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JEWELRY
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F. R. GLOVER RESIGNS.
Giving Up Position as City Clerk of
New Westminster.
Six Bodies Found.
Accident on Liverpool Electric
Railroad.
New Westminster, Dec. 24.—City
Clerk F. R. Glover has resigned his
position, which was accepted at last
year's council meeting, to take effect at
the end of the year. It is understood
he has received a lucrative appointment
elsewhere in this city. Applications for
vacancy must be in by December
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TOOK OVER THREE HUNDRED BURGHERS
THE RESULT OF LAST WEEK'S OPERATIONS
Five Boers Were Killed and Twenty-Five Wounded—Brander Captures Sixty of Enemy.
Surprised and Captured.
More Recruits Than Places.
The De Beers Mines.
Vanousser's Quota.
CHINESE COMMISSION.
Work of Preparing Report Will Probably Be Completed by Middle of Next Month.
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BOWL FOR LIPTON.
Presentation Made by Americans Entertained by the Yachtmen—Cigarette Class From King.
London, Dec. 24.—Sir Thomas Lipton today received a magnificent silver punch bowl and stand as a Christmas gift from John D. Grimmins, J. H. Flager, Chas. Dana Gibson, Judge Morgan O'Brien, and nineteen other American who were guests on board the Erin during the races this year for the America's cup.
Sir Thomas said: "I cannot say how delighted I am. It purely shows that if a man does the right thing in America they appreciate it as no other people do. I have never received anything of value more than this splendid gift from my American friends."
King Edward has presented Sir Thomas Lipton with a cigarette case bearing the Royal monogram. It is a replica of the one the King uses himself.

RUMORED CHANGES.
Report From Vancouver That F. Carter-Cotton Will Be New Editor of the Colonist.
Vancouver, Dec. 24.—It is reported here that F. Carter-Cotton will assume the editorial management of the Colonist at the close of the year on the retirement of C. H. Lagrin and will hereafter be at the head of both the Colonist and News-Advertiser.
F. Carter-Cotton is said to have been in Victoria several times lately arranging the details, and on Sunday he returned to the capital in company with W. H. Ellis.

RUNAWAY STREET CAR JUMPED THE TRACK
One Person Killed and Several Injured in San Francisco—Car Crashed Against Telephone Pole.
San Francisco, Dec. 24.—One person was killed and nine others injured in a peculiar accident on the Fillmore street electric line last night. Mrs. Mary Phelan, domestic, died from fractured skull. The injured are Mrs. K. N. O'Connell, wife of William O'Connell, foot crushed and scalp wounds; Mrs. Mary Kelly, domestic, contusions and suffering from shock; Robert Keller, cut over eye and contusions; Miss Joseph Bieley, contused and cut over forehead and bruised on the back of the head; Mr. Ernest contusions and shock, and Mrs. O'Connor, injuries slight.
For four blocks south of Union street the grade is so steep that the cars have to be pulled across the hill by special machinery. As a car containing 15 people had nearly reached the top of the hill it broke in some manner and rushed down the grade with frightful speed. It kept the track until Union street was reached. Here it stood on the summit, waiting to be hauled to the depot. This obstruction was crushed into and wrecked by the runaway car which in falling struck and was brought to a standstill by a telephone pole, which it struck with terrific force, completely demolishing the car and scattering its occupants in all directions.

DEPEW'S MARRIAGE.
It Will Take Place at Nice During the Week.
New York, Dec. 24.—United States Senator Chauncey M. Depew has arrived at Nice, France, cables the correspondent of the World at that place. Miss May Palmer, his bride-elect, will arrive today. The wedding day, however, has not yet been definitely announced. It will be either Thursday, Friday or Saturday of next week. Rev. Adams will conduct the marriage ceremony. There will be a musical service, but no hymns. No religious representatives to the ceremony have been made at the American consulate.

MORE FIGHTING.
Fourteen Boers Killed—Commandant Krieze Among the Dead.
London, Dec. 23.—In the eastern part of the Transvaal Colony, Col. Mackenzie attacked Commandant Smits's force of Boers at Lake Banganghe, December 20th, and killed six and captured 16 of the enemy. Commandant Smits escaped.
A force of Boers, during the night of December 19th, attacked the British post at Blandspruit, but were driven off leaving eight men killed, including Commandant Krieze, Field Cornet Mahon, who was wounded, and three other wounded men, were also left on the field. The British casualties were seven men killed and six officers and 28 men wounded.
The war office has issued another long dispatch received from Lord Kitchener, detailing the murders of natives by the Boers. One case is given of a woman driver who was captured from a burning convey in the end of 1900 and burned alive.

CASES OF MENSALES.
Hamilton, Bermuda, Dec. 23.—The Boer prisoners of war landed on Hamilton, Bermuda, have been isolated and many of them are suffering from a mild form of measles.
Recruiting at Montreal.
Montreal, Dec. 23.—Recruiting opened today for the addition of men for the 2nd Canadian Mounted Rifles. No difficulty was experienced in securing the desired number of men of a high standard.

TROOPERS AT HALIFAX.
Halifax, Dec. 23.—The troopers of the 2nd Canadian Mounted Rifles spent a quiet Sunday. Divine service was held on the military grounds, at which many troops attended, while others worshipped individually at city churches.
Arrangements have been made where the men will be held daily to receive practice at Bedford ranges, about ten miles from the city. They will continue practice until they leave for South Africa.

WOMAN DROWNED IN CISTERN AT HER HOME
Two Destructive Fires—Upholstering Factory Guttled—Manitoba Legislature Will Meet on Jan. 9th.
McGregor, Man., Dec. 23.—The residence of Mr. Laidlaw, four miles east of here, was destroyed by fire on Saturday night. Mrs. Laidlaw was ill and had to be carried to the residence of Mr. Richardson. The loss is heavy, but was partly insured. A portion of the contents was saved.
Meet Next Month.
Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—It is understood tonight that the Manitoba legislature will be called together on January 9th for the dispatch of business.
Suffering From Scarlet Fever.
Dr. Wooland in charge of the Winnipeg isolated hospital, is ill of scarlet fever. There are now eight patients in the smallpox hospital. All from outside points.
No Trouble.
Hon. Robert Rogers, of the provincial cabinet, denies there is any trouble in the provincial government on the prohibition question.
Ten Years for Manslaughter.
Rat Portage, Ont., Dec. 23.—Wm. Stetson, convicted of the manslaughter of John MacRae, at Dinorwic, last February, has been sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary.
Col. Montzambert Ill.
Kingston, Ont., Dec. 23.—Colonel Montzambert, D. O. C., is seriously ill.
Suspects Arrested.
Oil Springs, Ont., Dec. 23.—Walter and Isaac Ersey and Eddie Mills were arrested in connection with the alleged robbery of their store last Monday. It is claimed this store had been entered by burglars, the safe blown open and \$1,250 in cash stolen. On the 21st, Mrs. Manis, the proprietress, had been left with the brothers for sale keeping.
Toronto Mayorality.
Toronto, Dec. 23.—W. F. Maclean, M. P., East York, intimates his intention of contesting the mayorality in opposition to Mayor Howland. Both are Conservatives.
Lahr Troubles.
Nearly 500 men employed in piano factories at Toronto are out on strike today, or locked out. The Nordheimer factory closed down this morning, virtually locking the men out.
New Hotel.
The directors of the new Toronto hotel today decided to add two stories to the building making eight in all. The addition will bring cost of building up to a million and a quarter.
Duty on Woollens.
At a meeting of the merchant tailors' section of the Retail Merchants' Association the manufacturers' proposal for an increase of duty on imported woollens was discussed and it was decided before taking any definite action against it to secure the opinion of merchants throughout the country.
Factory Burned.
Geulph, Ont., Dec. 23.—Morlock Bros' upholstering factory was destroyed by fire on Saturday night. The losses are estimated at between \$15,000 and \$20,000. The insurance is \$7,000.
Library for Cornwall.
Cornwall, Ont., Dec. 23.—Andrew Carnegie has promised Cornwall \$7,000 for a library building. The loss up to that point is \$10,000 and the town agrees to furnish the site and pay \$700 per year for maintenance.
John Wylie Dead.
Ayer, Ont., Dec. 23.—John Wylie is dead. Deceased has been a member and manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce for a number of years.
Drowned in Cistern.
Thorold, Ont., Dec. 23.—The body of Mrs. James Armstrong was found in a cistern this morning. She was found floating and while wandering outside the house fell into the cistern and was not found until morning.
Justice Scott, in the Supreme court, New York, yesterday dissolved the injunction granted by the Ontario Superior court, restraining the Northern Pacific railway from retiring the preferred stock at its option. Justice Scott says the company had the positive right, at its option, to retire the preferred stock at par, and that its directors were authorized to exercise that option on behalf of the corporation.
The World, London, announces the proposal of the Emperor William to visit London on the 20th, where he will remain the guest of King Edward until the 24th, and then return to Berlin to attend the memorial service for the late Queen Victoria at Frogmore box set fire to a train on the electric overhead railway at Dingle station. Several railway employees were terribly burned and two were killed.
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You will see an insurrection on the Isle of Cuba before a year has passed," said F. P. Young, who has returned to Lexington, Ky. Dr. Young says that the thinking class of Cubans desire annexation and that if the question were submitted to a vote it would be carried.

NEWS NOTES FROM EASTERN CANADA
WILLING TO ACT.
If Requested Great Britain Would Arbitrate in Chili-Argentina Dispute.
London, Dec. 23.—The British government watches with considerable anxiety the progress of the dispute between the Chilean and Argentine Republics.
A representative of the Associated Press was informed today that neither side has yet approached the British foreign office for the arbitration of the dispute. Great Britain to arbitrate the matters in dispute between them, Lord Lansdowne, the foreign secretary, would promptly accede.
The statement, however, of Dr. Alcorca, the Argentine minister of foreign affairs, the President of Argentina, in the matter to the arbitration of the British government under the agreement of 1886, appears to be inaccurate, for foreign advice in the matter is quite beyond the powers of that commission.
Lord Lansdowne, the secretary of foreign affairs, holds the Macnaghten commission to be powerless, he will intimate the willingness of Great Britain to arbitrate the difficulty between the two countries if Chile agrees to that proposition.
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ARILLA'S CAPTAIN STATES HIS CASE
REPLIES TO CAPTAIN GILLESPIE'S REMARKS
He Tells His Version of the Rescue of the Barque Highland Light Off Hesquiot.
On the arrival of the Queen City here with the wrecked crew of the Highland Light, certain statements were made in the Colonist reflecting on Capt. Crowell, of the schooner Arilla, which saved the crew of the lighted barque Highland Light, which was wrecked near Hesquiot.
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IN THE POLICE COURT.
James Miller Sentenced to Sixteen Months on Three Charges.
In the police court this morning Jas. Miller, alias Tobin, who was captured last evening in the act of stealing cloth to the value of \$30 from W. F. Wong's establishment, 19 Cormorant street, was sentenced to 16 months' imprisonment with hard labor on three separate charges. Miller, or as he is better known to the police, Tobin, is an inveterate thief, and was but recently released after serving a six months' sentence in the Terminal City. When he appeared in the court this morning he was not only charged with the stealing of the cloth, but with the theft of an overcoat from McCandless's clothing store and assaulting Officers Wood and Carlow in the discharge of their duty.
Two men, it seems, entered Wong's last night and shortly after Constable Wood noticed one of them leaving the establishment carrying a bolt of cloth. He called to him and Miller dropped the cloth into the alleyway. Constable Wood caught him, however, after a hard struggle, in which he received a bad wound in the hand from a bite given by the thief. Officer Carlow having been telephoned for by the tailor, then arrived on the scene, and together they escorted their man to the police station.
An overcoat, which was much too small a fit, was found on him and identified as one which had been missed from McCandless's store since morning. Thus the prisoner had to answer to three charges. He was convicted and given seven months for the charge of stealing the cloth, three months for the theft of the overcoat and six months for assaulting the constables, making 16 months in all.
FIGHT BETWEEN TWO TELEPHONE COMPANIES
Story of a Rate War in the Boundary—How the Trouble May Be Ended.
Vancouver, Dec. 24.—Behind the suit for foreclosure and winding up of the affairs of the Columbia Telegraph & Telephone company, instituted in Vancouver by R. Kerr Houlgate, and in which Mr. Justice Irving made an order here last Friday, there is an interesting history which is gleaned from a general statement in this city from Grand Forks, B. C. The story deals with the efforts of two telephone companies to maintain and operate systems in the Kootenays with connections to Spokane. Five or six years ago the first line was started by the Columbia Telephone company, and the system was placed in Spokane, Rossland, Nelson, Greenwood, Grand Forks and other points where it was thought to be profitable. This line was built by the Spokane and British Columbia Telephone company, the principal stockholders in which were Messrs. Oakes and Arris. At nearly every point where its system was installed it was found to be unprofitable. The loss of revenue was not such as would pay either company operating expenses. Both companies concluded to make the fight to a finish and the public laughed and wagged its tongue at the suggestion.
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STOLE MARCH ON THE SCHOOL BOARD
DISAPPROVAL OF A RECENT REGULATION
Trustees Resent Action of Council of Public Instruction—New Appointment to Teaching Staff.
A special meeting of the school trustees was held last evening to consider the resignation of W. H. May, of the Boys' Central school, and some accumulated business. Trustee Hall presided, and all members of the board were present, save Trustee Belyea. The chairman thought that the question of salaries might be taken up, but as it was late before this business was reached it was laid over, to be considered at a special meeting to be held on Saturday evening at 7.30 o'clock.
Miss Sprague wrote, acknowledging her appointment to the teaching staff, and a second communication contained the resignation of Mr. May, which was accepted with regret.
Trustee Jay, of the buildings and grounds committee, reported that tenders had been received for the installation of tubes for the High school as follows: John Coughlan, \$340; John Corbett, \$485; H. Cooley, \$124; Barber, \$1,007; and J. H. Warner, \$1,284. The report was received and the lowest tender accepted, on motion of Trustee Brown.
The secretary reported having investigated into the number of pupils attending school from the Protestant Orphanage, and found that in all there were 41. These attended the Hillside avenue and North Ward schools, but as their attainments differed materially it would be impossible for all to be formed into one class. The relief that might be expected by placing them under one teacher would therefore not be so great as it was otherwise.
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COMPLAINANT ARRESTED.
Man Who Said He Had Been Sand-Bagged Is in Custody.
Portage la Prairie, Man., Dec. 24.—Detective Cox arrived from MacGregor, Man., this morning with a newspaper article for the McCormick Harvesting Machine Co., who was supposed to have been sand-bagged and held up at that place on Tuesday night. The man was a farmer, 69 years old, living at Farmington, shot his wife and then shot himself. The man was a farmer, 69 years old, living at Farmington, shot his wife and then shot himself.

FARMER'S CRIME.
Shot His Wife and Sister and Then Committed Suicide.
Peoria, Ill., Dec. 24.—At Yates city, early today, August Iceberg, a prosperous farmer, 69 years old, living at Farmington, shot his wife and then shot himself. The man was a farmer, 69 years old, living at Farmington, shot his wife and then shot himself.

GAS EXPLOSION.
Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 24.—A special to the Dispatch from Kenton, Ohio, says "A terrible gas explosion occurred this morning. One man was fatally hurt and three others were blown out. The damage will amount to several thousand dollars."

ANOTHER CARNEGIE GIFT.
Akron, O., Dec. 24.—Andrew Carnegie has offered the city of Akron \$70,000 for a free public library. The city to guarantee \$7,000 annually to maintain it.

WAITER SHOT.
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The Great Efficacy of Wood's Phosphorus is Sold and Recommended by All the Druggists in Canada. Only the Genuine is Sold. Beware of cheap imitations. Wood's Phosphorus is a powerful and reliable medicine for all the ailments of the lungs, throat, and chest. It is a powerful and reliable medicine for all the ailments of the lungs, throat, and chest. It is a powerful and reliable medicine for all the ailments of the lungs, throat, and chest.

NONSENSE VERSE.

Take your break away from Christmas trees... as trees are always found all the year around.

BIG BATTLE WITH THE STORM

BANKBURN'S NARROW ESCAPE LAST NIGHT

Under Bare Poles From Race Rocks to Trial Island—Damage in the City.

Shortly before midnight, just as the celebrants of Christmas were enjoying their first sleep, a gale sprang up from the south and tearing landward...

Along the further end of Douglas street, great havoc was played with the sidewalk. In the depression in the street...

Bankburn's Escape. The night, bad enough on land, was even more so at sea. The vessel was driven away from the anchorage...

At any ironmonger's for a few pence dozen. Above this, and at each end, lands of holy ivy, or any evergreen to hand can be festooned, or paper boughs if so preferred...

The title of the play and the number of the acts should be written out plainly on a sheet of paper or cardboard, and attached to the curtain on the left-hand side.

The lighting can easily be arranged with lamps with tin reflectors, only careful to have those for the footlights fixed to a piece of board for fear of clients.

I trust that these hints will help readers to spend a merry "Christmas at Home."

ABOUT MENELIK'S ARMY.

Major Hanbury-Tracy and Captain P. Cobbold, the two British officers who were dispatched early this year...

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HOW CHRISTMAS WAS CELEBRATED

VICTORIANS SPENT IT QUIETLY, AS USUAL

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TWO STATE SENATORS ENDORSE PERUNA.



HON. J. H. SAUER.

J. H. Sauer, State Senator from the Nebraska Legislature, writes from Frank's Hotel, Neb., as follows: Having tried Peruna I can commend it to all as a great tonic and purgative good as a remedy for catarrh.

H. SAUER. Honorable Patrick Kennedy, Member Massachusetts Legislature, writes following letter from the House of Representatives, Boston. Sir:—I have no hesitation in recommending that after having tried dozens of other remedies without relief, I owe perfect health and clear voice of voice to Peruna. I know it to be a sure remedy for indigestion and its attendant nervous debility. For the six months I was on the platform through the recent campaign I used Peruna regularly, and although I spoke three times each day my voice failed me. I know that Peruna is a sure cure for bronchial troubles.

Do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a statement of your case and he will advise to give you his valuable address.

Dr. Hartman, President of the Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O., can be obtained for \$1.00 a bottle first-class drug stores in Canada. The Pills of Life, which can be secured at all up-to-date drug stores, and request is sent free to all, gives a description of all catarrhal diseases. Address Dr. Hartman, Columbus, O., U.S.A.

need in special journalism. The need of a good eclectic which, dollar a year, and within the compass of the business man's time for reading, supply the best articles that during a week in the great public of the world in general. The publication is appropriately called World. It has surprised a many people to find how much of interesting and informative reading they can get in such small space and for so small a price. There is no other eclectic published which would give the ordinary reader time for reading is limited the satisfaction. We see it stated that since it was started it has grown astonishing rate of nearly a hundred subscribers a month. The only seventy-five cents to January, 1901, if paid before the end of the month. It is sixteen pages and is issued every Friday. Of course, we do not agree everything in them we take a course in referring to the publisher of the Witness office as we acknowledge that they deserve them in which they are held out to the Dominion. The publisher had their ways and they have them through thick and thin. The Dominion is perhaps as clean as a whistle as it is possible to make.

IMPORTANT DISCOVERY.

Arbor, Mich., Dec. 23.—General has been aroused in the medical world here by reports of a discovery of great importance of the bacteriological laboratory of the university of Michigan.

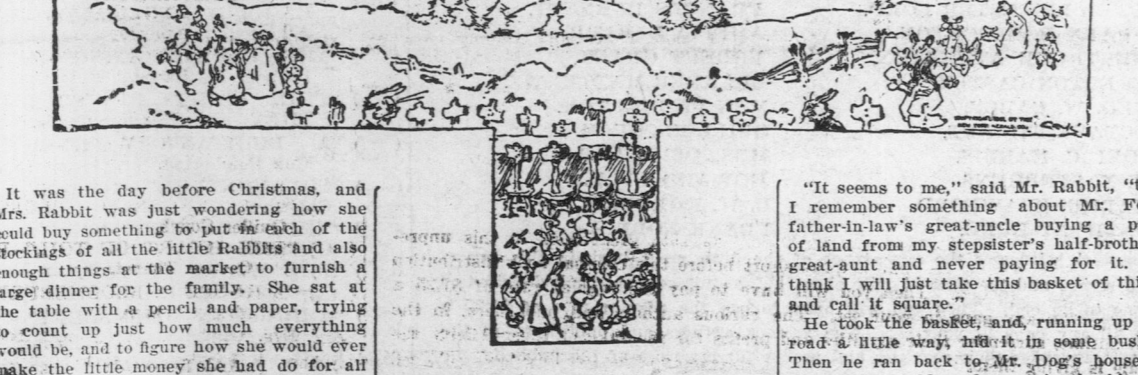
It is stated that experiments by Dr. K. Novy and Professor Paul C. Chamberlain, has produced what is believed to be an anti-septic for such diseases as cholera, typhoid fever, diphtheria, and scarlet fever. The preparation has been successful in experiments on animals previously inoculated with these diseases, and during the past few months medical students have been subjected to a course of experiments with it. It is stated that they are strict to a diet of sterilized food during the period showed the destruction of the intestinal bacteria. Dr. Novy and his colleagues decline to discuss the reported results of their experiments for publication.

FOOD HISTORY

in bone marrow—dies liver. This is the beginning and the end of the rich blood that keeps us all. Blood history makes a interesting story. It's Emulsion often plays an important part in blood. At the very beginning is where its influence rests. It's Emulsion is a blood rich material for making blood. Nothing better for giving color to pale



MR. RABBIT'S CHRISTMAS DINNER. BY RAYMOND FULLER AMERS.



It was the day before Christmas, and Mrs. Rabbit was just wondering how she could buy something to put on each of the stockings of all the little Rabbits and also enough things at the market to furnish a large dinner for the family. She sat at the table with a pencil and paper, trying to count up just how much everything would be, and to figure how she would ever make the little money she had for all the things she had to buy. Just then in came Mr. Rabbit wearing a new fur coat and carrying a brand new cane. "There, now! It's just a perfect shame!" said Mrs. Rabbit.

"Of course it is," said Mr. Rabbit. "Here I come home after working hard all day, expecting to find dinner all ready, and what do I see? I find you figuring out more ways to spend money. I should say it was a shame!" Mrs. Rabbit said she didn't mean to spend money, but she said that at all. She meant that it was a perfect shame that she could not buy Christmas presents for all the children and a big Christmas dinner, too, while Mr. Rabbit found a lot of the other things for sale that didn't have any family to look after. Then Mr. Rabbit said that it was just like a woman, and that he could make the money go far enough to get everything necessary. Mrs. Rabbit said that, in that case, she would just like to see him do it, that was all; so he took the money and off he went.

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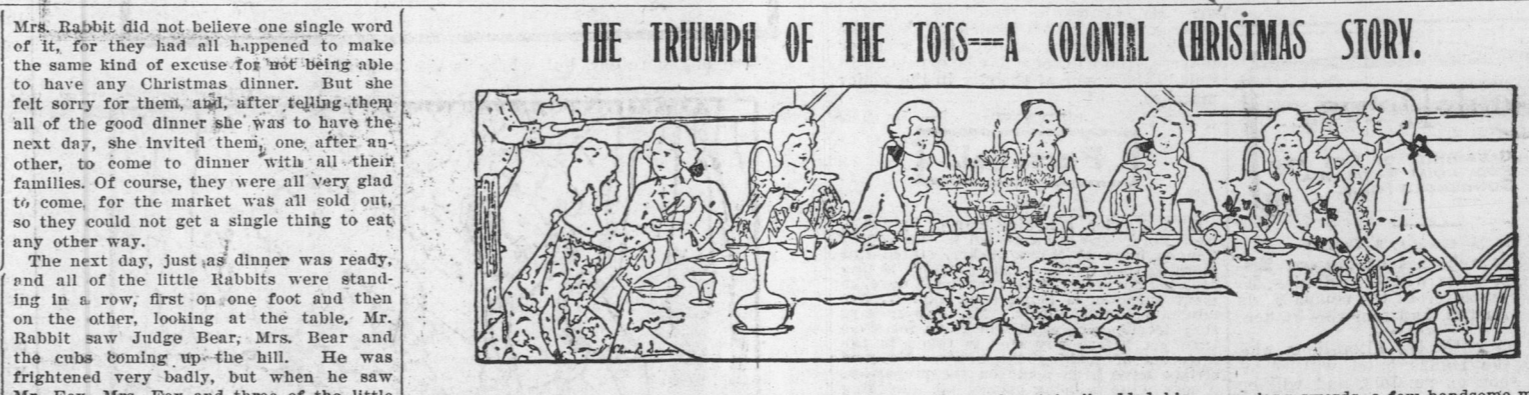
A TRAGEDY OF CHRISTMAS-EVE. BY ELIZABETH DUNHAM.

Little Willie Robinson was bad as he could be; he wouldn't mind his poor mother's feelings. He wouldn't go to bed at night nor get up in the morning. There never was a more provoking rascal ever born. One Christmas eve Willie couldn't hang his stockings with the rest upon the mantle. Furthermore, he really did his best to keep his little brothers and his little sisters from hanging their stockings as they always used to do. His papa promptly punished him and sent him off to bed. But when the rest were soundly sleeping Willie roused his head. He found a roly poly figure standing in the room. Upon its back a bag that looked gigantic in the gloom. "Was Santa Claus a-filling all the stockings?" Willie's stockings weren't with the others as you know. But Willie didn't care a bit. When Santa Claus came he heard a noise. He saw a shadowy figure in the doorway. He grabbed young William by the hair and then he changed him into an India rubber doll. He put him in the stocking of his little sister Nell. When she found him in the morning, how he tried to yell! She twisted him and doubled him and bent him all about. And even tied him into knots, but Willie couldn't shout. The moral to this story which you'd better all believe. Be good always and a little better Christmas Eve.



THE TRIUMPH OF THE TOTS—A COLONIAL CHRISTMAS STORY.

Mrs. Rabbit did not believe one single word of it, for they had all happened to make the same kind of excuse for not being able to have any Christmas dinner. But she felt sorry for them, and, after telling them of the good dinner she was to have the next day, she invited them, one after another, to come to dinner with all their families. Of course, they were all very glad to come, for the market was all sold out, so they could not get a single thing to eat any other way.



The next day, just as dinner was ready, and all of the little Rabbits were standing in a row, first on one foot and then on the other, looking at the table, Mr. Rabbit saw Judge Bear, Mrs. Bear and the cubs coming up the hill. He was frightened very badly, but when he saw Mr. Fox, Mrs. Fox and three of the little Foxes coming too he almost flew out of his skin, and when Mr. and Mrs. Crow appeared he was most frightened insane. But they came up and wished him Merry Christmas, and, although they looked at each other very angrily out of the corners of their eyes, their manners were too good for them to accuse each other of stealing out in company like so. So they all sat down to dinner together, and had a fine time, and as soon as he had got over his

AN ILLUSTRATED CHRISTMAS RIDDLE.



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AN ILLUSTRATED CHRISTMAS RHYMING REBUS.

A large decorative rebus with various symbols and words. The rebus includes letters and symbols that spell out 'MERRY CHRISTMAS' and other festive phrases. The symbols include a bell, a star, a heart, a crown, and various geometric shapes. The text is arranged in a circular and somewhat chaotic pattern within a decorative border.

Years and years ago, when our nation was just lifting its head after the successful struggle for independence, boys and girls did not have the good times they now enjoy. They had to work almost as hard as their elders; their schooling was slight; they had very few of the opportunities to play that you have now, and none of the mechanical toys or aids to fun that almost all of you possess. They were not allowed to come to the table at the large dinners given by the rich and well-to-do, and they were reminded that "children should be seen and not heard." Still they were just as happy as our little readers are today, and they

bidden to go down the stairs," added his sister Nell. "Who cares?" said George, and he raised the window very softly and prepared to get out, and all the other boys were ready to follow. George started back hurriedly. "Just look!" he exclaimed, in a frightened whisper, as a long line of men were crowding toward the house. They were armed with muskets, axes, clubs and other rude weapons. "They must be 'Shayites,'" whispered George. He was right. They were part of a desperate band of men called "Shayites," from the name of their leader, they were the people who had suffered most during the late War of the Revolution. They had no money, their farms were worthless, for they could not sell their crops. There was so little money in circulation that they were in danger of starvation, and they were confronted with the choice of paying their debts or going to jail. Congress had as yet done nothing to relieve their sufferings, and feeling their rights, they started a little war against the rich and powerful. A band of about 20 was bent on raiding the Morgan household and capturing all the precious silver dinner service and the jewels of the guests.

"What can we do to show these brave little men and women how grateful we are?" asked Mr. Adams, when all were warm again and had been cried over as much as mothers had wished. "Please, sir, we'd like to eat dinner at the big table," said George. That night something happened in the Morgan mansion which had never yet occurred in Massachusetts. The little folk dined in state in the great hall, while their lords parents humbly waited for them to finish and afterwards with the table reset and dined themselves. But they did this with hearts full of joy and pride. "No such gallant children lived in all the other colonies," they vowed, and it is safe to say that no happier dinner was ever eaten on Christmas Eve.

TUMORS.

We have lately made some truly wonderful cures without knife or plaster. Write for addresses and particulars. Address: STOTT & JURY, Rowmanville, Ont. HENCE HIS KINDNESS. Mrs. Nagers—"See what a kind husband Mr. Wilkins is! He bought his wife a whole outfit of this new aluminum kitchenware."

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