LONDON, ONTARIO, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1902.

WHOLE NO. 16775.

Births, Marriage, s Deaths.

MARRIED. STEFFENS-PALADINO-Arthur Steffens and Josephine Paladino, on Wednesday, Dec. 17, 1902, at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, by Rev. Mgr.

Thorpe. LITTLE-RAE-At the residence of the bride's parents, Westminster, on Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1902, by Rev. Dr. D. L. McCrae, Peter Boyd Little, of Pine Grove Farm, to Lillie Isabelle, youngest daughter of Mr. William Rae.

DIED. SARGENT-In this city, on Dec. 23, 1902, Ann, the beloved wife of Isaac Sargent,

aged 62 years and 2 months. Funeral from her late residence, 590 King street, on Friday, Dec. 26, at 2:30; service at 2 p.m. Interment at Mount

7414 Pleasant Cemetery. HERRICK-At her son's residence, 15 Maryboro Place, on Dec. 23, 1903, Margaret M., relict of the late George W. Herrick, formerly of Detroit, Mich., aged 77 years.

Funeral Thursday, Dec. 25. Private. In kindness please omit flowers. PETERS-On the morning of Wednesday, Dec. 24, 1902, at the residence of her son-in-law, Walter B. Brunell, 306 Brunswick avenue, Toronto, Mary Hannah, widow of the late Samuel Peters, formerly of London.

Funeral (private) on arrival of C. P. R. 11:30 a.m. train, Friday. POTTER-On Dec. 23, 1902, Cecilia, beloved wife of William Potter, aged 72

Funeral from the family residence, 852 Queen's avenue, on Thursday at 2:30 p.m.; service at 2 p.m. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this inti-

Toronto and Bowmanville papers please

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MEETINGS.

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Massey blew up. Three of the tug's crew were killed and two others hurt. The

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15, and Mattie Leslie, aged 20, employes,
jumped from a third-story window and
were fatally burt. These were for sink

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not given.

will of the United States.

THE BLOCKADE.

has been effectively blockaded since

yesterday. The blockade is being en-

forced against vessels of all nationali-

Caracas, Dec. 23. - Lieutenant-Com-

this afternoon to obtain from the

commanders of the foreign war-

refused and he did not insist. The commanders of the blockading war-

VENEZUELAN VIEWS.

the revolutionists were recently defeated by Government forces. Washington, Dec. 23.—The Cabinet spent

its entire session yesterday in a discussion of the Venezuelan situation. Views for and against the President's acceptance

of the invitation to arbitrate were dis-cussed. Pending the receipt of the in-vitations, it is stated that the President

declines to commit himself as to his

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S DECISION

Is Awaited in England With the Keenes

Interest.

Encouraged by the Absence often wrong, and sometimes they were of the Fleet.

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EXPLOSION KILLED THREE

Disastrous Wreck of a Tug in

Elizabeth River.

Two Girls Jumped to Their Death-

Eight People Burned.

EIGHT PEOPLE BURNED.

Cincinnati, Dec. 24.-Fire in a three-

story apartment building on Erie avenue,

Mount Auburn, early yesterday, imperiled

and sent eight persons to the hospital, one

or two of whom may not recover. The

17, is likewise in a critical condition.

tug sank.

Perth.

THREE KILLED.

SHOT IN THE HEART.

empty shotgun lay beside the body.

TWO GIRLS LEAPED TO DEATH.

yesterday morning in Chase & Sons'

candy manufactory. Sophia Mintus, aged

15, and Mattie Leslie, aged 20, employes,

were fatally hurt. There were 50 girls

employed in the factory, and many others

jumped from second and third story

windows, some sustaining slight injuries

The factory had been running night and

day to fill holiday orders, and the night

KILLED BY A SAW.

Winnipeg, Dec. 24.—James Wilson, of Elm Creek, Man., is dead of injuries caus-

POLITICAL POINTS

Possible Candidates for Election a

North Renfrew.

Registration is being carried on at Stratford today for manhood franchise

votes for the coming election in North

Chief Justice Falconbridge yester-

day gave judgment on an appeal from

an order of the local master at Ot-

tawa in the libel suit of R. G. Hay,

against Dr. Bingham, Liberal candidate at the last provincial election.

The libel is alleged to be in an inter-

view published in the Ottawa Free

Press, on May 30. The chief jus-

tice reinstates a portion of the pleading struck out by the local master.

just returned from North Renfrew.

states that the Conservative candidate

will be Peter White, jun., Conservative

candidate at the last election, and that

the Liberal candidate will be a son of

The hearing of the appeal against

the judgment of Judges Osler and Maclennan in the Lennox election case

be composed of Judges Garrow, Mac-

On the conclusion of the Lennox an-

peal the court will take up the South

Oxford case, and consider the judgment

of the lower court, which confirmed

To Succeed Dr. Parkin.

U. C. College have chosen H W.

Anden, of Fettes College, Edinburgh,

cipalship. The decision was cabled to

Mr. Anden, who is expected to ac-

cept and be at work after the holi-days. Mr. Anden has been assistant

principal of Fettes for ten years, was

educated at Shewsbury, and is a Christ's College, Cambridge, graduate.

He is 35 years of age and is married. His salary will be \$5,000 a year.

as Dr. Parkin's successor in the prin-

Toronto, Dec. 24.-The governers of

has been set for Jan. 7. The court

Laren, Macmahon and Meredith.

Donald Sutherland in his seat.

Mr. Munroe, the late member.

A prominent Conservative who has

time the fire broke out. Loss, \$100,000.

ed by the bursting of a circular saw.

and day forces were changing at the

Carp, Ont., Dec. 24.-Thomas Quinney,

To the Electors of

comfortable cottage. Rent, \$7, including water rate. London Soap Company.

TIME OF ARMISTICE EXPIRED

They Decline Castro's Proposal Turn Their Arms Against a Foreign Foe.

Willemstad, Island of Curacoa, Dec. 23-(By boat from La Guaira)-The revolutionists, strengthened by the impossibility of the Government's sup-40 TO \$125 PER MONTH, ACCORDING pressing the smuggling of arms and ammunition into the country and by the fact that it has no longer any fleet at its disposal, have made answer to President Castro's proposition that they turn their arms against the foreigners who have attacked Venezuela, by referring him to Gen. Matos, their only chief capable of dealing with the matter.

The rebels have regained courage. The Government, which signed with them an armistice of ten days, which ends tomorrow, has 3,600 men at Barquisimeto and 2,500 near Caracas, but | Commander Diehl. repectfully solicits your vote and influence for re-election to Middlesex County Council for Division No. 3, for the years to fight against foreigners have re-

tired. TO MARCH ON CARACAS.

The revolutionists have planned a march on Caracas by three roads. The leaders, Ramos, Antonio Guevara, Urbaneta and Penaloza, with 2,500 men, will march via Guatire; Antonio Fernandez, Osio and Crespo Torres, with 2,500 more, have left Camanaga, and Gen. Rolando, with 2,500 troops, will go from Alta Gracia. Ammunition is expected to arrive every day near Tu-The situation for President Castro is considered to be again perilous. Attacked by foreigners and his own countrymen, he can with difficulty resist the shocks, as the Government's resources have vanished. The President's departure for La Victoria is for the purpose of trying to check the near advance to the capital of the revolutionists. Gen. Matos will leave Cura-

the lives of three families in the building VIEWS ON ARBITRATION. London, Dec. 24.-An important and lengthy communication, dealing with we're busy. Magazines, etc., bound for Christmas—Making handsome and durable Christmas gifts. Gold Embossing on Christmas gifts. Gold Embossing on Christmas gifts. Gold Embossing on Christmas gifts. Leather Goods—Have the recipient's name stamped in gold on your gifts—it makes lard, aged 9, inhaled flames, and is in a the United States charge d'affaires last of the objections urged by the leading serious condition. Garland Thomas, aged evening. It was transmitted immediately to Washington. Lord Lans-downe's communication contains no Norfolk, Va., Dec. 23.-While towing the statement of what is expected by barge Maple in the south branch of the Great Britain. Elizabeth River tonight, the tug Lizzle

the Government in having allowed Great Britain to "glide" into the present position in Venezuela.
"It is a paltry quarrel," declared the speaker, "with a bankrupt, distracted of Ottawa, a baker in the employ of William Rivington here, was found in the bakery yesterday morning dead, with and rickety state. If ever there was a case for arbitration this is one." a charge of shot through his heart. It is thought to be a case of suicide, as an Continuing, Sir Henry said he had only condemnation for those who, by their rasping writings and foul gibes, had fomented discord between Great Britain St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 24.-Fire broke out and Germany. He added that the war done well in such cases where its instructions had been timely. These instructions, however, were

final decision, further than a lengthy statement of what is expected by Great Britain.

A PALTRY QUARREL.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannermann, in an address delivered at Dunfermline ast night, said there was no excuse for he Government.

Mr. Rodsevelt as the arbitrator. The old Tory Morning Post proposed the President's name in advance of even the quickwitted German Emperor, and the suggestion has been received with a chorus of acclamation by the English press. This English preference is based upon respect for the President's character, and recognition of his unique fitness for the duties nor the President's character, and recognition of his unique fitness for the duties of an arbitrator in a case where a guarantee for payment of an award is urgently needed, but may be dispensed with if he consents to act. The English press if he consents to act. The English press is regaining its sobriety of judgment respecting Germany. Mr. Kipling's outbreak is generally condemned, and the German Emperor is beginning to have something like justice for his evident desire to maintain the friendliest possible relations with the United States. The British solicitude for the maintenance and preservation of the Monroe doctrine seems over-wrought when two powerful European Governments have virtually recognized it and deliberately nominated the American President as arbitrator.

there has been a sincere preference Mr. Roosevelt as the arbitrator. The

HOW BROTHER KILLED BROTHER

Details of the Tragedy Near Middleport Village.

JAMES WATSON SLAIN IN BED

Victim's Brother Supposed hum To Be a Burglar-Samuel Wat-

son Arrested.

Following are details of the tragedy which occurred yesterday (Tuesday) near Middleport, brief mention of

which is made in another column: Brantford, Dec. 23 .- A little farmhouse, half a mile from Middleport, and twelve miles from this city, was this morning the scene of a terrible unearthed it, however, James came to tragedy. The house, which stands in a lonely spot, 300 yards from the road, is the home of James and Samuel Watson, two eccentric farmers. They are not married, and their doors and windows. mother is their housekeeper. Their brother, Wesley Watson, who is the victim in the awful tragedy, resided in Detroit. Last night he arrived at the old homestead to spend Christmas with his old mother and brobers. Today he lies on the bed in a little room of his former home, the left side of the face blown off and his brains scattered

along the wall behind him.

The tragedy becomes all the more pitiful when it is stated that the poor fellow was shot by his brother Samuel,

who MISTOOK HIM FOR A ROBBER. On the ground floor of the story and a half dwelling is a parlor at the front, a sitting-room immediately in the rear, and two bedrooms in rear of the sitting-room again. In one of these bedrooms the tragedy occurred. An outer shed runs alongside the house, and leads to the cellar below. Upstairs and leads to the cellar below. Upstairs a distance of within 200 yards of their there are three low-roofed bedrooms.

There is practically no furniture in the whole house, and there are no carpets over night. They had extinguished all was delayed in unloading. Two rep-

on the floors. The sole occupants of the house were the mother and her two

GAGGED AND ROBBED BEFORE. Samuel Watson, who did the shooting, told his story in a straightforward manner. He says he shot to kill, but he little knew that the victim was his own brother. He thought the man at whom he discharged his shotgun was a burglar, who had entered the house for the purpose of robbing and murdering the inmates. He was continually in fear of robbers and claimed he had reason

On Nov. 23, last, Watson leges that two robbers visited the homestead at 12 o'clock noon. Both he and his brother were held up in broad daylight. On that occasion Jas. Watson returned home at 11:45 in the morning to prepare dinner, as his mother was absent. He was seized by two masked men, who dragged him to the cellar at the point of a revolver. There they gagged and bound him. When his brother Samuel arirved at noon he also was seized, and treated similarly. The robbers said they knew the Watson brothers had miney, and demanded it. On being threatened with his life Samuel led the men for about three-quarters of a mile over his farm, to where a bottle, which contained money was hid. Before the robbers had the rescue with a shotgun and frightened off the pair. The botle was buried three feet in the ground. The attempt greatly frightened the Watson brothers, who at once barricaded their

STORY OF THE TRAGEDY. Last night Mrs. Watson left for Hamilton. James accompanied her to the train. He returned home at 8:15, and sat down in the sitting-room with his brother. in about 20 minutes there was a loud crash, and the window in the outer house flew in many pieces. Then the doors were pounded. Presently the brothers heard noises in the cellar, and a momen later heard someone ascending the cellar stairs. Instantly there was great smashing at the sitting-room door. Alarmed at the attack the brothers seized their guns and stood at the stairway. When the door was finally broken in, they ran upstairs, jumped out of the side window, and escaped to Price's farm about a mile away.
At Price's they asked for assistance,

but evidently none was forthcoming. city will get the cargo unless they At 10 o'clock the brothers returned to surrender \$1,200. The \$1,200 is claimed

lights before leaving, and therefore concluded that the robbers were still

SHOT BROTHER IN BED. Some time between 8 and 9 o'clock PLAN A MARCH ON CARACAS this morning the brothers returned to their home. Each was armed, James with a 16-shot repeating rifle, and Samuel with a Fenian musket. They feared that the robbers might still be in the house. Cautiously they entered with rifles presented and ready to fire. The sitting-room was searched, but no Sir Henry strongly emphasized the importance of preserving the good person was to be seen. One bedroom off the sitting-room was carefully exsaid amined and found all right. Then came the awful moment. James adit would require a case of the first imvanced to the door of the other bedportance to justify any action likely room, which faces the living apart-ment, while Samuel stood with his to alienate the good feeling and confidence the American people entertain toward Great Britain. It was not enough to be upon the best possible terms or avoid actual hostilities. It rifle ready for use. It was his intention to fire if he saw anyone. The . door swung open, and faintly revealed a man in the bed. Instantly Samuel was essential to the policy of Great Britain to stimulate friendship, and fired, and both brothers turned and ran any course which threatened the confrom the house.

The pair ran to Mr. Dawson's house tinuance in any degree of that per-fect feeling of friendship or invalidatand informed him that they had shot ed it to any extent was a crime not man in their bedroom. Several only against both great nations, but neighbors were gathered together and the party started for the scene of the Puerto Cabello, Dec. 23.-This port

Albert Harris went into the little room, and almost immediately discovered that the dead man was Wesley Watson, a brother of the man who nad fired the shot. He rushed from the death chamber and acquainted the others with the awful fact. mander Diehl endeavored at 4 o'clock

HAD GONE QUIETLY TO BED. It is the supposition that Wesley ships at La Guaira an extension of a few hours in the time Watson returned home after his brothers had fled and the robbers had given the steamer Caracas to remain departed. If such was the case he at her dock in order that she might finish unloading. His request was found the doors forced in, the windows was The broken, and the house deserted. Nevertheless, it appears that he quietly retired to the little 8x8 bedroom off ships explained that they were acting on the orders of the British adthe sitting-room. He carefully hung up his clothes, overcoat and hat, and miral, and that the orders to permit closed his bedroom door before retirthe Caracas to discharge more than the mail had been given to satisfy ing. He made no attempt, however, according to the story told by the brothers, to investigate the cause of their absence or question why the Caracas, Dec. 23.—The port of Coro, which is surrounded on the land side by house was broken into and deserted. the revolutionists, is not blockaded. In Caracas this fact is taken as proof of previous assertions that the British and German fleets are working in house Evidently he slept soundly, for he made no stir this morning, not even when his bedroom door was thrown previous assertions that the British and German flects are working in harmony with the revolutionists, and not blockading Coro, in order to allow the free entrance of Dutch schooners from Curacao, bringing arms and ammunition to the rebels. President Castro will leave the capital tomorrow for La Victoria, where the revolutionists were recently defeated.

THE FATAL SHOT. The charge of buckshot took dreadful effect, blowing off the left side of his face and nose, and crashing to himself. He is i through the skull and dashing his mental excitement.

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brains on the wall bekind him. The bedroom is a very small one, and is exceptionally dark. There is but one small window in the room, and it was covered with a blind. There would be little possibility of recognizing any person in the room without the aid of a light. Samuel Watson only saw a figure, and fired instantly. He little thought that it was his brother until Harris rushed from the room some time later and exclaimed: "My God, it's your brother Wesley."

INTENDED TO SPRING SURPRISE. Coroner Fisette arrived at 6 o'clock tonight and empaneled a jury. The jurors viewed the remains and adjourned till Monday.

Wesley was 27 years of age and had resided in Detroit for three years. It is supposed that he intended to spring a surprise on his mother and brothers by returning home unexpectedly. He was on the best of terms with them and wrote occasionally. So far as is known he never quarreled with his brothers.

Samuel Watson was arrested at midnight in connection with the case, and it was feared he might do injury to himself. He is in a state of intense

PRESIDENT MAY ACCEPT POSITION OF ARBITRATOR

His Formal Answer Expected An important and lengthy communito Reach the Powers on. Christmas Day.

New York, Dec. 24.-The decision of President Roosevelt respecting Venezue-London, Wednesday, Dec. 24.-(Spelan arbitration has been awaited with keen cial to Toronto Mail) .- The Berlin corinterest in England, says a dispatch from has seen a private telegram from dent Roosevelt to arbitrate the Vene-Washington to a prominent personage American journals is not denied, but in Berlin, stating that President Roose- President can accept or decline the velt's acceptance of the office of ar- proposition, but so far, he has reached bitrator of the Venezeulan dispute will reach the powers on Dec. 25.

HAS REACHED NO DECISION. Washington, Dec. 24.-The British respondent of the Standard says he and German formal proposals to Presi-

HER JEWELS STOLEN

The Countess of Carnarvon Lost \$25,

000 Worth on Saturday. London, Dec. 24.—Another big jewelry robbery on trains between Paris and

London has upset society.

robbed of about \$25,000 worth of her jewelry while on the way from Paris to London on Sunday. So far no trace of the thieves has been found. Lord and Lady Carnarvon left the Hotel Ritz on Sunday morning and proceeded to the Gare du Nord. The lady's jewels were in a small green tray packed in a dress basket, strapped and locked. With her other luggage it was duly registered and handed over to the railway authorities. The earl and countess arrived at Victoria sta-

tion about 7 o'clock in the evening and thence drove to their town house, where the robbery was discovered. The articles stolen consisted of twelve rings, eight gold bangles, ten brooches, two lady's watches, several charms and other trinkets. They were all set with diamonds and other pre-



City Clerk Kingston, Who Has Resigned.

Coal So Near and Yet So Far. Toronto, Dec. 24.-Though the barge Augusta, with 1,200 tons of the city's Weish coal on board, is lying within three feet of a railway track at Kingston, and there is every facility for transferring the coal and bringing it to the city, it is not likely that the city will get the cargo unless they

cation dealing with the British views of the arbitration of the Venezuelan dispute was made by Foreign Secretary Lansdowne to the United States Charge d'Affaires, Mr. White. It was transmitted immediately to Wash-

zuelan difficulty have been received here. They are in such shape that the no decision, not having had opportunity to carefully consider them.

portation Company are in the city, and are pressing for the settlement of the urrage claims.

resentatives of the Montreal Trans-

DICKEY-ELSON NUPTIALS

Daughter of Councilor Elson Wedded at Hyde Park. The Countess of Carnarvon was

An exceedingly pretty Christmas wedding was celebrated today, when Miss Florence Elson, daughter of Councilor Peter Elson, of the second concession of London Township, was married to Mr. Marshall Dickey, a popular and prosperous young farmer of London Township. Many friends of the young couple attended the ceremony, which was performed at Hyde Park, by the groom's brother. Immediately after, the guests and Mr. and Mrs. Dickey returned to the bride's home, where they partook of a dainty wedding luncheon. The many presents which they received were abundant evidence of the high esteem with which their many friends regard them. Mr. and Mrs. Dickey will reside in London Township.

Decline in M. C. R. Net Earnings.

Detroit, Dec. 24.—The Michigan Central Railroad yesterday declared its regular semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent. The dividend is payable Jan. 29 to stock of record Dec. 31. The net earnings for the year ending Dec. 31, 1902, are partly estimated at \$3,620,000, against \$3,744,31 last year. By the end of this year this will probably work out to a falling off of over \$100,000 for the year. In comparing with 1901 the Pan-American business must be taken into consideration.

Lorenz Failed Once. Boston, Mass., Dec. 23.—Prof. Lorenz failed of complete success in an operation for hip trouble at the Children's Hospital here today, but the subject, a boy, was beyond the age limit. He was under the hands of the Austrian expert 20 minutes. He succeeded, nowever, in placing the crippled limb in a position which probably will help him materially. Two other cases were

Diamond Rings

treated successfully.

Our stock of popular-priced Diamond Rings is very full for this season. We are showing many very fine combinations of Diamonds with Pearls. Rubies, Emeralds, Opals and Sapphires. Our range of Single Stone Rings, from \$15 to \$25. is very

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CONTEST FOR RICH CHILD BAD BLAZE IN WOODSTOCK

a Ten-Year-Old Boy.

Bacomes an International Affair Between Uruguay and United States.

Washington, Dec. 24.-Possession of 10-year-old Jose Preston Ames, heir in a great estate in Uruguay, has become an international matter, in which the state department and the republic of

Uruguay are interested. The child's mother was a beautiful spanish woman who married Dr. Preston Ames, an American doctor, who lived for many years in Uruguay. The child's father died shortly after his birth, while coming to the United States. Dr. Ames left a valuable estate on the Uruguay River. The mothere she was well known

Early this winter Mrs. Ames, accomwas taken suddenly ill and died Dec.

Mrs. Helen Sparhawk, sister of the child's father, attempted to obtain possession of her nephew after the death of his mother. She instituted habeas corpus proceedings, and notice was served on Preston Adams Ames, of Washington, a grand-uncle of the child, and Pepita and Eduardo Laroque, to produce the child in court. Immediately after his mother's death the child was sent to the Uruguayan legation here and placed in charge of the minister. The boy sailed for Uru-

guay on Dec. 12. After listening to the testimony Justice Barnard ordered that the state de-partment be requested to ask the Uruguayan legation to furnish a transcript of its record regarding the departure of the child. If it can be shown by the Uruguayan legation that the child was in its possession and had started for New York previous to the beginning of the habeas corpus proceedings, Mrs.

Sparhawk will have no redress.

RULING IN INSURANCE CASE

at Montreal Reversed.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 23 .- The court of King's bench this morning reversed the lower court decision in the case of Hon. buildings yesterday. Mr. Fisher says R. Angers vs. the Mutual Reserve Life Fund Association of New York. now experimenting with a rapacious The lower cour had ordered the association to reful d premiums and interest paid by Hon. Mr. Angers from 1885 to 1898, but the court toda decided that after enjoying its privileges extent that it never does any harm. for thirteen years, plaintiff could not ask a cancellation of policy. It was a mutual concern, and he should have China only one pair, and that at an familiarized himself with the conditions expenditure of several thousand dolon which the original policy was is-

Inward and Outward. The inward effects of humors are worse The inward effects of humors are worse than the outward. They weaken all the organs, inflame the mucous membrane, cause catarrhal troubles, and endanger the whole system.

Hood's Sarsaparilla eradicates all humors and cures all their effects.

It's the great alterative and tonic medicine whose merit has been everywhere established.

Accept no substitute.

Sold His Own Head.

Florence, Col., Dec. 24.-Walter Jennings, of this city, has just sold his head for \$2,000 to a Chicago medical Institute. He will receive \$1,000 down and his relatives will collect the other \$1,000 when his head is delivered to the purchaser. Jennings is one of the few victims of hydrocephalus who has lived to his majorit . His head measreumference, and ures 36 inches in reumference, and nis hats are made to order. He has also an affection of the spine, which commind, of course, is weak, but his relations, it is said, have consented to his musual bargain.

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Keen Struggle for Possession of Woodstock Times Plant Damaged by Fire and Water.

> Escanaba Factory Burned, Entailing Loss of \$150,000-Other Fires.

Woodstock, Dec. 24.-Shortly after 6 o'clock last evening, fire broke out in the office of the Woodstock Times, and both building and contents were Times newspaper was absorbed a short time ago by the Express, but the building was still occupied by the from Canada named Andrew Stewart. in the world. plant. The plant, including two typographs, a folder and other things, were either totally destroyed or er, Mrs. Octavia H. Ames, lived in Uruguay, but spent the winters in mained in the building was also destroyed. Both the building and the plant were insured. The property bepanied by her son and her niece and nephew, came to Washington. They went to their home here. Mrs. Ames to have originated in the cellar, problisher of the Times. The fire appears ably with the furnace.

Arnprior, Dec. 23 .- Fire broke out this morning in the cellar of the drug store owned and occupied by A. L. Budd, and before it was extinguished considerable damage had been done. Bellaire, O., Dec. 23. - Fire today destroyed the wholesale produce house of Boyd & Co. and seven other build-

ings, causing a loss of \$100,000. Escanaba, Mich., Dec. 23.-Fire today destroyed the butter dish factory and warehouse of the Escanaba Woodenware Company, entailing an estimated loss of \$150,000.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 23 .- A fire which started tonight in the large lumber mills of the John L. Roper Lumber Company, at Gilberton, six miles from Norfolk, on the southern branch of the Elizabeth River, had up to 11:30 o'clock destroyed eight dry kilns and \$,000.000 feet of lumber. President Roper said he was unable to estimate the loss, but it will be heavy.

LIKE CURES LIKE

Feeds on San Jose Scale.

Toronto, Dec. 24.-George E. Fisher, the Ontario Government expert on the San Jose scale, was at the Parliament that the United States Government is insect, which lives naturally in the Orient, which is the home of the San The Washington Government was

lars, but these are now multiplying. the experiment proves successful Mr. Fisher proposes to import some of the insects for Ontario orchards. He recently obtained a species of parasite from Maryland, which, it said, would feed on the scale and keep it in check. He has not noticed much effect in the orchards in which it has been placed.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over FIFTY YEARS by MILLIONS OF MOTHERS for their CHILDREN WHILE TEETHING, with Phare LOT SUCCESS. IT SOOTHES the CHILD, SOFTENS the GUMS, ALLAYS all PAIN, CURES WIND COLIC, and is the best remedy for DIARRHEA. Sold by Druggists in every part of he world. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's" Soothing Syrup.

Soothing Syrup.

Iron and Steel Tariff. Toronto, Dec. 24. - The iron and steel manufacturers of the Dominion, who are members of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, assembled here yesterday to discuss the suggestions made by the members for a revision of the Dominion tariff on iron and steel The views of the members will be laid before the committee on tariffs.

Tired when you go to bed, tired when you get up, tired all the time. Why? Your blood is impure. Take Ayer's Sarsaparilla and be quickly cured. If the bowels are constipated, take Aver's Pills. Lowell, Have.

TRAGEDY NEAR BRANTFORD; MAN SHOOTS HIS BROTHER

The Victim Was Mistaken for a has made his home in Detroit for some Burglar—Returned Home to Spend Christmas.

Brantford, Ont., Dec. 23.-A horrible ragedy occurred about 9 o'clock this morning at Middleport, about twelve miles from this city, Wesley Watson being shot and instantly killed by one

time past. Late last night he came home unexpectedly, it is supposed, to spend the Christmas holidays. The brothers at home, both men over 30 years of age, heard him approaching the house, and apparently they be-came possessed with a fear that they were about to be attacked by burglars. They ran upstairs, and getting out of a window, went to the house of a neighbor, where they spent the night.

About 9 o'clock this morning they returned, armed with a shotgun. Wesof his brothers. Full details of the ley had gone into the house, and findof his brothers. Full details of the ity in no one there, went to bed. When shooting are lacking, but the story, his two brothers opened the door of which was brought to the city by a the room in which he was sleeping which was brought to the city by the raised himself in the bad. They neighbor who lives half a mile from he raised himself in the bad. They the scene is a very peculiar one. the scene, is a very peculiar one.
Two brothers, Samuel and James
Watson, run the farm near Middleport, and the third brother, Wesley,

PASSIONATE BOY SHOOTS HIS SISTER IN THE HEAD

Him Something That He Wanted.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.-The two children of sidore Desrosiers, 68 St. Bernard street, Hull, were playing this morning, and the sister having something wished to get, the latter somehow got ened to shoot her if she did not give reys acted in self-defense.

Because She Refused to Give up the coveted article. Upon the girl refusing to do this the boy discharged one chamber of the weapon, and the ball, which was of large caliber, entered the girl's jaw, and came out at the back of the neck. The wound may be fatal. The boy is about 10 years

QUARREL OVER DICE.

Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 23.-In a fight over a game of dice here today, Walker Humphreys, a conductor on the in her possession that the brother Louisville and Nashville road, shot wished to get, the latter somehow got and killed W. M. Barnett, a grocery man. The coroner's jury tonight renhold of a loaded revolver, and threat- dered a verdict, finding that Humph-

MANY FARMERS FOOLED A WOMAN RULES SAVAGES

Scheme in Detroit.

Make Good Their Escape.

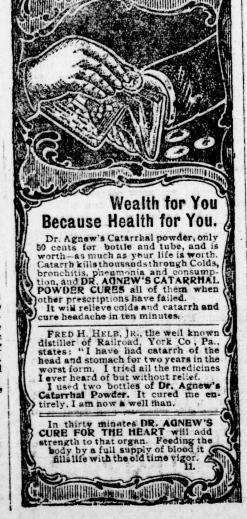
Detroit, Dec. 23.-For several weeks past, says the News, both Supt. Downey and Chief of Detectives McDonnell have been in daily receipt of let- and one of the half dozen wealthlest ters from farmers and others in the women in the world, with her husband interior of the State, complaining of and grandson, was a patron of an upthe "Crown Mail Order House," that town hotel yesterday. Her wealth is badly damaged by fire and water. The had its headquarters in the Cleland in the neighborhood of \$20,000,000, and building, 29 and 31 State street, and she is the lawmaker for nearly 100,000 was operated by a recent acquisition

Crown Mail Order House was to send many, where she has been negotiating agents throughout the State soliciting of about one-eighth of her possesorders for clothing, such as suits and sions. It is her hope that within the for women. These agents carried the po finest samples of beaver cloths which they represented was the kind of cloth Hawaiian Islands. that was to be used in the overcoats, dress suits, etc., that they received this afternoon for San Francisco,

The agents represented that the Crown Mail Order House for the purpose of advertising itself had decided first husband, Edward E. Forsaythe, the country. They would require a deposit of \$5. The overcoat or dress of \$12, just one-fifth of what either would cost if purchased from any other firm. After the order and the deposit, the farmer would wait a long time. and then he would receive a letter from the Detroit concern requesting

the balance of \$9. After the \$9 additional was sent the concern would send another letter saying that finer lining was needed in the garment than was first supposed. and that \$6 more was needed before the clothes could be sent. When the remaining \$6 was sent the sender would receive a package of clothing that could be duplicated in any store for

from \$4 to \$6. Chief McDonnell paid a visit to the establishment with one of its customers, but could get no complaint, for the Occision of the Court of King's Bench | Parasite Imported From the East Thta reason that the concern made a settlement. The close plessing of the police, however, must have had its effect, for the Crown Mail Order House has disappeared from the Cleland building, and Parker & Goodson, its legal represent-atives, tell the News that Andrew Stewart and the Crown Mail Order House have gone. The law firm is desirous of finding out where Stewart is, claiming that he owes them for legal services, which they would like to collect.



Proprietors of the Swindling Concern | One of the World's Wealthiest Women Bosses 100,000 Ex-Cannibals.

> cognito of Mrs. Paul Kolbe, a virtual queen of a group of South Sea Islands, islanders, who only a score of years ago were among the fiercest cannibals

crests in the archi

tions in the Western Pacific was suit was to be sold for the small sum quoted as authoritative, and by making use of this knowledge, and taking advantage of her opportunities she quickly paid off her indebtedness and

> At first her position on the islands was not only uncomfortable, but extremely dangerous. The cannibalistic natives were hostile and suspicious, but she gradually acquired such influence over them that of nearly entire population she is now virtual leader. She gives them their laws, marries and divorces them, and is looked upon as the final arbiter in all

Division, Unseated.

Montreal, Dec. 23. - Mr. Joseph Brunet, Liberal M. P. for St. James' division. was today unseated and disqualified.

North Adams, Mass., Dec. 24 .- Mrs. C. N. Beers, of this city, recently rereceived through the mail a box of candy, the appearance of which so aroused her suspicions that she did not eat any of it, but submitted it to a local chemist for analysis. His examination has shown that the candy was covered with a poisonous powder. The police are at a loss for a clue, as the post mark on the box wrapper is undecipherable.

Ready to Marry by Lot. Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 24.-Clarett B. Simpson writes to Postmaster Cromwell from Troy, N. Y., that she and 20 other Troy girls have formed a matrinonial club with the object of proiding wives for Pacific coast men. The club is the result of a story in the east that 500 men of Tacoma and other coast cities were in need of wives. Miss Simpson is president if the club, which, she says, will choose by lot the members who shall marry first. Their plan is to forward to Postmaster Cromwell photographs of the girls thus selected and have him distribute them among the men wanting wives. The club will provide funds to defray the expenses of its members to the coast, one at a time. If the meeting with the young man with whom the wedding has been arranged by correspondence and exchange of photographs is not satisfactory, then the club will pay the

Chance for Hunter Roosevelt: desperation by the loses of stock as a result of the depredations of mountain Northern Montana are organizing an immense drive, which will be, perhaps, without a parallel in western history. The recent blizzard and tense cold have forced the animal of their mountain irs into the rys below in quest of food. It is proposed to have about 100 men engage in the chase, and from different points they

Are Taken In by a Mail Order Queen Emma, of the South Sea Islands, in New York.

'New York, Dec. 24 .- Under the in-

It appears that the scheme of the She is on her way home from Gerovercoats, as well as coats and sacques next five years see may be able to dispelago and spend the remainder of her life traveling, with a residence on the Queen Emma will leave New York

whence she will at once sail for her home. It was only about 20 years ago that Queen Emma, on the death of her to sell the made-up garments cheaper an Englishman, found herself not only than any garment could be made in poor, but heavily in debt. But even then her knowledge of trade condi-

laid the foundations of her present large fortune.

LIBERAL M. P. DISQUALIFIED

Joseph Brunet, Member for St. James

Poison by Mail.

girl's expenses back to Troy.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 24. - Driven to the ranchers and stockmen of

THE WEATHER TODAY-Showers: turning colder

STORE OPEN TONIGHT—Closed From 6 to 7:30.

Santa Claus Can Afford to Fill Up the Stockings If He Selects His Toys Here.

Everything that's good for presents is here for those who for some reason or other could not buy their presents earlier. At Christmas as well as at all other times this store stands for good, reliable values at lowest prices. So if you're in a hurry today or tonight you may come here and feel sure of getting just what you need. We have the

Most unique lot of Toys shown in London

The usual big rush of Christmas Eve should be reason enough for your coming early if at all possible.

Cream Dress Goods for Xmas Waists.

Just in, and we have never shown more desirable goods for waists. It will be no trouble for you to pick a beauty though your time be limited.

All-Wool Taffeta at, the yard, only65c Wide Heavy Serge, special 50e Fancy Bedford Cord, the latest\$1 00 Cream and White Luster, silk finish, 65c and 75c Silk Crepe de Chene, in cream and white \$1 50

See our beautiful Colored Cashmeres, the latest and daintiest. Endless variety of shades to select from. Two very special lines for the Christmas trade that you should not miss, selling at, the yard, 50c and65c

New Fancy Silks Reduced for Xmas Eve.

Our popular Silk Department will be ready for late buyers-ready with bargains, too. We are bound to meet your wants, and have set out some new Silks in fancy colors, at reduced prices. What better gift could you give than a choice Waist length?

Beautiful range of Fancy Waist Silks, in all the newest colors of pinks, old rose, sky blue, white, turquise blue, sea green, navy, brown, cardinal, black and white. In this superb collection are some of our High Grade Louisine Silks that always sell at \$1 25 per yard; also one piece of Hemstitched (all black) Silk.

Xmas Eve Bargain in Dressing Jackets.

3 dozen Dainty Dressing Sacques in white, red, blue, gray and pink, with trimmings of zephyr wool, frogs

lar price \$1 50. On sale now at... Eiderdown Sacques, in pretty color combinations, with strappings of white felt; fitted back, fancy front and

DON'T FORGET THAT OUR COAT SALE IS ON. Selling \$5 00 Coats for \$2 95; \$8 50 Coats for \$4 95; \$10 00 Coats for \$6 75; \$21 50 Coats for \$13 50.

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will proceed toward a common center, which will be some mountain basin. unto this trap the lions will be driven and then picked off by the marksmen. s been suggested that President grounds.

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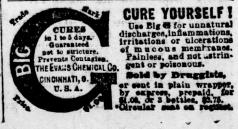
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Special Purchase Just in, 1,000 Dozen of Ladies' and Gents' Handkerchiefs

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Gents' large size Silk Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, initialed, good value at 50 cents; our price, 25 cents each.

FINE SWISS EMBROIDERED HANDKERCHIEFS, 10c, 121/2c and 15c. See them. They are worth more money. FORTY DOZEN EMBROIDERED AND HEMSTITCHED FINE

5c each; as many or few as you like. Big bargain. CHILDREN'S HANDKERCHIEFS-Any amount of them; plain, mottoed or silk scolloped and braided, worth 10c each; sale price, 6 for

HANDKERCHIEF CENTERS; regular 15c, sale price 50c a dozen, or

White Cotton Handkerchiefs, nicely bordered, 25c a dozen.

ONE LINE OF LADIES' TAN LEATHER SHOPPING BAGS; WERE 75c, PRICE 19c EACH.

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10c Tickings for 8c a yard. 121/2c Tickings for 10c a yard. 17c Tickings for 121/2c a yard. 25c Tickings for 20c a yard.

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Worth 7c, sale price 5c a yard. Special line of Flannelette, just in: worth 10c, for 7c and 8c a yard. 25 PIECES OF FANCY AMER-ICAN WRAPPERETTE; regular 10c. sale price &c a vard.

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Four Special Lines.

Special line of Ladies' and Gents' Black Astrachan Gauntlets; regular \$1 00, sale price 50c a pair.

New lines of Lace Curtains just in; special at 25c and 50c a pair. Very fine Lace Curtains, just in; regular \$1 25, sale price \$1 00.

35 DOZEN OF CHILDREN'S PURE WOOL UNDERVESTS, in all sizes, in white and natural, open front. These goods are worth 50c. sale price 25c and 35c. See them.

THE HOLIDAY OF HOLIDAYS is swiftly approaching. Now is your time to buy, and the "Three Busy Stores" is the place to buy

CUNNING CROWS

Service and the service and th

the Manning House, Windsor.

Windsor, Dec. 24. - Miss Maggie Monihan, head waitress at the Man- at Toone Station, a village near this ning House, has been missing sundry toilet articles, coins and bric-a-brac from her room. Miss Monihan kept watch on her room for some time, but failed to detect the thieves, and finally, though reluctantly, she suspected some of the attaches of the house. Close watching and careful investigation failed to reveal the identity of the

On Saturday Miss Monihan happened to look out upon the roof not a great distance from her window, and there saw a number of coins amounting to about \$2, and a variety of other vari-colored objects which had caught the eves of two tame crows which Miss Monihan had been in the habit of feeding from her window. A great quantity of stuff was at length recovered from the roof, and the sleuths and bloodhounds from the police department were called off the trail.

Completely Fagged Out.

The world is full of sickly despondent, tired, enervated people, all hoping to be well some day. The surest road to health is along the way of taking Ferrozone after meals. Ferrozone is a great appetizer, and enables one to eat plenty of wholesome food without fear of indigestion or dyspepsla. This results in the rapid formation of an abundance of red vitalizing blood, which will restore the nerves, increase flesh and vigor, and nourish and feed every organ of the body. Ferrozone is an ideal restorative and invigorant. It is a tonic of unequaled merit that anyone can use with benefit. Price 50c per box, or six boxes for \$250, at druggists or N. C. Polson & Co. Kineston, Ont.

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Thomas Keilly, of Brockville, is appointed factory inspector in the district from Ottawa to Gananoque and Ottawa, in place of J. R. Brown, who is moved to headquarters.

WORMS DERANGE the whole system. Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator de-ranges worms, and gives rest to the suf-ferer. It only costs 25 cents to try it and

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on receipt of price and four 2-cent postage stamps. The Cook Company, Windsor, Ont. druggists.

SHOT DEAD BY A WOMAN Table and Murdered.

Jackson, Tenn., Dec. 24.-Yesterday city, Miss Lizzie Millhouse, a prominent young woman in the locality, shot and fatally wounded a young man named Marsh. She called him from the breakfast table, seized him by the arm and with her disengaged hand fired six shots from a revolver into his body. Marsh was to have been married soon.

David City, Neb., Dec. 24.-Lena M. Lillie was arrested last night, charged with the murder of her husband. Harvey Lillie was shot dead in his bed last October, supposedly by burglars, although the suspicion that the house had been robed was later disproved. Since then the county attorney and detectives have been working on the case. Mrs. Lillie was arraigned tonight, pleaded not guilty and was admitted to bail in the sum of \$2,000.

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CHRISTMAS DAY

Many More Gifts Received Situation Causes Anxiety to

Than the Family Gets.

CAREFUL SYSTEM OF INSPECTION RUSSIA'S PLAN PLAINLY MARKED

Most of the Presents Go to Washing. Turker Is Uneasy-Christians ton Hospitals or Charitable Institutions.

Washington, Dec. 23. - People all ary course of business by the White House clerks, and most of them will find their way eventually to Washington hospitals and other charitable in-

Strangers are not encouraged to bestow gifts on the President or members of his family. Though a polite acknowledgment is invariably made Mr. Roosevelt would much prefer that such evidences of goodwill should be omitted. Nevertheless, many express wagon loads of merchandise of every imaginable kind, from candy to boxes of cigars, and from dolls to baskets wine, will be unloaded at the door of the executive mansion and the prob-lem of getting rid of the stuff will embarrass the clerical force for quite a

Of presents the Roosevelt children will get a bountiful supply from relatives and friends, and Kriss Kringle may be expected to descend the White House chimneys Wednesday night with a sack heavy enough to elicit a not unjustifiable grumble from the kind-liest of saints. Miss Alice, now that she is a young lady, out in society, will not hang up her stocking as heretofore, but the good old custom will be followed by Theodore, Kermit, Ethel, Archibald and Baby Quentin.

Being of Dutch extraction the Roose-

velts think a great deal of the Yuletide festival and make the most of Christmas. The President always gives his wife something handsome and costly on this annual occasion of rejoicing, but not until the day actually arrives does she know what it is going to be. Utmost secrecy is maintained in the household as to all such matters. The climax will arrive when after breakfast the presidential papa leads the way to the library on the second where the gifts are laid out in fascinating array on tables. The President will distribute them, and for the rest of the day the historic mansion is likely to be a noisy place. Roosevelt not object to noises youngsters make within reason; he regards them as healthful symptoms. The afternoon will be given up to a romp, in which the children's friends from outside, invited for the purpose, will par-

Roosevelt discourages any notions on the part of his children that they are superior to other people's children. merely because the President is their father. When Theodore, jun., first went to school at Groton, Mass., he explained to the youngster that there were only four kinds of boys—tall boys and short boys, good boys and bad boys. Feathered Thieves Steal Morey From Young Man Called From the Breakfast On this non-aristocratic idea the family affairs are managed, and even Miss Alice would be likely to receive a re-buke from her father if she ventured

to "put on airs." Wednesday morning the steward of the White House will distribute 87 turkeys among the clerks, ushers, messengers, gardeners, policemen and stablemen attached to the White House, that number being required to go around; and to each bird will be attached a card bearing the name the recipient and the words, "A Merry Christmas, from the President.'

The Roosevelts will eat their own Christmas turkey at 7:30 o'clock in the evening of Dec. 25, and the dinner will be strictly a family affair, no outsiders being invited. Doubtless it will be a very jolly little home festival, such as any married couple, with half a dozen boys and girls of their own, would enjoy on a similar occasion.

BODY IS EXEMPT

A New Preparation Which Everyone Will Need Sooner or Later.

Almost everybody's digestion is disordered more or less, and the com-monest thing they do for it is to take some one of the many so-called blood purifiers, which in many cases are merely strong cathartics. Such things are not needed. If the organs are in a clogged condition, they need only a little help and they will right them-Cathartics irritate the sensitive linings of the stomach and bowels and often do more harm than good. Purging is not what is needed. The thing to do is to put the food in condition to be readily digested and assimilated. Stuart's Dyspepsa Tablets do this perfectly. They partly digest what is eaten and give the stomach just the help it needs. They stimulate the secretion and excretion of the digestive fluids and relieve the congested condition of the glands and membranes. They put the whole digestive system in condition to do its work. When that is done you need take no more tablets, unless you eat what does not agree with you. Then take one or two tablets—give them needed help and you will have no trouble. It's a common sense medicine and a common sense treatment and it will cure every time. Not only cure the disease, but cure the cause. Goes about it in a perfectly sensible and scientific We have testimonials enough to fill

a book, but we don't publish many of them. However, Mrs. E. M. Faith, of Byrd's Creek, Wis., says: "I have taken all the tablets I get of you and they have done their work well in my case, for I feel like a dif-

ferent person altogether. I don't doubt if I had not got them I should have been at rest by this time."

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POWERS LOOKING

Magnates of Europe.

Macedonia Despondent and

Desperate. .

over the country who are sending symptoms in diplomatic circles of St. Christmas gifts to the Roosevelt chil- Petersburg, Vienna, Constantinople dren may as well be told that very and the capitals of the Balkan States few of their offerings will ever be seen indicate a revival of apprehension as by the intended recipients. All pres- to the situation in the near east.

ents from sources not satisfactorily There is a widespread recrudescence identified will be opened in the ordin- of pan-Slavism in Southeastern Eur-. In spite of assurances that Macedonia is quiet, conditions in that province of Abdul Hamid's empire are getting worse. Within a month the Russian ambassador at the Turkish capital has bluntly called upon the Sultan to enforce measures calculated to promote content among the Macedonians, and within a week the St. Petersburg Official Messenger, the or-gan of the Russian foreign office, has

published a communique to the Otto-man Government of the most sweeping and peremptory nature. Russia is now moving along more clearly discernible lines. During the Chinese crisis she maintained an attitude of reserve toward the Balkan problem, but this she seems about to modify, if, indeed she has not done

so already. Firmly entrenched in Manchuria, behind the fiction of temporary military occupation, and confident that no power will seriously attempt to disturb her, she may turn to issues nearer her center of political equilibrium. According to the Constantinople correspondent of the London Times, one of the best informed and most conservative critics of international policies, the visit soon to be made by the Russian Foreign Minister, Count Lamsdorff, to Vienna, by way of Sofia, and Belgrade, will be an event of first-rate consequences.

HOLDS STRONG VIEWS. "Lamsdorff," says this writer, "holds strong views as to the necessity of exerting collective pressure on the Porte and establishing effective European supervision in Macedonia, which otherwise promises to remain a hot-bed of revolution. If collective pressure be not obtainable, he desires that Europe should intrust to Russia, Britain and Austria-Hungary the work of Macedonial pacification.

Turkey is uneasy over the visit, and will closely watch developments. The grand vizier has suddenly recommended a partial reorganization of the gendarmerie in Macedonia approaching in principle the Russian ambassador's suggestion that a Christian element

be introduced.

As might have been expected, this was promptly vetoed by the reactionary palace party, whose counsels have greater weight with the infatuated Sultan than the advice of his ministers; but such a recommendation would never have been made, even by the liberal-minded Said Pasha had not the specter of European intervention again perturbed the Porte. Count Lamsdorff looks upon the

Ottoman system of collecting taxes as the actual root of Macedonian, as well as Armenian disaffection. It takes no account of the increasing pauperization of the people, whose homes are ruthlessly seized by the tithe collect-

CHRISTIANS DRIVEN TO DESPAIR The Christians, naturally submissive, are by degrees reduced to desperation, and once there they become the easy prey of professional agita-They join revolutionary movements because, even if these are foreordained to fail, the insurgents nselves are guaranteed a better livelihood than the wretches who won't

In the broad plans of the Russian office is included a scheme for the eventual supervision by Europe of the whole framework of the Ottoman empire. No such programme can be carried out during the lifetime of Abdul Hamid, a man intensely opposed to European methods, but the prince imperial, who has come into contact with western ideas, entertains some opinions as to domestic economy which may yet be utilized in the interest of re-

forms in Turkey.

Meanwhile Russia seeks to install an object lesson in Macedonia and Armenia. From the latter there is a steady emigration into Russian territory, which Count Lamsdorff desires to

In Vienna the feeling is that whatever is done to compose dangerous disorder must be done promptly. The British consul-general describes conditions in Macedonia as "full of peril," and hints that the Bulgarians are doing their utmost to strengthen the animosity between Macedonians and Turks, with a view of bringing on a

big outbreak in March. The consul-general reports that numerous armed bands roam freely over the province, and that those peasants who escape the exactions of the Turkish soldiery and police fall victims to the license of the outlaw.

ANARCHY IS PREDICTED. "There is no time to lose," he declares, "unless the powers wish to see the entire population driven to anarchy as the last expedient of the unhappy victims of a double torture." It is understood that Count Lamsdorff during his interviews with Count Goluchowski, will reassert the principle of underlying the Austro-Russian This provides for the maintenance of the status quo and pledges the two powers not to allow any Balkan state or combination of Balkan states to attack Turkey.

Count Goluchowski has ofter asserted that subject to this agreement, the first thing to be done in getting justice for the oppressed districts is not to enact new laws, but to secure the equitable administration of existing

At his birthday levee last month. Abdul Hamid announced to the heads of the non-Mussulman communities that he would make no distinction between his Mohammedan and his Christian subjects. Austro-Russian states-manship will test the sincerity of this astonishing profession, according to the Politische Correspondenz, by inviting him to dismiss the valis of Monastir and Kossovo, two monsters whose pan-Islamic enthusiasm, if not speedily restrained, will create in the Balkans a situation of international gravity.

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that unless appearances are utterly Ice Your Christmas Cake With misleading Abdul Hamid can no longer rely upon Germany to checkmate the reformatory projects of Europe. Emperor William may or may not have given the Sultan pledges against Otto-

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man dismemberment, but neither Rus-

sia nor Britain now desires partition,

and the Berlin Government, having

got its way in the Levant, has strong

inducements to see Turkish internal improvements carried out on a large

Capt. Sidney Robinson has been appointed major in the 21st (Essex) Fusi-

Mayor Smyth, of Windsor, has declined to allow his name to go before the people for re-election. Mayor Smyth states that his own personal interests will not allow him to spare the time which the city's business requires.

The formation of a drill company in connection with the Collegiate Institute at Ridgetown is authorized. To be acting captain, C. Langford; to be acting lieutenant, J. C. Munro; to be acting second lieutenant, A. Macdonald. At a special meeting of the quarterly official board of the Grace Church, St. Thomas, it was unanimously decided to extend an invitation to Rev. Dr. Gifford, of Clinton to succeed Rev. W. Godwin in the pastorate, the change to take place next June, provided the stationing committee of the conference is agreeable.

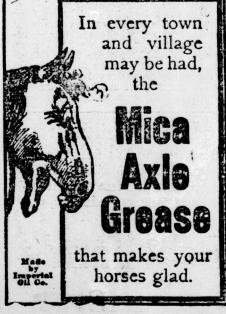
Chief of Police Laporte, of Amherstburg, reached Windsor on Tuesday wir William Williams, who has been cor mitted to an asylum. Williams resisted violently when he was captured, with the assistance of two constables. On the journey between Pelton and Windsor the process of the constable of the process of the power of the constable of the process of the constable of the process of orisoner made a sudden dash for a window and attempted to escape, but caught just in time to save his life. In the last issue of the Canada Gazette the promotion of Capt. S. C. Robinson to junior major of the 21st (Essex) Regijunior major of the 21st (Essex) Regiment is mentioned. E. G. Swift, of Walkerville, is appointed a second lieutenant provisionally. As soon as the last-mentioned officer qualifies he will receive the commission of captain and be assigned to command of No. 4 company, in place

of Capt. Robinson, promoted. When the chambermaid at the Iroquois Hotel, St. Thomas, went to the room of Charles Foster, formerly clerk at the Grand Central Hotel, Tuesday, about 8 Grand Central Hotel, Tuesday, about 8 o'clock, she found the door shut, and o'clock, she found the door shut, and inhaled the fumes of escaping gas. She immediately notified the proprietor, and the door was forced open. The occupant of the room was lying in bed in a deathly stupor, and a gas jet was turned on full. Doctors were notified and worked over Mr. Foster for some time, with the result that his life was saved. He will be all right again in a few days.

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Reid, Toronto, on Wednesday, Dec. 17, when their daughter, Miss Fanny A., was unittheir daughter, Miss Fanny A., was united in marriage to Mr. Herman C. Clendenning, of Stratford, by the Rev. Dr. Langtry. The bride was assisted by her sister, Miss Sadie, and the groom was supported by Mr. Stuart Reid, brother of the bride. Immediately after the wedding breakfast, the bridal party left for Listowel, amid a shower of rice and the grood wishes of all present. good wishes of all present.

The difficulty encountered in reducing the 30th Regiment (Wellington Rifles) from a ten to an eight-company regiment will, it is believed, be met by converting two of the companies into squadrons of mounted troops. One of the squadrons may be located in Guelph and the other in Eramosa. The Militia Department has a very high opinion of the Wellington Rifles, which has always maintained a good standard of efficiency

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aged counterfeiter, was this morning

sentenced to three years in the peni-tentiary for having counterfeited dollar

bills. The sentence will run with the

ten years he is already serving. The

further charges against Anson Ray-

mond and his wife in this connection have been traversed to the March ses-

sions. When Stewart was arrested \$57

in good money was found in his clothes. This morning he was asked

whether he wished this money distrib-

uted to those to whom he had given counterfeit bills. He said he had is-

sued about 300 counterfeit bills, but would prefer to have the \$57 returned

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THE BALANCE

THE LONDON ADVERTISER COM-PANY (Limited.)

LONDON, ONTARIO. London, Wednesday, Dec. 24.

Remove the Coal Duty. A bill has been introduced in the United States Senate to take the duty off Canadian coal, providing Canada also admits United States coal free of duty. Anthracite coal pays no duty in Canada, but soft coal pays 53 cents . ton. The duty on coal entering the United States is nearly 60 cents per ton. The bill in the United States Senate is promoted by a stiff protectionist, Senator Lodge, and will probably carry, as the Democrats will support it as an item of their own programme. The abolition of the duty is particularly desired by the New England States, which import a great deal of Nova Scotia coal. The pinch of the fuel famine has forced the Senate to W.cognize the demand.

The Dominion Government should respond to such an offer. The rankest protectionist must admit that reciprocity in coal would be a mutual advantage. The New England States are the natural market for Nova Scotia coal and the Northwestern and Pacific coast States are the natural market for British Columbia coal. Ontario and Quebec have to buy their soft and hard coal from the United States, as British Columbia and Nova Scotia coal is excluded by high freight rates. The tariff does not give Canadian coal the home market; it is a tax on Canadian manufacturers and consumers, and the revenue it yields could be well spared. A free American market would also greatly develop the coal mining industry in Canada and add to the wealth of the country. Reciprocity in this one article would prove so beneficial to both countries that it would be a ada. The writer, like too many Engstrong argument for extending it to other products.

Kipling's Latest Jingle.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal leader, denounced those who by "rasping writings and foul jibes" had tried to foment discord between Great Britain and Germany. Kipling has provoked this shot by his latest ballad, in which he voices the repugnance of the average Britisher to the Anglo-German alliance in coercing Venezuela. It is a pity Kipling lends his great talents to such mischievous uses. There is a deep-seated resentthe German people during the Boer war, and Britons were especially stung by the venomous attacks on Queen Victoria; but the conduct German Government was more than correct-it was friendly-and the Emperor has assiduously cultivated British goodwill. The Governments of both countries have been wiser than the public. German ill-feeling toward Great Britain springs from commercial rivalry, which should be a bond of friendship. Each country is the other's best customer, and their interests are common, not only in trade, but in everything that pertains to civilization and progress. The London Times has been carrying on an aggressive anti-German campaign in favor of a pro-Russian policy. This is not Kipling's first offense. Some years ago he pandered to the British Russophobes by his ballad, "Adam-Zad," likening Russia to the "bear that looked like a man." Since then, largely owing to the influence of the Times, British hostility to Russia has been greatly abated. The wonder is that Kipling's splendid genius could stoop to woo a music-

The Doctors' Petition.

Fifty-four of the 65 medical practitioners of the City of London have petitioned the hospital trust to restore the previous arrangements at Victoria Hospital, affecting the Medical School. The reasons upon which the petition is based, are cogently set forth by the faculty of the school in an open letter, which should be read by every citizen of London. We think it will convince the public that the cordial co-operation of the Medical School and the hospital is necessary to the efficiency of both institutions. The school is not asking a new privilege. The faculty and students have the right of six months' attendance at the hospital, but under the present arrangement, three of the six months are in the summer, when the school is closed. All that is asked is that the six months shall run consecutively during the school term. The city council pledged the winter months

right has been suddenly set aside. No institution has contributed more to make London an educational center than the Medical College. It attracts students from every portion of the province, and its graduates, who are to be found all over Canada and the United States, are an honor to their profession. The city derives a prestige from the school, and a direct financial return through the presence of the undergraduates who must spend a large sum annually for their maintenance. As stated by the faculty, the school has been also a great stimulus to medical progress in the city, one result being the creation of specialists, of whom there were none in London 25 years ago. Every medical practitioner knows that a hospital and a medical college are in many respects comple-

to the school 20 years ago, but this

mentary. Each can be of indispensable service to the other, and the city hospital is vastly more efficient because of the school. An attempt has been made to mislead the public by representing that the hospital patients are regarded by the school as so much experimental material for the students. The student neither treats, operates upon nor even dresses the wounds of a public patient, his only business in the hospital being to listen to instructions and watch the clinical demonstrations. The physicians of London are honorable men; they have set a high professional standard, and both as practitioners and citizens they have the interests of Victoria Hospital at heart. Surely their judgment as to the administration of the hospital is entitled to some respect. To whom can we look, if not to the medical profession, for guidance in such matters? The good-will of the medical men of the city is absolutely necessary to the institution, but they have been treated with contempt by the non-professional element in control, their motives have been impugned and they have been scurrilously attacked by a section of the press. A blow has been struck at the Medical School, which had entered a new career of usefulness and was making rapid headway. The educational prestige of the city, which was being steadily built up, has also received a setback by the action of the

The Advertiser wishes its thousands of readers a merry Christmas.

Woman's ways are past finding out. A Canadian girl has married the 80year-old owner of a title, and the Crown Princess of Saxony has run away from a throne.

Stratford is enjoying an industrial boom, having secured several new establishments by guaranteeing their bonds. It is to be hoped the city's business acumen proves equal to its faith in itself.

An English letter has reached this office addressed to the Editor of The Advertiser, London, Nova Scotia, Canlishmen, has hazy notions of Canadian geography, but he had heard of The Advertiser all right.

If our Conservative friends are going into municipal politics again they should bring out a better aldermanic ticket. Fair-minded Conservatives would not stoop to the narrow partyism which has prevailed in this year's

Mr. Thomas Coffey's candidature for the Senate has been received with great approbation by the press of the country, without distinction of party. It has the cordial, we might say the unanimous, approval of the Liberals of London and Western Ontario, a fact which should weigh strongly in Mr. Coffey's favor. It is a recognition of his pre-eminent qualifications that no other western name has been even mentioned. His appointment would be a highly popular, as well as a meritor. ious one. No one, with equal claims, has been proposed for the position. We think it should go to a Western

A Toronto World cartoon represents Mr. Fielding as Santa Claus carrying a bag of Christmas gifts labeled "Tariff." In the background is a forest of chimneys, each placarded "kindly call." Mr. Fielding is made to "It looks as though they expected me down nearly every tall chimney in the land this Christmas." In one particular the cartoon describes the situation. Every tall chirney is

The consumption of refined oil in the United States is about 600,000,000 gallons per year. The increase of 2 cents per gallon will net the Standard Oil Company \$12,000,000 a year. The Boston Herald says:

"Last year the company paid dividends of 45 per cent on its capital, which is largely water, representing no investment at all, being simply apitalized greed artfully employed in obtaining from the American people all that can be extorted without exciting them to violent revolution. It is not easy to characterize in fitting terms the monstrous oppression of taking advantage of the distress of the community to extort more profit. The Standard Oil moncould well afford to cheapen the price of oil in this desperate exigency of the people. The few men who own a very large proportion of stock and have absolute control of it have grown enormously by courses of business which appear not to have been founded in righteousness, much less in charity.'

Comforting.

[Boston Transcript.] Tenant-I say, the cellar of my house is half-full of water. Landlord-Is that so? Well, it's all right. Your water tax won't be raised.

Earning It. [Chicago Record-Herald.] We don't know what Castro's salary is, but he's earning it at present.

Paddy Found the Third.

[Exchange.] A London mechanic, with the intention of enjoying a practical joke, pasted the figures of two donkeys on the dead wall opposite to his workshop. Inder these figures he had written in large letters: "When shall we three again? The idea of this, it need hardly be explained, was to presuppose that who-

ever should stand to read the inscription was the third donkey. He then retired to his shop, from which he could see how the bait would take. It was not long until a man coming by stopped and stood gazing in perplexity at the two donkeys and th scription. The mechanic was elated at the manner in which his brilliant joke had worked. He burst into a fit of loud and hearty laughter, which

soon, however, subsided, when the man turned round and scornfully exclaim-"Bedad, I was all along wonderin'

where the other one was."

The Cynic Christmas.

[J. D. Symon, in The Sketch.] Thoug faith is flagging year by year,
We keep one old tradition green,
And sing the praise of "festal cheer,"
"Wassail," and "bright demestic scene,"
Which may or else may not have been
In those brave days of vanished pride,
Yet worship we with arder keen Yet worship we with ardor keen The legendary Christmas tide.

The Yule log flames upon the hearth, In Christmas card and story-book, And at this season back to earth Come time-worn ghosts or modern spo The grandsire tells the tale that shook His youth, and will not be denied; His must maintain, by hook or creek, His legendary Christmastide.

L'Envoi. O, fabled season, let us laud Your kindly virtues far and wide, And hug you close, you ancient fraud, Dear legendary Christmastide.

Certified the Check.

[Montreal Star.] Sir Hiram Maxim tells a story of Lady Maxim's ingenuity. Sir Hiram and Lady Maxim were staying at a southern watering place. When the time came to pay the bill on leaving the landlord of the hotel looked askance at the proffered check. He knew the name, but had no evidence that the signer was the owner of it. Sir Hiram had not enough cash in his pocket to meet the case. Then Lady Maxim invited the proprietor to go down to the pier, put a penny in a certain slot, and look. He did so, and he saw a "living picture" of Sir Hiram firing a Maxim gun in the presence of the Shah of Persia. That was conclusive and the check was accepted.

Medicine for Him.

[Philadelphia Press.] "His wife has treasured all the letters he wrote to her when he was courting her; keeps them by her all the time. "Gracious! She doesn't read them

over, does, she?" "No. but she threatens to read them to him whenever he gets obstreper

The Price of Coal. [Toronto Globe.]

in considering the coal situation it is well to remember that the anthracite coal mines of Pennsylvania have always been able to produce in less than 200 days all the anthracite coal consumed in America in a year. During the year 1901, which saw the largest prothe men were employed only 194 days, and the previous year only 171 days. It is clear, therefore, that on every full working day a third more anthracite coal can be produced than the continent consumes for that day. That was the case, too, when people had not the present strong incentive to economy in using the precious mineral. With coal at \$8 to \$12 a ton we Brovosts. "There were three months I can be sure that there is not as much so a ton. It is altogether likely, therefore, that when the mines are in full The good the first box did me surprised me. I have taken twenty boxes and ed me. I have taken twenty boxes and double the present consumption. If I am well again. I am in perfect health all those concerned in the mining and and I am very joyful. Dodd's Kidney marketing of coal would play fair it | Pills saved my life." should neither be very scarce nor very dear. It costs no more to mine a ton of coal and haul it to Toronto today than it did last winter, and when peo-

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The u. T. R. and M. C. R. Want a Bridge Across Detroit River.

Toronto, Dec. 24.—The passenger and freight department of the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific Railways agree that the present month surpasses all previous Decembers in the volume of business handled. The increase in freight is simply enormous, while the overdue heavily-loaded trains and specials arriving almost daily testify to the growth of the passenger business.

THE TRANSCONTINENTAL. Hon, Clifford Sifton, in an interview here, said that whatever assistance may be given to the Grand Trunk Pacific transcontinental line, it will not take the form of a land grant.

INSPECTING THE LINES. F. W. Morse, third vice-president of the G. T. R., and William Wainwright, comptroller, Montreal, were at the Union station for a few minues today on their return from their trip in Western Canada, in the interests of the proposed Grand Trunk Pacific line. They visited Winnipeg and other points in the West, and will report to Charles H. Hays, general manager, They the results of their tour of inspection. One of the most important parts of their work was the inspection of Winnipeg for terminal facilities for the line. It is understood that the company intends Winnipeg to be the connecting point between the eastern

and western sections of the road. TO BRIDGE DETROIT RIVER. Detroit, Mich., Dec. 24.-Neither A. B. Atwater, assistant to President Hays, of the G. T. R., nor the officials of the Michigan Central will give any further information regarding the plans for the international bridge. One gentleman, who is in close touch with the situation, says, however, that the matter was further discussed by Mr. Hays after his conference with President Ledyard, and that it is more than probable that the question of the location of the bridge will be amicably settled among the railways interested within the next 00 days. Both the M. C. R. and the G. T. R. it is declared are very anxious to have the question settled and the bridge built as soon as possible.

Bubonic Plague in Mexico.

Mexico City, Dec. 24. - Advices from Mazatlan, the seaport on the west coast of Mexico, where a disease supposed to be bubonic plague has broken out, show that there were three deaths on Saturday and nine on Sunday from the malady. President Diaz has by wire offered federal aid to the infested

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Only two of the officers saved from wreck of the British troopship

Birkenhead in 1852 are now living.

THE MARKETS.

THE LOCAL MARKET. London, Wednesday, Dec. 24. About the usual offerings were on the market here today, as is generally the case for this day of the week.

Twenty-seven loads of hay sold at \$8 to \$9 for medium quality, and choice at \$9 50 per ton.

Eight loads of oats sold at 90c to 91c

No wheat offered.
A few bushels of beans sold at \$150 per bushel. A few lots of turkeys were disposed of at 14c per pound wholesale. Live Hogs-Mr. D. McIntyre will pay \$4 and \$4.25 per cwt for sows to be de-livered here on Saturday next.

WEEKLY REVIEW.

The amount of business transacted on the market here during the past six days was fairly large. However, it was slightly below that of former years at this season. The near approach of Christmas brought a large supply of poultry, and this line was the feature of the market on various days.

Prices remained unchanged to any extent, with the exception of poultry. Prices remained unchanged to any extent, with the exception of poultry, which is considerably higher. Sales were on the whole brisk, at prices quoted.

Grain—There has been all of 129 loads of oats offered; prices range mostly at 90c to 91c per cwt. The little wheat offered was disposed of at \$1 15 per cwt.

Hay and Straw—The supply of hay has been large, 170 loads having been offered during the week; 60 per cent of the offerings are of an inferior quality; prices ranged mostly at \$850 and \$9 per ton: a few loads sold at \$950 and \$10. Straw is more plentiful, at \$5 and \$550 per ton. Butter and Eggs—The supply of butter is fairly large and prices are unchanged, at 18c to 19c for choice crocks and 19c to

Poultry—While there has been a darge quantity in this line offered, it was below the supply of other seasons; turkeys formed the bulk of the offerings, and prices ruled at 12½c to 14c per pound wholesale, and 15c per pound retail; geese were in good demand, at 7½c to 8c per pound wholesale, and 9c to 19c retail; ducks were also higher in price, at 75c to \$1 per pair; chickens are held at 60c to 85c per pair; alive they sell at 50c to 66c per pair.

mon, and \$6 to \$8 for choice, the latter as compared with recent figures; sheep price for Christmas beef; lamb is easier, at \$7 to \$8 per cwt by the carcase.

The supply of honey has been fairly large, at 10c for strained and 12½c for \$5; culls at \$3 to \$4.40; dressed mutton, 5½c to 7½c per lb; dressed lambs, 7½c

AMERICAN MARKETS

that in the comb.

Buffalo, Dec. 23.—Spring wheat—No. 1 hard, 84½c; No. 1 northern, 82½c. Winter wheat—No. 2 red, 79c; No. 1 white, 85c; No. 2 extra red, 76c. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 56c; No. 4 yellow, 53c; No. 3 corn, 52c to 62½c, on track. Oats—No. 3 white, 36½c 62½c, on track. Oats—No. 3 white, 36 to 86%c; No. 2 mixed. 351%c, on track.

BUFFALO.

OIL MARKETS.

PITTSBURG.

Pa., Dec. 23.-The oil market OIL CITY. Oil City, Pa., Dec. 23.—Credit balances,

LONDON. Dec. 23.-Petroleum, refined, 61-16d; spirits, 615-16d. ANTWERP Antwerp. Dec. 23 .- Petroleum, 20 francs

BREMEN.

DAIRY MARKETS.

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NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 23.—Butter—Unsettled; receipts, 9,684 pkgs; creamery extras, per lb, 28c; do, firsts, 26c to 27½c; do, seconds, 23½c to 25c; do, lower grades, 21c to 23c; do, held extras, 25½c to 26c; do, firsts, 23½c to 25c; do, seconds, 21c to 23c; state dairy tubs, fancy, 26c; do, firsts, 24c to 25c; do, seconds, 22c to 23c; do, lower grades, 20c to 21c; western imitation creamery, finest, 21½c to 22c; do, fair to prime, 18½c to 20c; do, lower grades, 17c to 18c; renovated, extras, 22c to 22½c; do, common to prime, 16½c to 21c; western factory, held, finest, 18c to 18½c; do, current make, finest, 18c to 18½c; do, exconds, 17c to 17½c; do, lower grades, 16½c to 18c. Cheese—Firm; receipts, 4,540 boxes; state full cream, small fall-made fancy, 13½c to 13½c; do, late-made colored, choice, 13c to 13½c; do, white, choice, 13c; do, good to prime, 12¾c; do, common to fair, 11½c to 12½c; do, large fall-made fancy, 13c to 13½c; do, white, choice, 13c; do, good to prime, 12¾c; do, common to fair, 11½c to 12½c; do, large fall-made fancy, 13c to 13½c; do, white, choice, 13c; do, good to prime, 12¾c; do, common to fair, 11½c to 12½c; do, large choice, 11½c to 11½c; part skims, prime, 10¾c to 11½c; do, common, 6c to 7c. Eggs—Irregular; receipts, 6,485 cases; state, Pennsylvania and nearby, fancy selected white, 32c to 33c; do, average prime, mixed, 28c; western, loss off, 28c; do, fancy, Pennsylvania and nearby fancy selected white, 22c to 33c; do, average prime, mixed, 28c; western, loss off, 28c; do, fancy, at mark, 26c; do, average prime, 24c to 25c; do, poor to fair, 20c to 23c; Kentucky, 19c to 24c; Tennessee, 19c to 23c; dirties, 16c to 19c; refrigerators, spring packed, 26c to 21c; do, summer packed, 18½c to 19½c; limed, choice, 20c; do, fair to good, 18½c to 19½c.

CHICAGO. Chicago, Dec. 23.—Butter—Quiet and easier; creameries, 18c to 27½c; dairies, 17c to 25c. Cheese—Firm, 13c to 13¼c. LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

18½c to 19½c.

TORONTO. [Associated Press Report.] Toronto, Dec. 23.-Today was quite an

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VETERAN POLITICIAN DEAD

Demise of Senator Primrose at His Home in Pictou, N. S.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 24.-Hon, Clar-

ence Primrose, senator for the Pictou, N. S., division, died at Pictou yester-

day morning. The late senator was 72 years of age and was appointed to the

senate in 1892. He was a Conservative

in politics. He had been for years a

prominent man in public and business

affairs in Nova Scotia.

Pictou, N. S., Dec. 23.—The news of the sudden death of Senator Clarence

community today. He had been slight-

ly indisposed for a few days, suffering from acute indigestion, but was much

better, and particularly bright last evening, intending to be at his office

today. A few moments after he had

opened the door to find the messenger

of death had sped more quickly. Death

Senator Primrose, although 72 years

of age, had always been vigorous and

active, so that his sudden call was entirely unlooked for. He was a son

of the late James Primrose and senior

member of the firm of Primrose Bros..

which is largely interested in lumber-

and was possessed of literary tastes.

An active supporter of the Conserva-

tive party, he was called to the senate in 1892 to fill the vacancy caused by

the death of Hon. R. P. Grant. The

deceased married Rachel Carre, who

A CURE FOR RHEUMATISM .- The

Shot Through the Head.

Whipple, son of Col. Whipple, U. S. A.

chief paymaster in the Philippines

committed suicide here vesterday. The

young man's death is thought to have been due to despondency induced by long illness. While alone in his room

he shot himself through the heart. He

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was about 26 years of age.

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colors, mixtures and

blacks. By the yard

or in ready-made gar-

ments. Rain will not

penetrate or spot it.

Ask your dealer.

San Francisco, Dec. 24.—Nathaniel

with one son and three daughters sur-

He was educated at Edinburgh,

is ascribed to heart disease.

into the bath room his wife called, but receiving no response,

came as a shock to the

in the local butcher trade. The run was off-day at the cattle market, particularly very light, and there was very little wanted, and it is not likely that there will be much of any kind wanted for the rest of this week. The butchers are supplied with their Christmas beef, and except for a few expert cattle, one or two good lots offering, finding purchasers at from \$450 to \$5. What little there was doing in butchers' cattle was at a little lower price than last week. Fair to medium butchers were selling at \$350 to \$375; choice lots, \$375 to \$425. A few feeding steers and bulls were offering, and selling at about last week's prices; steers, 1,100 to 1,150 lbs, at \$375 to \$412½; bulls, 1,200 to 1,300 lbs, at \$275 to \$330.

The sheep and lamb trade was dull, with practically nothing doing.

The total run for the day was 35 loads, with 336 head of cattle, 566 sheep and lambs, 1,120 hogs and 10 calves.

Crawford & Co, bought about 4 loads of mixed butchers and export cattle; Butter and Eggs—The supply of butter is fairly large and prices are unchanged. at 18c to 19e for choice crocks and 19c to 20c for pound rolls in basket lots. Eggs are in good demand and the supply is moderately large, at 21c to 22c by the basket; small lots sell as high as 23c to 25c per dozen for strictly fresh-laid. Potatoes are in good demand and the supply is sufficient for all requirements; sales were made at 90c to 81 by the load and \$1 to \$1 05 by the single bag.

Apples are a dull sale, at \$1 per barrel; some choice hand-picked have been sold at \$1 25 per barrel.

Poultry—While there has been a large quantity in this line offered, it was below the supply of other seasons; turkeys formed the bulk of the offerings, and prices ruled at 12½c to 14c per pound wholesale, and 5c per pound retail; geese were in good demand, at 7½c to 8c per pound wholesale, and 9c to 10c retail; ducks were also higher in price, at 75c to \$1 per pair; chickens are held at 60c to 85c per pair; alive they sell at 50c to \$4 75; one or two lots at \$4 75 to \$4 75; one or two lots at \$4 75 to \$4 75; one or two lots at \$4 75 to \$4 75; one or two lots at \$4 75 to \$4 75; one or two lots at \$4 75 to \$4 75; one or two lots at \$4 75 to \$5 5. Lunness & Halligan bought a load of feeders at \$3 to \$4 12½c.

oad of feeders at \$3 to \$4 121/2. Dressed Hogs—There were not as many offered as in the previous week; about 250 carcases were on sale, and prices ranged at \$7 to \$7.50 per cwt for hogs which weight 120 to 160 pounds.

Live Hogs—Prices paid here on Many offered as in the previous week; about 25; no sales reported; dressed beef was steady; city dressed native sides, 7½c to 11c per lb; Texas beef, 6c to 7½c. Exports today, 750 beeves 1.5% shows ranged at \$7 to \$750 per cwt for hogs which weight 120 to 160 pounds.

Live Hogs—Prices paid here on Monday were \$560 per cwt, and there is no like lihood of any change for next Monday. Rough hogs are quoted at \$4 to \$425.

Butchers' Meats—The supply has been large, as it usually the case at this season. Beef ranges at \$5 per cwt for common, and \$6 to \$8 for choice, the latter price for Christmas beef; lamb is easier, at \$7 to \$8 per cwt by the carcase.

The supply of honey has been fairly

steady; city dressed native sides, 7½c to 11c per 1b; Texas beef, 6c to 7½c. Exports today, 750 beeves, 1,528 sheep and 2,065 quarters of beef, latter estimated. Calves—Receipts, 206; steady; barnyard and western calves slow; veals sold at \$5 to \$50 per 100 lbs; a few barnyards at \$3; city dressed veals, 11c to 14c per 1b.

Sheep—Receipts, 1,178; both sheep and lambs selling more freely, but prices low accompanded with recent figures; sheep sold at \$2 50 to \$4 per 160 lbs; a few small bunches at \$4 25 to \$4 50; lambs at \$4 50 to \$5; culls at \$3 to \$4 40: dressed mutton.

Beans have been offered more freely, at 125 to \$1 50 per bushel.

Hogs—Receipts, 2,193; about steady; a few state hogs at \$6 35.

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Chicago, Dec. 23.—Trade was dull on the board of trade today, and closing prices in the grain pits easier, May wheat being down ¼c, May corn ⅙c to ¼c, and oats off ⅙c; May provisions closed 2½c to 5c higher. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago received 417 cars of wheat, kidneys is pronounced and most benefi-cial, and by restoring healthy action, they correct impurities in the blood. 23/2c. on track. Oats—No. 3 white, 36/2c to 36% c; No. 2 mixed. 35/4c, on track.

DETROIT.

Detroit, Dec. 23.—Wheat—No. 2 red, cash

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The leading rutures closed: Wheat—Dec., 74%c; May, 77%c to 77%c; July, 74c to 74%c. Corn—Dec., 45%c; Jan., 44%c; May, 43%c to 43%c; July, 42%c to 42%c. Oats—Dec., 31%c; old, 31%c; May, 33%c to 32%c; July, 22%c. Pork—Jan., \$16 60; May, \$16 20. Lard—Dec., \$10 17%; Jan., \$9 80; May, \$9 42%; July, \$9 30. Ribs—Jan., \$8 45; May, \$8 57% to \$8 60. Rye—Dec., 48%c; May, 51%c to 52c. Timothy—Jan., \$4 25. Clover—Dec., \$10 85. Barley—Cash, 33c to 58c.

to 58c.
Cash quotations: Flour quiet but firm.
No. 2 spring wheat, 75c; No. 3, 72c; No. 2
red, 74½c to 75c. No. 2 corn, 45½c; No. 2
yellow, 45½c. No. 2 vosts, 31¾c; No. 3
white, 32¾c. No. 2 rye, 48½c. Good feeding barley, 36c to 42c; fair to cloice
malting, 45c to 56c. No. 1 flaxseed, \$1 16;
No. 1 northwestern, \$1 24. Prime timothy
seed, \$3 75. Mess pork, \$17; lard, \$10 17½
to \$10 27½; short ribs sides, \$3 37½ to seed, \$375. Mess pork, \$17; lard, \$10 17½ to \$10 27½; short ribs sides, \$8 37½ to \$8 62½; dry salted shoulders, \$8 25 to \$8 50; short clear sides, \$8 75 to \$8 87½. Clover, contract grade, \$10 85. Eggs steady, 25c. Receipts—Flour, 18,400 bils; wheat, 74,400 bu; corn, 374,400 bu; oats, 362,500 bu; rye, 15,300 bu; barley, 131,400 bu. Shipments—Flour, 29,100 bbls; wheat, 22,900 bu; corn, 99,700 bu; oats, 303,900 bu; rye, 3,000 bu; barley, 38,200 bu.

Toledo, O., Dec. 23.—Wheat—Steady; cash and Dec., 78c; May, 81c. Corn—Dull; Dec., 45c; May, 43c. Oats—Steady; Dec., 34c; May, 34½c. Rye—No. 2, 52½c. Clover seed—Dull but steady; Dec., \$6 70½; Jan., \$6 70; March, \$6 82½. Prime timothy, \$1 30. Prime alsike, \$8. TOLEDO.

NEW YORK. New York, Dec. 23.—Flour—Receipts, 40,-150 bbls; sales, 5,000 pkgs; flour was dull 150 bbls; sales, 5,000 pkgs; flour was dull but steady. Buckwheat flour—Firm, \$2 30 to \$2 35, spot and to arrive. Rye flour—Firm; fair to good, \$3 10 to \$3 40. Wheat—Receipts, 233,025 bu; sales, 575,000 bu; wheat at first was higher on cables, exports and covering, but later eased off; Dec., \$4\frac{4}{3}c; May, \$1\frac{1}{3}c to \$1\frac{3}{3}c; July, 78\frac{3}{3}c to 78\frac{3}{3}c; May, \$1\frac{1}{3}c to \$1\frac{3}{3}c; July, 78\frac{3}{3}c, c.i.f., New York; No. 2 western, 58\frac{3}{3}c, c.i.f., New York; No. 2 western, 58\frac{3}{3}c, f.o.b., afloat. Corn—Receipts, 39,900 bu; sales, 35,000 bu; corn was steady to firm on covering and the cables; Dec., 60c to 60\frac{3}{3}c; Jan., 54c; May, 48 7-i6c to 48\frac{3}{3}c. Oats—Receipts, 96,000 bu; oats were firm but quiet; track, white state, 38c to 43c; track, white western, 38c to 43c. Coffee—Quiet; No. 7 Rio, 5\frac{1}{3}c. Lead—Quiet. Wool—Firm.

CANDIDATES IN COUNTY

Nominations for Next Year's Council Took Place Monday.

The nominations for county councilrs took place on Monday. Clerk Robson has not yet received any returns from the returning officers in the various divisions, most of them apparently deferring their until the expiring of the time for with-drawing of candidates' names.

From other than official sources it was learned that the following nominations had been made; Division 1 - Biddulph, McGillivray Township and Village of Lucan-John Bradley, A. K. Hodgins and William

Division No. 3-London Township-Peter Elson, R. W. Jackson and Thomas Clark. Division No. 4-Dorchester and Nis-

souri Townships—George Neely, J. W. Salmon and Richard Fitzgerald. Division No. 5—Delaware and West-minster Townships—R. M. Piper, John Cousins, John Thorneycroft and J. M. Kaiser.

Division No. 6-Lobo and Caradoc Townships-Alex Gray, J. P. Grigg and Dan Campbell. This leaves divisions 2, 7 and 8 to be heard from. Of the nominees, Messrs. Bradley, Hodgins, Elson, Jackson, Neely, Salmon, Piper, Grigg and Gray are members of the present council. It is stated that in division 6 Reeve Campbell has withdrawn, leaving Messrs. Gray and Grigg re-elected.

Rev. Geo. R. Turk, who a few weeks ago was called to the rastorate of the First Methodist Church, Owen Sound, has decided to accept the invitation.

FOR COUNTY COUNCILOR Nominations in Lambton, Huron and Elgin Counties.

Aylmer, Dec. 22. — Following were nominated for this district today: Oscar McKenney, Aylmer; Mahlon E. Lyons, Aylmer; Charles W. Wonnacott, Malahide; William Rockey, Malahide; John R. Summers, Malahide, John R. Summers, Malahide. Dutton, Dec. 22.—Ed McKellar and A. J. Leitch were re-elected today for the second district, Elgin County Council, by acclamation. HURON.

Exeter, Ont., Dec. 22.-Nominations were held here today for county councilors for No. 4 division, County of Huron-H. Spackman and R. Hicks, the old councilors, elected by acclama-

LAMBTON. Sarnia, Ont., Dec. 22. — Lambton County Council nomination, division No. 1, comprising Sarnia and Point Edward-George A. Proctor and F. W. Kittermaster, re-elected by acclamaion. Devision No. 2, Moore and Sarnia Townships—James J. Coyle and Neil Leckie, re-elected by acclamation. Watford, Ont., Dec. 22.—Nominations for sixth district, Lambton County Council—Alex Laird, Duncan Campbell, Warwick; J. L. Fuller, Arkona; C. Kennedy, Bosanquet.

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Coal-Laden Steamer Missing. Boston, Dec. 23. - The steamship Minnetonka left England, Nov. 30, coal laden, for this port. She was sighted Dec. 13 by the Dominion Colonian flying distress sig-This was about 900 miles from Halifax, in the path of navigation. The Colonian learned that the boiler and steering gear of the Minnetonka were disabled and took the crippled vessel in tow. But the weather was heavy, the hawsers parted, and finally the Colonian went on her way. Since that day nothing has been seen of the Minnetonka, although the captains of incoming steamers were asked whether or not they had sighted her.

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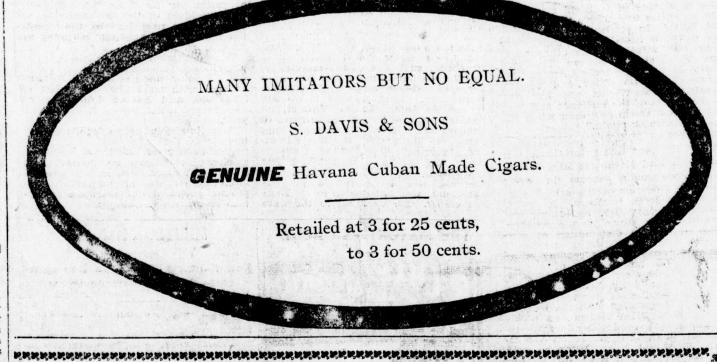
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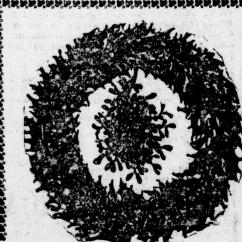
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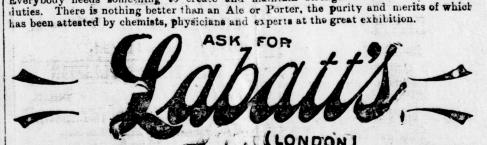
Wedgwood China Cups and Saucers, Doulton China Cups and Saucers, Limoges China Cups and Saucers, Royal Crown Derby Cups and Saucers, Royal Worcester Cups and Saucers.

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Corn-Steady, at 46c for new Canada yellow west; American is steady, at 53c for new No. 3 yellow, 52c for new No. 2 mix-new No. 3 yellow, 52c for new No. 2 mixed and 61c for old No. 3 yellow, in cars on the track at Toronto. Oats—Unchanged; No. 2 white, 30c high freights west and 30½c middle freights. Peas—Steady, at 75c for choice milling west; No. 2 for export are lower; some quoted at 72c bid, middle freights. Eggs—Receipts of strictly fresh are fairly liberal and in good demand and steady, at 18c to 19c; limed, 18c. Butter—Receipts of choice dairies are Nova Scotia......226 onsumers Gas .. ntario and Qu Appelle Land... Ontario and Q1 Appelle Lend. —
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Lard—Dull; prime western, in tierces, 55s 6d; American refined, in pails, 55s.

Butter—Nominal.

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Nova Scotia Steel, com. 128/
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Imperial L. and Invest.
Landed Banking and Loan.
Lon. and Can. L. and A.
Manitoba Loan.
Toronto Mortage.
London Loan.

Oronto Loan
Ontario Loan and Deb.
Toronto Savings and Loan
Real Estate Loan and Deb
Cable Coup. Bonds
Cable Reg. Bonds
Pominion Steel Bonds
Nova Scotia Steel Bonds

SALES: Hamilton, 20 at 231; Imperial, 10 at 132, 42 at 131½, 10 at 131¾, 10 at 132; Dominion, 20 at 246, 7 at 246½; Ontario, Dominion, 20 at 246, 7 at 24614; Ontario, 14 a 222; Traders, 5 at 129; National Trust, 20 at 137; R. and O., 25 at 93; Toronto Railway, 20 at 11214; C. P. R., 25 and 25 at 129, 75 at 12874, 200 at 12834; Cable, 20 at 169; Twin City, 150 and 25 at 11514, 5 at 11534, 10 at 11534; Sao Paulo, 92 at 88, 80 at 8814, 34 at 8814, 260 at 90, 50 at 9014; Steel, 5 at 58; Coal, 25 at 12714; Superior, 200 at 814; Nova Scotia Steel bonds, 200 at 111; Dominion Steel bonds, 12,000 at 90.

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PRODUCE MARKETS.

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light; good demand for best lots; prices

ENGLISH MARKETS.

Futures inactive; Jan., 4s 61/sd; March,

Flour-St. Louis fancy winter quiet,

Hops (at London)-Pacific coast firm,

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Beef—Steady; extra India mess, 113s 9d.

Pork—Steady; prime mess western, 90s.

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Bacon-Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs,

quiet, 47s 6d; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, dull, 48s; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, quiet, 48s 6d; long clear middles, heavy,

Cheese—Firm; American finest white and colored, 29s.
Tallow—Prime city dull, 27s 3d; Austra-

Linseed oil—Firm, 26s.
Cottonseed oil (Hull refined)—Spot steady, 21s 7½d.

OIL MARKETS.

PITTSBURG.
Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 24.—The oil market opened at \$151.

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Strong's

Select ...

Peas-Canadian steady, 6s 71/2d.

Buckwheat-

Detroit, Dec. 24.—Cash beans are up 2c

FORECASTS. Today-Strong winds and gales from south and southwest; cloudy, with local alls of sleet or snow.
Thursday—High west and north winds;
weather becoming much colder. WEATHER NOTES.

A disturbace of considerable energy is moving southward across the great lakes, following by a cold wave. The weather is moderately cold from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, nad decidedly cold in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. Local temperatures: Tuesday—Highest, 29°; lowest, 23.5°.

Early Morning Edition.

The usual early morning edition of The Advertiser will be issued tomorrow. Christmas Day. Agents and subscribers will please note this fact.

TALES OF LONDON TOWN

-Miss Edith Paisley is visiting friends in Chatham. -Mr. Will Smith, of Oxford street, is spending Christmas in Toronto, the guest of his mother. -Messrs. C. S. Hyman & Co. have

presented their employes-over 100 in all-with a Christmas turkey each. -Mr. Henry Roberts, formerly of London, but now of Detroit, is in the city for the holidays.

--The Grand Trunk city ticket office will be open Wednesday evening for the sale of Christmas excursion and other tickets. LIVE BIRD SHOOT TOMORROW. A live bird shoot will be held on

farm of Mr. Trott, Oxford street, west PRACTICE TONIGHT. All players of the senior hockey team of the St. John Athletic Club are requested to be present at practice at the Princess Rink this evening from

Christmas Day at 2:30 p.m. on the

6 to 7 o'clock. MRS. ROBERTSON'S FUNERAL. The funeral of the late Mrs. Ann Robertson, which took place this afternoon from the residence of Rev. J. S. Fisher to the Lambeth Methodist Church, was largely attended, the in-

TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 24.—Wheat—Steady; No. 2 red and white, 68c to 68½c, middle freights; Manitoba, 81c for No. 1 hard and 79c for No. 1 northern, via Port Huron and Owen Sound, and 6c more grinding in transit; No. 1 hard is quoted at 85c and No. 1 northern at 83c all rail, via North Bay. Flour—Steady, at \$270 for cars of 90 per cent patents in buyers' bags, east of middle freights; choice brands are held 15c to 20c higher. Millfeed—Steady, at \$16 for shorts and \$14 for bran in bulk, middle freights. Barley—Steady, at \$45c for No. 3 extra and 42c for No. 2, middle freights. Buckwheat—

Steady, at 45c for Ro. 5 extra and 42c for No. 3 extra and 42c for No. 4 extra and 42c for No. 5 extra and 42c for No. 6 extra and 42c for No. 1 hard is quoted at \$50c and No. 1 horthern at 83c all rail, via North Bay. Flour—Steady, at \$45c for No. 1 hard is quoted at \$50c and No. 1 horthern at 83c all rail, via North Bay. Flour—Steady, at \$45c for No. 3 extra and 42c for No. 3 extra and 42c for No. 3 extra and 42c for No. 4 extra and 42c for No. 5 extra and 42c for No. 6 extra and 42c for No. 6 extra and 42c for No. 1 hard is quoted at \$50c and No. 1 horthern at 83c all rail, via North Bay. Flour—Steady, at \$45c for No. 1 hard is quoted at \$50c and No. 1 horthern at 83c all rail, via North Bay. Flour—Steady, at \$45c for No. 1 hard is quoted at \$50c and No. 1 hard is quoted at \$50c and No. 1 horthern at 83c all rail, via North Bay. Flour—Steady at \$45c for No. 1 hard is quoted at \$50c and No. 1 horthern at 83c all rail, via North Bay. Flour—Steady at \$45c for No. 1 hard is quoted at \$50c and No. 1 horthern at 83c all rail, via North Bay. Flour—Steady at \$45c for No. 1 hard is quoted at \$50c and No. 1 hard is quoted at \$50c and No. 1 hard is quoted at \$50c and No. 1 ha Steady; No. 2 at 5ic, middle freights. Rye—Steady, at 50c for No. 2, middle freights.

MR. COFFEY FAVORED. The Sarnia Observer says: "The name of Mr. Thomas Coffey, of Lonis mentioned among others as a probable successor to the senatorship vacant by the death of the late Senator O'Donohue. Mr. Coffey would make a worthy representative of the Catholic section of the community, to which, it appears, by common consent, the vacant seat in the senate belongs, and would have the full confidence of the clergy and laity of the church in Western Ontario. Mr. Coffey has been all his life a staunch Liberal. He has Liverpool, Dec. 24.—Wheat—Spot, No. 1 northern spring, no stock; No. 2 red western winter firm, 5s 11½d; No. 1 California steady, 6s 8d. Futures easy; Dec., 6s 2¾d; March, 6s 1¾d; May, 6s ¾d. Corn—Spot, American mixed, new, quiet, 5s 1d; American mixed, old, steady, 5s 4d. Futures inactive: Jan. 4s 6½d: March. been successful in business, is a man of high character and stands well in the community in which he has spent his life. The Observer would like to see him appointed to the honorable

position of a Dominion Senator." The Teeswater News of last week contains the followed reference to the singing of Miss Elsie Wilson (of 124 Hamilton road, London), a pupil of Mr. C. E. Wheeler, of this city: "Miss Elsie Wilson, whom the chairman said might almost be claimed as a Teeswater lady, delighted the audience. Miss Wilson was in fine form and gave a number of splendid selections. Her best piece was 'There Were Ninety and Nine.' In response to an encore she gave a little hymn, which was sung very sweetly. The other numbers which she gave were 'The Lord is My Light,' 'The Holy City' (by request), 'The Two Cities' and 'Jessie's Miss Wilson won her way to the hearts of the audience and may be sure of a warm reception when she visits Teeswater again.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT. The Christmas tree entertainment of the North End Methodist Mission Sunday school was a success in every way. The friends of the school were present in large numbers. A capital programme of songs, recitations and readings was given by the scholars, followed by the distribution of gifts from a well-loaded Christmas tree. pleasing event was the reading of an address and presentation of a well-filled purse to Miss Munn, organist of the mission and Sunday school, as a slight recognition of her indefatigable efforts in connection with the work of the mission. Miss Watson, on behalf of the school, read the address, expressing the high appreciation and esteem in which Miss Munn is held, and the prayer that she might long be spared to continue in the work. McBroom, superintendent, expressed on behalf of Miss Mum her thanks for the kindly-worded address and purse. Mr. Joseph Brown, the chairman of the evening, performed his duties to

Loss of appetite is an ailment that indicates others, which are worse—Hood's Sarsaparilla cures them all.

Thos. Keilly, of Brockville, is appointed factory inspector in the district from Ottawa to Gananoque and Ottawa in place of J. R. Brown, who is moved to headquarters.

OUR 12th ANNUAL Discount

purifies and invigorates the ones up the system and restores lost of Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Rings, Silverware, Umbrellas, Ebony Goods, etc., for month of December, now on.
See our large stock and get our prices.

ADKINS, THE JEWELER, East London.

STORE OPEN EVENINGS.

WHO WILL BE MR. KINGSTON'S SUCCESSOR AS CITY CLERK?

Mr. James Bell Can Have Position | He, however, seems the least anxious of anyone for it. In fact, he has prac-Weather.
Fair
Cloudy
Cloudy
Cloudy
Fair
Clear
Clear
Cloudy If He Wants It—Otherwise It's a Case of Wait and Learn.

Mr. C. A. Kingston as city clerk will be made at a special meeting of the council on Friday evening. Who his successor will be cannot be even conjectured. There is no doubt that the position is Mr. James Bell's it he wants it. In point of service to the city he is first for promotion, and it is hardly possible that anyone else could take the position who would be better qualified both from experience

tically refused the position already. It may be that he will reconsider the matter, in which event he would probably be appointed by unanimous vote.
Otherwise, there is no saying what may happen. Only this is sure—the majority will be brought together upon someone—possibly a Conservative The appointment of a successor to -and put him in. The names of a number of Conservative lawyers have been mentioned in connection with it, some of whom are not liable to spurn a good sit of the kind if properly coaxed. It is said, too, that Ald. Jolly

were urged upon him. The bylaw making the appointment better qualified both from experience in the work and ability. The appointment day. A city clerk pro tem would not do, legally, to run a municipal election.

would not turn up his nose if the job

TERRIBLE TURKEY TRUST GOBBLES UP ALL SUPPLIES

at No Price, But to Buy All Possible.

The latest thing in the way of combines to invade London is said to be a turkey trust. Yesterday, according to men who know of doings around the market, in spite of the fact that a pound of the tasty fowl cost sixteen cents, it is said that several local dealers went among the farmers and, regardless of price, bought up all the turkeys they could find. Their instructions to do this came from several large dealers in the United States,

Agents Were Authorized to Stop and although an unusually large number were offered, all were purchased.

Owing to this it is said that local merchants were put to their wit's end to buy as many of the toothsome birds as would be required. In other cities it is said that their

price is even higher than in London. Farmers and buyers say that such a price has never before been paid for turkeys. This is accounted for by the difficulty in raising young turkeys during the wet and cold weather of last spring.

Chickens have not been touched by the alleged invaders, but geese and ducks have come within their desire and nearly two lorry loads of Christmas fowl were purchased and shipped from the city yesterday. The men who were buying are said to have been prepared to outbid any other dealers.

set for the wedding, and left his en-

tire fortune, a very large one, to his fiance. She had gained an entrance

into society through Lord Strathcona.

A PROTEST FROM JAPAN.

ed Dec. 10, says that when the Corean Cabinet was reconstructed, Yi was appointed Minister of the Treasury, in compliance with the

wish of Russia, but on Japan protesting against this appointment, Yi

boarded a Russian gunboat and has de-

termined to remain on board, pending

a clearing of the situation.

The Greek steamer Parthenon, having on board a crew of 22 men and 6

at Novorossisk, Nov. 22, from Lagan-

SARA IN A NEW ROLE.

Sara Bernhardt, playing at her

added a fresh branch to her many

gotten woman, who, beginning as

turesque costumes of the epoch.

in this connection remarked:

naturalism."

DIVORCE BILL GRIEVES THE

Rome, Dec. 24. - The Pope, yester-

day, in replying to a congratulatory address, expressed keen sorrow at the

fact that his jubilee year was embit-

tered by painful events, referring evi-

dently to the divorce bill. The pontiff

Christian order and the reconstitution

of the states on the basis of pagan

Christian democracy "on the lines preached by the church to oppose the

seditious, socialistic democracy which acknowledges no God."

CABLE NOTES.

The Association of Boot and Shoe

Manufacturers of France, representing

the extensive industries of Paris, Lyons,

Marseilles, Limoges, Fougeres, Nancy, Romans and other places, has decid-

ed to immediately advance the scale

of prices for footwear. M. Gibault, vice-president of the association, says

"What they want is the fall of

The Pope pleaded for a spread of

POPE.

dispatch from Seoul, dat-

GREAT DISTRESS IN THE ORIENT

Arising From Poor Crops and Prohibitive Prices.

SARA BERNHARDT IN NEW ROLE

Lord Donegal's Bride a Nova Scotia Girl-Greek Steamer Wrecked and Several Lives Lost.

Yokohama, Dec. 24. - Reports of poor crops and prohibitive prices for the staple native food reach the Hong with the meteoric career of a new for-Kong Telegraph from all quarters. distress is reported from Amoy and Swantow, while similar accounts reach that paper from Singapore and other southern ports. Kwangsi and don, publisher of the Catholic Record, Kwang Tung have experienced similar failures, with the result that the Canton situation is very grave. As for the Philippines, the rice crop in Pogasinana, Camarines, and other minor provinces has been a failure. Saigon, the chief exporting port for the Philippine supply, has also suffered in its crop through the drought, and the market there has advanced practically 50 per cent since the beginning of the year. At present that district is bare of rice. It is said that soon no rice will be obtained until the new crop

comes in in February. IRISH LAND CONFERENCE. Dublin, Dec. 24.-A meeting of the Irish Land Conference was held here yesterday. It was decided to adjourn until Dec. 27, when the final draft of the report will be submitted.

IS A CANADIAN GIRL. London, Dec. 24. - At the wedding of the octogenarian Marquis of Donegal and Mis Violet Twining, a Canadian about 30 years of age, the Canadian High Commissioner, Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, gave away the bride.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 24.—Miss Violet Twining, whose marriage to Lord Donegal is announced today at St. George's, Hanover Square, London, is a former Fredericton girl. Her mother, Mrs. Twining, was a daughter of C. H. Black, of Halifax, and married H. St. George Twining, of Halifax, since deceased. Sisters of her grandfather were Mrs. Barker, wife of Judge Barker, St. John; L. A. Wilmot, of Fredericton, and Mrs. E. H. Wilmot, of Fredericton, Mrs. Twining kept for her uncle, E. H. Wilmot, and inherited his fortune, quite a large one. After his death, a few years ago, she took her daughter to England, and the young lady's en-gagement was announced to an Eng-pel and proposed to celebrate a Christlish officer. He died before the date mas Eve mass at midnight.

this is made necessary by the grad-ual monopoly of the raw material by Americans. The depression in the British spinning industry is evidenced by the fact

that 85 joint stock companies in Lan-

cashire, with an aggregate capital of

\$25,175,000, and having 6,667,000 spindles, record a net loss of \$7,150 for this There is absolutely no foundation for the report that the Pope is ill. The pontiff is in good health and excellent spirits. He did not retire until 10 o'clock last night, rose at 7 this morn-

THE MAYOR WAS BUSY

Had All He Could Do to Give Out His Christmas Gifts.

This was the mayor's busy day. He had all he could attend to in the distribution of his Christmas gifts. None of the departments about the city were passed by. The corporation men got their turkeys, and the others mostly got cigars in handsome boxes, which he expresses his wishes for the Christmas happiness of the recipients. These were given, among others, to the police, the firemen, the city hall officials and the press-The Advertiser, too, so that if any of our readers notice the aroma of good cigars about any of the articles they read, they will know that when it was being written, some members of the staff were pleasurably smoking to his worship's good

A Red Hot Scason. During the hot summer season the blood gets overheated, the drain on the system is severe and the appetite is often lost. Burdock Blood Bitters

At the annual meeting of the National Sanitarium Association, held at Toronto on Saturday, it was announced that after the erection at Toronto of the projected sanitarium for consumptives, a fourth will be built at the

MILITIA CHANGES

New Military District To Be Organized-Ottawa the Headquarters.

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—Ottawa will be military district, and will likely have a district staff, with headquarters in Ottawa. The idea is to reorganize what used to be No. 4 military district, taking in the eastern corner of Ontario from Pembroke and Kingston, down to the northern boundary of the province

With the reorganization of the district will come the appointment of a permanent D. O. C., with a staff, including a district staff, adjutant and

The need for organizing the district has been drawn to the general's attention, and it is likely that steps in this direction will be taken early in January. Should it be decided that the district be organized, Lieut.-Col. Hodgins will be transferred to the headquarters staff, to which he will be permanently attached. Who the staff adjutant will be is largely a matter of conjecture, but the name of Major Winter is mentioned in connection with the position, should it be created. It is understood that Leeds, Grenville, Dundas and Brockville will be attached to district No. 3, with headquarters at Kingston.

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VERY HEAVY SNOW STORM THEY BOTH MAY COMBINE

Middle States.

Five Persons Hurt in a Collision-Washington Storm Warnings.

Lacrosse, Wis., Dec. 24.-A heavy snow storm is general in the Dakotas, passengers, is reported to have been lost. Iowa and Minnesota, and moved to the lakes today. Railroad traffic is considerably delayed. The Parthenon was last reported

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 24.—In a heavy snow storm today, five persons were injured by a rear end lision of passenger train at McCord's, on the Pere Marquette. They are: Mrs. M. J. Kiley, Grand Rapids, cut and bruised; L. E. Cook, serious; James wn theater in Paris last night. laurels by the creation of the title role in "Theroigne de Hericourt," a new Scovell, Clarksville, mail clerk, serious; Express Messenger Griffith, Syraplay by Paul Hervieu, which deals cuse, E. A. Wood, baggageman, slight

STORM WARNINGS. courtesan, became a prominent per-New York, Dec. 24. - The local sonage during the reign of terror, and ended in a lunatic's cell. Mme. lowing from Washington: Southeast Bernhardt's impersonation of the storm warnings are displayed along the heroine was warmly applauded by a typical audience of Parisian first-nighters. The piece is superbly stagcoast, from Delaware breakwater to New York. Storm over Lake Superior moving east, winds will shift to east ed, and presents an interesting revile and southeast, becoming high tonight. of revolutionary parts, with the pic-

The Rush For Candies.

The rush for candies at the Olympia Company's handsome store on Dundas street has been so great during the past few days that all the facilities of the establishment have been taxed to the utmost limit. The work of supplying the people with Christmas candies goes merrily on, however, and will continue tonight, when, as usual, the store will be open. There is still pienty of candy difleft, lots for everybody. The only difference is that they are cheaper now than they have been. The same qualthan they have been. The same quality of goods can be bought cheaper than at any other time. The Christmas prices at the Olympia for all kinds of candies are remarkably low, as many buyers have already learned. They buyers have already learned. have learned, too, that the quality is first-class. No other place in the city has as large and varied an assortment to choose from.

Output of Coal Reduced.

Pottsville, Dec. 24.-The Philadlphia and Reading Railroad Company in order to increase the supply of anthracite coal in New York and Philadelphia has issued orders that no family in this section be permitted to purchase more than one ton of coal at a time. All employes of the company have been limited to one ton a month, The collieries which were flooded by the rains of last week are still idle and, in consequence, the anthracite production has been considerably decreased. Detective Gets Ten Years.

New York, Dec. 24. - Thomas J. Sharkey, the private detective, who was convicted of manslaughter in the second degree for having killed Nicholas A. Fish, the banker, on Sept. 27, was today sentenced to states prison for ten years. Colossal Traction Scheme.

Chicago, Dec. 24.-New York and Chicago capitalists are said to have joined forces to launch in Chicago one of the most colossal traction ven-tures the city has known, according to the Daily News. The scheme will involve \$51,000,000 to \$55,000,000. It includes the construction of a tunnel under the downtown streets, making complete loop of the business section, to connect with a new elevated road, which it is intended shall parallel the existing south side line. The scheme is designed largely to benefit

the stock yards district. The subway

interests of New York are asserted to

be at the head of it.

Chase's Ointment is a certain and absolute cure for each and every form of itching, bleeding and protruding riles, the manufacturers have guaranteed it. See testimonials in the daily press and ask your neighbors what they think of it. You can use it and ret your money back if not cured. 60c a box at all dealers or EDMANSON, BATES & CO., Toronto,

Dr. Chase's Ointment J. Anderson, a driver for the Dominion Express Company at Portage la Prairie, Man., suddenly left town yes-terday and a shortage was discovered in his accounts.

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Prevailing in the Western and No Law Against Organization of Capital and Labor.

> Decision of Missouri Court of Appeals-Boycotting Barred.

St. Louis, Dec. 23. - "Capitalists have a right to do as they please with their money, so long as they do not become public charges.'

"A man without capital may labor or refuse to labor, so long as he keeps out of the poorhouse. "Capitalists have the right to combine capital in productive enterprises and by lawful competition drive in-dividual producers and small ones out

of business. "Laborers and artisans have right to form unions and fight this competition of capitalists by lawful This statement of the right of com-

bination on the part of capital and labor was handed down by Judge C. C. Bland, of the court of appeals, to-day in a decision in favor of Joseph Walsh, who sought an injunction to prevent members of the Master Plumbers' Association from combining in the refusal to sell him supplies be-Judges Barclay and Good concurred in the decision, which was a reversal of a decision in Judge Wood's court.

The appellate court, while holding that the association should be restricted, as Walsh asked, refused to dissolve the organization, as he had requested. It was stated that the association was a lawful one.

George Peters'

will be on the best tables on Christmas day.

Election in British Columbia. Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 24.--Paterson Opposition) was elected in North Victoria over Robertson (Government) yesterday by 43 majority.

Death of Trooper Evans in South Africa. Ottawa, Dec. 24. - Word was received today of the death in South Africa of Trooper Wm. Evans, of Billingsbridge, Ont. Evans, served with the Second C. M. R., and afterwards enlisted with the Baden-Powell police. This makes the second death among

Billingsbridge boys on the South African veldt. SUGAR MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 23.—Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining. 37-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 15-16c; molasses sugar, 2 3-16c; refined steady. Molasses—Steady.

LONDON.

London, Dec. 23.—Raw sugar—Muscovado, 8s 9d; centrifugal, 9s 3d; beet sugar, Dec., 8s 14/d.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS. OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, Dec. 23.—Canadian cattle today are firmer, at 11½c to 13c per lb, dressed weight; refrigerator beef is firmer, at 10½c to 11c per lb.

HAY MARKETS. TORONTO. Toronto, Dec. 23.—Baled Hay—The market is firm, with offerings limited; car lots are worth \$9 25 to \$10 on track for

which is scarce.

Baled Straw—The market is quiet, with car lots on the track quoted at \$5.25 to \$5.50 per ton for first-class oat straw. DAISY FLOUR.

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irregularity. Nothing particular happened in the fourth round. For the

fifth round Rooney returned to his first

trick again, and made a second foul.

rounds Lamothe and Rooney seemed to

be even, but in the eighth round Roo-

ney made a third foul, and the referee

then thought proper to interfere and

TO ACT AS REFEREE.

of le Metropolitan Athletic Club be

realized, Terry McGovern will make

been casting about for an available

man to fill the place, at least tempor-

arily, at the club, and, failing to find

anyone to satisfy his requirements, he

thought of McGovern as a candidate, and broached the subject to him.

McGovern assented to the proposi-

tion, but feared Sam Harris, his man-

ager, would entertain some objections.

Harris was wired for his consent to the proposition, and it is generally be-

lieved that his answer offers no bar to

LOUISVILLE WANTS IT.

ous opposition of Gov. Bliss of Michigan to the contest between Young Cor-

bett and Terry McGovern has already

opened the way to have the mill deeided in some other city. The fact

that the courts have given the fistic

promoters of Louisville encouragement regarding the legality of glove contests has induced the Southern A. C.

of this city to make a bid for the mill,

and the club is ready to donate a purse of \$15,000 or 60 per cent. of the gross

receipts for the fray. As this is the

confident that he can pull off the mill,

the pugilists have demanded as a

THE TURF.

OUTLAW RACING TO CONTINUE.

Cincinnati, Dec. 22.-Although the

first day of winter racing at Newport

was a flat failure, the managers say

they are encouraged. They own many

possible they will be able to continue.

a crowd, because we took it for grant-

ed that the people would want to wait

and see what we are giving them be-

fore they came out," said Frank Fow-

it will not be an exception. It will be

TO RIDE IN THE DERBY.

fern and his father arrived here today.

W. C. Whitney's high-priced jockey

Mr. Redfern said he thought it quite

possible his son would go abroad to

GRANTED A CHARTER.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 23,-The Fort

Erie Jockey Club has been granted in-

corporation by the Provincial Govern-

ment. It is capitalized at \$80,000, with

ACEFULL IN ENGLAND.

yea's candidate for next season's Eng-

lish Derby, has begun regular work

with the other horses in the Hug-

count of the hard state of the ground

question, but Acefull has done some

healthy trotting and cantering exer-

THE DAY AT INGLESIDE.

THE DAY AT NEW ORLEANS.

recently, galloping was out of the

On ac-

ride Acefull in the Derby.

headquarters at Fort Erie.

g'ns string at Newmarket.

is assured.

Time, 1:43.

who did not recognize him tried to will ride as a freelance while at this

track.

"Now that we have shown the

"We did not expect to have so large

the horses, practically all of the

and is now ready to post \$5,000, which

Matchmaker Gray is very

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 23.-The strenu-

Terry's aspirations in the new field.

Detroit, Dec. 23.-Should the plans

gave the fight to Lamothe.

Strong representations were then made him by the referee. For the two other

MINER WHO BEAT JEFFERIES

Outlaw Racing at Newport Will Con-

tinue-General Sporting News.

By Way of Comment,

Tod Sloan will not return to this

country, as it was recently reported he

would, according to the information given by a friend of the former clever

jockey, who came back from Europe

during the Christmas holidays, and

was expected to sail a few days after

the other jockeys who have been rid-

ing in France during the past season left there. While Sloan claims to have

lost heavily betting on the French

races last season and has been with-

out employment as a jockey now for

several years, he is still able to cut

in Paris, being especially interested in

automobiling and billiards. Sloan's proposed visit here, it is said, had

nothing to do with turf matters, and

the former champion lightweight has

about given up hope of reinstatement.

for the English Jockey Club to take

action before the jockey club here would take notice of any application.

A prominent English racing man is

quoted as saying recently: "Sloan has as good a chance as Madden or Rick-

aby," and that is considered very slight. Sloan is beginning to show his age, but is still light enough to ride

Jockey J. H. Martin, who has been

having an unpleasant week or two

with malaria, grip and a fractured jaw,

is fast recuperating at the Hoffman

House and hopes to leave for the West

in a week or two. Martin is enthus-

iastic over Jockey W. Halsey, who

was second on the list of winning

jockeys in England last season. "Talk

about gameness. Halsey is as good as the best. He has had nearly every

bone in his body broken and still rides

in steeplechases, finishing second in

one of the big crosscountry events this

season. Halsey is a man about 40, and

has trained a number of good thoroughbreds in England for the late H.

M. Almont and others. When Sloan went over there, Halsey not only put

him up on his horses, but adopted the

'American style' of riding himself, and

now is at the top notch among the

jockeys on the flat, and continues to

ride in steeplechases." Martin says

that the veteran horseman, Jacob

Pincus, who was among the first of

American trainers to go to England, is

still about, though he is handling only

a few horses, and these are started

Speaking of the turf troubles in

France in a general way, Martin re-

lated an amusing story showing to what limits some of the touting fra-

tegnity would go. "I went down to

Ostend one day with Eugene Leigh to

ride a horse for him in one of the

events of the day. Leigh has grown

considerably stouter than he was a few years ago and some of the gentry

tout him on his own horse and in-

troduced another one of the gang to

him as myself. Leigh 'strung' them

them who he was, when they dropped

out of sight in a hurry. In only rode in France twice in all the time I was

in Europe. I could have ridden La Camargo in the Prix Municipal, which

the filly won, but I preferred to stay

The American turf will have to de-

pend almost entirely on the younger

generation of riders this season. With

Maher, Martin, O'Connor, Turner,

Spencer, C. Sloan, Taral and others abroad, there are few of the old guard

left to handle the horses which will

contest for the many thousands of

dollars offered by the several racing

associations. Arthur Redfern looks

now as though be will be the star. of

next season, and Redfern has sprung

into prominence in a season almost.

Lyne, who has come forward in as

of the season as either Redfern or

Lyne. Both New Orleans and Ingle-

side have become schools for jockeys,

not the best to be sure, but giving the

youngsters practice and confidence in the saddle. It is a time of great op-

portunity for the apprentice who has

any ability at all, and the shrewd horseman who has a lad of promise ap-

prenticed is not overlooking the fact.

short a time, will find determined com-

half the day before he told

but seldom in a season.

in England."

at his best, even in this country.

In any event, it would be necessary

some sort of figure in a certain

Jack Munro Out With Challenge even with his adversary. In the third round Rooney made a foul, and the attention of the referee, Mr. Deslauriers, of Ottawa, was called to that

yesterday. Sloan contemplated a visit his debut as a referee of prizefights in to New York and his home in Indiana this city. Matchmaker Considine has

LOOKS FOR OTHER HONORS



"Oh, no; I left a month or two before my father's death, and glad enough I was to quit the business, too."
"Young Keith has been taken into the farm, hasn't he?"
"Yes; he was made junior partner the first of the year."
"Ah, he's a great favorite with the publisher, I hear," remarked the physician. "I shouldn't wonder if he yet stepped into that gentleman's shoes; it's a fine chance for the young man."
"Let us drop him, if you please," said Egbert Reynolds, impatiently; "the very sound of his name irritates me. But,"

Egbert Reynolds, impatiently; "the very sound of his name irritates me. But," he continued, rising, "I will not keep you later. I trust, however, that at an early date you will let me know how your plans are working, and I will arrange mine accordingly."

Ashton replied.

"When do you think you will be able to get off if you succeed in winning Bess' consent to the European trip?" consent to the European trip?"

"I cannot tell; the sooner the better for both of us. This is the seventeenth of March. I should like to sail by the middle of April, or even earlier, if possible."

"I reproach myself for the slightest hesitation—I reproach myself that I was

I will see to it that her own property is settled upon her so that no one else With this salve to his conscience, John

CHAPTER XXXI. A day or two after the foregoing inter-iew between Dr. Ashton and Egbert

Reynoids, Kenneth was greatly surprised to receive a visit from the former in his, The crafty physician greeted the young man with great courtesy and apparent friendship, and had Kenneth been more worldly wise this very fact ought to have been sufficient to arouse his suspicions and put him on his guard.

On the contrary, however, Kenneth accepted his genial overtures in perfect faith, and at once began to reproach him-self for having misjudged him, and done beit for having misjudged him, and done him great injustice by his suspicions.

Dr. Ashton appeared to be very much interested in the publishing business, and our young friend kindly left his work and conducted him over the entire establishment, explaining the process of printing and or preparing the illustrations which were used profusely in the printing and or preparing the mountains, which were used profusely in the

When they had completed the rounds of the great publishing house, and came back to the office, Dr. Ashton adroitly approached the business that had brought him there,

upon a matter which is causing me con-siderable anxiety."

Kenneth searched the man's face ear-

Kenneth searched the man's face earnestly at this, and his heart sank, for he feared that, after all, he was going to oppose some barrier to his union with neen Bess.

He arose as he spoke, well pleased with the result of the interview.

"When shall you wish to go?" Kenneth asked, with a very grave face.

"The sooner the better for Bess; but

waited for him to go on.
"Have you noticed of late," the doctor continued, "that our Bess is far from A troubled look instantly settled over

brightens up when in your presence; but the moment you leave her her grief over-masters her again. Mr. Keith, frankly, I am very anxious about her," Dr. Ash-

ton concluded, impressively. "You alarm me!" Kennett Kenneth said, growing pale with apprehension. "What can we do to counteract its effects and change current of her thoughts?" have a plan in mind, but I did not it best to mention it to her until 1 had first consulted with you, since you are supposed to be the one most interested in her welfare," the artful man remarked, with his most insinuating smile. Kenneth flushed with pleasure at this admission, and wondered how he could have been so unjust as to imagine that

Kenneth's face fell Such a trip would necessitate a long attendant? separation, and the thought of it was Queen Bo almost unbearable.
"Don't think me wholly hard-hearted," "Don't think me wholly hard-hearted," continued the doctor, with well-assumed the she began to shiver, and covered the young sympathy, as he observed the young "Oh, Uncle John, no! I could not think man's downcast countenance. "I assure of it; I could zever go on board a steamer you I appreciate the situation and realize how hard it will be for you to let her she cried, and then began to sho nerso, but truly she must have a change yously as her mother's tragic fate was go; but, truly, she must have a change vously, as her mother's tragic fate was of some kind, and that immediately. If thus forcibly recalled to her. you can suggest anything better than

what I have proposed, I shall be happy to consider Kenneth did not reply for some few

Kenneth did not reply for some few moments.

He wished to think the matter well over, and tried to put himself entirely out of sight in so doing.

He did indeed love his Beth with such a deep and unselfish affection, as Dr. Ashton had told Egbert Reynolds, that he was capable of renouncing his dearest plans and wishes, if such a renunciation were necessary for her good.

It would be a terrible trial to him to have her go to Europe, and be obliged to give up all the pleasant interviews which he was now enjoying, and not even see her for long months perhaps.

Still, that would be nothing in comparison with the alternative of her losing her mine accordingly."

"I will; I am going to set myself about the business immediately, and will keep you posted refarding my success," Dr. Ashton replied.

"I will is a going to set myself about the should oppose the measure, and she should continue to droop—if she should die, he would never forgive himself.

self.
No, she must do what her physician thought best, without regard to his feel-

of March. I should like to sail by the middle of April, or even earlier, if possible."

Young Reynolds' face lighted, and he really began to hope that he should win in the wretched plot that they had laid to separate Queen Bess from her lover. He then bade his companion good-night and took his seave.

"He's an atrocious scoundre!!" was John Ashton's comment as he closed and locked the door after his visitor; "and," hadded, with as much truth as candor, m fully conscious that I am another. Bu, a fortune I am bound to have, and I see no other way of winning one with so little trouble to myself. He is e's dentity fond of Bess, and will perhaps make her a fairly good husband. At all events, he can give her a fine position and everything that heart can wish, while I will see to it that her own property is settled upon her so that no one else the need of and propose this change," he said. "I realize now that Beth has not been well of late: she has lost flesh and color, and seems spiritless and depressed; but, as I said before, I laid it all to her grief, and have kept hoping that she would be better as time passed. You are her physician, as well as her uncle; you are a better judge of what will be for her good than I, and if you think the European the heartily indorse your proposition; though I am free to confess that it will seem a very hersh remedy to me," he concluded, with a sigh.

"That is just what I expected of you, Mr. Keith, while I own it does seem hard on you; I knew you would not allow your own feelings to influence your looks that it was not the first to see the need of and propose this change," he said. "I realize now that Beth has not been well of late: she has lost flesh and color, and seems spiritless and depressed; but, as I said before, I laid it all to her grief. and have kept hoping that she would be better as time passed. You are her physician, as well as her uncle; you are a better judge of what will be for her good than I, and if you think the European the passed. You are her physician, as wel

low your own feelings to influence your decision upon anything so vital to my niece, and I feel grateful to you for receiving my suggestion in so manly a way," and in his heart he did really admire the noble fellow, and felt momentarily humbled on account of the deception he was practicing upon him.

"I am afraid, however," he added, smiling, "that I shall find it difficult to persuade our designation in the party."

suade our dear girl to view the matter in the same practical light."
"I do not believe that she will be un-"I do not believe that she will be unreasonable when she is made to believe
that it will really be for her good," Kenneth answered. "I will exert all my influence to further your plan. I suppose
if she should begin to improve immediately, you would return—you would not
prolong your stay abroad," he added,
wistfully, and feeling almost sick at
heart in view of the parting, despite his
brave front. brave front. returned Dr. Ashton, meditative-

; "and yet, while we are there— "We?" interposed Kenneth, inq "We?" interposed Kenneth, inquiring-iy. "Do you intend to accompany her?" "Certainly; she will need medical care for a long time, and no one knows her constitution or could do as well for her

as I."
"But your practice—can you leave it?" "I must leave it; I would not trust Queen Bess with anyone else just now; besides, I need a rest myself, and should him there:

"I have been very much interested,
Mr. Keith, and I thank you for your
courteous attention; and now, it you can
spare me a few moments more of your
time, I would like to consult with you
upon a matter which is causing me cou-However, that is a matter that can be settled later."

He arose as he spoke, well pleased with

The sconer the better for Bess; but come around tonight and talk over the plan with her, for I assure you I shall need all your eloquence to help me carry my point; only do not let her know, if you can avoid it, that I felt it necessary

A troubled look instantly settled over Kenneth's face,

"I know that she is not like herself," he answered; "but I have attributed it to her sorrow, and have hoped that time would work its own cure."

"You are right in attributing the change to sorrow," he said, "for she grieves continually, and is rapidly undermining her health."

"I did not imagine anything so serious as that," the young man returned, thoughtfully.

"I know you did not, for she always brightens up when in your presence; but the moment you leave her her grief over-

Her face lighted with joy, however, and her listless manner vanished instantly upon seeing him, and she seemed more like herself than usual, after a time, he thought. Still, it was evident to his new-ly-awakened anxiety, that she was not well, and needed a change.

John Ashton sauntered into the room soon after Kenneth's arrival, and after chatting affably with them both for a little while, broached the subject so near his heart.

"I am very glad you are here tonight

"I am very glad you are here tonight, Mr. Keith," he began, "for I have a pro-position which I wish to make to Bess, and, of course, she will wish your sanction to it."
"A proposition to make to me, Uncle
John?" repeated the young girl, inquir-

tween him and Queen Bess.

"You are very considerate," he said, with grateful earnestness. "What is your pian, if you please?"

"I have thought of an ocean voyage and a trip through Europe; I believe that would be the best for her."

Kenneth's face fell.

John?" repeated the young girl, inquiringly.

"Yes; you have been far from well of late, and I feel that you need a change, or I will not be answerable for the consequences," he replied, emphatically. "What do you say to a short European town." do you say to a short European tour, with me as guide, companion and medical

Queen Bess opened her eyes wide with astonishment at his unexpected proposal;

THE RING. HES A FIGHTER NOW!

Butte, Mon., Dec. 23 .- Jack Munro, he sturdy amateur who came so close to knocking out Champion Jim Jeffries on Saturday night, is out with a challenge to Tom Sharkey and Gus Ruhlin, and he has backing against either for \$5,000 a side. Munro is 28 years old, and weighs in

ring costume 195 pounds. He has a good reach and is a clever boxer, improving in speed and skill constantly. Today Munio was the hero of the He was followed along the streets by great crowds of fight-worshipers and was hailed on all sides as the coming champion.

Those in on "the know" pretend to excuse Jeffries' showing on the ground that the big Los Angeles boilermaker had been drinking heavily of late and was, as a matter of fact, under the influence of wine when he went on with the local man. Jeffries today protested against Mc-

Lonald's decision. He says it will hurt his record and should not have been given, and that McDonald should simply have awarded Munro the for-"Hereafter we will have our own referee," said Jeffries.

Manager C.arke Ball, of the JeffriesFitz Company, expressed himself as
disappointed with the champion's showing and announced he would return to Butte next week, providing a theater could be secured, for the express purpose of showing that Lanky

Bob could put the miner out in four rounds. He would post a forfeit of BOXING AT QUEBEC.

Quebec, Dec. 23.—The boxing bout took place at Savard Park this even-The ring was crowded and in the attendance were a large number of both sides tonight, Lamothe being the Lamothe and Rooney entered the ring at 20 minute to 10 o'clock in the pink of condition. For the first two rounds Lamothe was more than

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sen), 18 to 5, 2; Candareen, 103 (Scully), 12 to 1, 3. Time, 1:03.

Second race, selling, 7 furlongs—Paul Creyton, 108 (O'Neil), 20 to 1, 1; Tillo, 108 (Buchanan), 11 to 16, 2; Playlike, 100 (Treaner), 20 to 1, 3. Time, 1:29½.

Third race, selling, 11-16 miles—Vesuvia, 113 (Robertson), 8 to 1, 1; Charles Ramsey, 113 (C. Wright), 4 to 1, 2; Nettie Regent, 106 (Buchanan), 13 to 5, 3. Time, 1:50%. Regent, 106 (Buchanan), 13 to 5, 3. Time, 1:50%.

Fourth race, handicap, 1½ miles—Major Mansir, 104 (Gannon), 2 to 1, 1; Barrack, 105 (Helgeson), 15 to 1, 2; Jessie Jarboe, 10. (Hoar), 7 to 5, 3. Time, 2:09%.

Fifth race, selling, 1½ miles—Hayward Hunter, 85 (Fuller), 6 to 5, 1; Lady Chorister, 107 (Otis), 7 to 1, 2; Cogswell, 103 (Gannon), 7 to 2, 3. Time, 2:52%.

Sixth race, 1 mile—Flo Carlie, 110 (Helgeson), 10 to 5, 1; Willful, 105 (Gannon), 10 to 1, 2; Hand Spinner, 101 (Boissen), 10 to 1, 3. Time, 1:43. largest purse offered thus far there is every likelihood that it will be ac-

YACHTING.

THE NEW AMERICAN BOAT. New York, Dec. 23.-The new cup defender is growing quite fast at Bristol, but very little about the form of the new yacht gets outside the works. Few of the workmen will talk of the yacht, but occasional remarks point to the yacht being much more powerful than anything that has ever been built at Bristol. The lead on the keel of the new yacht weighs about ten tons more than that of the Constibetting ring and the gate, and it is tution. It is much longer and its deepest and thickest part is at the forward end. This will increase the weited surface of the yacht, but she will be steadier in a seaway and should be able to turn to windward better than the Constitution. The beam of the new yacht, it is said, will be about kind of racing we propose to give here the same as that of the Constitution. which is 25 feet 21/2 inches. The new like that every day. Every one of us boat will be much longer overwall than who is interested in the welfare of last year's candidate, and this will Newport will see to it that there is make her model easier and not clean racing. We will have nothing boxy as that of the Constitution, and Presiding Judge Creveling asserted that a successful future for Newport her freeboard will be considerably less than the Constitution's. The new yacht will carry more sail than the Constitution, but just how much is only known to those who have seen the New Orleans, Dec. 23.-Jockey Red-

CURLING.

BIG WEEK AT THE SOO. Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Dec. 23 .-Preparations for the tenth annual bonspiel of the Northwestern Curling Association, which will be held in this city during the week of Jan. 12, are practically completed, and forecast the greatest event of the kind ever held on this side of the Atlantic. With the completion of the mammoth rink, and the additional facilities offered by the rink in the Canadian Soo, 18 rinks, Advices from England are to the effect that Acefull, Herman B. Durwith 144 men in action, may be put into commission. The bonspiel has been thrown open to the curlers of the world, whether members of the association or not, and already acceptances have been received from New York and eastern Canadian cities; Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Milwaukee, Winnipeg, and other Canadian cities west of that. At least 400 curlers are expected to be present. The railways have given special rates, and San Francisco, Dec. 23.-The weather the hotelkeepers of this city have reduced their rates for curlers.

THE WHEEL.

short a time, will find determined competitors on the other side in Maher and Martin, not to mention the stars among the English riders. Other lads are coming on fast to take the place of the desertions of England and France, however, and ome of these may develop as much talent by the middle of the season as either Redfern or Lyne, Both New Orleans and the stars among the English riders. The weather was clear and track good.

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Sixth race, 1 mile, purse—Diderot, 8 to 1, 1; Illowaho, 2 to 1, 2; Marque, 5 to 2, 3.

Was decided upon at a meeting held today at the headquarters of the National Cycling Association. These tracks were represented: Charles Park, Boston; Revere, Providence, Hartford, Madison Square Gar-den, Philadelphia, Atlantic City, Baltimore, Washington and Pittsburg. It New Orleans, La., Dec. 23.—Fading Light, Hayward Hunter and Flo Carline were the winning favorites today. The stewards have recommended that entries and southern divisions. Three riders a capital of \$10,000,000 for the purpose of horses belonging to the firm of Hat-field & Owan be refused for the remainder race, and the pacing will be done by street railways in Pennsylvania, New of the meeting, and also that the suspenthe fastest single machines now availsion of Jockey Hicks be continued in-definitely. The weather was fair and able. In every race a winner will be credited with 5 points, second rider 3 e, 5 furlongs-Fading Light, 108 points and third rider 1 point. At the First race, 5 furlongs—Fading Light, 108 points and third rider 1 point. At the Reading, winesparre, Danas, I made sweep the streets, are as boar (Gannon), 5 to 2, 1; Sweet Nell, 103 (Bois-conclusion of the circuit there will be phia suburbs and in Wilmington, Del. even assist in loading ships.

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a division of grand prize money distributed among the five leaders in the percentage table. Twelve pace followers will participate in the circuit and two European stars will also be engaged. Another meeting of the tracks will be held in this city in January when all arrangements for the circuit will be completed. In addition to the paced circuit there will be the usual grand circuit for the sprinters.

HOCKEY.

THE GAME AT STRATFORD. The game at Stratford on Monday night next (weather permitting) ought to be won by the Seventh Regiment team, judging from the line-up they are to have. In the redcoats' aggregation, Gover will be at goal, Smith at point and Leddy at cover; Lawlor Taylor, Gauthier, Kelly and Evans are the candidates for positions on the forward line. The team is practicing regularly three times a week, and ought to be able to put up a hot fight. ON THE WESTMINSTER RINK. No arrangements have been com-

pleted yet by the London Bankers Club for ice, nor is it likely that any thing will be done till after the first of the year. The probability is that when the season does open practices will be held on the Westminster Rink.

Absorption and Amalgamation.

New York, Dec. 24.-The directors of the Atlantic Trust Company yesterday decided to accept the terms of the Metropolitan Trust Company for the absorption of the former by the latter company. Brayton Ives, president of the Metropolitan Trust Company, will continue in that capacity, and the capital and surplus of the consolidated corporation will probably be increased.

Philadelphia, Dec. 24. — Announcement is made today that control of the United Power and Transportatioon Company has been sold to the Interstreet railways in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware. The United Company controls electric lighting and trolley companies in Trenton, N. J., Reading, Wilkesbarre, Dallas, Philadel-

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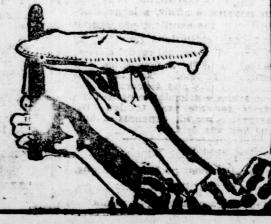
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-Capt. and Mrs. Carpenter, of To-

ronto, formerly of this city, are holi--The employes of Mr. C. W. Smith's cooperage have each been presented with a Christmas turkey.

-Mayor Smyth, of Windsor, formerly of this city, has refused to again be a candidate for the mayoralty of

-A chimney fire at the residence of George McDowell, 240 King street, gave the firemen a run last night. damage was slight.

-Miss Bertha Eastwood and Mr. A. C. Corbin, of Toronto, will spend their Christmas holidays with the latter's friends in this city.

-Mr. Fred Ardiel, of Brandon, Man. and Albert W. Ardiel, of Model City, N. Y., are visiting at the home of their mother, corner Adelaide and Oxford

city. -Mr. M. S. Sutherland, of the Merchants' Bank at Tilbury, has been transferred to the Mitchell branch. Mr. McDougall, of Tara, succeeds him

at Tilbury. -Mr. W. C. Harris and mother, of Delaware, left yesterday via G. T. R. and Lehigh Valley for New York City, and Hartford, Conn., and expect to be

away about two weeks. -The firemen at the Central and East London stations have received a box of cigars from Mr. W. A. Abbott and Contractor Johnston respectively,

for which they desire to express their -Miss Eva M. Hunt, of this city, formerly of Dorchester, left last Thursday morning for California. She was accompanied as far as Chicago by her sister, Mrs. Alfred Allen, of Queen's

avenue, and Mr. Allen. -It has been the Christmas custom of Mr. R. W. Bennet, of the Bennet Furnishing Company, for many years to present to each of his employes a fine Christmas turkey. He did this last night, and 100 employes were made glad. A vote of thanks to Mr. Bennet was moved by Mr. C. G. Moorhead and seconded by Mr. A. E.

Paul, and carried three hearty cheers. DEATH OF MRS. G. W. HERRICK. Mrs. Margaret Herrick, wife of the late George W. Herrick, of Detroit, died yesterday afternoon at the residence of her son, Mr. James Herrick, 15 Maryboro Place, South London. Mrs. Herrick was 73 years of age. She had many friends in this city, who will learn of her death with very sincere regret, and will extend their deepest sympathy to

the bereaved family. DEATH OF BEVERLY BURWELL. By the death of Beverly Burwell, which occurred early yesterday morning, one of the best known horsemen

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in the city is removed. His death was very sudden, as he had not been ser-lously ill long, and was only taken to the hospital on Monday. He was the son of the late Squire Ralph Burwell, of Caradoc, and at one time was pro-prietor of a hotel at Delaware. A wife and family, besides his mother, and a number of brothers, survive.

ASSAULTED AN OFFICER. When Detective Robert Ward went charge of insanity, the latter attempted to do Detective Ward bodily harm. ed to do Detective Ward bodily harm. He was quickly overcome, however, and brought to the city. He was arraigned before Squire Lacey charged with assaulting a peace officer, and was a Maggie, of this city.

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of considerable service in assisting De-tectives Rider and Egelton in main-taining a semblance of order among

taining a semblance of order among the happy and high-spirited boys.

On the conclusion of the feast, the mayor announced the opening of the short programme provided. Mrs. Beck sang the pretty lullaby, "Kentucky Babe," very sweetly, and so hearty was the applause that she had to respond with an encore. Mrs. R. M. Burns sang Nevin's "Mighty Lak a Rose," in an acceptable manner. Contributions to the programme were made by the

to the programme were made by the

boys themselves, Master Frank Den-ison reciting "The Irish Schoolmaster"

in an amusing manner, and Master Dick McCulough giving two songs in his own inimitable style. The orches-tra rendered "Mr. Dooley," and "In

the boys joined in the chorus. Several gentlemen were called upon

for addresses, and each one responded with a few brief, entertaining remarks.

Rev. George J. Bishop said that the

mayor had taken a good way of wish-

ing them a merry Christmas by giving them one. Mr. Bishop said he was glad to see so many bright boys, who

glad to see so many bright boys, who would grow up to be fine men. He told them that they should be grateful for the chances open to them in the grand country God had given them. Some of them would themselves become mayors of cities, and some day when entertaining other boys, they would gratefully remember Mayor Beck.

Mr. Thomas Coffey, after telling the

Mayor Beck.

Mr. Thomas Coffey, after telling the boys they should be very grateful to the mayor, said he himself took a special interest in the newsboys, as he was

a printer and was accustomed to hav-ing them around. Mr. Coffey said he

their newsboys, but he never saw a finer lot than those of London. Mr.

Coffey said that he remembered the first London newsboy, who made his ap-

pearance on the advent of The Adver-

tiser in 1863. The papers sold so rapidly and readily that other boys took

up the business, and their number had

increased ever since. Hereafter, said Mr. Coffey, every candidate for mayor

should pledge himself to give the news-boys a supper. He closed by refer-

ring to the many respected and suc-cessful men whom he knew who had started business life as newsboys.

Sheriff Cameron said that as the boys were doing well in the enjoyment

line, he would not spoil it by making a speech to them. The mayor had struck the right note, and they should be

thankful to him.
In introducing the concluding func-

tion, the distribution of gifts, the mayor said he was greatly pleased

with the way in which the boys had

kept their promise to maintain good order. The gifts were then given out,

each boy receiving a pair of mitts and a bag of fruit and candies. The over-plus of guests exhausted the supply, but more candies and fruits were ob-tained, and Inspector Sanders issued

checks good for one pair of mitts at

his office. Each boy, therefore, departed in a happy frame of mind and body

and devoutly hoping that the news-boys' banquet might have many suc-

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remanded for a week. Nichol's actions on the farm had caused his employer to distrust him. He refused to leave their newsboys, but he never saw a

when ordered to, and consequently the

police were notified. DEATH OF MRS. WM. POTTER. The many friends of Mrs. Wm. Potter will learn with regret of her death last evening at her late residence, 852 Queen's avenue. Mrs. Potter was born 78 years ago at Musselburgh, Scotland, and came to this country in 1847. In 1850 she was united in marriage to Wm. Potter, who survives her. They had resided in London for some years nest. In this city Mrs. Potter attend. past. In this city Mrs. Potter attended the King Street Presbyterian Church. Besides her husband, seven to the farm of James Murray, con. 4, sons and three daughters mourn her Westminster, yesterday afternoon, to loss. The sons are: Luke, of Darling-Westminster, yesterday afternoon, to loss. The sons are: Luke, of Daring place Henry Nichol under arrest on a ton Township; Alexander, of Branplace Henry Nichol under arrest on a ton Township; Alexander, of Branplace Henry the latter attempt don, Man.; William, of Toronto; Rob-

IRISHMEN'S CHRISTMAS CHEER GIVEN OUT TODAY

St. George's Society Distributed | homes throughout the city. St. George's Society gave out its cheer Theirs Yesterday—No Needy Homes Forgotten.

The poor of this city are being well cared for these days. The churches, numbers of societies and private citizens have been looking after the wants of all who need, and it is unlikely that any who really deserve will be passed by. The heart warming of Christmas time, with all its unselfishness-improsperous, merchants have enjoyed good business, wage-earners have been well paid, and all seem willing to share with any who have not enjoyed their

yesterday, when it was noticed by those in charge that the number of applicants was smaller than usual. The Irish Benevolent Society distributed its cheer too. The former gave away: Beef, 2,009 pounds; flour, 1,500 pounds; raisins, 200 pounds; currants, 200 pounds; sugar, 500 pounds; tea, 150 pounds; biscuits, 400 pounds; bread, 500 loaves, and the Irish Society gave 2,500 pounds of beef, 800 loaves of bread, 300 pounds of tea, 500 pounds of rice, six barrels of soda biscuits, quarter of and raisins.

a ten of sugar, besides oatmeal, cereals lent, which was made direct to the homes, was superintended by Dr. John D. Wilson (president), H. C. Sharpe good fortune. The distribution of (secretary), John Forrestal, B. C. Mc-Christmas cheer by the benevolent Cann, John Stevely, Stephen Grant, T. societies has became an annual event J. Murphy, P. Pocock, Dr. Niven and which is welcomed in numbers of P. Mulhall.

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Boys Made Happy With a Substantial Repast and Useful Gifts.

One nundred and eighty boys gathered in the city hall last night to accept the generous hospitality of Mayor and Mrs. Beck. The mayor had extended a cordial invitation to all the newsgiven them by him, and the invitation was accepted so unanimously that over twice the number of guests expected turned up. Quite a few of them hardly came within the category of the class for whom the feast was spread, but no questions were asked, and every lad who came was given a seat at the board. The boys testified in no uncertain manner their appreciation of the kindness of their host and hostess, each being cheered lustily on every possible excuse. The boys enjoyed themselves from the minute they entered the hall, with sharp-set and ex-pectant appetites, to the time, two hours later, when they left it, filled to repletion, and rejoicing in the possession of useful gifts. If the success of such an affair is a criterion by which to judge of the advisability of duplicating it in the future, then it may as well be decided at once that the

festoons and shields of bunting made the old hall look very cheery, while on a raised platform Tony Cortese's or-chestra rendered classical and popular selections of music. Mayor Beck had estimated that there were eighty newsboys in the city, but to be on the safe side he ordered the caterer to provide for 50 more. The generous scale upon which this was done was evidenced by the fact that instead of the expected just 180 boys turned up and ate their fill. The orderly tables, afternoon, and "The Duke's Daughter" laden with an abundance of appetiz- in the evening. fare, and decorated with flowers and plants, presented a very pleasing boys of the city to attend a banquet and artistic appearance at the begin ning of the banquet. "But Linden saw another sight" an hour later. For the tables looked as though the Mont Peles eruption, assisted by the traditional Kansas cyclone, had wreaked their direful will upon them. The bill-of-fare comprised consomme, roast meats and fowl, hot vegetables, salads, plum pudding, cakes, pastry and fruits. The boys, however, did not stand strictly the order of their eating, but mingled celery and pudding, pickles and ple, in a manner which would have proved disastrous to any digestion save that of a healthy lad. The waitresses were kept busy supplying the needs of the hungry boys. The mayor kept cir-culating around the hall, seeing that everything was passing off smoothly, while Mrs. Beck, like a gracious Lady Bountiful, was equally busy in attending to the clamorous wants of her little guests.

A number of well-known citizens were present during the evening. They included Rev. George J. Bishop, Rev. mayor's banquet to the newsboys will Dr. Johnston, Rev. Canon Dann, Aldbe a permanent annual function. Stevely, Winnett, Greenlees, Gerry, semblage of diners or dancers, in evening suit or ravishing dress, were ever gayer than the sturdy led. The city hall has been the scene of Dreaney, Abram, Douglass and McMeevening suit or ravishing dress, were ever gayer than the sturdy lads who surrounded the tables and annexed every good of the surrounded the tables and annexed every good of the surrounded the tables and annexed every good of the surrounded the s lar newsboy during his connection with erything that came their way in the line of eatables. No detail was lacking the profession of news-vending, was

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says: "A capable company is presenting the piece, and a well-sustained plot is carried through consistently, not permitting the attention to flag for an instant. time, with all its unselfishness-impelling power, has been felt here very deeply this year. The city has been of the distribution for his society, and raisins. Chairman H. T. Smith, of St. George's relief committee, had charge of the distribution for his society, and ruby by a gang of diamond thieves, head-ruby by a gang of the distribution for the Irish Benevo- ed by a woman, the Princess Mittza Charkoff, who is the brain of the gang. It, of course, ends in the recovery of the ruby, while the princess loses her lover, an Indian pince. Her redeeming quality is her unselfish love, and, curiously enough, at the completion the sympathies of the audience are with the adven-

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Speech-making and a miscellaneous programme of especial merit followed the feast of delicacies, Mr. Frank Lawson introducing the various numbers. The toast "Our King and Country," was ably responded to by Mr. H. Jones, the assembly joining heartily in

the National Anthem. At the juncture, Mr. John Vanstone, foreman of the composing room, performed a most pleasing function. behalf of the employes, who greatly esteem their superintendent, Mr. Fred J. Jones, he presented to him a handsome gold watch and chain, together with an appropriately worded address. Mr. Jones accepted the beautiful and costly gift, promising to prize it and think of the kindness and fealty of the donors, whenever he consulted the,

time.

Others taking part in the evening's entertainment were Messrs. J. W. Bawden (vice-chairman), J. Le Fevre, J. B. Harpin, F. Pike, E. Housen, E. Chalcraft, J. Young, Piene, Pinnell, C. Le Sueur, S. Cross, F. Bollman, Simms, J. M. Erstrugen, J. J. C. Thompson, M. M. Ferguson, J. Hodgins, Ray Lawson, C. James, C. Healey, the Pinney brothers and Misses

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1 a.m., concluding with "Auld Lang

The happy gathering dispersed about

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT Colborne Street Methodist Sunday School Is Flourishing.

The Christmas entertainment of the Colborne Street Methodist Sunday School was held last night. It proved a most successful affair, a large audience enjoying the excellent programme of music and recitations provided by the children. The annual report showed the school to be in a flourishing and prosperous condition. The total en-rollment of pupils and teachers is 250, with an average attendance of 189. The collections for the year totaled \$195, and after paying all expenses a bal-

Delightful for Lunch

ance of \$25 was left.

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