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LONDON, CANADA, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1899.

## What Is Going On In The Leading Churches Of The City.

Church — Pastor. Rev. Thomas S.

Johnson. Services at 11 a.m. and 7

p.m. Sabbath School at 2:45 p.m. SKIN STREET METHODIST

Church—Rev. J. W. Holmes, pastor, 11 a.m., "A Visit from God." Opening voluntary, "Excelsis Deo" (Haydn); morning anthems, "Grand Festival Te Deum" (W. Phitp), "Ozion, That Bringest Good Tidings" (John Stainen); Grand "Openin Bath." Zion, That Bringest Good Traings (John Stainer); carol, "Once in Beth-lehem of Judah"; concluding volun-tary, "Postlude" (Rink). 7 p.m., "Song Sermon"; voluntary from "Symphony" (Haydn); anthem, "Symphony" (Haydn); anthem,
"Gloria in Excelsis" (Concone); concluding voluntary, "March of the Israelites" (Costa).

CENTENNIALMETHODISTCHURCH -Rev. W. J. Ford, pastor. Morning -Subject, "Christ the Fulfillment of Subject, "Christ the Funnment of Prophecy"; anthem, "Hail, Heavenly King" (Beirly); quartet, "Father, Keep Us in Thy Care" (Hodges); solo. Evening—Subject, "Christ the Expression of the Father's Love"; anthem, "An Angel's Serenade" (Ashford); quartet "Trust in God"; solo. ford); quartet, "Trust in God"; solo,
"Angels Ever Bright and Fair" (Handel); duet.

CHALMERS PRESBYTERIAN Church—Rev. Walter Moffat, pastor. Bervices at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Bible Class and Sabbath School at 3 p.m. Special Chrismas music at both

Design and Edition Streets—Rev. C. Binclair, and Service at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

ICE AT DUNDAS theol tomorrow, at rdially welcome. CHRISTMAS Center Sun 2 46. Visit CET METHODIST COLBORNE

Church—Re orge Jackson, pastor, ot both se Morning subject, "The Myste the Incarnation No Barrier to Recommendation of Evening, "Household Religion." Special Christmas Sunday School service at 2:30 p.m., to which all friends are cordially invited. Epecial music.

DUNDAS CENTER METHODIST Church-Special Christmas services. Pastor, Rev.Dr. Saunders, will preach. Pastor, Rev.Dr. Saunders, will preach.
Morning subject, "A King is Born";
evening subject, "A Saviour." Morning—Carol, "Hall, Christmas Day"
(Warren); anthem, "It Came Upon the Midnight" (Stainer), solo and thorus, "O Little Town of Bethlebom", (Hewlett: anthem "While hem" (Hewlett); anthem, "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night" (Best); chorus, "And the Glory of the Lord" (Handel). Evening—Chorus, "Glorious is Thy Name" (Mozart); solo and chorus, "O Thou That Tellest Good Tidings" (Handel); Inthem, "While All Things Were in Quiet Stience" (Henry J. King); solos, "Gloriet Stience" (Henry J. King); "Gloriet Stience" (Henry J. King); solos, "Gloriet Stience" (Henry J. King); solos, "Gloriet Stience" (Henry J. King); "Gloriet Stience" (Henry J. King); "Gloriet Stience" (Henry J. King); "Glo "He Shall Feed His Flock" and "The Unto Him" ("Messiah," Han-

EMPRESS AVENUE METHODIST Church—Christmas services. Movn-ing, "Jesus." Evening, "God's Everlasting Yes."

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST (Scientist), corner Richmond street and Princess and Park avenues (formerly St. James' Presbyterian Church -Sunday services, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. The subject will be "Christian Science." Wednesday evening (tes-Science." Wednesday evening (tes-timonial) meeting at 8 p.m. Sunday School immediately following morning service. D. S. Robb, C.S.B., First Reader: Mrs. Edna S. Robb, C.S., Second Reader. Residence, 293 Princess avenue. Christian Science Reading Room open daily from 2 to

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH -Special appropriate services will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. E. C. Oakley. Morning subject, "The Giv-ing God"; evening, "Figs from Thistles." Everybody welcome.

Special Christiana services. Rev. J. V. Smith D.D., pastor, will preach at both services. Morning subject, "Christmas and Century Gifts"; evening, special service of praise. Morning—Anthem, "Chime, Ye Bells of Heaven" (Shelley); solo, "I Had a Dream of Bethlehem" (Coombs); anthem, "Hark! What Mean Those anthem, "Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices?" (Sullivan). Evening— Organ recital, "Christmas Themes," at 6:45; carol, "Glad Tidings to All" (Shepherd); anthem, "Hark, Hark, With Harps," violin obligato (Marston; solo and chorus, "The Star That Now is Shining" (King); chorus, "Ring the Bells for Christmas" (A. F. Loud); postlude, "Hallelujah Chorus" (Handel).

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-Rev. W. J. Clark, pastor. Public worship at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., conducted by the pastor. Sabbath School and Society for Bible Study at 3 p.m.

HAMILTON ROAD METHODIST Church-Rev. J. G. Fallis, pastor. Rev. T. W. Cosens will preach morning and evening. Sunday School en-tertainment and Christmas tree on Tuesday evening at 8 p.m.

KING STREET PRESBYTERIAN Church—Rev. Thomas Wilson, pastor, Morning, "The Blessedness of Giv-ing"; evening, "How Christ Found Him." Strangers welcome.

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-Rev. J. G. Stuart, paster. Services tomorrow as usual.

MEMORIAL CHURCH-REV. C. C. Owen, B.A., rector. Holy Communion at 8 a.m. Divine service—11 a.m., the rector will preach; 7 p.m., Very Rev. Dean Innes, D.D., will preach. Christmas Day-Holy Communion at 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Divine service at 11 a.m. The rector will preach.

REV. FRED H. BARRON WILL GIVE a Sunday afterneon talk to men in Young Men's Christian Association Building tong row at 4:15. All men are welcome.

SOUTHERN CONGREGATIONAL Rev. W. H. Claris, pastor. Services

at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. BT. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL-MORN-INC. "Yenite" (Quaeley), "Beas-

dicite" (Best), "Benedictus" (Goss).
Preacher, Rev. Mr. Owen, of Memorial Church. Evening—"Cantate"
(Trimnell), "Deus" (Trimnell); anthem, "In the Beginning was the
Word". Preacher, the Dean. Holy
Communion at \$:30 a.m. Afternoon
service for Sunday School Children
at 3:30.

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL-CHRIST-MAS DAY, 11 a.m.—"Venite" (Macfarren); Psalms xix., xiv., lxxxv. (Gregorian), "Te Deum" (Roberts), "Jubilate" (Roberts); anthem, "Angels from the Realms of Glory" (Cowen). Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Huron Halv Communion at 8:30 of Huron. Holy Communion at 8:30 and 11 o'clock service. 36u

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rev. Robert Johnston, D.D., pastor. Services in the Y.M.C.A. Auditorium. Special Christmas music. The pastor will preach at 11 a.m. Mr. Henry Bath, of London, England, will preach in the evening. Sabbath School at 3 p.m.

Wednesday, 8 p.m., prayer meeting. ST. JAMES' PRESBYTERIAN Church, corner Wellington and Oxford streets-Rev. A. J. McGillivray, M.A., pastor. Services in new Sun-day School at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., conducted by the pastor. Bible Class and Sunday School at 3 p.m.

ST. MATTHEW'S, EAST LONDON-The Right Rev. the Bishop of Huron will preach Sunday evening, Dec. 24. Service at 7 p.m.

TALBOT STREET BAPTIST CHURCH -Rev. A. T. Sowerby, Ph.D., LL.D., pastor. 11 a.m., Christmas sermon; 7 p.m. "A Fight for Life." 3 p.m., Bible School. Seats free and all wel-

WELLINGTON STREET METHOtor. Morning, "Christian Resigna-DIST CHURCH-Rev. J. Edge, pastion." Evening, Christmas service. Reception service at the close. Morning—Anthem, "Fear Not, for Behold I Bring You Glad Tidings" (Sawyer); solo, "Birthday of a King" (Neidlinger), H. R. McDonald. Eyening—Anthem, "There Were Lepherds" (Gaul); solo, "Light of the World" (Adams), Mr. Blakie; b and quartet, "O, Holy Night"; them, "The Hallowed Day Hath ined Upon Us" (Stainer); solo, "A Evening, Christmas service. ined Upon Us" (Stainer); solo, "A eam of Bethlehem" (Rodney), H. McDonald.

# Births, Marriages, Death

BORN. SHILLINGTON-On Friday, Dec. 8, at 665 Col

borne street, to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Shilling-GOWER-On Monday, Dec. 18, the wife of O-D. Gower, South London, of a daughter.

DIED. KAY-On December 22, Mary A. Kay (Minnie). third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kay, of Westminster, aged 20 years.

Funeral Sunday, Dec. 24, from the residence of her aunt, Mrs. J. Darch, 379 Talbot street, at 2:30 p.m. Service at 2 p.m. Friends and acquaintance please accept this intima-RAWLINS—On Dec. 23, 1899, Annie Elizabeth, dearly be oved wife of Geo. W. Rawlins, in

Funeral from the residence of Mr. Geo. Cartledge, lot 12, con. 3, London township, on Tuesday, Dec. 26, at 2 p.m., services at 1:30, to Woodland Cemetery. Friends and acquaint-ances please accept this intimation.

Amusements and Lectures GRAND OPERA HOUSE MATINEE AND NIGHT.

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Do NOT MISS IT—THE MUSICAL event of the season, Watkin Mills recital, Auditorium, Thursday evening, December 28. Prices, 50c and 75c. Plan now open. Mr. Mills will sing "Deign. Great Apollo," and "Ruddier Than the Cherry;" "The Two Grenadiers," "The Roamer," "The Curfew," "The Sailor's Grave," "Here's to the King, Sir," "The Auld Plaid Shawl," "The March of the Cameron Men," Kipling's "Recessional," and several others.

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70 acres on the Oxford street road, three miles from the city; 1½ story frame house. 8 rooms; large barn. This farm has wire and rail fences: a spring creek runs through the property. Price on application.

84 acres, 2½ miles from Kincardine, 5 acres bush, balance clear: 400 apple trees, commencing to bear; 1,000 raspherry bushes, and other small fruit; a large two-story house. 10 rooms; bank barn. 40x80, and other buildings. This property will be sold reasonably, the owner having retired. and is now living in this city.

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# The London Loan Go.

OF CANADA. Dividend No. 45.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a dividend has been declared at rate of 6 per cent per annum for half year ending 31st December, 1899.

M. J. KENT.

Manager.

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Dividend No. 72.

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that a dividend of 3 per cent upon the paid-up capital stock of this company has been declared for the current half year ending 30th inst., and that the same will be payable at the company's office in this city on and after Jan. 2 next.

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# THE DOMINION

# Savings and Investment Society,

Dividend No. 55.

NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum upon the paid-up capital stock of this society has been declared for the current half year, and that the same will be payable at the offices of the society, Masonic Temple Building, Richmond street, London, on and after the 2nd day of January. 1900. Street, London, on Salary Street, London, Occ. 31st, 1899, both days inclusive.

NATHANIEL MILLS,
London, Dec. 12, 1899.

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# Estate Daniel Collins.

Auction Sale of Real Es-

tate and Chattels. ATTENTION is directed to the posters announcing the sale of the real estate and effects of the late Daniel Collins, consisting of ice house and tools and good will, Collins' Hotel 6 dwellings and 7 vacant lots, in West London, together with horses, wagons, etc., and of three different parcels of farm lands in London township and farming implements. Sale in West London, on Dec. 29, 1899, at 1 p.m. Sale in London township, on Dec. 29, 1899, at 1 p.m. Paticulars can also be had from Dennis Collins, Blackfriars street, West London, and 32h R. H. DIGNAN, 418 Talbot street.

Notice to Creditors. IN THE MATTER OF ROBERT GREENE (trading as the R. Greene Mfg. Co.), of the city of London, in county of Middlesex. Notice is hereby given that the above named Robert Greene has made an assignment to me under the provisions of chap. 147, R. S. O., 1897, of all his estate and effects in trust for the benefit of

W. G. Winnett, Barrister, 420 Talbot street, ywt

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TO LET—UNION FURNITURE VAN—Three tales, 50 cents an hour; two men. John Biggs, Catheart and Bruce, South London.

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All creditors of the said estate, and effects in trust for the benefit of all his creditors.

A meeting of the creditors of the said estate is hereby convened, and will be held at the law offices of Gibbons & Harper, London, on Tuesday, the 2nd day of January, A.D. 1900, at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the appointment of inspectors and the giving of directions with reference to the disposal of the said estate.

All creditors.

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All creditors.

A meeting of the creditors of the said estate of its hereby convened, and will be held at the law offices of Gibbons & Harper, London, as directed by the said statute, on or before the day of such meeting. After 1st February, 1900, I shall proceed to distribute the said estate, having regard only to such claims as I shall have notice of, and I shall not be responsible for the assets of the said estate, having regard only to such claims as I shall have notice of, and I shall not be responsible for the assets of the said estate.

All creditors.

To LET—MOVING VANS. LA

# Solicitor for Assignee, London. C. B. ARMSTRONG, Assignee. 35u

To the Electors Of the City of London:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,-Having been solicited by a large number of citizens to stand for the position of mayor, I desire to solicit your vote and influ-

# F. G. RUMBALL.

For Alderman for No. 1 Ward, Begs to ask your vote and influence. As it is

impossible for me to see every voter personally, I submit to your kindness to accept this as a personal call. Anticipating your confidence, With greetings of the season. OTTO E. BRENER.

MCLEAN JOHN Labor Candidate

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## Lieut.-Gen. Lord Methuen.

Gen. Methuen is one of the most | expedition. His repulse, after winning popular officers of the service. In London he is known as a society lion and a drawing-room dandy, and some surprise was manifested when he was given charge of the Kimberley relief

three battles, was deeply disappoint-ing, but he has succeeded in holding his position and keeping open the line of communication with Cape Town. There is no doubt of his ultimate suc-

serve on the medical staff. Great dis-

man, rector of St. George's, one of the largest and most fashionable Anglican churches here, has volunteer-

ed to go with the second contingent as chaplain.

AT WHITBY. Whitby, Ont., Dec. 23.-Rev. G. A.

Rix, of the Church of the Redeemer,

Toronto, and chaplain of the 34th Battalion, offers his services as chap-lain for the second Canadian con-

Lieut.-Col. Farewell has received several good applications for service in

AT HAMILTON.

Although the officers of the local corps have received no ultimatum that

a recruiting station will be establish-

ed here, they will continue to receive applications for places on the second

contingent. Among the officers who have offered their services are Capt. Wm. Hendrie, of the 48th Highlanders.

AT KINGSTON.

was asked if he had received many ap-

plications from men volunteering for service in South Africa. He replied

"Hundreds of them. We can get all the

men we want, and more, from the dis-

trict. Applications are coming into my

Lieut.-Col. Checkley, 56th Battalion, Lisgar Rifles, states his readiness to

march "the boys" to the front at a

Lieut.-Col. Drennan, R. A., city clerk,

late commandant of the 5th Kingston Field Battery, has volunteered.

14th Battalion, has notified the non-commissioned officers to hold them-

corps may have to perform garrison

Lieut.-Col. Kitson left for Toronto,

under instructions from Ottawa to or-ganize the cavalry for South Africa,

and take full charge of the force till

MANY APPLICATIONS.

Kingston, Dec. 23.-Yesterday's mails

brought a hundred or more applica-tions from volunteers desiring to serve

ing the British Empire. Veterinary Captain W. J. Morgan is

declined by the imperial authorities, may go with the second Canadian con-

Departure of Lord Roberts From

London.

The Immense Crowd Give the Field.

Marshal a Grand Ovation.

London, Dec. 23.-Field Marshal

Lord Roberts, who is to assume com-

mand of the British troops, left Wat-

done in South Africa will be carried

out by thoroughly competent hands,

Although only privileged persons

were permitted to enter the station,

there was a gathering of immense

throngs at all the approaches and other points of vantage, who cheered re-peatedly as "Bobs," accompanied by his wife and two daughters, drove up.

Seldom has the terminus witnessed such an inspiring send-off. Every appearance of the field marshal was the signal for singing, hurrahs, lusty

and on carefully matured lines.

AN INSPIRING

"Gat" Howard, whose offer was

selves in readiness for service.

Lieut.-Col. Evans arrives.

Capt.

Major and Acting Adjutant Kent,

Lieut.-Col. Montizambert. D. O.

and Lieut.-Col. MacLaren.

office in hundreds."

moment's notice.

the Transvaal.

# **CANADIANS** FOR THE FRONT

Graduates of the Kingston Military School.

will Get British Army Commissions if fantry is wanted. Rev. H. H. Pett-Recemmended by the Dominion Minister of Militia-Thousands of Nova Scotians Ready to Join the Contingent.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.-A cable received from the imperial government states that all the graduates of the Royal Military College, Kingston who are recommended by the minister of militia will get commissions in the British

HUNDRED CANADIAN ONE NURSES.

A cable has been sent to the British war office by the minister of militia, stating that over 100 Canadian trained nurses had volunteered for service, and asking of an opportunity of serving with the imperial army hospital staff could be afforded them.

DR. BORDEN'S BUSY DAY. Hon. Dr. Borden was busy all day on the arrangements for the dispatch of the contingent to South Africa. Good progress is being made with the work een after the cabinet meeting, Dr. Borden said that the list of officers was not yet complete, and it was not advisable to give it out piecemeal. Applications are coming in from all parts for positions, and among so much good material it is difficult to choose. The arrangements for transports are not yet

COL MCLEAN'S OFFER. Lieut.-Col. McLean, of St. John, N. B., had an interview with the min-ister of militia in regard to his offer to enlist 100 men, composed of hunt-ers, trappers and guides, at his own expense. They would be good shots and possessing all the qualifications for scouts. Dr. Borden admitted that It would be difficult to find a better class of men than were in the country districts of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. They are good shots, self-reliant, physique good, and able to do almost anything in the shape building bridges, making roads and coing that class of work that the Royal Engineers are called upon to do, but the government was restricted by the war office to mounted rifles and

ertillery. IN NOVA SCOTIA.

Halifax, Dec. 23.—Enthusiasm throughout Nova Scotia knows no bounds, thousands being anxious to

# SALT RHEUM.

B. B. B. cured Mrs. E. H. Cox, of Victoria, N.B., of itching Salt Rheum of the face over 6 years ago and she is perfectly well to-day.

It is a well-known fact that such severe okin diseases as Salt Rheum or Eczema Psoriasis, Tetter, Shingles, etc., are prone to return unless the impurities in the blood causing them are eliminated completely from the system. The cures made of all forms of skin diseases by Burdock Blood Bitters are always most satisfactory on A case that illustrates this most strik

ingly is that of Mrs. E. H. Cox, whose husband wrote the following letter, dated Victoria, Carleton Co., N.B., October 28th,

"My wife was a sufferer from an itch ing form of Salt Rheum that would break out on her face. She tried many things, including doctors' medicines, but nothing did her much good.

"About two years ago she commenced taking Burdock Blood Bitters, when to our astonishment her face began to get well, and by the use of two bottles she was completely cured.

"As to the truth of the above statement I would refer you to J. B. Bowser, General Merchant of this town, from whom I bought the two bottles of B.B.B."

The following letter recently received, shows that the cure has been a permanent one: "I am happy to state that my wife has not been troubled with Salt Rheum in the face since Burdock Blood Bitters cured her some years ago. The cure was a marvellous one, and I verily believe B.B.B. the best medicine in the market. I have induced a number of people to use it, and they all say it does them good, especially if they have any blood disorder. Count me a friend of B.B.B.", E. H. COX.

al leave-takings, Lord After personal leave-takings, Lord Roberts reached the platform, where general greetings and parting words were exchanged. Many ladies pressed eagerly forward to get a last handshake, express deep sympathy with the distinguished soldier in his recent hereavement, and bid him godspeed. One woman, with her eyes filled with tears, exclaimed: "God bless you and bring you safely back to us." This wish was re-echoed and re-echoed in varying phraseology by hundreds thronging the vicinity of the train.

# THE CAVALRY **VOLUNTEERS**

Large Numbers Already Have Their Applications In-Names of Officers.

Lieut.-Col. Gartshore has already received application from about 80 of the men in the First Hussars, who desire to go to the Transvaal. He expects that there will be about 15 of these men allowed to go. The following officers in the Hussars have volunteered: Major King, of Kingsville; Captains Booker and Stewart and Lieutenants Gartshore, of Hamilton, Layborn, of Winnipeg, Balfour, of Hamilton, and Wigle, of Leamington.

# SIXTY MEN

Mine Disaster Four Miles From go to the front to fight. There would be no difficulty for Britain to secure 5,000 men. Over 200 have volunteered in Halifax. Major Jolly and his whole Yarmouth and Lunenburg batteries also have volunteered. Warden Wilson offers to raise 1000 convoys Brownsville, Pa.

Brownsville, Pa., Dec. 23.-An exploalso have volunteered. Warden Wilson offers to raise 1,000 cowboys. James Grant, Antigonish, offers to raise a troop of 200 men. Capt. Chipman, Amherst, offers a full company. New Glasgow offers 200 men. Capt. Phinney, Annapolis, offers a full company. Dr. McKeen, Neil's Harbor, offers to serve on the medical steff. sion occurred at the Baznell Coal Works, four miles from here today. Sixty men are reported entombed. The tipple is wrecked. Messengers have been sent here for doctors.

Lady (sitting for portrait)—And make my mouth small, will you, ever so small? I know it is large really, but make it quite tiny, will you? Artist (politely)—Certainly, madam If you prefer it. I will leave it out al-

As a Means of Settling the Dispute With the Hospital Contractors.

Warm Words in Opposition From Ald. Carrothers and Ald. Jolly.

The Proposal to Abate Certain Sewer Rentals Not Approved - Votes of Thanks-The Wind-Up.

A special meeting of the city council

was held last night, and two matters laid over from the regular meeting were dealt with. The hospital building committee submitted the contractors' accounts, together with a report by the city engineer and the clerk of the works, upon some disputed items in Contractor Purdom's account. The items were taken up separately. One involved a deduction, and the difference between Ald. Jolly's figures and those of Mr. Purdom were over \$100. Mr. Purdom claimed the work had been done according to plans and specifications furnished by the archi-tect. The architect was not present. it was evident he approved of Purdom's claim. Ald. Greenlees held that in such a case the architect's action was binding on the com-

Ald. Jolly replied that every \$100 added to the cost of the hospital meant \$5 in the pocket of Mr. Mc-Ald. Greenlees characterized this as

Ald. Greeniees characterized this as a mighty mean imputation. He wondered why, if that were Ald. Jolly's opinion, Mr. McBride was not discharged long ago.

Ald. Jolly would take nothing back. Referring again to the disputed accounts he said they had the opinion of the city engineer and the clerk of the the city engineer and the clerk of the works, who was a faithful man. The accounts were to have been arbitrated upon by the engineer, architect and clerk of works and another alderman.
Ald. Wilkey said there had been no

arbitration, as the committee had or-The engineer and the clerk of the



Lieut.-Gen. Sir C. F. Clery.

Gen. Buller's direction in Natal, is largely used in Europe. It was predicted that Gen. Clery would achieve what is known as a soldier of the schools. His military training has been has not done so, probably because Lieut.-Col. Hunter, 47th Batt., has handed in the names of 13 volunteers, members of his corps, desirous of serv-

Gen. Clery, who is working under | best of the kind ever written, and is some tactical triumph, but so far he largely scientific, and he is the author has not yet been intrusted with inde-of a manual on tactics, which is the pendent operations.

# ARMORED TRAINS

a volunteer for service.

Martin McDonald, John street, over A New Feature of Warfare-Will They 70 years old, but very active, and an old soldier, made application to be en-Become General? listed with the second contingent, but he was told he was too old. He be-longed to the 88th Connaught Rangers [Chicago Record.]

The use of the powerful explosive known as lyddite and the extensive employment of armored trains are the two chief novelties that have appeared thus far in the South African war. Railroads have figured to some extent in the more important wars of the last half century, not excepting our civil war, but no such systematic use of armored trains as Great Britain is making has hitherto been known. Both at Ladysmith and at Kimberley the British have extemporized trains covered with armor plate and are using them successfully in reconnoiter-ing and in attacking. These fortresses on wheels have come into existence by the same process of evolution that created ironclad ships. They strongly remind one of armored Mississippl boats that figured so largely in our civil war. Railroads are destined play an increasing part, not only in the business of all nations, but in all future wars of any moment. It will be strange if the crude armored trains now in use in South Africa do not prove to be the forerunners of regular-ly constructed war trains as superior to these as the Oregon is superior to the Merrimac of 1862. It is not improbable that the time will come when erloo Railroad station today amidst no nation's war department will conscenes of enthusiasm, vividly demonsider itself completely equipped unless it has an outfit of bullet-proof cars strating the national interest in the and of the materials for creating such trains from ordinary freight cars at short notice of emergencies. event, and the belief that the departure of the general can be accepted as a guarantee that whatever can be

The French Eirthrate. [Ottawa Free Press.]

The social condition of France is calculated to cause grave anxiety to those of her statesmen who look with philosophic mind to the future as much as the present. A recently published government return is calculated to cause the gravest apprehension. During the past year there was an increase of 59,054 in the number of deaths as compared with the prevor deaths as compared with the previous year, while the number of hirths decreased by 15.174. The moral conveyed by this terrible discrepancy is so plain that he who runs may read it. When men decay the last hour of a nation is struck. In France there appears to be something worse than the decay of men. shouts and expressions of good wishes. The moment the veteran commander arrived he was surrounded by mili-

works had gone over the accounts to gether without the architect knowing anything about it. The committee's instructions had not been carried out in this as in many other cases where chairman chose to represent the committee instead of allowing the secretary to carry out the resolutions as

Ald. Carrothers said they had no power to make the architect report. Ald. Wilkey moved to refer the disputed items to arbitration. In Mr. Purdom's account these amount to \$426. Mr. Purdom said arbitration was quite satisfactory to him. "I fact, I'm an advocate of it," he said. Ald. Wilkey's motion was carried on

the following division:
Yeas—Ald. O'Meara, Plant, Green-lees, Pritchard, Parnell, Wilkey, Dreany and McPhillips. Nays-Ald. Carrothers, Douglass,

Ald. Jolly and Carrothers had a few more flings at the architect and the contractors before passing on to the next report.

A report was received from the city auditor upon the sewer rentals, which Ald. Carrothers moved to abate. The amount involved is about \$12,000. A motion to refer the matter to the incoming council was defeated, and so was Ald. Carrothers' motion. No action was taken.

On the recommendation of the investigation committee, Contractor Gra-ham's account for loss of time was Miss Minnie Wilkinson claimed \$10

for damages sustained through her horse falling. Referred to the engineer with power. A bylaw to consolidate debentures ssued under 132 local improvement bylaws. was passed. At the suggestion of the mayor it

was unanimously decided to cable Christmas greetings to the Canadian contingent in South Africa. Ald. O'Meara moved, and Ald. Reed econded, that the thanks of the council tendered to the worthy and most

efficient city clerk for the able manner in which he had discharged the duties



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thanks was tendered to the mayor for his uniform courtesy as presiding offi-The mayor in a happy reply advised every aspirant for the mayor's chair

to first spend one or two years as an alderman. Ald. Parnell-You wouldn't believe

me two years ago.
His Worship—But I do now. (Laughter.) It was only by being a member of the council that a man could become efficient for the office. He had gone there without experience, and had a tough time for a while. Now other duties obliged him to withdraw, but he did so feeling that he had many friends in the council.

Ald. O'Meara-You have them all.

And McDonald. His Youthful Accomplice, Gets Five Years.

For the Robbery and Fatal Assault on Charles Clark.

John Sherlock Fined \$500-Jury Disagree in Campbell's Case.

There was a dramatic half-hour

the court house yesterday. Frank Cahill and John McDonald were first brought in to be sentenced for the assault and robbery of Charles Clark, of St. James street, who died a few months later. Neither of the prisoners had anything to say. Cahill, the older of the two, listened to the judge's reproof without visible emotion,

and heard the sentence-ten years in the penitentiary-with the same nonchalance. McDonald, who is a mere boy, felt his position more keenly and nearly broke down at the finish. His penalty is five years at Kingston.

John Sherlock was next arraigned, having been found guilty of stonethrowing and rioting on July 8. It had been represented in a petition that Sherlock was in precarious health, and that confinement would hasten his death. His appearance bore out the statement, and it seemed difficult for him to stand up. The judge said that on account of the representations of the jail surgeon and other medical men, he had, instead of sending the prisoner to the penitentiary or Central Prison, resolved to impose a fine—but the fine must be commensurate with the offense. The prisoner, said the judge, was liable to five years' imprisonment, but he was willing to impose a fine of \$500. In default of payment, the option would be 18 months in the Central Prison.

Sherlock's devoted sister, who lives in Chicago, stood by him during the judge's recital, and burst into when all was over. Sherlock kissed her affectionately. It is understood she

will pay the fine.

James Campbell, a very respectablelooking young man, sat in the court with his wife and two pretty children, awaiting the verdict of the jury, Campbell having been tried for the same offense as Sherlock. The jury, however reported a disagreement, and Camp-bell was released on bail. He will be tried again at the June sessions.

THE ADMONITION TO CAHILL. The judge, in his remarks to Cahill, said the crime was of a kind that stamped the perpetrators as lacking the common feeling of humanity. "The old and defenceless man," continued the judge, "was attacked in his own house by two young strapping men, and left insensible on the floor, unable to do anything for himself, to be found the next morning by his sister, almost half dead, with his blood spattered all over the floor where the deed of violence was committed. have not the slightest doubt in my mind that the parties who would commit an offence of that kind would be just as ready to commit murder, and honestly believe that if the man had been able to exercise the consciousness that he possessed prior to the assault, and that had he identified you as the person who attacked him, you might today be standing your trial for murder. On the same evidence I have very little doubt but what you would have been found guilty and your life forfeited to the state for the life that you had taken away. I have very little doubt, also, from the evidence in the case, that the old man has died prematurely from the effects of the beating he got upon that occasion. The punishment provided by the statute is imprisonment for life and to be whipin which he had discharged the duties of his office, and for the information he so courteously gave the council and the citizens at large.

Ald. Parnell valued Mr. Kingston's services very highly, and Ald. Greenlees and the mayor each added a few words in approval of the motion.

The council adopted the resolution by an unanimous standing vote, and sang "For He's a Tolly Good Fellow."

The city clerk heartly thanked the council for the motion.

On motion of Ald. Winnett a vote of the motion in the largely you have thrown it away. You

should have been the stay and comfort of your mother in her declining years. She is an old woman, slaving herself trying to provide means of keeping her soul and body together, while you, who should have some consideration for her for the care and comfort bestowed upon you when you were helpless, should have tried to take care of her in her old age. I hope the sentence will be a warning to you."

Turning to McDonald, Judge Elliot said he took into consideration the jury's recommendation to mercy, the prisoner's youth, and the fact that he had been led into the crime by a person who was older and should have known better.

## SPECIAL NOTICES.

Cushions and Tea Cosies .- We have a great variety of down and feather Cushions, 50c each; Iron and Brass Bedsteads; Hair Mattresses; Goose-Feather Pillows, at the Bed and Mattress Cleaning Factory, 593 Richmond street north. Telephone 997. J. F. HUNT & SONS.

New York Central and Hudson River Railroad. - Holiday Excursions to Washington, D. C.-Saturday. Dec. 23.

On above date the NEW YORK CENTRAL in connection with the PENNSYLVANIA Railroad will run a popular ten-day holiday excursion to Washington, the nation's capital. Fare for the round trip only \$10 from Sus-pension Bridge or Buffalo. See New York Central ticket agents for tickets, space in sleepers and all infor-mation, or address H. Parry, general agent, Buffalo, N. Y.

# Successful Pupils.

Miss Hodgins, a graduate of Coo's Shorthand and Business Academy, 76 Dundas street, London, has accepted a lucrative position as stenograph the Simcoe Pork Packing Company, and Mr. Leonard Tait, as stenographer for the M. C. R., city. Every graduate of the Academy is placed in a situation when competent. It is a thoroughly up-to-date institution, conducted by up-to-date teachers. Young men desiring to take up the study, should make application for admission at once.

Beecham Bids for Kipling MS

Among those who have made the highest bids for the orig-inal manuscript of Rudyard Kip-ling's poem, "The Absent-Mind-ed Beggar," which is being sold for the benefit of the wives and children of the British reservists who have been ordered to South Africa, is Mr. Beecham, of St. Helens, England, who offered \$525 for it.

Mr. Beecham's name is familiar to every newspaper reader in America, as he is proprietor of the famous pills which bear his name. In addition to being a lover of things artistic, he is also a most public-spirited man. The great manufacturing center of St. Helens, of which his enormous factory is one of the largest industries, recognized his good services to the town by electing him recently to the mayoralty, backed by the unanimous petition of the municlipal council of St. Helens. Without doubt that executive ability which has assisted him so materially in building up his vast enterprise will be of great service to his fellow-townsmen.

Nowhere in the city is the evidence of Christmastide more noticeable than at the spacious stores of Mr. George F. Morris, butcher, in the Market House. His display of meats of all kinds is magnificent. Mr. Morris has occupied the same stand for 23 years, and says that the quality and quantity of his display this year surpasses that of any previous year. It includes a Durham heifer,3 years old, weighing 1,300 pounds, when dressed. This is one of the finest specimens of beef ever offered for sale in this city. It won prizes at many of the fall fairs, and came from Capt. Thomas Robson's herd. Mr. Morris has over 20 cattle, three choice colves, sheep, goats and pigs, and sucklings too numerous to mention. One porker weighs over 600 pounds. This firm make a specialty of poultry of every kind, lards, headcheese and sau-The display of meats strung in front of this large establishment costs many thousands of dollars. "Small profits and large sales" is the firm's motto.

# Electric Turkish Baths.

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to pay it. Cyclist-I'm not. But a fellow to whom I'm hoping to sell my machine asked me what my bleycle cost me, and I can't tell him until I hear from

slide in Italy.

Forty Children Drowned by

Breaking Through the Ice

on the River Lis.

Holocaust at a Rehearsal of Chrismas Exercises - Six Girls Burned to

Death and Many Others Injured.

crews. The mass of earth which slip-

arrived upon the scene and begun res-

first time in the sixth century, when it enjoyed the protection of the East-ern Emperors. In the twelfth century

the sea began gradually to undermine the lower portions, and a terrible in-undation in 1343 proved still more dis-

FORTY CHILDREN DROWNED.

Brussels, Dec. 23.-Upwards of 40

The school children of the district

had been given a holiday with per-

ed, but others are still missing.

fatally burned, and eight other persons badly injured during the rehearsal of Christmas exercises of one of the

classes at St. Francis school yester-

day. There were fourteen little girls

in the class, and they represented dif-ferent characters. Two of them ap-peared as lambs, and wore white fleece on their garments. The fleece on one caught fire from an open gas

jet, and in an instant the whole ring

of little ones were in flames. Sisters of the school ran to the rescue, and

were also badly burned. Six died al-

most instantly from burns, and four of

the survivors will die.

The dead are: Mary Wavering, Alma Middendorf, Bertha Freand, Jose Rossewog, Miss Hickey and Irene Frei-

burg.
The badly injured are: Josephine

Andrew Butkueben, Sister Ludwigus, Sister Rodolphia, Sister Theodeta,

FATALLY CRUSHED.

St. Thomas, Dec. 23.—Joseph Gaudiche, employed at the M. C. R. shops,

who was crushed against a wall by a box car on Monday, died of his injuries yesterday. He was aged 50, and leaves a widow. Two brothers, James and Thomas, and two sisters, Mrs. Boynton and Mrs. McDonald, reside in Toronto.

Amusements.

"WHY SMITH LEFT HOME."

This indescribably funny three-act

farce is being played at the Grand Opera House this afternoon, and will be repeated this evening. It is the

laughing success of the day, and is in the wittiest vein of the talented au-

thor, while the company presenting it

are all players of ability, bringing out the unctuous humor to the full. Teh

house should be packed this evening.

"DEVIL'S ISLAND."

A timely and interesting dramatic

novelty will be the production at the Grand on Monday (matinee and night) of "Devil's Island," a play founded on the famous case of Capt. Dreyfus. It

would be small wonder if, viewing the sensational episodes of this case, with the innumerable melodramatic possi-

bilities, there were not at least a half-

dozen plays with Capt. Dreyfus as the central figure. "Devil's Island" is by Vera de Noie and 'Arthur D. Hall, and It will be a most elaborate scente pro-duction by Vera de Noie, who has done

so many big things in the way of dra-matic spectacles. Maurice de la Tour

is the Capt. Dreyfus of the play. The

cast is one of uncommon strength, and includes that forcible and emotional

THE HOLIDAY WEEK ATTRAC-TION.

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mission to play on the frozen River Lys. When the merriment was at full In Grade 2 recitations were given by height the ice broke suddenly and the children disappeared. A few were Dottle Stephenson, Ruby Stephenson, Lily Hayes, George Long, Ivy Camp-bell, Frankie Roe, Ida Moore, John Greer, Fred Davis, Mabel Moorhouse, rescued half dead, but the majority were drowned.
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AT THE KINDERGARTEN. The children of Simcoe street kinder-The children of Simcoe street kinder-garten held their annual Christmas exercises Wednesday, before a large crowd of spectators. The performance consisted of songs and games, illustrating the Christmas thought, the Santa Claus chorus being especially well rendered, and "Soldiers of the Queen" was greeted with loud applause. But the climax was reached when a huge Christmas tree, decoratwhen a huge Christmas tree, decorated with chains, lanterns and presents, all the work of the children, was presented to view at the close of the programme. The children were allow-Bone, Wilhelmina Kottendorf, Lena Zeiger, Laura Menka, Miss Soenbing, Alevia Timpa, Jose Werner, Father ed to present their beautiful gifts to the mothers; then each child was made happy by receiving a dainty cardboard canoe, laced with ribbon and filled with popcorn and candy.

The proceedings closed with "God Save the Queen."

Victoria School. Divisions VI. and VII. of the above school entertoined a large number of parents and visitors from the following programme: Class recitation, "Kriss Kringle," five girls; dialogue,
"Seven Little Sisters"; carol, seventh
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In each of the rooms a musical entertainment, followed by a Christmas tree, was given, and the children went away with their pockets well filled with the sweet things that Christmas never fails to bring. In one of the rooms, instead of a Christmas tree, the children hung stockings about the room, and brought presents for one another to fill them.

The scholars taking part in another room were as follows: Norah O'Gor-man, Esther Swartz, Edwin Chivas, Lilhe Richardson, Mary Allsopp, Islay McKenzie Vera Hodgins, Bessie How-lett, Cyril McBride, Ruth West, Ethel Dowdett, Ethel McKay, Charlie Pennie, Kathleen O'Gorman, Ollie Ross, Eddie Kennedy, Mervin Webb, John Smith, Gladys Legg, Minnie Gauld. The following contributed to the junior division programme: Jean Mc-Crimmon, Retta Caldwell, Chester Her-ald, Vivian Reeve, Leona Noyes, Jessie Mitchell, Edith Vanstone, Retta Caldwell, Mabel Berry May Burridge, Willie Henderson, May Seccombe, Anna Kennedy, Thornton McBride.

A number of dialogues and choruses were also on the programme.

FATAL COLLISION.

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Tea Sets, 44 pieces, for \$1 75, worth \$3.

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FALSE PRETENCE-A came around lately with his team, gathering for his

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Annual Christmas Entertainments by Public School Pupils.

Forty Children Drowned by Many of Them of a Patriotic Character -A Number of Presentations.

The pupils of the Simcoe street school held their annual Christmas exercises yesterday afternoon. The rooms were all tastefully decorated and presented a very attractive appearance. Excellent programmes were given in the Rome, Dec. 23.-A terrible disaster different rooms.

took place yesterday afternoon at Mr. Beal's and Miss Skelton's classes Amalfi, the popular tourist resort on held their entertainment together in the kindergarten, and a very enjoyable time was spent. Those taking part were: Ollie Avey, Robert Angus, Olive Sussex, three girls (dialogue), Mary Douglass, Tom Logan, Gordon Cottrell, About 2 o'clock an enormous rock, upon which stood the Cappuccini Hotel, slid bodily into the sea with a Letta Lyons, Chester Smith, Sophie Jacobson and Dorothy Edge. After deafening roar and without a moment's warning, carrying with it the ment's warning, carrying with it the refreshments had been served, Master hotel, the old Cappuchin monastery Robbie Angus, on behalf of the class, below, the Hotel Santa Calerina and presented Mr. Beal with a very handsome morocco writing pontfolio, gether with an address, to which Mr.

Many people were buried in the de-Beal made a suitable reply. bris, which crushed four vessels to The pupils of Grade VI. had the room tastefully decorated with flags the bottom of the sea, destroying their and drawing done by the pupils. After crews. The mass of earth which slipa programme of songs and recitations a pientiful feast of nuts, candies, etc., The population is in a state of terror, was enjoyed by the pupils.

fearing fresh calamities. Troops have arrived upon the scene and begun res-In room II. the following scholars contributed to the programme: Charlie cue work.

It is believed that the loss of life is heavy, including a number of monks and the occupants of the hotel. As Westman (chairman), Clara Newton Lock Harrison, Willimene Sage, Neil McDonald, Eldridge Gale, Ethel Moore, Flossie Chatto, Beatrice Thorne, Lena yet it is impossible to ascertain the ex-Sweeny, Charlie Graham, Edna Lister, Johnston Wilkins, Hilda Stephenson, Amalfi is a small but lively town of Jennie Ingle, Minnie Shott, Mabel Mc-Leod and Edna Clampitt. In room VIII. a concert was given 7,000 inhabitants, situated at the entrance of a deep ravine, surrounded

by imposing mountains and rocks of the most picturesque forms. The Capuchin monastery was founded in 1212 by Cardinal Pietro Cauano for the by the children, after which oranges, candies and nuts were distributed. The following scholars contributed the programme: Maud Hill, Nellie Nixon, Cistercians, but came into possession of the Capuchins in 1583. The building, which stood in the hollow of the Annie Gartshore, George Wheatcroft, Vernon Davis, Fred Land, F. Denison, S. O'Neil Mamie Weekes, Florence Weekes. Frank Denison was chairgreat rock that rose abruptly from the sea to a height of 230 feet, contained fine cloisters and a charming veranman, and several choruses were given by the class. da, and offered magnificent points of view. The town is mentioned for the first time in the sixth century, when it enjoyed the protection of the Eastern Emperors. In the twelfth century

The programme in room 9 consisted of a number of choruses by the class and individual numbers by Bert Miller, Laura Ingles, Pearl Kermath and Laura Swayze, G. Hoskins and B. Foden, L. Ingles, J. Sweeny and T.

the sea began gradually to undermine the lower portions, and a terrible in-undation in 1343 proved still more dis-The National Anthem by the class brought the affair to a close. The pupils of Miss Fleming's class spent a very enjoyable time Thursday afternoon. A lengthy programme of Brussels, Dec. 23.-Upwards of 40 school children were drowned yestersongs, recitations and dialogues was carried out, after which the children disposed of a goodly quantity of candies, nuts and oranges. The room day afternoon in an ice accident at Frelinghem, near the French fronwas appropriately decorated for the occasion with holly and blackboard drawings. Master Charles Waggoner The school children of the district had been given a holiday with permade a very pleasant chairman durmission to play on the frozen River

ing the afternoon.

In Grade 2 recitations were given by Lys. When the merriment was at full height the ice broke suddenly and the Dottle Stephenson, Ruby Stephenson, children disappeared. A few were rescued half dead, but the majority Lily Hayes, George Long, Ivy Campbell, Frankie Roe, Ida Moore, John Greer, Fred Davis, Mabel Moorhouse, Thirty-six bodies have been recover-Sadie Barned, Herbie Newton, Eddie Barrows, Russell Croden and Ernie Powell. These were interspersed with tion throughout the town, where nearly every family suffered loss. choruses by the class. Jessie Long gave a solo.

The children of Grade 1 held their

Quincey, Ill., Dec. 23.—Six little girls Christmas concert Thursday. A pro-were burned to death, four probably gramme was rendered consisting of fatally burned, and eight other persons recitations, solos and choruses by the badly injured during the rehearsal of Christmas exercises of one of the classes at St. Francis school yesterclass. The small performers had an appreciative audience in their friends and playmates. At the close of the day. There were fourteen little girls in the class, and they represented different characters. Two of them appeared as lambs, and wore white fleece on their garments. The fleece concert oranges, nuts and cane were distributed to the children. candies AT THE KINDERGARTEN.

The children of Simcoe street kindergarten held their annual Christmas exercises Wednesday, before a large crowd of spectators. The perform-ance consisted of songs and games, illustrating the Christmas thought, the Santa Claus chorus being especially well rendered, and "Soldiers of the Queen" was greeted with loud applause. But the climax was reached when a huge Christmas tree, decorated with chains, lanterns and presents. all the work of the children, was presented to view at the close of the Bone, Wilhelmina Kottendorf, Lena Zeiger, Laura Menka, Miss Soenbing, Alevia Timpa, Jose Werner, Father Andrew Butkueben, Sister Ludwigus, Sister Rodolphia, Sister Theodeta, programme. The children were allowed to present their beautiful gifts to the mothers; then each child was made happy by receiving a dainty cardboard canoe, laced with ribbon and filled with popcorn and candy. The proceedings closed with "God Save the Queen."

Victoria School. Divisions VI. and VII. of the above school entertoined a large number of parents and visitors from the following programme: Class recitation, "Kriss Kringle," five girls, dialogue, "Seven Little Sisters"; carol, seventh division; dialogue, "The Model Class," division; dialogue, "The Model Class," boys of the seventh division; recitation, Ida Weldon; chorus, "Kriss Kringle," sixth division; chorus, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," sixth and seventh divisions; dialogue, "The New St. Nicholas," sixth division; carol, "Christmas Bells," seventh division; dialogue, seventh division; chorus sixth and seventh division; carol, "Christmas Bells," seventh division; carol, "Christmas Bells," seventh division; chorus sixth and seventh division; carol, "Christmas Bells," seventh division; chorus sixth and seventh division; carol, "Christmas Bells," seventh division; carol, "Christmas B seventh division; chorus, sixth and seventh divisions. A feature of the entertainment was the presentation to Miss Maud M. Walsh of the beautiful Boyle memorial medal, which is given each thor, while the company presenting it year to the scholar in each school who are all players of ability, bringing out year to the scholar in each school who

ation. In each of the rooms a musical entertainment, followed by a Christmas tree, was given, and the children went away with their pockets well filled with the sweet things that Christmas never fails to bring. In one of the rooms, instead of a Christmas tree, the children hung stockings about room, and brought presents for one another to fill them.

The scholars taking part in another room were as follows: Norah O'Gor-man, Esther Swartz, Edwin Chivas, Lil-He Richardson, Mary Allsopp, Islan McKenzie Vera Hodgins, Bessie How lett, Cyril McBride, Ruth West, Ethe Dowdett, Ethel McKay, Charlie Pennie, Kathleen O'Gorman, Olice Ross, Eddie Kennedy, Mervin Webb, John Smith, Gladys Legg, Minnie Gauid. The following contributed to the junior division programme: Jean Mc-Crimmon, Retta Caldwell, Chester Herald, Vivian Reeve, Leona Noyes, Jessie Mitcheil, Edith Vanstone, Retta Caldwell, Mabei Berry May Burridge, Willie Henderson, May Seccombe, Anna Ken-nedy, Thornton McBride. A number of dialogues and choruses

were also on the programme.

the Lyceum Company will give seven performances, retaining the plays that best pleased on their last visit, and adding "David Garrick" and "Romeo and Juliet." Since their last visit the Lyceum Company has met with ex-cellent success, and is rapidly making a continental reputation for the ex-cellence of their productions. FATAL COLLISION. Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 22.-Wm. Lanigan, an engineer on the Lackawanna road, was instantly killed and his fire-man, Herman Shulte, was probably A Great Builder.—The D. & L. Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil is a great builder. It gives weight, add healthy flesh, and overcomes any downward tendency of health. Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd., makers. fatally injured in a collision this morning between a passenger train of the Buffalo and Southwestern Road and an engine of the Lackawanna, at the junction of the two roads in the suburbs of the city.

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# Questions Answered.

NEGLIGENCE.—A spur of the rail-road is in the middle of the street. A car to be loaded stood on this spur. A number of teams were driving up on the left-hand side of the street. A is following with the rest. B crossed the track and tried to crowd between the car and A, who told him that he was getting out of his proper place, but B said he was going to crowd in, and hit his (B's) horses with the whip. A's horses jumped and broke the wheel of B's wagon. Is A liable for damages? Ans.-Not upon the facts stated, which show that the damage was caused by B. SIMCOE.—A makes a will, which says: "And, fourth, to divide and pay the residue of all my estate, share and share alike, unto my children," naming each child, "payment to be made by my executors as soon as they are in a position to do so." Before A's death two of his sons die, and each have a wife and children. In accordance with section 27 of the wills act, who will recelve their shape? Ans.—The widow and children of each son receive his share under section 36 of the act. One-third to widow and rest of share to children equally.

FALSE PRETENCE-A came around lately with his team, gathering for his

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by Dr. Humphreys in 1894 when Grip was raging and the people panic-stricken by its fatality. "77" sprang into popularity dispersing the plague, restoring confidence and quieting the fears of the people.

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neighbor B, whom, he said, had the misfortune of having his house and barn burned, and that the family barely escaped in their night clothes. He would take most anything, grain, clothing or cash, and got a good load in this locality, and also some cash. Now, it seems that his whole story was a fabrication, and there was no buildings burned. Is B liable to be punished as a criminal? Ans.—Yes; if the facts are as stated, he may be convicted of obtaining property by false pretences, and liable to imprisonment not exceeding three years.

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## Christmas Thoughts.

Memories of childhood are tugging nore or less importunately at most en's heart-strings these days. Down the echoing corridors of time, sound, faint or clear, the merry prattle and the joyous laughter of red-lipped, round-cheeked, eager-eyed childwood. not been as cordial since the British For Christmas, the one great family festival of the year, is the children's day, and the man who would share its privileges and joys must "become as a little child." There fies the true "Fountain of Youth." Let a man drink of it once every year, and though the frost of many winters have silvered his hair, and the mists of many sorrows have dimmed his eyes, he and old age shall be strangers. The hearty, joyous observance of Christmas Day as a family festival which, fortunately, is still the rule in most parts of Canada, is one of the most wholesome factors in our national life. It strengthens the family bond and idealizes the homeand the home is the corner-stone of the nation. Hence the deep-rooted patriotism and the soundness of public opinion on all questions of morality, that are marked characteristics of the Canadian people. From a utilitarian standpoint, therefore, and apart from the homage inspired by the sublime central figure of the festival, and from the fact that every sweet custom connected with its observance breathes into the hearts of men the living spirit of the "Sermon on the Mount," it is an Ill thing for a people to outgrow Christmas.

## The Death of Moody.

The death of Dwight L. Moody will be felt as a personal bereavement by multitudes on both sides of the Atlantic, who date their spiritual awakening from their first contact with that remarkable man. Moody was probably the greatest evangelical force of his time. He drew vaster crowds genius. than any of his contemporaries, and his perennial freshness and unflagging power have been amazing. The miltions who felt the spell of his presence may be at a loss to account for it. There was nothing impressive in his appearance—a short, squat man, ungainly in his movements-nor had he any great book learning or any rhetorical garnish. He spoke in sharp, jerky sentences, in the plainest language, but his discourses had a wealth of homely illustration, drawn from practical, everyday life, which went straight to the understanding. He knew the world and he knew human nature, wherein he had the advantage of greater scholars and more brilliant minds. Unlike many evangelists, he never practiced on the emotions and sentiments of his hearers, but appealed rather to reason and conscience. His simple earnestness, his positiveness, his clear-cut exposition of the great | the men who think only in wards and central truths of Christianity and his streets. faculty in getting at the heart of scripture—all these were elements of his mastery, but they were fused and dominated by the marvelous personality of the man-and who can deone personality?

# British and Boer Compared.

The Boston Herald cannot see that anything has happened to show that the Boer is in any way the superior of his British opponent. The Herald points out that for weeks past the 1,500 British soldiers at Mafeking have held out against more than twice their number of Boers; for practically the same time the 1,500 British soldiers at Kimberley have held that place egainst three or four times their number of the enemy; for an almost simflar time Gen. White, at Ladysmith, with 8,000 or 9,000 British soldiers, has held at bay a Boer army of somewhere from 25,000 to 30,000 men, although the latter have been supplied with far better artillery than that which the British general has had at his command. Gen. Methuen, in his advance on Kimberley, took three different positions held by a Boer force substantially of the same strength as his wn. It cost him severely to do this, but he did it, and the Boers were forced to retire. There has not been an instance in the war in which a force of Boers making an advance has taken a position, intrenched or otherwise, held by an equal number of British

## The Lion and the Jackals: The following letter to the New York Tournal, which that paper is candid enough to publish, explains itself:

"Among the jackais balting the wounded British tion I am sorry to find the Journal. I am an American of revolutionary ancestry. My ancest-ors on both sides were soldiers in the carmy of Washington, and I served three years in our civil war on the Union side. I was bred in the tradition of hetred to England, and was anti-British until the war with Spain revealed the splendid kinship that stretched a menacing arm toward the nations of Europe hostile to our flag, and bade them stand back or suffer the shock of England's might. That act made me, and make, I believe, every American of native stock, one ich with England. It destroyed the lifelong prejudice I had cherished."

Nutley, N. J., Dec. 18 Without doubt, this letter echoes the centiment of the bulk of the real American people. There is still a tailtwisting remnant in the United States. but it is to be found chiefly among the foreign element in whom, not unhaturally, the idea of Anglo-Saxon unity kindles no enthusiasm. Some anti-British clamor is also occasionally heard from political sorcheads, who think to score a point against the Mc- man of him by developing the initiative Kinley administration by representing in him, enchies him to undertake en-

the mass of the native Americans of the better class are now kindly disposed toward the mother country, and, fortunately, the native Americans still rule the republic. Public opinion is fairly reflected in the press and it is gratifying to find most of the responsible journals friendly to the British cause. Among these in New York are the Tribune, Times and Post, which appeal to the highest intelligence of the community. Even the Journal. which has an immense vogue among the lower orders, supported the British attitude before the war, but has suffered their reverses.

The British nobility are doing nobly.

Mark your ballot against the ward

It is now quite easy to understand why the Jameson raiders didn't reach Johannesburg.

This is a merry Christmas for The Advertiser. Its circulation is vaster than has been.

Remember that the alderman who works only for his own ward is not working for the general interests

Admiral Von Diedrichs, of Manila fame, has been promoted, but he will hardly look for American congratula-

Wooden sidewalks and wooden pavements are being banished from the city. Now, let the electors get after the wooden aldermen.

Apparently the British war department has called a halt on operations in South Africa until "Bobs" arrives. It is safe to predict that "Bobs" will never call a halt until he reaches

The Duke of Mar in volunteering for the war is showing the spirit of his ancestor, John Churchill. There is plenty of the Churchill spirit in the land, but Britain would give a great deal for some of the Churchill

The city engineer does well to recommend tearing up the old cedar block pavements on several streets. Most of them are decayed, filthy and unfit for traffic. Not a foot more of cedar block pavement should be laid in the city.

Canadian emotions have been quickened by Lord Roberts' growing tribute to the patriotism and valor of the Dominion. The Canadian boys at the front would do their best under any commander, but there will be a new inspiration in serving under the eye of "Bobs."

W. T. Stead says that some men think in shires, some in provinces, such uniform disaster. some in kingdoms and some in empires. Similarly in municipal affairs, some men think in streets, some in wards and some in cities. Don't elect

Mrs. Leland Stanford, the California benefactress. has deeded all of her vast property to the Stanford university-the real estate having recently been transferred, following the personal estate, which was given some time ago, to the amount of about \$15,000,000. All that is now left to her is a \$25,000 life annuity, which the university trustees are under contract to pay.

If the greatest army ever under the command of a British general has been fought to a standstill by undisciplined farmers after eleven weeks of warfare, what would result if British armies should attempt to fight Russia in a land twice as far from England as South Africa is?—Spring-field, Mass., Republican.

Simply this: If an undisciplined horde like the Boers, acting on the defensive, can hold at bay an equal if not superior body of the finest troops in the world, why shouldn't a British force find it possible to stay the advance of the Russians, who, man for man, cannot be said to compare with the British soldiers?

The Ottawa Citizen professes to be amused by The Advertiser's remark that the American project of damming Niagara River to raise the level of Lake Erie was a matter of concern to Canada, as it would affect Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence River. We do not profess any great skill in hydraulies, but a little common sense enables one to see that while the level of Lake Erie was being raised, the flow into Lake Ontario would necessarily be diminished, and navigation below Niagara might be temporarily paralyzed by low water in the harbors and canals. Perhaps the Citizen would welcome that as a means of drawing attention to the Georgian Bay Canal route, a scheme which Ottawa has been trying to float. but so far without success.

# What Others Say.

Canadian Justice

[Detroit Free Press.] Statistics tend to show that they hang a murderer over in Canada from a month to six years earlier than they oan get a jury on this side.

> Spades Are Trumps [Ottawa Journal.]

By the rate at which they seem to dig trenches the Boers must be nearly as well equipped with spades as with

Good Thing for the Boys.

[Toronto News.] Manual training gives a boy confi dence in his own powers. It makes a

Realizing the Truth

[New York Times.] No calamity that could befall England would leave us unscathed. The war that would come of any attempt to set bounds to her ambition in South Africa would be fraught with untold loss and dangery for us.

> Chose a Higher Honor [Hamfiton Herald.]

If Goldwin Smith had clung to Oxford, says the London Chronicle, he might now be one of the most prom-inent English men of letters. But if he had clung to Oxford he would never have been one of the most prominent Canadian men of letters.

## Our Funny Assessment System.

[Mitchell Advocate.] When addressing the grand jury at the county court now in session at Strattford, Judge Barron said, speaking of the present assessment system, ing of the present assessment system, "that the law which penalized a man because he painted his fence or made improvements was a blot on the statutes." His honor is right, and no one knows it better than the people of Mitchell. When a man tries to beautify his premises and the assessor comes along and taxes him for the comes along and taxes him for the outlay, it makes him wish that the improvements had been left undone. We are glad to see the matter has been brought to the attention of the public, and hope it may result in influencing the Government to amend the wrong.

## Where Britons Can Take Pride. [Detroit News.]

In all the discouraging story of continued British reverses in South Africa, there have been two features upon which Britons at home or abroad could honestly and becomingly pride themselves. The first is the uniform courage and steadiness of the troops, even when sent into impossible positions by over-confident and ill-informed generals. In this, the best traditions of the British army and of the English-speaking races have been gallantly preserved, and there is no praise too high for the rank and file of the forces thus far engaged.

The second point of pride is to be found in the frankness and candor with which the British generals, after their reverses, have reported them to their reverses, have reported them to the government. There has been no equivocation, no attempt to shift the blame, no effort to conceal the hu-miliating facts. Gatacre, it is true, charged his guides with misleading him, but he alone was responsible for the selection of the guides, which was quite as important a part of his duty as the disposal of his forces, and the first line of his dispatch was an expression of regret for his failure. White, Methuen and Buller have all

plans and any misjudgment of the situation. It is an exhibition of simple manliness which commands admiration, even from those who have no sympathy with the British cause, and who rejoice in the catastrophes which give occasion for such communications. It will prove a great help in diagnosing and correcting the basic mistakes which lie at the bottom of

cast their reports in similar molds,

the former expressly assuming entire responsibility for the failure of his

# Light and Shade.

She-And did her father follow you when you eloped?

He—Yes. He's living with us yet.

Betty—Is he apt?
Letty—I don't just know about that.
But I do know he's apt to, if the lights are a bit low.—Judy.

"We keep three servant girls," said Mr. Newly-wed. "One coming, one going and one here."—Life.

O'Mulligan-Phwat kind av a job have yer now, O'Hara? O'Hara—Sure it's an aisy job I heve now, Dinny. I stand on the corner wid wan sign hung on the front av me and wan sign hung on the back av me, and, begorra, betwane the two I git

"Are you looking for a job?" asked the foreman of the street gang, "or are you jist hangin' around here cause you got nothin' else to do?" "Neither one," answered the gentle-man with the straw hat and incoherent clothes. I am around to watch them fellers work, 'cause the doctor told me I needed exercise."—Chicago

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3 Dressed Dolls, 75c each, tonight		3 Austrian Vases, \$2 75 each, tonight\$1 75
ro Large Kid Body Dolls, \$1 each, tonight	65c	12 Cabinet Size Photo Frames, 25c each, to-
75 Japan Pin Trays, each 10c, tonight.	5c	
20 Japan Pin Trays, each 19c, tonight	10c	100 Wool Tams, 40c to 60c each, tonight 25c
15 Opal China Trays, each 25c, tonight	15c	3 Red-Striped Velvet Blouses, tonight each\$2 00
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A Peep at Aldershot and Its Camp, Which Is Said To Be the Finest in the Whole World.

We are hearing plenty about Tommy Atkins abroad just now. Perhaps at this moment it will relieve the reader to hear something about Tommy at home on the plains of Aldershot. Aldershot is probably the finest place in Britain or on the continent for a great camp. The soil is naturally porous, and so sandy that water cannot stay on any part of it for a moment after the rain ceases. It was originally one of the few pine forests, and still considerable growth of these trees re-main, enough to permeate the air with

health-giving odor. When the British war office secured the camp site, it constructed an extensive sewerage system, so that the sanitary conditions are nearly perfect Each company has a substantial brick home. At one end is the kitchen, where enough is cooked to give every private a good-sized chunk of roast other meat, at least two vegetables, a half-pound of bread, and a pint of tea daily, to say nothing of his portion of bitter or stout, hard-tack, as well as marmalade. He has a good solid ration every day, and is in shape usually to eat every ounce of it. Each man has a locker for his accourrements and clothes, and a bunk with springs to himself in the rest of the quarters.

The bunks are placed in rows, and after the call for inspection in the morning can be found as neatly made up as if the work were performed by an expert chambermaid. As Aldershot is used principally for move-ments in the spring, summer and au-tumn, the company houses are not provided with heat. The buildings, like the beds, are also arranged in rows, consequently each regiment is a little village in itself. About five of these butts for rifle practice, also for artilvillage in itself. About five of these butts for rifle practice, also for villages comprise a division, in front of lery work.—Pearsons' Weekly. which is an officers' building, a sub-stantial two-story affair, with suites of rooms for the general commanding and the different colonels and their staffs.

Each captain has a room to himself, while the lieutenants bunk two in a room. The officers can pass the time pleasantly, as the ample grounds provided contain several tennis courts, within are at least one billiard room, a well-stocked refrigerator, and a club room for lounging, smoking and card-playing. The Queen allows her of-ficers plenty of latitude, and they sel-

This year Aldershot has been the camp ground of from 20,000 to 25,000 men at various times. Such a number gave an opportunity for splendid maneuvers, such as marches over the distant hills, covering 50 to 75 miles in area, also sham battles, cavalry dashes area, also sham battles, cavalry dashes and field movements, with infantry, cavalry and artillery. In fact, the commander, probably realizing what was in prospect, has put the various forces through about everything in the art of war, except actual fighting, and Tommy has had but little time to saunter over to the town itself, with cane under one arm, and his latest girl on the other

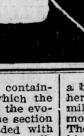
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point, with a slight eminence contain ing a clump of trees from which the commander and staff can view the evo-

# Strange Career

The career of the so-called Count Sandor Vay, of Hungary, reads like a romance. In August, 1892, he mar-ried a teacher at Klogenfurt. The newly-married couple lived for a time with the girl's father, an inspector of forests, in that village. But the fa-ther-in-law found himself continually fleeced by the alleged count; the references he gave were all bogus, and the inspector, convinced his son-in-law was a swindler, put detectives on his

track.
Then a series of extraordinary revelations were made. The count was no count, but a countess, the daughter of the late Count Ladislas Vay, a general and imperial chamberlain. Her name was Sarolta Vay. She was born in 1856. Her mother, married for nine years without other issue, knew that Count Ladisias had waited long and anxiously for an heir, and she feared to tell him that his first born was only the other.

The principal drill grounds are three in number. The smallest will allow 2,000 men to be handled by regiments or battalions without difficulty, while the Queen's parade will accommodate a division, with room to spare. It is a perfect field from a military stand-

boy's education. When she was her father decided to send her to military school. To prevent this her mother was forced to confess the truth. mother was forced to contess the truth. The count, after a storm, swallowed his chagrin, put the girl into dresses and sent her to a female school. Sarolta refused to be transformed. She stole into trousers whenever she got a chance. She stole away from school, and begged her father to let her enter the henced husser resiment. the honored hussar regiment.

When he refused she swore to astonish the country as soon as she reached her majority. And she kept her word. The day she was 21 she resumed male attire, and swung into the vortex of dissipation in Vienna, Pesth and Prague. She associated with young men who were not in the secret and in all manly amusements. She smoked, drank, gambled, fought duels, got into debt, and to extricate herself embez-zled, stole and forged on a grand scale, She likewies contracted no less than nine mock marriages. All of her "wives" have seemed to catch the contagion of her own hallucination. Six of them live in Vienna as divorced Countesses Vay.

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# THE MARKETS

Local Market.

London, Saturday, Dec. 23. This morning's market was not as large as that of Thursday. The supply of poultry, however, was greater.
A large exporter said today that he considered that the supply of poultry this morning was the largest ever seen on a London market. The price of on a London market, turkeys was not as high as it was on Thursday. Nine cents a pound was the best obtainable, and very fine turkeys went for 8½c, and even less. In the long shed the supply was so large that many thought it would be impossible to dispose of it all—certainly mot at the price obtained earlier in the day. Some very fine geese were being sold at 6½c a lb.

Large quantities of butter were brought in, but prices were not changed. Eggs, also, were well supplied, and the strictly fresh article brought as high as 24c. This price, however, was exceptional. went for 81/2c, and even less. In the

was exceptional.

The quantity of meat was not large but sales were slow.

A. M. HAMILTON & SON'S REPORT.
Wheat, white, per bu66c to 67c
Wheat, red, per bu 66c to 66c
Oats, per bu 281/4c to 291/2c
Peas, per bu
Corn, per bu42c to 44c
Barley, per bu42c to 44c
Rye, per bu50c to 56c
Beans, per bu \$1 to \$1 35

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Vege. de Marrow, per aux 30	60
Cabbage, per dos 20 @	1 00
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Celery, per dozen	50
Reets per bag	1 00
Onions, per bag	4
Carrots	60
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Lettuce per doz	25

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Artichokes, per bag	75	0	1 00
Savory and Sage, per lb	15		15
Sugash-Hubbards, per doz	1 00		1 00
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St. Thomas Market. St. Thomas, Dec. 21.-Wheat, old, per bu, 67c; wheat, new, 67c; oats new, 28c to 30c; peas, 50c to 60c; barley, 35c to 40c; rye, 60c corn, 40c; flaxseed, per cwt, \$2 45 to \$3 50; timothy seed, \$1 50 to \$1 75; clover seed, per bu, \$6 70.

with 1,060,500 last year. Local receipts were 61 cars, 35 of contract grade Minneapolis and Duluth reported 410 cars sgainet 335 last week and 786 a year

The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat Nc. 2, 85/4c; May, 59/4c to 69/4c; July, 70/4c. Corn—No. 2 Dec., 30/4c; Jan., 39/4c; May, 33c. Oats—No. 2 Dec., 22c to 22/4c; May, 24c. Mess Pork—Jan., \$10 05; May, \$10 40. Lard—Jan., \$6 50/2; May, \$5 75. Short ribs—Jan., \$6 30; May, \$5 50. Cash quotations—Flour, steady No. 3 spring wheat, 64/4c to 65/4c; No. 2 red. 68c to 69c. No. 2 corn, 30/4c to 31c; No. 2 yellow corn, 31c to 31/4c. No. 2 oats, 24c; No. 2 white, 26/4c to 26/4c; No. 3 white, 24/4c to 25/4c. No. 2 white, 26/4c to 26/4c; No. 3 white, 24/4c to 25/4c. No. 2 for ye, 56c. No. 2 barley, 38c to 48c. No. 1 flax-seed, \$1 48; No. 1 Northwest, \$1 45/4, Prime timothy seed, \$2 35. Mess pork, \$7 70 to \$10 10. Lard, \$5 15 to \$6 47/4. Short ribs side, \$5 15 to \$5 45. Dry salted shoulders, 5/4c to 5/4c. Short clear sides, \$5 45 to \$5 55. Sugar, cut loaf, \$5 70 granulated, \$5 78. Cloverseed, contract grade; \$8 to \$8 20. Eggs. firm; fresh, 20c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 30,000 bushels; oats, 263.000 bushels; corn, 208,000 bushels; oats, 263.000 bushels; rye, 5,000 bushels; barley, 66,000 bushels.

000 bushels, rye, 5,000 bushels; wheat, SHIPMENTS-Flour, 21,000 bushels; cats, 143,53,000 bushels; cye, 4,000 bushels; barley, 10,000 bushels; rye, 4,000 bushels; barley, 10,000

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

prices are given.	Dec.   19,	Dec.   20.	Dec.   21.	Dec. 22.
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Lard		30 0	29 9	29 9
Tallow		25 6	24 0	26 0
Bacon, light		34 0	34 0	33 6
Cheese. white		57 0	87 0	57 0
Cheese, colored	59 0	159 0	159 0	159 0

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Hide, Skin and Tallow. Toronto, Dec. 20.—Hides—The offerings is small, there is no accumulation of stocks here, the demand is good and the market is firm at previous quotations, viz.: Green, 9½c for cows and 10c for steers. Cured are quoted at 10½c for cows and 11c for steers

Sheepskins are in moderate supply, there is a good demand, and the market is firm at \$1.
Calfskins are unchanged, at 10c for
No. 1, and 9c for No. 2.
Tallow—The market is firm, local dealers are offering 5c, and asking

Leather is roundings, hemlock, 15c to 18c.

The Dairy Makets. MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—Cheese, 11c to 12c. Butter—Townships, 20c to 22c; wes-

tern, 17c to 18c. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Butter strong and active; western creamery, 28c to 27c; do factory, 15½c to 20c; June creamery, 22c to 25½c; imitation creamlery, 17c to 22c; state dairy, 18c to 25c; do creamery, 23c to 27c. Cheese firm; fall made fancy, small, 12%c to 13c; fall made, large, fancy, 12%c to 13c; late made, small, 12c to 12½c; large late made, 11%c to 12c. CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Butter steady; creameries, 21c to 25c; dairies, 16c to 22c. Cheese firm at 11%c to 13c.

Live Stock Market. TORIONTO, Dec. 22.-Trade at the western cattle market today was very dull; the run of cattle was light, about 250 head; sheep numbered 680, lambs 310 and calves 19. Export cattleto \$4 40 for lighter weights. Butchers' cattle-Practically no business done; some of the stock was left over for little higher for a choice one. and lambs sold slowly, at \$3 40 to \$4 for lambs, and \$3 to \$3 40 for export ewes; butchers' sheep were steady, at \$2 to \$2 50 a head. Hogs-Uncharged and firm, at \$4 50 for selected weights of 160 to 200 lbs, natural weight; \$4 121/2 for light, and \$4 for thick fat.

EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 22.-Cattle-The market showed no new features of importance; there were two loads on sale; fair demand and steady Calves were in moderate supply, good demand and strong; choice to extra, \$7 50 to \$7 75; good to choice, \$7 to \$7 50. Sheep and lambs—The offerings were 34 loads, including 7 loads of Canada lambs; the general trade was active and higher for lambs, with a good demand for handy sheep and yearlings; heavy ewe sheep, no improvement; lambs, choice to extra, \$5 35 to \$5 69; good to choice, \$5 to \$5 35; common to fair, \$4 50 to \$5; sheep, choice to extra, \$4 25 to \$4 50; good to choice, \$4 to \$4 25; common to fair, \$2 50 to \$3 75; heavy ewes, \$3 50 to \$5 75; Canada lambs sold on the basis of \$5 60; the offerings were well cleaned up at the close, and the market was firm. Hogs—Active, with 50 loads on sale, and a good general demand; heavy were quotable at \$4 25 to \$4 30; mixed, \$4 25 to \$4 27½; Yorkers, \$4 15 to \$4 20; pigs, \$4 10 to \$4 15; roughs, \$3 60 to \$3 80; stags, \$3 to \$3 50; the close was dull but steady on the good weights and easy on light weights

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.-Beeves-Receipts, 2,921; active and 10c higher; all sold; steers, \$4 15 to \$6; fat oxen, \$4 75; buils, \$2 85 to \$4 25; cows, \$1 60 to \$4. Cables quote American cattle slow; re-frigerator beef steady at 9½c to 9¾c per 1b. Exports none; tomorrow, 551 cattle and 6,184 quarters of beef. Calves Receipts, 151; slow and weak; 50 caives unsold; veals, \$4 75 to \$8 25; little calves, \$3 to \$4; barnyard calves, \$2 80 to \$3 25. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 3,to \$3 25. Sneep and lambs—Receipts, 3,-664; 3 cars on sale; sheep slow; lambs active; choice do, firm; others steady; two cars sheep unsold; common to choice sheep, \$2 50 to \$4 40; culls, \$2; common to choice lambs, \$4 75 to \$5 90; Canada lambs, \$5 60 to \$6 75. Hogs—Receipts, 2,807; none for sale; nominally firm

\$4 65 to \$4 20; souths, heavy, \$3 90 to \$4; light, \$3 85 to \$4 10; bulk of sales, \$2 05 to \$4 15; sheep, native wethers, \$4 to \$4 65; lambs, \$4 25 to \$5 85; western wethers, \$4 10 to \$4 60; western lambs, \$4 85 to \$5 55. Receipts—Cattle 4,000, hogs 27,000, sheep 34,000.

(Continued from page 3.)

PRINCESS AVENUE SCHOOL. About 300 pupils and their friends gathered at the Princess avenue school yesterday for the Christmas closing exercises. Among those present were Rev. Canon Dann, Principals Radcliffe and Merchant, Messrs, C. B. Edwards. exercises. Among those present were Rev. Canon Dann, Principals Radcliffe and Merchant, Messrs. C. B. Edwards, R. M. Graham, Darch, Cottam and others. The principal's room was decorated with evergreens, nowers, flags, bunting, picturts, etc. Mr. E. Manigault was chairman, and introduced the following programme: Chorus, Rule Britannia, class; dialogue, George Robinson, Clarence Andrus, John Green; instrumental, Miss Cecilia Spencer; song, Heath Cooper; song, Robert Orr, George Fraser; reading, Eyre Dann, Robert Gray, Will McConechy, Wilber Darch, Jack Blair; duet, Miss Ethel Brock and Melbourne Brock; song, Miss Susie McGill; song, Edna MacRobert, Mary Love, Isabel Carson; recitation, Charlie Lyttle; song, Dr. Zlegler; dance, Miss Susie McGill; chorus, class; dialogue, Jean Merchant, Isabel Carson, Alma Fax, Gertrude Taylor; recitation, Miss MacMahon; song, lor; recitation, Miss MacMahon; song, wille Grundy; instrumental, Miss Ena Blackburn; dance, Spanish, Miss Susie McGill; song, Harry Carson; song, Frank Dowell. Miss Irene Love acted as accompanist.

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At the close of the programme the presentation of medals was proceeded with. Mr. Francis Love presented Miss Ethel MacRobert with the MacRobert gold medal for securing the highest marks at the entrance examination in the fourth ward. Dr. W. G. Teasdall, chairman of the board of education, presented the same young lady with the Boyle memorial medal.

Inspector Carson read the composition and letter written by Miss Maction and letter written by Miss Mac-Robert, the medalist, at the entrance examination, which was greatly ap-

preciated.

Master Roy Cairneross and Miss

Ethel MacRobert, in behalf of the
former pupils of Princess avenue school, surprised Principal Bryant by presenting him with a handsome gold-headed cane. Mr. Bryant acknow-ledged the gift in a few well-chosen Speeches were made by Trustees D. Regan and Ziegler, Principal Merchant and Graham, and Mr. C. E. Ed-

QUEBEC STREET SCHOOL. At the Quebec street school an ex-At the Quebec street school an excellent programme was carried out. Dr. Teasdall, chairman of the board of education, addressed the children. Those who took part were: Jean Isaac, Myrtle Pring, Vera Hayman, Bertha Grimstead, Nellie Martin, Victor Wright. Hazel Holman, Evelyn Ackroyd, Gertie Pring, Vida Isaac, Mae Skinner, Gertie Mackay, Gordon Hardy, Edith Mary Liddicott Freddie Moore, Charlie Reed, Velma Reid, Ada Snyder, George Taylor, Cecil Long, Pearl Beal, Bert Haycox, Eleanor Horton and grace Peterson.

RECTORY STREET SCHOOL. Closing exercises were held in each grade. The Robb medal for general proficiency at the entrance examinations was presented to Miss Bertha Thornley by Dr. Teasdall, and the Seaborn gold medal, for general proficiency in grade seven, was formally given to Miss Helen Tufts by the donor, Dr. E. Sanborn.

ABERDEEN SCHOOL. In all the grades of the Aberdeen school entertainments of an appropri-ate nature were held. The students of grade four, teacher, Miss O'Brien, enjoyed their usual treat. The pro-gramme was taken part in by Orville Boath, Dora Fishbein, Walter Orchard, Chester McHarg, Grace Swanton, Ada Brimacombe, Winnie Scott, Carrie Bowles, James Oakley, Alice Hulbert, Clifford Read, Elsie Graydon and Alice Pugsley. In Miss Campbell's room a short programme was carried out, the Moderate demand; a few loads sold at following students taking part; Pearl \$450 to \$485 for choice lots, and \$415 Atkinson, Teddy Owen, Flossie Temple, Carrie Wilmer, Willie Risler, Eva Brunton, Rachael Server, Mina Taylor, Bessie Anderson, Norma McCrorey, Ethel Osborne, John McLarty, Mary Tuesday's market; prices were nominal. In bulls, feeders and stockers there was little trade, and few sales that could be quoted as a criterion. Milch cows steady, at \$30 to \$50, and a little higher for a choice one. Show by the following students: J. Black, E. Carswell, N. Watling, C. Rubins, R. Weir, W. Burgess, L. Porter, M. Ritchie, F. Bean, F. Cormack, F. Sanborn, J. Winslow. The classes of Miss Aulds and Miss Graham had a union entertainment, at which a very enjoyable time was spent. WEST LONDON SCHOOL.

The rooms in this school were prettily

decorated with everygreens and bunt-ing. The pupils of Grades VII. and VIII., Principal F. Bryant's room, enjoyed a social afternoon. In Miss Jef-fery's room, Grade V., an enjoyable programme was carried out, including a recitation by Florence Daniels; song, Jessie Barr; recitation, Alberta Hopkins; recitation, Violet Macdonald; recitation, Gladys Stevens; recitation, Lena Andrews; chorus, by several girls; "Soldiers of the Queen," by the class. Candies and nuts were distributed among the pupils at the close of the entertainment. In Miss Weir's room, Grade VI., the pupils enjoyed a social afternoon. The children in Miss Heritage's room, Grade I., supplied a lengthy programme, including songs by Lulu Brown, Ada Taylor, Lola Allison, Lillian Armstrong, Willie Newton, a recitation by Florence Daniels; song, son, Lillian Armstrong, Willie Newton, Harry Kelly, Maud Gidley, Ethel Gid-ley, Reta McCoy, Lorna Jeffries, Lloyd Nichols, C. Burleigh, Fred Burleigh, Dorothy Froman, Benny Pask and Tommy Graham. Miss Proudfoot's puils, Grades II. and III., provided an excellent entertainment, beginning by a chorus by the class. Among the children taking part were Gertle Tozer, G. Fowler, K. Alteman, Chrissy Taylor, W. Guymer, Clifford Robinson, Ethel Brown, George Murdock, Delia Jeffries, Brown, George Murdock, Della Jenries, Grace Hea, Lloyd Stevens, Tootle Jones, Laura Hooper, Arthur Guymer, Roy Jacobs, Pearl Pudney, Rhoda Kipp, Gladys Tyler and Lizzie David. Distribution of presents from a Christmas tree closed the entertainment. The pupils of Miss Platt's room, Grade IV., enjoyed themselves with rediations and songs. The programme in The Oil Market.

PITTSBURG. Pa., Dec. 22.—Oil opened at \$166 and closed at \$166.

OH. CITY, Dec. 22.—Credit balances, \$166; certificates, no bid.

American Markets.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Wheat was weak early in today's session, foreign crop advices being bearish, but the market steadied later on covering by shorts. May closing ½c under yesterday. Corn and oats closed unchanged, and provisions 5c to 15c higher. Clearances at the seaboard in wheat and flour, were equal to 155,000 bushels. Primary receipts 2.80; good to choice choice heavy, conget the seaboard in wheat and flour, were equal to 155,000 bushels. Primary receipts 2.80; good to choice heavy, conget the seaboard in wheat and flour, were equal to 155,000 bushels. Primary receipts 2.80; good to choice heavy, conget the seaboard in wheat and flour, were equal to 155,000 bushels. Primary receipts 2.80; good to choice heavy, conget the seaboard in wheat and flour, were equal to 155,000 bushels. Primary receipts 2.80; good to choice heavy, conget the seaboard in wheat and flour, were equal to 155,000 bushels. Primary receipts 2.80; good to choice heavy, conget the seaboard in wheat and flour, were constant were 504,200 bushels. Common to common to choice lambs, \$1 60 to \$4 75 to \$5 90; common to choice sheep, \$2 50 to \$4 40; culls, \$2; common to choice sheep, \$2 50 to \$4 50; both \$7 50 to \$5 90; common to choice lambs, \$1 60 to \$6 75; poor to medium, the choice sheep, \$2 50 to \$4 20; good to choice steady to sheep. The formance in two cares sheep unsold: common to common to common to common to choice lambs, \$1 60 to \$4 75; to \$5 90; musical and literary entertainment, musi

THE WEATHER TODAY—Fine and mild.

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LORNE AVENUE SCHOOL. A splendid entertanment was held at Lorne avenue school. A programme of choice musical numbers was carried out. Miss Pauline M. Sifton, who took the highest stand at the examination, of any Lorne avenue student, was pre-sented with the Boyle memorial medaby Principal Eckent.

PARK STREET SCHOOL. The following took part in the programme rendered by the pupils of the junior room in the Park street school: Master Gordon Galbraith, Miss Irene Fallis, Reggie Allen, Elsie Geddie, Edna Cooper, Campbell Galbraith, Eddie Tufts, Myrtle Fitzsimmons, Evelyn

Potter,

Many excellent choruses were given by the school. The board of education was represented by Dr. W. M. English and E. W. Boyle, and the clergy by Rev. Mr. Fallis, all of whom spoke encouragingly to the children. The room was handsomely decorated, testifying to the untiring energy of the teachers, Miss Eva Williams, and Miss Rose Hilburn, A liberal supply of candy was distri-

ST. GEORGE'S SCHOOL.

The pupils and teachers of St. George's school entertained the parents last night. Trustee Morgan presided, and in his opening remarks said that George's school was never in as high a state of efficiency as at present. Miss Jeffrey's class gave a beautiful exhibition of fancy drill, and was fol-lowed by a fine rendering of "Tommy Atkins" by Miss Wrighton's class. Master Pulver, of the same class, played a sweet cornet solo very cleverly. Miss Drury's class supplied an autoharp selection by Master Fitzgerald, a soldier drill by Master Frank Horner, and a song by Masters Hampton, Frank Horner and Fitzgerald. Miss Ferguson prepared very creditably "Little Bo-Peep," with characters: Mother Goose, Miss Lewis; Little Boy Blue, Master Adams; Jack Horner, Master Smith; Jack and Jill, Master Boyce and Miss McLeod; Simple Simon, Master Fitzgerald; Bell Boy, Master C. Everett; Little Bo-Peep, Miss Crofoot, and E. Howard played on the harmonica, Miss Althouse's class gave a trio recitation ection by Master Fitzgerald, a soldier Althouse's class gave a trio recitation by Misses Geary, Oliver and Bell. The junior classes prepared by Misses Beattle, Giddens, McEwen and Evans, gave a splendid performance of "Red Riding Hood's Rescue," operetta. The dresses and drills were very pleasing Riding Hood's Rescue," operetta. The dresses and drills were very pleasing. The cast was as follows: Mother, Miss Gaulding: Red Riding Hood, Miss Gladys Ferns: Woodman, Master D. Evans: Boy, Master Hampton: Wolf, Master H. Baker, and chorus of Buttercups, Roses, Bluebells, Jack-in-the-Pulpits, and Merry Children. Trustee Dr. Ziegler complimented the staff upon their excellent work.

entertainment on Friday. The rooms were beautifully decorated, and suit-able programmes were rendered in each. Dr. Teasdall, chairman of the each. board, addressed the little ones in a happy manner. Those taking part were Allie Wilkey, Tory Reed, Maud Sny-der, Ernie Wray, Allie Wright, Bert Ball, May Battersby and Chester Rolston.

WORTLEY ROAD SCHOOL. Master Charlie Clark presided at an entertainment given by grades V. and VI. Those taking part in the pro-gramme were: Charlie Deacon, Miss Moore, Robbie Spencer, Arthur Collins, Norman Newans, Blanch Golden, Willie Spettigue, Rena Vincent, Alex. Macfie, Hilda Slater, Herman Westland, Chester Spettigue, Carrie Newans, Lorne Saunders, Frank Burden and Lillie Marsh.

COLBORNE ST. SOUTH SCHOOL. At the Colborne street south school interesting programmes were carried out, and fancy photograph holders and calendars made by the pupils were distributed.

The usual entertainments were held in the several rooms at Aberdeen school. At the Wortley road and Maple avenue schools Christmas entertain-ments of a suitable character were given by the children.

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# THE MARKETS

Local Market.

London, Saturday, Dec. 23. This morning's market was not as large as that of Thursday. The supply of poultry, however, was greater. A large exporter said today that he considered that the supply of poultry this morning was the largest ever seen on a London market. The price of turkeys was not as high as it was or Thursday. Nine cents a pound was the best obtainable, and very fine turkeys went for 8½c, and even less. In the went for 8½c, and even less. In the long shed the supply was so large that many thought it would be impossible to dispose of it all—certainly not at the price obtained earlier in the day. Some very fine geese were being sold at 6½c a lb.

Large quantities of butter were brought in, but prices were not changed. Eggs. also. were well supplied,

ed. Eggs, also, were well supplied, and the strictly fresh article brought as high as 24c. This price, however, was exceptional.

The quantity of meat was not large, but sales were slow.

A. M. HAMILTON & SON'S REPORT. Wheat, white, per bu ......66c to 67c Wheat, red, per bu ...... 66c to 66c Oats, per bu ..... 281/4c to 291/2c Barley, per bu ......42c to 44c

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Dats, per 100 lbs	83		86
Peas per 100 lbs	95	@	1 00
Corn per 100 lbs	80	0	83
Barley, per 100 lbs	75		83
Rye per 100 lbs	85	0	1 00
Byckwheat, per 100 lbs	90	@	1 00
Beans, per bu	1 00	9	1 35
PROVISIONS	3.		
Cheese, per lb	10	@	12
Eggs, single dozen	20		22
Eggs, fresh, basket, dozen	19		20
Butter. lb, large rolls or crocks	18	0	20
Butter, pound rolls, retail	30	(0)	23
Lard, per lb	8	(0)	10
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WHOLESALE DEALER	S' PI	RICE	S.
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Butter, pound rolls, baskets	19	0	20
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FRUIT.			
Snow apples, per bbl	3 00	0	3 50
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Apples, per bag	50	6	75
Chestnuts	2 00		2 25
Hickory Nuts, per bu	1 25		1 50
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with 1,050,500 last year. Local receipts were 51 cars, 35 of contract grade. Min-neapolis and Duluth reported 410 cars against 385 last week and 786 a year

The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat Nc. 2, 63%c; May, 69%c to 69%c; July, 70%c. Corn—No. 2 Dec., 30%c; Jan., 39%c; May, 33c. Oata—No. 2 Dec., 22c to 22%c; May, 24c. Mess Pork—Jan., \$10.05; May, \$10.40. Lard—Jan., \$5.52%; May, \$5.75. Short ribs—Jan., \$6.30; May, \$5.50. Cash quotations—Flour, steadv-No. 3 spring wheat, 64%c to 65%c; No. 2 red. 68c to 69c. No. 2 corn, 30%c to 31c; No. 2 yellow corn, sic to 31%c. No. 2 oats, 24c; No. 2 white, 25%c to 25%c; No. 3 white, 24%c to 25%c. No. 2 white, 25%c to 25%c; No. 3 white, 24%c to 25%c. No. 1 flax-seed, \$1.48; No. 1 Northwest. \$1.48%, Prime timothy seed, \$2.35. Mess pork, \$3.70 to \$10.10. Lard, \$5.15 to \$5.47%. Short ribs side, \$5.15 to \$5.46. Dry salted shoulders, 5%c to 5%c. Short clear sides, \$5.45 to \$5.55. Sugar, cut loaf, \$5.70 granulated, \$5.78. Cloverseed, contract grade; \$8 to \$6.20. Eggs, firm; fresh, 20c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 30,000 barrels; wheat, 71,000 bushels; corn, 20,000 bushels; barley, 66,000 bushels; Tye, 5,000 bushels; barley, 66,000 bushels; Carlot and the seed of the seed o

DUSHEIR. SHIPMEN'TS—Flour, 21,000 barrels; wheat, 53,000 bushels; corn, 32,000 bushels; cats, 143,-000 bushels; rye, 4,000 bushels; barley, 10,000

English Markets. Ruling prices for the past four market days—
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there is a good demand, and the market is firm at \$1.

Calfskins are unchanged, at 10c for No. 1, and 9c for No. 2.

Tallow—The market is firm, local dealers are offering 5c, and asking

The Dairy Makets. MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—Cheese, 11c to 12c. Butter-Townships, 20c to 22c; wes-

tern, 17c to 18c. NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Butter strong and active; western creamery, 28c to 27c; do factory, 15½c to 20c; June creamery, 22c to 25½c; imitation cream-!ery, 17c to 22c; state dairy, 18c to 25c; do creamery, 23c to 27c. Cheese firm; fall made fancy, small, 12%c to 13c; fall made, large, fancy, 12%c to 13c; late made, small, 12c to 12½c; large late made, 11%c to 12c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Butter steady; creameries, 21c to 25c; dairies, 16c to 22c. Cheese firm at 11%c to 13c.

Live Stock Market. TORONTO, Dec. 22.-Trade at the western cattle market today was very some of the stock was left over for Milch cows steady, at \$30 to \$50, and a little higher for a choice one. Sheep and lambs sold slowly, at \$3 40 to \$4 for lambs, and \$3 to \$3 40 for export ewes; butchers' sheep were steady, at \$2 to \$250 a head. Hogs-Unchanged and firm, at \$450 for selected weights of 160 to 200 lbs, natural weight; \$4 121/2 for light, and \$4 for thick fat.

EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 22.-Cattle-The market showed no new features of importance; there were two loads on sale; fair demand and steady. Calves were in moderate supply, good demand and strong; choice to extra, \$7 50 to \$7 75; good to choice, \$7 to \$7 50. Sheep and lambs—The offerings were 34 loads, including 7 loads of Canada lambs; the general trade was active and higher for lambs, with a good de-mand for handy sheep and yearlings; heavy ewe sheep, no improvement; lambs, choice to extra, \$5 35 to \$5 69; good to choice, \$5 to \$5 35; common to fair, \$4 50 to \$5; sheep, choice to extra, \$4 25 to \$4 50; good to choice, \$4 to \$4 25; common to fair, \$2 50 to \$3 75; heavy ewes, \$3 50 to \$5 75; Canada lambs sold on the basis of \$5 60; the offerings were well cleaned up at the close, and the market was firm. Hogs-Active, with 50 loads on sale, and a good general demand; heavy were quotable at \$4.25 to \$4.30; mixed, \$4.25 to \$4.27½; Yorkers, \$4 15 to \$4 20; pigs, \$4 10 to \$4 15; roughs, \$3 60 to \$3 80; stags, \$3 to \$3 50; the close was dull but steady on the good weights and easy on light weights

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.-Beeves-Receipts, 2,921; active and 10c higher; all sold; steers, \$4 15 to \$6; fat oxen, \$4 75; bulls, \$2 85 to \$4 25; cows, \$1 60 to \$4. Cables quote American cattle slow; re-frigerator beef steady at 9%c to 9%c

\$4 65 to \$4 20; muchs, heavy, \$3 90 to \$4; light, \$3 85 to \$4 10; bulk of sales, \$4 05 to \$4 15; sheep, nailve wethers, \$4 to \$4 65; lambs, \$4 25 to \$5 85; western wethers, \$4 10 to \$4 60; western lambs, \$4 85 to \$5 55. Receipts Cattle 4,000, hogs 27,000, sheep 34,000.

(Continued from page 3.)

PRINCESS AVENUE SCHOOL. About 300 pupils and their friends gathered at the Princess avenue school yesterday for the Christmas closing exercises. Among those present were Rev. Canon Dann, Principals Radcliffe and Merchant, Messrs. C. B. Edwards, R. M. Graham, Darch, Cottam and others. The principal's room was decorated with evergreens, nowers, flags, bunting, pictures, etc. Mr. E. Manigault was chairman, and introduced the following programme: Chorus, Rule Britannia, class; dia-logue, George Robinson, Clarence Andrus, John Green; instrumental, Miss drus, John Green; instrumental, Miss Cecilia Spencer; song, Heath Cooper; song, Robert Orr, George Fraser; reading, Eyre Dann, Robert Gray, Will McConechy, Wilber Darch, Jack Blair; duet, Miss Ethel Brock and Melbourne Brock; song, Miss Susie McGill; song, Edna MacRobert, Mary Love, Isabel Carson; recitation, Charlie Lyttle; song, Dr. Ziegler; dance, Miss Susie McGill; chorus, class; dialogue, Jean Merchant, Isabel Carson, Alma Fax, Gertrude Taylor; recitation, Miss MacMahon; song, Willie Grundy; instrumental, Miss Ena Blackburn; dance, Spanish, Miss Susie Blackburn; dance, Spanish, Miss Susie McGill; song, Harry Carson; song, Frank Dowell. Miss Irene Love acted as accompanist.

as accompanist.

At the close of the programme the presentation of medals was proceeded with. Mr. Francis Love presented Miss Ethel MacRobert with the MacRobert gold medal for securing the highest marks at the entrance examination in the fourth ward. Dr. W. C. highest marks at the entrance examination in the fourth ward. Dr. W. G. Teasdall, chairman of the board of education, presented the same young lady with the Boyle memorial medal. Inspector Carson read the composition and letter written by Miss Mac-Robert, the medalist, at the entrance examination which was greatly apexamination, which was greatly ap-

preciated. Master Roy Cairneross and Miss Ethel MacRobert, in behalf of the former pupils of Princess avenue school, surprised Principal Bryant by presenting him with a handsome gold-headed cane. Mr. Bryant acknow-ledged the gift in a few well-chosen Speeches were made by Trustees D. Regan and Ziegler, Principal Merchant and Graham, and Mr. C. E. Ed-

QUEBEC STREET SCHOOL. At the Quebec street school an ex-At the Quebec street school an excellent programme was carried out. Dr. Teasdall, chairman of the board of education, addressed the children. Those who took part were: Jean Isaac, Myrtle Pring, Vera Hayman, Bertha Grimstead, Nellie Martin, Victor Wright, Hazel Holman, Evelyn Ackgroud, Gertia Pring, Vida, Isaac. Mae Skinner, Gertie Pring, Vida Isaac, Mae Skinner, Gertie Mackay, Gordon Hardy, Edith Mary Liddicott Freddie Moore, Charlie Reed, Velma Reid, Ada Snyder, George Taylor, Cecil Long, Pearl Beal, Bert Haycox, Eleanor Horten and Grace Peterson ton and grace rece

RECTORY STREET SCHOOL. Closing exercises were held in each Two-Wheel Baby Carts, grade. The Robb medal for general Runting Della proficiency at the entrance examinations was presented to Miss Bertha.
Thornley by Dr. Teasdall, and the
Seaborn gold medal, for general proficiency in grade seven, was formally given to Miss Helen Tufts by the donor. Dr. E. Sanborn. ABERDEEN SCHOOL.

In all the grades of the Aberdeen school entertainments of an appropriate nature were held. The students of grade four, teacher, Miss O'Brien, en-joyed their usual treat. The programme was taken part in by Orville Boath, Dora Fishbein, Walter Orchard, Chester McHarg, Grace Swanton, Ada Brimacombe, Winnie Scott, Carrie Bowles, James Oakley, Alice Hulbert, Clifford Read, Elsie Graydon and Alice 250 nead; sheep numbered 680, lambs 210 and calves 19. Export cattle—Moderate demand; a few loads sold at \$450 to \$485 for choice lots, and \$415 to \$440 for lighter weights. Butchers' cattle—Practically no business done. Bessie Anderson, Norma McCrorey, Ethel Osborne, John McLarty, Mary Mullins, Ethel Pease and Ella Cook. Tuesday's market; prices were norinal. In bulls, feeders and stockers
there was little trade, and few sales
that could be quoted as a criterion. introduced by W. Urquhant, who acted as chairman. It included numbers by the following students: J. Black, E. Carswell, N. Watling, C. Rubins, R. Weir, W. Burgess, L. Porter, M. Ritchie, F. Bean, F. Cormack, F. Sanborn, J. Winslow. The classes of Miss Aulds and Miss Graham had a union entertainment, at which a very enjoyable time was spent.

WEST LONDON SCHOOL. The rooms in this school were prettily decorated with everygreens and bunt-ing. The pupils of Grades VII. and VIII., Principal F. Bryant's room, enjoyed a social afternoon. In Miss Jef-dery's room, Grade V., an enjoyable programme was carried out, including a recitation by Florence Daniels; song, Jessie Barr; recitation, Alberta Hopkins; recitation, Violet Macdonald; recitation, Gladys Stevens; recitation, Lena Andrews; chorus, by several girls; "Soldiers of the Queen," by the class. Candies and nuts were distri-buted among the pupils at the close of the entertainment. In Miss Weir's room, Grade VI., the pupils enjoyed a social afternoon. The children in Miss Heritage's room, Grade I., supplied a lengthy programme, including songs by Lulu Brown, Ada Taylor, Lola Allison, Lillian Armstrong, Willie Newton, Harry Kelly, Maud Gidley, Ethel Gid-ley, Reta McCoy, Lorna Jeffries, Lloyd Nichols, C. Burleigh, Fred Burleigh, Dorothy Froman, Benny Pask and Tommy Graham. Miss Proudfoot's puils, Grades II. and III., provided an excellent entertainment, beginning by a chorus by the class. Among the children taking part were Gertie Tozer, G. Fowler, K. Alteman, Chrissy Taylor, W. Guymer, Clifford Robinson, Ethel St. Thomas Market.

St. Thomas, Dec. 21.—Wheat, old, per bu. 67c; wheat, new. 67c; oats new, 22s to 30c; peas, 50c to 60c; barley, 35c to 40c; rye, 60c corn, 40c; flaxsed, per cut, \$2, 45 to \$3 bi, timothy seed, \$1 50 to \$1, 50c; wheat, new. 67c; oats new, 22s to 30c; peas, 50c to 60c; barley, 35c to 40c; rye, 60c corn, 40c; flaxsed, per cut, \$2, 45 to \$1 bi, timothy seed, \$1 50 to \$1, 50c; wheat, new, \$2, 50c; oats new, 22s to 40c; rye, 60c; corn, 40c; flaxsed, per cut, \$2, 45 to \$1 bi, timothy seed, \$1 50 to \$1, 50c; which yeed, \$1 50c; which yeeld, \$1 50c; which yeed, \$1 50c; which yeeld, \$1 50c; whic Brown, George Murdock, Delia Jeffries,

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# SMALLMAN & INGRAM.

149, 151 and 153 Dundas Street.

Bayly presented the medal for highest standing in the school to Charlie Hut-

LORNE AVENUE SCHOOL. A splendid entertanment was held at Lorne avenue school. A programme of choice musical numbers was carried out. Miss Pauline M. Sifton, who took the highest stand at the examination, of any Lorne avenue student, was pre-

sented with the Boyle memorial medal by Principal Eckent. PARK STREET SCHOOL. The following took part in the programme rendered by the pupils of the junior room in the Park street school: Master Gordon Galbraith, Miss Irene Fallis, Reggie Allen, Elsie Geddie, Edna Cooper, Campbell Galbraith, Eddie Tutts, Myrtle Fitzsimmons, Evelyn

Potter.

Many excellent choruses were given by the school. The board of education was represented by Dr. W. M. English and E. W. Boyle, and the clergy by Rev. Mr. Fallis, all of whom spoke encouragingly to the children. The room was handsomely decorated, testifying to the untiling operator of the teachers. untiring energy of the teachers, Miss Eva Williams, and Miss Rose Hilburn, A liberal supply of candy was distributed.

ST. GEORGE'S SCHOOL.

The pupils and teachers of St. George's school entertained the parents last night. Trustee Morgan presided, and in his opening remarks said that St. George's school was never in as high a state of efficiency as at present. Miss Jeffrey's class gave a beautiful exhibition of fancy drill, and was fol-lowed by a fine rendering of "Tommy Atkins" by Miss Wrighton's class. Master Pulver, of the same class, played a sweet cornet solo very cleverly. Miss Drury's class supplied an autoharp selection by Master Fitzgerald, a soldier drill by Master Frank Horner, and a song by Masters Hampton, Frank Horner and Fitzgerald. Miss Ferguson prepared very creditably "Little Bo-Peep," with characters: Mother Goose, Miss Levis: Little Boy Blue Master Peep," with characters: Mother Goose, Miss Lewis; Little Boy Blue, Master Adams; Jack Horner, Master Smith; Jack and Jill, Master Boyce and Miss McLeod; Simple Simon, Master Fitzgerald; Bell Boy, Master C. Everett; Little Bo-Peep, Miss Crofoot, and E. Howard played on the harmonica, Miss Atthouse's class gave a trio recitation Althouse's class gave a trio recitation by Misses Geary, Oliver and Bell. The junior classes prepared by Misses Beattie, Giddens, McEwen and Evans, Beattie, Giddens, McEwen and Evans, gave a splendid performance of "Red Riding Hood's Rescue," operetta. The dresses and drills were very pleasing. The cast was as follows: Mother, Miss Gaulding; Red Riding Hood, Miss Gladys Ferns; Woodman, Master D. Evans: Boy, Master Hampton; Wolf, Master H. Baker, and chorus of Buttercups, Roses, Bluebells, Jack-in-the-Pulnits, and Merry Children. Trustee Dr. Ziegler complimented the staff upon their excellent work. QUEBEC STREET SCHOOL.

The children of Quebec street school and their friends hald their Christmas

Bending, Grace Jones, Maud Taylor, Gertie Newton, Edith Spry, C. Lawton, Jack Trudell, Wille Bending, Vera Donaghy and Lalla Nichol. Trustee able programmes were rendered in each. Dr. Teasdall, chairman of the board, addressed the little ones in a happy manner. Those taking part were Allie Wilkey, Tory Reed, Maud Snyder, Ernie Wray, Allie Wright, Bert Ball, May Battersby and Chester Rolston.

WORTLEY ROAD SCHOOL. Master Charlie Clark presided at an entertainment given by grades V. and VI. Those taking part in the programme were: Charlie Deacon, Miss Moore, Robble Spencer, Arthur Collins, Norman Newans, Blanch Golden, Willie Spettigue, Rena Vincent, Alex. Mac-fie, Hilda Slater, Herman Westland Chester Spettigue, Carrie Newans, Lorne Saunders, Frank Burden and Lillie Marsh.

COLBORNE ST. SOUTH SCHOOL. At the Colborne street south school interesting programmes were carried out, and fancy photograph holders and calendars made by the pupils were dis-

The usual entertainments were held in the several rooms at Aberdeen

At the Wortley road and Maple avenue schools Christmas entertain-ments of a suitable character were given by the children.

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American Markets. CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Opening—Wheat, May. 1916 to 69%; July, 69% to 70c. Corn, May, 25% to 33c; Jan. 303%. Oats, May, 23% to 25c. ork, May, \$10 40 to \$10 3214; Nov., \$10 4214; an., \$10 031%. Lurd, May, \$5 7214 to \$5 75. Ribs, an., \$5 32%; May, \$5 50 to \$5 521%.

Chicago Exchange. CHICAGO, Dec. 23

Following are the fluctuations on the Chicage Board of Trade furnished by F. H. Butter broker, Masonic Temple. Phone 1278. Open High. Low. Close. Wheat—Dsc. . . 65%
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May . . 32%
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May . . 23%
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# Latest Probabilities.

Toronto, Dec. 23-10 a.m.-Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the lower lakes region: East to south winds; continued mild weather; rain tonight. Sunday—Mild and showery

# Monday's Advertiser.

Monday being Christmas Day, and a public holiday, there will be only one edition of The Advertiser, which will

# LATE LOCAL ITEMS

-The public library will be closed on Christmas Day. -The county court was adjourned yesterday afternoon until Jan. 22. -Mr. Chas Hager and wife, windsor, are guests of Mr. Walter Tredoud,

-Rev. J. G. Fallis will preach a missionary sermon at Byron tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock.

Lambeth.

Mrs. Catherine John, con. 1, Delare, died Thursday from the effects of dropsy, aged 76 years. -Sheriff Cameron was notified this

morning that John Sherlock's \$500 ne would be paid today. -Mr. Ben Bryant, principal of Princess avenue school, will spend Christmas holiday in New York.

-Frank Cahill and John McDonald were taken to the Central Prison today by Deputy Sheriff Watterworth. The McClary Manufacturing Com-pany distributed 5,000 pounds of tur-keys among their employes this morn-

-Principal and Mrs. Radcliffe pre

sented the employes of the Collegiate Institute, five in number, with a turkey

-Judge Edward Elliott heard the arments of the counsel in the Hamilton investigation this morning and re-

-Mr. Archie Hughes, of 561 Bath-urst street, has left this morning on a business trip to Toronto, Buffalo and Worcester, N. Y., via C. P. R. His sister, Miss Minnie accompanied him. Miss Addie Rowland (formerly of

this city), organist of Forest Avenue Probyterian Sunday school, St. Tho-mas, was presented with a purse of money on Thursday evening as a mark

and dashionable audience. Several seats have already been marked off, and the concert is an assured musical

-John Sherlock's fine of \$500, imposed by Judge Elliott yesterday, for complicity in the street nailway dis-turbances last summer, was paid today, and Mr. Sherlook was released.

-Mr. George McClary, of this city, held in Hamilton on Thursday. No increase in the price of stoves was considered by the association.

-The death of Mrs. George W. Rawlins occurred this morning at the residence of Mr. George Cartledge, of the third con. of London township. Deceased was in her 36th year. The funeral will take place to Woodland Cemetery on Tuesday afternoon.

-John C. Allen was charged at the police court today with being drunk and disorderly, and assaulting his wife, Mary Allen. The prisoner was remanded until Tuesday. John Cavanagh, charged with murdering his mother, was further remanded until Friday.

-Harry Greenlees' name was accidentally omitted from the recently published statement of percentages gained by the pupils at the Collegiate Institute. His work during the term placed him in the second highest class for lower school work in Form IV. -Capt. Van Tuyl, of Petrolia, and

two other men from the same place are in the city today in connnection Tuesday. with the applications for appointments on the second contingent. Capt. Van Tuyl is a graduate of the Royal Mili-College, and would be eligible for an appointment in a British regiment. -The services at Dundas Center Methodist Church will be of a special Christmas character. The pastor, Rev. Dr. Saunders, will preach at both services, and the choir, under the

direction of Mr. W. H. Hewlett, will render a special programme of appropriate music. -Detectives Rider and Ward arrested Frank Mitchell last night, charging him with chicken-stealing and assault at Strathroy. Mitchell is alleged to have been the leader of a gang who ing cablegram to "Our Boys at the stole turkeys from Edward Grosvenor,

near Strathroy, and assaulted and wounded Grosvenor when the pursued -Robert Tull, of Caradoc, was be-fore Judge Elliott yesterday, charg-ed with killing a pig belonging to Chas. Pulling, a neighbor. The case was settled by Tull agreeing to pay the damages and costs. It is said he killed the pig in revenge for the loss of his dog, which he blames on Pulling. Both

men are highly respected farmers. -Christmas shopping and holiday festivities interfered somewhat with the attendance at the Grand last night, when Mr. John Griffith, of "Faust" fame, played d'Artagnan, in the "Three Musketeers." Mr. Griffith has always been a favorite with London audiences, and those who saw him last night in his new role were not disappointed. His d'Artagnan is hardly the d'Artagnan of distribution of turkeys among the cor-Dumas, but-no matter. The supporting company was thoroughly capable. Miss Katheryn Purnell, as Anne of

Austria, was particularly effective. -During the latter part of August Corp. Skirving, of the Northwest in bestowing the gifts, and as each Mounted Police, with two comrades, man entered he was genially greeted by his worship. The infection of the for the parties lost on the Edmonton mayor's smile spread rapidly among trail. Nothing has been heard from the throng of taborers, and they were the rescuers since, and fears are enter-tained for their safety. Corp. Skirv-ing was a Londoner. His father worked in the Bank of British North America for some time. He died about America for some time. He died about twelve years ago. His son left London to join the mounted police about

-Mr. Arthur Keep, of New York, addressed a meeting at the city hall last night, held in the interest of the Socialist Labor Party Wr. Herzelgray Socialist Labor Party. Mr. Hazelgrove presided, and Mr. Fred J. Darch also spoke. The hall was well filled. Mr. Keep, in discussing the street railway strike, said a Socialist mayor, instead of acting as Mayor Wilson had done, would have maintained order, put the men back on the cars, and paid then: out of the company's receipts. Men who called themselves labor leaders and who talked of municipal ownership, were either knaves or fools. Municipal ownership was a sop thrown to the workingmen. Such men as the Rumbalis, the Greenlees, the Parnells, the Plants, the Wilsons and others, who stood in the same relation, would govern the street railway in the interests of the capital class.

THREE FINE WAR PICTURES. There were displayed in the window of The Advertiser today three splendid colored engravings, sent direct from England, and large crowds blocked the sidewalk continually. The pictures show the defense of Mafeking, Battle of Dundee (Glencoe) and the battle of Elandslaagte, and in order to allow all an opportunity of seeing them they will be left in the window a day or two. They are called "Brock's South African Battle Pictures."

THE MUNICIPAL SLATE. Up to the hour of going to press, few of the municipal nominees had withdrawn, but many signified their intention of doing so later in the day. The impression prevailed around the city hall that the mayoralty contest would be narrowed down to two candidates, Ald. Rumball and F. J. Darch, the Socialist Labor Party's nominee. But only two of the mayoralty nominees, Ald. Parnell and J. M. Logan, are definitely out. The aldermanic nominees who have withdrawn are Jas. Mattinson and George McNeill in Ward 2; S. Stevely and S. J. Bell in ward 3; Gillean McLean and A. B. Cox in ward

and Ald. Parnell in ward 6. Much regret was expressed at Ald. Parnell's withdrawal as a mayoralty and aldermanic candidate, and it is understood that in doing so he withstood strong pressure.

HURON COLLEGE EXAMINATIONS. The following are the results of the Christmas examinations in theology: Old Testament-Class I.-Hartley, Wright, Appleyard, Hicks and Carlisle Class II.—Rickard and Howard equal,

Ramsav. Class III.-Spence, Hodgins. Articles—Class I.—Hartley, Apple-yard, Ramsay, Hicks and Hodgins equal, Wright, Howard.

Class II.—Webb, Carlisle, Spence Class III.—Rickard. Greek Testament, Gospel-Class I .-Wright and Hartley equal, Carlisle, Webb, Appleyard, Howard and Hicks

equal, Bice, Hodgins.

Class II.—Spence, Rickard, Ramsay.

Greek Testament, Epistle—Class I.—

Hartley, Howard and Wright equal,

Appleyard and Webb equal, Carlisle,

Hicks.

Class II.—Ramsay, Hodgins. Class III.—Spence, Rickard. All names are in order of merit. A LETTER OF THANKS.

We have been requested to insert the following letter. It strikes one that if a little of the generosity lauded in this epistle had been shown by the of appreciation of her services.

Off. Watkin Mills' song recital at there would have been no difficulty and no strike:

Mr. T. H. Smellman, London, Ont.

Dear Sir,—We the undersigned mo-tormen and conductors of the London Street Railway Company desire to express our great appreciation of the generosity of Mr. T. H. Smallman, the vice president of the road, in person-ally remembering us by his magnificents gift of \$505 for distribution among us at this Christmas time for our services to the company during strike times. was present at an informal meeting of times to danger, and had to put up the Stove Manufacturers Association, with much of insult and abuse, we not Have Perished only enjoyed it, tut always felt that we were justified in the position we had assumed, and that right and juswould soon prevail again in London. With such a princely friend as we feel we have in Mr. Smallman, we have no fear of the future, or that we will not be accorded fair treatment.

employes of the company.

Signed by C. E. Harding and 94 other

At Wolseley Barracks Today-No Enlistments Till Tuesday.

# **OUR SOLDIERS**

Mayor Wilson Cables Christmas Greetings From Citizens.

Canada's soldiers in South Africa will know that Londoners are thinking of them at this Christmas season. This morning Mayor Wilson sent the follow-

"London, Canada, Dec. 23.
"To Lieut.-Col. Otter, care of Gen. Walker, Cape Town: "Christmas greetings to Canadian contingent from citizens. "WILSON, Mayor."

# MAYOR WILSON'S **GENEROUS GIFT**

Each of the Corporation Laborers Got a Turkey-A Happy Throng.

At 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon Mayor Wilson made his second annual poration laborers. There were about 100 fine birds distributed. The men filed through the mayor's office, where Assistant Engineer Ironside assisted by his worship. The infection of the mayor's smile spread rapidly among keys were sent.

# MONTEZUMA

Chartered to Carry the Canadian Volunteers to South Africa.

[Special to The Advertiser per C.P.R.] Ottawa, Dec. 23.-Dr. Borden closed this morning a contract for the Montezuma steamer of the Elder-Dempster Line, to carry troops to South Africa. It is expected that the Allan Line will supply the other boat. If one large steamer is not enough, then the Allans will give two small ones.

ARMY CORPS IN CANADIA.

[Press Dispatch.] General Hutton has before him proposition that as soon as the second contingent is dispatched an army corps of 5,000 men of all arms shall be mobilized for six months' service in Canada, the object being to have everything in readiness for the dis-patch of a further contingent. This corps would be drilled regularly, the same as imperial troops, and from it volunteers would be given first chance for any future contingents which may

# CHRISTMAS CHEER

Geo. F. Morris' Splendid Stock of Meats and Poultry.

Nowhere in the city is the evidence of Christmastide more noticeable than at the spacious stores of Mr. George F. Morris, butcher, in the Market House. His display of meats of all kinds is magnificent. Mr. Morris has occupied the same stand for 23 years, and says that the quality and quantity of his display this year surpasses that of any previous year. It includes a Durham heifer, 3 years old, weighing 1,300 pounds, when dressed. This is one finest specimens of beef ever offered for sale in this city. It won prizes at many of the fall fairs, and came from Capt. Thomas Robson's herd. Mr. Morris has over 20 cattle, three choice colves, sheep, goats and pigs, and sucklings too numerous to mention. One porker weighs over 600 bounds. This firm make a specialty of poultry of every kind, lards, headcheese and sausages. The display of meats strung in front of this large establishment costs many thousands of dollars. profits and large sales" is the firm's motto.

January 1900.

It has been deemed wise by the man-egers of the "ARTIFICIAL LUMBER COMPANY OF AMERICA" to defer presenting their business proposition to the public until Jan. 8. This action was caused by the fact that after Jan. 1 they will add to their present strong board of directors men representing large financial interests; and, furthermore, on account of the temporary stringency in the money market, it was thought best to postpone action until then, and they would at this time have the names of the entire board to present to the public.

It is reported that large lumber in-

terests have within the past few days become identified with this proposition. Subscriptions to the stock of the "ARTIFICIAL LUMBER COMPANY OF AMERICA" will be offered to the public Jan. 8, 1900.

Minard's Liniment Curas Colds, etc.

In the Basnell Colliery Explosion-Miners Plocking From All Quarters to the Rescue.

Pittsburg, Dec. 27 .- A Uniontown, Pa., dispatch says 75 men were entombed and probably killed by the explosion in the Baznell mine. The force of the explosion was so great that the tipple at the head of the shaft was blown over. The Baznell mine is located four rolles from Brownsville, on the Red Star Railroad. Physicians are on their way to the

A large number of volunteers for some of the disaster.
Word from Baznell, by train, says service in the second Canadian con-only one man has been taken out of tingent for South Africa were exam-the mine. Men could be heard talking ined this morning by Dr. Belton, at at the bottom of the shaft. The mine the Wolseley Barracks. No enlistments boss went down, but has not return-will be made, however, until next ed, and it is supposed that he and the men have been overcome by fire damp, as all sounds has ceased to come from the bottom. There is great excitement. Miners are flocking from surrounding mines to assist in the rescue.

# TRYING THE

British Army Occupying Original Camp at Chieveley.

The Naval Guns Able to Command Tugela Bridge.

Arrival of the Foreign Attaches at Durban En Route to Gen. Buller's Headquarters.

Durban, Dec. 23.-The foreign attaches have arrived here on their way to Gen. Buller's headquarters. Chieveley, Sunday, Dec. 17—Evening.

The British army is occupying the original camping-ground. The naval brigade this morning fired a few shells at the Boer positions. The result is not known, but the firing is taken to show that the naval guns are able to command Tugela bridge.

FLATLY DENIED.

The French foreign office denies the statement of the Paris correspondent of the Daily Mail of London that Dr. Leyds, the European representative of the Boers, asked the services of M. Delcasse, the minister of foreign affairs, in the cause of peace. LADY CHURCHILL GOING TO AF-

RICA. A London cable to the New York Tri-A London cable to the New York Tri-bune gives a hint that Lady Randolph Churchill intends sailing today from England on the hospital ship Maine, for South Africa. The dispatch reads: "Tidings of Winston Churchill's arrival at Delagoa Bay have arrived barely in time to cheer his mother before her departure on the hospital ship Maine for the Cape."

AN INFERENCE.

New York, Dec. 23.-The inference is drawn in London that Gen. Methuen will hold his ground at Modder River and not retreat to Orange River, as it was thought might be necessary, says the London correspondent of the Tribune. This inference is drawn from the admiralty report of the movements of transports, which states that the battalions of the fifth division, as they arrive in South Africa, are divided between Natal and the western border, some going to Durban and others to De Aar, Military men now assert that if Gen. Methuen's retirement had been contemplated, all the reinforcements arriving at Cape Town would have been hurried forward to Natal to complete the work of relieving Ladysmith. since they would not be needed at De Aar or Belmont. They also venture to assume that Modder River will be made a second base for ultimate operations across the country to Bloemfontein, when the auxiliary transport, with mule train and carts, shall have been organized.

# CABLEGRAMS

The Amalfi Disaster Not as Serious as at First Reported-Reconstruction of the Austrian Cabinet.

Rome. Dec. 23.-It now appears that the disaster at Amalfi, on the Gulf of Saterno, yesterday afternoon, caused by the rock, on which stood the hotel. suding bodily into the sea, was not so extensive in its fatal results as at first supposed. Only ten persons were

THE AUSTRIAN CABINET. Vienna, Dec. 23.—Following the resignation of the Austrian Cabinet, headed by Count Manfred Clary, in consequence of the blockade of parliamentary business resulting from persistent Czech obstruction, Emperor Francis Joseph has approved Dr. Von Wittek to be president of the council. The portfolio of national defense s intrusted to M. Welsersheimb, and that of commerce to Dr. F. Stibral, who thus continues at his former post. Von Ohlendowski is designated a minister without portfolio. The other departments are left in the hands of the various department chiefs.

# **FIVE MORE VICTIMS**

Making Eleven Who Perished as a Result of the Quincy, Ill., Disaster.

Quincy, Illl., Dec. 23.-Five of the little children burned during the rehearsal of Christmas exercises at St. Francis' parochial yesterday, died during the night, bringing the death roll up to eleven. Others are so badly burned that they may die. All of the dead are between 9 and 11 years old. Helen Zoebbing and several other teachers, Father Nicholas and Professor Frank Mushold, were painfully burned in trying to save the children. The school hall was filled with children, and many more would have killed in the panic had it not been for the prompt efforts of the teachers and sisters who were assisting in the enter-tainment.

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A full-grown swordfish is a formidable enemy to encounter upon the open sea, and the danger to wooden ships from these fierce creatures is so great that attacks by swordfish are included by insurance companies

among sea risks.

The power of the sword, when the fish are infuriated is demonstrated by well authenticated cases where they have pierced the sides of vessels, projecting the weapon through the copper sheathing and several inches of planks. In the British Museum there is exhibited a heavy beam of a vessel pierced by the sword of one of these creatures. The swordfish struck the ship when at sea with such force that the sword could not be removed without chopping up the plank, and the latter was taken from the old craft and preserved in the museum as a curious specimen of the power of these

creatures In this country there are regular swordfish hunters, and they go about their work with the same care and preparation that a land hunter would if about to engage with a lion in his native jungle. The game is fully as dangerous to hunt and as uncertain of

capture.
Without any cause whatever, the swordfish will sometimes turn on a vessel and attack it with savage ferocity. Old fishermen say that it is seized with temporary insanity, and attacks whatever appears in its neighborhood. The large man-eating sharks are its worst enemies, but when seized with a fit of anger the swordfish does not hesitate to attack the largest

shark. Some terrible battles have taken place between these savage monsters of the deep. The shark endeavors to seize its adversary in its huge jaws, and the swordfish, with equal desperatiin, attempts to deliver a heavy blow with its weapon in some vital part of the shark. These conflicts terminate variously.

While the sharks have been caught with part of the swordfish in their stomachs, others have been found float ing upon the surface of the sea pierced through with the weapons of their smaller antagonists. In some instances the two have been found floating together, the swordfish hopelessly struggling to withdraw the sword from the body of its dead enemy.

KING OF THE SEA.

Usually, however, the large sharks come out victorious, and devour the swordfish, but when the latter attain to twelve or fifteen feet in length, as they sometimes do. they are practically king of the sea. They never hesitate to attack whales, and by repeatedly stabbing these animals gener-

ally retire from the combat victorious. Old fishermen hunt them from the Southern Atlantic coast both for their flesh, which is highly palatable, and to protect the schools of bluefish and mackerel from their ravages. They are very fond of these choice fish, and they congregate in numbers where schools of either mackerel or bluefish are feeding. They rush among the small fish and strike right and left with their swords until they have killed dozens of them. Then they proceed to devour them at their letsure, and later follow up the same school for another nieal. Sometimes they strike the large blue-fish with such force that they throw them up into the air, outting them in

two with one fell stroke. The swordfish hunters known the habits and peculiar ways of their victims, and they take advantage of every weakness of the enemy to prevent unnecessary danger. The pursuit of the creatures is exciting because of the peril of it, and in this respect it par-

takes more of the nature of a chase on land for large game. The fish is very alert, and always quick in its motions, and the uncertainty of its actions make it doubly difficult to capture. The sight of an approaching boat might anger the creature, so that it would fly at the craft furiously, or, again, it might take no notice of it, or flee quickly from it. On quiet days, when the ocean is smooth the swordfish loves to come to the surface and swim slowly along, with a portion of its body out of the Hunters consequently catch sight of the prey when it is some dis-tance off, and if a light breeze is blowing the vessel can sail down upon

the fish with ease.

Apparently the creature is very sleepy and contemplative at times, for it takes no notice of the boat until it touches its body. The hunter takes his position in front of the schooner, with a small harpoon in his hand, and waits for his chance. The boat approaches within eight or ten feet of the slowly-moving fish. The harpoon is not thrown exactly, but is pushed forward with a sudden jerk of the long handle, so that the head strikes the animal close to the back fin. The pole is withdrawn by the harpooner, but the

head remains in the fish.

Immediately the latter darts forward, terrified at the blow, and the long line is run out as fast as possible. The sailors, meanwhile, have transformed the sailors, and latter the sailors. ferred the other end into a small boat, and into this they hurriedly place

IS NO COWARD.

If the swordfish simply swims straight ahead, pulling the boat behind him, there is little risk of danger, for in him, there is little risk of danger, for in a very short time he becomes exhaust-ed and dies. Then the creature is drawn up alongside the schooner, and hauled on deck by a tackle. But a large swordfish is no coward, and even when its death blow has been received it will not always weaken and run away, it very frequently turns anguly and savagly upon its many,

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small boat it sends its weapon through

the woodwork, and if the hunters are quick enough they break it off with

a blow from the oar. In this way the fish is made helpless and can easily When deprived of its only weapon the creature can be conquered by a swimalso seems suddenly to die away when the sword is off or broken. It is doubtful if the sword ever grows again, and the creature, when it escapes, must spend a forlorn and helpless life ever afterward. It becomes a victim to the mackerel and tiger sharks, who look upon the swordfish as the most deli-

care sea food. The fish has a long, lithe, muscular body, with fins snumly fitted into grooves, and is perfectly adapted in every way for the most rapid movements in the water. Its velocity when swimming at full speed is said to be equal to that of a swivel shot, and the shock is as dangerous in its effects as

that of a heavy antillery projectile. With its tremendous speed it can outrun the swiftest shark, although the laater are fast swimmers, and in battling with these creatures it maneuvers all around them, to the great bewilderment of the latter. Usually it will strike the shark a dozen times in as many different places before it is destroyed by its heavier enemy.

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"Wisdom is ofttimes nearer when we Than when we soar." -Wordsworth.

Again the holidays! Yet a sterner note is sounded, and we read the papers with a dread of seeing familiar names among the volunteers for Africa. Even in the crowded tea-room and between the dances at the parties, "war" is talked, battles are fought, and won, and Joubert and Cronje a thousand times in dreams out-generaled. Still we go on with our gaiety, thoughts lie too deep for words. We owe the world our laughter; it "has sorrow enough of its own." No, it isn't | Raises Ructions in Fifth Avenue, New heartless—it's brave, not cowardly—we who may not go. No matter who goes, this is our part.

On Wednesday evening next Mrs. D. M. Cameron gives a dance for young people at her residence, "The Beeches," in South London.

On Thursday evening next, Mrs. W. J. Reid will be hostess of a dance in honor of the debut of her niece, Miss Nellie Waterman. Everyone is looking forward with much pleasure to what promises to be a delightful affair.

Miss Anita Hunt will make her debut at the dance given for young people by her mother, Mrs. C. B. Hunt, at the family residence of the debutante's grandmother, "River View," on Ridout

Mr. and Mrs. John Tod, of Montreal, are the guests of Mrs. Walton Hyman

Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Eliot, of Goder-ich, are the guests of Mrs. E. W. Hyman, Wellington street, for Christ-

Last Saturday evening a successful dinner was given by a few of the "male social lights" at the kennels. After the dinner the harpers played excellent music and dancing finished the even-

Miss Mildred Cowper, of Buffalo, Mrs. Charles Blinn's popular guest, returned to her home in Buffalo on Monday.

Mr. Fred Henry is spending Christmas in Montreal. The usual exodus of bank clerks has taken place; but Tuesday morning will see their safe return.

If the weather gods are propitious we are to see a hockey match on the ord of January, when, as usual, a large crowd of both sexes are sure to gather, cheering the city team on to another series of victories. It is to be hoped that the arduous exercise indulged in by the "leading light" (so-cially, as well as on the ice), will not unnerve him for the winter gaiety. It is too bad he hasn't got a prettier nickname, isn't it?

The many friends of Dr. and Mrs. Mocles are glad to welcome them back to town. The health of the latter is much improved by her travels abroad,

Mr., Mrs. and the Misses Gibbons have been spending a few days in New York city.

Capt. and Mrs. Carpenter, of Freder-icton, and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Patterson, of Leamington, are guests of Mrs. Macdonough for Christmas.

from a long visit with Miss Rackham, of Petrolia. Invitations are out, by the way, for

Miss Mabel Moore returned this week

dances to be given by the gentlemen of Petrolia, on Jan. 2 and Feb. 2.

A St. Andrew's ball is to be given about the 8th or 9th of February, I am

Mrs. Saxon Weld was the hostess of

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a very large "At Home" on Wednesday afternoon in honor of her eldest daughter. Miss Ruby Michie, who made her debut into society. Mrs. Weld, looking very handsome in a becoming gown, received, with the assistance of Miss Michie, a vivacious and charming girl, in a gown of light fawn with black velvet bands and white ch fron ruffles down the front. The tea voom was originally decorated with flags, the table covered with a large Union Jack and tiny flags covered all the four corners, while bright red flowers in the center added to the effect. The refreshments were served by a number of ments were served by a number of London's future debutantes—only we must wait a year or two for them, at least. Miss Michie will certainly be one of the most popular of this year's numerous "buds," and is already a great

It is because many of us take those we meet in society too seriously that we become unpopular; that we feel that indefinte fear in our hearts from the moment that we take up the little tasselled programme till the final blank is scribbled over. We ask questions and expect exact answers; we will have the "whys" and "where-fores;" we pull what people say to us to pieces, and demand their serious consideration. Oh! don't take people too seriously at a tea, and above all, at a dance! If your partner does not talk while you are dancing, it's because he doesn't like it and enjoys dancing — and don't say like a girl I overheard: "You must find me slow; you haven't spoken at all through this dance." Now the man had enjoyed the dance, and he confided to someone later that "that girl expected too much and he wasn't going to dance with her again." Be warned!

The annual conversazione at the Western University to be given on the evening of Jan. 19, promises to be a great success. Mrs. Mackelcan, of Hamilton, too well known and liked to need words of mine; Mr. Sprate, another well known singer, also from Hamilton, who will sing a duet with Mrs. Mackelcan, are among those who will take part. The students are going to make the affair a successful one if their untiring efforts will do so.

GYP.

# AUTOMOBILE

York, and Breaks the Motorman's Leg.

New York, Dec. 21.-An ordinary cab, a horseless carriage, a bicycle policeman and a crowd of about three hundred, all assisted in making right avenue, between Forty-ninth and Fif-ty-third streets, a very lively place recently. The horseless carriage was the livellest performer for the greater part of the time. Although finally subdued by the bicycle policeman, it put its mo-torman out of business and sent him to Flower Hospital with his right leg broken.

Joseph McLaughlin, a cab driver, employed by the New York Cab Company of 4 West Firty-fifth street, was the cause of all the trouble. Driving to the company's stables, at 7:45 o'clock he turned into Fifth avenue, not looking over-carefully where he until it was too late to avoid a collision, and the two vehicles came together with a crash which threw Dugree from his seat. In falling he tried to save himself by grabbing at the thing nearest him. That chanced to be the lever that turns on the power. At the moment that Dugree's head hit the street the automobile started up Fifth avenue at its highest rate of speed.

The devil himself might have been in that automobile. It ran straight for a kittle more than a block, and then suddenly swerved in toward the curb bringing up with a bang. Then it tried again, and this time got on the sidewalk. It ran along the sidewalk a little distance, and then bumped into one of the houses. Then it changed its mind and started to turn around in short circles. These circles gradually widened, and then it left the sidewalk

and took to the street again.

In the meantime Policeman Clarkin of the bicycle squad had run into the street and had Dugree picked up. The motorman was not badly hurt, and he and the policemen ran after the runaway autor tobile, and soon caught up with it. There was a crowd around the thing by this time, making feeble bluffs at stopping it, but more of the time trying to dodge its eccentric movements. Clarkin tried to climb up on the machine to shut off the power, but the automobile dodged him successfully. Dugree was better acquainted with the machine, and he at last succeeded in climbing up to his seat. But the automobile was not ready yet to resign its freedom. It acted like a runaway mule and immediately Dugree off his perch. This time Dugree was not so lucky in his fall. He landed on the pavement, and the automobile, before he had time to rise, ran over

him, breaking his right leg. Then the horseless carriage darted up Fifth avenue for another half a block, and again resumed its crazy circling about. The street was well filled with carriages of people on their way to the theaters, and the scrambles to get out of the way and the shouts of the people who were enjoying the fun created a commotion, the like of which Fifth av-

enue had not seen for many a day. Finally, at the corner of Fifty-third street, the carriage again got on the sidewalk. It was here that Clarkin saw his chance. As the machine bumped into one of the houses, he jumped and turned off the power. The crowd seemed disappointed. The automobile was not damaged. McLaughlin was arrest-ed and taken to the East Fifty-first street station, where the sergeant de-cided he could go free to take his chances in a civil suit. Dugree was ta-ken to Flower Hospital. He will be unable to move for several weeks.

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George Mulholland, about 35 years of age, of Hamilton, dropped dead at his

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper A lot of brick unloaded from the steam barge Owen at Sandwich caused the collapse of the town dock, and the brick fell into the river.

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

Preparations for the Queen's Dinner.

Bad News Makes Old London a Dull City.

Keen Rivalry Among the Volunteer Corps as to Who Shall Do the Most for Their Country.

[Special London Letter by Cable.] London, Dec. 23.-A baron of beef for the Queen's Christmas dinner will be roasted today (Saturday, Dec. 23) at the great kitchen fire, Windsor, in readiness for the royal dinner party on Monday. The great joint, when cold, will be garnished with the royal and imperial monogram in shredded horse-raddish, and, with a boar's head and game pie, will assist in adorning her majesty's sideboard on Christmas OLD LONDON IS DULL.

"Bad news from the Cape," writes one society authority, "has made London the dreariest city in the world at the season when it ought to be the most gay." Though this may be exaggerated, there is certainly much truth in it. The Queen will spend Christmas at Windsor Instead of at Osborne, owing to her wish to be nearer the cabinet, and thereby sacrificing a habit very dear to her for years past. With her will be the Duchess of Albany and her children. The Prince of Wales will spend Christwas at Sandringham, and the Duke and Duchess of York will also be there; but neither at Windsor, at Sandring-wam, nor in the noblest or lowest homes in Great Britain, will there be much merry-making; for with 7,000 men killed, wounded or missing in South Africa, there are few families which have not been touched with this depression. The feeling, however, only serves to make the nation

MORE DETERMINED THAN EVER, and is a silent accompaniment to one of the most spontaneous outbursts of patriotism and universal desire to risk life and give up property that ever marked the history of any country. Peers with vast business, property and political interests are exhibiting the utmost eagerness in their desire to have their names enrolled among the vol unteers who are going to endeavor to retrieve the reverses of the British arms. The day of wild war enthusiasm and over-confidence has passed, and there reigns in its stead a grim determination to atone for the mistakes of the past by individual effort regardless of consequences.

AN INSTANCE OF THE SPIRIT which pervades the country is that the Cumberland and Westmoreland yeomanry of which the Earl of was going. George Dugree was seated Lonsdale is colonel, every officer and on his automobile at Forty-ninth street nearly every man in the regiment has waiting for a customer. McLaughlin volunteered and is using every in-did not see the motionless automobile fluence to be accepted. Among the Among the officers is Capt. Hugh Jefferson, well known in America, formerly manager of the Sand Creek Cattle Company of Wyoming. The Duke or Marlborough will probably receive an appointment on Lord Chesham's staff. In the Northern counties there is

KEEN RIVALRY as to who shall do the most for his country in the hour of need. Northumbrians, headed by Earl Gray, have subscribed large sums to equip 100 men, and the Earl of Durham calls on the men of his county not to be outby the Northumbrians, and heads the list by a substantial sub-scription. Lords Stanley and Wolverton go as yeomanry troopers, though the former was at one time an officer in the Guards, and the latter is an admiral's son. Two nephews of Gen. Lord Roberts, both ex-majors of the regular army, have volunteered to go in any capacity in the yeomanry. The Earl of Essex, who is a major in the Hertfordshire yeomanry, accompanies the contingent of his county.

In short the 8,000 mounted men who have responded to the call for yeomen will have the brains, blood, muscle, and the dare-deviltry of the famous American rough riders.

# RUNAWAYS **CAUSE HAVOC**

Among Christmas Shoppers on Crowded Dundas Street-Several Ladies Injured.

A horse attached to the delivery rig of the McLean Hardware Company, ran away this morning on Dundas street at about 11 o'clock, and taking to the sidewalk near Talbot street. knocked down three ladies. Mrs. Pole, wife of Turnkey Pole, of the county jail, was badly bruised and shaken, and was slightly cut. Two of the ladies were carried into Clarke & Smith's undertaking establishment, and were conveyed home in hacks. The third got up and walked away. None of the ladies were seriously hurt. The horse became frightened at a passing trolley. The street was crowded at the time, and many persons had narrow escapes. Shortly be-fore this an elderly lady was struck knocked down in the block by a laundry rig. She was carried into Emerson's drug store and her injuries attended to. They were not serious.

KRUGER'S MALADY.

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

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

it takes its name.

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

It is unlikely that the Dutch of the Transvaal are acquainted with Dodd's Kidney Pills, however, they being very slow to take up with things

# Doctors Uphold It.



SHILOH'S CURE is the prescription of a skillful physician, and has been used in successful professional practice for nearly half a century. All doctors who know its merits indorse it in the strongest terms. Dr. A. E. Salter, one of the leadily physicians of Buffalo, N. Y., writes to the S. C. Wells Co. as follows:

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There is an epidemic of colds in this city. You meet it in the streets, in the shops, at church, everywhere. Very likely you take it home with you, and then wonder when and where you sat in a draught. Act promptly and don't wait till you get Pneumonia, or Bronchitis, or Consumption. The minute you feel the least symptoms of cold anywhere take Dr. Shiloh's Consumption Cure. It will cure the stuffed-up feeling, the sneeze, the cough in one night. You musn't think it's meant only for consumption because it is called a consumption cure. Just for the single reason that it does cure consumption it is better than anything else for sudden colds and coughs. And there isn't an intelligent mother in the country who doesn't keep it constantly on hand for croup, whooping cough, etc.

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Facts From Very Ancient Tombs Opened in Egypt.

The Habits of People Then Very Different From What They Are Now-Nursing Bottles Were Used and Vanity Was Felt.

[New York Sun.]

How long has man been on earth? The answer to this question is being modified by every turn of the explor-er's spade. The expedition sent out by the University of Pennsylvania, which has been at work at Nuffer, has through Professor Hilprecht, is Assyriologist, set the date of 6000 or 7000 B. C. on some of the monuments discovered. Now comes M. E. Amelineau to reinforce these dates by discoveries in prehistoric Egypt. The full report of his discoveries has not yet been published, but this investigator has prepared the way to it by issuing the first volume of his account of the excavations at Abydos, the sacred residence of Osiris. Here he has found prehistoric tombs, some 150 in number, the contents of which go back at least 8,000 years. Fortunately for us who feel curiosity as to the doings of those distant ages and the men who lived then, the Egyptians had the notion that death was but the bridge from this life to the next, which would resemble this one so closely that the very food and furniture used here would be useful there. On this account they furnished the tombs as they would furnish homes. Therefore in them have been found the very food and the utensils which the men and women of that time used while alive. It is to this fortunate accident that is due the exactness with which a nineteenth century excavator can say precisely how those who died 6,000 years B. C. lived, what they ate, how they dressed and what was the range of mind and civilization in that ancient time.

In the jars and vases of these old tombs. Amelineau has found various cereals, like wheat and rye, proving the agricultural tastes of those people. Date stones are excellent evidence that the date palm was even then appreciated for its food products. Nor were these prehistoric people vegetarians, for if they were, why should there be the bones of oxen and the horns of the gazelle in their tombs? Amelineau has actually taken us back to the stone age and the beginning of the use of metals in Egypt, for he has found innumerable arrow heads cunningly chipped out of flint, and knives, scrapers and saws made of the same hard material. The decorative instinct was already alive, or why should these old workmen have spent days on polishing and chipping stone bracelets?

It is almost possible to trace the development of civilization step by step through these remains, for here are earthern plates so rudely shaped as to prove that the potter's wheel, one of the first inventions of primitive man the world over, was not yet known. Then come other plates and pots and jugs just as surely turned on that very useful machine, showing the next step upward. The following evolution of Inventive genius shows itself in the more elaborate pottery, and the use of metals for making rude tools. Hard stone was now cut and shaped, diorite, onyx and rock crystal jars and vases were made with so much art that their highly polished surfaces astonish the modern discoverer. It seems as if the use of the diamond or some other hard substance must have been known by the people who hollowed out some of these vases, on the inside of which are still to be seen the marks of the

cutting implements. It was found that some of the tombs were paved with a kind of rose-colored marble. not native to Egypt, and therefore this

the workmanship and the care displayed in ornamentation increase constantly. The primitive geometrical designs on the earliest pottery give way to drawings from life, and there are as to be easily recognized; a carving of a duck's head in hard schist in which the shading of the plumage is brought out, and a carving of a human hand in the same hard material, where the lines of the finger nails are well defined. As to wood carving these old artists were experts. They took the ebony which they had to import and carved perfect statuettes of lions, or of Nubian women, which can be identified as such by the low forehead, angular face, small eyes, prominent cheek-bones, large mouth, thick lips and hair parted into a number of tresses. Here is a frog carved out of diorite, as unmistakable as if it had been done by a modern artist.

The men and women were alike fond of personal adornment, for beads of clay covered with blue enamel. of cornelian, amethyst, emerald and rock crystal, all pierced for stringing, the strings having long since rotted away, were found in large numbers. Here, too, were ivory and wooden instru-ments with which the eyelids and brows were colored red or black to make the eyes appear larger. Vanity is then at least 8,000 years old.

The furniture was only found in bits, for the wood-work had generally rotted away and all that remained was the ivory legs of sofas—the most re-markable finds made. These were so large that it is certain they must have been made of the tusks of the hippopotamus. That this animal was hunted by the early Egyptians is well established by wall paintings, but the proof furnished by the finding of their tusks is far more conclusive, carrying the custom back several centuries The manner in which these legs are carved to represent the legs of oxen is one of the marvels of all who have had the good fortune to see them. The work of the jewelers of this

early age is by no means primitive, for there are bronze bracelets, cunningly turned into serpents, alloys of silver and gold, copper and brass, and other tools of the earlier stage when pure copper was used. To illustrate how near akin mankind has been through these myriads of years it is only necessary to mention the discovery in one of the tombs of what must have served as a baby's nursing bottle in the long ago. It was an earthen vase, with a hole in the side into which a bit of cloth might be inserted that the baby might draw his milk from the Is there anything new under the

Besides the common pots for kitchen use, and the fine vases for the parlor, were discovered pieces of wood there wonderfully inlaid with pieces of colored glass, showing that the secret of

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manufacturing glass was known even then. This seems to indicate a long period of preparation or development, for men did not invent glass when must have been imported from some distant country, showing that the men of that time traveled and believed in imported goods much as we do.

From stage to stage the perfection of the workmanship and the care displayling discovery was made Mr. Amelineau stirred up the world's Egyptologists by the announcement that he had found the names of sixteen royal personages hitherto unknown. knew that they were royal, for their names were written in a peculiar device, and it was just as if the sculptor had engraved King So and So. It is from this design that the word Pharach is derived, or rather the device signifies Pharaoh, from the Egyptian Per-aa. "Great House," that is, the palace or the court.

When M. Amelineau opened some of these graves he found them to be the tombs of these great unknown kings, already acknowledged as kings of Upper and Lower Egypt, but not yet known as the Sons of the Sun, the title of later Egyptian monarchs. Among these was one whose name he reads Den, another called Qa, and fourteen besides, some of whose titles could not be read, as they were entirely new. For instance, one was indicated by the sculpture of a serpent, and how this is to be pronounced or what it means no Egyptologist has yet found out. On comparing the names just found with all the long list of Egyptian Pharaohs, not one like any of them could be found, and it was very logically concluded that these antedate Menes, and that only now we are reaching the earliest history of Egypt.

The tombs are primitively constructed, some of the walls being so inregular that it is to be doubted whether the plumb line was then known. But, nevertheless, the interiors of the tombs were most interesting. Some of them were so short that it was evident that no human body could have been laid there at full length, and the explanation was forthcoming when at last in a tomb which no vandal Arab had reached, a body was found all curled up and surrounded with earthenware pots containing food, ointments, etc. Of course, there was no thought then of embalming, and it was entirely due to the dryness of the soil that the body had been preserved at all. In the tomb of the Pharaoh whose name was indicated by a serpent was found that there were a number of adjoining chambers, probably intended for the bodies of his wives or of his prominent court officials. The tomb of one of these, by name Nebnofer, "good master," a royal scribe was among those found. The floor of this tomb was made of heavy sycamore planks, which may well stand as the oldest planks in the world, being some 8,000 and odd years old, as well as can be estimated. Instead of having been nailed down to cross pieces they were simply tied together by bands of brass, which were still found in place. The mortar, too, was found to have been mixed with fibres of palm leaves, much as helr is now used to mix with plaster, proving that this secret was known a few thousand years ago.

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For I just couldn't smile and look

But, alas that my sweet Sarah Maude should do so! She was shockingly cross and un-

ruly.

And would flop over this way and that, to and fro,

While her legs up and down and crisscrossways would go; I was truly mortified, truly!

Well, the picture he sent us was such My adored Sarah Maude wasn't

But only just me, sitting up straight and wise, And my mamma, whenever she sees it, she cries.

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-The children of Colborne Street

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sions among poor families in the northern portion of the city.

-The First Baptist Sunday school,

Lobo, will hold their anniversary services on Sunday, Dec. 24, at 11 a.m. and

7:30 p.m. Addresses will be delivered

by Rev. R. Marshall in the morning

-A committee from the Irish Ben-

evolent Society, composed of Mr. John Forristal, president; Mayor wison, vice-president; Dr. George Wilson, W. P. Regan, J. L. Fitzgerald, Thomas

Scandrett, George Sampey, Charles

Taylor, John Stevely, John Pocock, J. McDonald, Ald. McPhillips, B. C. Mc-

Cann and Thomas Connors, distribut-

ed the annual Christmas cheer to the

poor of the city yesterday afternoon. They disposed of 2,000 pounds of beef,

1,000 loaves of bread 5 sacks of oat-

meal, 100 pounds of tea and large quan-

titles of sugar, raisins, currants, bis-

cuits and rice. They also distributed about two hundred baskets among

stances, who have never applied for aid.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid of King Street Presbyterian Church was held on Friday afternoon.

The treasurer's report showed the re-

ceipts of the year to be \$1,075. The following officers were elected for a year:

President, Mrs. George Campbell; first vice-president Mrs. N. Brownlee; second vice-president, Mrs. Frank Campbell; secretary, Mrs. Richmond; fin-

ancial secretary, Mrs. Thomas Maitland; treasurer, Mrs. Robert Jameson;

supply committee, Mrs. Ewen, Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Link. Visitors for

different districts: No. 1, Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Brown; No. 2, Mrs. Groshow and Mrs. Grant; No. 3, Mrs. Harlow and

Mrs. Campbell; No. 4, Miss Carswell and Mrs. Grant; No. 5, Mrs. Maitland and Mrs. Ewen; No. 6, Mrs. Ford and Miss Yeomans; Nos. 7 and 10, Mrs. Dobbin and Mrs. Link; No. 8, Mrs. Noble and Mrs. Campbell; No. 9, Mrs. Lamieson and Mrs. Wilson; No. 11 Mrs.

Jamieson and Mrs. Wilson; No. 11, Mrs.

Richmond and Mrs. Robertson; No. 12,

Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Williamson.

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thing for any length of time, no mat-

ter of what value, when the columns of

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MEREOROLOGICAL

Toronto, Ont., Dec 22-8 p.m.—There is little change in the distribution of pressure throughout Canada, the genpressure throughout Canada, the general indications pointing to a continuance of mild weather everywhere. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 46-52; Calgary, 30-56; Prince Albert, 26-32; Qu'Appelle, 32-36; Winnipeg, 16-40; Port Arthur, 20-40; Parry, Sound, 26-42; Toronto, 24-42; Ottawa, 36-30; Montreal, 22-28; Quebec, 20-28; Halifay, 16-30 20-28; Halifax, 16-30.

Local temperatures-The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Friday, Dec. 22, were: Highest, 43; lowest, 20 degrees. Sun rises today at 7:48 a.m.; sets, 4:45 p.m. Moon rises at 11:34 a.m.; sets, 11:12 p.m.

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-Mr. C. Glendinning left yesterday for Montreal, where his brother seriously ill.

-Mrs. W. A. Piper and daughter, of Leamington, are visiting friends in -The choir of St. Andrew's Church

will render special Christmas music tomorrow. Services will be held in the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium. -Mr. Bert Mackenzie, from McGill University, is home for the holidays,

and visiting his mother at 77 Byron avenue, South London. -The death is announced of Wm. Brown at Petrolia, Dec. 21. He was 59 years old. Deceased was formerly a resident of this city. The funeral will

take place tomorrow. —Mr. Grenville Kleiser, of New York, reader and impersonator, will be heard at the Auditorium Tuesday evening.

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London, Dec. 11, 1900.

Unanimously Passed by Board of Trade.

Government's Action in Sending a Second Contingent Commended.

Volunteers to Do Garrison Duty-The Trading Stamp System-The C. P. R. Shops-Other Matters.

A regular meeting of the board of trade was held last night, Mr. James Mattinson presiding.

'A motion which expressed the board's hearty approval of the action of the government in sending a second contingent, and also suggesting that steps be taken to mobilize a force of volunteers for garrison duty in England, was passed. It read as follows: "Resolved, that this board desires to record its continued devotion and loyalty to the British crown, and views with nuch favor the determination of the Dominion government to promptly dispatch to the seat of war in South Africa a second contingent, numbering upwards of 1,000 men.

"Further resolved, that in the opinion of this board at is the duty and obligation of the government of Canada to strengthen the hands of her majesty's imperial government, and the bonds which hold the empire together, and that a special session of parliament should be called without delay to provide the necessary moneys for mobilization and equipment in Canada do garrison duty, in the place of the British regular troops, or perform such other service as may be found most useful during the present crisis, thereby giving expression to Canada's resolution to do her share in maintaining

Methodist Sunday school exemplify the true spirit of the Christmas season by the national position." be taken in regard to a request from the Peterboro board that the London board should indorse a memorial to the government declaring the trading stamp system to be pernicious. General Manager Shaughnessy comand Rev. N. Lindsay, Ivan, in the evening. Special music by the Sunday

municated the determination of the C. P. R. Company not to extend its car-building accommodation outside of

Kenric B. Murray, secretary of the

## -St. George's Society distributed yesterday afternoon among the deserving poor of the city some 700 loaves or bread, 2,000 pounds of beef, 1,800 pounds of flour, 200 pounds of raisins, together with large quantities of other food-stuffs. The committee having in charge the distribution included Messrs. John Barrows, John Pannell, Wm. Skinner, H. T. Smith, S. Roberts, R. A. Jones, Alf Cave, J. B. Cox, J. Carter, and

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Toronto board of trade, wrote asking It was decided that no action should for immediate action in regard to their request that the London board would request that the London board would appoint delegates and consider subjects for the fourth congress of chambers of commerce of the empire, to be held in London, England in June, 1900. Laid Wishart and H. A. Stevenson.

in London, England in June, 1900. Laid The Toronto board also asked that consideration be given to a resolution to be submitted to the congress, to the effect that steps should be taken to advance a closer unity between the motherland and the colonies in commercial matters. This also was laid

The deputy minister of trade and commerce for Canada asked for a list of the large manufacturers and their products in this district. The secreary will forward this list.

Many Responses From Permanent Force and First. Hussars.

Col. Holmes Still Waiting for Official Orders-Christmas at the Barracks.

Col. Holmes, D. O. C., said this morning that he had not yet received from Ottawa the official order to enlist men for the second South African contingent. Col. Holmes, however, called for volunteers yesterday, and more than half the permanent force volunteered.

Capt. Booker and seven officers of the 1st Hussars have volunteered.
Pte. Horner, of the Barracks, has secured the assurance that he will go as troop cook on the second contingent. He was one of the representatives of the school in the Queen's jubilee.

Preparations are being made for a gala time at the barracks on Christmas day. As it may be the last Christmas that will be celebrated there by some of the men for some time, there will be an unusually jolly time. The officers are taking a great interest in the affair, and have ordered a splendid spread to be served to the men, at their expense.

# FELL UNDER A FREIGHT TRAIN

A Young Man Named Walters Loses His Left Fore-Arm.

Richard Walters, a laborer, living at 208 Piccadilly street, fell under a G. T. R. freight trein at the Burwell street crossing about 11 o'clock last night, and a car wheel passed over his left arm. He was removed to the hospital in the ambulance, and the arm was amputated below the elbow.

Walters is 22 years of age.

This is the first surgical operation performed in the new operating room; throw my life away. It God has work for me to do, I'll not die."

—Mr. George H. Shelder, of Deloratine, Man., is spending his holidays at his mother's home, 464 Quebec street.

at the Victoria Hospital. The room was in first-class order, and was made

D. L. MOODY'S LAST HOURS

How the Great Evengelist Passed Away-His Final Words.

East Northfield, Mass., Dec. 23. -Dwight L. Moody, the famous evangelist, whose death was announced yesterday, was 62 years of age. A widow, two sons and a daughter survive. The cause of death was a general breaking down, due to overwork. Mr. Moody called his wife and children yesterday morning, and told them that the end was not far off. The family remained close by the bedside all the forenoon. The evangelist was almost free from pain, and occasionally he talked with apparent ease. About the last words he was heard to utter were: "I have always been an ambitious man, not to lay up wealth, but to find work to do." Just before 12 o'clock the watchers saw. that the end was approaching, and ex-

actly at noon the great preacher passed away. Mr. Moody first knew at 8 o'clock Thursday evening that he could not re-cover. He was satisfied that this was so, and when the knowledge came to him his words were: "The world is receding and heaven opening.

During the night, Mr. Moody had a number of sinking spells. He was, however, kindness itself to those about him. At 2 o'clock yesterday morning, Dr. N. P. Wood, the family physician, who spent the night at the home, was called at the request of Mr. Moody. He was perspiring, and he requested his son-in-law, A. P. Fitt, who spent the first of the night with him, to call the physician that he might note the symptoms. Dr. Wood administered a hypodermic injection of strychnia. This caused the heart to peri'orus its duties more regularly, and Mr. Moody him-self requested his son-ial-law and Dr. Wood to retire. At 7:30 Dr. Wood was called, and when he reached Mr. Moody's room found his patient in a semi-conscious condition. When Mr. Moody recovered consciousness he said with all his old vivacity, "What's the matter? What's going on here?" Some members of the family replace: "Fa-ther, you have not been quite so well, and so we came in to see you." A little later he said to one of his boys: "I have always been an ambitious man; not ambitious to lay up wealth, but to

leave you work to do. In substance, Mr. Moody unged his two boys and his son-in-law, Mr. Fitt. to see that the schools in East Northfield, at Mount Hermon and the Chibago Bible Institute should receive their best care. This they assured Mr. Moody they would do. During the forencom Mrs. A. P. Fitt, his daughter, said to him: "Father, we can't sware you." Mr. Moody's reply was: "I am not going to throw my life away. I God has wore work for me to do, I'll not die."

# The British Are Waiting

Buller Not Likely to Move for Some Time.

Impregnable Position.

The Boer Fighting Line Is a Thin One.

And One Genuine British Victory Would Crush It.

Real Danger Is the Likelihood of a Dutch Uprising-Boers at Stormberg Have Been Largely Reinforced-How Churchill Got Away.

London, Saturday, Dec. 23.-4:45 a.m. -Belated South African dispatches throw no new light upon the present situation at the seat of war. A Cape Town dispatch, dated Sunday, Dec. 17, reports that Commandant Diedricks, of the Boer forces, was killed in a recent engagement, but no details are given.

Advices from Naauw Port describe everything as quiet there, and the only fresh news from Arundel concerns the weather, which is excessively hot.

Owing to the gravity of the situation, the war office officials will not remit their duties during the Christmas

The war office has issued an official warning against British subjects or foreigners in British territory trading with or supplying the Boer Republic, either directly or indirectly, with any kind of merchandise whatsoever. This is regarded as showing that the government has good evidence of the existence of such traffic, and that even some English firms have been supplying the enemy, perhaps unintentionally, through these foreign consignees. is announced that two battalions of the guards will be included in the

eighth division. Lord Kitchener will join Lord Roberts at Gibraltar. The Earl of Erroll, hereditary lord high constable of Scotland, will accompany the commander-in-chief in special service.

The Earl of Derby is raising a force of volunteers in Lancaster. Mr. Victor Christian Cavendish, member of parliament for West Derbyshire, and heir apparent to the Duke of Devonshire, volunteered to go to the front. THE BOER FIGHTING LINE THIN. The Cape Town correspondent of the Times, under date of Dec. 17, says: The Poer fishing line is very thin, and a single British success might crumole it completely. The real danger, nowever, is not the military situation, 'ut the likelihood of a Dutch rebellion, which would make the area of war so vast that an additional 50,000 men would be easily swallowed up in British communications.

Referring to the tardy acceptance of assistance from local forces, the correspondent says: Gen. Buller undoubtedly at the beginning displayed a self-sufficiency and unwillingness to accept local advice and assistance, which events rapidly modified.

BULLER'S CAMP. Chieveley Camp, Natal, Sunday, Dec. 17.—The camp, which was pitched to the left of the position taken up by the Union Brigade, was shifted from that point this morning to Chieveley. The wounded are being entrained for Pietermaritzburg. Most of the wounds are in the arms or legs. Dr. Treves is operating on the wounded. Sir William MacCormack attended at the railway platform, and several assistant surgeons are giving every atten-

A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Chieveley, dated Dec. 15, estimated the casualties in Gen. Buller's repulse as 1.150, including 350 missing. It announces that a portion of the British troops have returned to Frere."

The Chieveley correspondent of the Standard, who attributes the whole disasted involved in Gen. Buller's repulse to the mistake of Col. Long in taking the artillery too close to the river, says: "Col. Long fired for 90 minutes and simply exhausted his

BULLER LIKELY TO WAIT AWHILE.

London, Dec. 20.—It is believed that Gen. Buller will remain where he is, thus confining the Boers to their present position. In this case it is pos-sible that Gen. White will evacuate whole force of 9,000 men. This force includes 1,200 cavalry, 36 guns and 6 naval guns; but Gen. White would be greatly hampered by the sight of the concentration of defend greatly hampered by the sick and ers at any given point without danger wounded and the non-combatants. to themselves. The British here are While the Boer position is invulnerable from the south, it is particulary vulnerable to an attack from the

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METHUEN IN A STRONG POSI-TION.

London, Dec. 22.—In spite of the delay of Gen. Methuen in advancing, he is regarded as largely the master of the situation, and his intrenched position is believed to be unassailable. In the event of the Boers attacking Kimberley, Gen. Methuen would be enabled to make a counter move with lated. It is apparent, therefore, that to "make haste slowly" is the truest policy at present. In accordance with Gen. Methuen's dictum the army could not advance faster than the slowest

A dispatch from Cape Town, dated Saturday, Dec. 17, says that Gen. Methuen's primary object in crossing the Modder River appears to have been to establish searchlight communica-tion with Kimberley, which is believ-ed to be still on full rations. The water in the mines is plentiful. On the other hand, in spite of their usual tactics, it is considered possible that the Boers have been compelled to assume the offensive, the commanders having arranged for the disposition of the forces and anticipating difficulty in maintaining food supplies in the present positions. Moreover, there is said to be a growing desire among the Free Staters to return home, which is testified to on many sides, and may tend to precipitate an ac-

STORMBERG.

Sterkstroom, Cape Colony, Saturday, Dec. 16.—The Boers have been largely reinforced since Gen. Gatacre's reverse at Stormberg. The country north of that place is in arms, and the farms of the loyalists are being taken by the Boers, who reap the crops. Boer ac-counts of successful engagements are printed for distribution throughout the disaffected districts.

DELAGOA BAY. London, Dec. 23.—The Lisbon cor-respondent of the Daily Mail, discussing the Boer importation of food, munitions of war and recruits by way of the Portuguese port of Lorenzo Marquez, says: Portugal is undoubtedly doing her best to check the transit of war materials of the Boers through Delagoa Bay, though Great Britain would do well to make a claim for greater watchfulness. however, is terribly afraid of a raid from the Boer forces, and cannot stop the passage of the volunteers for the

Transvaal. CHURCHILL'S ESCAPE.

London, Dec. 23.-The following dispatch has been received from Lorenzo Marquez, under date of Dec. 17, regarding Mr. Winston Churchill's escape from the Boers: Mr. Churchill wrote Gen. Joubert on Dec. 9. asking to be released, on the ground of being a war correspondent. Gen. Joubert, on Dec. 13, replied that Mr. Churchill had been detained because he had been reported as a combatant assisting an armored train to escape, He added that Mr. Churchill was unknown to him personally, but he would accept his assurance that he was a non-combatant, and would or-der his release. The order arrived at Pretoria ten hours after Mr. Churchill had escaped, leaving behind him a letter expressing gratitude for the treatment he had received.

ROBERTS' MESSAGE.

London, Dec. 23.—The Times says that Lord Roberts' admirable message, sent to the people of America and the Dominion of Canada, has given an adequate and welcome expression to the sentiment of the British nation. The Morning Post and Daily News remark that the delight felt in Toronto, Ottawa, Winnipeg and other Canadian cities when the order, or the mobilization of another certificate contingent, was received, will strike a responsive chord in every heart in the mother country.

CHANGES IN WAREARE. London, Dec. 23.-A correspondent

of the Associated Press at Modder River, under date of Dec. 17, describing the changes in the art of warfare says: "It would be almost impossible to take such a position as Magersfontein by assault. The modern battle, owing to the length of rifle range, will last six days, where formerly it could only have lasted a few hours. Boer trenches, which are rather like underground dwellings than trenches, to themselves. The British here are anxious that the Boers should attack them, and the belief is prevalent that treachery is largely respon-sible for the under-estimate placed upon the Boer forces by the cavalry scouts.

Adelbert S. Hay, the United States consul at Pretoria, formally received at the United States embassy today a number of wives and other relatives of British soldiers, who came to make special requests regarding the prisoners at the Transvaal capital.

# LORD "BOBS" SON

How Lieut Roberts Lost His Life in the Tugela River Battle.

London, Dec.23.-The Daily Telegraph has a special from Chieveley, dated Dec. 16, which tells how Lieut. Roberts, son of Lord Roberts, fell at Tugela River. It says: The horses of the 14th and 66th batteries had been killed, and Lieut. Roberts, Capt. Schofield and Capt. Congreve, of the Rifles, attempted, with gunner volunteers, to drag out the guns. Capt. Schofield succeeded, helped by a corporal and some men. Lieut. Roberts was hit badly by a shell. Capt. Congreve was struck repeatedly, and wounded slightly. After while Capt. Congreve, Capt. Foster and Major Baptie brought Lieut. Roberts from the open into a little ravine, where he lay hidden from the enemy?

terrible fire. Fourteen gunners, 14 men of the Devonshire Regiment, and other men were with Col. Bullock. When the retirement was ordered, these men, with isolated parties of Devonshires and Scots Fusifiers, together with some of the Queen's, were cut off and captured. Many fought until late in the afternoon, a part of the Irishmen running the gauntlet of the Boer Mausers from hiding-places along the river bank. At 5 p.m. 40 Boers approached the ten abandoned guns. On espying Col. Bullock, Capt. Congreve and the others in the ravine, they called upon the British to surrender. Col. Bullock declined and threatened to shoot, although his party only had fourteen rifles. The Boers retired and a parley ensued. Then 100 Boers rode up to McDowell Charles Wilson (resigned). ensued. Then 100 Boers rode up to with a few yards of the party, but Col. Bullock swore he would not be taken a prisoner, whereupon a Boer knocked him down with his rifle butt. Afterward the enemy gave our wounded water and cordials. Then, having taken all their arms, ammunition and field glasses, they let them return by our ambulances. Col. Bullock, Col. Hunt, Major Walter and Capt. Goodwyn were taken prisoners. The Scots Fusiliers lost nearly two companies captured.

# CARE FOR THE WOUNDED

How It Will Be Taken by the British in South Africa.

Modern artillery's effectiveness has put a very different complexion upon the uses and necessities of field hospitals. A field hospital used to be very ly such a movement on the part of the Boers, it is said, is not contemplated. It is apparent therefore that artillery fire is commonly effective at 4,000 yards, no field hospital could be allowed sufficiently near the fighting line to permit of the wounded being taken directly to it, and the organization of aid has been altogether altered. In South Africa it has been arranged that all the effective aid in the field will be that of the army medical corps. Voluntary aid will continue itself to the lines of communication between the base and general hospitals. The working organization is as follows:
Accompanying the fighting line are the bearer companies of the army medical coras—three or four men to each regular regimental company. When a man drops out, wounded, the army medical corps men pick him up and take him to the nearest dressing station, where he is attended to as quickly as possible. From the nearest dressing station the wounded are taken to

> In the case of collecting stations, it is possible, of course, to select more effective shelter than at the dressing stations, where shelter is more a mat-ter of improvisation. From the collecting stations the wounded are carried as quickly as possible to the field hospital. Here, general-ly speaking, they remain a day, and are then removed to the base hospital. There will be twelve field hospitals in South Africa, four stationary or base hospitals and four general hospitals, each with its complete staff. The distribution of these hospitals will be determined by the officers com-manding in South Africa, and must de-

collecting stations, these being placed at points where more shelter is ob-

itary situation develops.

Aspirants for Civio Honors in Various Parts of the Province-Elections by Acclamation.

Adelaide-Reeve, E. F. Henderson, D. Robertson.

Alvinston-Reeve, E. Donnelly, A.Gil-

roy, M. Gillespie. Aldboro-Reeve, H. B. Graham (acchamation); councilors, D. G. McPherson, D. McLean, Wm. Tolmie, M. N. Leitch, B. House, W. H. McLean and J. W. Lee.

Biddulph—Reeve, A. K. Hodgins; councilors, James Toohey, Thos. Armi-tage, F. A. Ryan, J. B. Westman and Belleville-J. W. Johnson was elect-

ed mayor by acclamation for a fourth Brantford-Mayor, H. Cockshutt (reelected by acclamation). Ward 1—Aldermen, Robt. Ryerson, A. G. Montgomery, S. Suddaby, L. W. Sloan, W. Turnbull, S. Almas, J. Ruddy trustees, Richard Fullerton, J. Bowes, W. C. Livingstone. Ward 2-Aldermen, J. Kerr, Robt. Hall, C. F. Jackson, Jas. Carson, S. G. Read, W. Schubtz, Robt. Middlemiss, Samuel Hartley; trustees, Thomas Callis, John Dale. Ward 3—Aldermen A. L. Baird, B. J. Wade, R. Waddington, G. Hardy, J. G. Stew-

art, C. Whitney, M. Halloran. Bayfield-Reeve, R. Stanbury, M.D. (acclamation); trustees, Thomas Cameron, John Whiddon, John Ferguson (acclamation); councilors, G Woods, James Donaldson, Thes. liott, Jas. Thompson, Frank Edwards, Robt. Brown, Thos. Herd. Brooke-Reeve, L. Lindsay, J. P. Mc-

Vicar; councilors, Chambers, English, Kelley, Kingston, McEachern, Eichardson and Shirley.

Blyth—Reeve, J. Carter (acclama tion); councilors, Wm. Emigh, A.Sloan, F. Metcalf, W. McElroy (acclamation); school trustees, J. Habkirk, R. McCom-

mins, D. D. Carder (acclamation). Chatham-Mayor, J. A. Smith (re-elected by acclamation); water commissioners, W. D. Sheldon and Dr. J. L. Bray (elected by acclamaton); aldermen, Henry Weaver, Geo. Stephens, E. W. Scane, D. G. Fleming, Herbert S. Clements, Sam Holmes, David H. Hutchinson, John Hendershott, John Mount. Delaware — Reeve, John McEwen, Ephraim Howlett John Acklard; councilors (four to be elected), R. W. Stevens. Wm. Burt. Edward Elvidge, Peter R. Pulford, Thomas Adams, W. F. Bell,

R. Pulford, Thomas Adams, W. F. Bell, Enniskillen—Reeve, Wm. H. Graham, Wm. Kitchen; counclors, R. J. Parks, George Pearce, M. McLean, T. Acton, John Hollingshead, John Doyle, George Douglass.

Exeter—Reeve, W. G. Bissett and John Laylor. Councilors, John Evans, I. Armstrong, J. Muir, W. Harding, John Wood, W. H. Levett, E. S. Howard and Alex. Dow; school tustees, P. Frayne, W. J. Carling and H. E. Huston (acciamation).

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Guelph—R. E. Nelson, mayər (accia-

Hamilton-J. V. Teetzel, C., was re-elected mayor by acclamation. Hespeler-Reeve, D. D. Cameron. Hullett-Present council reurned by

acclamation.

Kingsville—Reeve, Elihu Scratch (acclamation); councilors, Alex. Wigle, Owen Harris, Howard Scratch, James Street, J. J. Maiott, C. Fitch, Robert F. Leming, C. J. Green.

Lobo Township—Reeve, Jrch. Modairing program (acclamation); councilors, Maio acclamation.

street, W. Alexander, D. McKay, Thos. McDowell, Charles Wilson (resigned). New Hamburg-Reeve, Louis Peine (acclamation); councilors, Thos. Mitchell, H. Deichert, D. Wilheim, E. R. Beger, John Heppler, J. F. Rau, G.

Newburg—Reeve, R. B. Robertson, D. Gage; councilors, C. Rush, J. Gay, D. Gage, J. Armstrong; trustees, A. Wilson, H. Armstrong, C. Rush, R. Callan, A. Tennell, F. Robinson, J.

Ottawa-Mayor, Thomas Payment, Ald. W. D. Morris, Ald. W. J. Camp-

Parkhill—Mayor, council and school trustees elected by acclamation.
Mayor, Wm. Boyce; council, D. N. McLeod, Jonathan Hall, Neil McPhee, Joseph W. Simpson, C. A. Gibbs, Wm. Fletcher; trustees, Alex. Holson, M.D., J. H. Laughlin and A. M. Miller.

Petrolia-Mayor, James W. McCut-cheon (acclamation); water commissioners, O. W. Simmons, Wm. English (acclamation); councilors, E.A. Archer, Charles Jenkins, Eli Perkins, John Walker, A. E. Fitzgerald, Wm. Pratt, Dr. Dunfield, S. Pollard, Wm. Healy, Wm. Lowery, O. W. Chamberlain; school trustees, R. Matheson, F. W. William Physics of Physics and Physics of Phys Wilson, A. C. Edwards, D. Cameron, J. F. Draper, D. M. Shield, A. A. Drake, Wm. Barrett, A. Buchanan, J. Grant. Port Stanley-Reeve, John Beasley; councils, Capt. Wm. Berry, Benjamin Hough, M. Arthur McDonald, Wm. G. Hague; school trustees, Capt. Mark Berry, Alex. Taylor, Charles F. Weir, (all by acclamation).
Sandwich—Mayor, Ernest Girardot,

M. Guindon; water commissioners, C. F. Pequegnot and Jules Robinet (ac-

Sandwich East-Reeve, Alex. Reaume, Pat Renaud; councilors, Aug. St. Louis, Charles Tino, Joseph V. St. Louis, Sam Ciapp, Dave Lappan, M. Bontron. Sarnia-Mayor, F. C. Watson (acclamation); councilors, Daniel McGarr,

W. J. Proctor, Alf. Shepherd, D. Milne, George Shand, W. Kirton, F. Kittermaster, T. Maxwell, B. S. Oliver, B. Morgan, J. Shanks, W. F. Colter, Jas. Doherty, Dr. Merrison, Wm. Kennedy, W. Minifie, Dr. Logie, D. Barr, R. Le-Seur; school trustees, C. Sanders, B. Palmer, J. Smith, G. Hughson. Stratford-Mayor, James Hodd was elected by acclamation.

St. Marys-Mayor, C. Richardson, J. Stafford, G. D. Laurie, S. McGolrick: councilors, R. B. Gill, W. Cockrane, F. Patterson, R. Sturgeon, G. Lyons, J. McLean, E. Brown, J. Humphries, R. S. Graham, H. F. Sharp, C. Myers, C. Richardson, R. T. Gilpin, J. Spearin.

St. Thomas—Mayor, P. Meehan, P. A. Branton, John Campbell. Water commissioners, J. Farley, F. Stacey, Joseph Horton, C. Scrase. Aldermen—Ward 1, R. M. Cully, George Ponsford (acclamation); ward 2, T. Meek, C. Maxwell (acclamation); ward 2, I. J. pend on the manner in which the mil-Maxwell (acclamation); ward 3, J. L. Robertson, James Fulton, E. A. Caugnell, R. H. McConnell; ward 4, F. M. Griffin, J. W. Cook, Jesse Wallis, R. Sanders; ward 5, R. N. Price, W. Trott, T. Lowry, D. McCallum, M. Dickson, F. W. Wright; ward 6, S. Chant, A. Lochead (acclamation).

Tilbury East-Reeve, James Ross (acclamation). Tilbury North-Reeve, T. Ouillette (acclamation); councils, E. Desmarais, T. Chauvin, P. Oriet, J. Mailloux (all by acclamation).
Tuckersmith—Reeve, McKay and

Toronto-Only three candidates were put in the field for the mayoralty-John Hallam, E. F. Clarke, M.P., and E. A. MacDonald. Mayor Shaw had announced himself as determined to be

a candidate for another term, but his nomination papers did not reach the clerk's hands until just after he had declared the nominations closed. Usborne-Reeve, Wm. Delbridge; councilors, A. Hunkin, Joseph Hawkins, John Moir and Richard Camm (all by acclamation).
Walkerville—Walkerville elected its

entire council and three school trustees by acclamation. The list is: Mayor, Robert Kerr; councilors, W. C. White, E. G. Swift, H. A. Walker, Sidney Robinson, P. J. Walsh, Andrew Reid: school trustees, William Milner, Robt. Revell and Thomas Webster. Westminster township-Reeve, John Cousins, Belmont (acclamation); coun-

Gilors, J. K. Little, Lambeth; Robert Brown, Glendale; John McDougall, Pond Mills; H. Shore, Glanworth; David Lawson, Hubrey. Windsor—Mayor, John Davis, Dr. J.

A. Smith; water commissioners, Reuben Purser, E. W. S. Bauer. First ward-Aldermen, J. H. McConnell, G. J. Leggatt, D. Bedford, Robert Barr, M. A. Brian, F. B. Hewson; school trustee, Fred Housen and J. R. Martin. Second ward—Aldermen, Sam Staver, A. E. Patching, R. A. Thorne, D. L. Carley, H. Walker, J. C. Gagnier, J. A. Straith, J. F. d'Avignon, James Duncan, A. Laforge; school trustee, E. Duncan, A. Lalorge; school trustee, L. S. Wigle (acclamation). Third ward—Aldermen, Wm. Englander, S. Dupuis, T. E. Kilroy, Thomas Blackburn; school trustee, W. A. Millard, Leander Noard. Fourth ward—Aldermen, Jos. Martin, E. Jacques, B. G. Davis, Wm. Colby, W. J. Calder, Fred Parker, Jos. Hopkins; school trustee, John Fry, Woodstock-Mayor, B. McNichol, Jas

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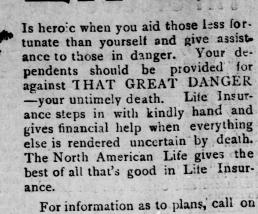
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The sixteenth annual Provincial Fat Stock, Dairy and Dressed Poultry Show, which was held in the live stock and machinery buildings of the West-ern Fair, London, Ont., from Dec. 11 to steins entered in the sections for that 15, was a memorable one in many respects. The departments were all genonly winning first in her class, and erally above the average, both as re-, first in the milk test over all breeds, gards numbers and quality, and the only weak feature was the attendance, which was very unsatisfactory, and quite unworthy of such a city as London, and the excellent agricultural district around it. In attendance both Brantford and Guelph can put London

SHEEP IN THE BLOCK TEST. But while the attendance was poor, the show itself contained so many infeatures that it proved a wonderful educational medium to those thoughtful, advanced breeders and feeders who were sufficiently interested to attend. The block test, that final court of appeal, which settles the value of an animal from the consumer's point of view, was this year extended to the sheep classes, with the result that some surprises were in store for exhibitors whose animals had won in the classes for live stock, but were in some instances obliged to take a lower place in the block tests. Some did not take kindly to this in the sheep department, but the decisions apparently were well in line with the present requirements of the market. It was a revelation to many to see on some car-casses a mass of useless fat, which lowered the price obtainable for such, even though the quality and conformation of the carcass were otherwise unimpeachable. Consumers call for lean, interspersed with fat, and it is a simple waste of feed to use it for put-ting fat on a carcass, and thus spoil-

The experts who judged the car-casses, and who gave addresses, which they illustrated by some of the car-casses, were most explicit on this point. Of the four sheep hung up, they preferred the Shropshire wether lamb, which won first in its class in the block test. It was owned by R. Gibson, Delaware. Next came an Oxford Down and a Suffolk, while the Southdown carcass, which was of excellent quality, was set back fourth on account of the extraordinary amount of fat on the back, tail and over the kidneys. One of the judges stated that the legs of mutton of that animal would have to be sold at 25 cents a pound in order to make up for the aste on the fat, which would all have

to be stripped off. fructive and were constantly sur-rounded by a large crowd, which lis-tened to the addresses of average of the constant the export trade. The process was fully explained by Mr. and Mrs. Yuill. BACON CARCASSES. the various carcasses, or drew out information from the owners as to their methods of feeding to produce such carcasses. In several cases pigs which had won alive had to take a lower place when dressed. Some carcasses showed that they were overdone, some were too heavy to rate as bacon of first quality; others had been underdone by their owners in the hopes of them to rank as "baconers," with the result that the bacon would be soft when gured some were of a prime of different times by Prof. Gilbert. when cured; some were of a prime quality of meat, in others the texture was coarse. It did not follow that because a pig was of a breed considered as an idead one for the packers' trade the problem of the packers' trade to the packers' trade to the packers' trade as Al when drassed some of the packers' trade to the packers' trad as an ideal one for the packers' trade poultry. Incubators were shown by J. it ranked as A1 when dressed. Some of E. Meyer and Darch & Hunter, Lonthe representatives of these "pacon pigs" ranked lowest as regards the proper amount of fat on back, thick-ness of shoulder, width of back, quality of flesh and thickness of flank. Breed is not everything; feed is just as important, and it is evident that the proper method of feeding has yet to be acquired by many. Next year's show will probably see a great improvement in the dressed hogs, as it was evident that this year's show has set feeders Among the carcasses exhibited were some capital Yorkshires, the Tamworth-Berkshire cross. To a pair of Yorkshires owned by J. E. Brethour, Burford, fell the grand championship for hogs. The average per-centage of dressed carcasses to liveweight of the 73 hogs slaughtered was a trifle over 76 per cent. The highest percentage of dressed carcass of any tingle pig was 85 per cent. This was attained by a Tamworth-Berkshire cross, shown by Andrew Elliott, Galt, which won second in the block test for

FAT CATTLE. The Shorthorn class was moderately well filled with fair representative anmals. Outstanding winners here were H. Smith's white 2-year-old steer Free Trade, which has been a first prizewinner from a calf, having won 1st at Guelph the week previous to London, and Capt. T. E. Robson's 4-year-old cow Rosina 2nd. Grades were better than the Shorthorns, the exhibition being more on a par and more numerous.

Polled Angus were very good, Walter of the public. It is pleasant to see how

Hall's grand 2-year-old steer being especially worthy of notice, while Galloways were above the average, the mossy coats of the latter and their rotund appearance attracting favorable comment. Devons were only few in number, and there were no Herefords entered. The Sweepstake prize in the cattle classes was won by Harry Smith's Free Trade, with Hall's Angus

DAIRY CATTLE. There was a good number of Hol-Prominent among these, as not breed. inst in the milk test over all breeds, but as establishing a new record for butter production on a fair ground, viz., 8.48 pounds of butter in two days, was Aaltje Posch Fourth, owned by Jas. Rettle, Norwich. Ayrshires were good though not numerous. Jerseys had only one representative, while there were some very creditable representatives of Dairy Shorthorns and a few Grades.

SHEEP.

The display of sheep was splendid, and a most notable feature in this de-partment was the number of Sweepstake prizes won by ewe lambs of the various breeds. Cotswolds and Lin-colns were good; the Leicester ewe lamb section was said by competent judges to be better than anything ever seen at the Royal. Shropshire ewe lambs and yearling wethers were also grand. Southdowns made an excel-lent display. Grades were numerous and well up to the average. The Grand Sweepstakes for sheep went to a year-ling Southdown wether shown by John Jackson & Son, Abingdon, and the Prince of Wales' prize for five pure bred sheep to John Campbell, Wood-

All the swine breeds except Suffolks were fully represented, and the exhibits were all well fitted, and as a rule, typical pigs. There were more Chester Whites out than any other breed. The Grade class was rather weak, but the quality was good. The classes for Bacon Hogs were well fill-ed. The Sweepstakes for two best carcasses of any breed went to J. E. Brethour's pair of Yorkshires.

DRESSED POULTRY. Though not large, this department was fairly filled. Bronze turkeys were strong. Among the chickens a very fine pair of Barred Plymouth Rocks, shown by Jos. Poole, Lambeth, deserve mention. A great many of the birds on exhibition would have shown to much better advantage had they been properly dressed. One interesting fea-ture of this department was a coop of Barred Plymouth Rock chickens (grades) in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Yuill, of Carleton Place, that were fed every day by the cramming process and killed on the last day of the show and dressed in the manner required for of people. Another was a case of birds from the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, which showed a couple of chickens bought on the Guelph market and in the condition that the average farmer markets his poultry, and birds fattened for different periods

don, the latter also displaying a full line of poultry supplies. OTHER FEATURES. A cream separator run by a gasoline engine drew a large number of people every day. There was also a display of cream separators, tread powers, platform scales, feed cookers, grain grinders, ploughs, ensilage cutters, etc. During the week the annual meetings Dominion Cattle, Sheep and of the Swine Breeders' Association was held on the show grounds, and a large pub-Tamworths, Berkshires, and grades of lie meetings in the city hall, at which addresses were given by Hon. Sydney Fisher, Hon. John Dryden, Sir John Carling and other speakers. Mr. A. Campbell, instructor of roadmaking, also addressed delegates to farmers' institutes on the vital subject of "Good Roads."

BIRD CHARMERS IN PARIS. [Westminster Gazette.]

One of the prettiest Parisian sights is that of the bird charmers in the Tuilleries and Luxembourg Gardens. Every fine afternoon may be seen admiring little crowds watching the bird charmer and his feats, pigeons quietly pecking crumbs from the crown of his hat, sparrows flying up to his fingers, snatching a bit and returning for a second or third. These caterers for public amusement are amateurs. The graceful little exhibition is gratuitous,

easily and amiably French people are amused—business men, shopkeepers' assistants, soldiers, elegantly dressed ladies and gentlemen, all stopping to watch the sight. As we know, builtights have not succeeded in Paris. The flery populace of the capital prefer the bird charmer.

# ROBERTS AND

Britain's Great Fighting Generals in Ireland. and Their Careers.

"Little Bobs" the Idol of the Army-Kitchener's Record.

Lord Roberts of Candahar and Lord Kitchener of Khartoum, who go to South Africa, the one as commander-in-chief of the British forces the other as his chief-of-staff, represents Britain's highest military genius. That they are sent to supersede Buller, whose own great experience and ability in warfare have so far counted for naught in the task set his country by the Boers, testifies to Britain's recog-nition of the crisis which her rule in South Africa has reached.

Roberts and Kitchener are sent di-

rectly by the British cabinet as the main reliance of the British people. Buller, in whom till his defeat at Colenso lay Britain's hope, and who still will have the great work of the relief of Ladysmith in his own hands, was the choice, not so much of the cabinet as of Commander-in-Chief Lord Wolseley and of the army. Now in the seley and of the army. Now, in the peril of the empire, the long-standing harshness of feeling between Wolseley and Roberts is no longer to remain in the latter's way of taking the com-mand, Roberts, Britain's greatest living fighter, save Wolseley himself, and Kitchener, the latest to achieve universal glory among her great generals, must themselves go to the front. Candahar and Khartoum! These are

the names of British victories which made the nation wild when they were won, and which will ever stand out boldly in the nation's history. Their grim glory surrounds the two gener-ars whose titles the names have be-That the victories may be repeated, that a greater Candahar and a greater Khartoum may be won by the generals in South Africa, is the hope

of every British heart. Roberts, Kitchener and Buller are all men of the greatest personal bravery on the field and all experienced leaders of campaigns. Against Buller's deeds in Zululand and with Wolseley in the Soudan in 1884, Roberts and Kitchener have the highest successes of independent campaigns to show. For Roberts there is his fighting during the Indian mutiny of 1857, and the splendid march to the relief of Candahar during the Afghanistan war of 1880; and for Kitchener the last campaign in the Soudan, which resulted in his triumphial return to London little over a year ago. Both men will go eager for new victories, but Roberts will have still another motive to urge him on-vengeance for his son, killed at the Tugela River.
Field Marshal Frederick Sleigh Rob-

erts, Baron Roberts of Candahar and the City of Waterford, V.C., G.C.B., K.G.C.S.I.,have many honors and titles besides these given him by his country, but to his soldiers—to all the soldiers of the British Empire—he is diers of the British Empire—he is ably dangerous, particularly if he be "Little Bobs." No man perhaps was ever honored with higher satisfaction in the eyes of the nation. He is a small man in stature, but a giant in power. Like Kitchener, he comes of a fighting stock. Both were sons of gal-lant officers of the British army. Lord Roberts is now 67 years old, and his army experience dates from his 20th when he was commissioned a lieutenant. Six years of varied experience in the service in India showed his qualities to his superiors and caused what he called "his wonderful piece of good fortune," an appointment on the staff of Gen. Chamberlain, commanding a flying column, when the mutiny of 1857 broke out. In his sphere he rose to the occasion, as his nation now expects to see him rise in the vastly greater sphere of work in South Africa. He was at Delhi and at Lucknow-in short, wherever there was fighting going on—and for personal gallantry in the rescue of a comrade he won the coveted Victoria Cross. which he still holds to be at the head

of all his honors. There were nine years of quiet for Roberts after the mutiny, then service as assistant quartermaster-general under Lord Napier in the Abyssinian expedition, and then there was more comparative quiet, until in 1878 the Afghan war came. Roberts, then a local major-general, was placed in command of an expeditionary force ordered to Kuran. It was his first independent command of any size, but he was again the man for the emergency. He found the Afghans at Pie-

"THE WHITE WAN'S BURDEN."

war Kotal intrenched on a precipitous mountain, 2,000 feet high, in a formidable position, the description of which makes the Tugela River position of the Boers seem petty. With 3,400 men he won a splendid victory.

Later there was more trouble in Afghanistan, and then it was that Gen. Roberts made the march to the relief of Candahar, one of the finest incidents in military history. Starting from Kabut with 10,000 picked men, he disappeared in the wilderness for a 300-mile march, while the whole world waited. Three weeks later he emerged from the trackless region, his command unharmed by the Afghan armies and the safety of Candahar his reward. Since then he has been commander-in-Since then he has been commander-in-chief in Natal and in India, and of late

Kitchener is of the same mold as Roberts and has almost the equal confidence of the British people, though he is twenty years his junior. "The man of certainties," he has been nam-ed for the making of the long campaign in the Soudan without a single mistake. He, as well as Roberts, won his peerage by his victories. Sir Her-bert Horatio Kitchener, K.C.M.G., sirdar of Egypt, he was before his higher honor. His career has not all been in the army. After three years of a lieutenancy he went into civil service, but in 1882 he offered his services to the Egyptian army when there was a chance of active fighting. He has acquired a fine knowledge of Arabic, and he used it with splendid results in the army, for to him largely was in-trusted the reorganization of the Egyptian soldiery. He has splendid capacity for this, and brought the men up to the highest standard. Many battles and victories are credited to him in the wars in Egypt and in the Soudan in the 80's. Many times he risked his life in thrilling exploits. All that he did prepared him for his suc-cessful campaign of 1898, with the vic-tories of Omdurman and of Khartoum. Such are the records of Roberts and Kitchener, the men who have always been equal for the emergencies they have had to face. On their bravery and ability, their indomitable pluck and their skill England now depends.

# **DEADLY SNAKES**

Various Signs by Which Their Char acter May Be Recognized.

[Outing.] To distinguish between venomous and harmless snakes is easy in practice, but it is difficult to explain in words alone, as there is no one external characteristic which distinguishes them. It is rather a peculiar varying union of many separate marks that brands the dangerous reptile.

Generally speaking, all snakes may be divided into two great classes— those which have the head covered with numerous small scales, and those which have it covered with large, regularly fitted plates. Leaving out the elipidae and the poisonous sea of snakes, with which the hunter will have nothing to do, all snakes with small head scales move about by night, and those with large plates on the head by day, for the first have vertical pupils like a cat's, while those of the latter are generally circular in form. The long, active day snake, gliding about from bush to bush, or hurriedly taking refuge beneath some protruding rock or tree stump, is harmless. Even should he lie coiled in the sunshine he will flee from approaching danger. But a serpent nicely coiled in some secluded neok, which, instead of fleeing, gathers himself closer together, is most probof irregular cross-bars or whitish or dirty yellow and darker brown or blackish. This is the characteristic color of our most dangerous snakes the rattler, the copperhead and the

The following points embrace all the peculiarities of our American vipers, and the two last are especially noteworthy as the crowning proofs of

venom: (1) Moving about at dusk or by night, generally on the ground, and very rarely ascending trees or bushes, (2) Seldem flying in alarm, but rather coiling for defense. (3) Colors generally subdued in tint, with a semblance of irregular cross-bars of lighter or darker shades. (4) Tail short, body stout, neck thin, head flat and very broad, especially behind. (5) Scales keeled, i. e., each scale has a ridge down the middle, which gives the skin a rough appearance, like a rasp. (6) Head covered with small scales, sometimes larger over the eyes or nose. (7) Eyes with vertical pupils like a cat's. (8) Two pits, or holes, between the eyes and nose, suggesting four nostrils. (9) Two long, curved, perforated fangs in the upper jaw, just in front of the eye, one on either side, and so hinged that they lie backward, hidden from view in a membraneous sheath, but erectile

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# NO GREAT MEN

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The New York World asked the question "Have we any great men in America?" There has been a flood of

replies. One writer says: It appears now that we have great living Americans-not one, except perhaps Dewey.
The letters which have been printed in the World on this subject have men-

tioned as our orators only Bryan, Schurz and Bourke Cockran. Of these Schurz is a foreigner, and Bryan, though a great stumper, is not a great orator. This leaves us Bourke Cockran as our sole orator, with Schurz, if

The historians Fiske and McMaster have been named. Fiske is an eminent scholar, McMaster a diligent compel-

Nobody has suggested that we have any great military genius, except Roosevelt, who prior to his week's actual experience in Cuba recognized his inability to command a regiment. Nobody has suggested any great statesmen except ex-Speaker Reed, and his claim would not be universally ad-

Not one poet has been suggested; not one theologian or scientist or great preacher. In fiction we are asked to believe that Bret Harte, Howell, James and Stockton are great. This is ab-

We have great inventors, great captains of industry, great organizers of labor, great speculators, money-makers, plutocrats and political bosses, Apart from the splendid evidence of press the gratitude I feel at being but my questions were limited to the possession of greatness in the higher intellectual departments of human en-deavor, to the fields of imagination and fancy and art and learning and and lancy and art and learning and law and religion and statesmanship and the sway of the actions of great masses of the people by other than money-grabbing influences. If our greatness is limited solely to the success replicated in heaving up millions cess achieved in heaping up millions by our modern plutocrats, I should say we were in a bad way.

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# OUR SHORT STORY

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Students of arithmetic will gather, exceedingly well on it.

Both Ernest Charwell and Anna his

wife respected themselves vastly. Were they not of the professional class? Appearances were studied and extravagant living was avoided. Mrs. Charwell did not confine herself to being well did not confine nersen to be served and repretty—she was also clever and repretty—she was also clever and respectful. She performed the difficult said, 'Don't make another,' as he did to poor Rogers, I should lose my head feat of getting the maximum of work to poor Rogers, I should lose my head feat of getting the maximum and at altogether. My nerve would go. If out of a little general servant, and at altogether. My nerve would go. I should miss the post, or do something ly attached to her. In cookery she was ghastly like that, and get the sack that ly attached to her. In cookery she was ly attached to her. In cookery she was great—and confessed it. She could make cold mutton (New Zealand) do make cold mutton (New Zealand) do He stares at you and sacks you. Oh, anything except speak. Day after day he's awful!" it leaped out at Ernest Charwell in a different disguise, baffled him, and delighted him. Nor was it only in cookery that her power of transformation lay. When the frock coat and gray trousers of Ernest Charwell were no longer of an appearance consistent the dignity of the professional classes, he left for a few days that particular suit in her hands. It came back from them with every frayed edge mended-if that could be called mending which bore all the appearance of tual renewal-with every shiny patch and spot vanished, with the general tone of the buttons completely restored, and with a crease that looked almost

aggressive. It was a miracle, and amelt rather strongly of benzine. Ernest Charwell himself did what he shortly after his marriage he ent. made the discovery (which had eluded him for years) that beer is "heating to the blood." After that it was water on the blood when the blood with the expect, and the blood with the expect, and the blood with the expect, and the blood with the blood with the expect, and the blood with the blood with the blood with the expect, and the blood with the bloo week-days and beer on Sundays; mind, there were always a few bottles of port in the cupboard under the stairs, which Ernest called the celiar, and it only needed a strong stimulus (Christmas Day or their wedding anniversary, or a combination of a birthday and a visitor), to bring one of those bottles out. Further resources showed Ernest that a tobacco cheaper by one penny an ounce than that which he had been in the habit of smoking, was, as a matter of fact, infinitely better in aroma, and that the pipe became more enjoyable if one did not—except on Sundays smoke till after supper; also that the exercise of walking back from Chal-smith's big house in Hill street to the Charwells' small house in Putney was (quite apart from the saving of a 'bus

fare) beneficial to the health. Yes, with a little management and economy, the Charwells did very well on their £185. Their house, St. Josephine's (alias 21 Braddon street), was undeniably the smartest in the row, and the cleanest. Its curtains had a style; its window-boxes were of an elegance: the brass knocker and doorhandle were perfect mirrors.

Cora, beautifully dressed, attended the arademy of the Misses Salt, and the charges of the Misses Salt are, it is said, in Braddon street, pretty stiff; not that I would imply that those amiable instructresses were in any way grasping-it was only a desire to keep the thing select. And the Charwells were not without the means for a little pleasure and holiday-making. They took a full fortnight at the seaside every year, choosing Birchington for its quiet, and neglecting Margate for its vulgarity. They had a great interest in the drama, and occasionally saw a popular success from the pit, or an absolute failure from some more glor-ious part of the house. In the latter case there were free passes to be obtained, if you knew a man whose friend had a cousin with influence, and Ernest Charwell knew that man. On whole, the Charwells were a remarkably happy and contented family. They were not, however, without their anxieties. Ernest Charwell meekly owned that if he ever lost his berth with the great Chalsmith he would never get such a post again; indeed, it might be long before he got any post at all, for secretaries of Charwell's attainments are common and very cheap. He would not lose it through in-



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"He's an awful man," said Ernest Charwell. "I remember the case of Rogers. He blundered in copying an address from the book, and a letter went wrong. Old Chalsmith called him in and said as pleasant as could be: 'That's a mistake, Rogers. Don' make another.' Rogers said he would not, and thought he'd got off cheaply. Six months later Rogers used a wrong code word in a business telegram. 'Go,' said Chalsmith. 'Your money will be then, that the total annual income of the Charwells was £185 per annum. It may be added that the Charwells did over all hot and cold. What happened to him might happen to me. Nobody could be steadier or more careful than

Rogers was." "Well," said Mrs. Charwell, "you've been with him two years, and you haven't made one mistake yet." "No," said Ernest, "I haven't, but if I ever did, and he called me in and

very day. He doesn't storm or swear. "It's a funny thing," said Mrs. Charwell. "for he's generous, too."
"Yes, but it's all in the same kind
of cast iron way, my dear. If it's your

first Christmas in his service he gives you a fowl. If it's the second, a turkey. If it's the third, a sovereign. The fourth brings you two sovereigns, and the fifth a five-pound note." "And after that?"
"He's never had a secretary that's

lasted more than five years. Jameson will get a fiver this Christmas, and he says he regards it as a kind of deathwarrant. You know, Jameson's made one mistake. It's the same way with the old man's Christmas boxes to heads of departments down at the works-all graduated like a thermometer; longer the service the bigger the pres-

you always know what to expect, and that's something."

"But you don't," said Ernest mourn-"In some things he's as regular as a clock, and in others he's all any-For weeks he hasn't said to me a word beyond what was necessary, and this afternoon, in the middle dictating a letter, he started out-what do you think?"
"I'm sure I don't know."

"About his will. 'I've made a new will,' he said. I didn't know what to say. I said 'Oh?' 'Yes,' he said; 'and in case you or Jameson want to murder me, it only seems fair to tell you that my death will only benefit you after you have completed nine years of service. Of course you can murder me before that if you like, but from the point of view of your own pocket it would be a mistake.

'Why, he was joking with you!" "He may have been," said Ernest, still plaintive; "but he didn't smile. For my part, I like a man to laugh when he makes a joke. Then you can't be in any doubt. But that's just part

of his awfulness." "However, Ernest Charwell, though not brilliant, was remarkably accurate and painstaking. What he could do quite right on Monday he could do just as rightly on the other days of week, which alone shows that he was not a man of genius. When Christmas came around his record was still quite unspoiled. During his last morning's work it pleased the great Charles Chalsmith once more to become con-versational. Ernest Charwell had just finished checking the long list of Christmas presents that his employer

Chalsmith's face was inscrutable. It was old, thin, full of character, slightly cynical in expression, but it never told anybody anything which Chalsmith did not want known. Charwell watched it earnestly, but never obtained from it the least hint as to what he was expected to say.

Chalsmith pushed the list from him. "That's all right," he said. "And how many presents do you think I received myself last Christmas?" 'Can't say, I'm sure, sir. Hundreds,

perhaps thousands." "Not one, Charwell, not one. much as a halfpenny card." "You surprise me, sir. With so many

friends-relatives, too-"I've got no relatives left now that regard in that light. I've a host of cousins, nephews and nieces, and a brother that I personally dislike. Yes, they used to send me presents once. Friedns used to send 'em, too. But I stopped it."

"Stopped it?" Ground bait's no good with this fish. I told 'em so. They weren't presents—only investments. And that's all a millionaire can expect. Not one of em-friends or relatives-will ever dare to try that trick with me again. A present to me is a piece of imperti-It's the same thing as a begging letter. By the way, how do we stand with those this morning?"

"Fifteen appeals from organized charities, thirty-six from individuals." "Beautiful season, Christmas! There, go on with your work. Send 'em all the printed refusal."

That night, while Cora was busy with the dispatch of her Christmas cards, and Mrs. Charwell was putting the last touches to the Christmas decorations at St. Josephine's, Braddon street, Putney, Ernest observed with some mystery and importance that he knew of one man in London, a rich man, with plenty of friends, and relations, who would not receive a single present, not even a Christmas card. "What, you don't mean Mr. Chal-

smith?" exclaimed his wife.
"I mean him and no other." All this the child Cora heard and understood. She heard, but did not understand the explanation which fol-

here was a poor wretch who was going to have nothing at this Christmas. Nothing, nothing, nothing! The

thought of it was agonizing.

Now Cora had a heart as soft as snow. She also had a girlish, innocent love of romance and secrecy. And when she went out to post her letters in the pillar-box at the corner of Braddon street, there was among them one in a pink envelope with a blue forget-me-not on the flap, addressed in a neat, round hand, "Mr. Chalsmith, Hill street W."

Her parents knew nothing of it. In their ignorance they enjoyed their Christmas very much. Uncle Herbert joined them at dinner, bringing with him presents of remarkable magnificence. Cora entertained a select party of her schoolfellows in the course of the afternoon. Chestnuts were roasted, games were played, dances were danced. Uncle Herbert increased his reputation as an amateur conjurer. Mrs. Charwell played on the tinkling little piano. Ernest beamed impartially on everybody, like the sun,

CHAPTER II.

The four days of Christmas holidays allowed to Ernest Charwell had gone. Hardly had he arrived on the fifth day at Hill street when he was summoned to Mr. Chalsmith's room. 'Read that," said Chalsmith, short-

Charwell recognized the handwriting and the pink notepaper, though he could hardly believe his eyes. The note ran as follows:
"Dear Mr. Chalsmith,—I heard pa

tell ma you never have anything at Christmas. I am very sorry for you. This is only a card, but I hope you will like it. Wishing you a merry Christmas, I am, yours affectionately, Cora

The card, with a colored representation of a Japanese fan and a bunch of roses, and a verse of poetry, lay on the table. "I presume it's to one of your chil-

dren that I owe this piece of imper-

tinence," Mr. Chalsmith said, glaring at his wretched secretary.
"I'm afraid it's my little girl," he said. "I've only one child, sir. If I'd known she was going to do it I'd have stopped it. Not that she meant any harm, for she's a good girl; but she doesn't understand the difference in position, and only partially overhear-

ing what I was saying, I suppose— Well, I'll speak very seriously to her about it.' "No, you won't," said Chalsmith namply. "I'll speak to her myself. sharply. "I'll speak to her myself. Write a note to your wife to say that the child's to come here at once. The four-wheeler that takes the note can bring back the child. And-look here; let me see that letter before it's sent Say no more in it than what I've told

The note was written and approved. The carriage was sent of, and, in due course returned with the wonder-stricken Cora. She was much impressed with the appearance of the dignified gentleman who opened the door for her, with the great width of the staircase, the softness of the carpets, and the big oil paintings with their heavy gilt frames. But the tall, lean old man in the room into which she was shown impressed her much

While the interview between Cora and Mr. Chalsmith was taking place, Ernest Charwell made superhuman efforts. In describing it afterward, he said that he felt if he let himself go nt."

for one moment he would lose his head and make two mistakes which

centrate his mind on the work on which he was engaged. The only difference was that he worked more slowly than usual, checking himself at every step. At last Cora departed in another carriage, without having seen her father, and Ernest Charwell was once more summoned to the great man's room. The great man's face was as in-

scrutable as ever. He merely repeated the accustomed phrase, "Take down." And Charwell took down in shorthand from his employer's dictation, fourteen business letters which were of considerable importance, but had nothing whatever to do with Cora, or with Christmas cards. Then Mr. Chalsmith said that he wanted those letters as soon as possible, and that concluded Ernest Charwell did not see his em-

ployer again until the end of the day, and then he could bear the suspense no longer, and ventured to broach the subject. "I beg your pardon, sir," but I'm a good deal worried about that card.

Chalsmith said nothing. "I do hope you won't take it as mistake on my part." Then Chalsmith spoke.

"I have seen the child and I am pleased with her. That card was a genuine present, and I value it. Genuine, mind you-the only piece of genuine kindness that I've received for many a year. I had thought the child might have had a hint from your wife, but I was wrong. She did it off her own bat, and I'm-I'm very "That's a weight off my mind. Very

kind of you, I'm sure. So far Charles Chalsmith had said exactly what he meant, but though he still spoke with apparent seriousness, a very careful observer might have detected a very slight humorous twinkle somewhere in the back of his eye. "Well," said Chalsmith, "I've come to a decision. In one way, I suppose you will consider it a loss, but from the pecuniary point of view it will be an important gain. I intend to adopt your child. I shall take her away and—"

"I'm hanged if you will!" exclaimed the child's father, forgetting for one moment that he was also the great man's secretary. His face was crimson, his eyes started out of his head. his foot stamped, his fists were clenched, his general appearance was ridiculous; and in the heat of his passion he was quite unconscious what extremely strong, improper and disre-spectful language he had used to his employer, and of what the awful con-

sequences might be.
The immediate consequences, though hardly awful, were remarkable. the first and only time in his life Charwell saw the great man laugh. He laughed heartily, explosively, and made the queerest possible noises, as if the laughing machinery had got rusty and did not work quite smoothly. Charwell stared at him aghast, with a strong impression that Mr. Chal-smith had gone clean off his mind. "Don't fret yourself, Charwell. I

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flowed. The idea left in her mind that here was a poor wretch who was going to have nothing at this Christmas. Nothing, nothing, nothing. The thought of it was agonizing.

Now Cora had a heart as soft as heart in the lange of been joking with him.
"I see, sir. Sorry if I

"Don't apologize, I'm glad to see that you can wake up, if one only goes deep enough. I'll tell you something. Charwell. I choose to be treated with respect, but I neither like nor trust the man whom pothing or earth can the man whom nothing on earth can make let himself go. Supposing my proposal had been serious, as you thought it was, your answer was the proper one. You're all right, your child's all right, and everything's all

right. Charwell left Hill street with his head in a whirl. He had been assured that everything was all right, but he exceedingly anxious to what had taken place at that interview between the great man and Cora. He even had the wicked and extravagant thought that he would get home quicker if he took a handsom, but he conquered it, and contented himself

with the Putney omnibus,
It was Cora's opinion that Mr. Chalsmith was not an awful man at all. He asked no end of questions, and he didn't seem very cheerful part of the time, but she couldn't understand anybody's being afraid of him. Why, he said that card was beautiful, and that it was good of her to have thought of him, and when she went away he kissed her.

Asked what she meant about his not being very cheerful part of the time, she said that was when he talked about another Cora who had died long ago. "He said a lot of things about her that weren't very interesting to me, because, of course, I didn't know her. I think he was very fond of her. Then he said something in some foreign language that I didn't understand, and I thought he was go-

ing to cry. Charwell would have been less surprised if she had told him that she had thought his employer was going to fly. But, after all, Chalsmith had laughed -that very afternoon he had laughed most distinctly and without reserve. Other emotions might be possible to

him. Further inquiries revealed that on her departure the great Chalsmith himself had come downstairs with her, put her into a cab, paid the man, and taken his number by way of precaution. Cora had never luxuriated in four-wheelers in this reckless way before, and was rather proud of her ex-

When she had gone to bed, Mrs. Charwell asked her husband who this other Cora could have been.
"Can't say," said Ernest. "Rogers once told me that Chalsmith had been a widower for the last twenty years. May have been his wife

"Anyhow," said Mrs. Charwell,
"what I think is, that he'll die and
leave our Cora all his money." "I don't," said Ernest. And he was perfectly correct.

But on New Year's Day Cora received the following letter:

"My Dear Miss Charwell: My taste in New Year's cards is not very good, and the inclosed, which I send with my best wishes, is remarkably simple in design. But I think if you write your name on the back of it, and give it to your father to take care of, it one day be of use to you. 'Yours respectfully, "CHARLES CHALSMITH."

The inclosed was a check to the order of Miss Cora Charwell for one hundred guineas. And St. Josephine's, alias 21 Braddon street, Putney, S. W., nearly went made with delight.

Years have passe longer a secretary. Mr. E. M. Sales, in a position of considerable trust at the works of St. Albans, had large sums of Mr. Chalsmith's money passing through his hands, and permitted about two per cent of it to stick there. Therefore Mr. E. M. Sales is at presen working very hard, and wearing his hair very short, and not enjoying himself at all. Ernest Charwell reigns in his place, and a very good place it it—£400 a year, and a house, and a raise every two years. And as he is still very accurate and transparently honest, he is likely to retain his posi-When Mr. Chaismith visits the tion. works he does not omit to inquire for

Cora, by the way, has grown remarkably pretty, and has been very nicely brought up, and is as kindhearted as ever. And the young men of her neighborhood are not blind.— Saturday Evening Post.

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[By Eva Eickemeyer Rowland.] Humpty, dumpty, dickery dan, Sing hey, sing ho, for the gingerbread With his smile so sweet, and his form

And his gingerbread shoes on his gingenbread feet. His eyes are two currants so round

so neat.

eat.

and black; baked in a pan lying flat on his He comes from the oven so glossy and brown,

The loveliest gingerbread man in town!

And why is his gingerbread smile so sweet? And why is his gingerbread form so neat? And why has he shoes on his gingerbread feet? Because—he is made for Teddy to

> The Tale of Two Tails. [By Mary H. Wilson.]

"Taddypole and Pollywog Lived together in a bog. Here you see the very pool Where they went to swimming-school.

"By and by-'tis true, though strange O'er them came a wondrous change: Here you see them on a log, Each a most decided Frog. "Mother's Portfolio."

The little pond behind the machineshop was full of tadpoles—wee fellows, all head and tail. Jolliest of these were Taddypole and Pollywog, two little cousins, who spent their time in countless swimming-matches or games hide-and-seek among the stones which

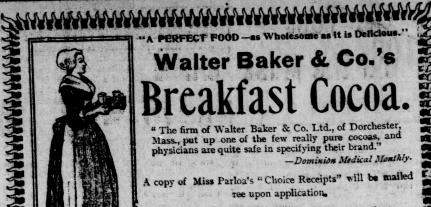
bordered the pond.

Barefooted boys and girls peeped over the edge of the water to watch the tadpoles darting hither and thither, then with merry shouts returned to their own play.

Taddy's and Pollie's round eyes watched them curiously. Sometimes when the land-bables waded in the shallow water these tiny water-babies played fearlessly around their feet,

frog over them. So they passed their merry days, and when the twilight came, Taddy and Pollie were ready to listen to the band concert. This, unfortunately, was giv-en on land, so the little tadpoles could not be present; but from the water

nibbling their toes, or playing leap-



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they could catch glimpses of Father Frog booming away on his big bass drum, and hear the sweet chirping chorus of the tiny frog violinists in the marsh near by.
"Oh, Pollie," cried Tadpole, "if we

could only go to the concert! Why I'd be willing to give up hide-and-seek for a week just to get a little nearer to the music. "I know," replied Pollywog, gloomily.

"I want to go myself, the very wors way. There's no use wishing, though, we have no clothes that would be suitable. Only green silk dress suits with polka dots are worn this year. Besides, we can't stand it out of the water. It's too warm, or something, I don't know just what, but I always feel half smothered, if I try."

"Besides," reflected Taddy, haven't been invited. Only musicians are asked, and we can't sing, you Splash! Ker-chunk! Father Frog

hopped into the water, and then out again on a broad stone, where he began thundering a basso solo,

"Come along, come along, Come along!"

"Oh, how we wish we could!" cried the little tadpoles, feeling that this was a personal invitation. They swam as close as possible to the stone, and gazed admiringly at the great singer. "Could what?" rumbled Father Frog.

"Wish we could go to the concert. "Ker-chug!" answered Father Frog. It sounded very much like a hoarse chuckle. "Why don't you go?"

"No invitation." "No dress suit." "Can't breathe out of the water." The tadpoles' voices were very mournful as they gave their reasons "I invite you," said Father Frog, "to the July concert three weeks from today. Your dress suits will be ready, and as for breathing, it's all practice. Would you believe it?" he said in a hoarse whisper; "I couldn't stay out of the water very well myself at one time, but I practiced breathing every day, until now it is the easiest thing the world. But speaking of practice making perfect reminds me I must

rehearse my song for the concert: "Come along, come along, Come along!'

"Let's go down in the sand," whis-pered Pollie. "I can always think better down there; and really, this is all so surprising I must think it over. Oh, Taddy, do you think we could truly Taddy whisked his tail and dived

down without answering, feeling this to be too much of a problem for a tadpole to decide. "It's very strange," said Taddy few days after. "It certainly seems as

if we were getting legs. What use have tadpoles for them? We only need our strong tails for swimming. "Taddy," cried Pollie," "there's some-ning still stranger. Our tails are thing still stranger. shrinking. If they don't stop, they will disappear, and then what could we

"Grr-um, grr-um!" sounded Father Frog's hoarse voice, "Getting ready for the concert, I see! Well, when you lose those ridiculous tails you will look

much better." "Lose them!" exclaimed the tadpoles; "and what do you think we could do without them?" But Father

Frog had disappeared, leaving only the echo of his "Come along." "I feel as if something strange were about to happen," said Pollie.

tired of tag and hide-and-seek; let's think of some new game." "We might practice breathing, as Father Frog advised," suggested Tad-

"Let's go to the top of the water and see who can keep his head out the longer.' This new game interested the tadpoles very much, and in a week's time they began to really enjoy the air.

"I can stay out a long while now, "and announced Taddy, triumphantly, "and since my front legs appeared I can jump quite high." "Our tails are quite gone," said Pollie, 'and I don't know but it is an im-

provement. I think I like legs better than tails and hopping is much more fun than swimming. Some day I mean to hop up on that wet stone where Father Frog sits so often. Wouldn't he be surprised to see me there?"
"What fun!" exclaimed Taddy. "Try it now. There, you did it! Oh, Pollie, how fine you look! Do you like it out there? I'm coming, too! Hurrah! "Ho, ho!" chuckled Father F

from the bank. "Are you ready for the concert, little frogs?" Taddy and Pollie looked at each other

in astonishment. "Are we frogs?" they cried.

"Why, yes." "Oh, Taddy, and you have your green suit!'

"So have you, Pollie!" "Why, I wouldn't be surprised at anything now, not even if we could sing. Let's try," and both little frogs lifted up their voices and sang:

"Che-weep, Che-weep, Che-weep." They looked so droll and sang with such a funny chirp that Father Frog fell off the bank, splash into the water, with laughter.

Taddy and Pollie didn't mind this

in the least, for they were sure that 'Che-weep" was the most beautiful song in the world. And this is the way Taddypole and Pollywog lost their tails and gained their voices in time for the July concert.-The Outlook.

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A Romance.

CHAPTER I.

any belle of today, the other, which rested lightly on his sword hilt, flashed with a splendid cpal splendidly set. He was a handsome fellow, too, with fair waving hair (for he had the good taste to discard the ugly wigs then in vogue), dark, bright, handsome eyes, a thick blonde mustache, a tall and remarkably graceful figure, and The plague raged in the city of ondon. The destroying angel had one forth, and kindled with its fiery gone forth, and kindled with its fiery breath the awful pestilence, until all London became one mighty lazar-house. Thousands were swept away daily; grass grew in the streets, and and remarkably graceful figure, and an expression of countenance wherein the living were scarce able to bury the dead. Business of all kinds was at an end, except that of the coffin-makers and drivers of the pest-carts. Whole streets were shut up, and almost every other house in the city bore the fatal red cross, and the ominous insoription: "Lord, have mercy on us." Few people, save the watch-men, armed with halberds, keeping guard over the stricken houses, appeared in the streets; and those who ventured there shrank from each other and passed rapidly on with averted faces. Many even fell dead on the sidewalks, and lay with their ghastly, upturned to the discolored faces upturned to the mooking sunlight, until the dead-cart came rattling along, and the drivers hoisted the body with their pitchforks on the top of their dreadful load. Few other vehicles besides these dead-carts appeared in the city now; and they plied their trade busily, day and hight; and the cry of the drivers echood dismally through the deserted streets: "Bring out your dead! Bring out your dead!" All who could do so had long ago fied from the devoted city, and London lay under the burning neat of the June sunshine, stricken for its sins by the hand of God. The pest-houses were full, so were the plague-pits, where the dead were buried in cartfuls; and no one knew who rose up in health in the morning but that they might be lying stark and dead in B few hours. The very churches were forsaken; their pastors fled or lying in the plague-pits; and it was even re-solved to convert the great cathedral of St. Paul into a vast plague hos-

London together.

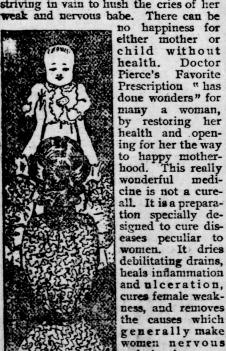
Yet in the midst of all this, many seenes of wild orgies and debauchery still went on within its gates—as, in our own day, when the cholera ravaged Paris, the inhabitants of that facetious cfty made it a carnival, so now, in London, there were many who, feeling that they had but a few days to ing that they had but a few days to live at the most, resolved to defy death and indulge in the revelry while they yet existed. "Eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow you die," was their motto; and if in the midst of the frantic dance or debauched revel one of them dropped dead, the others only shrieked with laughter, hurled the livid body out to the street, and the demoniac mirth grew twice as fast and furious as before. Robbers and cutpurses paraded the streets at noon-day, entered boldly closed and deserted houses, and bore off with impunity whatever they pleased. Highwaymen infested Hounslow Health, and all the roads leading from the city, levying a toll on all who passed, and plundering fearlessly the flying citizens. In fact, far-famed London town, in the year of grace 1665, would have given one a good idea of pandemonium broken

pital. Cries and lamentations echoed

from one end of the city to the other, and Death and Charles reigned over

It was drawing to the close of an almost tropics June day crowd who had thronged the precincts of St. Paul's since early morning be-The sun, that had throbbed the livelong day like a great heart of fire in a sea of brass, was sinking from sight in clouds of crimson, purple and gold, yet Paul's Walk was crowded. There were court gallants in ruffles and plumes; balladsingers chanting the not over-delicate ditties of the Earl of Rochester; usurers exchanging gold for bonds worth three times what they gave for them; quack doctors reading in dolorous tones the bills of mortality of the preceding day, and selling plague-waters and anti-pestilential abominations, whose merit they boldly extolled; ladies too, richly dressed, and many of them masked; and booksellers who always made St Paul's a favorite haunt, and even to this day patronize its precincts, and flourish in the regions of Paternos-ter Row and Ave Maria Lane; court pages in rich liveries, pert and flippant; erving-men out of place, and pickpockets with a keen eye to business; all clashed and jostled together, raising din to which the Plain of Shinar, with its confusion of tongues and Babylonian workmen, weer as nothing. Moving serenly through this discordant sea of his fellow-creatures came a young man booted and spurred, whose rich doublet of cherry colored velvet, edged and spangled with gold, and jaunty hat set slightly on one side of

Frolicking with her baby makes one of the prettiest spectacles ever seen in the home. But nothing is sadder to see than the unhappy mother, weak and nervous, striving in vain to hush the cries of her



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the causes which generally make women nervous and sleepless. There is no alco-

hol in "Favorite Prescription" and it contains no opium, cocaine or other

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# his head, with its long black plume and diamend clasp, proclaimed him to be somebody. A profusion of snowy shirt frill rushed impetuously out of his doublet; a black velter cleak, lined with profuses on the contract of the with amber satin, fell picturesquely from his shoulders; a sword with a jeweled hilt clanked on the pavement

as he walked. One hand was covered with a gauntlet of canary colored kid, perfumed to a degree that would shame

easy good nature and fiery impetuosity had a hard struggle for mastery. That he was a courtier of rank was

apparent from his rich attire and

rather aristocratic bearing, and a crowd of hangers-on followed him as

he went, loudly demanding spur mon-ey. A group of trimbrel-girls, singing

shrilly the songs of the day, called

boldly to him as he passed; and one of them, more free and easy than the

rest, danced up to him, striking her

timbrel and shouting rather than sing-

ing the chorus of the then popular

The darling in question turned his

bright blue eyes on that dashing street singer with a cool glance of recogni-

"Very sorry, Nell," he said, in

nonchalant tone, "but I'm afraid I

must. How long have you been here,

"Not exactly. Have you seen—ah! there he is. The very man I want."

dropped a gold piece into the girl's ex-

tended palm, and pushed on through the crowd up Paul's Walk. A tall, dark

figure was leaning moodily with fold-

ed arms, looking fixedly at the ground

and taking no notice of the busy scene

around him until Sir Norman laid his

ungloved and jeweled hand lightly on

"Good morning, Ormiston. I had an

idea I would find you here, and-but

what's the matter with you, man? Have you got the plague? or has your

mysterious inamorata jilted you? or

what other annoyance has happened

to make you look as woe'begone or old

King Lear, sent adrift by his tender

daughters to take care of himself?"
The individual addressed lifted his

head, disclosing a dark and rather

'Ah, it's you, Sir Norman! I had

"And you are still as much in love

with her as ever, I dare swear. 1

have no doubt, now, it was of her you

were thinking when I came up. Noth

ing else could ever have made you look

so dismally woebegone as you did,

when Providence sent me to your re-

"I was thinking of her," said the

young man moodily, and with a dark-

Sir Norman favored him with a half-

amused, half-contemptuous, stare for

a moment; then stopped at a huckster's

stall to purchase some cigarettes; lit

one, and after smoking for a few min-

utes, pleasantly remarked, as if the

fact had just struck htm:
"Ormiston, you're a fool!"
"I know it," said Ormiston, senten-

"The idea." said Sir Norman, knock-

cigarette with the tip of his little fin-ger; "the idea of falling in love with

a woman whose face you have never

seen! I can understand a man's go-

ing to any absurd extreme when he

falls in love in proper Christian fash-

ion, with a proper Christian face; but

to go stark, staring mad, as you have

done, my dear fellow, about a black

loo mask, why-I consider that a little

too much of a good thing! Come, let

Nodding easily to his numerous ac-

for a moment to gaze at the gorgeous

houses; but in every street they pass-

ed through they noticed huge piles of

wood and coal heaped down the cen-

ter. Smoking zealously they had walk-

ed on for a season in silence, when

Omiston ceased puffing for a moment to inquire:

"What are all these for? This is a

strange time, I should imagine, for

"They're not bonfires," said Sir Nor-

fuller of that masked Witch of Endor

than common sense (for I believe she is nothing better than a witch), you

ford mayor of London has been in-

spired suddenly with a notion that if

once in the streets, it will purify the

air and check the pestilence; so, when

all these piles are to be fired. It will

be a glorious illumination, no doubt;

but as to its stopping the progress of

it would last for many months yet; and

I have no doubt. And as I have no

ambition to be hurled headlong into

one of those horrible holes, I shall leave town altogether in a few days. And,

Ormiston, I would strongly recommend

you to follow my example."
"Not I," said Ormiston, in a tone

"So be it. I don't fear the plague

[To be Continued]

Again Sir Norman stared.

Paul's tolls the hour of midnight,

thousand fires are kindled at

could not have helped knowing.

several

was about to quit this confounded

doesn't know what sleep means."

With which Sir Norman Kingsley

"A full hour by St. Paul's; and where

may I ask?'

his shoulder.

questioner was.

ening brow.

us go.

What has detained you?"

"What care I for pest or plague?

Kiss me, darling-stay with me;

We can die but once, God wot.

About Hanging Curtains.

Do not hang your thin curtains from large poles. Instead, run a hem and slip a brass rod through it.

A pretty arrangement for a baywindow is to hang the two curtains at either side, then run a fancy pole or drape a third curtain (perhaps it will | require two) over this bar by passing it over, and under, and over, artificially arranging the loops and fastening them where not seen with strong cord, to keep in place.

At either end cord and tassels may be used ornamentally, or if the drap-ery is of lace, ribbons are used as a finish.

A pretty finish for the tops of cur tains of thin materials, say of lace or casement muslin, is the lambrequin which you can easily make yourself from the pretty fabrics that come in-expensively called India muslins. They come in colored figures and stripes all sorts of fanciful designs on white grounds. You can readily cut a piece the length you wish it, and make a ruffling or fluting at the top by running in a cord through the hem, and tacking it to the casement at the top, drape it according to you taste in the

A ribbon matching one of the colors in the mustin passed up through the fluting and tied in a handsome bow at within about a foot of either side of the casing drapes the muslin into lam-"A full hour by St. Paul's, and has Sir Norman Kingsley been, may I with the tiny silken ball fringe may be purchased at a few cents per yard.

The Science of Marketing.

A woman who knows how to provide good and wholesome food for her family without going outside the limits even of a small income, is saving, or, at least, prolonging the lives of her

husband and children.

The wisdom necessary to direct the complex organizations of a home is less imperatively needed when the family pocketbook is ample. In that mistakes, extravagance, shortsightedness do not count. But, in the majority of homes, where the income is limited and the matron is the sole manager, the health and happiness of the family stand or fall by her act.

She must have brains, patience and practical judgment. She must know handsome face, settled now into a look of gloomy discontent. He slightly what to buy, when and in how great raised his hat when he saw who his quantity. And if she is really anxious to purvey properly the following condensed information, given by Mrs. Mary Graham in the Cosmopolitan Magiven up all notion of your coming, and was about to quit this counfounded gazine, will be found helpful.

The most nutritious meats-and this point should always be considered-"I was on duty at Whitehall. Are are filet of beef, porterhouse steak, Delmonico steak, lamb chops, roast lamb, we not in time to keep our appointgame and poultry. Likewise very nourishing are salmon, eggs, cream, milk, "Oh, certainly. La Masque is at beans, peas, onions, rice, corn, cauli-flower, spinach, lettuce, celery and ashome to visitors at all hours, day and I believe in my soul she paragus.

The most expensive foods are not always the most nourishing or desirable. For example, veal sweetbreads and lobsters afford little nourishment, and for the same reason, pork, kidneys, liver, corned and smoked beef should have a small place in the economical woman's bill of fare.

calities, forequarter of lamb is as cheap a meat as may be bought.

# A Dainty Bodice.

A stylish use of balby velvet ribbon is to edge it on one side with half-inch lace, weave into a lattice, with inchwide divisions, to form a bodice over a contrasting color. One done in red velvet ribbon and black lace over white silk is charming. ing the ashes daintily off the end of his

The Best Room.

ed with American women to reserve one of the whites of the eggs and a cup chamber in their homes to which any tired, nervous inmate might go to be alone and rest. It must have no other use than this, and be absolutely free from intrusion and noise. She suggested that it be furnished in soft browns—the color of the pine wood.

The Congregationalist describes an actual "rest-room" in an ordinary quaintances as he went, Sir Norman dwelling, "a cosy little den just large enough to hold two roomy old-fashion-paul's Walk, and out through the ed couches, and a big easy chair by great door of the cathedral, followed by his melancholdy friend. Pausing the window, through which is seen a slope of cool, green grass and trees. No ornaments, draperies, books or pictures are in the room to distract or suggest thought. Such a resort, absunset with a look of languid admiration, Sir Norman passed his arm through that of his friend, and they solutely apart from ordinary uses," says the Congregationalist, "would says the Congregationalist, walked on at rather a rapid pace in the save many a woman from nervous direction of Old London Bridge. There were few people abroad, except the prostration." watchmen walking slowly up and down before the plague-stricken

There are many homes in which such a retreat could be made. But it is doubtful whether the family, whose incessant selfish demands have driven the mother or the elder sister to the desperate need of such a retreat, would keep their demands out of it. Something more than a rest-room

## CUTTING CANCERS WON'T CURE

man; "at least they are not intended for that; and if your head was not They Frequently Come Back With Increased Severity After Being Removed by Operation.

The statistics of operations for Cancer show that fully eighty-five per cent of all cancers removed by the knife return, usually within a year after the operation is performed, and with rapidly fatal results. Such an appalling record of failure should be enough to make anyone who is suffering from this dread disease, hesitate ponder well his chances before

the pague, I am afraid that it is alto- submitting himself to the knife. gether too good to be true."

"Why should you dowbt it? The plague cannot last forever."

"No. But Lilly, the astrologer, who predicted its coming, also foretold that As Dr. Walsh, the eminent surgeon, aptly put it: "Excision of a cancerous tumor seems to awaken a dormant force and hasten a fatal termination." There is not a surgeon of prominence but recognizes that operation for cansince one prophecy has come true, I cer is a serious and at the same time see no reason why the other should unsatisfactory procedure. The new not." "Except the simple one that there would be nobody left alive to take it.
All London will be lying in the plague-pits by that time." duced to the cancer sufferers of Canada some years ago, has revolutionized the manner of dealing with this disease. We have superseded the cruelties of the knife and plaster by a pleasant "A pleasant prospect; but a true one, constitutional remedy that permeates every part of the system, removes the cause, strengthens and builds up the exhausted body, eases the pain, and day by day the cancer gradually subsides, the flesh round about takes on a healthier appearance and finally the disease spot disappears. We have many cases of cures that bear out of gloomy resolution. "While La Masque stays, so will I." these statements. We do not publish testimonials in the papers to satisfy idle curiosity, but if you are interested write us, inclosing two stamps, and we will send you a full "And perhaps die of the plague in a half so much as I do the thought of account of our treatment, and testi-mony of those who have been cured by it. Stott & Jury, Bowmanville, Ont.

> wend book to

with brown couches and a grassy out-look is needed to preserve the san-ity of the nervous American woman. In many a community she is carrying on just now work enough for three or four women—the work which God set her in her home; work in civic reform; art clubs; temperance, patriotic or ar-chaeological societies; whist tourna-ments; educational or social undertak-

ings.
"This one I do," St. Paul was content to say.

An old Christian Indian woman died in Wyoming not long since who had given her life against tremendous odds to the uplifting of her family. She had fought against heathenism, want and disease, yet it was said of her, bar across the top of the alcove, and face was a benediction and her voice

Our nervous white woman must en-deavor to build a rest-room in her life and her heart, or the one in her home will give her but partial relief

A Spoon Rack.

A spoon rack is desirable in any kitchen, and essential in one where a great deal of cooking is done. This is a sort of banner of tin with the lower edge curled up to form a tray to catch the dripping from the forks, spoons and skimmers of various sizes used to stir and test the food cooking on the range. The rack is permanently hung on one side of the range,

Pure Milk.

One of the most difficult of the problems confronting the sanitarian of the present day is that of the milk supply. Milk is perhaps the most fertile soil for the rapid multiplication of bac-teria that we have. Even if its ab-solute freedom from bacteria when put into the cans could be assured, it would almost certainly be filled with them before reaching the table of the consumer, or the bottle of the hand-fed

baby. The sources of contamination are innumerable. In the first place, the cans themselves, however carefully they have been washed out, are certain to have adherent to their sides forms of bacteria, which can be killed only by boiling the cans. This is seldom done. The water in which the cans are washed may also contain disease gernisof typhoid fever, for instance. These infect the milk.

Moreover, the hands of the milker may not be clean: the udder of the cow may be dirty or even diseased; and the air of the barn in which the milking is contains bacteria-laden dust done which infects the milk even before it touches the bottom of the pail.

But if all these sources of contamination are carefully avoided, there remains the cow herself. It is still disputed whether a tuberculosis cow, whose udder is healthy, will give milk containing tubercle bacilli; but other germs-some of them dangerous-have been proved to exist in milk even be-fore it has left the udder of the cow. Fortunately, all bacteria do not cause disease. Most of those existing naturally in milk are harmless. Still, there can be no question as to the ne-cessity of cleanliness in all dairy operations, beginning with the cow, the barn, and the milker, and ending with the receptacles in which milk is kept

in the home. Even this, as we have just seen, will not insure germ-free milk. That is something that can be done only by means of heating-either pasteurization or boiling; processes which, according to many authorities, render the milk less valuable as food. The question of pure milk is therefore a very perplexing one, but it is engaging the earnest attention of some of the in the world.

Orange Float.

Squeeze enough oranges to make half pint of juice. Strain them and throw away the pulp. Beat the yokes of four eggs, granulated sugar, the juice and the grated peel of a lemon. Now, pour the orange juice gradually upon the eggs and sugar, mix thoroughly, and put into a saucepan over a gentle fire. Wait until the boiling point is reached, then move immedi-Wait until the boiling ately. Pour into a glass bowl and set aside to get very cold. When ready to Mrs. Helen Campbell recently plead- send to the table make a meringue of powdered sugar, heap it upon the yellow custard and serve.

## 00000000000000 The Poets.

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Gaffer Time.

Oh, who has seen gray Gaffer Time Along this broad highway pass by? Will no one speak, will no one say, Of all this noble company?

Youth, have you seen gray Gaffer Time? "Nay," answered gay-heart youth;
"Not I! Though I be fleet, he tops the hill. And speeds afar ere I draw nigh."

hast thou seen gray Gaffer Time? "Nay," halting Age replied; "not I! Though I have laid him many a snare, He slips through every mesh I try,"

Joy, hast thou seen gray Gaffer Time? "Nay," answered smiling Joy, "not I!
Why should I care to look for one Who makes a mockery of my cry?"

Sorrow, hast thou seen Gaffer Time? "Nay," glooming Sorrow quoth,
"not I! Still he evades my questing step, Albeit our paths together lie."

Love, hast thou seen gray Gaffer Time? "Nay," white-browed Love replied, 'not I!

Though I have begged him show his Yet he vouchsafes me no reply." Death, hast thou seen gray Gaffer

Time? ay," answered quiet Death; Why should I tryst with such as he, Who is of those that do not die?"

Then none has seen gray Gaffer Time Of all so wise a company; And I who seek him up and down, Alas! alas! what chance have I? -Clinton Scollard.

A Tale of the Airly Days. Oh tell me a tale of the airly days-

Of the times as they ust to be;
"Piller of Fire," and "Shakespeare's
Plays," Is a'most too deep fer me! want plain facts, and I want plain

Of the good old-fashioned ways, When speech ran free as the songs of 'Way back in the airly days

Tell me a tale of the timber-lands, And the old-time pioneers-Somepin' a pore man understands With his feelin's, as well as ears; Tell of the old log-house—about The loft and the puncheon floorWrite for Samples and Price Lists (sent post free) and save fifty per cent

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three; And the clock and the old bureau. Then blow the horn at the old back-

door Till the echoes all halloo, And the children gather home onc't more.

Jest as they ust to do; Blow fer Pap till he hears and comes, With Tomps and Elias, too, A marchin' home, with the fife and drums.

And the old Red, White and Blue! Blow and blow-till the sound draps

As the moan of the whipperwill, And wake up Mother, and Ruth, and Jo, All sleepin' at Bethel Hill; Blow and call till the faces all Shine out in the back-log's blaze,

And the shadders dance on the old hewed wall. As they did in the airly days. -James Whitcomb Riley.

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[Assesment System.]

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