

WEDNESDAYS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

MARRIED.
COLWELL-BERBRATH.—In New York, Mr. C. Victor Colwell, formerly of London, to Miss Maud B. Bergrath, of New York.

DIED.
DAWSON.—At family residence, London, Ont., on Saturday, Dec. 23, 1900, Jennie, the beloved wife of Lieut.-Col. M. D. Dawson.

Funeral Tuesday afternoon, at 3 o'clock; service, 2:30. Please do not send any flowers.

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NEW RIVER COAL—THE BEST IN the city; a good supply of the best quality of hard and soft coal, at the lowest cash price. Yard, William street and Grand Trunk Railway. Green & Co. Phone 1,281. b

\$100 VIOLIN FOR SALE OR EX- change. Pianos, Sanborn & Treblecock, 183 Dundas street, London (Anderson's Book store). b

STORM SASH MUST BE PUT ON eavestroughs cleaned, trees pruned. Now is the time to buy an extension ladder. Factory, 46 York street, Catalogue free. Address, The Wagoner Ladder Company, Limited, London, Ont. b

BARGAINS AT PARISH'S STORE— Few more baseburners left, with ovens; 1 Red Cross, 2 Royals, Parlor and Cook Stoves for coal. Furniture, Bedroom Sets, Mattresses, Springs, all taken in exchange. Remember place, 27 Talbot street, south Market Square. b

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LARGE FRONT ROOM, UPSTAIRS, well heated, and back parlor, downstairs. 42 Waterloo street. 55x

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LOST—BETWEEN 3 AND 5 O'CLOCK Saturday afternoon, either on the crossing of William and Dundas streets or on the street car, a lady's shopping bag, containing purse with bank bills and other money, with some other small matters. Finder will be rewarded by leaving it at Advertiser office. 55x

LOST—GREAT DANE PUP, BRINDLE, 2 months old. Return, H. Reason, Ontario House, and receive reward. b

LOST—ON CORNER DUNDAS AND Ridout streets, child's brown kid glove. Please return to 123 Colborne street. 55c

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LOST—ON THURSDAY, ON BELT line car, an ear-ring, with three amethysts. Reward of \$2 at this office. 53c

THE PERSON WHO TOOK A GRAY Lambskin Collar from the Cronyn Hall at the children's entertainment on Thursday evening is requested to return same to 474 William street. 55c

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J. T. WOLCOTT, ORGANIST FIRST Methodist Church. Teacher of piano organ and composition. Address 6 Prospect avenue. b

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O. E. BRENER

worthy of the trust reposed in me, I beg to have your favor and confidence continued in future. Unable to call on all voters throughout the city, kindly accept this as a personal call, soliciting your good-will, VOTE AND INFLUENCE in re-electing me as alderman for 1901. 52c xzt

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BOERS CAPTURE HELVETIA POST!

British Lost 50 in Killed and Wounded and 200 Prisoners.

The Place Reoccupied by Reeves' Force—In Spite of Boer Activity the British Press Take a Hopeful View of the Situation—Kruger's Advice.

London, Dec. 31.—The war office has received the following dispatch from Lord Kitchener:

"Pretoria, Dec. 30, 7:50 a.m.—General Lyttleton reports that our post at Helvetia was captured yesterday morning by the Boers. About 50 were killed and wounded and 200 taken prisoners."

"Col. Kitchener reports that he is following with a small force in the track of the enemy. Helvetia being reoccupied by Reeves, who has been reinforced from Belfast."

"Helvetia was a very strong position on the Machadoodorp-Lydenburg railway, and was held by a detachment of the Liverpool Regiment. Am asking for further information."

"French has occupied Ventersdorp. 'Elements reports that he is opposed on the road to Rustenburg.'"

"The eastern line was blown up near Pan, and a train was held up this morning on the Standerton line, near Vaal station."

"White's column has arrived at Senekal."

"Knox's column and Boyes' brigade are holding Dewet from breaking south."

MORE RAIDERS.
A correspondent at Burgersdorp, writing Sunday, reports as follows: "Two fresh commandoes are entering the colony. One has already crossed near Knaapdam, and the arrival of another is momentarily expected in the Steynsburg district. The Boers are said to have two or three horses each, though in bad condition. They have no guns or transport, but are well supplied with Lee-Metford rifles and ammunition. Captured Boers say that the intention of these commandoes is to roam about and wait until Gen. Dewet appears upon the scene."

NOT DISCOURAGED.
While Lord Kitchener sends rather gloomy news for England, the closing day of the year, the press continues to take a hopeful view of the situation and of the possibility of a speedy wide field of Boer activity. Gen. Dewet is still at large; Kimberley is isolated, while the Boers are in force enough to have captured a strong position at Helvetia, in the Lydenburg district."

AT GREYLINGSTADT.
Details of the Greylingstad affair show that, while Colville's column was pursuing the Boers, a second force of 400 of the enemy was seen moving toward the camp where the British transport was 'impounded. The small British force made a plucky stand until reinforcements arrived with artillery, and after severe fighting the Boers were defeated. The British losses altogether are none killed and 63 wounded and missing. The Boers are said to have 31 killed."

Zeerust is practically besieged, but has provisions sufficient for five months. The garrison at Otto's Hoof has been withdrawn to Lichtenveld."

The Boers admit that in their flight with Gen. Clementi at Nootdiedacht they lost 130 men."

FRENCH'S FORCE.
London, Dec. 30.—According to a Johannesburg dispatch of Friday's date, Gen. French reoccupied Ventersdorp that day without opposition. This place being a great telegraph center, has been much used by the Boers for the dissemination of information. The possession of Ventersdorp, Richtenburg and Zeerust gives the British a strong hold upon this part of the country."

KIMBERLEY ALMOST ISOLATED.
According to a dispatch from Cradock, Kimberley, Cape Colony, is almost isolated by Boer raiders. No mails have reached Kimberley since Dec. 25."

VETERINARY SURGEONS.
JOHN H. WILSON, VETERINARY Surgeon. Office and residence, 846 Richmond street. Telephone 430. b

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Tenders for Supplies for the year 1901. SEALED TENDERS for supplies, addressed to the Superintending Engineer, Welland Canal, St. Catharines, will be received until 20 o'clock on Wednesday, 16th January, 1901, for the supply and delivery of various articles of Timber, Hardware, Castings, Fuel, Paints, Oil, etc., for use on the Welland Canal and its branches for the year 1901."

Specifications, forms of tender and other information can be obtained at the Superintending Engineer's Office, St. Catharines, on and after Monday, the 24th December, 1900.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. L. K. JONES, Secretary. Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, December 29th, 1900. 51x

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Is woman's crowning glory—and which every woman can have. If your hair is dull, thin, lifeless—Oriental Rum and Quinine Hair Tonic will give it new life, nourish and strengthen the roots, prevent the hair from falling out, make it grow soft, glossy and luxuriant.

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scouts, was severely wounded on Dec. 15 at Keatons.

The residents of Kingsville, Ont., are preparing a fitting reception for the seven men belonging to the Kingsville Cavalry who enlisted in the Canadian Mounted Rifles, and who are expected to arrive home early in January. The seven are Major A. H. King, Lieut. Mortimer Wigley, Sergt. Tilley, Angus McDonald, Ed Tripp and Wm. Maycock. Each will receive a gold watch.

THE CHINESE ASTONISHED!

Princes Ching and Chang Will Sign the Joint Note.

The Imperial Instructions Create Genuine Surprise—Gourt Preparing to Return to Peking.

Peking, Dec. 30.—The Chinese plenipotentiaries have been unexpectedly ordered to sign the preliminary joint note, and have notified the foreign envoys to that effect. The Chinese themselves are greatly astonished at receiving the Imperial instructions. Neither Li Hung Chang nor Prince Ching had expected success in persuading the court under ten days.

THE EMPEROR'S INSTRUCTIONS.
The emperor's instructions are to agree fully to the note, but to endeavor to get the best terms possible, particularly in the matter of limiting the number of the legion guards, and also to the places where these are to be located. The plenipotentiaries are instructed to endeavor to limit the number of railway posts along the line of railway to as few as possible, and finally to request the powers not to destroy the forts but merely to disarm them."

Li Hung Chang's health is bad, and it is doubtful whether he will be able to do more than affix his signature to any instrument, delegating his powers to Prince Ching until another plenipotentiary has been appointed. He was dressed this morning and carried in a chair to the residence of Prince Ching, with whom he had a long consultation. Prince Ching then called upon the boys of the diplomatic corps this afternoon, Minister Senor Declogan, and requested him to notify the other envoys that instructions had been received from the emperor to sign the note.

RETURN TO PEKING.
Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang say that Emperor Kwang Su has expressed a desire that the court should return to Peking at the end of February.

Shanghai, Dec. 30.—There are persistent reports in circulation here that the Imperial court is preparing to return to Peking. Chinese advisers from the capital say that 90 carts, with mules and horses have been dispatched to Tai Yuen Fu to meet and bring back the Imperial personages and their entourage. It is also asserted that Emperor Kwang Su has summoned Hu Ping Chih, former governor of the Province of Shan Si, to Shan Fu, to accompany him to Peking.

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BARGAINS AT PARISH'S STORE.—Few more baseburners left with ovens; 1 Red Cross, 2 Royals, Parlor and Cook Stoves for coal. Furniture, Bedroom sets, mattresses, Springs, all taken in exchange. Remember place, 37 Talbot street, south Market Square.

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LARGE FRONT ROOM, UPSTAIRS, well heated, and back parlor, down-stairs. 412 Waterloo street. 50c.

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OLD GOLD, SILVER, JEWELRY AND diamonds bought for cash. S. K. Millroy, manufacturing jeweler, 255 Dundas street.

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LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—BETWEEN 3 AND 5 O'CLOCK Saturday afternoon, either on the crossing of William and Dundas streets or on the street car, a lady's shopping bag, containing purse with bank bills and other money, with some other small matters. Finder will be rewarded by leaving it at Advertiser office. 50c.

LOST—GREAT DANE PUP, BRINDLE, 2 months old. Return, H. Raison, Ontario House, and receive reward. 50c.

LOST—ON CORNER DUNDAS AND Ridout streets, child's brown kid glove. Please return to 42 Colborne street. 50c.

FOUND—MONEY, IN TAX ROOM AT Fraser House, Dec. 22. Apply E. S. Hunt, collector. 50c.

LOST—ON THURSDAY, ON BELT line car, an ear-ring, with three amethysts. Reward of \$2 at this office. 50c.

THE PERSON WHO TOOK A GRAY Lambskin Collar from the Cronyn Hall at the children's entertainment on Thursday evening is requested to return same to 474 William street. 50c.

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J. T. WOLCOTT, ORGANIST FIRST Methodist Church. Teacher of piano organ and composition. Address 5 Prospect avenue.

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I am deeply sensible of, and fully appreciate the honor bestowed upon me by my fellow-citizens one year ago, in electing me a member of the City Council. In the hope that I have proven myself,

O. E. BRENER

worthy of the trust reposed in me, I beg to have your favor and confidence continued in future. Unable to call on all voters throughout the city, kindly accept this as a personal call, soliciting your good-will, VOTE AND INFLUENCE in re-electing me as alderman for 1901. 50c.

To Electors of City of London. Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for

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Respectfully solicits your vote and influence for re-election as

MAYOR

For the Year 1901. 40c.

BOERS CAPTURE HELVETIA POST!

British Lost 50 in Killed and Wounded and 200 Prisoners.

The Place Reoccupied by Reeves' Force—In Spite of Boer Activity the British Press Take a Hopeful View of the Situation—Kruger's Advice.

London, Dec. 31.—The war office has received the following dispatch from Lord Kitchener:

"Pretoria, Dec. 30, 7:50 a.m.—General Lyttelton reports that our post at Helvetia was captured yesterday morning by the Boers. About 50 were killed and wounded and 200 taken prisoners.

"Col. Kitchener reports that he is following with a small force in the track of the enemy. Helvetia being reoccupied by Reeves, who has been reinforced from Belfast.

"Helvetia was a very strong position on the Machadodorp-Lydenburg railway, and was held by a detachment of the Liverpool Regiment. Am asking for further information.

"French has occupied Ventersdorp. "Clements reports that he is opposed on the road to Rustenburg.

"The eastern line was blown up near Pan, and a train was held up this morning on the Standerton line, near Vaal station.

"White's column has arrived at Senekal.

"Knox's column and Boyes' brigade are holding Dewet from breaking south."

MORE RAIDERS.
A correspondent at Burgersdorp, writing Sunday reports as follows: "Two fresh commandoes are entering the colony. One has already crossed near Knaapdaar, and the arrival of another is momentarily expected in the Steynsburg district. The Boers are said to have two or three horses each, though in bad condition. They have no guns or transport, but are well supplied with Lee-Metford rifles and ammunition. Captured Boers say that the intention of these commandoes is to roam about and wait until Gen. Dewet appears upon the scene."

NOT DISCOURAGED.
While Lord Kitchener sends rather gloomy news for England, the closing day of the year, the press continues to take a hopeful view of the situation and of revelations of an enormous field of Boer activity. Gen. Dewet is still at large; Kimberley is isolated, while the Boers are in force enough to have captured a strong position at Helvetia, in the Lydenburg district.

AT GREYLINGSTADT.
Details of the Greylingstad affair show that while Colville's column was pursuing the Boers, a second force of 400 of the enemy was seen moving toward the camp where the British transport was stranded. The small British force made a plucky stand and reinforcements arrived with artillery, and after severe fighting the Boers were defeated. The British losses altogether are none killed and 63 wounded and missing. The Boers are said to have 21 killed.

Zeecus is practically besieged, but has provisions sufficient for five months. The garrison at Otto's Hoof has been withdrawn to Lichtenburg.

The Boers admit that in their fight with Gen. Clement's at Nootdiedacht they lost 100 men.

FRENCH'S FORCE.
London, Dec. 30.—According to a Johannesburg dispatch of Friday's date, Gen. French reoccupied Ventersdorp that day without opposition. This place being a great telegraph center, has been much used by the Boers for the dissemination of information. The possession of Ventersdorp, Richtersburg and Zeecus gives the British a strong hold upon this part of the country.

KIMBERLEY ALMOST ISOLATED.
According to a dispatch from Cradock, Kimberley, Cape Colony, is almost isolated by Boer raiders. No mails have reached

VETERINARY SURGEONS.

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WELLAND CANAL.

Tenders for Supplies for the year 1901. SEALED TENDERS for supplies, addressed to the Superintendent Engineer, Welland Canal, St. Catharines, will be received until 20 o'clock on Wednesday, 26th January, 1901, for the supply and delivery of various articles of Timber, Hardware, Castings, Fuel, Paints, Oil, etc., for use on the Welland Canal and its branches for the year 1901.

Specifications, forms of tender and other information can be obtained at the Superintendent Engineer's Office, St. Catharines, on and after Monday, the 24th December, 1900.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

L. K. JONES, Secretary, Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, December 20th, 1900.

there from Dec. 19 to Dec. 25. Provisions are at famine prices. The military took charge of all the food stuffs Dec. 22. The Leinster Regiment, commanded by Major Barry, had a skirmish lasting four hours with the Boers at Drefontein, Dec. 27, suffering slight losses. The Boers at Getuk captured a convoy of 25 wagons Christmas eve.

BOERS TURNED BACK.
A special from Naauwpoort dated Dec. 28, reports that Col. de Lisle defeated Heitzog, eighteen miles west of De Aar, capturing a number of wagons and releasing the prisoners captured at Philippstown. Lieut.-Col. Grenfell forced back Kitzinger towards Ventersdorp. Both commandoes are in a desperate plight and will probably never recross the Orange River.

NOT MUCH CHANGE.
London, Dec. 31.—Lord Kitchener, writing from Pretoria, Saturday, Dec. 29, says: There is not much change in the situation in Cape Colony. The eastern force of the enemy appears to have broken up into small bands at Uitenhage, and to be moving about in the same district, evidently waiting for support from the north. The last report states that the western force is moving to Carnarvon. De Lisle and Thorneycroft are in close pursuit.

A Standerton dispatch dated Dec. 28 says it is estimated that 2,000 Boers were engaged in the operations in North Natal, hoping to break the British lines of communication. This plan failed and the Boers were driven off in each case with more or less loss, their casualties in the past day or two numbering 50, while the British casualties were slight.

RECRUITING RAPIDLY.
Naauwpoort, Dec. 31.—Recruiting here for the Prince of Wales' Light Horse is proceeding at the rate of 40 men daily. Five hundred troopers are being raised here. The Prince recruits are getting the best terms possible, particularly in the matter of limiting the number of the legation guards, and also to the places where these are to be located. The plenipotentiaries are instructed to endeavor to limit the number of railway posts along the line of railway to as few as possible, and finally to request the powers not to destroy the forts but merely to disarm them.

KRUGER TO THE BOERS.
London, Dec. 31.—It is creditably reported, according to a dispatch from Newcastle, dated Dec. 29, that Louis Botha has informed Commandant Schreiner that Kruger has sent word that the burghers must lay down their arms or continue fighting on their own account, as no support from Europe can be expected.

All dispatches in London agree that the Cape Dutch have no inclination to rise, but, on the contrary, appear to be tired of the war, and desirous of peace. Many refuse to supply the Boers with food, and are willing to give information to the British regarding Boer movements.

HIGHLANDERS VS. BOERS.
London, Dec. 31.—A dispatch from Smithfield regarding the recent pursuit of Dewet gives an interesting account of the attempt of Dewet to capture the garrison at Commissee bridge, between Rouxville and Smithfield. The garrison consisted of about 40 Highland Light Infantry, under Lieut. Blair. Three hundred Boers were observed crossing a level stretch of country south of the river. The garrison promptly fired several volleys and forced them to retire. Soon afterwards, a parlementaire with a white flag arrived. On being blindfolded and brought into the British lines, he produced a note from the Boer commandant, calling upon the garrison to surrender within ten minutes. A sarcastic answer was returned to the effect that ten minutes would not be sufficient.

The Boers attacked next morning, when two guns were mounted on some rising ground south and southwest of the river, and 27 shells from one captured 15-pounder were sent into the works on either side of the bridge.

The enemy also attempted to attack the post by working up and down the river, but the reception they met with from the little garrison was so warm that they desisted from the attack. They made another attempt, however, getting behind a rise 300 yards off, but again our fire was too hot, and they retired.

The Boer casualties were two killed and five wounded, while ours were nil. It was a creditable performance on the part of the little garrison to stop 2,000 Boers for 24 hours.

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"I take my pen in hand to inform you of the great cure effected by your medicines. Some time ago my husband was taken down with lung fever. It came on him with a chill in the night. It happened I had a supply of your medicine in the house at the time. I rubbed his chest and back with the Radway's Ready Relief. I gave him a teaspoonful in a little hot water to drink, to help warm him and stimulate him, and in about half an hour three of the Radway's Pills. By the time the doctor came the next morning he was much better. The doctor wanted to know what I had been doing. I told him. He said that was good, that they were good medicines. Another case I had was with my little nephew, who was staying with me. He was taken with croup. I rubbed his chest, throat and back with the Ready Relief, gave him doses about an hour apart, followed it by a dose of pills. By the next day he was about all right. I have been using this medicine, with my family and my neighbors, for about 30 years, and never knew it to fail, when the directions were carefully followed. I would feel greatly obliged to you if you please forward me 'False and True,' one of your publications, for which I inclose stamp, for I absolutely need it at once, if you please. You are at liberty to make use of the testimony as you may think proper. Yours respectfully,

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No matter how violent or excruciating the pain, the Rheumatic, Bedridden, Infirm, Crippled, Nervous, Neuralgic or prostrated with diseases may suffer.

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WOMAN ATTACKS A BARROOM.

Mrs. Nation Smashes a \$100 Mirror and a Painting of Cleopatra at Her Bath.

Wichita, Kan., Dec. 31.—Mrs. Carrie Nation, president of Barber county W. C. T. U., entered the Carey Hotel bar room, and with a stone smashed a \$90 painting of Cleopatra at her bath and a mirror valued at \$100.

She is under arrest, but no charge has yet been entered. She appeared to Gov. Stanley, who is in the city, and he refused to act in any way.
She broke mirrors at Kiowa, Kan., in two saloons some months ago. She declares there is no law under which she can be prosecuted, and she threatens to continue her violent opposition to the saloons.

USE WOOD AND CANDLES

Leamington's Gas Supply Reduced—Going Back to Old-Time Fuel and Light.

Leamington, Ont., Dec. 31.—Owing to the dropping off of pressure of natural gas from this town's wells on Saturday, the factories in town had to be closed in order to get enough gas to furnish the residences. The supply of gas, and some parts of the town, was so small that wood had to be used to cook dinner, and some are still using it, with the small supply of gas, to keep residences comfortable.

About 4 o'clock in the afternoon the electric light company notified its customers that it would be unable to furnish current for the lights. Citizens are now burning lamps and candles.
This condition has probably arisen from the new well recently put down by the town being supplied from the same vein as the former well, and thereby lowering its level to such a depth that it is thought it will rise again after the cold snap, but not so high a pressure is expected as formerly.

A WORD OF WARNING

ABOUT CANCER PLASTERS.

They Will Cause You Untold Agony and Aggravate the Disease.

Plasters cannot cure cancer, because it is a constitutional disease. In the blood, and must be treated by a constitutional remedy. Our constitutional treatment for this disease has been wonderfully successful, even after plasters had been used and the cancer had returned. Here is an extract from a letter we have on file: "I had cancer of the breast, and hearing of a man who drew out cancers by plasters, I decided to try them. I suffered something dreadful, and after suffering all the agony, the cancer came back again as bad as ever." This lady, whose name and address you can have on application, goes on to say that by the time she had finished the third bottle of our constitutional remedy, the lump had all gone. This is only a sample case of hundreds we might cite. Any one suffering from cancer should send two stamps to Stott & Jure, Bowmanville, Ont., at once, for full particulars of their new and painless method of treating cancer and all malignant growths.

BODIES WASHED ASHORE.

Twenty Men of a British Ship's Crew Lost.

Thrilling Experience of the Steamer Lake Megantic.

Sad Death of the Captain of a Spanish Steamer—Coasts of France and Britain Strown With Wrecks.

London, Dec. 31.—Quantities of wreckage have been thrown up on the different coasts, evidences of disasters from the gale not yet reported.

The Great Western Railway Company's steamer, plying between Milford and Waterford, which, last night, was reported twelve hours overdue, reached Waterford thirty-two hours late. The remainder of the crew of the Spanish steamer Eusebio, which was driven ashore at the Portland breakwater (where 22 men got ashore, leaving five on the wreck), have been landed. The captain revisited the vessel this morning as he stepped on the deck the ship heeled over and sank. The captain was drowned.

The French barque Seine, from Iquique, Sept. 23, for Dunkirk, has been driven ashore at Perramporth, Cornwall. The crew, numbering twenty-three men, were saved by the rocket apparatus.

The bodies of twenty members of the crew of the British barque Primrose Hill, Capt. Wilson, from Liverpool, for Vancouver, which went on the rocks three miles off South Stack during the gale, and broke up, have been washed ashore.

The Russian barque Kings County (Capt. Karlson, from Bristol, Dec. 3, for Darin), has returned to Cardiff with rigging and bows damaged and other injuries suffered by colliding with a vessel supposed to be the Italian barque Zefiro (Capt. Patuzzo, from Bristol, Dec. 13, for Mobile).

The Zefiro is ashore at Clevedon, on the River Severn. Her crew were taken off by the lifeboat.

The British ship King Edward (Capt. Rhode, from Antwerp, Dec. 15, for San Francisco), has anchored in the Downs with loss of sails, and a man washed overboard. She reported having been driven back from Falmouth by heavy weather.

ON THE FRENCH COAST.

Paris, Dec. 31.—A gale raging from the ports say the gale raged with extreme violence, and that a number of fishing smacks and coasting vessels have been wrecked. Nine fish boats have been stranded near Dunkirk and three of them will prove total wrecks. Their crews were seen clinging to the rigging, but the majority of them were beyond reach of the rockets. A lifeboat gallantly rescued many of the fishermen, but ten of them perished.

A brig was totally lost on the Sables de Looe. Of her crew four men were drowned and two reached the beach by clinging to barrels, but before the onlookers could seize them they were swept back and sank.
The fishing smack Esperance foundered off Treport, and three fishermen were lost. A pilot boat belonging to Havre has been lost with two men.

MEGANTIC HAD TO PUT BACK.

Queenstown, Dec. 31.—The British steamer Lake Megantic (Capt. Taylor) from Liverpool, Dec. 25, and Queens- town, Dec. 26, for St. John, returned to Queens-town harbor yesterday (Sunday) morning, after a terrible experience in the gale. She left Queens-town Wednesday, carrying the Canadian mails, 45 saloon and second cabin passengers and about 500 emigrant passengers, principally foreigners, with many Jews among them. She had reached a point about 400 miles west on Thursday night, when she encountered a merciless gale. Behaving splendidly, she would have got through had not the steering gear become damaged badly, placing her in a dangerous position. The crew worked bravely and rigged hand gear, and the vessel was again brought under control. Unfortunately the hand gear became damaged.

AN AWFUL TIME.

The deck hands had an awful time. The gale lasted twenty hours, and an immense sea broke over the vessel, smashing the booby hatch and flooding her between decks, where the steerage passengers were located. It also washed away a great portion of the fittings and did considerable damage. Three lifeboats were smashed. Some of the crew were seriously injured, and one seaman was killed on deck. When the storm moderated Capt. Taylor decided to return to Queens-town. It was difficult work to steer the big ship, but she managed to reach here without assistance. Her officers and men were exhausted. The Beaver Company directed Capt. Taylor to take the Lake Megantic to Liverpool, and she proceeded this evening with all her passengers and mails, to be transferred to the Lake Superior, which will leave the Mersey Tuesday. The company ordered a tug to accompany her, but none was available here. Tugs will be sent from Liverpool to meet her. There will be considerable anxiety as to her safety in her present disabled condition. It was impossible to interview any of the Lake Megantic's people, and the company's agents are reticent. But it is understood there were indescribable scenes among the passengers, who are said to have been in despair for hours, expecting that the steamer would founder at any moment.

THE GALE RENEWED.

London, Dec. 31.—A dispatch from Dover says the gale has renewed, and that the wind is blowing heavily in the channel.

SIX MEN KILLED.

Keyser, West Va., Dec. 29.—One of the most disastrous accidents in the history of railroad building in West Virginia, happened at Baker Camp, near Durbin, Pocahontas county on Thursday. Some dynamite had been placed around the stove to thaw, when a terrific explosion wrecked the camp, killing three men outright and injuring three others, three of whom have since died.

Winston Churchill and Major Pond have had a disagreement on regard to terms on which the war correspondence will lecture.

A SOUR STOMACH

Is Often the Real Cause of a Sour Temper.

That the condition of the digestive organs has a marked effect upon the character or disposition is a truism as old as the hills. Old Ben Johnson wisely said "the pleasure of living depends upon the liver," and it is a fact which none may dispute that a sunny disposition more often results from a healthy digestion than from any other cause.

Acid dyspepsia, commonly called sour stomach or heartburn, is caused by slow digestion of food; instead of being promptly digested and converted into blood, bone and muscle, it lies in the stomach for hours fermenting and decaying, creating gases which cause pressure on the lungs and heart, short breath and general discomfort and irritation.

Such half-digested food is indeed poor nourishment for the body, brain and nerves, and the result is shown in irritable tempers, unaccountable headaches and that depressing condition usually called the "blues," but now quickly all these disappear when appetite and digestion are restored.

Laxative medicines only irritate the already irritated stomach and bowels and have no effect upon actual digestion of food.
The sensible course to follow is to make use of simple natural digestives like Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after meals until the stomach has a chance to recuperate.

The natural digestives which every healthy stomach contains are pepsines, diastase and hydrochloric and lactic acids, and when any of them are lacking the trouble begins; the reason Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are so valuable and successful in curing stomach troubles is because they contain, in a pleasant concentrated tablet form all these absolutely necessary essentials for perfect digestion and assimilation of food.

Henry Kirkpatrick, of Lawrence, Mass., says: "Men and women whose occupation precludes an active out-door life, whatever it be, find it a daily practice to use Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after meals. I have done so myself, and I know positively that I owe my present health and vigor to their daily use."

From the time I was 23, when I graduated from school with broken health from overwork, until I was 34 I scarcely knew what it was to be free from stomach weakness. I had no appetite whatever for breakfast and very little for any other meal.

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The success and popularity of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are enormous, but it is deserved, and every druggist in the United States, Canada and Great Britain has a good word for this meritorious preparation.

COAL MINING IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

Sir W. Van Horne and Others Have Organized a Company to Work the Crow's Nest Pass Collieries.

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 31.—Sir William Van Horne and several of his eastern business associates have just secured a company charter, with a capitalization of \$4,000,000, for the development of the coal mining industry of Fairview, B.C. The ultimate purpose of the company is to control the entire coal and coke business in connection with mining in the interior in opposition to the highly developed properties in the Crow's Nest Pass. The directorate of the new company is composed of Sir W. C. Van Horne, C. E. Ross, K. B. Angus, W. D. Matthews and other eastern capitalists.

The powers of the company, with its very large coal stock, are to acquire and operate coalfields over a district extending 50 miles from the southern end of Okanagan Lake. Pentiction lies at the end of the lake, and immediately to the south is a large basin of highly mineralized ground, where coal is known to exist in large quantities. The Fairview corporation two years ago prospected the ground, and sold coal to the surrounding neighborhood at \$5 a ton; but transportation facilities and the coal project was dropped for the time being. Now it is expected that the whole field will be thoroughly opened.
The completion of the branch line of the C. P. R. to Midway, and thence to Pentiction, furnishes good railroad facilities, and the Crow's Nest Pass coal project is much nearer the Kootenay smelters than the Crow's Nest Pass collieries.

Western Ontario.

The marriage took place at Dresden of William Charter, of Windsor, and Miss Elizabeth C. Sims.

John Ladleur has been arrested at Blenheim, charged with the theft of grain from a farmer named Armstrong. Searching and Hastings, in the township of Harwich.

Thomas Roe, of Seaford, one of the pioneers of McKillop, died very suddenly just after eating his Christmas dinner. He was 89 years of age, and had of late resided in Seaford.

Mr. Wm. Burrage, ex-sanitary inspector of St. Thomas, died on Thursday, aged 68 years. Mr. Burrage had been a respected resident of St. Thomas for the past 23 years.

Mr. A. Abbey, license inspector for the license district of South Waterloo, having resigned on account of advancing years, Mr. Richard H. Knowles, of Hespeler, has been appointed in his stead.

Rev. C. W. Brown, who has been pastor of James Street Church, Exeter, for two years, has been given an unanimous invitation to remain for the third year. Mr. Brown has accepted, and will not therefore go to Aymer, to which place he was invited.

Mr. F. J. Ross, accountant at the Merchants' Bank, Mitchell, received a handsome Christmas box in the shape of a letter from the management announcing his appointment as manager of the Elora branch. He will be succeeded by Mr. F. B. Holtby.

The death occurred at St. Thomas, on Tuesday, of John Ward, in his 27th year. He was one of the most popular young men in that city. Mrs. Robert Emslie, wife of National League Umpire Emslie, and Miss Mary Ward, are sisters of deceased.

A well-known pioneer of Zorra, Wm. Deland, died on Monday, aged 68 years. The deceased was born in England and came to Canada about 50 years ago, settling in Zorra, but subsequently removed to Harrington. He leaves a widow, three daughters and two sons. They are: Mrs. Prais and Mrs.



THE WEATHER TODAY—Snow and decidedly colder.

Clearing Sale of Stylish Jackets

We will end up this century and start the new one by giving all a remarkable chance to buy a good, stylish Jacket for very little money. Anyone knowing anything about the excellence of our stock will not hesitate to respond. In addition to those described below, we have many others at reduced prices. Only room here to speak of a few, and to get any idea of the values offering you must see the garments. Every one is this season's and of high-grade quality.

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A Windsor correspondent says: W. R. Bond, nephew of Louis Greisinger, of the British-American Brewery, was united in marriage with Miss Luck Hamilton, a Wisconsin girl, while an elder sister, who had been watching over Lucy, was enjoying a theatrical performance. Bond and his bride-elect attended the theater under the watchful eye of the sister, but took their departure for the minister's residence during the performance of the play.

In three divisions of Elgin county councillors were elected by acclamation, viz.: No. 2 Dunwich, A. J. Leitch, Edward McKellar; No. 4 Yarmouth, W. O. Pollock, James H. Yarrowood, No. 6 Bayham and South Dorchester, Vienna and Springfield, Wm. Ford, David P. Moore, No. 5 Malahide and Aymer—Those nominated were: Mahlon E. Lyon, Oscar McKenney, Wm. Reeky, Southwood—F. Hunt, W. Jackson, A. Turner.

Dr. R. V. K. Montfort, for 40 years superintendent of public schools of Newburgh, N. Y., died this (Saturday) morning. He was 65 years old.

Alice Worthington, an American art student, living in a small room in an obscure street in the Latin quarter, was recently found unconscious in her room, almost dying of starvation says a New York World dispatch from Paris. Miss Worthington arrived in Paris last February. A fortnight ago she met two other American girls copying paintings. For a week they met daily. The girls are now nursing her, and she may recover.

New York is to have a workmen's banquet on New Year's Eve. Edwin Markham has promised to write and

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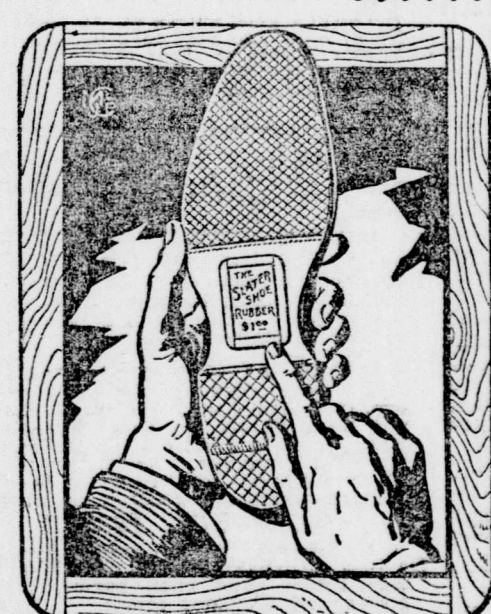
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THE WORLD OF SPORTS.

Canadian Rider Wins Big Bike Race at Boston.

Hockey Season To Be Opened Here on Thursday—Glencoe Gets the Championship.

WHEEL

ANOTHER GRIND.

Boston, Dec. 29.—Yesterday the riders entered for the international six-day race began to arrive in this city, and by today almost all will be here. Those who arrived yesterday were Louis Gimm, of Pittsburgh, American 24-hour indoor champion, and Archie McEachern, the Canadian champion, who, in company with Burns Pierce, won second prize in the New York team race.

With them were Bobbie Thompson and Lester Wilson. The former will handle McEachern and latter Gimm. In addition to Wilson old Tom Eck will watch the Pittsburgh rider, and he expects him to win. It was Eck who took such care of Elkes and McFarland that they were able to win the last race.

Today Gougoltz, Fischer, Fredericks, Muller, Ancoutier, Kaiser and Ryser will leave New York. When they have all arrived the visiting aggregation will include at least 100 racing men and trainers, both amateur and professional, who will compete in the races. Besides, there will be more than fifteen motor tandems in this city by the opening of the paced racing, and that insures some hot motor races.

It is not improbable that at least 25 professionals will start in the 25-mile race next Saturday night, and it will be the biggest field ever brought together in a race of its kind in the world.

CANADIAN RIDER WON IT.

Boston, Dec. 29.—The indoor bicycle season in Boston opened tonight at Park Square Garden. The track on which, its first trial, promises well for the six days' race next week. The big event tonight was the 25-mile championship, in which 11 of the 22 entries started. It was after 10 o'clock when the start was made, and for the first few laps sprinting was in order. It was announced that the laps lost on the first mile would not be counted.



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Gougoltz, the Frenchman, held the lead for the first mile. Hugh McLean, of Chelsea, jumped past him on the sixth lap, but lost the lead directly. Gougoltz still led at the end of the second mile, but lost the third to Will C. Stinson, of Cambridge. Archie McEachern, of Toronto, got the fourth mile by a sprint at the finish. Bobbie Walthour, of Atlanta, Ga., took the fifth mile nicely, but came to grief on the sixth mile. The contest had narrowed to Stinson, Ryser, McEachern and McLean. Stinson took the seventh and eighth, and tenth. McEachern got the twelfth, the ninth and eleventh. Ryser took the twentieth mile, but the last five and the race went to the little boy from Canada.

In the final half-mile championship, the crowd was bunched from the start. E. J. Cadwell, of Hartford, winning at the tape. Lester Wilson, of Pittsburgh, Pa., and P. G. Vancotte, of New York, took the second and third prizes. In the mile professional the trial heats were fast. In the final it was a walkover for Joe Downey.

Harry Elkes gave an exhibition mile behind his motor. He made the quarter in 20 seconds, the half in 59 1/2, the three-quarters in 1:23 and the mile in 1:50 1/2.

One-half mile amateur indoor championship—Final heat won by Treadwell, Hartford; Luther Wilson, Pittsburgh, second; P. G. Vancotte, New York, third; J. J. McKinnon, Boston, fourth. Time, 1:07.

Mile professional, handicap—Final heat won by Joe Downey, Boston, 50 yards; Will C. Stinson, Cambridge, 40 yards; second; Jean Gougoltz, Paris, scratch, third; Karl Kiser, Berlin, 10 yards, fourth. Time, 2:07 1/2.

Mile motor-paced exhibition by Harry Elkes; time, 1:50 1/2.

International 25-mile un-paced race for the championship of the world. Won by Archie McEachern, Toronto; Ryser, of Germany, second; Hugh McLean, of Chelsea, Mass., third.

Winner's time, 1:05:01 1/2. The three men were bunched. W. G. Stinson, of Cambridge, was fourth, three laps behind.

HOCKEY.

ON THE EXECUTIVE.

Toronto, Dec. 29.—J. Ross Robertson, president of the Ontario Hockey Association, has appointed Harry J. Powell, of Woodstock, a member of the executive. Mr. Powell is the late president of the Central Ontario Hockey Association.

OFF SIDES.

Eighteen candidates for the junior and senior teams were on the ice at Friday night's practice. The juniors are showing up remarkably well, and make up in speed what they lack in weight. The youngsters should put up a hard fight for the championship of their district.

Ernie Westcott and Percy Asplund could not keep away from the ice any longer, and were out in uniform Friday night. Westcott is the same as of yore, and seems to be even faster this year than he was last season. Asplund has improved greatly over the best form he showed last season, and will make one of the best men on the ice. Belcher, Lindsay, Hern and Kitchin are all good men, and the great trouble will be to sift out the one who will best fit in.

Tibbory's application for permission to play "Bert" Morrison was unceremoniously "turned down" by the O. H. A. executive. Morrison is working in a bank in Ridgeway, and would be a great acquisition to any team, as he was said to be the best stick handler in Toronto last season. Tibbory's team is said to be a strong one, as they

have a first-class rink and have been hard at work getting into trim.

Gordon H. Gauthier, of Windsor, has been agreed upon as referee. The game will be played at the Jubilee Rink on Thursday, Jan. 3.

There is a \$10 fine imposed by the O. H. A. officials upon the club which delays the commencement of the game this season, so that Thursday's match will be started at 8 p.m. sharp.

FOOTBALL.

CHAMPIONSHIP GOES TO GLENCOE.

Glencoe, Ont., Dec. 29.—The Glencoe Football Club has won the championship of the Peninsula League through Walkerville defaulting, the game which was to have been played here today to decide the question of supremacy. The cup which represents the championship is now in the Glencoe club's possession.

TURF.

THE OAKLEY COURSE.

Cincinnati, Dec. 29.—A deal was closed today whereby T. H. Griffin, of Detroit, gained a five years' lease on the Oakley race course, and in the future the track will be devoted to trotting races. At the next meeting of the stewards of the grand circuit an application will be filed by the Oakley people for admission. The first meeting will be held in July. At this meeting between \$5,000 and \$40,000 will be given away in stakes.

SATURDAY'S WINNERS.

At New Orleans—Bright Night, Gradous, Isen, Moroni, Donna Seay, and Belle of Orleans.

At Tanforan, San Francisco—Edna Brown, Bill Garrett, Credo, Brutal, Opponent and Phoenix.

RISEN FROM ITS RUINS

Magnificent Theater Francais in Paris Reopened.

Fatal Election Riot in Madrid—Swedish Army To Be Supplied With Snowshoes.

BRILLIANT REOPENING.

Paris, Dec. 31.—A brilliant spectacle was presented at the Theater Francais Saturday night on the return of the Comedie Francaise to its old home, which has been rebuilt since it was destroyed by fire last March. The occasion was celebrated with a gala performance, and it is doubtful if the historic play house ever held a more distinguished gathering of representative Frenchmen. The chief of state and Madame Loubet occupied the presidential box, while the king of the Belgians made a special trip from Brussels to attend the function, engaging the Balgnoire, formerly belonging to his uncle, the Duc d'Aumale. M. Waldeck-Rousseau, the premier, members of the cabinet, and all the leading lights in politics, literature and the drama were assembled within the famous edifice. United States Ambassador Porter and his daughter sat in the ambassadorial box.

The programme consisted of the fourth act of Corneille's "Le Cid," the third act of Moliere's "Femmes Savantes," concluding with a prologue on the reopening of the theater, written by Richepin, Mounet-Sully, Silvain, Coquelin, Cadel and Mesdames Dudley, who escaped the fire when Henriot perished, Barretta and Bartet took the leading roles.

SNOWSHOES FOR SOLDIERS.

London, Dec. 31.—The Swedish minister of war has decided to supply the army with snowshoes.

FATAL ELECTION RIOT.

Madrid, Dec. 31.—Two persons were killed and eleven seriously wounded at Vivar, Province of Grenada, during an election riot.

ASHANTEE REBELLION HAS ENDED.

London, Dec. 31.—Col. Wilcocks has cabled the government that the Ashanti rebellion has ended, all of the rebel chiefs having surrendered.

CABLE NOTES.

The Ottoman Government has contracted for the reconstruction of the Ottoman battleship Assar-I-Tewfik at the Germania wharf, Kiel, at a cost of £1,500,000.

The Cologne Gazette says that Germany, in a friendly way, informed the port that if the claims of the United States for damages growing out of the Armenian outrages were granted, Germany would expect similar treatment.

The foreign engagements of the port of the purchase and renovation of warships and for naval and military artillery now amount to £2,400,000, says the Constantinople correspondent of the Times, while the treasury is absolutely empty and internal debts increase daily.

The Ashanti and Danish Governments are engaged in direct negotiations for the sale of the Danish West Indies, says the Copenhagen correspondent of the Daily Mail.

A serum against the foot-and-mouth disease, discovered by Prof. Loeffler, and described at the Paris Medical Congress last summer, is being manufactured in Germany commercially. Further experiments have given excellent results.

The German private shipyards in 1900 completed 250,000 tons of vessels, which is three times above the tonnage turned out in 1886 and a fifth per cent above the tonnage of 1883.

British yards built in 1900, 100,000 tons for German account, and German yards built 113,000 tons for foreign account. Seven hundred ships in all, over 780,000 tons, are building for German account in German private and foreign yards. Forty-eight warships are being built in German private yards.

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DRESSMAKING.

DRESS CUTTING SCHOOL—SPECIAL rates for cutting instructions from Nov. 23 until Christmas. School will be closed during January. Trial lesson free. Mrs. K. Franks, 223 Dundas street.

Suggestions for Consideration by the Ontario Government.

1. The abolition of tolls.

We have discussed many times the desirability of the abolition of all tolls. They are a relic of bygone times. The Proof Line is the only road on which tolls exist in the County of Middlesex, and they should not exist there. Every time a farmer, or, for that matter, anyone else, pays toll, he pays so much more taxes. It is a nuisance, and a burden to a large portion of the residents of London Township.

In other counties tolls exist, and are a greater nuisance than they are even in this country, but wherever they are to be found they have outlived their usefulness, and their abolition will be received with thankfulness.

Why have they not been abolished? It will, we think, be admitted that their abolition is desirable; but it will be claimed by some, for instance, that if money is paid by the whole County of Middlesex to abolish the Proof Line tolls, that it is unjust to some other portion of the county. It will be claimed, perhaps, by some county in which tolls do not exist, that if provincial funds are used to abolish tolls in another county, that such county will receive an unfair advantage, and other arguments along this line will be used.

We do not think they constitute any answer. You cannot legislate with perfect equality in questions of the kind. Take for example the distribution of the municipal loan fund. Was it entirely equitable? Were such works as the London and Port Stanley Railway recognized to the extent they should have been? We do not say the desire did not exist to act with perfect justice, and doubtless what was done was done in that belief. What we do say is you cannot weigh such questions exactly; and just so with the abolition of tolls. They are a public nuisance, and public moneys should get rid of them.

Take any public work you choose to name. It is not located without doing more good to one municipality than another. Take the London Asylum. It is of much value to the whole west, but of more value to London in particular. And so it is with every public work. Then at the present time colonization roads are built through the unsettled portions of the province, and a good work it is, but of advantage mainly to the localities in which the roads are made. The proprietors of the toll roads have spent money on their construction and maintenance. They caused good roads to be made at an earlier time than would otherwise have been the case. They were, in a certain sense, colonization roads, and if it is just to use public funds to build colonization roads, and we think it is eminently just, so we think it equally just to remove the burden of toll roads by public purchase or by any other means that can be devised.

Toll roads belong to the early part of the century, and should never have seen its close. A progressive province like Ontario, that leads in everything, should not try to do what is impossible. It should not allow tolls to exist until the mythical day when they can be abolished with absolute certainty to every municipality. It should not allow many years of the 19th century to go by without abolishing for ever all tolls in the province, thereby maintaining its right to be considered progressive.

DISASTROUS FIRE VISITS WEST LORNE.

Large Proportion of the Business Section Burned Out—Loss Estimated at \$100,000.

West Lorne, Ont., Dec. 31.—The village was visited last night by the most disastrous fire in its history, the principal portion of the business part of the town being wiped out.

The fire started in the grocery store of McColl Bros., on the east side of Graham street, at 7:20 p.m. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

THE LOSERS.

The grocery store of McColl Bros., H. J. Hale's butcher shop, J. Kelce's bakery, Mrs. Alton's millinery, the postoffice, the telephone office, P. J. Lindemann's general store, Shippey Bros.' tailor shop, Harvey and Jamieson's drug store, Duncan McKillop's residence, E. O'Brien's carriage shop and Hugh McKillop's residence were totally destroyed, with the contents, very little being saved from the burning buildings, and loss of life narrowly averted.

"It is not known just what amount of insurance was carried by the sufferers, but a number of families were left almost destitute. The St. Thomas and Ridgeway fire companies were telegraphed for, the former arriving by special train on the M. C. R., but too late to be of much assistance, the fire having been gotten under control by the local firemen, who worked heroically with their meager means for fighting fire, there being no organized fire company in the village.

Frank Walden Pettigrew, son of United States Senator Pettigrew, of South Dakota, was seriously injured by an usher in a Kansas city theatre last night. He lighted a cigarette in the lobby and thereby became involved in a controversy with an usher as to the rule forbidding smoking. He was struck a vicious blow, which fractured and dislocated his jaw. Young Pettigrew served in the floor army.

A machine that washes and dries 8,000 dishes an hour has been invented, and it is guaranteed that plates, cups, saucers and other dishes come out of the wash without a scratch.

GLANCES AT THE OLD WORLD

Cabled Comment on Current Events by Correspondents of New World Papers.

The South African Situation—Gen. Sir Henry Colville Refuses To Be Made a Scapegoat—The Financial Situation—France and Newfoundland.

London, Dec. 30.—In a special cable dispatch I. N. Ford says of the situation in South Africa: The Boer operations disclosed in the latest dispatches indicate a deliberate but unsuccessful attempt to break the British lines of communication. The raid across the Orange River has been a failure. The bands of guerrillas have been headed off and are retreating. The Dutch sympathizers in Cape Colony may be ready to offer political assistance, but they will not fight. The Boers, having failed to shift the scene of military operations southwards, are now resuming their harassing tactics along the railways leading from Natal and through the Orange River Colony. Skirmishing is constant, but no advantage is gained.

Brief summaries of these petty fights show that there is a daily casualty list on the British side, and this is enlarged by mortality from fever and various diseases. When the lines are broken by over 200,000 men, the accounts of these operations are gloomy reading for a nation weary of war and anxious for the restoration of peace, but it is inaccurate to represent the British army as acting on the defensive and barely holding its ground. It would be more correct to assert that there is no real progress on either side.

Old soldiers who keep watch of what is going on say that Lord Kitchener is doing as well as could be expected; that he is gradually wearing out the Boers; that Dewet will be run down sooner or later, and that the bands will be dispersed when their horses and ammunition give out. They do not expect important results from the establishment of government laagers for the protection of the burghers and their families who are willing to surrender. The Dutch women are more bitter than the burghers themselves, and are unwilling to live in the laagers under the British flag.

MORALIZING.

Moralists with a century as well as a year behind them are making a week of it. Everything is reviewed from finance to football, and pessimism is the prevailing note. The English mind finds at the close of the year some things to be glad of, but not an optimist. The English are the severest critics of their own shortcomings, and expose themselves with stark-naked candor. The impression created by columns of croaking and foreboding is that everything is going wrong; that the South African war was bungled from first to last; that the British prestige has been impaired; that the finances of the campaign have been badly managed; that the government has been compelled to borrow money at rates nobody would have believed likely; that the American loyalty of the colonies invigorated and imperial interests centered, and that while competition is steadily increasing in foreign commerce, home trade was never better nor the financial stability of the country more certain. While the war is still dragging on the Dutch governments have been overthrown beyond a chance of restoration, and the richest gold fields of the world have been captured and brought under tribute to British prosperity.

BRITISH FINANCES.

Mr. Ford writes of the financial situation as follows: The most significant feature of the monetary situation is the shrinkage of the reserve in the Bank of England. Old-fashioned bankers have shaken their heads grimly over the reduction of the reserves of the bank and the ability of American, French and German capitalists to subvert the financial system here to a severe strain; but the man in the street has not been alarmed, for he has known that the bankers of all great money centers support one another. The bank's reserves will naturally be increased during the next two months in all the financial journals, which frankly admit that a great balance of indebtedness is held uncollected against England, and may produce an outward drain of gold at any time. The wonderful development of American productive resources and the force of competition in foreign markets is frankly conceded, and the gloomiest prophet of evil for the United Kingdom foresees nothing but prosperity and the accumulation of wealth for the United States.

THE WAR OFFICE.

Discussing military affairs, Mr. Ford says: The most controversial question is the real stronghold of military administration. The Duke of Cambridge was for a long period commander-in-chief of the British army, with almost autocratic power over its officers. When he reluctantly retired, Lord Wolseley entered headquarters as a reformer, but a civilian secretary of war really took command of the army. Lord Wolseley has come out and Lord Roberts is coming in, but it is not yet clear whether Mr. Broderick intends to relax his civilian grip upon the service. The recall of Sir Henry Colville to London, and the resignation of Col. Sprague, indicate that the new secretary of war considers himself responsible for the enforcement of discipline among officers, and does not intend to shift his duties on to the shoulders of his subordinates.

A point which interests military men is whether Lord Roberts as commander-in-chief will be left under the thumb of the secretary of war, as Lord Wolseley was, or whether Mr. Broderick, with the House of Commons behind him, will assume the responsibility for making and unmaking military reputations as well as reforming the entire administration of the army.

The Queen is generally believed to hold strong views of her own respecting the command of the army. She considers the services of some members of the royal family necessary, and would be well pleased if the Duke of Connaught were made adjutant-general and placed in the line of succession to Lord Roberts. This is objectionable from a parliamentary point of view, since the frank discussion of military affairs is impossible when a member of the royal family is commander-in-chief.

GEN. COLVILLE'S CASE.

Major-Gen. Sir Henry Colville, whose resignation has been demanded by the war office, but who refused to resign, and came to England from Gibraltar, to demand a trial by court-martial to establish the facts of the case. He has made a counter-stroke at the war office in a 3,000 word statement which he has sent to his constituents. He says he has come home to demand a free inquiry, and does not intend to be made a scapegoat for the sake of the army. He says that the Lindley disaster could never have happened had he been informed of Lord Roberts' intentions. The primary cause of the disaster, he says, was the insufficient information given by the headquarters staff to Col. Sprague and himself, and his decline to accept the blame. He lays out the facts and blames others. Gen. Colville and his influential friends in and out of the army are thus beginning a campaign against the resignation of Lord Roberts.

ORDERED TO RESIGN.

When he returned from South Africa Gen. Colville says he fully acquainted the war office with the facts. After some time he was informed by Gen. Sir Evelyn Wood, the adjutant-general, that Lord Lansdowne, then secretary of state for war, had directed him to say that Gen. Lord Wolseley, the commander-in-chief, approved of Gen. Colville's resignation. He learned unofficially that an army board of five of the highest officers of the war office had considered his statements and Lord Roberts' dispatches on the subject. His resignation was the result of the inquiry. He says he was told by Gen. Wood, on Dec. 21, notified him that William St. John Broderick, the newly appointed adjutant-general, had been told him responsible for the loss of the Yonamary, and ordered him to quit his command immediately, and hand over his resignation.

COLVILLE PUSHED ON.

Gen. Colville, going into official details, says he was ordered to concentrate his division at Heilbron on May 23, and names the various dispositions of the other divisions, which extended across the Orange Free States. He assumed that Lord Roberts intended to advance, and before the advance he was ordered to take up his position. He says he was ordered to take up his position, and he had to carry them out. Hence he could not go to the relief of the 500 Yonamary without risking the success of the operation. He says he considered it his duty to push on, even if he was ordered to retreat. He says he had enough food for two days. He pushed on, and the Yonamary surrendered. Lord Roberts broke up Gen. Colville's division and expressed his dissatisfaction.

"On my pointing out that I had obeyed his orders to the letter," declares Gen. Colville, "he said his orders were only intended as a guide. Gen. Colville adds that he was told by Lord Roberts that he was to be a scapegoat, and that he was to be made a scapegoat for the sake of the army. Gen. Colville says that the corps d'elite numbered 500, and my force nearly eight times that number." Gen. Colville gives two examples of what he considers Lord Kitchener's "defective staff work."

THE NEW CENTURY.

Reviews of the year and century fill the weekly and daily papers. In the latter and broader field the writers find greater satisfaction that America's part in England's history figures prominently. Sir Edwin Arnold signifies the new century with a sonnet. Greeting Columbia, England says:

"I send thee motherly kiss and benison, love me or love me not; Hap what may hap, my pride and prayer—Thou dost uphold the lessons learned from me and speakest my Shakespeare's speech—God go with thee!"

Columbia answers:

"If thy foes too much dare, I think we shall be no more kept asunder, Than two great clouds in heaven that hold the thunder."

That Sir Edwin Arnold's views are not unanimously shared can be judged from a letter of Mr. Cunningham Graham (former member of parliament), which is given a place of honor in the Saturday Review. The writer derides the "brave" speech of Senator Depew, Lord Salisbury and others, and declares this friendship has resulted only in kicks for Great Britain, in the cases of Venezuela, San Juan, Alabama and Boer awards. He says: "We went on patting ourselves upon our diaphragms, and saying that the bright corner of the sun was shining on the backs of the Spaniards, they gave us nothing of a kindred sort when we started in to crush our brother Boers. Last, on top of all of our concessions, come the clauses of the senate in the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, in which we are commanded to assist to kick No. 29, and I suppose Lord Salisbury is going to turn his ample shoulders to receive it and assure the kickers of his distinguished consideration and thank them for the energy with which it is bestowed. It seems impossible, so the experts tell us, that the same could be defended, even though fortified, in case of war."

FRANCE AND NEWFOUNDLAND.

The semi-official Paris Temps, favorably commenting on the prospects of the Anglo-French negotiations regarding the Newfoundland French shore, says: "France cannot be deprived of her incontestable and undisputed rights. An understanding must be arrived at; but this task is not above the efforts of the diplomats of the two countries. It would be especially happy that this cause of perpetual misunderstandings and permanent bad relations should, thanks to the wisdom and good-will of the two governments, become the basis for accord and that Newfoundland, instead of being a bone of contention, becomes the cause of a close kinship into which the French and English are bound."

ENGLISH ENTERPRISE.

In connection with the proposed Nicaragua Canal, it is said that when the United States definitely decides to build, one of the greatest shipbuilding concerns in England will simultaneously open in one of the Gulf ports an immense shipyard. Several steel manufacturers are also said to be considering the advisability of establishing American plants. The Manufacturers' Record, speaking in behalf of the English trade, says: "The men who have dominated the metallurgical interests of the world for so many years, whose trade ramifications extend to every civilized country, are not the men to yield to America's supremacy without sharing in it by becoming a factor in America's production. To these giants of industry it is not very material whether the sources of production be England or Pennsylvania or Alabama. The people of America should welcome the incoming of this capital, not only for its material benefits, but for that close kinship into which the United States and Great Britain would be drawn."

Saw Death Near.

"It often made my heart ache," writes L. C. Overstreet, of Elgin, Tenn., to hear my wife cough until it seemed her weak and sore lungs would collapse. Good doctors said she was so far gone with Consumption that no medicine or earthly cure could save her, but a friend recommended Dr. New's Discovery, and persistent use of this excellent medicine saved her life. It's absolutely guaranteed for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma, and all Throat and Lung diseases. 50c and \$1 at W. T. Strong & Co's. Trial bottle free.

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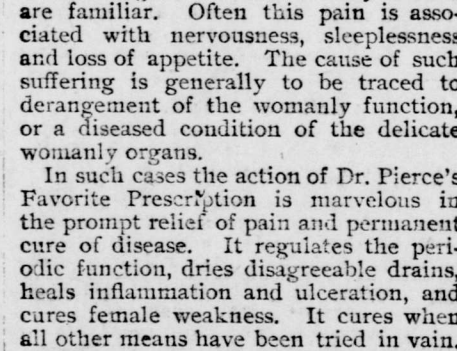
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"I was a great sufferer for six years and doctored all the time with a number of different physicians, but did not receive any benefit," writes Mrs. George Sogden, of St. Louis Street, Saginaw (South), Mich. "One day as I was reading a paper I saw your Favorite Prescription, and I thought I would write to you. When I received your letter, telling me what to do, I commenced to take your Favorite Prescription, and follow your advice. I have taken ten bottles in all, also five vials of the 'Pleasant Pellets.' Now I am regular after having missed two years and suffered with pain in the head and back, and was so nervous, could not eat or sleep. Now I thank you for my recovery."

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CHINA 10c TABLE.

Jewel Boxes 10c
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China Pin Trays 10c
Mustard Pots 10c
Pen-Pon Box 10c
China Jugs 10c
Cup and Saucer 10c
Mugs 10c

CHINA 5c TABLE.

China Pig Banks 5c
China Ornaments 5c
China Pin Trays 5c
China Salts 5c
China Mustards 5c
China Hairpin Box 5c
China Mugs 5c

Tinware.

200 Tin Cake Boxes, large size, assorted colors, with raised top; regular price 50c and 60c; special, only 25c

Lanterns.

One lot of Hinged Tubular Lanterns, B-burner; regular 69c; special 39c

Flannelette Gowns.

Empire style, in white and pink, fancy revers, trimmed sleeves, finished with fancy braid, special \$1 00

Plain English Outing Flannel, in pink, blue and white, with lined yoke, rolling collar, trimmed box-pleat, size 56, 58 and 60; your choice 75c

Full size English Flannelette Gowns, Mother Hubbard style, lined yoke, rolling collar, full sleeves, box-pleat down the front; Saturday, our price 50c

Grey Flannel Drawers, extra heavy, our price only 25c

Toboggan Caps.

In plain and striped, only 25c

Fur Boa.

Short Fur Boa, with ribbon ties, only 10c

Underwear.

Men's Fleece-lined Underwear—shirts and drawers—extra fine quality; regular 60c; special 43c, or, per suit 55c

Ladies' Vests, long sleeves, open front, lace trimmed, special 25c

200 Ladies' Vests, long sleeves, extra heavy, regular price 25c, special 19c

Ladies' Combination Suits, all sizes; regular price \$1 50; special \$1 00

Children's Drawers—Extra heavy—Children's Drawers, special for this week 19c

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THE CUDAHY ABDUCTORS

Demand That the Offer of \$25,000 Reward Be Withdrawn

And Threaten to Abduct Another Child—Another Suspect To Be Arrested.

Omaha, Dec. 29.—E. A. Cudahy, the millionaire packer, has received a second communication from the men who kidnapped his son. This time, as formerly, the letter contains a threat, and says in substance, that unless he withdraws his offer of \$25,000 reward for the arrest and conviction of each of the three bandits they will kidnap another of his children. The letter refers to the failure of the police to get anything like a tangible clue as to the identity of the kidnappers, scoffs at the idea of Pat Crowe being one of them, mentions the ease with which the "first job was pulled off," and concludes by saying that if Mr. Cudahy is as wise as he showed himself in the first instance he will comply with the request and withdraw the rewards at once.

This letter is written in pen and ink on the same kind of yellow paper as the first and evidently by the same person. It was found by a servant of the Cudahy household early on the morning of Thursday, Dec. 27. Someone called up the house by telephone and asked if Mr. Cudahy was in. The servant answered that he was not. "Well," came the voice over the phone, "you go out in the front yard and you'll get a letter there near the gate. It's addressed to Mr. Cudahy. See that it is delivered to him personally and to no one else."

The servant went out at once and found a letter. It was in a plain white envelope, and was addressed: "Mr. E. A. Cudahy, 87 Personal and Private."

Mr. Cudahy, who was then at his packing house in South Omaha, was summoned home at once. No one was permitted to see the letter at first except Mr. and Mrs. Cudahy. Mr. Cudahy's intention at the time was to keep its contents to himself as the bandits had requested, but later he thought better of it, as he believed that in the hands of the police it would prove a valuable clue, so this afternoon he took Chief Donahue into his confidence.

They held a consultation at the chief's office, which lasted nearly three hours. The chief was seen afterward, but refused to disclose the nature of the subject discussed. Mr.

Cudahy says he has not withdrawn the rewards, nor will he do so.

THE "DARK" MAN.

Omaha, Feb. 29.—Eddie McGee, alias Burns, alias Ralston, leader in the Beets kidnapping at Kansas City nine years ago, is now wanted by the police as the dark complexioned man in two weeks ago abduction. McGee is known to be a friend of Pat Crowe. McGee, alias Burns, had as an accomplice in the abduction of Banker Beets' son, a woman, who passed as his wife. She, as well as McGee, served a five years' sentence in the Missouri penitentiary. The real leader of the gang was known as Ralston, who claimed to be a Denver detective. He secured the ransom of \$5,000 for the child and was never apprehended.

PAT CROWE'S CONNECTIONS.

Omaha, Dec. 29.—Mrs. J. F. Connor and Mrs. Thomas Gilman, sister of Pat Crowe, the Cudahy suspect, who live in the county south of South Omaha, were brought to the city yesterday, and were in the office of Chief Donahue more than two hours. Mrs. Gilman made one statement which is considered of value. She said that Pat Crowe had no mustache. Most of the earlier descriptions of the tight man give him a mustache. Mrs. Jas. Schneiderwind and Mr. B. K. Munshaw both said "the tight man" wore a mustache. Daniel Burns and Mrs. Thomas Cooper, who live on Grand avenue, and saw "the tight man" when he came to buy the horse, now say that the man had no mustache. Mary Larsen, a servant in the Patrick House, has identified Crowe by means of his latest picture, which shows him without a mustache. This has been a point in controversy since the abduction. The woman in the case is still a deep mystery. The police hint that they are looking for several women other than Lizzie Burns, who, they declare, is not wanted by them. It is argued that the province of the woman in the plans of the abductors was to take care of the stolen child, should one of the little girls be kidnapped, which the bandits openly asserted to Eddie Cudahy was their original intention.

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Latest Weather Probabilities

DECIDEDLY COLD.
Toronto, Dec. 31—10 a.m.—Probabilities for the next twenty-four hours for the lower lakes region: Fresh to strong northerly to westerly winds; light snow falls, turning decidedly colder by night.
Tuesday—Decidedly cold.

LATE LOCAL ITEMS

—Mr. Ernest Skye, of Windsor, is visiting friends in this city.

—The Clock Corner City Ticket Office will be open this evening for the sale of G. T. R. excursion and other tickets.

—Col. Holmes has received no word as yet regarding the enlistment of any Canadians for the Eastern-Powell consubstantial force. As soon as word is had it will be published.

—Miss Marguerite Colvin, who has been in charge of the military department of W. F. Haygarth, Canfield, for the past two years, is holidaying at her home, the "Laurel Farm," Delaware.

—Mr. William J. Crone, a well-known London "Old Boy," formerly with The Advertiser, is calling on his friends here today. Mr. Crone is conducting a successful business in Saginaw, Mich., in company with Mr. W. W. Wright, also of this city.

—The open-air rink at Blackfriars street, known as the Redlight Rink, announces good skating every afternoon and evening. Many seem to enjoy an outside rink better than the covered, from the crowds that patronize the Redlight.

—Mr. Stewart Houston, manager for Winston Spencer Churchill, who appears at the London Opera House tonight, in his celebrated lecture, "The War as I Saw It," has consented to sell gallery admission tickets for 25 cents and also to place on sale 200 rush seats for those who have been unable to procure reserved seats.

—The musical services of St. James' Church, London South, yesterday were especially good, and were much appreciated by the large congregations present. In the evening Miss Inez E. Smith sang the solo in the anthem, "Unto Us a Child is Born," and during the offertory the "Star of Bethlehem" by S. Adams, in a very pleasing manner. Mr. Vivian Reeve, the organist, is fortunate in having such a fine choir, and having brought them to such a high state of excellence.

BALLANTYNE RELEASED.
George Ballantyne was released from jail yesterday, his friends having paid the £35 fine and cost imposed upon him for disorderly conduct and assaulting a constable on Christmas Day.

DEATH OF WM. DILLON.

Mr. Wm. Dillon, aged 51 years, a resident of Lambeth, died at Victoria Hospital on Saturday, heart failure being the cause of death. The remains were taken yesterday to Lambeth and the interment took place there today.

BUMPER HOUSES EXPECTED.

The indications are that the audiences at the performance of "The Female Drummer" at the London Opera House tomorrow will be among the largest in the history of the house. The balcony was sold out on Saturday morning, and the balance of the house is almost gone. It will undoubtedly be a case of "Standing Room Only."

CAPT. MASON COMING.

Capt. J. Cooper Mason, of B Company, first Canadian contingent, will visit London this week, and will be at the Teumseh House on Thursday afternoon next. Capt. Mason wishes that all members of B Company, R. C. R., who have not received their share of B Company fund or have any private business in connection with the company would kindly call on him there, as he is desirous of settling all company matters.

Don't Tell Anybody.
If no one should tell you about it, you would hardly know there was cod-liver oil in Scott's Emulsion, the taste is so nicely covered. Children like it and the parents don't object.

The new census returns for Berlin give a total of 1,834,345 inhabitants, as compared with 1,677,304 in 1895.

IT IS A LIVER PILL.—Many of the ailments that man has to contend with have their origin in a disordered liver, which is a delicate organ, peculiarly susceptible to the disturbances that come from irregular habits or lack of care in eating and drinking. This accounts for the great many liver regulators now pressed on the attention of sufferers. Of these there is none superior to Parmelee's Vegetable Pills. Their operation though gentle is effective, and the most delicate can use them.



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NOMINATIONS

Five Citizens Nominated for the Mayoralty.

Thomas McCormick Re-Elected to Hospital Trust by Acclamation.

Speech-Making Will Take Place at a Public Meeting Tonight—The Nominations and Their Names.

Five citizens were nominated for the mayoralty this morning, six for water commissioners, and Mr. Thomas McCormick was re-elected to the Hospital Trust by acclamation.

Nominees for mayor and aldermen must make statutory declaration as to their qualification before 5 o'clock on Wednesday. Nominees for school trustee must, if so desired, resign by writing before 12 o'clock on Wednesday.

At 10 o'clock precisely, City Clerk Kingston announced in the city hall that the poll was open and that he would receive nominations for mayor, hospital trust and water commissioners, until 12 noon. At that time there were less than 50 electors in the hall, the number increasing constantly. No nominations were received until 10:25 o'clock.

FOR MAYOR.
At that time the first was received, that of W. R. Bartram, for mayor, moved by R. A. Y. Stinchcombe and seconded by James Kilgour.

The next received was that of Frederick George Rumball, moved by John Campbell, seconded by Wm. Jones. The third name submitted was Hugh M. Douglass, moved by Joseph C. Judd, seconded by John Patterson. Emmanuel Thomas Essery was moved by Joseph Graham, seconded by R. F. Matthews.

William Gray was nominated by Henry Winder and H. B. Gahan.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.
William Jones, moved by J. M. Logan, seconded by Mayor Rumball. John William Little, moved by T. H. Purdom, Q.C., seconded by Henry Dreaney.

John M. Parsons, moved by George Taylor, seconded by R. A. Y. Stinchcombe. John William Pocock, moved by W. H. Chittick, seconded by R. F. Matthews.

Albert Oscar Jeffrey, moved by E. T. Essery, seconded by Alfred Hale.

Emerson J. McRobert, moved by William Gray, seconded by H. A. Stevenson.

HOSPITAL TRUST.

Thomas McCormick, moved by Adam Beck, seconded by T. H. Purdom, Q.C.

SPEECH-MAKING TONIGHT.

By show of hands the electors decided to hear the public speaking at a meeting to be held in the city hall at 8 o'clock this evening. This having been decided upon, the majority of those present left the hall. It has been customary heretofore to have speech-making during the hour of nomination and after.

At 12 o'clock names were received for aldermen and school trustees.

FOR ALDERMEN.

Hugh Allan Stevenson—D. W. Blackwell and Frank McVean.

Charles Cater—W. Heaman and H. A. Stevenson.

Joshua Garratt—R. W. Bennet and E. W. M. Flock.

George Taylor—James Burns and D. A. Hilliard.

Otto Brenner—E. J. MacRobert and Samuel Stevely.

Charles William Smith—Jesse Welford and A. C. Macpherson.

George Taylor—Duncan Campbell and Alex. McCrae.

Andrew Greenlees—Sam Stevely and Jas. Kilgour.

Henry Dreaney—George Berry and George Howe.

William Henry Winnett—James E. Keenleyside and George E. Rose.

John W. Bartlett—R. W. Bennet and E. W. M. Flock.

Wm. Gerry—Frank Love and Chas. Cater.

No Excuse For Cold Feet

We are offering, for a few days only, a lot of Cardigans (Rubbers and Stockings)

At Clearing Prices

LOT 1—Child's Cardigans, sizes 6 to 10..... 65c
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LOT 3—Women's Cardigans, sizes 3 to 7..... 85c

A genuine reduction of 30 per cent.

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Richard Wray—P. Birtwistle and Jas. Burns.
George C. Jolly—E. J. MacRobert and John D. Wilson.
Wm. Scarrow—Henry Macklin and Wm. Young.
Alex. J. McCrae—J. T. Marks and H. M. Flemming.
E. J. MacRobert—James Fitzgerald and J. M. Logan.
James Malloch—John Campbell and Ed. Martyn.
John Hayman—John M. Parsons and George Taylor.
John Hargrave—Wm. Hayman and J. C. Judd.
Henry Winder—J. C. Judd and J. M. Parsons.
Wm. Heaman—John Hayman and W. Scarrow.
John H. A. Beattie—J. C. Judd and Charles Hall.
Dr. C. T. Campbell—Henry Macklin and D. W. Blackwell.
Robert S. Abram—J. C. Judd and R. A. Y. Stinchcombe.
R. A. Y. Stinchcombe—Alex. McCrae and Henry Winder.
Thomas Jones—James A. Keenleyside and Wm. Gray.
Wm. Jones—Wm. Gray and John Purdom.
Hume B. Cronyn—John Campbell and John Purdom.
Stephen O'Meara—Henry Dreaney and Wm. Gray.
Michael Donohue—Thomas Browne and James Malloch.
John Barmen—Dr. C. T. Campbell and E. J. MacRobert.
Joseph Graham—Wm. Gray and Joseph Judd.
Fred J. Darch—Wm. McLaughlin and E. Towton.
Ed. Farnen—H. C. McElrath and W. T. Tyler.
Patrick McCarty—J. M. Logan and J. C. Judd.
Robert D. McDonald—W. Bartlett and Wm. Tyler.
John Forrestal—John Stevely and Wm. Gray.
Philip J. Pocock—R. W. Bennett and Wm. Bartlett.
G. Olmstead—R. W. Bennett and Ed. Martyn.
Wm. Jeffrey—John Purdom and W. T. Tyler.
Samuel Stevely—J. W. Pocock and Wm. Jones.
George Cathcart—John D. Wilson and A. G. Chisholm.
James Crawford—George McBride and John D. Wilson.
Fred Hazelgrove—D. Ross and J. D. Richard.
J. D. Chisholm—J. W. Pocock and J. D. Wilson.
Neil Cooper—J. W. Pocock and A. G. Chisholm.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

E. J. MacRobert, Ward 4—J. W. Jones and Wm. Scarrow.
John McLean, Ward 3—Dr. John D. Wilson and Henry Winder.
J. M. Logan, Ward 2—E. J. MacRobert and Dr. J. D. Wilson.
Chas. Colerick, Ward 2—J. M. Logan and A. G. Chisholm.
Andrew Johnston, Ward 3—James Baker and Joseph Hardy.
Ed. H. Stevenson, Ward 2—Joseph Hardy and James Baker.
Chas. J. McCormick, Ward 1—Robert Abraham and Dr. Macklin.
James Burns, Ward 1—George Taylor and A. C. Macpherson.

Wm. Jones, Ward 3—Wm. Jones and Wm. Jones.
Dr. W. English, Ward 4—J. M. Logan and John D. Wilson.
James B. Jeffrey, Ward 3—Fred Millard and E. T. Essery.
George S. Shaw, Ward 1—W. Gerry and E. T. Essery.
Wm. Burleigh, Ward 4—H. Terry and H. M. Fleming.
James Jeffrey, Ward 2—John M. Parsons and James Kilgour.
Chas. Cater, Ward 3—Wm. Heaman and A. H. Stevenson.
Walter Murray, English, No. 3 R. W. Bennett and Wm. Jones.
John McPherson—Andrew Greenlees and Ed. Parnell.

Robert Roadhouse, Ward 4—Fred J. Darch and E. Hazelgrove.
Robert Henry Wade, Ward 2—F. Hazelgrove and John O. Richards.
Fred J. Appleton, Ward 3—James Harrison and David Ross.
George McNeill, Ward 2—F. W. McFarland and James Crawford.

THERE IS DANGER IN NEGLECTING A COLD.

Many who have died of consumption dated their troubles from exposure, followed by a cold which settled on their lungs, and in a short time they were beyond the skill of the best physician. Had they used Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, before it was too late, their lives would have been spared. This medicine has no equal for curing coughs, colds and all affections of the throat and lungs.

Arthur Gore, 23 years of age, a Grand Trunk conductor, living at the St. Charles Hotel, Windsor, had three of the fingers of his left hand badly pinched in a drawbar Sunday at the Milwaukee Junction. It may be possible to save the injured fingers.

To cure a cold in a night—use Vapo-Cresolene. It has been used extensively for more than twenty-four years. All Druggists.

The steam whaler "Pearl", long overdue, from the Arctic, has reached San Francisco, having been delayed by severe storms. She reports a catch of four whales and 10,000 pounds of bone.

Says He Was Tortured.
"I suffered such pain from corns I could hardly walk," writes H. Robinson, Hillsborough, Ill., "that Bucklin's Salve completely cured them." Acts like magic on sprains, bruises, cuts, sores, scalds, burns, ulcers, Perfect healer of skin diseases and piles. Cure guaranteed by W. T. Strong & Co., 25 cents.

A new name for voting machines has been invented. They are now called votometers.

SOUTH AMERICAN NERVEINE makes the whole system radiant in perfect health, it accelerates circulation, enriches the blood, penetrates to the very centers of nerve force, builds tissue, makes and keeps people well. This wonderful remedy has had a charmed experience and has done its greatest work in cases that the medical fraternity had pronounced hopeless. For sale by C. McCallum & Co., -140

A Woman's Awful Peril.
"There is only one chance to save your life, and that is through an operation," were the startling words heard by Mrs. I. B. Hunt, of Lime Ridge, Wis., from her doctor after she had vainly tried to cure her of a frightful case of stomach trouble and yellow jaundice. Gall stones had formed, and they constantly grew worse. Then she began to use Electric Bitters, which wholly cured her. It's a wonderful Stomach, Liver and Kidney remedy. Cures Dyspepsia. Loss of Appetite. Try it 50c. Guaranteed. For sale by W. T. Strong & Co.

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ARMISTICE PROCLAIMED!

Says a Dispatch From Peking to a London Paper.

Confirmation of Report That Chinese Authorities Accord to Demands of the Powers—A Clever Move.

London, Dec. 31.—A dispatch to the Pall Mall Gazette, from Peking, dated Sunday, Dec. 30, says an armistice has been proclaimed.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The state department has received a dispatch from Minister Conger at Peking, dated Dec. 30, announcing that the Chinese plenipotentiaries have notified the representatives of the powers that the emperor decrees the acceptance of their demands as a whole, and Prince Ching requests further conference. They also desire that military incursions to the interior should cease. It is well known that this last request is in accordance with the views of the president.

In diplomatic quarters the acceptance given by the Chinese envoys is regarded as a most ingenious stroke of diplomacy. Among diplomatic officials it is said that this is not an unconditional acceptance. It is not clear whether the envoys will sign the note first and then ask for negotiations or endeavor to ameliorate the terms before the final signatures are affixed. In any event it is felt that the graver features are overcome by the submissive attitude of the emperor.

MISSIONARIES WILL BE SAFE.

New York, Dec. 31.—The American Bible Society has received a report from the Rev. John R. Hykes, its agent in China, dated Shanghai, Nov. 27, in which he says that the missionaries who are safe in Tai Yuen Pu are Graham McKillop, Miss Chapman, Miss Way, Mrs. Ogden and child.

STARVED TO DEATH.

Duncan Kay, his wife and his child escaped to the mountains from their station, Ku Wu Shan. A native Christian kept them supplied with food until he was discovered by the Boxers and killed. After his death, his widow nobly tried to save the lives of the missionaries by smuggling food to them, but the Boxers found out what she was doing and murdered her. They then placed guards at the entrance to the gorge where the Kays were concealed, and so effectively did they prevent all communication with them that they starved to death.

BRITISH SURPRISED BY BOERS.

Late Dispatches From General Kitchener

Regarding the Capture of the Helvetia Post—Services of Maoris Declined—Martial Law To Be Extended.

London, Dec. 31.—Gen. Kitchener, telegraphing from Pretoria, Sunday, Dec. 30, says:

"The post at Helvetia was surprised at 2:30 a.m., the enemy first rushing a 47 gun. At dawn the officer commanding the post at Swartzkopjes sent out a patrol and shelled the enemy out of Helvetia, making them abandon the gun temporarily. The Boers, however, formed our prisoners around the gun, and got it away eventually. No ammunition belonging to the gun was captured. The casualties were four officers wounded, eleven men killed, and twenty-two wounded. A column was sent out from Machadodorp, but owing to bad roads it failed to arrive in time."

LONDON DAILY MAIL HYSTERICAL.

London, Dec. 31.—Commenting upon the Helvetia disaster, the Daily Mail calls upon the government to send out at least 50,000 additional mounted men. **MARTIAL LAW WILL BE EXTENDED.**

London, Dec. 31.—A warrant has been issued against Dr. Te Water, member of the late Schreiner Cabinet, who is under arrest on a charge of delivering a seditious speech at Graaf-Reinet, in rebellion in connection with the recent Boer invasion of the colony; and this, says the Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, is the commencement of a series of arrests, heralding a wide extension of martial law. **SERVICES OF MAORIS DECLINED.**

London, Dec. 31.—Mr. Chamberlain, according to a dispatch from Wellington, N. Z., has declined the services of Maoris for South Africa.

FORGED TELEGRAMS.

London, Dec. 31.—Since his arrival in London, Major-General Sir Henry Colville has received information tending to show that Lieut.-Col. Spragg actually received a forged telegram, purporting to be signed by Gen. Colville, and dated Lindley, May 23, saying: "I am badly in want of mounted troops. Come here at once." The above telegram was sent off three days before Gen. Colville reached Lindley, and was the cause of Lieut.-Col. Spragg hastening there.

One of the principal charges against Col. Colville is that after appealing to the Yeomanry for help, he abandoned them to their fate.

"I never heard of this telegram," says Gen. Colville, "until now. But it explains the mystery of my alleged message to Col. Spragg. It was known at the time that someone was tampering with the wires near Lindley in the interests of the Boers."

Gen. Colville reported himself at the war office today. Gen. Evelyn Wood, the adjutant-general, merely sent a subordinate to meet the general.

LANDSLIPS, WASHOUTS AND FLOODS

Create Havoc in Many Parts of Great Britain.

Two German Tourists Killed in an Abyss—Free Fight at a Dowie Meeting—Sensational Act of Canadian Girl in Paris.

London, Dec. 31.—Heavy snowstorms, deluging rains and furious gales have created havoc in many parts of the country. There have been disastrous floods, landslips and washouts, and on all sides much stock has been drowned. The railroads and highways have been blocked, buildings and bridges have been carried off, and the overflowing streams have inundated miles of country, while the rains have submerged the streets in some of the towns three to four feet.

Many trains on the Midland railroads have been stopped because of their fires being extinguished by the floods.

Immense tracts of land in several counties have been transformed into inland seas, the inhabitants seeking refuge in the upper rooms of their dwellings. Many villages are altogether isolated, and some towns of considerable size are without gas, owing to the works being flooded.

LONDON'S BAD STREETS.

Londoners continue to grumble at the awful state of the principal thoroughfares.

Indeed, we seem to be getting worse than ever, as more streets are turned into veritable trenches.

A great portion of the narrow thoroughfares of the Strand and Fleet street, for instance, are in such a state that the traffic for vehicles going west is diverted down by way of the Embankment, and only the foot-pedestrians are allowed to keep the proper routes.

This causes much discontent, for the Embankment takes people so much out of their way, but it is caused by a well-meaning desire of the authorities who have in hand the laying of the new telephone system to get the work done as speedily as possible. In a few months more it is promised that the new phones will be working in the city at any rate.

CANADIAN GIRLS DARING ACT.

Paris, Dec. 31.—A Canadian woman, calling herself Edith Sherson, who was formerly a London actress, has been a constant spectator for the last ten days at the Folies Bergeres, where a German animal trainer is exhibiting a troupe of lions.

When the lions appear in their iron cage the woman appears fascinated, and she habitually stands near the cage of a particularly ferocious lion named Menelek, who seems to have captivated the woman.

Friday night the climax occurred. No usher was near and the trainer was occupied by the lions in another cage. Suddenly the woman sprang onto the stage, dashed to the cage where Menelek was growling and showing his teeth, and pressing her head against the railings touched Menelek's head.

The beast turned quickly and sprang open-mouthed against the bars. The audience was horrified, but the woman unscathed and undismayed, knelt so as to stare the lion in the eye, and then stroked his head.

To everybody's amazement the great beast slunk back to the farthest corner of his cage. The audience applauded wildly, but the tamer called on her and had the woman escorted outside with the notification that she would not be admitted hereafter.

FREE FIGHT AT DOWIE MEETING.

London, Dec. 31.—Scandalous scenes occurred at a Dowie Zionist meeting in Beermannsey town hall last evening the disturbances culminating in a free fight.

MR. CHURCHILL'S LECTURE.

Toronto Globe: "The War as I Saw It" was the title of the lecture delivered in Massey Hall on Saturday night by Mr. Winston Churchill, C.T.C., soldier, war correspondent and author. Every seat in the vast hall was occupied, every person present anticipated an enjoyable evening and no one was disappointed.

Mr. Churchill is an extremely young-looking man, with a boyish face, fine features and a good voice. Both in features and platform presence and action he resembles his father, the late Lord Randolph Churchill. His lecture has struck by number of fine views, and his stories and explanations of the many scenes he witnessed during the war were clear and vivid.

Mr. Churchill lectures tonight at London Opera House. A few good seats are yet left, though the demand has been keen. A packed house is assured.

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TESTED BY TIME.—In his justly celebrated Pills Dr. Parmelee has given to the world one of the most unique medicines offered to the public in late years. Prepared to meet the want for a pill which could be taken without nausea, and that would purge without pain, it has met all requirements in that direction, and it is in general use not only because of these two qualities, but because it is known to possess alternative and curative powers which place it in the front rank of medicines.

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ANNUAL DISCOUNT SALE

ON Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock we inaugurate our Annual Discount Sale. This sale is always eagerly anticipated, because the bargains are not confined to any special section or particular line, but every department in our big store contributes its share towards this great annual event. On account of the mild fall and winter weather, unequaled in 59 years, stocks are heavier than usual; therefore, in order to quickly reduce same for stocktaking, the discounts as will be readily seen, are much more liberal than at any previous sale. In all lines advertised there will be no reserve.

Dress Goods Department.

33½ Discount off the following list:

54-inch Tweed Suits, in plain and checks	50c
44-inch Tweed Suits, all wool	50c
44-inch Plaid Skirts, all wool	75c
54-inch Homespun Suits, heavy	\$1.50
44-inch Black Crepons, all at	\$1.50
44-inch Black Mohair, figured	\$1.50

33 1-3 Per Cent Off

20 per cent Discount off the following list:

48-inch Cheviots and Homespuns, Suits	35c
44-inch Cheviots and Homespuns, Suits	50c
54-inch Cheviots and Tweed Suits	50c
54-inch Cheviots and Homespun Suits	75c
48-inch Cheviots and Frieze Suits	\$1.00
48-inch Cheviots, Suits	90c
44-inch Herringbone Serge, black and navy	45c
42-inch Plaids, in fancy tartans, heavy	50c

20 Per Cent Off

FRENCH FLANNELS—

All French Flannels in fancies, stripes and plain, regular 35c and 50c, to go at 20 per cent discount.

20 Per Cent Off

BLACK SILK GRENADINES—

All Black Silk Grenadine, in plain, stripes, checks and floral designs, at 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00 per yard, to go at 20 per cent discount.

20 Per Cent Off

BLACK SILK BROCADES—

All Black Brocade Dress Silks, including lines at 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$1.75, to go at 20 per cent discount.

20 Per Cent Off

10 per cent discount off the following list:

42-inch Cheviot and Tweed Suits	25c
44-inch Cheviot, Homespuns, all wool	50c
44-inch Cheviot, Homespuns, blue and black	50c
44-inch Priestley's Plain Serge Suits	50c and 65c
44-inch French Serge Suits, black	50c and 65c
44-inch Cheviot Suits, black	75c
54-inch Frieze Suits, black	\$1.00
54-inch Cheviot Suits, navy and black	\$1.25
44-inch Priestley's Silk Warp Hosiery	\$1.25 to \$2.00

10 Per Cent Off

SILKS—SILKS—SILKS—

All Waist Silks at, per yard	50c
All Taffeta Silks at	60c, 75c and \$1.00
All Black Taffetas at	50c to \$1.50
All Black Peau de Soie Dress Silks	75c and \$1.00
All Black Peau de Soie Dress Silks	\$1.25 and \$1.50
All Black Cords and Bengaline Dress Silks	75c to \$1.50

10 Per Cent Off

All \$1.50 Waist Silks reduced to 90c
 All \$1.00 and \$1.25 Waist Silks reduced to 75c
 75c and 90c Waist Silks reduced to 50c

During this sale an extra discount of 10 per cent will be given on these already reduced lines.

Extra—10 Per Cent off

Dress Goods—Continued.

50 Per Cent OFF HIGH CLASS WAIST SILKS—

10 Waist Lengths of Fancy Swiss Silk, in floral designs, satin stripes, in exclusive waist lengths, regular \$12.00 and \$13.50 per length, to go at a discount of 50 per cent.

50 Per Cent Off

GREAT DISCOUNT SALE.

Staple Department.

This List to Clear at a Discount of 10 Per Cent.

All of our Table Linens.	All of our Cretonnes.
All of our Towels.	All of our Art Sateens.
All of our Towelings.	All of our Art Muslins.
All of our Prints.	All of our Silklinens.
All of our Wrapperettes.	All of our Flannels.
All of our Sheetings.	All of our Pillow Cottons.

All Blankets at a Discount of 10 Per Cent.

All of our Doilies.	All of our Metallic Skirtings.
All of our Tray Cloths.	All of our German Elders.
All of our Lunch Cloths.	All of our Sideboard Covers.
All of our Five O'Clock Covers.	All of our Pillow Shams.

Great Discount Sale.

Housefurnishing Department.

All Union Carpets.
 All All-Wool Carpets.
 All Tapestry Carpets.
 All Brussels Carpets.
 All Balcony Carpets.
 All Jute Carpets.
 All Batting Comforters.
 All Elder Comforters.

At a Discount of 20 Per Cent.

All Lace Curtains.
 All Tapestry Curtains.
 All Chenille Curtains.

At a Discount of 10 Per Cent.

Great Discount Sale.

Knit Wear and Hosiery Department.

All of our Wool Underwear at a discount of 10 per cent.
 All of our Wool and Cashmere Hosiery at a discount of 10 per cent.
 All Flannellette Gowns at a discount of 10 per cent.
 All Underskirts at a discount of 10 per cent.
 All Shirt Waists at a discount of 25 per cent.

Great Discount Sale.

Mantle and Fur Department.

75 Ladies' and Children's Mantles at a discount of 25 per cent.

75 Ladies' and Children's Mantles at a discount of 50 per cent.

15 Ladies' Costumes at a discount of 25 per cent.

10 Ladies' Costumes at a discount of 50 per cent.

All Fur Jackets at a discount of 10 per cent.

All Fur Capelines at a discount of 10 per cent.

All Fur Ruffs at a discount of 10 per cent.

All Fur Gauntlets at a discount of 10 per cent.

Great Discount Sale.

Crocery Department.

10 per cent discount on all Crocery and Glassware.

ANNUAL DISCOUNT SALE.

Clothing and Furnishings Department.

Everything in Clothing for men, youths, boys and children, at 10 per cent off, 20 per cent off and 33 1-3 per cent off, as follows:

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Men's Single and Double-breasted Tweed Suits, Men's Frieze and Fancy Tweed Ulsters, Men's Waterproof Coats, Men's Black Worsted Coats and Vests, Men's Fancy Vests, Youths' Tweed Suits.

At 10 Per Cent Off.

Men's Tweed Pants, Men's Fine Clay Tweed Worsted and Imported Serge Suits, Our extra special, \$10, Dress Overcoats, Boys' Knickerbockers, Men's Odd Vests, etc. 10 per cent off.

100 Men's Fine Tweed and Black Worsted Suits, regular \$10; Discount Sale, 33 1-3 off, at \$6.67.

At 20 Per Cent Off.

Men's Fancy Tweed and Worsted Suits, Men's Double-breasted Overcoats, Men's Overalls and Smocks, Men's Pea Jackets, Boys' Three-piece Suits, Boys' Two-piece Suits, Children's Blouse and Vest Suits, Men's Fall and Spring Overcoats.

At 10 Per Cent Off.

All kinds of Men's Underwear, All kinds of Boys' Fleece-lined Underwear.

At 20 Per Cent Off.

Odd and Ends in Boys' Wool Underwear, All kinds Men's and Youths' Fur Caps and Fur Gauntlets. 20 per cent off.

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At 20 Per Cent.

Broken lots, Men's, Women's, Misses', Boys' and Children's Shoes. Men's and Women's Overshoes. Special lot of Men's High Grade Shoes, broken sizes. Women's Heavy Boots. Workmen's Lace Boots. Ladies' Felt Shoes and Slippers. 20 per cent.

At 10 Per Cent.

No reserve. Everything in Men's, Women's, Misses', Boys' and Children's Shoes. Every Description, Ladies' Oxford Shoes, Strap Slippers and Two-Buttoned Trolleys. Children's Soft-soled Shoes. In fact all kinds of leather footwear at 10 per cent.

Great Discount Sale Great Discount Sale

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Ladies' and Children's Trimmed Hats at a discount of 25 to 50 per cent.
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CHAPTER XVI.

A week later there appeared in the London News an advertisement something like this:

LADIES desiring fine laces mended, joined or repaired in any way, please apply at No. 4 St. John's Terrace.

On that same day an aristocratic turn-out drove to the door of No. 4 St. John's Terrace. A footman in liverly suit, to the ground, opened the door with a flourish, and bent deferentially to receive the orders of the imposing, richly-dressed matron within.

They were evidently brief and to the point, for after a minute he bowed, and turning, ascended the steps of the house and rang for admittance.

A tidy, commonplace woman answered the summons.

The man inquired if the person advertising to mend laces resided there, and upon being told that she did, he returned to his mistress with the information.

The lady immediately alighted, and was shown into the small, rather shabby parlour of the lodging-house, and seating herself, with a somewhat contemptuous glance around, awaited the appearance of the "person" before referred to.

Presently the door opened softly, and a slight figure in a dark, neat-fitting dress entered.

It was Tina.

She was pale and looked somewhat worn and weary, and as if the ways and means of obtaining a livelihood were problems that were difficult to solve. But she greeted madam with lady-like composure, and as one would greet an equal, which caused the haughty matron to draw her commanding figure still more erect.

"Did you advertise to repair laces?" she asked, running her eyes critically over the figure of the fair girl, while a frown contracted her brow as she observed her exceeding loveliness.

But she greeted madam with lady-like composure, and as one would greet an equal, which caused the haughty matron to draw her commanding figure still more erect.

"You look very young; you cannot have had much experience," madam continued, with a doubtful glance at the slender, delicate hand hanging by Tina's side.

A smile flitted over her lips—it was what everyone told her; but she returned, ed, very composedly, giving always the same reply:

"I have worked upon laces since childhood."

"You are not English," madam affirmed, elevating the "national spy-glass" for a better view.

Again Tina smiled—this time with a merry twinkle in her eyes.

She knew that madam was English beyond a doubt, and that scene in the Hotel d'Europe at Brussels came up before her so vividly that she nearly laughed outright, though she quietly replied:

"No, madame."

"Where did you learn lace-making?"

"In the province of Belgium."

"In Brussels?"

"Yes, madame."

"Ah!" This with an accent of satisfaction.

Madam was evidently well acquainted with the value and beauty of lace made in Brussels.

At the request of the lady Tina exhibited some specimens of her work; and these proving satisfactory, she was engaged to do similar work at the house of madam, and she was to receive therefor the comforts of a home and the sum of one pound a week.

As she was about to enter the carriage she noticed upon the panel a coat-of-arms which seemed familiar—a hand grasping a horn of plenty.

A ride of about half an hour followed, and the vehicle halted at an elegant residence in the vicinity of Russell Square.

Madam led Tina to an apartment on the second floor, which was conveniently furnished as a sewing-room. There was no one there as they entered, and the lady, turning to Tina, said:

"You will work here; you can sit by that table in the center of the room, and I will bring you my laces very shortly."

"Pardon, madame," Tina said, as she was about turning away and speaking respectfully to the maid with the utmost self-possession, "I shall prefer to sit by the window yonder, if there is no objection."

"That is the seamstress' seat. She has been here a long time, and would object to giving it up."

"True. Then the other one will do as well."

"Then Tina walked over to it, looking out upon the street."

"No, you cannot sit there—no one is

ever allowed to appropriate that place. It is sometimes occupied by a member of the family," my lady said, with a frown as if something did not please her. "But why do you object to sitting by the table?" she continued.

"Because I shall not be able to see. Lace-work requires the very best possible light, in order to be done properly; besides, it is very trying to the eyes, and unless I sit by the window I could only work upon a few hours in the day," Tina explained.

These arguments were sufficient and convincing. "A few hours in the day" would not suit madam at all, and nothing but the best work would be accepted by her.

"Very well, then; the seamstress must give up her seat," she returned, deciding, Tina explained.

She called a servant, who was passing in the corridor, and bade her wheel a small table to the window, remove the seamstress' chair, and substitute one for Tina.

These arrangements completed to her satisfaction, she bade her show the young lace-maker to the room that she would occupy, after which she disappeared to bring her precious laces while Tina doffed her hat and jacket, and prepared to enter at once upon her new life.

CHAPTER XVII.

A week went by, and our little lace-maker appeared to give complete satisfaction.

My lady, whom she had soon learned was the Countess of Arlesbury, was quite gracious to her, even commending her work, with which she seemed to be entirely satisfied.

Tina was quite happy and content. Thus far she had nothing to trouble or annoy her; the sewing room was pleasant and comfortable, and she liked the seamstress, who was a kind and obliging girl.

She was young, like our heroine, and was working for a mere pittance. She had been very lonely before Tina came, and appeared very glad to have a companion, and instantly made friends with her. She did not even demur at being obliged to give up her pleasant seat at

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the window, when Tina apologized for being there, but said cheerfully:

"Of course you need me more than I do over that fine work, and I'm sure you're welcome. I shall do very well by the table, and I'm glad to have company."

Tina often found herself wondering who occupied the other window, but she did not like to ask questions, preferring to trust to time and her own observation for whatever information she gained, and it was not until she had been there several days that the question was solved.

She came upstairs one morning, after having had her breakfast, humming an Italian air to herself.

Her step was elastic, her eyes and cheeks bright with life and health, while grace and activity were in her every movement.

(To be Continued.)

20TH CENTURY JOURNALISM.

Mr. Harmsworth Will Illustrate His Ideas in New York City.

New York, Dec. 31.—Alfred Harmsworth, editor and proprietor of the London Daily Mail, has consented to take a day off, for one day only, of the New York World, next Monday, to illustrate his ideas of what the twentieth century newspaper should be.

Tuesday's edition of the World will be under Mr. Harmsworth's sole direction—new in form, size, style and content. It is said that Mr. Joseph Pulitzer personally offered to give \$20,000 to any charity Mr. Harmsworth designated if Mr. Harmsworth could successfully illustrate his novel ideas of twentieth century journalism, which he has expressed in recent magazine articles and newspaper interviews. This invitation, it is said, was accepted by Mr. Harmsworth.

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AFFLICTION FALLS ON CHICAGOANS

All Saloons Closed Saturday at Midnight—The Lovers of "Budge" Indignant.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—All saloons were closed as tight as drums at midnight Saturday for the first time since the present mayor, Carter H. Harrison, has held office. Chicago was given a taste of the blue laws and the men sitting as grand jurors in the criminal court building, through their deliberations and exposures, were charged with the responsibility for the great change.

The orders closing the saloons emanated from Chief of Police Kiple's office and were relayed to every police officer detailed on night duty, at evening roll call. Captains and Lieutenants, in addressing their subordinates, told them the order was "on the square." The attempts of the officers to impress upon the proprietors of all liquor establishments that the law must be observed brought laughter and ridicule upon them until it was apparent the patrolmen in question were not joking.

In the business section of the city the men who conduct all-night resorts were nonplussed. They hurried to city hall, the homes of aldermen and high police officers, asking each and all of them if the order applied to their respective places. No hook or corner in the city is neglected by the order, and every saloon was closed tightly.

WEST POINT JOKES

Cadet Carruthers Tells About His Being Knocked Out and Getting His Jaw Smashed.

West Point, N.Y., Dec. 31.—The investigation of charges of brutal hazing arising out of the death of former Cadet Oscar L. Booz, for which a court of inquiry has been in progress for two weeks, was concluded at the West Point Military Academy on Saturday. The court will examine the mass of evidence and report as early as possible to the war department at Washington. On Saturday Cadet Truman Carruthers, of Illinois, told the court of a fight he had had with Cadet James A. Shannon, of Minnesota. Carruthers seemed to treat the affair as a huge joke, notwithstanding the fact that he had his jaw broken and was knocked out in the fight. Carruthers, in reply to questions from the members of the court, said that he had been called out as a fourth-class man on account of his refusing to obey orders of an upper class man, and he accused himself of being rather too fresh. In reference to the death of former Cadet Booz, the records showed that he had resigned on account of trouble with

his eyes, that his father's sanction in writing accompanied the young fellow's resignation, and that the West Point authorities and the war department at Washington had never yet been notified by the parents of Booz of the alleged injuries received by him, and that there was no complaint on record.

Superintendent Mills, as well as Commandant Hein, told the court that while human nature remained as it is, hazing would continue to exist, but they hoped that with increased vigilance on the part of the authorities and the co-operation of the cadets themselves, hazing would never again reach a severe or brutal stage at the military academy at West Point.

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