 'CHANGE. London, Dec. 18.—Business on the stock exchange here today opened with a better tone on the readiness of the government to face the situation. But thoughts of a proionged war, the dearness of money and political considerations, added to the liquidation of bankrupt stocks, led to a digression which sent consols below par for the first time since 1894. They were quoted at 99% at 2 o'clock. All the departments had shared in the fall. BOER RESOURCES.

Paris dispatches tell of the arrival there of M. De Long, manager of the dynamite factory at Moddersfontein, Transvaal, who says the British Gov-ernment has no idea of the vast extent of the preparations the Boers made for the war that they knew would come. He characterizes the forts at Pretoria and Johannesburg and Edelber as be ing as strong as any in the world, and says that the Boers have plenty of ar-



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tillery. He says also that there are in the Boer army 6,000 well-trained Ger- RICHARDSON-At Illicillewaet, B. C., on man volunteers, who so far have been held in reserve.

A COINCIDENCE. London, Dec. 18.—A curious coincidence in connection with Lord Roberts' appointment at the present juncture is the circumstance that he was similarly appointed commanded-in-chief A FIZZLE.

The papers are ridiculing the Davitt-O'Brien "flasco" at Dublin as the attempt to hold a pro-Boer meeting there yesterday is termed. They point out that "they prudently kept within the walls, where a member of the aud-ience directly incited the murder of Mr. Chamberlain, by alluding to his visit to the castle in the words, There vas one man shot there before.' All the advertised speakers are charged having 'played hide-and-seek' with the police, with the exception of Miss Maude Gonne, 'who bravely faced the music, but was, of course, protected by her sex.'

KIMBERLEY ALL RIGHT. London, Dec. 18. - The Associated ress has been officially informed that the Queen is in excellent health. There is no indication of the surrender of

A report of the death of Queen Victoria and a rumor that Kimberley had surrendered • were circulated on the London stock exchange today. BUGLE BLASTS.

In St. Louis, Mo., at a meeting of the county board of the Ancient Or-der of Hibernians, the Boer-British war was discussed at length, and the members decided to start a movement to raise \$1,000,000 for the purpose of equipping and transporting troops to South Africa, to aid the Boers.

Cabinet Meeting.

THE OFFER OF A SECOND CON-TINGENT.

[Special to The Advertiser, per C.P.R.] Ottawa, Dec. 18.-At a cabinet meeting this forenoon there were present Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Sir Louis Davies, Sir Henry Joly, Mr. Blair, Mr. Mulock, Dr. Borden, Mr. Fielding, Mr. Scott, Mr. Sutherland and Mr. Fisher,

Rumor was that a second contingent had been accepted.

After the meeting was over the premier said that only routine business was up for consideration. Another inq Up meeting will be held this afternoon

It is generally believed, although no confirmation is yet to be had, that the imperial authorities have accepted a

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS \$6.50, isn't it ?

Whaleback No. 115, with a crew of rine men and a cargo of iron ore, has been given up for lost in Lake Superior.

cessful one in the Northwest. There has been a very large increase in the population. The schooner Wave Crest, which went ashore over a week Orchard, has gone to pieces. The ves-

The past year has been a very suc-

sel was owned at Peterboro, and valued at \$3,000. Salt Lake City dispatches announce the death of Emily Young. This makes the seventeenth death among the nineteen widows who survived the late Brigham Young.

Joseph Marentette, at one time a well known hotel man of Windsor, died at the residence of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Girard, Sandwich, Saturday morning, from apoplexy.

The executive committee of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers has decided to select a site in Cleve-****** land for the permanent home of the Brothrhood. The land and building will cost \$300,000.

Fears are felt for the people of the steamer Arthur Orr, one of the large liners of the Canada Atlantic Rail-way running between Chicago and Depot Harbor. The vessel is now several days overdue. The Canadian Pacific Railway Com-

pany has appealed to the privy council against the decision of the railway committee in ordering a subway to constructed across the tracks at Lansdowne avenue, Toronto. A man named Maher, wanted on charges of horse-stealing and burglary, was caught at Mono Road by Constable

Perdue and his son after an exciting chase, during which young Perdue shot the fugitive in the leg. A decision has been rendered favorable to Mrs. H. J. O'Neil, of Chicago,

who was arrested at Montreal some weeks ago on a charge of defrauding her creditors out of many thousands of dollars' worth of goods. Mrs. O'Neil regains possession of the goods, and is once more at liberty. During a discussion on the subject

of cremation, by the Brooklyn Philosophical Society, Mr. P. S. Sensby gave his fellow-members' nerves a severe shock by declaring our bodies were needed for fertilization. Mr. Sensby had figures to show that nature, required that all matter coming from the earth should be returned to earth, and that if cremation had been general in the United States, 1,875,000 tons of material that belongs to the land would have been distributed in the air.

UNITED STATES CURRENCY BILL PASSED. Washington, Dec. 18.-The currency

bill passed the house today by a vote FOG IN NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 18 .- A heavy, vicious fog hung over Greater New York this morning, and acted as deterrent to all kinds of transit. Ships outside had to remain there, and traffic on the river and bay, aside from the ferry which brought people to business from one to two hours late, was practically at a standstill.

CROMWELL'S BIBLE. Mr. John Morley, in the December

instalment of his Century series on Oliver Cromwell, tells how the Bible of the Lord Protector differed from the Bible of today. Cromwell's Bible was not what the Bible is today. Criticism, comparative, chronological, philological, histori-

cal, had not impared its position as the direct word of God, a single book, one and whole, one page as inspired as another, one text as binding as another. Faith in the literal construction of the word was used to an excess as much resembling a true superstition or over-belief as anything ipmputed to the Catholics. Science had set up no reign of law, nor hinted a doubt on the probabilities of miraculous intervention. No physical theories had dimmed faith in acts of specific creations.

DIED. Dec. 12, Thomas Richardson, aged 67 years,

formerly of North Dorchester. Funeral will leave the residence of his sor. John Richardson, at Dorchester Station, on Thursday next, Dec. 2!, at 2 o'clock. The brethren of Merrill Lodge, No. 344, A., F. and A. M., will conduct the services on the occasion. Sister lodges are invited to take part. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation. intimation.

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of time were very primitive. Whatever happened, great or small, was due to wrath or favor from above. They were tormented by no misgiving, as Kankin says, how "the secrets of divine things could be brought into such direct connection with the complication of hu-man affairs." The God to whom Cromwell in heart as well as in speech appealed was no "stream of tendency," no "supernaturalistic hypothesis," but the Lord of Hosts of the Old Testa-ment. The saints and Puritans were the chosen people. All the denunciations of the prophets against the oppressors of Israel were applied to the letter against bishops and princes. And Moses and Joshua, Gideon and Barak,

armies of the aliens. -Messrs. A. J. McGrew and Thomas G. Hansen, of the Interstate Detective Service Company, of Cleveland, are

Samson and Jephthah, were the anti-

types of those who now in a Christian

world thought themselves called, like

those heroes of old time, to stop the mouths of lions and turn to flight the

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to you, offering my service in any ca- that a pro-Boer meeting would be conpacity whatever, if there are any more | vened yesterday as a protest against men sent from Canada to South Africa. the proposal of Trinity College to con-Count me one of them, and let me fer a degree upon Mr. Joseph Chamber-Count me one of them, and let me fer a degree upon Mr. Joseph Chamber-know. I am doing very well on this lain, led to exciting scenes. Maud side, but as I am single and alone in Gonne, the so-called "Irish Joan of the world, and in the best of health, it matters little where I am. I will be 40 years of age next month. I don't the place appointed for the meeting, think that is too old. Let me hear which was attended by a large crowd. from you, major, at your convenience.

Hoping this will find you well, believe me, I remain, yours respectfully, (Signed) MALCOLM MACGREGOR." IN AN IMPERIAL REGIMENT. Mr. Campbell Dineen, a former Londoner, who went to England as one of the First Hussars' representatives to the Queen's jubilee, has written to his friends in this city, telling them of his appointment as an officer in an imperial regiment for service in South Africa. Mr. Dineen is well known in this city, where he worked for some time. He is a brother of Mr. Norman

Dineen, lately of the Hobbs Manufacturing Company.
Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 18.—The second contingent, if sent, will likely com-prise 300 from the Mounted Police and regular cavalry, and A and B Batteries, comprising 300 or a battalion of rifles.

Mr. J. Findlay, manager of the On-tario branch of the Massey-Harris Company (Limited), writing to the

He Has Proved Them.

Battle Creek Sanitarium Health Food Company, of this city, says: "We have used in our family a great deal of the Health Foods manufactured by you, with excellent results. The several cases that I have ordered you to shap to my friends in the west and northern part of this province have been very satisfactory, and I feel warranted in saying it is only necessary to use your Health Foods to prove their merits. Wishing you every success in your noble work, I am, sincerely yours, "J. FINDLAY." Granose, Granola and Caramel Cereal are the most highly recommended foods in the world. All first-class gro-

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Frank Stowes, a Hamilton, Ont.

contractor was terribly and probably fatally burned by his furnace explod-ing Thursday night.

Mr. Connolly tried to speak, but was prevented by the police. The wagon-ette then made a tour of the streets, the crowd rapidly increasing, cheering for the Boers, singing "God Save Ire land," and "We'll hang Joe Chamberfain to a sour apple tree," and using disgusting expressions against the Queen, the empire and the army. About 60 persons attended the meeting in the rooms of the Irish Transvaal committee, where speeches were made condemning the war and Mr. Chamberlain. After the meeting Maud Gonne and Connolly drove off with the intention of holding open-air meetings, but the police arrested Connolly.

ANOTHER WAR

France and China-Preliminary Ekirmish. Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 18.—Hong Kong

at Kiang Chou Bay, on the Tonkin Marshal Su, China's most famous general, and the victor of the battle of Liang Shan, in the last Franco-Chinese war, was sent to Kiang Chou Bay with 30,000 well-drilled troops. He bore special orders from the empress dowager to uphold the Chinese cause, and fight, if necessary, without further orders from Pekin.

troops followed his refusal to longer temporize over boundary negotiations. Half a dozen Frenchmen were wounded, and 60 Chinese. Marshal Su is pre paring for a big fight. GIMLI AND DAUPHIN. Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 18.-Burrows the Liberal candidate for Dauphin, will have over 500 majority. Gimli re-

Women's Troubles.

turns are not yet complete.

Are usually the result of an exhaust d nervous system which can be fully restored by the use of Dr.A.W.Chase's Nerve Food. Women made nervous and irritable by the wasting diseases which drain their system find new life, new vigor, new energy, in Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food, the world's greatest blood and nerve builder.

Reported To Be Impending Between mail advices state another Franco-Chinese war is imminent over the delimitation of French "leased" territory

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A DEAD HEART

A Love Story.

in consequence of what my poor father said to him that Hulbert wrote for that commission which led to his death. I believe that, knowing him to be dead, my heart was even more loyal great longing for a military life, and to him faithful to him even unto death. I believe that, knowing him to be dead, my heart was even more loyal to him that it could have been in life. had studied many things requisite for it. He was full of hope—quite sanguine; he never dreamed of death or of danger. He sketched out a career for himself that was like a fairy tale.

The Red Lancers were ordered to Inblack, dreary, miserable night, with no black, dreary, miserable night, with no twilleght, and no day. dia. The land seemed to him one twillight, and no day.

"My father was disappointed in my engagement, but my mother loved could—how my life and everything in thad ceased; to talk to me of hope but my father said every man had a think of being exempt. I had a faint idea, too, that there were other reasons why my father wished Hubbert away. In our neighborhood dwelt a rich baronet Sir Alfred Hubbert away. The our sight of the state of the In our neighborhood dwelt a rich baronet, Sir Alfred Uchtred Glen, and more than once he had tried to be wary agreeable to me. More than once very agreeable to me. More than once talking very gravely face. He called me into his study, and, with my father, and I had heard my lover's name. My dear father had never spoken plainty; but he had hinted that I might be the wife of a rich man of my life, the very happiest and the proudest. It remains for you to make

Ours was a beautiful love-story. Looking back on it, it seems to me like a poem. It was all sunshine, flowers and

"He went. I do not speak of my sor-Tow, for I cannot. It is past words. his lips, and his face darkened with I am writing this story of what happened to ease my own heart, to weigh his disappointment it all, and see if in any one thing I went with him; my thoughts were al-weat with him; my thoughts were al-ways with him, by night and by day. "We talked for some time, and the him by every mail, and lived on his

When he had been gone a few months, Sir Aleck began to come to our house, and was very attentive to me. I hated him without quite knowing why. I felt in some vague way that he listen?" was an enemy of Hulbert's. Once or temptuous tone, and, to my infinite sorrow, I could see that my father liked Sir Aleck best. He flattered my father and courted him. He sent him fine presents, great hampers of game wine and fruit. He was always sending rare and valuable books. He came regularly to Glen Church, saying that he liked my father's sermons. Then he came to Lime Cottage to lunch, and I was compelled to be civil to him. How I hated him, and longed with all my heart for Hulbert
"At times I refused to go down to

funcheon when he was there. My father would come, angry and irritated, to my room, and insist.
"You must not offend my visitors by Your caprices, Miriam. You must come

Sir Aleck is not here to see you, but to visit me.' 'In that case, why need I go down, papa?' I answered. "Because I wish it—and I will be obeyed—above all by my own child, and in my own house."

Then my mother would send an imploring message, and I went I could although he tried to hide it, that he loved me, not as my brave young lover Hulbert did, but with a mad passion that angered me. I disliked his face, his voice, his manner, his thoughts and ideas. I was barely civil to him. At times I was even uncivil. To my despair, he liked me all the better for it. He was rich, and, the world thought, handsome. He had been so courted by women that it was a novelfor him to be repulsed. I tried my best to make him dislike me; but I could not manage it. day, when Sir Aleck had sent some

wery rare old port wine for my

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"Ah, Miriam, if you had not been so rash, you might be Lady Glen, of Ath-erstone!" "I would rather be dead, papa," I answered. And that quieted him for a

heart was to my lover? I had promised him, even if we never met again, to be true to him in life; and I knew that if he died first he would wait for me within the golden gates. and we should be together for all eternity.
What could Sir Aleck or any one else
be to me after that? Living, I was
Hulburt's own; dead, he would await ine. Can any one even affect to love twice in that fashion, or even to love a second time in any way? I could

Sir Aleck persevered. "Shall you ever like me, Miss Dacre?" he asked me one day. "I say nothing of love; but do you think you ever will like me?"

"No," I answered, frankly; "I do not. "No," I answered, frankly; "I do not. You know—it has never been a secret—that I am engaged to marry Hulburt Gordon. Is it loyal, is it honorable, to annoy me as you do?"

"He muttered something about Gordon which it is as well perhaps I did not hear. Then came the sharp, awful tragedy of my lover's death. I must not write about it. My heart died within me. On that same morning on which I read of his death I planned my future life. He had called me 'wife'

future life. He had called me 'wife' once, and once only. I would live as his widow. No more earthly hope, or love, or joy, for me. He was within the golden gates, and there I would join him, faithful to him even unto to him than it could have been in life.

paved with gold. He saw no check on his career. He should be away for a few years, he told me. He should work hard; he should win fame and position hard; he should win fame and position hard; he should win fame and position when these few -above all, gold. When these few years had passed, he would come home girl with possibly a brilliant life before her.

seemed a mockery.

"I was silent, fearing what was to

come. He went on: "'I have always liked Sir Aleck

and I shall never love anyone else.'

"A very unclerical expletive rose to have been false to my dear love. He lover lived, Miriam, although I never went, and I did my best. My heart liked it. Now that he is dead, make "'I bore it patiently while your

result was that he left me in anger, and sent Sir Aleck to me. I had no fear of him; but he stood pale and trembling before me. "'Miss Dacre,' he said, 'is this terrible news really true, that you refuse to listen to my wooing-refuse even to

twice he spoke of him to my father, Aleck. I do not love you, and never "'I refuse to hear one word, Sir shall!

'Tell me why,' he asked. "I cannot tell you why. I have no-thing to tell. I do not love you." "His face grew dark and angry. "'Why do you not love me?' he said.
I love you. I can make you as happy as a queen. I can lavish wealth and

luxury on you.' "'I do not want them. I do not care for them in the least,' I answered.
"'Why can you not love me? Other

"Other women can please themselves,' I answered. 'And, Sir Aleck, if other women are so easy to win, why do you take such trouble about

" 'Because I love you,' he cried; 'and I swear to win you! It is love for Gordon's memory, I suppose, that destroys all chance for me!'

[To be Continued.]

The door that Dante saw had this inscription over it: "Despair of hope, all ye who enter here." When man despairs of hope he drains the very dregs of despair.

There are certain forms of disease to which medical ignorance and popular superstition have given the title of "Hopeless." That very fact handicaps the sufferers from such diseases by robbing them of the courage to try to regain health. This is particularly true of lung diseases. As soon as disease fastens on the lungs, the victim sits down, makes his will, and awaits his fate. He wouldn't act that way if he were bitten by a tarantula or a rattlessnake. He'd fight then for his life. But he is under the influence of the ig-The door that Dante saw had this inscrip-

influence of the ig-norant and super-stitious, that write "Despair of hope" over the door of such diseases as by neglect or unskill-ful treatment may end fatally in con-

scription for that doorway of disease, made by rubbing out the first two

out the first two words and leaving it: "Hope all ye who enter here." What! Can there be hope for the sufferer with the constant cough, flushed face, burdened breathing and emaciated body? The record says "yes." Ninety-eight out of every hundred cases in which Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery has been used have been permantly cured. "Golden Medical Discovery" positively cures weak lungs, bronchitis, obstinate lingering cough, bleeding of the lungs and kindred ailments, which, if neglected, find a fatal ending in consumption. It contains no alcohol, whisky or other stimulant.

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writes Mrs. Jennie Dingman of Vanduren, Kalkaska Co., Mich. "Last spring I had a bad cough; got so bad I had to be in bed all the time. My huchand thought I had consumption. He wanted me to get a doctor, but I told him if it was consumption they could not help me. We thought we would try Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Biscovery and before I had taken one bottle the cough stopped and I have since had no signs of its returning."

East Middlesex Liberals Are Confident of Victory.

Enthusiastic Meeting Held on Saturday Afternoon.

Others. Kindly Tribute to the Memory

Policy of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and

His Cabinet Heartily Indorsed.

of T. D. Hodgens, M.P.P.

building. President S. B. Gorwill pre-the boys at the front in some tangible sided. The attendance was large and manner. Mr. Frank Coles, who acrepresentative. The utmost cordiality and enthusiasm were displayed, and sanguine expectations were manifested of his gallant conduct. They had heard as to the ultimate success of the cam-never was a fight that Britons did not

had been read and confirmed, Mr. T. from one end of South Africa to the H. Purdom, Q.C., spoke briefly in regard to the opening of the campaign. Mr. Hume B. Cronyn, Mr. John Cameron and Mr. R. G. Fisher each

made timely addresses. Dr. McWilliam was given a splendid reception. It was his first opportunity to meet the association since the last campaign. In the last campaign ne had been proud to be their standard-bearer. No one could regret the death of the late member, Mr. T. D. Hodgens, more than did he. Previous to the campaign he had not known him very Since then, however, he had met Mr. Hodgens on several occasions, and had found the late member a perfect gentleman. The news of his sudden death had come to him as a great shock. The Liberals of this riding had the fullest confidence in the present government, that will still further develop the resources of the country, that guides us in nation-building, that manages our affairs so ably, and it was very important that this constituency should be so represented as to aid in the good work. He reiterated that he had greater confidence in this govpoetry; it was all love, music and song.
We loved each other perfectly, with perfect truth, faith and affection. The woo you for his wife.'

I have always liked Sir Aleck he had greater confidence in this government when he looked at the opposition, and then looked at the calibre of the government, for the continued suc-

I promised—and heaven knows how I meant to keep my word—I promised to be true and faithful to him, never to love or care for anyone else, to be his, and his only.

In promised—and heaven knows how I meant to keep my word—I promised to take you from me! I look—which all should be proud, and were proud. It was their duty to send a good representative to Toronto to show that I shall never marry. I loved Hulbert, and his only.

Mr. A. S. Tassie nad a lengthy not the proposing changes in the bylaws, especially with regard to the election good representative to Toronto to show that they appreciated the long years of the proposing changes in the bylaws, especially with regard to the governing body of the association. The vote stood 46 to 41 in favor and the proposing changes in the bylaws, especially with regard to the proposing changes in the bylaws, that they appreciated the long years of the proposing changes in the bylaws, especially with regard to the proposing changes in the bylaws, that they appreciated the long years of the proposing changes in the bylaws, especially with regard to the proposing changes in the bylaws, the proposing changes in the bylaws. good work that has been accomplished. They would need a strong candidate, and they would have to work in unison in order that on election night word might be sent to the Hon. George W. Ross that East Middlesex will support his government.

Mr. E. Ironsides read the financial report and it was adopted. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, S. B. Gorw'l, of Fanshawe; vice-president, James Murray, Wilton Grove; secretary-treasur W. B. Laidlaw, London. Township vice-presidents-East side, William Smibert; west side, Fletcher Charlton; Westminster, east side, John McDougall; west side, A. M. Hunt; West Nissouri, A. Basley; Dorchester, east side, D. McLaughlin; west side, N. McCallum; London West, Wm. Moore The association's confidence in Dr. McWilliam, and their gratitude to him for his grand effort in the last campaign, was expressed in a standing

vote, which was unanimous. A convention will be held on the 30th of this month for the purpose of nominating a candidate. The secretary was ordered to notify last year's conveners of subdivisions to call a meeting to elect a chairman

and delegates to the nominating con-Upon the conclusion of the regular business the following resolutions were adopted:

Dale: "Resolved, that we, the Liberals of East Middlesex, desire to express our gratitude to Hon. A. S. Hardy for his long and distinguished services to the Province of Ontario and the Liberal party, and our regret that III-health has compelled his retirement from the high position which he has so well

Moved by Messrs, R. W. Jackson and E. Ironsides: "Resolved, that we heartily congratulate Hon. George W. Ross on his elevation to the premiership, more especially as he is a brilliant son of Middlesex; we extend to him our utmost confidence, and we enthusiastically commend the vigorous and progressive policy which he has outlined for the promotion of the agricultural interests of Ontario and the development of our latent resources.

Upon motion of Messrs. J. H. Elliott and E. Ironsides, it was "Resolved" that we reaffirm our admiration of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and our cordial approval of the policy of the Dominion government, and we specially indorse its action in sending a Canadian contingent to South Africa, believing that the integrity of the empire is at stake in the present war, and that Canada should and will do her share in uphold ing the honor and glory of the British flag, which carries with it justice and liberty for all races and all creeds.'

DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR

Squire Company and Broadway Bank Will Pay in Full.

Boston, Dec. 18.—A thorough examination of the condition of the Squire corporation, whose failure was anunced on Friday, was in progress on Saturday. Assignee Chaplin states that the creditors are principally banks in New England and in New York State. One of the members of the Squire firm said: "While I cannot state just how seriously our assignment may af-fect the Broadway Bank, I am justi-fled in saying that the bank and all

Patrick J. Gleason, of Long Island City, has filed a petition in voluntary bankruptcy, in which he gives his lia-

THE SOLDIERS

Commercial Travelers Pass Patriotic Resolutions,

And Show Their Appreciation in a Tangible Manner-\$50 for Private Frank Coles-\$100 for the British Red Cross Fund-Important Pro-Addresses by Dr. McWilliam and

The annual meeting of the Western Ontario Commercial Travelers' Association was held in the banqueting hall of the Masonic Temple Saturday afternoon. President Wm. Gray presided, and the large hall was well filled by the members. Some important motions Full Faith Expressed in Premier Geo. to change the bylaws of the associa-W. Ross and His Government-The tion were discussed and defeated.

A pleasing feature of the meeting was the patriotic note introduced by Mr. Gray. He referred to the war and The annual meeting of the East Mid-dlesex Liberal Association was held on Saturday afternoon in the hall of the Huron and Erie Savings Company's building President S. B. Gorwill precompanied the contingent, was a member of the association, and Mr. Gray moved a grant of \$50 as a recognition paign.

After the minutes of the last meeting sheathed until the British flag floated establishment here of a branch of the British Red Cross Society, and said that no class of men would more readily put their hands in their pockets than commercial travelers. He there-fore moved that the association contribute \$100 to the Red Cross fund, to be disposed of as may be deemed wise for the relief of the men who may be suf-fering on the battlefield for their country. God bless the boys at the front, he said.

The president's remarks were punctuated with applause. The motion was heartily seconded by President-elect Underwood, and carried

At the suggestion of Mr. Wm. Craig it was also agreed to pay Pte. Coles' dues during his absence.

"Rule, Britannia," and "God Save the Queen" were sung with great fer-

up. The committee of management proposed a change in the bylaws which would restore to all non-resident mem-bers and those not able to be present at any annual meeting the right to be represented, and to vote by proxy on day came when we were to part, when he was to go to India in search of fortune, leaving me to wait for him here.

"Oh, my strue lover, buried in that distant land! Oh, my strue lover, waiting for me at the golden gates! How had a government of when the said that we had a government of the said that the said that the said that the said that we had a government of the said that the said t any motions to amend or repeal the constitution and bylaws of the asso-

Auditors C. F. Complin and John

Alf. Robinson was re-elected secre tary, and J. W. Little trustee. The other officers of the association

Men who die for England Never die in vain. England's every son

Rushing seas they rode victorious,

Met in order stern the roaring main, Proud for pride of England, Died and not in vain. Fell our noblest once forsaken-

Fell above their slain. Sons of Vikings! old the story, Desperate odds and death-fight gory. Over all your graves

Floats the flag of England, Fought for not in vain.

Bright and yet more bright, Men who die for England Do not die in vain.

Prince and laborer, clerk and yeqman, One we rise to front the foeman. Who can dare forget Now to pay his debt,

Men who died for England Have not died in vain.

--Margaret L. Woods, in the

FUNERAL OF THE LATE SIR GEO. KIRKPATRICK. Kingston, Dec. 18.-The funeral train

bilities at \$226,984; assets, \$6,988.

The oil of tobacco found in the stem of long-used pipes is one of the most side the city, as we'l as hundreds of active and powerful poison. Lown.

Eines, the veterans of 1866, the main-bers of the city council, and represer to the city council, and represer to the city of the c

IT WAS THE FIRST AND IS THE ONLY PAIN REMEDY

unanimously.

vor by the association. Prior to the introduction of the pat-riotic motions, various matters came

of the proposals, and was therefore declared lost, a two-third vote being Overell were re-elected.

were elected at a previous meeting. Mer Who Die

Dying conquerors, dring masters, Dying firm 'mid fierce disasters,

Dying duty done, Gives the life she lent him back again. Men who die for England Never die in vain.

Conquering seas have made them glori-Where in marshaled rank Down to death they sank,

Ay, betrayed-the soul unshaken! Dead he spoke a word,

Sleeping, waking heard, Till we reared an empire for his fane. Peace to Gordon! England Mourned him not in vain.

Jungle, desert, heights and valleys, Know the dwindling square that rallies Steady back to back Fronts the yelling pack: Wild Shangani knows the grim refrain Sung ere men of England

Proud the flag ye held us high fro

Fade, yet forth their splendor flashes Answers height on height, Answers all your England, hill and

Give what England gave to her again?

bearing the remains of Sir Good A. Kirkpatrick from Toronto to Magston arrived on Saturday morning. The body was removed to Ontario Hail, and hundreds during the forenoon viewed it. Very Rev. Dean Smith, asland in the afternoon, the hall being filled. The procession to the cemetery was headed by the 14th P. O. W. Rifles' Band. The officers and many members of the 47th Battalion, of which Sir

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Send to Dr. Radway & Company, Montreal, bearers were Sir W. Van Horne, T. G. Shaughnessy and John Cassels, Montreal; W. B. Matthews, N. Kingsmill and E. B. Osler, M.P., of Toronto; John McIntyre, Q.C., and Dr. R. V. Rogers Kingston. The body was placed in the vault at Cataraqui Cemetery.

For England UNIFORMLY SATISFACTORY

Good Reports of the Business Situation in Canada.

Toronto, Dec. 18 .- Bradstreet's trade review summary: Trade reports received from various business centers of the Dominion for last week are uniformly satisfactory. At Montreal the holiday demand is active. Travelers on the road are sending in good-sized orders for the spring trade, and report that the prospects for business were never better. Retail trade in the

country has improved with colder weather and snow. There was an active demand for many lines at Hamilton.

Trade at the Pacific coast has been quite active so far this month. The movement is much larger than in any previous year, but profits are not alto gether satisfactory owing to price cutting by large retailers.

At London there is a good active demand for heavy winter goods from country points, and the city trade is active in many lines. The Christmas trade is improving daily and will be very large this year. Col lections are good. Toronto wholesale business has been very fair, and the month's business is

Heart Humbug.

It is fashionable today to have a new heant scare every 24 hours. The commonest symptoms of dyspepsia or nerve trouble, such as palpitation. weak spells, loss of appetite, and poor circulation, are magnified and distorted into serious signs of heart trouble. with the object of frightening the public into taking this or that heart remedy. If a hundredth part of the heart trouble we hear about were real. the cemeteries would be filled in month. A wrong construction is put upon common ailments in order to humbug the people into the belief that heart disease is prevalent, whereas real heart trouble, which is so sadly and suddenly fatal when it does occur, is a rare disease. Lopsided arguments cannot convince an intelligent people. The Too little iron means weakness, lack of spirits, pallid cheeks, shortness of breath, sleeplessness, nervousness. sisted by Revs. J. K. McMorine and loss of vital force, ending in general Rural Dean Carey, conducted the breakdown. The iron in Dr. Ward's loss of vital force, ending in general burial service of the Church of Eng- Blood and Nerve Pills is in the soluble form you need; in combination with other curative agents in such a mainer that disease can't resist their action. You feel yourself getting well when George was honorary lieutenant-col-onel, the officers of the 14th P. O. W. Rifles, the veterans of 1866, the mem-



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Now is the Christmas shopper's time—the time when you are happy in gift-choosing. As the holidays draw near you grow hurried, worried and anxious, stores are crowded and it's difficult to find the most appropriate things. There is much to be done, and time flies, so commencing today, we will help the time-pressed people by

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Dolls' Swings, Dolls' Beds, Cradles, Furniture, Hammocks.

fly Rockers. China—Dinner and Tea Sets shown upstairs. No matter where one turns, there is brightness and beauty and

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other hand, has been given a decided impetus, and comparisons with the ame period of preceding years are uniformly favorable Failures for the week number 28, against 31 last week, 32 in this week a year ago, 43 in 1897, 39 in 1896 and 41 in 1895.

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For the Christmas hol'days the I. C. R. will issue return tick ets to all points on the system at greatly reduced rates. For full information apply to I. C. R ticket office, room No. 11, Lawfor build ing, Toronto.

Grand excursion via Lehigh Valley Railroad, Saturday, Dec. 23. Tickets only \$10 from Suspension Bridge to \$10-Washington and Return-\$1 Washington and return. Tickets good for return until Jan. 2. Good for stop-Trains leave Suspension Bridge, 7:20 a.m., 6:50 and 9 p.m. For tickets, sleeping-car berths an i further particulars, call on or additional further particulars. ticulars, call on or addiress Robert S Lewis, Canadian passe nger agent, Yonge street, Toronto. Send for Lehigh Valley book of winter trains and rates. 28n wtzywy

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On above date the NEW YORK the CENTRAL in connection with the Beaumont.
PENNSYLVANI/ Re ilroad will run a —The th popular ten-day holiday excursion to Washington, the nation's capital. Fare for the round trip onty \$10 from Suspension Bridge or Buffalo. See New York Central ticket agents for tickets, space in sleepers and all information, or ad fress H. Parry, general agent, Buffalo. N. Y. agent, Buffalo, N. Y.

During the past season the visitors to Abbotsf ord, Scotland, numbered above 8,000, being 1,000 more than last

Mrs. W Anslow's Scothing Syrup. Has been used for over FIFTY YEARS by MILLION S of MOTHERS for their CHILDREN WITHLE TERTHING, with PERFECT SUCESS, it SOOTHES the CHILD, SOFTENS the GUMS, ALLATS all PAIN: CURES WIND COLIC, and is the best remedy for DIAR/AHEA. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslaw's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind Twenty-five cenes a bottle.

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record of cures unparalleled in the his-carcass in Cook's possession as being tory of medicine. Eczema, salt rheum, unfit for food. tetter, scald head, old people's rash, and all itching skin diseases, are absolutely cured by Dr. Chase's Ointment.

—A petition is being circulated in favor of John Sherlock, who was convicted of throwing stones during the street railway disturbances. It testifies

have some beauties for the parbedroom or dining-room, in all They are good stoves, too, and won't find any fault with them, guarantee. If you want a stove that you can depend on you had betome here.

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Toronto, Ont., Dec. 17, 8 p.m.-An area of high pressure accompanied by fair weather now extends from the lakes to the Atlantic. Pressure is increasing over Alberta, and the weather is cold throughout the Northwest. Minimum and maximum temperatures: throughout the Northwest. Victoria, 30-38; Kamloops, zero-10; Prince Albert, 30 below-4 below; Qu'-Appelle, 12 below-zero; Parry Sound, 20-38; Toronto, 28-40; Ottawa, 8-24; Montreal, 8-32; Quebec, 2-20; Halifax,

Local temperatures: The highest and lowest readings of the theremometer at the observatory on Saturday, Dec. 16 were: Highest, 56; lowest, 27 de-

Today the sun rises at 7:47; sets at 4:43. Moon rises at 6:29 p.m.; sets at



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London Advertiser.

-The Hon. David Mills, Q.C., minis ter of justice, has contributed \$25 to Western University, per Rev. Dr.

—The third polling sub-division, ward 4, has been changed from No. 382 Princess avenue, to No. 417 Princess avenue.

-Mr. W. S. Creighton, of Liverpool, representing an English syndicate largely interested in cheese factories hereabouts, is in the city.

—Miss Isabel Love left for Mexico Saturday afternoon. Miss McCallum and Master McCallum accompanied her. They will go as far as Texas. -Rev. J. A. Hickman, a missionary, lately returned from China, told the story of his work at St. Paul's Cathedral yesterday morning. Tonight he will speak in the Memorial Church

Sunday school room. -The Bishop of Huron preached at Christ Church Cathedral, Montreal, yesterday morning on the occasion of the ordination of his son, Mr. Maurice S. Baldwin, who has been appointed to assist the Ven. Archdeacon Naylor in the parish of Shawville.

-The police on Saturday arrested Walter Cook, charging him with cru-Babies Tortured

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Ointment, a preparation which has a record of every unparalleled in the babies. Watter Cook, charging in with the clare elty to animals. Cook is alleged to have worked a horse badly affected with sores. Medical Health Officer Hutter of the chinson seized three-quarters of a beef

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P.S.-Handsome Calendar to each purchaser of 50c and over on the 21st, 22nd and 23rd,

Special Advertisement

Toys and Games

We have a few Good Games and Toys which we want to clear out at once. Ask for them, as we cannot show them in the window or front store. Games are large and in good condition; such as Barnum's Show. Fish Pond, Destruction, Uncle Sam's Navy, Old Cat, Lotto. Upper Ten and lots of others at less than half price. Two boxes, large, containing thirteen different games, price was \$10 each, now \$2 each; 24-piece Toy China Tea Sets, beautiful goods, prices were \$2 and \$2 25, now 75c and \$1 each. * *

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to Sherlock's excellent character, and is being largely signed. The name of Col. F. B. Leys, M.P.P., heads the list. -On Friday evening, in the F. T. D. rooms, the retiring president, Mr. H. C. Beesley, was presented with an address and a handsome gold locket and chain. The locket had engraved upon one side, the letters, "H. C. B.," and upon the other, "F. T. D." Mr. Bees-ley leaves shortly for his home near London, England.

-Last evening, as Miss Johnson, of Bathurst street, a member of the King Street Presbyterian choir, was leaving the building after the services, she slipped and fell, striking her back on the sharp edges of the steps. The young lady was attended by Dr. Edward Seaborn, and was removed to her home in a cab. The lady's injuries are not serious.

—A dispatch from Ottawa, dated Friday, says: "Mrs. Boomer, of London, and Mrs. Tilton, Ottawa, of the National Council of Women, called on Sir Wilfrid Laurier this morning and submitted for his consideration a number of letters that Mrs. Boomer had received from Indian girls in the schools n the Northwest that she had visited a year ago. The premier accorded them a very favorable hearing, and read the letters with interest He noted the arguments presented by the ladies in regard to work among the Indian children, and promised to carry the matter on to the council."

nam entertained the pupils of the Model School, who will conclude their examinations this week. A programme of musical and literary numbers was carried out, and upon its conclusion Miss
Nettie G. Taylor read an address, in which Principal Graham was eulogized, and his work during the term commended. It was signed by Nettie G. Taylor, Laura Hodgins, H. D. Elliott Nelson George and Fred Fraser. Mr. Bert Murray made the presentation. Mr. Graham was also presented with a photograph of the five members of the champion Model-Huron football team. -The regular monthly meeting of the London Commandry, No. 3, Knights of the Grip was held on Saturday night in their rooms, Duffield block. Sir Knight High Chief Escott occupied the The following officers were elected for the ensuing term: High chief gripman, Sir Kt. W. H. Escott; past chief gripman, Sir Kt. R. D. McDonald; chief gripman, Sir Kt. B. G. H. Wright; secretary, Sir Kt. Alf.

Guenther; assistant secretary, Sir Kt.
H. G. Collamore; captain, Sir Kt. C.
H. Firth; lieutenant, Sir Kt. J. S.
Townsend; sergeant, Sir Kt. R. W. McCurdy; treasurer, Sir Kt. B. S. Switzer;
Inside guard Sir Kt. C. W. McGuire. inside guard, Sir Kt. C. W. McGuire; outside guard, Sir Kt. Bert Nial; first crier, Sir Kt. S. F. Glass; second crier, Sir Kt. H. S. Wilcox; forager, Sir Kt. C. E. Perry.

THE MOON'S ECLIPSE. The frequent intervention of clouds Saturday evening prevented a good | Co view by the people in this vicinity of Co the eclipse of the moon. It was the last eclipse of the year. The moon's first change of phase began at 32 Ci minutes and 9 seconds after 5 o'clock. | Pl Then, at 44 minutes and 9 seconds after 6 o'clock the earth's actual shadow was entered. When at its middle, at 26 minutes after 8 o'clock, La the eclipse was of a magnitude La amounting to .996 of the moon's total Ge diameter. The shadow was completely withdrawn at 6 minutes and 7 seconds after 10 o'clock, and at 18 minutes

and 8 seconds the moon left the pen-

umbra.

WESTMINSTER TOWNSHIP COUN-The Westminster Township Council met in Odell's Hall, Dec. 15. All the members were present. The committee appointed to dispose of sideroad N between lots 12 and 13, lying between Ge Commissioners' road and River Thames, reported that as Mr. Irwin did not want half of the road, they Le had disposed of the whole to Mr. Mc-Kellar for the sum of \$75. Mr. Mc- G. Kellar settled for the same and was handed over the deed. Bylaw No. 582 appointing returning officers and fix-Ing polling booths was read the third time and passed. Mr. Hunt, the collector, handed in his report. It is as follows: The total amount on roll,

THE HOSPITAL BUILDING AC-COUNTS. The hospital building committee, on

Saturday, held a second meeting to consider the architect's statement of the contractors' claims. The meeting lasted till long past midnight, but the end is not yet. Ald. Jolly (chairman), Parnell, O'Meara, Wilkey and Carrothers were present. Martyn & Hammett's account engaged the attention of the committee most of the evening. The amount of the contract was \$27,495. The extras charged were \$27,495. The extras charged werd the council will be asked to deal with two items amounting to \$289. The total of the account as passed was

Fred Goodacre Found Guilty of Stone-Throwing.

And Interfering With the Free Use of the Railway-His Heroic Conduct Pointed Out by Mr. Essery-Peter Sims Acquitted.

At the county court on Saturday afternoon, Fred Goodacre, one of the old employes of the street railway company, was found guilty of throwing a missile at a street car and interfering with the free use of the railway on Saturday, July 8. The defendant is quite young, and the jury strongly recommended him to mercy. The Stoves, square and reservoirs..... \$10 prosecution charged that Goodacre Lyle and Dundas streets; that he threw stones at the cars, and that he turned the switch at Lyle street, causing a car to run east on Dundas street, where it was damaged by the crowd.

P. C.s Downs and Woolway said they saw the defendant throwing stones and Detective Egelton saw the switch

being moved. For the defense a number of witat all answer the description of the defendant. It was shown that young Goodacre and Nelson, another striker,

place of safety.

Judge Elliott charged strongly against the accused. He spoke of Goodacre's interest in the case, and said: "Don't you think his evidence should be taken with a grain of salts"

diately summoned, and Policemen Weir, R. Robinson and Walter Smith were sent to the scene. The body was removed to the hospital, where it was identified as that of Dyer.

Deceased was 65 years of age, and should be taken with a grain of salt?" client get a fair hearing. He asked the judge to question Goodacre on the subject. Judge Elliott demurred. It cars. The judge again addressed the on his head. jury strongly against the accused after the additional evidence.

SIMS NOT GUILTY. de noted the arguments presented by he ladies in regard to work among he Indian children, and promised to arry the matter on to the council."

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Tom Smith's **English Crackers.**

These Bon-Bons contain picture puzzles, fancy paper caps, Scotch caps, bagpipes, and a variety of grotesque head dresses, etc.

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room applauded, and the judge reprimanded her severely, saying: "If you do that again, I will send you to jail."

DYER'S BODY

Apparently Committed Suicide While Suffering From Melancholia - He Disappeared From the Hospital on Tuesday Last.

The body of Edward Dyer, the patient who escaped from the hospital on Tuesday evening last, was found yesterday floating in the river at the foot nesses were called to prove that the of Waterloo street, about ten feet from person who moved the switch did not the shore and surrounded by ice. The the shore, and surrounded by ice. The discovery was made by two boys-Robert Mines, of 335 Hill street, and John at great risk to themselves, boarded the car on which Motorman Rigney 1 o'clock, while they were walking on was injured, and ran it through the was injured, and ran it through the the river bank. The police were imme-

should be taken with a grain of salt?"
He also laid stress upon the fact that Mr. Essery, the counsel for the defendant, had not questioned Goodacre when on the stand about the stone-throwing. It was practically an admission of guilt. Mr. Essery said this had been an oversight on his stand that the stone-throwing is the stand about the stand about the stand about the stand about a week. During the entire time he was in the institution he was able to be around. He had bronchial trouble, but appeared to suffer more from melancholia. Dyer was closely watched, but on Tuesday, while the posterior was believed. had been an oversight on his part. He while the patients were being removed would sooner a thousand times ack- from the old to the new building, he nowledge his error than not have his succeeded in getting out, unnoticed. A succeeded in getting out, unnoticed. A vigorous search was made by the authorities at once, but his whereabouts could not be discovered, and it is sup-posed that he went direct to the river would be a very strange thing to exposed that he went direct to the river amine a witness after the addresses to and committed suicide. The body was the jury, but Mr. Essery was importunate, and the judge turned to the crown attorney. Mr. Magee had no objection, so Goodacre went into the box and denied throwing stones at the box and denied throwing stones at the care. The judge again addressed the constant of the structure of the structure

Coroner Ferguson was notified, but considered an inquest unnecessary, as it was clearly a case of suicide. Dver was known to have been very despond-Peter Sims, a young man residing in South London, was acquitted on the charge of assaulting and wounding years, and was steady in his habits. He was years, and was steady in his habits. He William Rowe, an aged shoemaker, lived at Belmont for some years. He who lives at the corner of the Pipe had been married, but had not lived Line and the Wharncliffe road. J. M. with his wife for some time past. He McEvoy for defendant; Magee for the crown. Sims admitted "smashing" the sum of money by an aunt, Mrs. McKel-

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ortfolios, all leather \$2 00	Ladies' Hand Bags \$1 00
ortfolios, all leather\$12 00	Combination Purses and Card Cases, 500
ollar and Cuff Sets	Dressing Cases, ladies'\$3 00
ollars, separate 650	Dressing Cases, gentlemen's\$2 50
uffs 65c	Dressing Cases, ladies' extra, with
igar Cases\$1 00	brush, comb, mirror, manicure
laying Card Cases and Counters 75c	set, scissors, etc
landkerchief Cases	Dressing Cases, gentlemen's extra,
treet Car Ticket Cases 100	with brush, comb, nail brush, tooth brush, razor, razor strop, lather
adies' Card Cases 50c	brush, soap box, in solid leather
entlemen's Card Cases 60c	case
Ien's Wallets	Skate Straps 10
Vhisky Flasks 50c	Skate Straps, extra long 15
old Tea Flasks	Lawyers' Bags\$5 0
srandy Flasks\$1 50	Surgical Bags\$4 5
fusic Rolls 50c	Nurses' Grips\$2 5
Iusic Cases\$1 25	Gladstone Bags\$3 5
adies' Chatelaine Purses\$1 00	Dress Suit Cases, 6 in. wide\$6 0
Vurses' Chatelaines\$1 25	Dress Suit Cases, 7 in. wide\$7 0
entlemen's Bill Books 75c	Ladies' Jewelry Bags 25
Gentlemen's Letter Cases 50c	Cigar Boxes, wood, with pad \$1 5
adies' Purses, from250 to \$5 00	Smuggling Cases
Gentlemen's Purses, from10c to \$1 50	Whist Markers 50
Razor Strops 25c	Golf Score Cards\$1 0
Shawl Straps 15c	State Room Trunks\$4 0
Rubber Sponge Bags 50c	Trunks\$2 0
Opera Chatelaines 75c	Telescope Cases 45
Pocket Ink Bottles 35c	Doll Trunks, all sizes 65
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ON DECEMBER 28

Middlesex Conservatives Will

Nominate a Candidate. The East Middlesex Conservative Association met Saturday afternoon in the Duffield block. The meeting was neld for the purpose of considering the ancy in the legislature caused by the tary of the East Middlesex Association, and Mr. A. W. Wright, of Toron-to, Conservative organizer for Ontario West. After considering the question of a candidate, the association decided to hold a convention in Duffield block

on Dec. 28 to make a choice. Reference was made to the late Mr. Hodgens and the severe loss sustained by the association by his death. The following resolution was moved by Mr. Gilmour, seconded by J. H. Marshall, and unanimously carried: "That we, the Conservatives of East Middlesex, oo at this our first opportunity, desire to express our profound sense of sorrow on the sudden and unexpected death of our respected local member, T. D. Hodgens. To the public at large his decase is a calamity; to individuals of us who have known him long, his being taken from us was a sad eventan event we are not prepared for; to those of us who knew him as our representative in the local house his death is deplored. But we all feel that to his wife and family a much more serious and irreparable loss has failen. Oc We desire to sympathize with them in this hour of their trial, and humbly commend them in their bereavement to the God that has promised to care for the widow and the fatherless. And that a copy of this resolution be presented to Mrs. Hodgens, signed by the resident and secretary.'

KRUGER'S MALADY.

Bright's Disease, the Formerly Incurable Malady That Has Fastened It. self Upon the Boer President.

Cape Town, Dec. 18.-Bright's Diseport states has attacked President Kruger, of the South African Republic, is considered incurable here. It is an affliction of the kidneys, and doctors state that it is invariably fatal. The disease was first diagnosed as a dis-tinct disease by Dr. Bright, from whom

t takes its name.

It is understood that a remedy has been discovered for Bright's Disease in America of recent years called Dodd's Kidney Pills, and reports reach Africa to the effect that cures are being made in England and Australia by the same

The steamer Arthur, before reported overdue, is ashore at Cove Island. A new French Conservative news-paper, Le Journal, was issued in Mon-treal on Saturday.

Obituary.

MR. DENNIS DALY. By the death of Mr. Dennis Daly,

which occurred at his residence in West Isondon, yesterday morning, London loses one of her best known and most highly respected residents, a nomination of a candidate for the vac- good citizen in every sense of the word. For some months he had not death of Mr. T. D. Hodgens. Mr. John been in good health, and had suffered Geary, the president, occupied the chair, and among others present were Major Beattle, M.P.; Mr. James Gilmour, M.P.; Mr. C. C. Hodgins, Dr. Roome, ex-M.P.; Mr. Joseph Marshall, ex-M.P.; Mr. Useph Marshall, ex-M.P.; Mr. W. C. Fitzgerald, secretary of the Bast Middleway Association. he married, and raised a large family, all of whom predeceased him but two sons, Mr. P. J. Daly, of Rampart City, Alaska, and Mr. John M., of this city. For twenty years Mr. Daly was purchasing agent for coal and wood for the Great Western Railway Company, a position requiring keen business acurien, which he filled to the utter satisfaction of the management. Subsequently he was a contractor on the Canada Southern Railway. Fourteen years ago he established a coal and wood business on York street west, and was actively engaged in managing it until a few years ago, when his son, Mr. J. M. Daly, undertook this work. Mr. Daly was well known in London as a gentleman of

sterling character.

MISS AMELIA MILLER. The deatl 1 of Miss Amelia Miller, of the teaching staff of Talbot street school, occurred yesterday at St. Joseph's Hospital. Deceased had attended to her work at the school until a week age last Thursday, when she was forced to take to her bed. Typhoid fever ensued l, and subsequently pneumonia deve loped, which was the di-rect cause of her death. Miss Miller had served faithfully on the city teaching staff for a quarter of a century, and un til it was determined that male principals should be at the head of the city schools, she had been for some time the principal of Talbot street school. She was the second daughter of Mr. William Miller, of Oak River, Manito ba, formerly of this city; a niece of M. T. H. Miller, of Elm-wood avenue, and of Mrs. A. Dale, and a cousin of Mr. Andrew Dale, of Duf-ferin avenue. The remains will be conveyed to the home of her father, in Manitoba for interment. Special in Manitoba for interment. Special mention of her demise was made last night from the pulpit of the First Methodist Church, of which she was an active memi ber, and where, as in all her fields of work, she was esteemed and loved.

LIFE SAVED.—Mr. James Bryson Cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inframmation of the lungs and was give in up by physicians.

A neighbor advised me to try Dr.

Thomas' Eclectric Oil, stating that
his wife had used it for a throat
trouble with the best results. Acting
on this advice I proceured the medicine, medicine.

It is unlikely that the Dutch of the Transvaal are acquainted with Dodd's Kidney Pills, however, they being Kidney Pills, however, they being I certainly believe it saved my life. It was with reluctance that I consented was with reluctance that I consented to a trial, as I was reduced to such a state that I doubted the power of any

remedy to do me good. Negotiations have been in progress with a view to arnalgam ating a large humber of botels in the morth of Ire-