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LONDON, CANADA, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1897.

WHOLE NO. 10,710.

## Births, Marriages, Deaths

BORN. CRAWFORD-At Courtright, on Dec., 20, the wife of Dr. D. T. Crawford (nee Shillington) of a daughter.

MARRIED. SHERRY-FONGER-On Wednesday, Dec. 22nd, at the residence of the bride's mother, 270 Wharncliffe street, West London, by the Rav. A. G. Hacris, Mr. Wm. Sherry, to Miss Sara Fonger, both of this city.

DIED. SCOTT-In St, Louis, Mo., on Dec. 20, George Scott, eldest son of Mr. Robert Scott, Bathurst street, this city, aged 51 years. WINDRIM-In this city, on Tuesday, Dec. 21. 1897. William Windrim, aged 72 years.

Funeral on Thursday, from his brother's residence, 900 Dundas street, at 2:30 p.m. Services at 2 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend. EMITH-At Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 12, 1897, Maria Pincombe, wife of James Smith, and mother of Mrs. A. Dowell, 563 Adelaide street, this city. Interred at Lake View Cemetery, Cleveland.

Amusements and Lectures Advertisements under this heading. two cents per word, or ten cents per line each insertion.

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## NOTICE,

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The Alleged Russo-German En- | view to learning whether American tente Discredited.

Regard to Russia's Latest Move.

Deadly Ceal-Damp Explosion in a Russian Mine.

Earthquakes in Asia Minor Do Great Damage-A Number of Persons Killed or Injured.

London, Dec. 23.-The Times, in an editorial on the situation, sarcastically asks whether the German press, in claiming a Russo-German entente in China, and Emperor William, in his speech at Graudenz, anticipated Russia's demand for the removal of German drill sergeants from the Chinese army. It adds, with reference to the demand for the dismissal of the English engineers: "Our Pekin correspondent says China is hesitating, and possibly we may be able to appeal to motives at Pekin which will strengthen China's disinclination to comply with gether, cannot possibly consent to its the Russian request for the dismissal partition or to a division into spheres of the Britishers." With reference to the probability of Russia advancing the matter. It would be a great mis-China money to pay the war indemnity to Japan, and thus compelling Japan to evacuate Wei-Hai-Wei, the Times openly recognizes the advisability of America's approval and participation. an Anglo-Japanese entente, arguing The European powers will do well to that the combined British and Japan- give timely attention to the just aspirese would be well able to prevent a ations and interests of the United disturbance of the balance of power in | States.' China. Other London papers express

the same opinion JAPAN'S POSITION. The Vienna correspondent of the

Standard says he has ascertained that the first news of the occupation of BY PUBLIC AUCTION by Mr. J. W. Port Arthur emanated from Tokio, a Jones, at his rooms, 242 Dundas street, fact significant of Japanese yigilance. Port Arthur emanated from Tokic, a Discussing Japan's position, the correspondent says: "She cannot declare war against either China or Russia, because, if she did, the ten large ironclads that are being built for her in Europe and America, and are nearly finished, would be shut up till the war was over. She will therefore risk noth-

247 63 | ing by herself." According to a dispatch to the Times from Kobe, Japan, the news from Port Arthur has greatly disturbed the mikado's ministers. Long cabinet councials have been held, and the high mili- ly injured. There are five still misstary officials have attended. The Japanese newspapers, the dispatch says, are nonplussed at the situation in the far east, while the ministry is involved in domestic troubles connected with its taxation proposals, to which the Diet is hostile

RUSSIA FINDS THE MONEY. The Pekin correspondent of the Times says: The Chinese are provisioning Port Arthur, and will reconstruct the forts there, Russia supervising and furnishing the money. In the face of this indication of permanent occupation, the necessity of safeguarding our position in the east increases. The Russo-Chinese Bank, which is the agent of the Russian government, has offered China 120,000 Berdan rifles, with payment five years hence. China has accepted the proposition.

THE PRESS MUZZLED. St. Petersburg, Dec. 23.—The greatest reticence is maintained here in government circles. The censorship has forbidden the press to attack Germany on account of the occupation of Kiao Chau. Emperor Nicholas presided at a special meeting of the council at the Alexander Palace, including the grand dukes and the chief military and naval authorities. The Chinese situation was discussed, and it is rumored that Grand Duke Alexander Michaelovitch advised the immediate strengthening of the Russian squadron in China.

IRONICAL AT GERMANY'S EX-PENSE. Some of the Russian papers are ironical at Germany's expense. Bourse Gazette, of Odessa, hints that by the time Prince Henry and the German squadron reach China they may find the Tsung-Li Yamen has prepared an unexpected reception for intrusive guests. The Mirovige Otgoloski reminds Emperor William of Napoleon III.'s attempt to plant his

power in Mexico. MESSAGE TO THE QUEEN Prussia, it is said, took an autograph letter from Emperor William to Queen Victoria at Osborne House, and while in London ascertained that the British government does not regard the occupation of Klao Chau as incompatible

with English interests. A UNITED STATES VIEW. Washington, Dec. 23.-It is understood that the authorities here have been unofficially sounded as to the attitude of the United States toward the

## MAYORALTY.

To the Electors of the City of London:

Ladies and Gentlemen,-Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for

As Mayor

For the Year 1898.

interests in China were regarded as sufficient to warrant any active steps by this government. The British officials here have received no instructions as to the Chinese situation. It is well understood, however, that Great Britain would look with favor on any active step by the United States which would serve as a check for the advances of Germany and Russia. The British interests in China are ten times greater than those of Germany, Russia and the United States, and yet with Germany and Russia firmly located on Chinese soil, Great Britain is left in a sort of cul-de-sac. It is known also that the Chinese authorities would welcome a movement by the United States, and that this has been communicated to officials here. Although these soundings-for they amount to nothing more as yet-have not taken official form, they have been sufficient to gain a pretty general understanding as to the attitude of this government. This, in brief, is that the United States has no interest in territorial extension now going on in China, that she will not land at any of the coast ports of China, as Germany and Russia have done, and that her only con-

cern is to guard established American interests in China. Vienna, Dec. 23.-The Deutsche Zeitung says: "The United States, which from its geographical position has a greater interest in the opening up of China than all European powers totake to underestimate the strength of the United States, and a partition of China would be impossible without

## General Cables

Anglo-Egyptian Forces Occupy the City of Kassala.

Earthquakes in Asia Minor-Mine Disaster at Dortmund, Prussia.

COAL MINE DISASTER. Berlin, Dec. 23 .- An explosion of firedamp took place yesterday at the Kaiser Stuhlzwei pit at Dortmund, Prussia, with terrible results. Eight corpses have been brought to the sur-

face, and seven men living, but severe-

KASSALA UNDER BRITISH CON-TROL. London, Dec. 23.-The Egyptian troops have arrived at Kassala, and the Egyptian flag has been hoisted over the fort by the side of the Italian. The formal cession of the town to Parsons Pasha, the British officer in command of the Egyptian forces, will take place on Christmas Day, when the Italian troops will depart.

HUNGARY'S CLAIMS. Vienna, Dec. 23.-In the lower house of the Hungarian Parliament, the premier, Baron Banffy, speaking of the bill providing a prolongation of the ausgleisch, declared that he could not accept the resolution of Francis Kossuth demanding the establishment of an independent Hungarian customs regime by Jan. 1, 1898. He would, however, accept a motion to publish as soon as possible the data necessary for the establishment of such a regime or for the conclusion of a commercial treaty with Austria, the draft of a customs tariff, and to arrange to ascertain the views of business men. He pointed out that Hungary had the right to establish an independent customs immediately if it should be in her interest to do so, but he considered the compromise arrangement with Austria more advantageous if it could be arranged with due regard for Hun-

gary's interests. CABLE NOTES.

A number of earthquakes, increasing in intensity, occurred on Wednesday around Smyrna. Considerable damage Old Mexico (the Egypt of the new has been done, some persons have been killed and many injured. interview just published at Madrid, is reach their destination in advance of quoted as declaring formally that there is no hope for the success of autonomy, and that if the Spanish Govern-Berlin, Dec. 23.—Prince Henry of ment persisted in autonomy, Spain would lose Cuba in a few months.

Topics of the Day. Everyone is surprised at the rapidity and efficacy with which Nervilinenerve-pain cure-relieves neuralgia and all nerve pains and should be kept on strengthens and heals. It is the great hand by every family.

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LIFE SAVED .- Mr. James Bryson Cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the lungs, and was given up by physicians. A neighbor advised me to try Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, stating that his wife had used it for a throat trouble with the best results. Acting on this advice, I procured the medicine, and less than half a bottle cured me; I certainly believed it saved my life. It was with reluctance that I consented to a trial, as I was reduced to such a

state that I doubted the power of any remedy to do me any good." Fire on Wednesday destroyed the Andrews Furniture Company, Chicago. The warehouse was filled with finished goods, all of which were burned. Loss about \$100,000. Three firemen were in-

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## Mayor Little's Gift

One Hundred and Twenty Tur-• keys and Geese Given Away

Tothe Corporation Laborers-Welcome Christmas Boxes.

There was a genuine Christmas scene at the city hall this morning, in which Mayor Little was the Santa Claus who brought happiness to many. Following his generous practice of the two preceding years, the mayor presented each regular corporation laborer with a fine turkey as a Christmas present. One hundred and twenty-five gobblers, a few geese among them, were piled up in the mayor's office awaiting distribution. They made a grand heap of good The corporation laborers, at Ald. Parnell's suggestion, were paid today instead of on Friday, and immediately after receiving their pay checks the turkeys were given out. The recipients passed through the mayor's office in the order in which Mr. Bell called their names, and were handed their birds by Assistant City Engineer Tronside and Mr. Harry Merritt. The size of the fowl was proportioned to

the size of each man's family. This is the third year that Mayor Little has made a Christmas distribution of turkeys at his own expense, and his kind-heartedness has deeply touched the corporation men. "May heaven bless you," said one of them this morning, as he was handed a bird,

### "and may we have a turkey every Steamship Arrivals.

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Augusta Victo	oriaNaples	New York
Belgenland	Philadelphia	Livernoo!
Normanaia	New York	Genoa
Teutonic	Liverpool	New York
Heckla	Copenhagen	New York
Dec. 23.	At.	From
Kensingtor	New York	Antwern
Rotterdam	New Vork	Pottendam

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George Gould to Retire From the Head of the Missouri Pacific.

Railway Employes' Gallantry May Cost Them Their Positions.

The directors of the Canada Southern Railway and of the Michigan Central Railway has declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 1 per cent on the former and 2 per cent on the latter

It is stated that George Gould will retire from the presidency of the Missouri Pacific, and will be succeeded by S. H. H. Clark, of the Union within a few months. The date is fixed as March 1.

It is expected that the Ottawa and New York Railway will be running into Ottawa in a few days. Arrangements between the Canada Atlantic and the Ottawa and New York Company for entering Ottawa to the central depot are about completed.

The ride which Miss Maud Daniels, of the Wilbur Opera Company, took on a T., H. and B. locomotive from Hamilton to Welland on Sunday morning, is said to have cost the engineer and fireman of the special their positions. There is a very strict rule of the road against passengers or even. employes other than the crew riding on the locomotive, and it is also rumored that even the brakeman and conductor may have to walk the official

The report of the Lake Shore Rail-road for the year ending Dec. of (partially estimated) shows: Gross earnings, \$20,293,013; increase \$99,056; net earnings, \$6,806,428; increase, \$338,625; surplus, \$778,438; increase, \$724,028. The Michigan Central and Canada Southern report shows: Gross earnings, \$13,630,000; decrease, \$181,000; net earnings, \$3,447,000; increase, \$18,000; surplus, \$1,032,000; decrease, \$2,000.

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Cyclist Eddie Bald Disabled-Baseball

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### BASEBALL,

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE. The Port Huron Times says: The In-Huron has ever been in. It is in the center of the circuit, which makes its mileage shorter than in the Michigan League. When the Canadian towns play in Port Huron they will draw people from the other side, something they never did before. Last year there were only three holidays, while this season there will be six half-holidays on each side of the river.

"Big Bill" Brown, formerly a well-

known ball player, died in San Franeisco on Wednesday. It is reported that Cleveland will trade Outfielders McAleer and Blake

for Jimmy Ryan, of Chicago.

Von der Ahe, of St. Louis, has sold Pitcher Hart to Pittsburg for \$1,800. Pitcher Hughey, of Pittsburg, also goes to St. Louis as a part of the deal. The latest baseball yarn is that a syndicate of wealthy St. Louis fans have organized a company to buy the franchise of that city from Chris Von der Ahe and that the management of

and accepted. Andrew Freedman, president of the New York Baseball Club, announces that in case the Giants win the pen- oatmeal, etc. nant next year, he will give them a present of \$5,000. The dividend this season is six per cent on \$250,000. It is said that the profits of last season were something like \$60,000.

### THE TURF.

TIPS. Marcus Daly, the Montana millionaire. has at last acknowledged that he is the owner of Hamburg.

Bennington and Gardiner, owners of Mazarine, made a good killing on their nag at New Orleans Monday. He was backed down from 20 to 2 to 1. The owners cleaned up something like \$20,-

### WHEEL.

EDDIE BALD DISABLED New York, Dec. 23 .- Eddie Bald, the bicycle rider, is sick in bed, as a result of injuries received when he fell in Madison Square Garden during the six day's race. His back and groin are

SPOKES. to Indianapolis. Joseph T. Lahey, of Detroit, has completed his task of riding 20,000 miles

## centuries in that time. Most of his riding has been done after business ATHLETICS.

BLOWS. McCoy's winnings on his fight with Creedon amounted to \$12,000, as he bet

## United States Patents.

heavily on himself.

An Important Law Which Takes Effect on New Year's Day.

Canadian Inventors Must Make Haste

if They Want U. S. Patents.

[Communication of Messrs. Marion & Marion.1

The patent office expects to do a rushing foreign patent business during this month, owing to the fact that the patent law passed at the hands of the Cleveland administration takes effect on New Year's Day. Heretofore it has been customary for American manufacturers wishing to engage in the manufacture of some new articles to have an examination of all American patents until they find some attractive device. After the present month, however, they will be able to select for manufacture any foreign patent that has not been patented in this country. These ideas and inventions they can use without payment of any kind to the inventor, inasmuch as the foreign patent does not cover American rights. After Jan. 1 no patent can be obtained in America for any invention patented in a foreign country, save where the foreign application is of very recent date. Hence the present holders of foreign patents who desire to realize on their invention, will have to file their claims within the next four weeks, otherwise they will become public property on this side of the water.

## WORK AND WAGES

Plumbers' Strike in Prospect - Labor Victory at Ludington, Mich.

will go on a strike on Jan. 1, because their employers refuse to sign a fiveyear contract that no helpers or apprentices be employed. Officials of the Flint and Pierre Marquette Railway have concluded arrangements with the Federation of Labor in Ludington, Mich., to make the immense freight depot there a union shop, and hereafter all laborers hired must be members of the federation. Pittsburg, Pa., telegram says: It is learned that the American Window Glass Company, which controls the output of the window glass plants of the country, will issue a price list on Jan l, which will advance prices in proportion to the increase in wages recently granted the workers. This means an advance of about 15 per cent over the prices existing before the lockout be-

## NOT TOO OLD TO WED.

Lincoln's Coachman, Aged 76, to Take a Bride.

Washington, Dec. 23 .- Albert Hawkins, who filled the post of the president's coachman from the time of Lincoln until President Cleveland disand all LIVER TROUBLES | coln until President Cleveland dis-

Hawkins, now 76 years of age, figured in the inauguration parades from by two pills. In obstinate cases, Lincoln's first until after Cleveland's where a purgative is necessary, three second pageant. His bride is a very handsome mulatto woman, who has for a number of years been employed in

> An eastern and English syndicate is trying to secure options on all the Cleveland breweries.

## Christmas Cheer.

Many Homes Made Glad by Charitable Deeds.

The Irish Benevolent and St. George's Societies Dispense Provisions to About 750 Families.

About 750 families were gladdened by the Christmas cheer dispensed this morning by St. George's Society and ternational is the best league that Port | the Irish Benevolent Society. For days past the committees of these societies have been busily engaged with the necessary preparations. All was ready at 10 o'clock this morning, and the great stock of meat, groceries, etc., quickly disappeared.

ST. GEORGE'S. St. George's Society's headquarters were at 386 Richmond street, and the committee in charge comprised ex-Ald. Skinner (chairman), H. T. Smith, H. J. Carter, John Panell, R. A. Jones and W. Barron. Provisions were given. to about 350 families. The stock dispensed included a ton of beef, 350 lbs of sugar, 175 lbs of tea, 350 lbs of raisins, 1,700 loaves of bread, 18 cwt flour, 6 barrels of biscuit, oatmeal, etc. THE I. B. S.

The Irish Benevolent Society's cheer was handed out at 96 Dundas street, and among those who busied themselves in the good work were Messrs. P. Mulkern (president), M. F. O'Mara, W. P. Regan, J. Pocock, L. Fitzgerald, L. Scandrett and H. Dignan. The folthe team has been offered to Anson lowing stock of provisions was divided among nearly 400 families: 2,000 lbs meat, 1,000 loaves of bread, 200 lbs each of currants, raisins, tea and sugar,

## THE CHRISTMAS MARKET.

The Unlimited Supply of Poultry-Who Stole the Turkeys?

Today's market was a banner one so far as poultry was concerned. This was especially true of turkeys, which were seen in nearly every farmer's vehicle. Many sleigh loads contained upwards of 100 birds. The finest turkey seen was one weighing 43 pounds (unplucked), while a very large number of those offered turned the scale at 30 pounds (plucked). The average price ranged from 8 to 9 cents per pound, or 75 cents to \$2 50 each. There were geese galore; the choicest kinds offered at from 75 cents to \$1 25. Ducks were plentiful at 60 cents to \$1 per pair, and chickens in profusion at from 40 to 55 cents. One farmer had over 50 turkeys in his sleigh. They were a pretty sight; his vehicle was soon sur-It is probable that Boston will con-rounded by eager buyers, and his birds load a few minutes after at a set figure, and on counting the birds found that in the crush two of them had been stolen. since Jan. 1 last. He has ridden 54

## HE WAS GAME.

Singlehanded, He Captured Five of Six

Canaan, Conn., Dec. 23.-Five burglars of a gang of six were captured by Martin Rood in Jackson & Eggleston's store here early yesterday morning. He was awakened by the men, and by the prompt use of his revolver wornaed two of the burglars, and marched four of them into a room and locked the door. One of the wounded men

MRS. BOOTH'S CONDITION. New York, Dec. 23.—The physicians at the Presbyterian Hospital, at which Mrs. Ballington Booth lies suffering from an aneurism of the heart, stated that Mrs. Booth's condition has not changed since yesterday. Her condi-

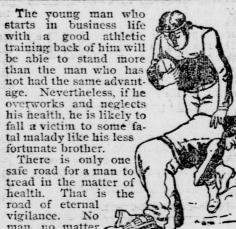
tion is still very serious. SAT DOWN AND DIED

Hamilton, Dec. 23 .- Mrs. Sophia Karsten, widow of the late Mr. Martin Karsten, of Tisdale, was up town in afternoon, returning about 6 o'clock. About 8:30, while seated in a chair, she was stricken with apoplexy, and died in a few minutes. She was in her 74th year.

DEAD TO THE WORLD.

Berlin, Dec. 23.-James Allison, the condemned murderer, has never breathed the open air since he was sentenced to be hanged. He is practically dead to the world. His jail life is not interesting. He has been taught by Rev. Mr. Atkinson to read a little, and sometimes he sits with a book in his hands. Gov. Cook asked him if he ever reads the Bible. Jim said that he

Advices from Jamaica are that business is almost paralyzed owing to the depressed price of sugar.



man, no matter how strong he may be naturally, can with impunity neglect the little ills orders are what make the big ones. When a man suffers from headaches and loss of appetite, feels drowsy and dull during waking hours, cannot sleep at night and is nervous and shaky at all times, he is in a dangerous condition. If he long neglects his condition he will find himself a very sick man. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is the best of all medicines for the many diseases that are caused by an impaired digestion and insufficient and improper nourishment. It creates a hearty, healthy appetite; it makes digestion and assimilation perfect; it invigorates the liver and purifies and enriches the blood.

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Those who wash on Friday wash what

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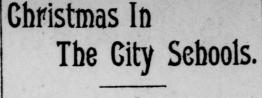
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street school yesterday, and in the new kindergarten as well. In Principal Latta's room, Herbert Morris was attired as Santa Claus, and Master Chester O'Neil presided. Others who took pa vere Alice Parsons, Ada Cheasley, ive Sussex, Allie Drift, Dick Warren, Mary Avery, Mollie Fox, Rosey Shearer, Herbert Mollie, Fredrica Paul, Lawrence Letta, Geo. Fraser, Gertrude Dicker, Lillie Smith, Mary Maylon, Bert Thompson, Robt. Avey, Bertha Foden, Lottie Chapman, Chas Simpson, Minnie Godfrey and Myrtle Warren. The programme in Miss Knott's room was furnished by Nettie Poulton, Bessie Callander, Freda Ingles, Ethel Teasdell, Katie Tune, Sam Parr, Rhoda Scott, Mattie Avey, Rosie Hall, Ruby Sussex and Mary Graham. In Miss Fleming's room recitations were given by E. Burridge, S. McConnell, M. Hall, W. Scott, L. Ingles, S. Loveridge, A. Summers, A. Brown, B. Pitt, J. McLeod; and songs by A. Brown, J. McLeod, M. Holland, A. Brown, A. Wright, S. McConnell and M. Hall. At the close refreshments were served and the children dispersed with "Auld Lang Syne" and 'God Save the Queen." RECTORY STREET SCHOOL.

In this school Christmas goodwill was turned to good account. In every room a collection was taken up in aid of the hospital for sick children in Toronto. The poor were also remember-ed by provisions donated by the chil-In the kindergarten Miss Buttery, Miss Henderson and Miss Carrie directed a happy programme and the Christmas tree operations. In Miss Croley's room a programme was rendered by Ernest Short, Albert Johnston, Clara Hammett, May Tuke, Cora Linfoot, George Bonney, Millie Thody, Jarvis Brown, Fred Pratt, Bertie Johnston, Gordon Dawson, Pearl Baker, Edith Smallman, Stella Rogers, Ella Lougheed, Maggie Smith, Lily Gray, Maud Heathfield, Beatrice Gould, Mabel Miss, Francis Cochrane, Edna Gillies, Lily Allister, Charles Fawkes, Percy Garside, Sidney Wort, George Churchill, Albert Moyes, Lilian Gourlay, Gertrude Glass, Charley Freeland, Ince's room the following programme was provided: Recitation, Myrtle Terry; dialogue, "God Is Love," by Flor-Mitchell, Maggie Frances Chalcraft, sie Wilson, Bertha Smith, Willa Richardson, Mamie Perrin, Nellie DeGraw, and Della Rogers; song, Mamie Per-rin; recitation, "Nettie and Jack," Percy Welford; dialogue, "Choice of Trades," Robbie Burdick, Charlie Thody, Percy Welfer, George Heaman, Percy Mitchell and Percy McRoberts;

Percy Mitchell and Percy McRoberts; song, "Red Riding Hood," Bertha Smith; recitation, "If," Mazie Chalcraft; dialogue, "What Little Girls Are Good For," Myrtle Terry, Alma Gillies and Tillie Pratten; duet, Carrie Burgess and Lily Bissett; recitation, Charley Thody; dialogue, Lily and Jack Hill; recitation, Frances Chalcraft; charges Frances Chalcraft; charges Frances Chalcraft craft; chorus, Frances Chalcraft, Ethel McNaughton, Charley Thody, Robbie Burdick, Percy Welford and Stella Baker; recitations, Ada Mink, Percy Mitchell, Nellie Rogers, Lily Bissett, Lily Hill, Stella Baker, Flossie Dodge and Glenna Rogers; dialogue, Florence and Percy Mitchell. Treats and programmes were carried out in other

LORNE AVENUE SCHOOL. The closing exercises of Lorne avenue kindergarten were held under the able supervision of Miss Cannom, the directress, assisted by Misses Matthews and McNaughton. Inspector Carson, Dr. English and an enthusiastic gathering of parents and friends were present to show the interest and appreciation of the good work done in this school, of which abundant proof was given by the excellent programme which was rendered by the children, consisting of songs, recitations and games. At the close the contents of a well-laden Christmas tree were distributed to the children, when they were treated to oranges by Dr. English, an act of thoughtfulness which was much appreciated by both teachers and pupils.

In the Lorne avenue school the following pupils of Principal Eckert and Miss Boone furnished a fine programme: Pauline Sifton, James Dickson, Beatrice Moule, Georgie Mutch, Bert Axton, Rose Axton and Ernest Phillips. The pupils in Miss Howie's and Miss Grieve's rooms combined in their entertainment, the following taking part: Florence Liley, Edna Taylor, Pansy Dyson, Leila Gould, Cyril Hayes, Irene Somerville, Irene Isaacs, Myrtle Morris, Willie Thompson, Annie Liley, Mary Patterson, Mabel King, Ruby Campbell, Queenie Underwood, Harry Herbert, Jack Pickworth, Mary Forsythe, W. Patrick, E. Gray, E. Donohue, R. Axton, Lena Sheritt Isaac Robinson and Della Sheritt, Isaac Robinson and Della

Hutchinson. In the Quebec street school, the pupils in the rooms of Miss Buckle and Miss McMechan had treats and con-

In the seventh and eighth grades the programme was as follows: Address, hairman, Master F. Plant; instrumental solo, Miss L. Gould; dialogue "Novel Reading," Misses Wright, Simmons and Hammett; vocal solo, Miss M. Robertson; reading, Miss Laura Smith; instrumental, Miss Flossie Woodman; recitation, Miss May Scott; reading, Miss L. Phillips; vocal solo, Miss Ethel Frost; dialogue, Misses Moule and Sifton; instrumental, Miss G. Mutch; recitation, Miss L. Fryer; instrumental, Miss Flossie Woodman; dialogue, "Aunt Kitty's Shopping," Misses Wright, Scott, Wilkey and Phillips; re-citation, Mr. W. Brodison; instrumental, Miss Rose Axton: solo, Mr. S. Chamberlain; solo, Mr. W. Evans; recition, Pauline Sifton; solo (flute accoinpaniment), James Dixon and Ernest Phillips; recitation, Bert Axton.

CHESLEY AVENUE SCHOOL. A Christmas tree, a programme, and sweetmeats constituted the delight of the pupils at this school. Elsie Giddie, Edith Cambridge, Gladys Newell, Mabel Lacey, Lottie Young, Fred Paisley, Johnson Kirkpatrick, Albert Norman, Chester Wilson, John Atkins, Ephraim Hayman, Charles Summers, H. Ryckman, Lawrence Burns, Lawrence Westby, Willie Lake and Ella Devlin were the entertainers.

GRAND AVENUE SCHOOL. Allie Herrick, Edith McMeekin, Mary Pitt, Bella Dudley, Brenda Taylor, Roy Craig. Alice LeSueur, Gordon Smith, Nellie Davidson, Willie Durham, Thompson Walton, Harry Par-

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sons, Annie Taylor, Maud Southcott, Geo. Barrang, Geo. Sturgeon, Lettie McGill, Mamie Reed, Leonard Yelland, Maggie Marshall, Blanch Morehouse, Lena Neilson and John Walton furnished the programme for Miss Ingamill's and Miss Gray's rooms. In Miss Monroe's room, which was prettily de-corated, the youthful artists were Nel-lie Taffe, Willie Davidson, Ethel Haydon, Charlie Mountjoy, Dick Whetter, Dan Pawlitzi, Agitie Hobbs, Maggie Walton, Nellie Cowle, Ada LeSueur, Katie Smith and Willie Loney. In Miss Geeson's room the programme included a violin solo by Millie Calver, and recitations and songs by Fred Parsons, Harry Greenlees, Lydie and Bertha Tucker, Harry Luney, Lily Gilmore, Lily Austin, Walter Richard, Mabel Anderson and Violet LeSueur. Provisions were also given the poor in the neighborhood by the kindhearted children.

ABERDEEN SCHOOL. Some of the Christmas festivities at Aberdeen school were given last week and some on Tuesday. Miss Colquhoun's pupils enjoyed themselves yes-The kindergarten little ones also held the fort and sang songs, and went through other exercises in great spirits. A Christmas tree added to

COLBORNE STREET SCHOOL. In the second and seventh grades of this school the following programme was rendered: Recitation, F. Tambling: duet. A. Clarke and L. Ashplant: reci tation, Lily Scott; solo, L. Ashplant; chorus, the classes; solo, A. Clarke; trio, L. Ashplant, A. Clarke and L. Scott; recitation, Susy Elliott; song, Winifred Sanborne; recitation, Myrl Steele; recitation, Anna Shuff; recitation, Ina Riddle; chorus, four boys and four girls; recitation, Ina Riddle; recitation, Harry Hunt; recitation, May Cook and Mary Atkins. Percy Wilson Purdom; chorus, the classes; Leith was the Santa Claus. In Miss | recitation, Marion Gray; song, Herbert Blackwell; recitation, Jaquie Cameron; chorus, the classes; recitation, Willie Burgess.

> QUEBEC STREET SCHOOL. The children of Quebec street school and their friends spent a very pleasant time together yesterday afternoon. The rooms were prettily decorated for the festive occasion, and after a suitable programme, well rendered by the pupils, all took part in

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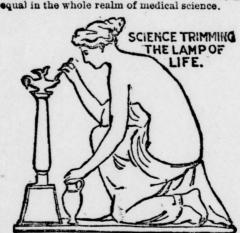
the Christmas treat. The little ones

were highly delighted and took great pleasure in the closing exercises.

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They restore or create strength, vigor, healthy They quickly stop drains on the system that sap They quickly stop drains on the system that sap
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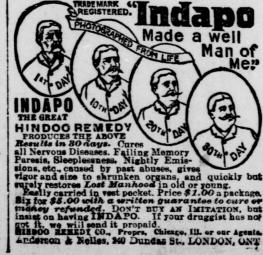
They cure nervousness, despondency and all
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Failure is impossible and age is no barrier.
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GAMES.

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## DINNER SETS.

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## TEA SETS.

\$ 85, \$250, \$350, \$4, \$450, \$550, \$6, \$750 and

## LAMPS! LAMPS!

Fine Parlor Lamps, 75c, \$1, \$1 50. Beautiful Brass Banquet Lamps at \$2, \$2 50, \$3, \$3 75, \$4, \$4 50, \$5 and upwards, the best values ever offered in these goods. Elegant line of China Hanging Lamps, at \$2 25, \$2 75, \$3, \$3 50, \$4 50 and \$5. See these goods before you buy.

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Onyx Top Tables, Five O'Clock Kettles, Beautiful Urns and Mantel Pieces, in royal gilt, with rich Balearic, Rockwood and burnished copper finish; Royal Worcester, in all the latest and most exquisite tints, a choice assortment of the new Imperial Austrian and Austrian Ivorine ware, and a large range of Doulton. Wedgewood, Parian Marble, Royal Bonn and Royal Crown Derby; many of these lines we are clearing at a reduction of

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Now is the time, and our store the place to purchase your holiday gifts and SAVE MONEY.

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London, Thursday, Dec. 23, 1897

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every walk of life. When a new head was required for our Collegiate Institute, the school trustees did not engage the first educational novice that offered his services. They sought out a man who had been successful in the management of other schools, who had achieved fame as an educationist-who, in fact, had the experience, and knew how to use it. When the Dominion Government desired a dairy commissioner, they chose an employe of the Ontario Experimental Farm and Agricultural because of his experimade no misand they The great railway companies of Canada took an exactly similar course when they required general managers, and talented Canadians hold similar positions of responsibility in the United States.

And so in every walk of life today the necessities of the times move business men and governing bodies, and rightly move them, to place the management of their affairs in the hands of thoroughly experienced and capable men. If this is not done, failure may be the outcome, and most certainly the best results will not be obtained. The demand is made by intelligent

taxpayers everywhere that a similar standard shall be applied to the management of municipal affairs. It is rightly contended that when an experienced and thoroughly capable man of business presents himself as an aldermanic candidate, he should be preferred to the candidate who has been a failure in his own business. And it is demanded that when an alderman has faithfully served a city, and shown himself to be a careful and capable man of business, he shall be preferred for the mayor's chair when his opponent has never sat at the council est opposition of those who had axes Ald. Andrews, proved its right to be regarded as a wide-awake center of

management of their affairs under the care of the inexperienced. To be a good mayor, a man must either have been a phenomenal success in the management of commercial concerns, or he as an alderman.

There is nothing mysterious about the application of the city now before the Private Bills Committee of the Ontario Legislature with reference to the hospital bylaw, as prepared by City Solicitor Meredith. The newspaper which has been quibbling over this question should know that there is no provision in the Municipal Act for voting money for hospital purposes without the sanction of the Legislature, and that the formal application now before the House is absolutely necessary to give legal effect to any bylaw for hospital purposes which the ratepayers may adopt.

### Three Liberal Victories and Their Significance.

The Montreal Star, in its efforts to magnify the extent of the family differ- testant Episcopal House of Mercy at ences of the Quebec Liberals, professes to believe that The Advertiser was without knowledge when it refused to credit every foolish anonymous story printed in our Montreal Conservative and St. Agnes Home, adjoining, about contemporary and its aids in this Pro- 150 girls, most of whom were commit-

That the differences which have arisen have been greatly exaggerated is proved by the results in the constituencies where elections have recently taken place. In Nicolet, as already reported by us, the Liberal candidate captured a seat in the House of Commons which had been held by a Conservative workhouse almost without interruption since Confederation. And in the three bye-elections for the Legislature in Yamaska, Levis and Bonaventure, held yesterday, Liberal candidates were in each case elected.

The contest in Levis was between a straight Liberal, having the support of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon.Mr.Tarte, and a Liberal holding the indorsation of the Conservatives, who hoped to defeat the nominee of the convention by failing to put up a candidate, and casting their lot with the "irregular" Liberal. It was with this object in view that the Opposition ward rowdies of Quebec city were taken over the river to hoot Hon. Mr. Tarte, when he spoke at the meeting in Levis on Saturday night last. The Star and its Conservative allies reported the disgraceful interruptions to the Minister of Agriculture when he addressed that gathering, and it was gleefully telegraphed abroad that in Levis Mr. Tarte was almost denied a hearing, and that his influence as a leader was gone. The electors gave their answer yesterday. They returned the candidate indorsed by Mr. Tarte by a majority of 734 to 234 polled for his opponent.

The Advertiser may not hear as many

cock-and-bull stories about the Liberal division in Quebec as the Montreal Star, and it may pay less attention to those that it reads about, but that it has rightly estimated the condition of pubopinion in the sister Province at the esent time is proved by these elec-

The Farmer's Advocate prints a Christmas number, in illuminated cover, and full of choice reading and illustrations. Editorially it says that 1897 has been a year of good cheer-"the best in many ways of a decade to the Canadian farmer."

## Name the Accusers.

Our city contemporary, the Free Press, objects to The Advertiser giving the names of leading citizens against whom it has printed charges, and says it wishes to be understood that it has not given publicity to these

accusations to help the candidature of Dr. John D. Wilson as a mayoralty This is a most extraordinary explan-

ation of the studied attack which has been made in the editorial columns of our contemporary upon the mayor, aldermen, hospital trustees and faculty of the Medical School. Surely when the Free Press prints

anonymous allegations calculated to damage the reputation of the general hospital and of the city, it attacks the respected citizens elected to manage them, and condemns their administration. The fair way is for our contemporary to at once print the names of its informants, and let them be brought face to face with those whom they accuse, so that the groundlessness of their attacks may be exposed.

Our contemporary cannot be serious when it argues that it is the duty of a public journal to print, without inquiry, anonymous accusations against either mayor, aldermen, hospital trustees, or the large majority of the medical men in London. Yet that is the stand it has

In its crusade, as many citizens know. the Free Press is not alone, its protestations to the contrary notwithstanding. The stock-in-trade of various advocates of the candidature of Dr. Wilson board, and is inexperienced in civic throughout the wards is found to be business. Toronto, when it again and the denunciation of the general hospiagain elected Mr. Robert Fleming to tal. Men canvassing for him repeat the the mayor's chair, in face of the strong- anonymous slander printed in the Free Press against the general hospital trustees. They tell the electors that Walkerville, or Mayor Girardot, of of experience and of sturdy indepen- No. 3 ward is an unhealthy part of Sandwich. dence of character. And the city of the city, and that Dr. Wilson, having Winnipeg, in choosing on Tuesday last | condemned the hospital and the divithe experienced municipal manager, sion of London in which it is situated, for many years deputy reeve of Watersee that a new hospital is put up in staunch Liberal. another ward. And they argue that Assuredly it is a wise course for tax- Dr. Wilson ought to be elected in order payers to follow the examples of other | that the scandalous condition of afcorporations, and refuse to place the fairs, alleged by him and the Free Press to exist in and around the hospital, may

It is a convenient arrangement for injured while felling a tree near Hesthe Free Press to print anonymous de- | peler. nunications of the general hospital and must have proved himself to be a its management, refusing to father capable administrator of civic affairs | them, and not printing the name of a single citizen who has the fairness to do so, while Dr. Wilson's electioneerers go up and down the wards circulating the unfounded stories in order to advance his candidature. What say the public? Is it fair warfare?

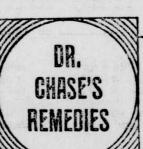
## Whip and Gag!

Dark Cells and Bread-and-Water Diet.

Old-Time Treatment of Wayward Girls in a New York "House of Mercy."

New York, Dec. 23,-The Herald today prints detailed testimony and evidence tending to show that the gag, the whip, dark cells and bread and water diet, and other forms of punishment long since discarded in humanitarian and charitable institutions generally, have been in use in the Pro-Inwood, a home for girls. This evidence has resulted in the issuance of a writ of habeas corpus by Justice Smyth, directing that Fannie Hirschberg, one of the inmates, be produced

There are now in the House of Mercy ted to the care of the Sisters of St. Mary by city magistrates at the request of parents or agents of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. In age they range from 12 to 21, and some, it is said, are even older. These commitments were made, in most instances, because the girls were wild or intractable, and it was thought they were not old or hardened enough to deserve imprisonment in the



Some of their Remark-Cures.

E. J. Lasalle, Dunnville, Ont.

—Cured of severe Kidney and Bladder
Trouble by Chase's K.-L. Pills, a cure

Mrs. A. T. Stewart, Folgar, Ont.—Dr. Chase's Syrap of Linseed and Turpentine saved her little boy, who was sinking rapidly from Lung

R. D. Robbins, 143 Cowan Ave., Toronto, Ont.—Cured of an Eczematous Sore extending from knee to ankle. Eight doctors failed. Dr. Chase's Ointment cured.

Miss Anna A. Howey, Eden, Ont.—Cured of Catarrh of 10 years' standing and Catarrhal Sore Throat by

Mrs. Jos. Querin, Ethel, Ont.

—Cured of Eczema of the Head and
Face from which she suffered 9 years.
Head a mass of scabs. Dr. Chase's
Ointment cured her. Dr. Chase's remedies may be had of all dealers, or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto, Ont.

## The Cold Weather

Proves Destructive to California's Orange Crop

Heavy Loss of Cattle Incurred by the Recent Texas Storm.

San Francisco, Dec. 23 .- A close estimate has been made, and there are still oranges worth about \$6,000,000 on the trees. The freezing weather of the last three nights badly damaged the fruit. It is possible the entire remaining crop is lost. The cold weather continues, and growers fear the worst. St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 23.-The sleet storm that has prevailed for the past three days in Texas has proved to be very disastrous in its effects on the stock interests of the west and northwest portions of that state. Reports from 200 miles west and north of Fort Worth state that the death rate among cattle will be unprecedented. In some localities fully 35 per cent of the Mexi-

can cattle have already died. Helena, Mont., Dec. 23.—Private John W. H. Davis, of the Fourth Cavalry, was frozen to death while carrying mail between Lake Hotel and Thumb station in Yellowstone Park.

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The Flying Rollers have started another grocery store in Windsor. John Cryderman, sen., of Tilsonburg, died at his residence on Monday, Dec.

20, in his 79th year. The gas well on Duncan McPhail's farm, Duart, is down to the hard-pan, with strong indications of gas. Mr. John Potter, of East Williams, had a plowing bee last week, when a lot of ground was plowed over. A call has been extended to Rev. J.

Campbell, of Essex, to become paster of the Rodney and Aldborough Plains Baptist Church. The Liberal convention for North Norfolk will be held in the opera house

on Dec. 30 to nominate a candidate for the Local Legislature. Mr. Lawrence Tasker, B.A., of Mount Forest honor graduate in classics of Toronto University, has been engaged

in the Tilsonburg high school in place of Mr. Cameron, resigned. Chief Ahern, of Galt, was instrumental in securing the arrest of Hess, who was tried for arson in Stratford some time ago. He has received the \$150 reward offered in connection with

Clarence Mason, reeve of Sandwich, has retired from the contest for mayor. ere is now no opposition to Mayor Aaron Kraft, a well-known and high-

ly-respected resident of Waterloo, died can be relied on, if elected mayor, to loo township. In politics he was a Mr. Isaac Coyne, of Woodstock, secured a verdict of \$1,000 at the Wood-

stock assizes, damages for injuries received by being thrown from his buggy through a defect in the roadway. Justice Armour presided. A young man, son of Mr. Andrew Groff, cattle drover, of Waterloo, was

The tree in falling rebounded, one end striking Groff, who sustained a compound fracture of the right leg.

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For Headache (whether sick or nervous,) toothache, neuralgia, rheumatism, lumbago, pains, and weakness in the back, spine or kidneys, pains around the liver, pleurisy, swelling of the joints and pains of all kinds, the application of Radway's Ready Relief will afford immediate case, and its continued use or a few day's effect a permanent cure.

A JURE FOR ALL

Colds, Coughs Sore Throat, Influenza, Bron Colds, Coughs fore Throat, Influenza, Bron chitis, Pneum snia, Swelling of the Joints Lumbago, Influenzations, Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Frostletes, Chilblains, Headaches, Toothache, Asthma, Difficult Breathing.

Cures the worst pains in from one to twenty minutes. Not one hour after reading this advertisement need any one suffer with pain.

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pains.

There is not a remedial agent in the world that will cure Fever and Ague and all other Radway's Pills, so quickly as Radway's Ready 25 cents per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Purely vegetable, mild and reliable. Cause Perfect Digestion, complete absorption and healthful regularity. For the cure of all dis-orders of the Stomach, Liver, Bowels, Kidneys, Bladder, Nervous Diseases.

LOSS OF APPETITE, SICK HEADACHE, INDIGESTION, DIZZY FEELINGS,

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PERFECT DIGESTION will be accomplished by taking Radway's Pills. By their ANTI-BILIOUS properties they stimulate Davis, of Windsor, Mayor Reid, of Walkerville, or Mayor Girardot, of Sandwich.

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How long are you going to put off buying that piano you have promised your family so long? What a welcome Christmas gift it would make! Come in and talk it over with us-the 'Bell" Piano is second to none n honest worth, and our prices

will prove interesting. We Have a Few of the famous "Merrill" Aluminum Mandolins - the finest goods on the market -at greatly reduced prices, and a fine assortment of Music Books for the children -very suitable for presents.

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Today and tomorrow will end the anxiety as far as Christmas selling is concerned. For the last two weeks we've had more than we could do attending to holiday trade; but with us energy begets energy and the more we have to do the more we want to do. Every hand in the Big Store is enthusiastic over today's and tomorrow's sales, and if

## Attractive Stocks

With equally attractive values, count, all hands will be satisfied.

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## Jackets and Gapes

See Our East Window for Styles and

Ladies' Silk and Wool Brocade Cloaks, fur lined, sable trimming; regular price \$72, selling now at \$57.

Silk and Wool Broche Capes, fur ined, sable trimming, 32-inch; regular \$50, now \$38.

Fancy Opera Capes, in scarlet, myrtle and blue; regular \$25, now

Ladies' Black Cloth Capes, 36-inch, fur lined, silver fox trimming; regular price \$38, now \$29.

Black Persian Lamb Jackets; regular price \$125, now \$85.

Gray Lamb Jackets; regular price \$62, selling now at \$45.

Ladies' Black Bocharan Coats, 36nch; regular price \$30, now \$25.

Ladies' Black Astrachan Coats, 36inch; regular price \$19, selling now at

Gray Lamb Capes, 30 and 32-inch; regular price \$35, now \$25 50.

Beaver Collars, silk lined; regular price \$15, now \$11.

Real Mink Collars, \$10, now

Best Sable Shoulder Collarettes; regular price \$30, now \$26.

Today and tomorrow we'll continue the sale of Linen Damasks at prices quoted in yesterday's papers; also Tray Cloths, Lunch Cloths, Duchess Cloths, etc., at wholesale prices.

## Blanket Sale.

Today and Tomorrow.

White Wool Blankets, good size; regular price \$3, selling at \$2 25. White Wool Blankets, large size; regular price \$3 50, selling at \$2 63. White Wool Blankets, extra large and heavy; regular price \$4, now

## For Xmas Presents

ular price \$2 75, selling at \$2.

Gray Wool Blankets, large size; reg-

You can get nearly everything you want at the Big Store. You'll get a bigger selection and prices lower than anywhere else.

## Gloves and Hosiery.

A nice present is a pair of Kid Gloves; we have every size, color and

Our Black Cashmere Hose, 35c a pair or 3 pairs for \$1, are well worth

morrow. All Fancy Goods reduced See our Candy Counter to the right

Dolls reduced for today and to-

as you come in.

Boots, Shoes and Slippers selling at manufacturers' prices.

## Runians & Butler.

----IMPORTERS

## Hood's Gampaign on

## The Legislature.

Government Ready to Investigate the Piggery Expenditures.

Expenditures On the Farm of London Asylum for the Insane Discussed.

Toronto, Dec. 23 .- The public accounts committee of the legislature, at its meeting yesterday, agreed on the motion of the provincial treasurer to investigate Dr. Chamberlain's accounts for the last three years. Mr. St. John. seconded by Mr. Marter, also moved that all accounts relating in any way to the construction of the Humber piggery, as well as to the slaughter and sale of hogs, be produced. Mr. Garrow, seconded by Mr. McNish, then moved that Dr. Andrew Smith, Inspector Sweetapple, Mr. Harris and I. Warner, and the butcher who killed the hogs at the outbreak of the cholera epidemic be subpoenzed to give evidence on Dec. 29. As an offset Mr. St. John moved that several city butchers be examined. This was agreed to.

After the holidays, the Legislature will meet in the forenoons so as to facilitate the dispatch of business. In the house yesterday, a number of bills were read a second time and others were put through committee. Premier Hardy, in reply to Mr. St. John, said the Moore Lumber Company had been compelled to pay \$10,-861 61 unaccounted dues on their lumber, as a result of an investigation by the government commission.

Mr. Hobbs introduced a bill on behalf of the city of London for an amendment to the Municipal Act to the effect that the council of every city may pass bylaws for the appointment of a plumbing inspector, fixing the payment of his salary, or for his removal and for payment to the treasury of the municipality by every plumber of such fees for the inspection of plumbing by the plumbing inspector as the council may by law impose, and for regulating and governing the inspection of plumbing within

the municipality. Mr. Hobbs has also introduced a bill to amend the Ditches and Water Courses Act. It reads as follows: "Sub-section — of the Ditches and Watercourses Act, 1894, is hereby amended by inserting after the word 'ditch' where it occurs in the second line, these words: 'Or within six months thereafter, but not later, shall have power to inspect.'

Estimates for the department of education passed with little discussion. Mr. Flatt's toll roads bill was sent to the municipal committee.

Mr. Hiscott and Mr. Little objected to the item of \$3,700 for farm expenses, feed and fodder at the London Asylum, contending that, the farm being fertile, the charge for this item should be very much less. Hon. Mr. Harcourt, in reply said

that the farm is well managed, and one of the most inviting places he had ever visited, and he confessed to a personal pleasure in a good farm. Mr. Taylor (North Middlesex) had visited the farm frequently at different seasons of the year, and testified that the farm was well and economically managed.

Mr. Crawford urged that the amount asked for was far beyond what should be granted, if the farm is so fertile and well cultivated and managed as honorable gentlemen would lead the

Hon. Mr. Gibson pointed out that this item was not for fodder alone, but included all expenses for implements, etc., and also that a large portion of the farm is set apart as a park for the use of the inmates, and was therefore a source of expense instead of revenue. The cost per capita of maintaining the inmates had been materially reduced owing to the large amount of produce which the farm

furnished to the institution. Mr. Haycock said that if there was any particular reason for the prolonged discussion it was the unsatisfactory manner in which the public accounts are compiled. He advocated that the supervision of the farm should not be left to professional mer. but the practical farmer, and stock men should be given control of the farm and held responsible for its management.

Mr. Macnish defended the manage ment of the farm as having been creditable to the farmer, who was most economical and careful. The soil was better suited to vegetables and fruit than to grain and hay. Mr. Macnish spoke with the authority of a practical When Mr. Crawford had condemned the farm as a badly managed affair, the treasurer arose and read to the house the memorandum which Dr. Christie had prepared for the public accounts committee in 1895, showing that while there was expended \$9,063 for feed, farm seeds and miscellaneous items, the product of the farm and garden had netted \$11,794, making a favorable balance of \$2,720. Lieut.-Col. Matheson stood up and voters to the polls and to the registra-

When the premier remarked that they had not had any registration at sembly on Wednesday in place of London yet, the laugh was rather on the member for Lanark. Later in the discussion Mr. Hardy said that he had never before heard the accusation made that those horses had been used to draw voters to the polls, and that he did not believe it was true. The horses eventually become chronic. Dr. Chase might have been used to take men to made a special study of Eczema and the polls who were employed at the asylum, but not otherwise.

Finally the vote passed without a The items for the Kingston asylum, for the Hamilton Asylum, for the Brockville Asylum, for the Asylum for Idiots at Orillia, and for the Central Prison were passed without opposition.

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## the Frontier.

Scathing Criticism of the Recent Fighting.

Alleged Serious Blundering and Mismanagement-A Defeat in Labuan.

Allahabad, Dec. 23.-The Pioneer publishes a scathing criticism of the recent fighting on the Indian frontier, and says the operations have ruined more than one reputation. The Pioneer asserts that the officers have disappointed expectations, and calls upon the commander-in-chief to weed out those who have signally failed to prove their fitness to command or perform staff duties. The paper asserts that the instances when the troops were well handled were few, while serious blunders were numerous and happy-golucky arrangements were the rule, resulting in a few hundred British troops and Sepoys, forming the rear-guard, having again and again to fight most desperately to save their skins, while, within two or three miles, thousands of their comrades were doing absolutely nothing. In conclusion the Pioneer remarks: "The whole campaign shows carelessness and indifference for the safety of the rear-guard, and bad disposal of the fighting strength. While the fortified enclosures and homesteads of the Afridis have been destroyed, the latter have had their revenge in the actual conflicts. If the Afridis are to be coerced, more skill is requisite, and the staff must be weeded forthwith, irrespective of personal feelings."

Victoria, Labuan, Dec. 23.-The Sikh police force which has been attacking the stronghold of the insurgent Mathalleh has been forced to retire. Adjutant Jones and six Sikhs were killed. Victoria is the capital of the Island of Labuan, six miles from the northwest coast of Borneo. The area of the island is 45 square miles.

## BLIZZARD IN NEW YORK

One of the Worst Seen in Years-Two Feet of Snow. Watertown, N. Y., Dec. 23.-One of

the worst blizzards that has visited this section in a number of years began last evening, and has continued unabated all night. Two feet of snow now covers the ground, and is still coming.

### BASKET BALL.

continue to be interesting, though the tained from other well-known breeders attendance is rather small. The first game last night went by default. A. Williams winning from F. Screaton, 2-0. An exhibition game, which resulted in almost a draw, was played by these teams, Screaton being supplied with extra men. The second game, though one-sided, was a good exhibition of ball, The losers were handicapped, as two of their own men were absent. Robinson and Bedggood filled their places very well. The winners' defense, McMillan, captain, and P. Ferguson, are a remarkaby strong pair, and to their fast work is due the small score of their opponents. During the last ten minutes of the game only one goal was made, the playing during that

time being very fast. The game resulted in favor of the Reds by 10 goals to 1, or 21 points to 4, including fouls. The teams were: Whites-C. Bedggood, C. Turner, W. Green (captain), J. Robinson, W. Wilson. Reds-L. McLeay, W. Wallet, J. Westervelt, P. Ferguson and W. E. McMillan (captain).

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Bert Clarke, a brakeman on the T., H. and B. Railway, hailing from Hamilton, met with a terribly painful accident at the T., H. and B. depot, in Brantford. He was coupling cars on a freight train, when the finger and humb of his right hand became caught between the buffers and were pinched

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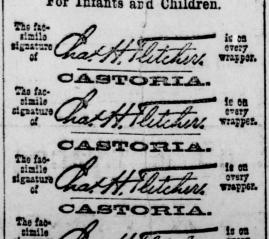
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### MORRIS' MEATS.

One of the Most Handsome Displays in the Market House.

The market house was thronged with ouyers of Christmas meats this morning. The display that captivated all comers was that of Mr. G. F. Morris, on the east side of the south end of the building. Here hung thousands and thousands of pounds of the finest beef, lamb and pork that the country raised by Mr. R. Pinkham, of West-The Y. M. C. A. league games still minster. The remaining 21 were ob-

throughout the country. Standing out prominently in this show of meat is a six-months-old Jersey calf, weighing nearly 600 pounds. bred and raised by Wm. Griffiths, Byron. Twenty choice hogs were obtained from David Parsons, Komoka, and over 100 others from elsewhere. Among these are hogs ranging between 600 and 700 pounds, dressed weight. Mr. Morris also offers his customers an unexcelled supply of lamb, poultry, bacon, hams, tongues, and other meats. His establishment is one of the largest in Western Ontario.

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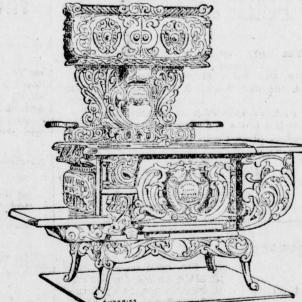
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1. A. D. Skeels, a former pupils, as teacher of Penmanship, Troy Business College. A. Burch, a former pupil, as Commercial Teacher, Grand Rapids Bus-

iness University. 3. F. B. Corwall, a former pupil, teacher of Shorthand, Evansville Busillege, Indiana. . George West, as manager, business

department, Tacoma Business College, Washington. 5. Bessie Dunkley, as stenographer, with Michigan Chair Company,

Grand Rapids. 6. Delbert Wigle, as bookkeeper, with Grand Rapids knitting works. 7. Sara Towl, stenographer, J. B. Stringer & Co., Chatham.

8. Fred Verkerke, bookkeeper. C. A. Spears. 9. Hattie Paul, office assistant, Dean Printing Co., Grand Rapids.

10. Wm. McTavish, stenographer for

Mr. Pratt, secretary, Y. M. C. A., 11. Walter Oliver, bookkeeper, Mc-Lachlan & McFarlane, Hall's Siding, British Columbia. 12. P. F. Ross, as stenographer with New York Belting and Packing

Company, Chicago. 13. Lizzie Thompson, as bookkeeper and stenographer, Watson & Frost, Grand Rapids. 14. Evelyn Miller, stenographer, Viava Medicine Company, Grand Rapids.

15. Jennie McLachlan, stenographer, Chief Justice Drake, Victoria, B. C. 16. Flora Fuce, stenographer, Herald office, Montreal, Que. 17. Fred McCarthy, stenographer, Wal-

ters & Son, Grand Rapids. Annie Clark, stenographer, Mr. Jell, barrister, Rodney. 19. May Burdick, stenographer, W. E.

Stevens, barrister, Aylmer, Ont. 20. Maud McNally, bill clerk, Grand Rapids Gas Company. 21. Harry Weatherwax, stenographer,

Agriculture College, Lansing, Mich. 22. John V. Morrison, stenographer, Manitoba Trust Company, Win-

nipeg. 23. Essie Walford, bookkeeper, D. D. Hawthorne & Co., Toronto. 24. Wm. Garrett, stenographer, etc., A. E. Brooks & Co., Grand Rapids. 25. J. E. McNeil, bookkeeper, Walkerton Chair Company, Walkerton.

26. Frances Reddick, stenographer, Hadley Lumber Company, Chat-27. J. W. Warner, stock clerk, Wooden Grocery Company, Grand Rapids. 28. Jennie Daniels, stenographer, West

Michigan Furniture Company, Hol-29. Annie McRae, stenographer, Geo. Angell, Wholesale Art Supplies, De-

Gonne, Chatham. 31. B. R. Pearce, stenographer, Business Furniture Company, Grand Rapids. 32. W. B. Pelton, bookkeeper, E. Wigle, publisher, Grand Rapids. Casper Baarman, assistant teacher. Grand Rapids Business University.

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40. Maude Shipley, stenographer (tem.), Atkinson & Atkinson, Chatham. 41. Eva Payne, assistant bookkeeper, Kent Mills, Chatham. Frank Leonard, stenographer, Grand

Rapids Board of Trade. 43. Dayton McInnes, bookkeeper, R. S. Webb, Pork Packer, Detroit, Mich. Geo. Easton, assistant bookkeeper. Austin Mining Company, Austin,

Miss Flora Fuce, who was in the office of the Montreal Herald, has since seen offered and has returned home to ccept a position with the Sutherland-Company, of makes the seventeenth pupil that we have placed with the same firm, the

majority of them being still in their Quite a number have been placed since this list was prepared.

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## COMMERCIAL.

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Buckwheat, per bu...........60c to 60c THE CHRISTMAS MARKET. Today's was a market worth looking at. The square and the streets adjoining were full of people and conveyances. In conversation with some of the oldest and most regular attendants of this market we find it the general opinion that there were quite as large receipts of fowl, turkey, etc., as is usual at the last regular session before Christmas, but the activity in trade in these lines was much less.

The supply of grain was only fair; sales were easily made, and prices realized for wheat, oats and buckwheat were higher than yesterday. The close of wheat was \$1 38 to \$1 40; oats, 70c to 73c, and buckwheat 75c. Very few sales of beans, corn or rye occurred, and prices given for them are based on sales made Tuesday and Wednes-

Eggs were steady and sold at the same old prices. The demand for genuine fresh and new laid was very good, and 20c per dozen was paid by the basket, but they were hard to get. Buyers complain very much about the difficulty in getting really fresh eggs. They say they cannot depend on anyone's lot, for either by intent or carelessness they get mixed. Single dozens sell at 22c to 25c; packed eggs sell at 15c to 17c wholesale.

Butter was steady and unchanged. Turkeys brought 8c to 81/2 by the load and 8c to 9c single. The quantity unsold at 11 a.m. would indicate a possibility of lower prices between 12 and 1 o'clock. Of course the turkey and goose were the leading lines today; everybody was a buyer of one of these two, to a greater or less extent. Geese sold remarkably well, bringing 6c to 7c a pound. Ducks sold at 60c to 80c a pair. Some lots of these were of very large size, being equal in size to small geese. Chickens

were quiet and unchanged. Beef, lamb and mutton on the outside market was ratner dull. Inside the market house there was a different scene. To begin with, the decorations were very attractive. The specimen hogs, calves, etc., were unusually good, as were also the roasts, etc., displayed. Prices ranged about the same, the extra Christmas stuff ruling at 51/2c to 8c by the quarter.

Dressed hogs were steady at \$5 to \$5 50 for rough and fat, and \$5 75 to \$6 for weights ranging from 100 to 130 pounds. The demand was good and the supply only moderate. Apples brought 75c to \$1 per bag. The

quality offered was about as usual. Fancy lots, scarce; demand fair. Potatoes were in light supply, 85c to 90c being the price by the bag. No

loads offered; too cold. Among the gardeners we found little change in any of their lines. A better demand for seasoning stuff and higher prices for squash were the only alterations. Celery was not very plentiful the weather being too cold to expose it. though some lots were of extra good quality. Onions, cabbages and carrots formed the bulk of offerings.

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Wheat — Spot, No. 2 red western winter, no stock: spot No. 1 red northern spring, quiet, 7s 9id.

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Futures steady; Dec., steady, 3s &d; Jan., steady, 3s 2d; Feb., steady, 3s 12d.

Flour-St Louis rancy winter steady, 10s.

Beef-Firm, extra India mess, 66s 3d; prime

mess, firm, 6s 3d.

Pork — Prime mess, fine western, firm, 48 9a; do. medium, western firm, 46s 3d. Hams—Short eut 14 to 16 bs, firm, 46s 3d.
Hams—Short eut 14 to 16 bs, firm, 23s.
Bacor—Cumberland cut. 28 to 10 tox., dull,
29s 6d; \*nor vib\*, 20 to 24 bs, dull, 34-6d; tong
clear middles, light, 35 to 38 bs, dull, 29s 3d;
long clear middles, heavy 40 to 45 bs, dull,
26s 6d; short clear middles, heavy 45 to 50 bs\*
no stocks; clear bellies, 12 to 14 bs, dull, 40 : short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs. steady, 30s. Shoulders - Square 12 to 11 lb., firm, 19s. Lard - Prime western, steady, 24s. Butter - Finest American, 92s; good, 60s.

kosin—Common steady, 4s 14d. Cheese—American finest white, dull, 42s 6d; colored, dull, 42s 6d.
Tallow-Prime city, steady, 18s 6d. Cottonseed oil - Liverpool refined, steady; 14s

Turpentine spirits-Steady, 24s. H. ps-At London (Pacific coast), firm, £4 15s to £55s.

American Markets. CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat—No. 2 Dec., 98%c; Jan., 93½c; May 92½c to 93c. Corn—No. 2 Dec., 26½c to 26½c; Jan., 26½c; May, 29½c to 29½c. July, 30½c. Oats—No. 2 Dec., 2½c to 22c; May, 22½c. Mess pork—Dec., \$7 65; Jan., \$8 76; May, \$8 92½. Lard—Dec., \$4 45; Jan., \$4 57½; May, \$172½. Short ribs—Dec., \$4 42½; Jan., \$4 42½; May, \$4 5½. Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, firm: No. 2 suring wheat 88c to 89c. Flour, firm; No. 2 spring wheat, 88c to 89c; No. 3 spring wheat, 82c to 93c; No. 2 red, 988c; No. 2 corn, 26½c; No. 2 yellow corn, 26½c; No. 2 corn, 26½c; No. 3 white, t. o. b., 23½c to 24c; No. 2 rye, 46½c; No. 2 barley, f. o. b., 26c to 40c; No. 1 flaxseed, \$117 to \$1 20½; prime timothy seed, \$2 65; mess pork, \$7 65 to \$7 70; lard. \$4 57½ to \$4 60; short rib sides, \$4 47½ to \$4 60; dry, 32½d dry, 450 to 450; dry, 450 1047 \$4 50; dry salted shoulders, 4gc to 4gc; short 1043 clear sides, \$4 47\* to \$5; sugar, unchanged; eggs, firm; fresh, 20c.

Receipts-Rye...... 17,000 Barley..... 80,8.0

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CRICAGO, Dec. 23. Upen, High, Low. Close. Wheat-Dec ... May .... May .... July .... Oats-Dec. Pork-Jan.... 8 70 May.... 8 87 Lard-Dec .... 4 45 n.... 4 56 May.... 4 70 Puts. 931: calis. 948

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St. Thomas Market.

St. Thomas. Dec. 22.-Wheat had risen a point or two this morning, a small supply being delivered at 85c. Very little oats could be had at 22c to 25c. No other grains offered, and prices ruled as reported. Wheat, per bu, 83c to 85c; oats, per bu, 22c to 23c; peas, per bu, 40c to 42c; barley, per bu, 40c; corn, per bu, 35c to 40c.

the Oil Market. PETROLIA, Dec. 23.-Oil opened and close NEW YORK, Dec. 22.-Petroleum-

Pennsylvania crude, no market; nominally at 85c.

Toronto Produce Market. Toronto, Dec. 23. - The offerings of wheat are fair; there is fair demand only, and the market is easy at 83c for easier at \$1 021/2 for No. 1 hard, North Bay; \$1 03, grinding in transit, and 971/20 to 98c, Sarnia and Midland. Flour-The market is dull and prices are steady to easy at \$3 80 for ears of straight roller west. Millfeed, barley, buckwheat and @@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@@ rye unchanged. Corn in good demand; deliveries are rather better, and the market is steady at 27c to 28c for Canada yellow west. Oats are firm at 231/2c for mixed and 24c for white west. Peas and straw unchanged. Eggs-Fair supply and steady at 17c to 18c for newlaid; 13c to 14c for held fresh, and cold storage, and 131/2c to 14c for limed. The offerings of butter are fair; there is a good demand, and the market is firm at 15c for choice large rolls.

## Christmas Novelties

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JAVA SUGAR. The Hague, Dec. 23 .- The Second Chamber has adopted a bill abolishing

the export duty on Java sugar. Samuel Clery was killed in E. B. Eddy & Co.'s paper mill on Tuesday in attempting to adjust a belt. was badly mangled by the machary.

He was 32 years old and leaves a widow and family.

Barkwell's Winterine cures chapped

## Read the Christmas Advertise- Grand Central Hotel, Chicago, paid his mother and sister, of 627 Colborne street, a flying visit prior to leaving for Parls, France, to spend the winter for Parls, France, to spend th

Few things do more to put the read-Few things do more to put the read-er in a sort of Christmas glow than Europe for the past four years. Mrs. these cheerful announcements into very many thousands of homes in London Never before have the Christmas advertisements been more attractively worded, never before has The Advertiser been enabled to scatter their warmth and attraction so widely. The year has brought to The Advertiser a largely increased circulation and a Jackson, of Nilestown, is his brother. largely increased advertising patronage, not to mention the expanding business of its job printing department. The Advertiser, with its 35 useful and such old established journals as the New York Tribune and the Toronto

It is our intention to make the next 35 years of The London Advertiser far exceed the 35 useful years during which it has "grown up" with the factor in their development. The compliments of the season to

every reader!

Meeting of Parliament. At a meeting of the Cabinet, held yesterday, it was arranged to call the

Dominion Parliament together on Fifty Years in Telegraphy. Last (Thursday) night, Mr. H. P. Dwight, President and General Manager of the Great Northwestern Tele-w. V. P., Sister Curnoe; W. V. P., Sister J. Alway; W. T., Sisgraph Company, was entertained at ter Burton; W. S., Bro. A. Isaac; W. C., a banquet at the Toronto Club in celebration of the fiftieth anniversary Sherman and Hill (all retained); inside of his entry on the business of a tele- guard, Sister Roughley (retained); outgrapher. The leading people of Toronto were present to honor the guest

private citizen and as a successful man committee was retained. of business. Senator Cox presided, a man of 30, which no doubt accounts for his popularity in a community constantly changing in its population, and apt to shunt aside all who do not know the art of keeping up with the procession. No man in the service of

### citizens last night. Copics of Today.

Study the holiday advertisements and buy as soon as you can.

The majority of Mr. Leduc, the Liberal candidate in Nicolet, is 246. Dr. Shaw, of Keene, has been nomi-

nated Conservative candidate for East Peterboro, Dr. Ford having declined the task. Dr. Shaw said he would consider the offer.

The way Christmas offerings are being purchased by the people from advertisers in The Advertiser, a clearing house for delivery purposes would come in handy this week.

Sir Charles Tupper, who arrived at New York yesterday from England, says there is a good outlook for Anglo-Canadian trade, and that our mines are occupying the attention of capitalists. Canada's day has cone.

LATEST WEATHER FORECAST. Toronto, Dec. 23-11 a.m.-Probabilities for the lower lakes region for the winter west; Manitoba wheat is next 24 hours. Fresh to high west and northwest winds; fair, with light local snowfalls or flurries, turning decidedly colder today. Fine and de-

## Around the City

cided cold on Friday.

-No session of the police court this -The C. P. R. pay car arrived at noon today.

-The corporation pay sheet this week was \$333 83.

-The Princess, Jubilee and Central avenue skating rinks are doing a great business. -Robert S. Lewis, Canadian passen-

ger agent of the Lehigh Valley Railway, is in the city today. -All little children are good little children nowadays. They have got a lively sense of things to come.

-Mrs. Thomas Mortimore and son have returned to London after a three months' stay in St. John, N. B. -Miss Tina Whyte, of this city, has been recalled from a visit to friends in Chicago owing to the illness of her

aunt, Mrs. J. W. Edwards. -Holiday traffic on the railroads is very brisk. The Wabash went west today in two sections. President Ramsay was on board the second section. -Rev. C. G. Corneille, B.A., of Florence, an old London boy, will occupy the pulpit of the Richmond Street Methodist Mission next Sunday at 7

-A report was current on the market this morning that a dark brown team of horses had been stolen from the stable of Dr. Routledge, Lambeth, during last night.

be offered to St. Thomas. Failing that, London and Hamilton must remain the only Canadian cities in the league. -Mr. Henry Whittaker and wife, of New York, arrived in the city yesterday by G. T. R., to spend their Christmas with Mr. Whittaker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Whittaker, 557 King street. Mr. Whittaker was for-merly of The Advertiser staff. He is now of the Mail and Express.

| -Dr. H. S. Brown, proprietor of the

perusal of the Christmas advertise- Brown is seeking to improve her ments. The Advertiser has carried health, while Ethel and Dorothy, their two daughters, are receiving their edu--Mr. Charles Jackson, formerly of and throughout Western Ontario. Nilestown, and now the owner of 560 acres near Langdon, South Dakota, is visiting this district after fifteen

years' absence. Mr. Jackson has prospered in the west, but still retains his affection for his old home. He has kept himself posted on events here, having been a continuous subscriber of The Advertiser since he left. Mr. Robert

-The funeral of the late Miss Margaret Robb took place this morning to Mount Pleasant cemetery. Miss Robb was born in Morayshire, Scotland, and came to Canada in 1855 and to Loninfluential years behind it, stands for don in 1861. She connected herself prestige and influence, relatively, like with the First Presbyterian Church the same year. She leaves behind her three brothers-Hugh, in Dunnville, Ont.; Charles, in Huron county, farmer, and John, in Wyoming; and two nieces -Mrs. M. A. Ferguson and Miss Jessie Simpson, teacher in Princess avenue school, city.

-The C. P. R. train from the east at noon today conveyed the remains of city and country, and been a potent the late Edmund B. Eldridge, aged 21 years, who died at the residence of his mother, Mrs. M. A. Eldridge, Toronto, on Dec. 21. The deceased was the youngest son of John Eldridge, who formerly carried on a bakery business in this city. The young man left London about thirteen years ago, and had for some time been an invalid. He was a took place at Woodland.

-At the regular meeting of Lodge Princess Beatrice, No. 6, D. O. E. B. S., held last night in Cullis' Hall, a good attendance of members being present, the following officers were elected for Sister Howe; lodge surgeon, Dr. Teasdall; W. guides, Sisters Powell, Squire, side guard, Bro. Cullis (retained); trustees, Sisters Anderson and Johns; auditors, Sisters Johns, Cheasley and

for his many estimable qualities as a Anderson. The present arbitration -On Wednesday afternoon the chil-Flour.......... 16.000 Wheat........ 359 000 and Mr. B. E. Walker, general man- dren of the primary class of Park ager of the Bank of Commerce, read street school held their closing entertainment, which was ably presided a complimentary address, to which over by their teachers, Misses McCon-start in the company's service, and those taking part in the programme Chicago Exchange.

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-Two members of the teaching staff of the Forest City Business College, Mr. the Canadian public more deserves the W. E. Matthews and Miss M. Freer, who honor paid Mr. Dwight by his fellow have severed their connection with the school, were yesterday afternoon presented with purses of gold by the students. Accompanying each presentation was a neatly engrossed address, expressing the highest regard and best wishes for the recipient. Mr. P. S. Ferguson read the address to Miss Freer, and Miss Maud Gerry made the presentation. The address to Mr. Matthews was read by Mr. John Rumball, and the presentation was made by Miss Edna Sangster. Suitable replies were made. Principal Westervelt then introduced the new members of the staff, Miss Maud Westervelt, who will teach typewriting, Miss Louise McConnell, of Port Burwell, teacher of shorthand, and Miss A. Munson, late of the office of J. S. Pearce & Co., who will have charge of the offices. The retiring teachers were very popular at the school. Mr. Matthews, who was instructor in commercial work, is about to enter Woodstock College, to study for the Baptist ministry, and Miss Freer, who was teacher in the shorthand department, will shortly enter the Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, to train for the nursing profession.

WEDDING IN WEST LONDON. On Wednesday evening, Dec. 22, the residence of Mrs. Fonger, West London, was the scene of an interesting event, being the marriage of Mr. Wm. Sherry, of this city, to Sara, youngest daughter of Mrs. Fonger. The nuptial knot was tied by Rev. A. G. Harris, pastor of the West London Methodist Church. The quiet affair was witnessed only by the parents of the young couple.

LONDON HIGH COURT. Chief Justice Meredith presided at the sittings of the high court today. Edward Orrange vs. George and John McIntyre, of Mosa, was an action to recover possession of certain property. Motion by A. B. Cox for defendant to have the action tried by jury. D. Stuart for plaintiff, contra. Referred to the trial judge for disposal. McGaw vs. McGaw-Motion by R. K. Cowan, for plaintiff, for an order for receiver to pay all moneys to plaintiff for interim alimony now in his hands. The judge directed that the defendants be served with a notice of the applica-

ST. JAMES' BUILDING COMMITTEE A meeting of the building committee of St. James' Church, South London, was held last evening at the office of Moore & Henry, architects. The resignation of Mr. C. B. Hunt, as chairman, was received and accepted, and Mr. John Pope being the unanimous choice of the committee, assumed the chair. Accounts covering the recent rebuilding of the church were duly audited, the general result being considerably less than the amount originally appropriated and everything turning out in a highly gratifying manner. General satisfaction was expressed with the first-class results obtained by the committee, while the outlook of the church financially and otherwise was never more encouraging. Present: Mr. John Pope (chairman), Mr. J. M. Dillon, Mr. A. S. Emery, Mr. George White, Mr. B. S. Murray, Mr. E. E. Nugent and Mr A. R. Wallace.

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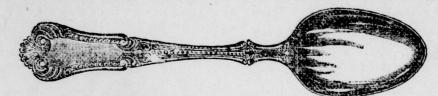
most delicate things you have you needn't he afraid to wash with Pearline. The fact that a thing is delicate and easily torn is the very reason why you should take Pearline to it. Nothing else can get it clean with so little rubbing and wrenching.

If you observe carefully, you'll notice that the women who are the most particular about their washing and their housekeeping and their housework are the ones who

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WEST LONDON SCHOOLS.

The Christmas Entertainment-Sweet meats, Christmas Prees, Etc.

The children and teachers of the West London schools celebrated the closing with varied and interesting exercises. The rooms were nicely decorated with holly and evergreens, mottoes suitable to the season bedecked the blackboards, and everything had a Christmas appearance. The following programme was acceptably rendered in Principal Liddicoatt's room: Chairman's address, the principal; reading, Frank Ware; quartet, four girls; recitation, Ethel McPherson; solo, Nellie Stinchcombe; reading, Blanche Tuttle; recitation, May Duff; duet, Ethel Greenway and Mary Saunby; recitation, Beatrice Bartram; double quartet,

eight girls. An interesting part of the programme was the presentation of certificates to the successful candidates at the last high school entrance. This pleasant duty was ably performed by ex-Trustee Cooper. The divisions under the charge of Miss Weir, Miss Jeffery, Miss Platt. Miss Lawrence, Miss Proudfoot and Miss Heritage gave very enjoyable programmes.

Miss Lawrence's pupils had a beautiful Christmas tree, which proved very effective in calling out quite a large number of the parents to participate

in the treat. Beautifully decorated candy bags, well filled with choice candy and nuts, and oranges in plenty, were then distributed to all, and everyone left prepared, after this auspicious beginning, to enjoy to the full Christmas fun and

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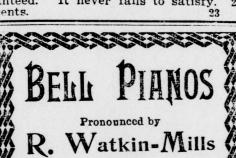
Christmas Lunch,

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## small old lady, with keen eyes, a dark,

"That's a relief," observed the old lady, without, however, much evidence of gratitude. "I can manage now; and you will come to see me? I don't ask any of you," she said, looking round the group with inimitable efupon the group with inimitable ef-frontery, "because I don't feel quite sure that I have ever seen you before. If I have so great change has taken place that it renders recognition difficult. Honore, good-bye. I will give you my address as soon as I am set-

tled. You are sure you will call?"
"Quite sure, Mrs. Payte."
"And now," concluded the old lady, with a shrewd, slow glance around her, "I will wish you all a good-day." She waited to note each separate reception of her farewell, her dark broad black hat and shabby dress, to little restless face full of keen observation. Only a few vouchsafed any sulted: instead of the stranger they reply. Theodora took no more notice had looked for, had entered the insigof her presence than if, just then, she had been a stool upon the carpet. | fore that day, had lived among them Mrs. Trent slightly bent her pompous head, but did not move her lips, able only to afford cottage lodgings, Phoebe said "Good-morning," as she might have uttered a forced apology their midst, had had every opportunity which she loathed to utter. Captain Trent bowed his most formal bow, and Mr. Haughton hurried through a rough disguise.

It was strange that now, in her

The other gentlemen bowed without handsome dress, and in her own beaua word, while Honore walked to the tiful rooms, all could readily detect the inborn aristocrat. Brusque, ecdoor with her old friend.

"Don't come down-stairs," said Mrs. | centric, excitable, she might be, but Payte, arresting her. "This is not still she carried with her the marks your own house, you know, child, and (and the consciousness, too) of high you had better act as the others act. birth and lofty position. A true patri-Turn back, and let me go my way cian was Sir Hervey Lawrence's widalone. Make haste, and you will have ow; a true gentlewoman was old Mydthe fun of seeing them smooth their delton's sister. And yet to think it

At dusk, when the servants came in lous wealth lay for distribution! Hers to light up the room and shut out the | -the thin, restless hands of this little fading daylight, the spirits of every old lady, whom, up to this moment, one rose, and expectation grew keener every second. This was the time Lady | Payte! Lawrence had promised to join them, and there was no fear of disappointment today. For the years of anticipation as well as the week's waiting
in London, they would all be rewarded. in London, they would all be rewarded in a few minutes' time.

Every eye was on the watch; every ear was strained to the uttermost; for t would be hard to catch the rustling of a dress through these thick walls, (To be Continued.) ear was strained to the uttermost; for it would be hard to catch the rustling of a dress through these thick walls or the fall of a step upon the velvet

Complacency had returned now to every member of the family, and smiles were ready to their lips. The influence of this eager and expectant watchfulness had so wrapped Honore, too, that when at last the door was thrown wide open, and a voice an-nounced "Lady Lawrence," she felt with what a sudden start and quiver she rose, as all the others rose, to meet | will for you.

heirs who was not. and had not for years been, familiar with the portrait of his sister, the Anglo-Indian who was to be the arbitress and distributor of his almost fabulous wealth, and on whose return to England so many hopes were centered. All were familiar with the sketch which had been sent them, as well as with the girlish portrait at Abbotsmoor, and -built upon these-some had formed a fancy portrait of this important dame, in whose power it lay to make them rich. Familar to all were the portly figure in its stiff, plain dress, and the smooth, sleek face with its low braids of dark hair, its sleepy, thoughtful eyes, its intellectual chin, and its wide and firmly closed lips. Not one but knew this picture well, and knew that this was Lady Lawrence whom they should rise to meet. So there was not one who did not start back in visible alarm and consternation when they saw that it was another and a very different figure which entered after that slow announcement of "Lady

A small figure this, in a rich black satin dress, heavily trimmed with crape, and wearing an exquisite little lace cap upon the crisp gray curls; a

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restless face, and lines of cynical amusement round her thin, mobile lips.

"My dears, I am glad to see you all-very glad to see you here," she said, advancing toward them with her small

hands outstretched. "I have kept you waiting a long time, and for that I owe you an apology. But I intend to defer it until after dinner, and in the

meantime how do you do, all of you?"

midst, the family of old Myddelton

ous expectation with which they had

risen to greet Lady Lawrence, had

fallen, in one moment, an awful numb-

ness, a maddening sense of utter de-

feat, and helplessness, and despair,

and, withal, a bitter, stinging con-sciousness of what might have been.

For, instead of that imposing figure

for which they had looked, there had

entered the tiny one which, half an

hour before, had come in to them in

nificant person who, for months be-

as a poor and unknown gentlewoman,

but who, in this cottage home, in

of studying their characters, while be-

fore her they had not cared to wear

should be in her hands that the fabu-

they had known only as Mrs. Edna

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From His Place of Employment in Buffalo-A Woman in the Case.

and wearing neither coat nor vest, Frank Jones rushed from his workbench in the wood-turning factory of George V. Goll, Nos. 35-45 Henry street, on the afternoon of Dec. 10, and has not been seen by his employers or friends since. To his disappearance is attached a story of the actions of a mysterious woman and the alleged drugging

of the missing man. Jones, who is 32 years old, has boarded with A. P. Hodgson and his wife, at No. 84 East Eagle street, for almost three months. He came here from Ingersoll, Ont. Mrs. Hodgson slowly realized that some change had come over Jones. He acted queerly, and according to her story, when she finally inquired of Jones and noted the difference in his manner, he intimated that he had either been drugged or was under some hypnotic influence exercised by the strange woman, whose name

he refused to make known. The police have made diligent search for Jones, but their efforts so far have proved fruitless. The only thing that could be found in the young man's room was a letter from his brother Wally, of Ingersoll, which chides Frank for not having written to his mother in several months, and stating that the writer is about to go to a Toronto hospital for treatment. Jones is described as a man five feet eight or nine inches tall, sandy complexion, light hair, light mustache, one front tooth filled with gold, several front teeth missing, and two fingers missing from his left hand.

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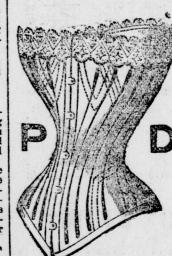
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FAIR AND COLD TODAY AND TO. MORROW.

Toronto, Dec. 22-11 p.m.-The depression which was over Lake Superior yesterday has moved slowly southeastward, and is now central over the Georgian Bay. The depression over Alberta and Assinibola still hovers there. Elsewhere there is little change. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Edmonton, 40-40; Calgary, 26-44; Qu'-Appelle, zero-10; Winnipeg, 10 below-2 below; Parry Sound, 18-26; Toronto, 18-28; Ottawa, 8 below; Montreal, 4-12; Quebec, 4-14; Halifax, 14-32. Probabilities.-Toronto, Dec. 23-1 a.

m.-Lakes: Fresh to strong westerly winds; fair weather; light local snowfalls or flurries; a little lower temperature; fair and cold on Friday. Local Temperatures.-The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory here yesterday were 25 and 16.5 above.

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## Advertisers, Take Notice!

As Christmas Day is a holiday, all editions of The Advertiser will be printed at an early hour in the morning. New advertisements, changes by regular advertisers, and all church and other special advertising must, therefore, be handed in to the office at the earliest possible moment tomorrow (Friday), in order to secure publication in Saturday's issue.

News About Town

-Miss Emily Scott, of Woodstock. will spend Christmas with friends in this city.

-Mr. P. D. Whyte and little daughter, of Chicago, were visiting relatives in the city last week. -Miss Ida M. Stirton, of this city,

has been admitted as a nurse at the New York city hospital. -Mr. Jas. H. Ferguson, of J. Ferguson & Sons, is a probable candidate

for school trustee in No. 2 ward. -Peterboro Review: Sergt.-Major Peters has returned from a course of instruction at the London Military

-Mr. H. Tutt, who has been car foreman for the G. T. R. at York for a number of years, has been moved to this city.

-Mr. Ernie Yates is home from the School of Practical Science, Toronto, to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents in this city.

-Miss Minnie Isabel Dewar, of the Wharncliffe road, returned yesterday from a seven months' sojourn in Omaha, Neb., completely restored to health. -The remains of Miss Florence Stevens, who died at the city hospital on Tuesday, aged 17 years, were ship-

Watford for interment. -The store window of Joe Nolan, tobacconist, Masonic Temples is tastily decorated, and a nice assortment of holiday goods therein displayed attracts a great deal of attention.

-The death is announced in England of Mrs. Barker, relict of the late Dr. Edward J. Barker, the founder of the Kingston Whig, and stepmother of Mr. R. W. Barker, late postoffice inspector

-The following London boys passed very successfully the junior examinations held recently at the College of Pharmacy, Toronto: Arthur Powell, G. L. Walker, Wm. Driver and A. E.

of the G. T. R. here for some years, has been appointed G. T. R. agent at exhibitions, and only a short time ago Paris. Mr. Joseph Navin succeeds him here. Both are popular and efficient railway men. -Sarnia Canadian: On Tuesday

evening, Dec. 28, John Crawford, of London, champion pugilist of Canada, and a number of other fistic artists. will give a sparring match at the Boys' Brigade Hall here.

## Christmas Suggestion

HAT is nicer or what will be more appreciated for Christmas gift than something in Fur? It is serviceable as well as fashionable. Some folks have an idea that Furs are dear, but if the time they last is taken into consideration, a fur garment is cheaper than any other kind, and our prices are low for the class of goods.

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Ladies' and Gents' Fur and Kid Gauntlets, Gloves Mitts and Jackets in all classes of furs.

# Milne,

Furriers, 146 Dundas Street.

walk as far as the Crystal Hall, where it was caught. The street was full of people, but fortunately no one was

-The last meeting of the present No. 3 committee of the city council was held last night, with Chairman Mc- Cailum, Ald. Hunt, Taylor, Stevely and Dreaney, Chief Roe and Secretary Bell present. Five tenders for the new fire alarm gongs for the three fire halls were received. The Bell Tele-phone Company's tender for one 15inch electro mechanical gong without indicator at \$69, and two 12-inch gongs at \$35 60 each, was accepted, subject to want not later than Friday morning. Chief Roe's test. One of the 15-inch Our Cannel Coal will make your home gongs was on exhibition before the

Toronto Mail-Empire: "Ted" Sifton, one of the London Rugby Club's scrimmagers, came all the way from London Tuesday night to act as judge for Private Geo. Stewart, of the Forty-eighth Highlanders, in his bayonet contest with Sergt.-Major Morgan. Sifton is one of Sergt. Williams' old pupils, and one of the best amateur fencers in the province.

-The funeral of the late Wm. Windrim, age 72 years, who died at the residence of his brother, Robert Windrim. 900 Dundas street, on Tuesday, took place today. The deceased was a native of Monaghan county, Ireland. He had lived for many years alternately in London and several American cities. In September he came here from Detroit, and while engaged in remodeling his brother's residence he fell from the scaffold, sustaining injuries that contributed largely to end his days. He was a Methodist in religion, and was highly respected by all who knew him.

-The regular meeting of Court Albert, No. 100, Independent Order of Foresters, was held in Albert Hall, West London, last night, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Past chief ranger, Bro. T. A. Conley; chief ranger, Bro. Ed. Pudney; vice-chief ranger, Bro. N. F. Boughner; financial secretary, Bro. Wm. Nicholls (re-elected); recording secretary, Bro. C. J. Hevey (re-elected); treasurer, Bro. John Pearen (reelected); chaplain, Bro. C. A. Tibbs; senior woodward, Bro. J. L. Holmes; junior woodward, Bro. A. C. McMullen; senior beadle, Bro. R. A. Jones; junior beadle, Bro. J. L. Johnston; court deputy, Bro. R. A. Jones; physician, Bro. W. J. Teasdall; auditors, Bros. C. J. Hevey and A. C. McMullen.

AN OUTFITTING POINT. The Board of Trade of Vancouver, B. C., have an advertisement in this issue calling attention to the various reasons why those bound for the Klondike country should purchase supplies at Vancouver instead of at other points. The reasons propounded are certainly of the utmost importance. Those with intentions of migrating to the renowned Yukon country have the protection of this Canadian port for the purchasing of supplies. A glance at the advertisement will show the principal features of Vancouver as a trade

AN AFFLICTED FAMILY. The James Munro family, of Embro, have been sorely afflicted. Last week the mother, the son Alexander, aged 10, and an infant child were taken to the Woodstock hospital, the latter two suffering from typhoid fever and the mother with symptoms of the disease. Recently Mrs. Munro has shown signs of insanity, which became so marked that the hospital authorities could not manage her. Yesterday she was brought here to the asylum by her husband and Rev. Mr. Hindley, of Embro. The infant is dying, but the older son is reported to be ped yesterday to deceased's home at in a fair way to recovery.

BEAUTIFUL BEEF.

Unexcelled Supply of Christmas Meats at W. Gatecliffe's.

One of the finest displays of Christmas mets ever seen in London is to be found at the butcher shop of Joseph H. Gatecliffe, 267 Dundas street. Ton upon ton of beef hangs from the hooks around the store. The most choice quarters are those produced by the celebrated steer, 22 months old, which was purchased by Mr. Gatecliffe from A. Armitt & Sons' model farm, Hyde Park. This handsome Durham steer -Mr. John Carroll, night yardmaster last year won first prize at London, Guelph, Brockville, and several other captured first prize at the Brantford Fat Stock Show. It is beef the like of which is seldom seen. When slaughtered the carcass weighed 1.970 pounds. For the Christmas trade Mr. Gatecliffe also purchased five first-prize heifers from Armitt & Sons, the average weight of which was 1,500 lbs. Three prize -A horse driven by a young son of about 1,600 lbs each. Armitt & Sons, of furniture? He has professional Mr. W. G. Smith, G. T. R. roadmas- supplied five first-prize lambs and D. workmen, and guarantees the best and ter, took fright at the corner of Dun- Knaggs eight first-prize lambs. Pork, cheapest work. Try 95 and 97 King das and Richmond streets last even- hams, bacon, suet, sausages, etc., can street,

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> We have the finest Baltimore Oysters that come to the city, and the best facilities for keeping them clean and in good condition. Give us your Christmas order. Bremner's Chicago Salted Oyster Crackers.

Extra Fine Table Raisins. Finest Malaga Grapes. Layer Figs. California Navels (3 sizes). Floridas (2 sizes).

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Valencia Oranges.

be seen in profusion, together with hundreds of turkeys, many of which weigh 30 lbs each, and a large supply geese, ducks, rabbits and pigeons of rare quality. Independent of these a fine specimen of bear, 6 months old, beautifully dressed, and a young 'possum are offered by Mr. Gatecliffe to his many patrons.

THE GREENHOUSE RUSH. Unprecedented Demand for Gammage's Palms, Plants and Flowers.

That the modern Kris Kringle is a devoted lover of nature, and the most beautiful things in nature's realm, is proved by the unprecedented demand for the products of Gammage's greenhouses for Christmas presents. One can scarcely put these lovely palms, ferns, azaleas, begonias, cyclamen, etc., in a stocking; but is there a house in London where they will not add a delicious presence during the holiday time? Mr. Gammage's glass-encased and heated delivery vans defy the coldest weather, and all plants and flowers are delivered to customers unhurt by frost or rough handling. Though the stock is still immense, the demand is also immense, so to avoid disappointment hand in your orders today! For such beautiful tokens the prices are extremely modest, and everyone can be more than suited. Gammage's store is on the corner of Dundas and Clarence streets, but of course every Christmas shopper knows

that. Shocked and Frightened. Weak, nervous people having heart troubles are easily shocked and frightened. Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills fortify the nerves, restore regular action to the heart, and cure every form of heart or nerve trouble. Mrs. Gladys McMillan, Toronto, says: "Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills cured me of nervousness and palpitation. I was so nervous that the least noise would startle street. Phone 975. me; but am now perfectly well." If a man cannot be a Christian in the

place where he is he cannot be a Christian anywhere. A DINNER PILL.-Many persons suffer excruciating agony after par-taking of a hearty dinner. The food partaken of is like a ball of lead upon the stomach, and instead of being a healthy nutriment, it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Parmelees Vegetable Pills are wonderful correctives of such troubles. They correct acidity, open the secretions, and con-vey the food partaken of into healthy

nutriment. They are just the meli-cine to take if troubled with indegestion or dyspepsia. Only evil grows of itself, while for goodness we want effort and courage. "I was troubled with earache for a long time," says Miss J. Johnson, Innisfail, N.W.T., "and after trying different remedies without success, used Hagyard's Yellow Oil as a last resort, phone 822. and I can really say that it cured me so completely that I have never had

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