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cent. off. Fancy Cups and Saucers 25 per cent. off.

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## THE TACTICS OF A WINNER

# CELEBRATED

Splendid Concert and Banquet Signalize the 50th Anniversary of Chatham Lodge.

cal Oddfellows Observe in teresting Ceremonial-Veterans' Jewels Presented Splendid Addresses

Fifty years established in Chatham and at present one of the best standing lodges in the city.

This is the splendid record of Chatham Lodge, No. 29, I. O. O. F., and the event of the golden anniversary was duly celebrated last evening with a concert and banquet.

There were about 300 people pres ent at the concert and a most enjoyable time was spent by everyone who attended.

O. L. Lewis, who is one of the most entertaining platform speakers in the city, occupied the chair during the program and opened the evening with a short address, giving the history of Chatham Lodge from the time it was first established in Chatham.

"This Lodge," said he, "was established in Chatham on December 26, 1853, and at present we have not got one of the six charter members. ive of them are deceased, and the sixth, J. L. Davis, was, when last heard from, living in Detroit. Among the first members were the following well remembered citizens Turnbull, Thos. Stone, Miles Miller, James Higgins and Seymour Stephenson, whose photo can be

found in the library of this building. "The Lodge was installed by Isaac Smith, who is still an honored member, and its first home was in the third story of the old building op-posite The Planet Office. Until 1871 thad its ups and downs, and on the 9th of November of that year it branched out and took up quart-ers in the old library building above the present Bell Telephone Company's the present Bell Telephone Company's office. A few years ago, as you all know, it branched out again, and this splendid building was then erected. The Grand Lodge held its meeting in St. Catharines, and it was then that we sent out first representative to that meeting. Bro. James Henry.

"Our funds then consisted of £11 17s. 11d. Now we have a building alone which cost \$25,000. We are all proud of our building, and we are pleased to be able to invite you here and have you enjoy yourselves with

and have you enjoy yourselves with

"Oddfellowship has now been in existence for 80 years. Last week I was standing in the first lodge room of this Order. It was a small room 13 x 8 1-2, with a slanting roof, in the fourth story back room of the Seven Stars Hotel in Baltimore, where Washington Lodge, No. 1, was organized. They had at first five organized. They had at first five members. Now the Lodge has a fund of \$31,000,000, and a membership of 1,390,000, an annual revenue of eleven

"We now have here a membership roll of 250. Western City Lodge, No. 93, also has a membership of about 120, and our Encampment and Rebekah Lodges are all sound, healthy

growths."
Mr. Lewis was greeted with much

During the evening Veteran Odd-

During the evening Veteran Odd-fellows' Jewels were presented to three Veteran Oddfellows who have been members of the Lodge for 25 years—A. E. Sheldrick, Jas. L. Oldershaw and J. J. Evans, formerly of Dover, now of Ann Arbor. The committee who presented the medals were J. Turner, J. McCorvie and W. H. Carswell.

Dr. Geo. T. McKeough, always a delightful platform speaker, gave a very interesting fifteen minute address on his European travels. Other numbers on the program were—Selections I. O. O. F. orchestra; recitation, Miss Viola Marshall, the popular girl elocutioniste; recitations, Mrs. A. Merrill and Jas. Ridley, and vocal solos by Miss Vantalely, and vocal solos by Miss Vantalely, and recitations in the program were decitations. Harry Flowers and Jas. Gilleland.

After the concert a banquet was given and a dance followed to conclude the very pleasant evening's entertainment.

The committee who had the enter-

Arthur J. Dunn, the Enterpris-ing Young Business Man who Seeks Election as

ere given, is one of the bright and progressive young men of this city. He was placed in such aposition when 12 years old as would have prevented any young man eyer making a career for himself. Despite this discourage ing hand cap, Mr. Dunn has shown in domitable pluck and energy and has taken advantage of ev ry opportunity until to-day he stand, in the front rank of the younger m n of this city By his own efforts he has built up



ARTHUR J. DUNN.

good business in the commercial world and has gained both the respect and esteem of his fellow citizens. He has shown that he has all kinds of ability and has push and persever-ance to back it up. Mr. Dunn is now offering himself as a candidate for al-derman and the rateograps conoffering minself as a candidate for al-derman, and the ratepayers can rest assured that they have in Mr. Dunn a candidate in whom they can place every confidence. He has shown himman among men

## NO CLEMENCY

In reference to a petition sen: ome time ago for clemency in the case of Paul Rose, who was sent to Central Prison on the charge of stealing clothes from the Merriam board-ing house, Centre St., Mayor W. E. McKeough received the following

communication this morning:

Sir,-Having reference to a petition from yourself and other residents of Chatham and vicinity in bedents of Chatham and Victime to that of one Paul Rose, now confined in the Central Prison, of Ontario, I am commanded to inform you that His Excellency the Governor-General does not see fit to exercise the prerogative of clemency in the case of that prisoner.

JOSEPH POPE,

JOSEPH POPE, Under Secretary of State. Worship Mayor McKeough

## STABBING AFFAIR

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 30.—A serious stabbing affray occurred last evening on the St. David's Road, near St. David's village. Two Italians, Jim Rosso and Antonio Barlo, employed at Lowery's stone quarry, quarrelled, and during the fight Rosso stabbed Barlo twice in the back and about the shoulder and near the kidneys. He also slashed Barlo twice in the face and across the hand. Rosso had his face badly punched by Barlo. Officers arrested Rosso and locked him up. Barlo is in a serlous condition and may die. ap. Barlo is

## SOCIAL TIME

Last evening Court Hope, A. O. F. held its quarterly meeting, at which some fifty of the brethren were pres-ent. The usual routine was gone through, when a program was given, Bro. J. W. Mann, acting as chairman. The program: Chairman's address-J. W. Mann.

Selection—Orchestra.
Song—Alf. Erigley.
Cornet and Trombone duet—Messrs.
Moffatt and Gonne.

After the concert a banquet was, given and a dance followed to conclude the very pleasant evening's entertainment.

The committee who had the entertainment in charge were Mesrs. Jno. McCorvie, C. McArthur, Jno. Turner, Chas, Austin, M. Sides, Wm. Sprentall, and Secretary A. W. Gould.

Any irregularity on the part of The Plenet's carrier boys will be immediately remedied by calling at the office or phoning 53a.

Moffatt and Gonne. Song—Wm. Bowers.
Brass quartette—Selection.
Selection—Orchestra.
After the program the committee served light refreshments. The court held its last meeting in the I. O. O. F. block last night, and are now located at the A. O. U. W. rooms, where they meet next Wednesday evening.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered all those who assisted in the program.

# A TRICKSTER

Hamilton Spectator's Vigorous Exposure of "Honorable" Mr. Ross.

What Does He Hope to Gain by Repeated Efforts to Defeat the Will of the People

has been answered. And the answer shows that Ross still believes in the efficacy of trucks to keep him in power a little longer, in the hope that omething may turn up to stem the tide of public opinion which has set in against him. And Mr. Ross has in against him. And Mr. Ross has not only answered the question by adopting a trick, but he has been guilty of the smallest, meanest and grossest partisanship in the doing of

The cabinet met yesterday, and it was decided to call the legislature on Thursday. Jan. 14, the day upon which, according to the schedule, the first of the Tory protests against Liberal members-elect is set down for trial.

When the ministers came forth When the ministers came forth from the meeting their faces were all smiles, showing them to be tricksters, one and all, who were made happy by the prolongation of their tenure of coffice by dishonorable means. And these smiling tricksters told the waiting reporters that there was nothing for publication — that nothing had been decided. Then the real information was carried to the Globs office, giving that journal an advanoffice, giving that journal an advan-tage over its local competitors! It is not likely that there is a township council in Ontario small enough to be guilty of that piece of small-souled

nertisanism.

No man can be deceived by the announcement as it appeared in the Globe. The government knows very well how to raise money for necessary expenses without calling the legislature together. It has done it before. It knows very well how to call the six advance of legislation.

isjature together. It has due to the fore. It knows very well how to call for tenders in advance of legislation. It has done that before.

The fact is, that the calling of the legislature for the 14th of January is a trick to defer the trial of the Tory protests against five Liberal memberselect. Mr. Ross knowing very well that some of these Liberals would be sure to be unseated, and being quite certain that, in the present condition of public opinion the resulting byelections in these close constituencies would inevitably result disastrously to the government.

But Mr. Ross can no longer deceive the public. They know well why he has done this thing, and they will settle with him so sure as opportunity

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offers.

An honorable man—a man having the least spark of honor in his make-up—would in Mr. Ross' present position, promptly resign, and go to the country. But Ross, the Trickster, seeks only to hold himself in power, utterly careless of public opinion. He dupes the people and grasps at every and any trick for the purpose of defeating the popular will, that he may ignore the mandate of the people.—

## AT "THE PINES"

The teachers of the Ursuline acad-The teachers of the Ursuline academy held a very pleasant, instructive convention at The Pines Tuesday and Wednesday. All of the teachers belonging to the Ursuline Academy, about 40 in number, were present, including those from Tecumseh and Tilbury.

bury.

Mr. Powers, Inspector of Separate
Schools, presided over the convention
and delivered excellent addresses on
the different branches of Separate
School work. The convention was
opened Tuesday morning by Mr. Pow. opened Tuesday morning by Mr. Pow-ers, who in the afternoon gave an in-structive address on teaching in gen-

eral.
Yesterday afternoon, J. W. Plewes, principal of the Central School, and Robert Park, Inspector of Public Schools, addressed the teachers on grammar, arithmetic, composition, the higher branches of rhetoric, and the higher studies of the academy.
The convention closed yesterday afternoon with all pleased and satisfied with their successful convention.

## FARM FOR THE EMPIRE

## BURGLARS BUSY

Numerous Glencoe Stores Brok en Into and Money and Goods Stolen in the Night Time.

London, Dec. 31— The city police authorities yesterday merming received a telegram from Glencoe stating that Tuesday night several stores in the village had been burglarized and goods and money carried off. The theves decamped without leaving any trace behind, but it is conjectured in police circles that they are the same gang who have been carrying on a series of similar depredations in Napier, Mount Brydges and other places in the neighborhood. The robbers have been hitherto so skillful in covering up their tracks that the authorities have been unable to lay their hands upon them. London, Dec. 31- The city police

ties have been unable to lay their hands upon them.

A special despatch to the Free Press from Glendoe states that in the present instance the burlars ferced open the front doors of the stores with chisels. At Mr. J. M. Tait's dry goods and grocery store they secured plunder to the value of \$50, at Mr. P. (D. Keith's \$5 im cash, and at the premises of Mr. H. C. Dixon, harness manufacturer, two valises. The chisels with which the burglars worked their way in ware stolen from Gordon's with which the burglars worked their way in ware stolen from Gordon's planing mill, the office of which they had also entered, but found nothing of value. An attempt to break into Mr. J. E. Roome's crockery and shoe store was unsuccessful. The work seems to have been that of an organized gang of robbers, and their nocturnal raid on the business premises of the village has caused considerable excitement. The peaceful village of Glencoe has been undisturbed by such crimes for over a year, but merchants and others are now on their guard, and the local police are keeping a sharp look-out for suspicious characters who have been loafing in the vicinity.

#### MADE A HAUL

South Buxton, Dec, 30. - Burglars atered the house of Jas. Wellwood on Thursday evening last, while all slumbered, and carried off \$130 found a drawer. No clue. We also learn that on Christmas night L. A. Pardo was relieved of \$50 in the same man

TO PRESERVE LORD'S DAY. Alliance Deputation Wait on Hon, Charles Fitzpatrick. Ottawa, Dec. 30. - The Dominion

Lord's Day Alliance have renewed their application for the enactment of a Federal law for the preservation of the Sabbath as a day of rest. The application was made to Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick by Rev. Dr. Potts, President, and Rev. J. G. Shearer, President, and Rev. J. G. Shearer, Secretary, of the Lord's Day Alliance. The question has been interjected into the Federal arena owing to the judgment given on the 14th of July last of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, to the effect that the Provinces had not the power to enact legislation such as the Ontario Lord's Day act. This judgment invalidates all Provincial Sunday observance laws enacted since confederation, and, accordingly, led those who believe in the sanctury of the Sabbath to turn their attention to Ot who believe in the sanctity of the Sabbath to sum their attention to Ortawa. On August 13th the delegates from the Lord's Day Alliance of Canada interviewed members of the Dominion Government and intimated that they desired to see the introduction of a Lord's Day act at the coming session of Parliament. The Premier received the delegation most sympathetically, and indicated a disposition to miect their views. To-day's interview with the Minister of Justice was in the direction of supplementing what had been previously urged. The two delegates submitted to Mr. Fitzpatrick a drait of the measure which they thought should be enacted. Mr. Fitzpatrick seemed disposed to look favorably upon the proposal. He said that he would submit the draft to his deputy, Mr. Newcombe, who had been present at the argument before the Judicial Council of the Privy Council on behaf of the Government, and would write the association within a week, delimiting the extent to which he was prepared to advise the Cabinet to go.

#### COTTON "LONGS" SCARED. Panic in New Orleans Cotton Market-Big Drop in Prices.

London, Dec. 30.—The Montreal Witness said that with agriculture in a flourishing condition in Canada, the demands which this industry must make in a scanty population must necessarily turn the energies of the country from the other branches of trade, since it is more profitable to exchange food for British manufacture themselves.

The St. James' Gazette quotes this and says this is precisely what Mr. Chamberlain expects to occur under a system of Imperial preference. New Orleans, La., Dec. 30.-It was

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## The Planet.

8. STEPHENSON - Proprietor. Business Office

Editorial Rooms S. STEPHENSON - Proprietor. THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31.

## BALLOT-STUFFERS BARRED OUT.

On the day before the North Renfrew election the Globe made the interesting announcement that there was to be no ballot-stuffing. It said, quote its words: "The election will be absolutely clean so far at least as the ballots are concerned." After the election the assurance was repeated. "The election," said our contemporary, "was absolutely clean so far as the ballots were concerned." The singular announcement and its remarkable verification have an important bearing on our provincial politics. They show that the ballotstuffing campaign has been entirely controlled from headquarters. Otherwise, how was it known in advance that there was to be no ballot-stuffing in North Renfrew? Mr. Ross has all along maintained that the ballot frauds were the mistakes of overzealous friends who could not be restrained. It appears now that his agents are in a position to advise the public when and where ballot-stuffing is not to be the Government's weapon. We need not, however, grow enthusiastic over the machine, because it was not given full scope in North Renfrew. Nobody suspects that the machine has suddenly developed a conscience. On the contrary, it has taken advantage of the North Renfrew election to show to the hangers-on how necessary its operations are to the continuance of the Ross Government. The machine, and its organs, have since the election been endeavoring to blame the Government's defeat on Mr. Lorne Hale, who made a gallant and clean fight against heavy odds. This is not generous, but we can understand how bitter the Ross Government feel towards Mr. Hale if it is true, as is more than suspected, that he barred the ballot-stuffers out of North Ranfrew. If more Liberal candidates would adopt that course our politics would be cleaner.-Mail-Empire

#### THE GLOSE ON NORTH REN FREW

Our reverend and esteemed contemporary, the Globe, we are pleased to observe, takes a high-minded view of the result in North Renfrew, points out the Guelph Herald. It

The only distinguished feature of the campaign, apart from the per-sonality of the candidates, was the Gamey charges. Both the Provincial Secretary and the member of Mani-toulin were active in the campaign and from many platforms the charges against the Minister were discussed with heat and demonstration. The Gamey case was, indeed, made the issue of the Opposition. It is with a sense of shame that one thinks of the degradation of politics, the prostitution of the privileges of our political institutions, which would allow that most disgusting episode in our political history fraught as it is with treason and perjury and the lowest political indeency, to be made, by the leaders of a political party, the supreme issue in an election, and the discredited man himself the outstanding figure in the campaign. there any deeper depth to which our politics can sink or any innermost cell into which the canker of corruption can eat?

And Echo answers "Is there?" Why-if the Globe will permit us to ask another question-why, in the name of decency, should these Gamey charges be discussed on the public platform? Is it not time "that most disgusting episode in our political history" was forgotten? Why rake to the surface every now and then the "treason and perjury, and lowest political indecency" which were its most prominent characteristics? In other words, can't the Conservative party "forget some things?"

Gamey should never have been permitted to go into North Renfrew When Ross threw down the gaunt let at Beachburg and virtually challenged Gamey to appear in his own defence the man from Manitoulin should immediately have been placed under arrest for not paying his debts. Then Gamey would have been compelled to keep away from North Renfrew and Ross and Stratton would have been enabled to conduct the discussion of public questions on a high moral plane by calling their arch enemy a liar, a thief, a jail bird and a Judas Iscariot.

But shame suffuses the Globe's cheek and our own when we turn from what might have been to a contemplation of things as they amey went into the riding

latforms gave the s of his purchase Let us pause ht to repeat the as with which the paragraph we have deeper depth to

which our politics can sink or any innermost cell into which the canker of corruption can eat."

Once more echo answers,

We all admit-the Globe, of cours ncluded-that our politics would have been elevated and "the canker

of corruption" kept out of "the in permost cell" had Ross and Stratton alone been permitted to discuss "the charges against the Minister." But the "sense of shame" fairly suffocates us when we remind ourselve that Gamey was allowed to an we the Ross challenge; that he was ever given the privilege of a British subject and permitted to say a word in his own defence and confirm the ge erally accepted view that his support had been purchased and paid for by the Ministers. Well may the sorely afflicted spirit of the Globe emit the agonizing wail;

"Is there any deeper depth to which our polities can sink or any innermost cell into which the canker innermost cell into while of corruption can eat."

Once more echo answers,

But "the deepest depth" of humiliation was not even reached when the "vulpine traducer," Gamey, was allowed to cast reflections on the anworld has ever known stand helples before it. As the last fold goes around the struggling victim and the struggling victim and the struggling victim and the struggling victim and the doctor shakes his head and whispers "Bright's Disease," hope feals to her victims, and the sorrowing friends the breach and tried to break up Gamey's meetings. But in vain. The people insisted on hearing Gamey's story, and, worse still, the people believed him. They heard the "high, clear, ringing notes" of innocence from Mr. Ross; they listened to Stratton in his defence, armed as he was with the whitewashing report of the judges. But they believed Gamey, they helped Gamey, they helped Gamey, and worse still, they believed Gamey, with the whitewashing report of the judges. But they believed Gamey, they helped Gamey they helped Gamey, they helped Gamey they helped Gamey, they helped Gamey they helped Ga judges. But they believed Gamey, and when voting day came, they went, hundreds of them good Liberals, to the polls, and by their ballots declared that if it was wrong for Gamey to take the bride, it was a thousan times worse for Ministers of the Crown to give it.

Not by the disgraceful negotiations between the Ministers and R. R. Gamey is the Globe shamed. The shame comes to our esteemed contemporary in the deplorable circumstance that Ross and Stratton were found out and that the man who exposed the hideous conspiracy is still permitted to tell his awful story to the people. And when he told it in North R nfrew the electors of that riding-mindful though they were of West Elgin and North Waterloo and South Oxford-appreciated the greater gravity of the invasion by discredited Ministers of the Legislative chamber itself to buy up the people's representatives. And in the language of the Globe they asked themselves:-

"Is there any deeper depth to which our politics can sink or any innermost cell into which the canker of corruption can eat."

And echo answered through the pallot boxes: "There is none!

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serpent, it creeps on us ristim till
the latter is enveloped in its folds,
and the greatest physicians the
world has ever known stand helpless
before it. As the last fold goes
around the struggling victim and
the doctor shakes his head and whispers "Bright's Disease" home fadas to

statemen, judg s, eminent lawyers, and honored divines are numbered among those who in recent months have gone down to their graves with the fell marks of this dread disease upon their bodies. In fact, so prevalent has the disease become that a celebrated Naw York specialist stat-ed recently that not one person in a hundred was free from some faint of Kidney Disease.

WORKS IN SECRET. It is the secrecy of Kidney Disease that makes it the more dreaded. You that makes it the more dreaded. You can fight an enemy in the open with some chance of success, but if he is lying in wait to take you at an unwary moment your chances of successfully fighting him are terribly diminished. So it is with Kidney Disease. Its first warnings are so faint as to be hardly noticeable, a slight pain in the back that is charged up to over exertion, a slight discoloration of the urine or a burning sunsation while urinating attracts attention. That is all. But that means that Kidney Disease is at work gradually eating its way into your system. The pain in the back grows more severe, the urinary trouble more complicated, swellings under the eyes more severe, the urinary trouble more complicated, swellings under the eyes and of the limbs denote the coming of Dropsy, sharp shooting pains in the joints and muscles tell that Rheumatism has you in its grasp, or perhaps a day or two's illness leads to the calling of the doctor, and suddenly the terrible truth is forced upon you-Bright's Disease has you in its grasp.

grasp. WAY OF EXCAPE.

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get a chance to develop into that terrible disease that carries so many prominent men into the grave."

ON WITH HIS WORK.

ON WITH HIS WORK.

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BRIGHT'S DISEASE CURED. Bright's Disease has mayariably yielded to a treatment of Dodd's Kidney Pills, no matter how firm a hold it had secured on its victim. Possibly the most talked of case of recent date is that of Alice Maud Parker, of Shubenacadie, Hants Co., N. S. The full story of this case will be found in the current number of Dodd's Magazine. Herewith a short statement from the young lady's mother is appended:

ther is appended: Two doctors pronounced my daugh-

DIABETES CURED.

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I was a sufferer for ten years with I was a sufferer for ten years with Diabetes and Kidney Disorder. At times my urine was of a dark bricky color, and I would suffer something awful while passing. I tried doctors and medicines, but could get no help till I tried Dodd's Kidney Pills. They have made me a new man. The citizens of Port Hope all know me, and can vouch for the above.

Chas. Gilchrist, Ex-Chief Coast and Fishery Overseer, Fort Hope.

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Heart Disease is a result of Kidney Disorder. Bad Kidneys mean impure blood, the action of impure blood on the heart causes Heart Disease, Dodd's Kidney Pills cure it...

I suffered for years with Heart Disease, Bright's Disease, and Rheumatism. I was so feeble I was unable to do anything. There were three months I abandoned all medicines, and resolved to let myself die. Then I was led to try Dodd's Kidney Pills, and the good the first box did me surprised me. I have taken twenty boxes in all, am well of my Heart Disease, my Bright's Disease and my Rheumatism. Rheumatism

St. Magloire, Que.

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RHEUMATISM CURED.

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W. G. Cragg,

W. G. Cragg, Ex-Reeve of Dresden, Ont.

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TO-MORROW NIGHT. We take great pleasure in announcing this magnificent organization of genuine Hungarian musicians. It is the best in this country, and tion of genuine Hungarian musicians. It is the best in this country, and, unexcelled anywhere. There are many so-called Hungarian orchestras and bands offering their services to the public which are Hungarian only in name, and whest inferior performances have brought discredit upon the justly won fame of the genuine interpreters of the fascinating Hungarian music. The Royal Hungarian Court Orchestra is an organization of ten of the most talented musical artists of their nativity, from a country noted for a class of music with its own exclusive and peculiar charm. Mr. Matus, the conductor, is one of the most capable artists and traditional exemplifiers of this school, and for years he was regarded as the authority in the Gilmore Band on all music of the Hungarian nature. He came to America in 1882 with his orchestra, and was the first to introduce the fascinating Hungarian music in this country, and for several months the organization met with the greatest success. The orchestra was sent back to Europe, but Mr. Matus, having become acquainted with the leading directors here, such as Thomas, Damrosch and Gilmore, decided to remain. He accepted a position as the petit clarinet soloist of Gilmore's then very famous band, where he remained for ten years, and during that long period Mr. Gilmore displayed the following notice prominently in his advertising matter:

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mr. Matus is also a very fine composer and arranger, some of the very best of Hungarian music being from his gifted pen. He is a very talented conductor and violinist, and the music furnished by himself and orchestra will prove a revelation of the very finest and most interesting character even to the most conservative of admirers of the classic. Every standard number is rendered with traditional precision, and a finess and artistic effect marvellously fascinating. There is nothing like this orchestra in America, and nothing of the kind surpassing it in all Europe. It affords an entertainment very unique, pleasing and instructive.

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MARKS BROS. NEXT WEEK. The Berlin News-Record says of Marks Bros. Company, who come to the Grand next week at popular

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#### PATTULLO'S TRACIC END.

NORTH OXFORD'S MEMBER DIES IN LONDON.

Had Been Suffering From Nervousness and Brooding Over Press Criticisms.

London, Dec. 30.-Mr. Andrew Pattullo, M. P. P. for North Oxford, died here yesterday under painful circumstances. For some days past he had been in a nervous condit had cancelled his speech to the Tariff Reform League of Ipswich, Mr. Barlow Cumberland speaking in his place.
Mr. Pattullo seemed to be excited over the English press criticism of his speech of a few days before. His nephew, a newspaper man in London, stopping with his un le at 11 Montague



THE LATE MR. PATTULLO.

Place, says that Mr. Pattullo woke up early on Tuesday morning gasping for breath, as though he had heart trouble. He administered a dose of medicine prescribed by Dr. Ross, son of Premier Ross, and Mr. Pattulio felt better and went to sleep. Later in the morning he woke up, seeming ly very cheerful, and arranged to attend a fancy dress ball on Thursday with his nephew, who, assured by his uncle's strength and cheerful ness, went to his newspaper office for about two to his newspaper office for about two hours' work. On returning he found the door locked and Mr. Pattul o dead inside, with his throat cut by a razor.

Mr. Pattullo's speeches were great hits. He spoke to the point, and his audiences admired his outspoken criticisms. ticisms. He was, however, e ed physically after each effort.

#### THE SERVIAN KING.

The Rumors of His Abdication Are Pergittent.

London, Dec. 30.-A writer in The St. James' Gazette, discussing the persistent rumor that the Servian King will abdicate, because he is disappointed with the people and they with him, says: "The world contains a lot of preenders to the throne, who do not real lenders to the throne, who do not really pretend, because they prefer to keep off that dangerous elevation. The most interesting of the pretenders is said to be a small Minuscota farmer named John Boyne Vouhazer, who is thought to be a descendant of Milosh Oblich, and through him converted with the and through him connected with the last Servian ruler before Peter. Whe-ther he is willing to succeed Karageor-gevitch is not known."

## FRENCH COLLIER LOST.

The Vessel Was Manned by Fifty-one Officers and Men.

Paris, Dec. 30.—It is feared that the collier Viennie of the French navy, manned by 51 officers and men, which left Rochefort for Toulon, has been lost. The vessel is nineteen days out, and, though in the track of steamers, has not been reported.

## OFF TO HONG KONG.

No. 83 Co, R.G.A., Left Victoria, B.C. Last Night.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 30. - No. 83 Company, Royal Garrison Artillery, 113 strong, left for Hong Kong on the steamer Empress of India, being relieved by No. 38 Company, which arrived from Halifax last night. The change is made in the regular schedule of garrison changes, and has no bearing on the far eastern crisis.

## MASSACRE IN LIBERIA.

Story of Tragedy Committed in African Forest.

Washington, Dec. 30.-United State Minister Lyon has reported to the American State Department from Monrovia, Liberia, the details of the massacre in an African forest of a white missionary named John G. Tate, with all of his following, eighteen in number. The massacre took place on March 15, 1901. The first detailed account has just come to hand in an afidavit by Mrs. Mary L. Allen, a white missionary in Liberia. She had the story from some of the native Doo tribesmen. Tate had a large mission and farm, and maintained a school, and altegether nineteen people were in the mission when it was surrounded in the night by the Doos. All were murdered and their heads taken as trophies.

Minister Lyon has communicated with the Liberian Secretary of State, with a view to securing fuller information and perhaps the punishment of the Doos. massacre in an African forest of

## Price of Oil Reduced.

Pittsburg, Dec. 29.—The Standard Oil Company made a reduction of five cents in the rice of high-grade petroleum to-day and also made a cut of twe cents in the inferior grades.

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Red is the color of danger, whether on the semaphore or on the skin. When the face is reddened by eruptions, when boils break out on the body, or the angry red of sores and ulcers is displayed in the flesh, it is nature's danger signal. The blood is obstructed and tainted by impurities, and there can be no safety until the blood is made pure.

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Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery purifies the blood, and removes the effete matter which clogs and corrupts it. It cures pimples, boils, eczema, scrofula, sores, ulcers and other consequences of impure blood.

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of stamps to pay expense of customs and mailing only. Send thirty-one one-cent stamps for the book in paper covers, or fifty stamps for the cloth-bound volume. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Bul-falo, N. V.

#### "ALAS, POOR YORICK!"

From North Carolina comes this tale of the whereabouts and the con tale of the whereabouts and the condition of Leno Wills, the old clown, once regarded as an unsurpassed ring-jester. The writer is a resident of the town in which the aged Pierrot is ending his days ingloriously, and, it would appear, has been moved to philosophize as one who "met a fool in the forest.":

This train of thought was suggested by the fate of Leno Wills, the veter-

by the fate of Leno Wills, the veteran clown, who is now serving time on the roads in a North Carol na county for drumkenness. He was a star in an ancient one-ring circus, and probably thousands of men and women re member the pleasure he afforded them in childhood. They would hard-ly recognize Lean now—such a wreek is he. He is never far from the gut-ter—when he isn't behind prison bars. Lectures, kindness, moral suasion, are no effect. Out of prison in the norming, he is purple-ffeed by hight. The mocking tribute to his former calling is paid by small boys who jeer at him when he is in his

cups, and call him names.

The street scene is familiar in the Crolina town; the children crying derisively; the old clown weeping and goaded under the taunts. Homeless, friendless, cheerless, a confirmed dipsomanac—so the poor old jester

rears the end.

The vision changes, and the humor for all its certainty, is not free from pathos. Looking back on the centur-ies one sees the crumbled castles, etcr-nal hush above splendor—sees these with awe, and then remembers, in faint sadness, that even the jesters have died.

Which concludes the somewhat pre mature requiem. But the fact remains that old Leno Wills is in a sad condition.

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Three out of every four people who suffer from chronic and incurable diseases do so because of a disordered nervous system. The Great South American Nerve Tonic—not a medi, cine, but a physiological nerve food—restores vigor to the nerves and reconstructs the worn-out tissues. Cures Lost Appetite, Loss of Flesh, Headache, Palpitation of the Heart, General Debility, Liver and Kidney Disease, Colds and Coughs, Nervous Prostration and all other diseases of the nervous system. A. W. Stephens, a prominent business man of Strathaven, Ont., writes as follows: "I was a total nervous wreck. I almost despaired of ever recovering my health, until I followed a friend's advice and tried The Great South American Nervine Tonic. In a miraculously short time, I was entirely well."

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If your kidneys are not in proper condition, your skin w'll soon tell the tale.
South American K. 'new Cure restores normal health condition, clears the skin of every discoloration. Relief in six hours.

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Chatham, November 30, 1903,

By W. W. HINES

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TO DREAMLAND AND BACK

----Tunes and perfumes have the power o waken memories long dormant. Per haps it was the half heard strain of "Il Bacio" stag softly by a girl in one of the rooms which opened off the piazza. Perhaps it was a breeze from the south which swept over the sunny waters of

the bay and seemed to bring with it

the scent of magnolias. At any rate the

man who sat huddled in the great arm-

chair felt himself drifting, drifting backward, and he was glad to drift. All through the illness, when fever had made him rave, and afterward when weak in body and brain alike he when weak in body and brain alike he had seemed floating in space, he had seen the face. Sometimes when his eyes were half shut he could see it in a half materialized sort of way, but when his eyes were fast closed he saw it best of all During the illness the face seemed always to smile at him,

but now as memory quickened he could see that the smile was fading. So he wanted to drift.

As the face was becoming fainter and fainter each day he hated the life which had been coming back to him so slowly. Why could he not have entered when he stood so near the door of death? In time the face would be on the other side of that door, too, and the smile would never again fade from the lips.

So he settled back to a sullen hatred of life, and the oid doctor who had taken a great fancy to his angrateful patient said that he must be roused to an interest in life or lethargy would finish the work so strenuously commenced by the fever.

Friends selected advisedly by

doctor and the devoted sister who had stood between him and death for several long, weary weeks were called in to talk with discretion about the success of his novel. The critics had hailed it as the novel of the decade. They had labeled its author as a man not of talent, but of genius.

The man in the big armchair, fingering the tassels of his robe, looked out across the waters and drifted with their words falling on unhearing ears. Sometimes he frowned, for their voices seemed to drive the face from his hun

Then the sister who had the gift of intuition went alone to see the doctor, and when she had finished her story she was weeping softly. The old doctor wiped away the mist which had gathered in his own eyes, while he answered with a gruffness which his gesture denied:

"As you will. The case is now past

And so that night the sister sent a long telegram to a little town in Lou-isians. Then she went back to her place at the man's side, and the doctor came and went because he was paid to do so, and the people who heard of the case tried to get a glimpse of the now famous young writer and, shaking their heads, remarked, "What a pity, and just at the beginning of a brilliant career!"

As for the man, he never spoke of

the increasing weakness. All he asked was to be wheeled each day to the plazza. Here he could look out over the bay and away to the south where the horizon met the sea. Sometim he merely sat and gazed apathetically at the expanse of sea. More often he closed his eyes and waited for the

It seemed to him that the face had of the into his life so gradually that it had always been a part of his very existence. It had not always been a beautiful face, yet it had dominated him. It was an exacting face. It had grown hard and flushed one day when he was but thirteen. He had wanted to lie flat on his back and watch an army of white clouds marshaling in the blue sky. The owner of the face did not care for the movements feathery clouds, and she did want a fort built. But it was worth while, after all, for when the fort was finished and her doll had been duly rescued by Indian fighters at the eminent risk Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper of the fort the expression of the face had been utterly lovable and tender, so

lovable that he had quite forgotten the clouds and the blue sky, for even at thirteen one may find heaven in gray

But as the years rolled on there were the clouds asserted their power more strongly than the gray eyes, and then the face remained hard and angry for hours. Later the girl did not demand forts for herself, but something tangi ble for him, something besides a pur suit of clouds. But he loved the clouds the breath of the dank woods, the murmur of the sea. He would sit for hours in the heart of a busy city and watch people—sit and do nothing. He said he did not care that his father and said ne did not care that his father and his grandfather before him had been great soldiers; that another grandfa-ther had founded a powerful mercan-tile firm. He wanted—what, he could not say, but there was time, and time

So the face had passed out of his life, leaving a greater void than he had ever dreamed it could leave. And then he had learned that work was good, especially to fill voids.

It had been raining in the night, and now the veil was lifting from the sea, which sparkled in greeting to the tardy sunbeams. The man watched the haz as it first quivered, then melted before the rays of light. The man sighed. He felt that the veil was lifting for him He was seeing things too clearly, and, seeing thus, he knew that the light of reason would banish the face along with the mist of weakness. He closed his eyes. Perhaps it would come back to him once more, and surely it would smile now.

Suddenly he pressed his hands to-gether, and something like a sob rose in his heart. The face had never been so distinct. There were the clear olive complexion, the great deep gray eyes and the wonderful glory of her hair, black as night and soft as floss, startling in its versimilitude to life. He could see the curis which framed the face, blown now by the south wind and he could almost detect the odor of the violets, which had always hung

Afraid to stir and afraid to close his eyes, even for a moment, lest the vi-sion lose something of its apparent reality, he fairly held his breath.

"Don't, Leslie; don't look like that! It is I—Marion! Don't you know me, Even then it all seemed like a dream

Not until he felt the cool pressure of her cheek against his and her arms about him did he understand it was all real. And at last he reached for her hands and held them fast. "Marion, I've been building forts-

hundreds of them.' She knew what he meant, because she murmured: "You were always building, dearest. It is I who did no

Proving His Love. They were "sitting out" the dance when Miss Luvliwun glided silently by, waltzing most gracefully.
"Oh, Algy," said the girl, "don't you

think Miss Luvliwun quite the nicest girl in the room?" "Why, yes, May, darling, if you think

"And her eyes-aren't they just delightful?"
"Perfectly, pet!" Algy agreed.

"And hasn't she the prettiest mouth and the sweetest face imaginable?" "Simply charming!" quoth Algy.
"And don't you think she's awfully

clever too? Knows French, and-bo-he Poor Algy's face went ghastly white. "Why, darling," he exclaimed, "what-ever's the matter? Are you ill? Shall

"Oh-o," sobbed May, "I-thought you -loved me—you loved me best, Algy!"
"So I do, darling!"

"W-w-well, how can you ta-talk about that ugly, vulgar Luvliwun girl?" Women Who Hate Men

From time to time strange instances crop up of women who not merely re main unmarried of their own free will but carry their antipathy to the oppo site sex to most peculiar lengths.

Thus one of these is utterly resolved

to have nothing whatever to do with men on any pretext. All her food is bought of women, and consequently meat never appears on her table, since there is no female butcher in her neigh-

was refused simply because it came from a man; while instances are known of women who make it their boast that they have neither spoken to nor allowed one of the opposite sex to cross their thresholds for a quarter of a century and upward.
But probably the bitterest man hater

of modern days was an Austrian lady who at the time of her death was en-gaged in perfecting an elaborate plan for the ultimate extinction of the male But Pussy Had Nine Lives

The great stage scene of the piece was a shipwreek, and after the vessel had gone down only the comic man and the heroine were to be seen toss-The comedy merchant had expected that his woebegone appearance would raise a laugh, but even he was aston-ished at the roar which went up when

they saw him. At last he was able to get a hearing. "I wish," he said to the heroine

"that we could get out and walk home, but it's so jolly wet."

The audience was too exhausted to laugh any more, and the voice of the man in the gallery sounded painfully

"If I was you," he said, "I should do ft. There's a cat been hopping about on the waves for the last five minutes, and she don't seem to 'ave suffered much!"—London Answers.

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\*\*\*\*\*\* PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W Toronto, Dec. 31.—11 a. m.—West-erly winds, fair and cold to-day. Friday, light snowfalls, followed by strong northwesterly winds and colder by night.

## THE LOCAL BUDGET

The pay sheets amounted to \$62.14

Lost—Navy blue belt, with pearl stick pin. The finder will be reward-ed by leaving at this office.

Charles Mann, of Walkerville, was the guest of his parents, Mr, and Mrs. Albert Mann, Murray street, to-day. The new rink will be opened for skating New Year's Night. Good music and good ice.—Adults, 25c, chil-dren 15c.

Major Coogan, who has been on the sick list for the past week, was able to come down to his office this

dren 15c.

Watch-night service will be held in Holy Trinity Church to-night, com-mencing at 11.15, and followed by the administration of the Holy Commun.

The new rink will be opened for skating New Year's Night. Good music and good ice. - Adults, 25c, children 15c.

Pearce vs. Pearce, an application or administration in the case of the late Wm. Geo. Pearce, for petition of sale of real estate, came up before his honor Judge Bell this morning and an order was made for the sale of land by administratrix. C. R. Atkinson, K. C., for plaintiff, Walter Mills, Ridgetown, for administratrix, and F. Stone for children.

There was all kinds of heat in the County Buildings this morning. Ex-Ald. John Watt, who has been putting in the heating apparatus, was trying to make a test this morning but didn't. Two thermometers in the Grown Attorney's office registered 78 and 68 respectively, while two thermometers in the County Clerk's office registered 72 and 80 respectively. The difference in the thermometers in the same room is not explained.

#### ROBBERS ABROAD

Isaac Bechard's residence at the mouth of the river was entered some time during the latter part of last week and robbed. Two shotguns were found afterwards in the house broken and some stuff was carried

Detective McGregor was there for two days looking the case up and he was joined yesterday afternoon by Detective Campeau, of Windsor. He returned to the city last night. There are three or four persons implicated in the robbery. They are known to the detectives and they will be arrested when it is deem advisable. Mr. Bechard was in Chatham when the robbery occurred.

## TREAT IN STORE.

E. J. MacIntyre is one of the many Maple City lovers of good music who is not going to miss hearing the Hungarian Orchestra in the Opera House to-morrow night. In speaking of the event, this morning, he said to The

event, this morning, see said to The Planet reporter:

"When I was in Germany last year I heard of P. R. Matus and his orchestra wherever I went and I have long wished to hear them. Matus stands to-day as probably the greatest director of music in the world, and he being a Hungarian, the greatest mu-sicians come from Hungary. In Bar-lin, where I taink they are the most capable of understanding good music, they give it the greatest of praise. The Emperor had them at his castle whem I was in Germany and everyone who heard them was perfectly delighted. It is certainly a big musical areat for Chatham, and I can't understand how Manager Brisco got them to come here. them to come here.

them to come here.

"Just to show you what great musicians they have in Hungary my daughter writes me that there is a Hungarian boy 10 years old, now in Berlin who is making the people there rave over his violum playing. He went there for three engagements and they made him stay for ten. He was a guest at the Emperor's castle while there.

"Any one who appreciates the very best of music should not miss hearing the orchestra to-morrow night."

Cor, King and Fifth Sts.

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Following our usual custom we shall during this week sell the balance of our Ebony Goods at a discount of 10 per cent. This includes Ebony Brushes, Mirrors, Manicure

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CONSOLIDATE THE DEBT.

To the Electors of the City of Chat

Ladies and Gentlemen,-On Mon day, January 4th, you will be called upon to mark your ballots for the approval of a by-law to consolidate an unprovided-for indebtedness that an unprovided-for indebtedness that has accumulated during the last ten years, and for which no provision has heretofore been made and which is the floating debt of the city of Chatham up to the 31st day of December, 1902. It perhaps is not necessary that your attention should be called to this because of the fact that the matter has already been explained to you through the medium of the press of this city and by proper notices and the proper advertising of this by-law in the usual manner as prescribed by statute. The Finance committee of this city have decided to lay before you and to explain to you a few points re-

have decided to lay before you and to explain to you a few points relative to this matter. In order to place, the floating debt of \$49,734.93 in a more business-like shape than it is in at the present time, this being the amount for which this city is liable to the Standard Bank of Canada, and for which no prevision has been made for the repayment of the same, we wish to point out to you that it is quite inecessary that this by-law shall meet with the approval of each and every citizen in order to strengthen the hands of the Council when applying to the Local Legislature for permission to consolidate this debt. This sion to consolidate this debt. This unprovided for liability of \$49,734.93 we now owe to the Standard Bank of Canada and this amount is practically on call. If, owing to a stringent money market at any time, the Standard Bank should demand the payment of this money and no pro-vision having been made for the same and no funds to at once meet the demand, it would place the finances of the city and the officials

of the Council in a very unpleasant position.

We wish to call your attention to some of the causes leading up to this over deafit floating debt, your attention having already been called to the facts by the special auditor's report under the audit of F. H. Mac-pherson, F. C. A., Government Auditor, who made a thorough examina-tion and audit of the city's finances up to the 31st day of December, 1902. The auditor's report shows that there has not been enough money raised each year to provide for all the expenses and improvements as made by the city, no particular Council but all Councils since the consolidation of the debt in 1902 being blamable therefor, this amount has

blamable therefor, this amount has been gradually creeping up at the rate of about \$5,000 per annum of a shortage over receipts, and the amount of such shortage or the major portion thereof having been carried into the Local Improvement Account and being mostly for work for which Local Improvement Debentures could not be issued, and as it is necessary that this amount be provided for in some manner, the Council of this year are of the

be provided for in some manner, the Council of this year are of the opinion that the only proper business-like method is to consolidate and issue debentures for the amount which may be termed the shortage and to spread the payments of this sum over a term of thirty years, payable in equal annual installments of \$2.891.55, being the amount of principal and interest necessary to be raised annually for the re-payment of the principal sum, thus making the payment of the principal sum an easy payment which will not be felt by the electors when spread over the term of thirty years, besides lessening the annual interest account of the city by nearly \$500 per annum by reason of paying only 4% per annum on debentures instead of the higher rate of interest that we are now paying the Standard Bank on account of this overdraft.

We wish to point out to the electors that we are in a much better position than we were at the consolidation of the last debt. The debt as consolidated in 1892 was for the solidation of the last debt. The debt as consolidated in 1892 was for the sum of \$310,000, payable in thirty-five equal annual payments. There has been paid off of this debt since that date, or provided for, eleven payments, reducing the principal sum by \$97,427. The amount of the debt now to be consolidated being \$50,000, we are \$47,427 ahead of eleven years ago. Besides having made very heavy payments on other city improvements, one of which was the purchase of the Waterworks, for which debentures were issued for \$175,000, off of which we have paid \$40,000 of the principal sum, and the purchase of the Electric Light Plant, coating the city \$15,000 one-half of which has been paid. We have paid off of the old consolidated debt and the Waterworks and Electric Light

The Letter-Box

debentures nearly \$150,000, therefore we are at the present time, after the consolidating of the new amount of \$50,000, nearly \$100,000 ahead of what we were eleven years ago.

It is not necessary to call the attention of the citizens of Chatham to the feat that to the fact that we are in a much better position, financially and as far as improvements are concerned, than we were eleven years ago, and we trust that for the interest of this

city, that every elector on election day will mark his or her ballot for the approval of this new consolida-On each \$1,000 of an assessment the amount will be about 63 cents per annum of a payment to be made each year on an assessment of this Trusting that each and every will see that it is very much to their interests and to the interests of this

city of ours, we ask you one and all to support this by-law. Your obedient servants,
Your obedient servants,
THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.
ssrs. Marshall, McCoig and Soul-lard, per W. S. Marshall, Chair-man of Finance.

## The Radial Railway By-Law

To The Ratepayers of the City of Chatham.

Ladies and Gentlemen: Ladies and Gentlemen:

At a public meeting called by the Board of Trade and Council of the C.ty of Chatham, the undersigned were requested to address a circular letter to you calling your attention to the importance of voting for and carrying the by-law to be submitted on the 4th day of January, 1904, for promoting The Chatham, Wallaceburg and Lake Erie Bailway, to be constructed from Wallaceburg through this city to Lake Erie and to suggest the following among other reasons why this By-law is deserving of your support:

1. One of the greatest necessites of any city is cheap and convenient rail-

any city is cheap and convenient rail-way transportation, and this will be vay transportation, and this wat be curnished by a radial railway.

2. This road is not to be considered is a competing line with other rail-ways, as it will open up new terri-

ways, as it w?ll open up new territory.

3. This railway w'll bring Wallaceburg and the lake shore and all intermediate points within easy, speedy and frequent access to this city, and with branch lines to Blenhelm, Bondeau, Dover South, Mitchell's Bay, Dresden, and other places it w'll secure to our merchants, manufacturers and others increased avenues of trade

4. The railway is intended to carry both passengers and freight and w'all afford the very best facility for farmers to bring their produce to market and make their purchases at all seasons of the year irrespective of the condition of the reads or of the weather or so that there may be a continual, uniform and regular traffic every day in the year.

day in the year. day in the year.

5. The Company will employ a large number of men and expend large sums of money in the construction and equipment of their road and in operating it after its completion, thus giving employment to a great number of our mechanics, artisans and laborers, and putting considerable money in circulation in our city.

6. By the increased facilities of travel and for carriage of goods which the road will afford, it will induce new industries to locate in Chatham and new factories to be built here; it will encourage outsiders to build and reside in our city and materially add to our population and prosperity.

and reside in our city and materially add to our population and prosperity.

7. The assistance proposed by the by-law is not a gift, but a loan from the city, part of which is to be advanced when the road is completed from Chatham to Wallaceburg and the balance when completed from Chatham to Lake Erie.

8. This loan is to be amply secured to the city by the satisfactory guarantee of some reliable trust corporation or other approved sccurity to the satisfaction of the City Council.

9. The Railway Company will build

satisfaction of the City Council.

9. The Railway Company will build within this city its power house, car shops, car barns, repairing house, head office and other buildings, costing not less than \$50,000.00, but which are likely to cost nearly twice that sum.

10. The Company will also be required to very considerably enlarge and improve and thereafter assist in maintaining Aberdeen Bridge, thereby saving the city a large expenditure of money.

11. The assistance which will be re-

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#### ...SOCIETY...

SCHOLFIELD-SKEY.

The most fashionable wedding that has been solemnized in this city in ome time took place yesterday afternoon at Holy Trinity Church, when Miss Florence Skey was united in marriage to George Percival Scholfield, Manager of the Standard Bank in this city.

The interior of the church presented pretty picture, with the Christmas decorations and the bright gowns of the guests. A full choir, formed from the various choirs of the city, under the direction of W. Stanley Ball, rendered the music, and Miss Nellie Rhody presided at the organ, in the absence from the city of Miss

Rose Morrison. The bride entered the church on th arm of her uncle, Rev. Lawrence Skey, of Port Dover, who gave her The impressive wedding seraway. vice of the Church of England was solemnized by Rev. T. Beverley Smith, ssisted by Rev. Robert McCosh.

Miss Kate Mercer, Miss Ethel Ball and Miss Daisy Rose were bridesmaids. William D. Hart, Manager of the Standard, Bank, Kingston, supported the groom. The little page and the little maid of honor were the nephew and niece of the groom, being the children of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Scholfield, Guelph. The ushers were Burnett C. Laing, and H. T. Mc Millan, Toronto, and J. Frank Mc-Keough, city.

The bride was attired in a very handsome gown of spun silk over white silk, with a very pretty tucked effect and trimmed with silk applique She also wore an elegant bridal veil of We Extend worked white silk. It came from England. A wreath of orange blossoms and a bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley added to the

arming picture the bride made The three bridesmaids were gowned | The Season's in handsome dresses of white voils over pink silk, and they all wore large black velvet picture hats. They carried bouquets of pink roses tied with

black velvet picture hats. They carried bouquets of pink roses tied with the cutre of money.

11. The assistance which will be required from the city, under the provisions of this by-law, will not exceed as cents per annum during the currency of the debentures on an assessment of \$1,000.00 or less than one third of a mill on the dollar.

12. The taxes which may be collected by the city during this time from the assessed property of the railway will nearly cover the outlay which the City-may be required to make for the Company, but the railway taxes will continue to be paid for taxes will be considerably increased from mew houses and buildings necessarily erected to accommodate the employees of the road, not to speak of the new factories, etc., which the building of the railway will be the cause of locating here.

Every merchant, every business man and every mechanic has felt the want of such a road, and every citizen who gives the subject his surious consideration must recognize the importance to our city of securing its immediate construction and, as the adoption of this by-law, will, in our opinion, bring about this much desired object, we carnestly urge that all should support it by their votes on election day.

Dated December 30th, 1903.

Yours truly,

W. E. McKeough, Mayor; W. A. Hadley, Prasident of the Board of Trade; Hugh Majelomson, N. H. Stevens, J. B. Bankin, Manson Campbell, Robert Gray, Geo, W. Sulman, G. P. Scholfield, Fred. Stone, W. H. Taylor, T. A. Smith, Henry Dagneau, Geo. A. Witherspoon, J. P. Rutherford, S. T. Martin, John Piggott, Nathaniel Murray, George Stephens, J. A. Walker, W. Ball, Benjamin Blonde, Arch. Park, Charles Austin, D. Me
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One piece 22 inch blue checked glass cloth, all linen, heavy quality, regular 10c value, Saturday Sale price 81-2 yard.

Two pieces 24 inch, superior quality red of blue checked glass cloth, extra heavy, fine weave, pure linen. Regu-lar 15c value, Saturday sale price 11c

Two pieces pure bleached table dam-ask, choice designs, all linen, 68, 70, inches wide, regular 60c and 65c value Saturday sale price 50c yard.

One lot English Turkish Bath Towels, heavy quality, with famey red and white stripes, 24x50 inches, regular 25c value, Saturday sale price 20c each.

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Before inventory we are making special efforts to stimulate buying among needed lines, apt to be overlooked during the holiday shopping.

1st.- RUGS.-25 only English velvet rugs, size 24x54 ins,during this week only ..... \$1.00 2nd.—CARPETS. -200 yds Brussel Carpet, reg. 85c value, this week.....

3rd. - CARPETS. -250 yd Tapestry Carpets, reg. 50c value, this week.....

4th.-BATH MATS .- 2 dozen Cork Felt Bath Mats, size 20x28 ins, only..... 5th.-MATTING.-300 yds Japanese Matting,

worth up to 22c per yd, this week . . . . 6th.- LINOLEUMNS.-Genuine Scotch Linoleumn, 12 ft. wide, regular 50c value, this week at only.....

Clothing Department

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## Saturday, Jan. 2nd, Specials...

Worth your attention-bargains that are brimful of value. Come and judge for yourself-we do not fear the result. We have faith in our goods and prices, also in the judgment of the public we have cater ed to so successfully for several years past.

BARGAIN NO. 1—MENS' SCOTCH KNIT WOOL UNDERWEAR BARGAIN—Plain Scotch Knit Wool Heather Mix, good full garments, stamped unshrinkable, sateen facings, pearl buttons, value at 65c each Ssturday 48c.

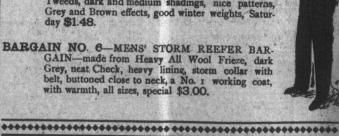
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## \*\*\*\* Store Closed

ment of a new year. During the past year we have tried to study the interests of our customers. By careful attention By careful attention to our baying; by carefulness in our delivery, and by cheerfully making right whatever may be wrong. We never expect to rea h the point where we do not make mistakes, but we do the next best thing, and carefully make those mistakes

We hape by even more careful a tention to these things to g'v : you better service still

The early closing move-ment has been a glad one. The clerks appreciate it, and work better and more care'ully. The public have backed us up in this, in a way we app eciate. We ask your sup-lort in this matter in the year to come. Commencing the fir t of the year, we shall close at 6.15 every evening, Saturdays excepted.

We thank you most heart-ily for your kind patronage in the past and hope to merit your confidence in the future. Wishing you a very Happy and Prosj erous New Year.

#### H. Malcolmson # \*\*\*\*\*

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## The Old Year AND The New.

Tust now it is fitting that we express our appreciation of the highly satisfactory business that has been accorded us during the past year. We thank our patrons for their interest and loyalty, and while expressing our appreciation, we wish, also to extend our best wishes for a New Year of happiness and prosperity for all. Your best interests shall be our interests during the coming year.

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#### TO-NIGHT.

Catholic Order Foresters, in their hall at 8.

Watch night service, Holy Trinity Church, at 11.15. Watch night service, Park St. Church, at 10.30. Chatham Encampment, No. 10, I. O. O. F., Temple, at 8.

Mass Meeting of citizens, Oddfel-lows' Auditorium, at 7.30. Bugle Band excursion to Blenheim C. P. R. Station at 7.05.

Court McGregor, No. 6. I. O. F., will meet in their rooms at 8. Christmas Tree, Santa Claus and Concert, in Christ Church Sunday School, at 7.30.

TO-MORROW.

Non-Coms. celebrate in the Mess

O. F. Temple, at 8 Royal Hungarian Court Orchestra Grand Opera House, at 8.30 p. m., r

The Victoria Ave. Epworth League will meet in the S. S. Hall at 8. Young People's Society, lecture hall William' St. Baptist Church, at 8. Peninsular Lodge, No. 2, A. O. U. W., n their rooms, opposite Rankin House

Smoke Quan on least Cigars, 5c, Sold by all dealers. Union Made. in The Royal Hungarian Court Orchestra, New Year's Night!
W. H. Westman will be a candidate

for the council on Monday next.

Brisco's store will be open all day
New Year's, for those wanting tickets
for the Grand at night. for the Grand at night. Mrs. James Marshall, Jeffrey street,

had the misfortune to slip and fall, breaking her left arm. When you want an artistic design, call up or visit Victoria avenue Green Houses. Phone 181.

"Mac" McLachlan, of Bay City, an old Chatham boy and lacrosse player, has returned to Bay City after spend-ing a few days in this city.

We are giving away money. Read how to get \$4.00; our advt. in this issue tells about it. Geo. Stephens & Christmas Tree, Santa Claus and Concert, in Christ Church Sunday

School Hall to-night. Silver Collection at the door. All come! Mrs. C. B. Oliver, of Merlin, and Miss Vanzant, of Leamington, are the guests of Mrs. John Turner, Rich-mond street.

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:-: New Year

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CLOTHIERS

W.N, Morley & Co.

Wood has taken a grop at Drad-'s, Queen street. Miss Florence Knott, stenographer

of the Wm. Gray & Sons Co., left this afternoon for the east. Miss Dora McKerrall, Appledore, is isiting at the residence of Con. E.

W. H. Westman, hardware mer-hant, solicits your vote and influence or a seat at the council board.

Don't miss the treat of a life time when it is within your reach. The Royal Hungarian Court Orchestra at the Grand to-morrow night is the best yet.

William street Baptist S. S., will take place New Year's right (Friday) doors open at 7.30. Admission 10c. 2 Oliver Labadie, who is foreman or

W. E. Rispin's new block, has secured the contract for E. E. Wing's new house, Raleigh St. Rooms.
St. Andrew's Church Y. P. Society, lecture hall, at 8.
Services in St. Joseph's Church at 8.
Society in Salt Rheum, Weaver's Syrup also should be used.

Do Not Forget that Saturday is the last day of the Cut Price Sale at The Ark. Read ad, on first page.

Sam Lee's Best Laundry has removed to his new store in the Opera House Block. Friends will please bring parcels to the new store a few doors east. Sam Lee, Best Laundry

Miss May Freeman, daughter of the Rev. Mr. Freeman, of Thamesville, who spent Christmas with Miss Flor-ence Knott, has returned to her home. Austin's store one night this week. Fortunately, the night watchman heard them and scared them away. He, however, didn't report the occurrence till yesterday.

It is to be hoped that the people of Chatham realize the importance of the engagement at the Grand New Year's night in the Royal Hungarian Court Orchestra.

The police closed up this year rathor tamely. Everything has been quiet and peaceful at the Police Court this month. There were only six cases tried, this month and three of these won't be finished till next

Lost!—Between C. P. R. Hotel and Fifth St. Bridge, a Morocco Pocket Book, containing a sum of money, a note and bill-heads of J. W. Levacky John Hallan, Toronto. Finder will be suitably rewarded by returning to D. J. McDonald, C. P. R. Hotel, or to this office. office Mr. Vi toria Hunt, remanded to jul

Mr. Vi toria Hunt, remanded to ji'l with her husband on the charge of assaulting Chas. Hunt, Sr., was released because of her condition. When she went to her home she found that all the furniture had been removed by the old man. The father was arrested yesterday afternoon on the charge of stealing and remanded for trial. He was released from custody on bail furnished by Silas Knot and Mr. King.

Have you any soure room in your

Have you any spare room in your house? If so, why not take some boarders for the winter? It would help to pay your fuel bills. The Business College expects to require accommodation for a number of young ladies and gentlemen for the beginning of the year. If interested exits ning of the year. If interested, call at the College office and leave your

## MASS MEETING

A meeting of the ratepayers will A meeting of the ratepayers will be held in the Auditorum, Thursday evening at 7.30, to discuss the three by-laws now before the electors. All citizens who desire to promote the city's welfare, and wish information concerning the by-laws, are requested to be present.

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## JAPAN'S PREPARATIONS.

Complete Co-operation of Army and Navy Assured. London, Dec. 30.-The corespondent

of The Times at Tokio says: "An Imperial ordinance issued to-day guarantees 6 per cent. on the loan of 10,ooo, ooo yen for the Seoul-Fusan railway, and grants 2,000,000 yen for completing the work within the coming year. Another ordinance creates a high council of war, under the Presidency of the Emperor, having for its object the securing of the efficient and rapid co-operation of the army and navy. The personnel of the council includes the chiefs of the naval and military head-quarters staff, the Ministers of War and Marine, and other high officers selected by the Sovereign.

London, Dec. 30.—The corespondent of The Times at Sydney, N.S.N., says: "The Japanese Consulate here is overwhelmed with offers of volunteers for Japan. The Consul says it is impossible to accept the applications of foreigners for enlistment."

Moscow, Dec. 30.—Twelve batteries of the four Grenadier brigades of field artillery stationed in and around Moscow have been selected for service in the far east. Their early departure 000,000 yen for the Seoul-Fusan railway,

artillery stationed in and around Moscow have been selected for service in the far east. Their early departure is expected, which will place 108 field guns at the disposal of Viceroy Alexieff. It is said here that all the volunteers living at their homes, who, as graduates of high schools, are privileged to serve only a year with the colors, have been ordered into barracks. Extensive movements of troops eastward have been reported.

New York, Dec. 30.—A special cable from London to The New York Herald states that Mr. Bennett Burleigh, in a cable message to The Daily Telegraph from Tokio, says:—

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"War trembles in the balance, if it has not already tilted the scale, for reports affirm that Russia on Saturday answered declining Japan's request. Diplomacy is terrified as to what will happen in China if there is war between Russia and Japan.

"It is agreed and Pekin despatches show that the Chinese Imperial authorities are on the alert and will attack Russia. Their best Generals are cager to engage the enemy in Manchuria, but the real key to the seriousness of the situation is in the question, Will there be ferther terrible outbreaks against foreigners in China? Or, in the equally dangerous problem, what steps will Germany and France take if disturbances break out? Great Britain and America should be prepared also to see that if Japan wages a successful war she is not prevented from reaping the fruits of victory.

Mr. Burleigh adds:—"Peace and good-will have not come with the season's greeting from Holy Russia to Japan, but instead the is a confident truculence still fur er provocative to war direct from St. Petersburg. I consider my inability to see in her present attitude any other meaning than to precipitate a conflict. To be precise, my Manchurian tour showed me that Russia is not fully ready and cannot for at least three months be able to maintain her position if determinedly attacked. Time, therefore, is essential to her, unless she utterly despises the prowess of Japan. It is true Count Lamsdorff long ago openly decared that Russia considers the Manchurian occupation to be a matter only consider of the season's greeting from the prowess of Japan. Japan. It is true Count Lamsdorff long ago openly dec ared that Russia considers the Manchurian occupation to be a matter only concerning herself and China. Instead of tenf-porizing she has employed the same language to Japan. Over a fortnight ago Russia again emphasized the same response at Tokio. Yet the Lapanese statesmen became the control of the same response at Tokio. Japanese statesmen have since asked her to reconsider for refusal to exclude discussion of Manchuria and have pressed for a roly thereto within a reasonably brief time. Such is the situation."

## AN IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY.

Archbishop of Westminster Enthron ed New Roman Catholic Cathedral.

London, Dec. 30.—The Most Rev. Francis Bourne, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Westminster, was enthroned in the new Cathedral of Westminster yesterday with impressive ceremony. The cathedral is the first Roman Catholic cathedral that has stood in the Metropolitan See of England since the Reformation. It is situated half a mile west of Westminster Abbey, and is a magnificent structure of the Byzantine magnificent structure of the Byzantine style, with a great campanile of red brick, banded with Portland stone, three hundred feet high, and crowned with a metal-covered dome, surmcunted by a double cross of bronze. The expenditure on the entire edifice up to the end of October was just over a million dollars.

FUNDS TO BUY STOCK.

Furter Atlas Loan Transactions to be Investigated.

ck and financial transactions in conne on with the Atlas Loan Co. came our court yesterday, when the Mas ter in Ordinary heard evidence in regard to the claim of the Merchants' Bank to rank upon the estate for several claims held by the bank. The latter has claims negarist Dr. James Fulton of St. Thomas, E. A. Smith of St. Thomas, and A. E. Waliace, totalling \$17,434.\$5, for which it boilds as security other stocks valued at approximately \$15,245, and debentures in the Atlas Loan to the extent of \$61,500. Just for whom some of these liabilities, were contracted is in dispute. Mr. Smith, while he gave his personal notes, besides the securities, for his loans, said he did so merely as the agent of Mr. Wali'ce. The latter said the transactions were entered into for the benefit of the Atlas Loan, while he assumed the pers and liability. Mr. W. H. Hunter represented the liquidator, the National Trust Co., Mr. J. B. Davidson, St. Thomas, the Merchants' Bank, and Mr. James M. Glenn, K.C., St. Thomas, Mr. E. A. Smith.

An adjournment was granted till Thursday, Jan. 7, at 11 octach.

Sir Richard Not a Candidate, Ottawa, Dec. 2"—Replying to inquiries from the L reral executive in South Oxford, Sir Lichard Cartwright has written to the S crett of the association to say that the tate of his health will preven: him from offering himself for re-electic in in that constitutions. \*

#### DOMINICAN REVOLUTION. Insurgents are Attacking City of San

San Domingo, Dec. 30.-The insur gents are attacking this cit'y, which is being defended by the troops of the provisional Government, who are now fighting in force.

The Clyde Liner Cherokee arrived in port yesterday. The Government authorities demanded that a portion of the Cherokee's cargo destined for Agua de Compostela, be discharged here. This demand was resisted by the steamboat agents, who notified the Government that the Cherokee would proceed to Azua de Compostela. In case of aggression on the part of the Government authorities, the steamship agents will ask United States Minister Powell for protection.

will ask United States Minister Powell for protection.

Gen. Morales, the provisional President, is determined to resist to the limit all attacks by the insurgents. He left last night on the Dominican gunboat Independencia, with the intention of attacking the insurgents in ports to the south.

#### HAMMOCKS IN CARS.

Experiment in Transporting Troops Across the Continent.

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—The special train which conveyed the 58th Company of the R.G.A. across the continent from Halifax R.G.A. across the continent from Halifax to this city arrived yesterday, and the troops will leave for Esquimait on to-morrow's steamer. The passengers numbered 224 all told, including twelve women and twenty children.

Major English, who is in charge of the party, expressed himself highly pleased with the transportation arangements of the C.P.R. despite the fact that the trip was made in midwinter. Attached to the train was the regular military "commissary" car of the C.P.R., but an additional test was attached to this transportation of troops across the continent from the experiment of using hammocks for the men, the idea being that were several regiments to be carried across the continent to the Orient, regular sleeping cars not being available, day sleeping cars not being available, day coaches might be used. "The men naturally preferred the regular tourist and colonist sleepers," said Major English, but the experiment proyed eminently "but the experiment proyed eminently satisfactory. The hammocks were slung from beams in the arms spine longituding ally and others latitudinally. It was found from beams in the arrayme longitudinally and others latitudinally. It was found that the former method answessed best, as the men were not so much shaken in rounding sharp curves. I am satisfied that in crose of emergency box cars with hammorks could be used to convey the troops."

#### LORD TREDEGAR DYING.

Was in the Famous Light Brigade Charge at Balaclava.

London, Dec. 30.-Lord Tredegar. who is dying, is one of the few surviving heroes of that magnificent "Charge the Six Hundred at Balaclava,' hich constitutes the theme of the most stirring poem of Tennyson. Lord Tredegar, who was one of the officers of the famous "D oth or Glory" 17th Lancers, had his horse shot under him in the charge. He is sixty-seven years

#### AFRICAN RAIL"'AY SCHEMES. Sir Percy Girouard Says Three Years' Work is Required.

London, Dec. 30 .- Sir Percy Giruard says that to carry out the new railway schemes in South Africa in three years will require 60,000 natives. White labor is too dear. The Mines Association is supplying 50,000 men for the work. He says the Rhodes scheme of a line from Cape to Cairo is effective, as a picture, but there is no necessity for joining the northern and southern rails, as the White Nile is navigable for 1,000 miles below Khartoum.

## CUTTING THEIR WAGES.

U.S. Steel Corporation Employees Receive Notice of a Reduction.

McKeesport, Pa., Dec. 30.-Notices of a wage reduction were posted at the local plants of the United States Steel Corporation. The cut includes every employee, and will graduate down from heads of departments to laborers, the latter receiving but a slight reduction. Ten thousand men are affected, but the reduction will be generally accepted.

Literature Censor at Windsor. Windsor, Dec. 29.—The Dominion Government has appointed Dr. J. A. Smith, collector of customs at Wind-sor, censor of all questionable litera-ture coming into the country through this port; also the advertising matter of theatrical people.

## TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

Conductor Albert Henry of Fort William was killed by falling between the cars. Selkirk, Man., Conservatives nominated Mr. W. W. Coleman for the Commons, Ald. Ames has accepted the Conserva-

t've nomination for St. Antoine, Montreal, Private Thomas Worswick, injured in

don, is dead,

Winnipeg Park Board has recommended that 320 acres south of the Assinibolie River be purchased for suburban park purposes.

Mr. W. P. Telford, banker, of Owen Sound, was nominated for Parliament by the Liberals of North Grey. North Wel-lington Conservatives nominated John McGowan, M.P. /

General Reyes, the Colombian special Ambassador to Washington has presented the demands of his country regarding Passama to the United States Government, and these will be answered on Thursday.

The Temiskanting & Northern Ontario Railway Commissioners opened tenders yesterday for 6,000 tons of rails and fastenings. No award was made of the contract. It will probably

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Bishop sat down in his place in the chimney corner, the packet on his knees, while Pole Baker modestly and not without touches of humor recounted his experiences.

"The toughest job I had was manag-in the woman," Pole laughed. "You kin always count on a woman to be contrary. I believe ef you was tryin' to git some women out of a burning house they'd want to have the'r way about it. She read the order an' got white about the gills an' screamed, low, so nobody wouldn't heer 'er, an' then wanted to ax questions. That's the female of it. She knowed in reason that Crais was dead dead and the control of the cont that Craig was dead fixed an' couldn't git out until she complied with the in-structions, but she wanted to know all about it. Then I told 'er she'd be arrested fer holdin' the money, an' that got her in a trot. She fetched it out purty quick, a-cryin' an' abusin' me by turns. As soon as the money left 'er hands, though, she begun to beg me to ride fast. I wanted to come heer fust, but I felt sorter sorry fer Craig, an' went an' let 'im out. He was the gladdest man to see me you ever looked at. He thought I was goin' to leave 'im thar. He looked like he wanted to hug me. He says Winship wasn't much to blame. They both got in deep water

speculatin', an' Craig was tempted to cabbage on the \$25,000." When Pole had concluded, the group sat in silence for a long time. It looked as if Bishop wanted to openly thank Pole for what he had done, but he had never done such a thing in the presence of others, and he could not pull himself to it. He sat crouched up in his tilted chair as if burning up with the joy of his release.

The silence was broken by Abner Daniel as he filled his pipe anew and stood over the fireplace.

"They say money's a cuss an' the root of all evil," he said dryly, "but in this case it's give Pole Baker thar a chance to show what's in 'im. I'd 'a give the last cent I have to 'a' done what he did today. I grant you he used deception, but it was the fust water sort that that Bible king resorted to when he made out he was goin' to divide that baby by cuttin it in halves. He fetched out the good an' squelched the bad." Abner glanced at Pole and gave one of his impulsive inward laughs. "My boy, when I reach t'other shore I expect to see whole strings o' sech lawbreakers as you a-playin' leap-frog on the golden sands. You don't sing an' pray a whole lot, nur keep yore religion in sight, but when thar's work to be done you shuck off yore shirt an' do it like a wildcat a-scratch-

No one spoke after this outburst for neveral minutes, though the glances cast in his direction showed the embarrassed ex-moonshiner that one and all had sanctioned Abner Daniel's opin-

Bishop leaned forward and looked at the clock, and, seeing that it was 9, he put the money in a bureau drawer and turned the key. Then he took down turned the key. Then he took down the big family Bible from its shelf and sat down near the lamp. They all knew what the action portended.

CHAPTER XXIV. OUT a week after the events recorded in the preceding chapter old man Bishop, just at dusk one evening, rode up to Pole Baker's humble domicile. Pole was in the front yard making a fire of

"What's that fer?" the old man questioned as he dismounted and hitched his horse to the worm fence.

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wiping his eyes, which were red from the effects of the smoke. "I'll never pass another night like the last un ef kin he'p it. I 'lowed my hide was chick, but they bored fer oil all over me from dark till sun-up. I never 've tried smoke, but Hank Watts says iv's head o' pennyr'yal."

ahead o' pennyr'yai."

"Shucks!" grunted the planter. "You ain't workin' it right. A few rags burnin' in a pan nigh yore bed may drive 'em out, but a smoke out beer in the yard 'll jest drive 'em in."

"What?" said Pole in high disgust.
"Do you expect me to sleep seed best.

"Do you expect me to sleep sech hot weather as this is with a fire nigh my bed? The durn things may eat me raw, but I'll be blamed ef I barbecue myse'f to please 'em."

Mrs. Baker appeared in the cabin

door holding two of the youngest children by their hands. "He won't take my advice, Mr. Bishop," she said. "I jest rub a little lamp oil on my face an' hands, an' they don't tetch me." Pole grunted and looked with laugh-

ng eyes at the old man. "She axed me t'other night why I'd quit kissin' 'er," he said. "An' I to 'er I didn't keer any more fer kerose "An' I told

than the mosquitoes did."

Mrs. Baker laughed pleasantly as she brought out a chair for Bishop and invited him to sit down. He complied, twirling his riding whip in his hand. From his position, almost on a level with the floor, he could see the interior of one of the rooms. It was almost bare of furniture. Two opposite corners were occupied by crude bedsteads in the center of the room was a cradle made from a soapbox on rockers sawed from rough poplar boards. It had the appearance of having been in use through several generations. Near it stood a spinning wheel and a three legged stool. The sharp steel spindle gleamed in the firelight from the big og and mud chimney.

"What's the news from town, Mr. Bishop?" Pole asked awkwardly, for it struck him that Bishop had called to talk with him about some business and vas reluctant to introduce it

"Nothin' that interests any of us, eckon. Pole," said the old man. cept that I made that investment in Shoal Cotton factory stock."

"That's good," said Pole, in the tone of anybody but a man who had never nvested a dollar in anything. "It's all hunkey, an' my opinion is that it 'll never be with less."

"I did heer, too," added Bishop, "that was reported that Craig had set up



"Well, it's yores," he said, a little grocery store out in Texas, nigh the Indian Territory, Some thinks that Winship 'll turn up thar an' jine 'im, but a body never knows what to be-

lieve these days." "That shore is a fact," opined Pole. Sally, that corn bread's a-burnin', Ef you'd use less lamp oil, you'd smell bet-

Mrs. Baker darted to the fireplace, raked the live coals from beneath the cast iron oven and jerked off the lid in a cloud of steam and smoke. She turned over the pone with the aid of a case knife and then came back to the

"Fer the last month I've had my eye on the Bascome farm," Bishop saying. "There's a hundred ner even, some good bottom land and m land an' in the neighborhood o' this acres o' good wood. Then thar's a five 'oom house, well made an' tight, an' s

barn, cowhouse an' stable."
"Lord! I know the place like a book," said Pole. "an' it's a dandy investment, Mr. Bishop. They say he offered it fer fifteen hundred. It's with two thousand. You won't drap any money by buyin' that property, Mr. Bishop. I'd hate to contract to build jest the house an' well an' out-houses fer a thousand."

nouses fer a thousand."

"I bought it," Bishop told him. "He let me have it fer a good deal less 'n fifteen hundred, cash down."

"Well, you made a dandy trade, Mr. Bishop. Ah, that's what ready money will do! When you got the cash, things seem to come at bottom figures."

Old Bishop drew a folded paper from his pocket and slauped it on his tage. Old Bishop drew a folded paper from his pocket and slapped it on his knee. "Yes, I closed the deal this evenin', an' I was jest a-thinkin' that as you hain't rented fer next yeer—I mean"— Bishop was ordinarily direct of speech, but somehow his words became tan-gled and he delivered himself awk-wardly on this approxim. "You wardly on this wardly on this occasion. "You see, Alan thinks that you 'n Sally ort to live in a better house than jest this heer log cabin, an"—

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THE BANKERS MAY PROVE TOO STRONG FOR HIM.

Principal Reichel of North Wales University Gives His Impressions of Canada-A Long Cruise.

London, Dec. 30.-Herbert Gladstone, speaking at Chester Monday, leclared that he did not know a single banker of any eminence who had given any adhesion to Chamberlain's policy. No class of business men knows more about foreign colonial trade than the heads of the banking institutions of the country. Mr. Chamberlain might find in the long run that the bankers

ind in the long run that the bankers were too strong for him.

Principal Reichel of University College, North Wales, who went with the Mosely Commission to Canada, expresses himself as immensely impressed by what he saw in Canada, especially the Agricultural College at Guelph, which, Mr. Reichel says, is generally admitted to be the highest and most successful institution of the kind on the American continent. The greatest question that interested Reichel, the question fraught with the greatest consequences to the British Empire, was the settlement of northwestern Canada. The question was whether these Provinces shall become American or stay British.

The Westminster Gazette says:—
"Mr. Chamberlain insists that the colonies did not ask us to make any sacrifice. That being so, we are entitled to ask for evidence of any colonial offer which shall give us an equal measure in return, which Mr. Chamberlain inferentially admits we are entitled to."

An Alaskan war canoe, manned by two Canadians, which left Vancouver on May, 1901, arrived at Durban after four months from Auckland.

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THE TARIFF COMMISSION.

Seventeen Additional Names Added and the Chairman Appointed.

London, Dec. 30.-A list of seveneen additional members of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain's tariff commission was issued yesterday, including representatives of colonial interests, and it was announced that Sir Robert Herbert, formerly Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, and at one time Agent-General for Tasmania, has accepted the Chairmanship of the commission. The list just issued includes Sir John Cock-burn, formerly Premier and Chief Sec-tary of South Australia; Francis Elgar. tary of South Australia; Francis Elgar, the well-known naval architect; Sir George Ryder, Chairman of the Customs Commission; Sir Cecil Smith, foremerly High Commissioner for Borneo and Sarawak, and Henry D. Marshall, member of the Council of the Royal Agricultural Society. The remainder of the list comprises leading representatives of the trade of the United Kingdom.

killing his wife and himself, had been suffering from severe headaches, dizziness and fainting spells, which he attributed to the unhealthlu nature of his employment, which kept him in the tunnel for twelve hours each day. Of late he had been moody and silent, and his conduct gave his friends much alarm. The letter which he left, in which he blames Mrs. Boyd for domestic unpleasantness, bears evidence of having been written by a person with an ha lucination, bears evidence of having been written by a person with an ha lucination, in the opinion of the coroner. The verdict states that Joseph Boyd met death by his own hand, while laboring under a fit of insanity, and states that the tunnel company are greatly to blame for compelling a man to spend twelve hours on a shift in the tunnel without recief. tunnel without relief

A SHORTHAND FEAT

Over Two Hundred Words a Minute Written From Dictation.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 30.—The National Shorthand Teachers' Association, in session here, was given an exhibition of remarkably rapid reporting on a blackboard, when Fred Irland, official stenographier of the House of Representatives at Washington, wrote from dictation at the rate of 233 words per minute and read the mat.e. without an error in less than fifty seconds.

TRIPPED BY HIS SPURS.

The Emperor Francis Joseph Met

With a Slight Accident, Vienna, Dec. 30. - Reports which reached Vienna of an accident to Emperor Francis Joseph have created much alarm. It appears that during the Emperor's customary Christmas visit to his daughter, the Archduchess Maria Valeria, at V Ilse, he duchess Maria Valeria, at V llse, he was ascending a stairway, when his spura became entangled in the carpet. He iell forward, but arose immediately, without assistance. The Emperor has returned to Vienna, and his doctors say that the injuries sustained by the accident are quite unimportant, some muscles of the back being slightly strained and the forchead bruised. The doctors recommend that he rest for a few days, but they consider no further medical treatment necessary. It has, however, been announced that the audiences fixed by his Majesty for New Year's Eve may be postponed. THERE IS A WAY **OUT OF IT** 

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PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS. South Wellington License Inspector

-Parry Sound Jailer. Toronto, Dec. 30. - A number of orders in Council making appointments were passed yesterday afternoon. They included the following: -W. J. Bradley, jai'er toms Commission, Sir Cecil Smith, formerly High Commissioner for Borneo and Sarawak, and Henry D. Marshall, member of the Council of the Royal Agricultural Society. The remainder of the list comprises leading representatives of the trade of the United Kingdom.

TUNNEL CO. CENSURED.

Boyd's Employment Injurious to His Health.

Sarnia, Dec. 30.—The St. Clair Tunnel Company were censured in the verdict of the Coroner's jury yesterday on the Boyd tragedy. The cyidence taken showed that Boyd, previous to his action yesterday in killing his wife and himself, had been suffering from severe headaches, dizat Parry Sound, at \$500 a year from

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Hastings, Dec. 29.—This afternoon Mr. Alex. Kennedy, an employee of John Welch & Co., tanners here, was in the act of stopping the carriers, when his clothes become entangled and he was dragged for some distance. It is miraculous that he was not killed All his clothers were torn into ribbons and he sustained internal injuries.

What a solendid type of tireless activity is the sun as the psalmist describes it issuing like "a brider groom from his chamber and rejoicing like a strong man to run a race." Every man ought to rise in the morning refreshed by slumber and renewby rest, eager for the struggle of the day. But how rarely this is so. Most people rise still unrefreshed, and dreading the strain of the day's labors. The cause of this is deficient vitality and behind this lies a deficient supply of pure, rich blood, and an inadequate nourishment of the body. There is nothing that will give a man strength and energy, as will Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It does this by increasing the quantity and quality of the blood supply. This nourishes the nerves, feeds the brain, builds up enfeebled organs, and gives that sense of strength and power which makes the struggle of life a joy. The "good feeling" which follows the use of "Golden Medical Discovery" is not due to stimulation as it centains no alcohol, whiskey or other intoxicant. It does not brace up the body, but builds it up into a condition of sound health.

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literary events of the year, reveals tempora! O mores! O poetic pants!

Living in a Grave. A remarkable saint has recently

Living in a Grave.

A remarkable saint has recently made his appearance in Bengal and professes to effect miraculous cures of incurable diseases. During the recent cold weather he passed fifty-one days in a tank by keeping nearly the whole of his body under water, and now he is living inside a "pucca" grave six feet deep. This has been was through which to serve him with his daily food, simply cousisting of an orange or pomegranate juice with one almond only. In this state he will remain for fifty-one consecutive days, and through the hole a string has been passed into the grave, one end of it being tied to a bell suspended on a bamboo post to enable him to give an alarm in case of any danger or mishap. He also uses it to respond to calls inquiring after his health, signifying thereby that he is all right. The saint catered the grave with his bedding, some holy books, two or three bottles of rosewater and one or two vials of attar of roses, after which the opening was blocked up, barring the hole, and then, leveling the place with carth, some greens were sown, which, being regularly watered, thrive nicely. The saint has taken the rosewater with him in lieu of plain water to wash his face, hands and feet before saying his prayers. But the saint was not without an eye to the main chance, for one day & money order came to his address from Bombay, which, being rolled up, was dropped into the grave through the hole. It was shortly after passed back duly signed by the holy man.—East Indian Exchange.

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W. H. TYE, M. D. TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen: I am a candidate for Alderman for the coming year, and respectfully so-licit your vote. licit your

Yours truly, THOS. SCULLARD. TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY

OF CHATHAM. Cor CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentillemen,—I am a candidate for Alderman for the coming year, and if my actions in the past have may your approval, I shall be pleased to have a continuance of your confidence. Wishing you the compliments of the season,

I remain,
Yours Sneerely,
A. B. McCOIG. TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY

OF CHATHAM.

I am thankful to you for your liberal patronage in the past, and have decided to again offer myself as a candidate for alderman for 1904. Solicting your vote and influence, I am

Your Servant, JOHN N. EDMUNDSON. TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

I am a candidate for the position of Alderman, and solicit your votes and

Yours respectfully, JAS. W. DEGGE. TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY

Ladies and Gentlemen: I am a candidate for the Council, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. I have been a resident of the city for many years, and am known to many of you. I am opposed to a personal canvas, and for that reason will make no otner appeal than through the press. If elected I promise close attention to the wants of the ratepayers.

W. H. WESTMAN,

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TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM. Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am again a candidate for your suffrage for the position of Alderman for 1904, and respectfully solicity your vote and influence. Thanking you for past favors, and wishing you the compliments of the season, I am Yours truly

Yours truly, W. S. MARSHALL. TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM

Ladies and Gentlemen: I am a candidate for the Council for 1904 and I hope to have your support and influence. If elected I will do whatever is in my power to advance the best interests of the city. Wishing you all the compliments of the season, I remain,

Your obedient servant,

ARCH. WEMP.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY

adies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate again for the po-sition of Alderman for 1904, and re-spectfully solicit your vote and in-fluence. If elected will guarantee to fill the position to the best of my ability.

Trusting my past actions in the council will command your support I am,

Yours respectfully, WALTER T. PIGGOTT

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen: Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of a large number of ratepayers, I have decided to offer myself as a candidate for alderman for the year 1904. As I will be unable to see many of the electors personally, I would hereby solicit the vote and influence of all, and if elected, will serve the city to the best of my ability. Wishing yoou the compliments of the season, I am, Yours respectfully, Yours respectfully, ARTHUR J. DUNN.

TO THE CITY ELECTORS.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for alderman for 1904. Having lived and worked in Chatham for the past 20 years, I think I know the requirements of this city. If elected I shall do my best to forward all measures that will benefit our good city. In my position as a working man I cannot make a personal canvas. Your votes and influence solicited.

JOHN E. AINSWORTH. TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY

OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen: I am again before you for the po-sition of Alderman for the year 1904. I have served you with pleasure for a number of years, and if again hon-ored by being elected I will still continue to take the same careful est in the city's business as I have one in the past.

Wishing you all the compliments of

Yours truly, (E. A. MOUNTEER.

TO THE CITY ELECTORS. Ladies and Gentlemen:

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I am again a candidate for Alderman. I stand upon my record. I said things and did things in the Council. (!) I brought the Lake Erie Railway to book as to Colborne street spur; (2) I persisted in either getting the car-shops or compensation—result. \$16,000 cash to the city; (3) I waged war on the railway as to Head street; (!) I insisted upon better terms as to the Electric Railway; (5) I strongly espoused the cause of labor; (6) I advocated a complete system of garbage collection.

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TO THE ELECTORS OF HARW CH. Your vote and influence is respectfully requested to secure my election as Regue of Harwich for 1904.

CHAS. BUCHANAN. TO THE ÉLECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DOVER.

Ladies and Gentlemen Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for Councillor for the year 1904, and would respectfully solicit your vote and influence. During the past year I have endeavored to do my duty without fear or favor, and with the experience gained by serving you I trust that I shall receive a renewal of your confidence. Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain, Yours sincerely.

Yours sincerely, GEORGE KING. TO THE ELECTORS OF DOVER.

I am a candidate for the positio I am a candidate for the position of Councillor for the ensuing year and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. I have been a ratepayer in the Township for the past ten years, and if elected I promise to give close attention to the requirements of the Township and to practice economy in every way consistient with the best interests of the ratepayers. ratiepayers.

CALVERT HARPER,

TO THE ELECTORS OF DOVER. Having served the Township as Councillor faithfully for three years I have decided to offer myself for the position of reeve for the coming

year,
I may state that I am opposed to
submitting a by-law to bonus the
proposed electric railway,
If elected I will do all in my power
to conduct the business of Dover township economically and to the interests of all. Irespectfully solicit your
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AGENTS WANTED-\$2.50 per day to Address Cooper, London, Out. SITUATION WANTED-Good Girl, for general housework, address Mis Elsie, Box 10, Dawn M.18. GOOD WHITE GIRL WANTED-For general housework. Apply at this office.

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3, Dover, lady holding second classcertificate. Duties to commenceJan. 4th. Applications to be addressed to Frank J. Geudreau, Secretary, Dover South. TEACHER WANTED-For S. S. No.

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## BLENHEIM

Dec. 31-Miss Morgan entertained her lady friends on Tuesday last. A very enjoyable assembly was held in the opera house last night, a large town and surrounding heighborhood

in the opera house last night, a large town and surrounding neighborhood being present.

The last snowfall has made excellent sleighing; the youngsters are enjoying the bobsleigh rides. The mercury on the 29th inst. registered ghe below zero.

Riv. W. E. Kerr is at Brussells attending the wedding of his sister.

Miss Nita Boungall, of Chatham is visiting friends in town.

R. L. Gosnell has bought the property of Leslie Enlish, corner of Talbot and Victoria streets.

A skating carnival will be held at the skating fant on New Year's night. Admission 15c. Prizes will be given for the following: Bast dressed lady, \$2.50; best dressed gentleman, \$2.50; best comic lady or gentleman, \$2.50; best comic lady or gentleman, \$2.50. There will be an election held on January 4, '04, for the purpose of electing six councillors. The following will be the polling places:

No. 1, J. P. Suitor's office on Talbot street, M. Thompson, D. R. O.

No. 3, Hall Block, on Talbot street, W. B. Tedford D. R. O.

No. 4, Alden Johnson's store, C. A. Wedge, D. R. O.

J. W. Gibson, returning officer.

Abbott Griffin has bought Mrs. Stevens property, now occupied by Mr R. M. Thompson.

Mr. H. Drane leaves next week for an extended visit to North Carolina.

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## DRESDEY

Dec. 31.—Owen Wright, St. Paul, Minn., is visiting his father, Wesley Wright, Sydenham St.
Leigh Fleming, of Owosso, Mich., is spending the New Year's holidays at his parents' home, Brock St.
The annual Christmas entertainment of the Presbyterian Sunday school was held last night in the Grand Opera House, and was much enjoyed by the large crowd that attended. The entertainment consisted of the Christmas cantata, "The New Santa Claus."

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of Christ Church was held yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. W. H. Willson, on

Brown St.

Frank Miller left this morning for a short visit with friends in Lansing and Detroit, Mich.

Miss G. Blackburn gave a pedro party Tuesday evening, in honor of her cousin, Miss L. Arnold, Toronfo.

The two-year-old son of John Gibson, 6th Con., Camden, died very suddenly yesterday morning, after a short illness of only six hours. Acute indigestion and heart failure was the cause of his taking off.

Dresden councillors and school trustees are elected by acclamation, all but the requisite number having withdrawn. R. P. Wright, N. B. Carscallen, L. Houston, Geo. Grece, Wm. Ward and J. E. McGloghlon are the councillors, and J. B. Carscallen, John Robinson and R. Heyland are the leap year trustees.



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## LETTER BUX

To the Editor of The Planet To the Editor of The Planet:
Dear Sir,—The Christmas rush of
business is now over, and there is
usually a slack period during January, February, and March. If any of
the readers of your valuable paper are the readers of your valuable paper are desirous of improving on their present employment, we would like to keep before them the advantages which are offered by a thorough course of training in a well-equipped business school—one that is in close touch with the hussiness nablic and is in a position business public, and is in a position to place all worthy graduates in good

to place all worthy graduates in good positions.

We have been doing business in this city, for over twenty-seven years, and there is no question as to the class of work we are turning out. The success of our students is the best evidence in support of this claim. We yearly have many more demands for office help than we can supply and we have always made it a point to place our students in good positions where good remuneration is offered. The well-qualified graduate can always command good pay, and we have

The well-qualified graduate can always command good pay, and we have placed our graduating standard at such a point, that only the capable reach it, and those who succeed are certain of employment at good salaries when they are through.

Those of either sex who will take our double course and thoroughly qualify as stenographers and book-keepers, will find ready demand for their services and at excellent pay.

Thanking you for giving me the opportunity of bringing this matter so promptly before your readers, I am,

Yours sincerely,
D. McLACHLAN.
Canada Business College,
Chatham, Dec. 31, 1903.

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by acclamation is a tribute not only to the trustees but also to the teachers of this city. The latter must be competent and must be giving every satisfaction since no fault is found.

The candidates for aldermen who are worthy of your consideration have their cards in The Planet. Look over the list.

Vote for the candidate who has his card in The Planet. He isn't afraid to state his opinions openly. Attend the mass meeting to-night and learn all about the three by-

Mr. Ross hangs onto office like parnacle to a ship.

Editor of water wagon—Kindly reserve a top berth for me on your water wagon and run the wagon so fast that if I fall off I'll break my neck. Yours, T. R. Eater.

Ten thousand good live young men wanted to join the Clements' Club.

I don't see why those three by laws weren't passed by acclamation

The young man for the young men. Dunlop for Renfrew and Herbert S. Clements for West Kent.

Young Conservatives, your party

The Satellite is getting up in the world. His telephone number has been raised from 53B to 102. This is for the information of the man who desires to call him up to call

Call on Gabe McIntyre at the Montreal House, corner Head and Sandys street:

Vote for W. H. Westman, hardware merchants for the council for 1904.

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New novelties in all the leading tints and in staple papers, at from 250

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## Good Bye the Old; Welcome the New.

Good Night; Good Morning The old year out, the New Year in-makes this a time of good resolutions. The glee of the holly and mistletoe is too recent to let anything but brightness into the day that brings new hope into our lives. This business has grown to greatness because it deserved to. Our policy has been to do the best ve know by each and every cus-tomer. People know that and consider their money safest here. The good will we have won will by no means be forfeited during 1904. Success in 1903 enlarges our aspirations for the future. We look outward hopefully expecting still greater victories with the trade of

.To-morrow the store will be closed. We give the day to rest and gladness, while wishing you and yours

A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR

Thornton & Douglas Limited.

We wish all our friends

and a prosperous one. To help make it a prosperous year we will give away money. We take stock in four weeks time. Previous to this we desire to clean out our

Fur Coats, Robes, Blankets, Sleigh Bells, Skates, Hockey Sticks, Pucks, Cook Stoves, Ranges and Base Burners, Silverware, Carving Sets and Cutlery.

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cookstove, range or baseburner; and to per cention all other goods.

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Do not lay around the house all day when you have a treat of a life time within your reach. Some notable places where the famous Hungarian Court Orchestra have played : : : : :

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Briscos' store will be open all day New Years for those who want to purchase tickets for the Grand at night.

# FIVE HUNURED

Holocaust in a Chicago Theatre.

FIRE AND EXPLOSION.

Many Slain in Mad Fight to Escape.

FIRE ESCAPED DEATH TRAPS.

WOMEN AND CHILDREN TRAMPLED INTO PULP MAY NEVER BE IDENTIFIED BODIES PILED UP IN AD-JACENT BUILDINGS AND ON THE STREET.

Chicago, Dec. 31.-Five hundred and fifty people were kileld and ninety-two injured within ten minutes yesterday during a fire in the Iroquois Theatre, the newest, the largest, and, as far as human power could make it, the safest, theatre in Chicago. The theatre is on Rando'ph street.

'A few of these people were burned to death, many were suffocated by gas, and scores were trampled death in the panic that followed the mad plunge of the frightened audience for the exits. There are bodies lying by the dozens in the undertaking rooms, in the police stations, and in

rooms, in the police stations, and in the hospitals, from which nearly everything that could reveal their identity to those who knew them best, is gone. Their clothing is torn to rags or burned to cinders, and their faces have been tramped into an unrecognizable pulp by the crowds that fought and tramped them down as they fled for safety.

The fire broke out during the second act of the play. "Mr. Blue Beard," the lirst production in the theatre since its erection. The theatrical company, which was very large, escaped to the arrest a safety, nearly all of them, however, being compelled to flee from the show with no clothing but their stage costumes. A few members of the company sustained minor injuries, but none were seriously hurt. The but none were seriously hurt. The accounts of the origin of the fire are conflicting, and none of them certain, but the best reason given is that an electric wire near the lower part of a piece of drop-scenery broke and grounded, setting the scenery ablaze. The fire spread rapidly toward the front of the stage, causing the mem-bers of the chorus who were then en-

gaged in the performance to flee to the wings, with screams of terror. The fire in itself, up to this time, was not serious, and possibly could have been checked had not the asbestos curbeen checked had not the asbestos curtail failed to work. As soon as the fire was discovered, Eddie Foy, the comedian of the company, shouted to lower the curtain. It descended about half way, and then stuck. The fire was thus given, precisely, a flue, through which a strong draught set to the abors, which had been thrown open in the front of the theatre. With a roar and a bound the flames shot out through the opening, and over the heads of the people on the first floor, and up to those in the first balcony, catching them and burning them to and up to those in the first balcony, catching them and burning them to death. Immediately following this rush of flames there came an explosion which lifted the entire roof of the theatre from its walls, shattering the great skylight into fragments.

As soon as the flames first appeared beyond the curtain a man in the rear of the hall shouted "Fire! Fire!" and the entire and one person

the entire audience rose as one person and made for the doors. It is believed that the explosion was caused by the flames coming in contace with the gas reservoirs of the theatre, causing them to burst. Will J. Davis, manager of the theatre, said after the catastrophe that if the people had remained in their seats, and not been excited by the cry of "Fire!" not a life would have been lost. This, however, is contradicted by the statements of the firemen, who found the bodies of numbers of persons sitting in their seats, their faces directed toward the stage, as if the performance were still going on. The opinion of the firemen is that these people were suffocated at once by the flow of gas and fire which came from behind the asbestos curtoin.

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As nearly as can be estimated, about a 300 people were in the theatre. Three hundred of these were on the ground floor, the balance being in the two upper balconies and in the hallways back of them. The theatre is modelled after the Opera Comique in Paris, and from the rear of each balcony there are three doors leading out to passage-ways towards the front of the theatre. Two of these doorways are at the end of the balcony, and one being in the centre. The audience, in its rush for the outer air, seems to have for the greater part, chosen to flee to the left entrance, and to attempt to make its way down the eastern stairway, leading into the lobby of the theatre.

Outside of the people burned and suffocated by gas, it was in these two doorways, on the first and second balconies, that the greatest loss of life occurred. When the firemen entered the building the dead were found

stretched in a pile, reaching from the head of the stairway, at least eight feet from the door, back to a point about five feet in the rear of the door. This mass of dead bodies in the centre of the doorway reached to within two feet of the top of the passageway. All of the corpses at this point were women and children.

The fight for life which must have taken place at these two points is something that is simply beyond human power to adequately describe. Only a faint idea of its horror could be derived from the aspect of the bodies as they lay. Women on top of these masses of dead had been overtaken by death as they were crawling on their hands and knees over the bodies of those who had died before. Others lay with arms stretched out in he direction toward which lay life and safety, holding in their hands fragm its of garments, evidently torn from others, whom they had endeavored to pull down and trample underfoot as they fought for their own lives.

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As the police removed layer after layer of dead in these doorways, the sight became too much even for the police and firemen, hardened as they are to scenes of death. The bodies were in such an inextricable mass, and so tightly were they jammed between the sides of the door and walls, that it was impossible to lift them one by one and carry them out. The only possible thing to do was to seize a limb, or some other portion of the body, and pull with main strength. Men worked at the task with tears running down their cheeks, and the sobs of the rescuers could be heard even in the hall below where this awful scene was being enacted. A number of men were compelled to abandon their task and give it over to others whose nerves had not yet been shaken.

One by one the bodies were dragged out of the water-soaked, blackened out of the water-soaked, blackened mass of corpses, and the spectacle be-came more and more heartrending. There were women whose clothing was

mass of corpses, and the spectacle became more and more heartrending. There were women whose clothing was torn completely from their bodies above the waist, whose bosoms had been been trampled into a pulp, and whose faces were marred beyond all power of identification.

Bodies lay in the first and second balconies in great numbers. In some places they were piled up in the aisles three and four deep, where one had fallen and others tripped over the prostrate forms, and all had died where they lay, evidently suffocated by gas. Others were bent over backs of seats, where they had been thrown by the rush of people for the doors, and killed with hardly a chance to rise from their chairs.

One man was found with his back bent nearly double, his spinal column having been fractured as he was thrown backwards. A woman was found cut nearly in half by the back of the seat, she having been forced over it, face downwards. In the aisles nearest to the doors the scenes were harrowing in the extreme. Bodies lay in every conceivable attitude, half naked, the look on their faces revealing some of the agony which must have preceded their death. There were scores and scores of people whose faces had literally been trampled completely off by the heels of those who rushed over them.

In one aisle the body of a man was found, with hardly a vestige of clothing or flesh above his waist-line. The entire upper portion of his body had been cut into mincemeat and carried away by the feet of those who trampled him. A scarch was carefully made, with the hope of finding his head, but at a late hour to-night it had not been discovered, and all that will ever tell his friends who he was is the color and appearance of his clothing on the lower limbs, and this is in such a condition as to be hardly recognizable.

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The theatre had been constructed but The theatre had been constructed but a short time, and all its equipment was not yet in place. This was, unfortunately, the case with a fire-escape in the rear of the building. The small iron balcony to which the iron ladders were to be attached were up, but the ladders had not yet been constructed. When to be attached were up, but the ladders had not yet been constructed. When the panic was at its height a great number of women ran for these fire escapes, only to find as they emerged from the doorway upon the Litle iron platform that they were thirty to fifty feet from the ground. Those who reached the platform first endeavored to hold their footing and to keep back-the crowd that pressed upon them from the rear. The effort was utterly less, and in a few moments the ledges were jammed with crows of The effort was utterly use men, who screamed, fought and tore at each other like maniacs. This lasted but a brief time, and the rush from the interior of the building became so viointerior of the building became so vio-lent that many of them were crowded off and fell to the granite pavement below. Others leaped from the plat-form, fracturing legs and arms, and two were picked up at this point with fractured skulls, having been instantly killed.

killed. George H. Elliott. Secretary of the Ogden Gas Company, was in a building directly opposite the theatre, across across the alley. When he reached the across the alley. When he reached the street the women already were dropping into the alley, and Elliott immediately rushed for a ladder, in an effort to save as many as possible. No ladder was available, and the only method of assistance they were able to devise was to hurriedly lash some planks together and throw them across to the affrighted women on the platforms, with instructions to place the end firmly on the iron framework. Wamen were pushed every instant into nen were pushed every instant into the alley, and by the time the bridge was constructed but few remained to take advantage of it. However, about two dozen, it is believed, made their way across this narrow causeway. The members of the theatrical company, being on the first floor, had comparatively little difficulty in reaching the street, although their situation was for a moment-highly critical because of the speed with which the flames swept through the mass of scenery in the flies and on the stage.

Rarely in the history of Chicago has its people been so stirred as by the calamity of to-day. Next to the Chicago fire this is the greatest catastrophe that has ever occurred here. The news spread with great rapidity, and in a short time hundreds of men, women and children were rushing to-

ward the theatre. The building in which the calamity occurred stands midway between State and Dearborn streets on the north side of Randolph street. Although every available policeman within the call of the department was hurried to the spot and the men placed in lines at the end of the block, allowing nobody to enter Randolph street from either Dearborn or State, it was found for a time almost impossible to hold back the frenzied crowd that pressed forward, many of them having friends or relatives in the theatre and an bous to learn something of them. The conduct of the police deserves all praise. In spite of the efforts of the police, however, a large number of people succeeded in breaking through the lines and entering the theatre, and in many cases did heroic work in rescuing the injured and carrying out the dead.

The building was so full of smoke when the firemen first arrived that the full extent of the catastrophe was not immediately grasped until a fireman and a newspaper man crawled up the stairs leading to the balcony, holding handkerchiels over their mouths to avoid suffocation. As they reached the doorway the fireman seized his companion by the arm, exclaiming, "Good God, man, don't walk on their faces!"

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The two men tried vainly to get through the door, which was jammed with dead women pied higher than either of their heads.

All the lights in the theatre were necessarily out, and the only illumination came through the cloud of smoke that hung between the interior of the theatre and the street. The two men hurried to the floor below, and informed Chief Musham that the dead bodies were piled high in the balcony and prompt assistance must be rendered.

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The chief at once called upon all his men in the vicinity to abandon work on the fire and come at once to the rescue. The building was so dark and the smoke so thick that it was found impossible to accomplish anything until lights had been secured. Over 200 lights were quickly carried into the building, and the work of rescue commenced. So rapidly were the bodies brought down that for over an hour there were two streams of men passing in and out of the doorway, the one carrying bodies, the other composed of men to get more. The bodies were carried into Thompson's restaurant, which adjoins the theatre, on the east. The dead and wounded were placed upon chairs, tables and counters. Although all the patrol waggons and every ambu ance owned by the city were pressed into service, they were utterly inadequate to carry away the dead, and in a short time there was a line fifty feet long of corpses piled two and three high on the sidewalk in front of the theatre.

It was found necessary, in order to convey the bodies rapidly to the morgue and to the various undertaking establishments, to press trucks into service, and in these the dead were hauled away. The merchants in the vicinity of the theatre rose to the emergency in splendid fashion.

Marshall Field & Company, Mandel Bros., Schlesinger & Meyer, Carson, Piric, Scott & Company, and other large dry goods stores sent waggon load after waggon load of blankets, rolls of linen and packages of cottan to be used in binding up the wounds of the injured and to cover the dead. Doctors and trained nurses were on the ground by the score within half an hour after the extent of the calamity was known. A number of doctors waited at the entrance to the theatre with stethoscopes in hand to examine the bodies which were brought out for signs of life.

One large truck, ordinarily used for conveying freight to depots, was so heavily loaded with dead in front of

One large truck, ordinarily used for conveying freight to depots, was so heavily loaded with dead in front of the theatre that the two large horses attached to it were unable to start, and the police were compelled to assit by tugging at the wheels.

It was the presence of the children, hundreds of them in the audience, and the efforts of their frantic mothers to save them that caused much of the pendemonium. Alexander H. Revell, who had sent his little daughter, Margaret, with a little friend, in charge of a maid, to see the performance, drove frantically to the burning theatre, but frantically to the burning theatre, but the children had been saved. Mr. Revell then hastened to the theatre and participated in the rescue. "I worked in the upper balconies."

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"I worked in the upper balconies," said he. "The sight of those women and their, little children, with their clenched fists raised as though trying to beat their way to safety, and stricken down in the very act, is, too horrible to attempt to describe. I assisted the policemen and firemen in carrying down more than twenty bodies."

Two bodies, tightly locked in each others' arms, those of young ladies apparently about 25 years of age, were found in one end of the orchestra pit. They must have fallen there, from the balcony above. The body of a dark-haired girl, apparently 12 years of age, was found impaled on the iron railing of the first balcony. She evidently had been thrown over from the second balcony above. With all of its clothing torn from it but a pair of baby's shoes, the body of a child about one year old was found in a far corner of the second balcony. It had evidently been knocked from its mother's arms and was trampled beyond all recognition. its mother's arms and was trampled beyond all recognition.

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The following is a partial list of the dead, the residence, when not specified, being Chicago: —Hortense Lang, aged 16; Irehe Lang, aged 11 years, sister of Hortense; E. A. Wilson, Mrs. W. T. Marsh, Miss Gladys Streton, Alpena, Mich.; Louise Bushnel; Mrs. A. Lake, 35 years old; Miss A. Donaldson, 18 years; J. Rattey, died at hospital; two boys with him thought to have perished; Mrs. Patrick P. O'Donnell, wife of President of O'Donnell & Duer Brewing Company; Mrs. Bessie Clinger; Otto Wattman; R. H. Coutts; Miss D. Howard; Miss——Ross, daughter of Dr. Ross; Edith Horton; Helen McCaughan; Mrs. F. A. Morrill; Mrs. A. Sullivan; Mrs. Minwegen, wife of Alderman John Minwegen; Mrs. Harbaugh; Ann Fitzgibbon; C. W. Forbush and family; Anna Sterling; three stage hands; Floraline, a German aerial performer; EtMel Blackman, 13 years old; two unknown women met death jumping from rear fire escape; Louise Buchray; Marie Waish; Mrs. James D. Maloney; Miss Spencer; Ethel Jones,

daughter of S. P. Jones, attended the theatre with brothers and sister, two of whom are missing and three accounted for; reported at Vaughan's seed store, where body was taken, that the mother, an invalid, dropped dead when she received the tidings of daughter's death; Mrs. John C. Kling, Lillian Phillipson, six years cld; boy, lived at Lafayette, Ind.; Mrs. Foreman, Wm. Rattley, J. C. Johnson, Wm. M. Reed, Waukegan, Ill.; Hoyt Fox, Mrs. L. R. Butler, S. Ward, Edmund W. Morton, — Newby, J. A. Kockems, Mrs. Stern, H. Donaldson; the Rev. Howard Studley, pastor of All Strangers' Church; Miss J. H. Dodd, Delaware, O.; Miss V. Delee, daughter of the late lieutenant of police; W. W. Hooper, Kenosha, Wis.; five children of H. S. Van Ingen of Kenosha (probable); father became separated from them and is among the injured; C. W. Turbush and family; Mildred Merriam, three years old, rescued by her father, but died on reaching the

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One of the marvellous escapes was that of the members of a theatre party given by Miss Chylotte A. Plamondon of Chicago. The party was made up of a number of prominent society people. Miss Plamondon said: "I could see little girls and boys in the orchestra chairs pointing upward to the slowly-moving line of flame along the curtain. One of the stage hands and Eddie Foy requested the audience to keep their seats. Pieces of the smoldering curtail fell into the orchestra pits. I looked over the faces of the audience and remarked how many children were present. Their faces were filled with interest as they watched the burning curtain. Just then the people in the balcony rose to their feet and crowded forward to obtain a better view of the fire. Eddie Foy rushed to the centre of the stage and waved his arms to the people to be seated. At that instant a woman in the rear of the place screamed 'fire,' and the entire audience of women and children rose to their feet, filled with uncontroliable terror.

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"As I started up the aisle a man rushed into me and knocked me down. I was so terror-stricken that I gave way and sank into one of the orchestra chairs, and after that I hardly remember anything. I some way reached the main entrance, where men were kicking against the door and reached the main entrance, where men were kicking against the door and shattering the glass and panels in their attempts to afford a large space for exit. Many fell as they reached the doors, where a few steps more would have carried them to fresh air and safety. As I look at it now, I must have been walking on prostrate bodies as I struggled through the opening. All of our party escaped in about the same manner as I did."

THE SALOON EVIL.

An Appeal by Archbishop Bruchesi of Montreal.

Montreal.

Montreal, Dec. 31.— Archbishop Bruchesi has written a letter to the Police Committee making an appeal for the lessening of the saloon evil. He suggests that it would be a great benefit if saloons were to close earlier, especially on the eve of feast days or of Sunday. He closes as follows:—"In the name of our people's most sacred interests, I entreat you, gentlemen, to make a strong effort to check the progress of intemperance, and of the evils which are its inevitable consequences. In doing so you will secure the gratitude of our families, of our whole city, and particularly of yours very truly, Paul, Archbishop of Montreal."

BRIDES WAITED IN VAIN.

TWO BROTHERS INTURED ON WAY TO BE MARRIED.

One Died in the Hospital at Ottawa and the Other May Not Re-

Arnprior, Dec. 31. - Alex. Drummond, a prominent young farmer of Bristel, is dead, and his brother George lies between life and death in the hospital at Ottawa, as a result of an accident that occurred while they were driving across country to be married this afternoon to two well-known ladies living some miles from this

The cutter containing the two young men was approaching the Hugh street track, when the team, becoming frightened at the approaching train, became unmanageable, and, despite the efforts of the drivers to cross, dashed into the engine, throwing one brother on the cow-catcher and the other over the baggage car. Both were picked up in an unconscious state, and were so badly mangled and bruised that after an examination by the local doctors they were taken on the train to the General Hospital, Ottawa. Alexander Drummond died in the hospital during the afternoon, his skull having been fearfully crushed. George, also injured, was thought at first to have suffered only a slight scalp wound, but later examination revealed that a piece of bone was pressing on the skull. An operation was performed, and, while he has a chance for recovery, his case is serious. The cutter containing the two young

DRIFTING INTO WAR.

Official Reports Show Crisis Has

Been Reached.
Tokio, Dec. 31.—Yesterday's ordinance empowers the Government to employ for war purposes all the funds in special accounts, amounting to over one hundred million yen. The or-dinance also sanctions short loans and exchequer bonds.

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St. Petersburg, Dec. 31.—The foreign despatches received here yesterday afternoon are reflected in more pessimistic editorials. The Novoe Vremya begins its leader with "There is no war to-day. To-morrow there may be war." The paper rather fata istically directs attention to the fact that wars marked the opening of the seventeenth, eighteenth and rather fata istically directs attention to the fact that wars marked the opening of the seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. The Novoe Vremya, nevertheless, still professes faith in a peaceful settlement, saying: "We believe Japan will not place Russia in a position where to yield would appear to be a renunciation of the defence of her vital interests in the fareast. Russia does not desire war, but nobody in Russia will permit the Japanese or other friends to execute a diplomatic dance upon Russia's peaceful disposition. In firm consciousness of her power, Russia will await events."

London, Dec. 31.—The Times states that the two cruisers built at Genoa for Argentina were sold to Japan for one million and a half pounds sterling. Japan last evening completed the purchase of the Argentine warships Moreno and Rivadavia, building at Genoa, Italy, for which Russia also was negotiating.

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Baron Hayashi, the Japanese Minister, said he was aware the French Foreign Minister was making strenuous efforts for peace. So far as Baren Hayashi knew these had not yet been crowned with success. Referring to the statement in Paris that war would be averted, he said:—"If they are honest in saying they do not believe there is danger of war, they must be pretty certain Russia will agree at least to the spirit of the Japanese proposals. Up to now we have had no indication of this, and unless Russia does agree there scarcely seems any way of averting war. I only trust that M. Delcasse will be successful."

Minister Hayashi definitely said that the Russian evacuation of Manchuria is not one of the Japanese cardinal demands.

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES. Three stores at Glencoe were robbed. The damaged steamer Amur has arrived

The Government has decided in favor of two-story steel sheds at the Montreal

Spain is hesitating as to whether she should enter into an alliance with Britain or France. Ottawa cabmen are reaping a rich harvest owing to the street railway power plant being disabled.

Rev. David Watson, M.A., D.D., pastor of St. Andrew's Church, Beaverton for nearly fifty years, is dead.

A son of Mr. John Easton of Glenmor-ris was burned to death during his mother's absence from the house.

Dr. James McClurg has been appointed jail surgeon at Sault Ste. Marie in the place of Dr. Adams, who resigned.

It is reported that the White Star Line has ordered a steamer 755 feet long, thirty feet longer than the Baltic, now the largest steamer in the world.

After three days' debate in the Trans-vaal Legislative Council, a motion in favor of the introduction of Asiatic labor in South Africa was carried by a vote of 22 to 4.

The Temiskaming Railway Commissioners have awarded the contract for steel rails to Chas. Cammell & Co., Sheffield. Eng., notwithstanding a lower tender from the United States Steel Trust.

Two additional writs have been issued by Ames & Co. against former clients of that firm, the claims being made for balances due on stock transactions. Benjamin F. Honsinger is sued for a balance of \$2,867. His transactions with Ames & Co. were in Canadian Pacific and Twin City, and totalled \$81,400. H. P. Ostrosser is also sued by Ames & Co. for \$312, a balance due on stock transactions totaling \$84,418.

RATS DIED OF PLAGUE.

Therefore German Steamer is Held in Quarantine For Developments.

Hamburg, Germany, Dec. 31.— The inquiry into the mortality among the rats on the German steamer Cordoba, from Santos, Brazil, confirms the report that they died of bubonic plague, The vessel has been towed to Strandhufen and quarantined. There is no sickness among the crew.

THE MARKET REPORTS.

Wheat is Firmer-The Live Stock Trade-Latest Quotations.

Wednesday Evening, Dec. 30. Toronto St. Lawrence Market. Receipts were again light at St. Law-rence market and trade was quiet. The grain sold on the street am unted to 600 bushels.

wheat—Three hundred bushels of goose old with an easier tone at 74c to 74% of the control of the sold with an easier tone at 74c to 725c per bushel.

Barley—One hundred a. 7 fifty bushels sold about steady at 45c to 46c per bushel. Oats—Two hundred bushels sold unchanged at 31½c to 32½c per bushel. Dressed Hogs—Quotations are unchanged at 37 per cwt for choice lightweight and \$6.50 for heavies.

Hay—About 25 loads were on the market. No. 1 timothy sold firm at \$10 to \$11 per ton nd mixed or clover at \$i to \$9.

Straw—One load sold at \$10 per ton.

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Mentreal, Dec. 30.—There was very little business done to-day at the East End Cattle Market. About 300 head of butchers' cattle were offered for sale, but as only a few local butchers turned up at the market there was little demand. A few good medium beasts sold at 4c per b, while common stock sold at from 24c to 34c. Bulls sold at from 24c to 24c per lb, and lean cows at 14c to 2c per lb. Young calves sold at from \$3.50 to \$6 each. Sheep sold at 3c to 34c per lb, and lambs at 44c to 44c per lb. Fat hogs sold at from 6 to 54c per lb.

East Buffalo Cattle Markets. East Buffalo, Dec. 30.—Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 10,000 head; sheep steady and lambs loc higher at 85 to 86.75; yearlings, \$4.60 to 35; wethers, \$4 to \$4.50; ewes, \$3.75 to \$4; sheep, mixed, \$2.25 to \$4.25.

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