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LONDON, CANADA, MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 1900.

WHOLE NO., 11343

BORN.

McGILLIVRAY—In London, on Dec 22, a
to Mr. and Mrs. G. A. McGillivray, twins (son

MARRIED.
WHITEHALL-TACKABURY-On Dec. 27, at the residence of the bride's father, "Riverview Farm," by Rev. J. W. Robinson, Mr. Frank Whitehall, to Miss Mabel L., eldest daughter of Mr. Samuel Tackabury, both of London township.

DIED. McKAY-In township of Zorra, county of Oxford, on Friday, Dec. 29, 1899, Andrew Mc-Kay, aged 56 years,

Finneral will leave his late residence, lot 4, on Monday, Jan, 1, at 2 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intima-

Amusements and Lectures **GRAND OPERA HOUSE**

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What Happened to Jones Why Smith Left Home

Prices - Matinee, 25c, 35c, 50c. Night, 25c, 50c, 75c. Seats now on sale. Next attraction, Tuesday, Jan. 2, Fabio Romani. London Athletic Club. GRAND OPERA HOUSE,

Thursday, Jan. 4, 20=Round | Jimny Smith Glove

Sandow Snyder Contest 1 (Detroit.) A. St. Pierre, Detroit, and B. Carroll. Rochester, 10 rounds. T. Taylor and T. Barber, 6 rounds. Admission. -25c, 50c, 75c. 39g xvtzyxw TONIGHT — TONIGHT — AUDITORIUM—
Detroit Philharmonic Club, assisted by
Bertram Schwaghan, baritone. A fine programme. Tickets 50 and 75 cents. Band THIS AFTERNOON AT RED-

A UDITORIUM — DETROIT PHILHAR-MONIC Club, assisted by Bertram Schwaghan, baritone. Popular Concert Course No 6, New Year's night. Plan now open. 42u W H. HEWLETT ASSISTED BY OTHER talent, will give an organ recital at Talbot Street Baptist Church, on the new pipe organ Friday evening. Jan. 5, 8 o'clock. Tickets 25 cents.

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PRINCESS-A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO its patrons. Band this afternoon and evening. SIX DAYS-LENGTH OF PASSAGE BY the American and Cunard ships via New

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LOST-BUNCH OF KEYS-REWARD AT
369 Maitland street, city.
42c LOST-THURSDAY NIGHT, \$5 BILL AT Jubilee Rink. Reward if returned to Ad-

LOST-ON WEDNESDAY, A LADY'S enue, between Cartwright street and Wellington street. The finder will e rewarded by returning same to this office.

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FOR SALE-100 ACRE FARM, SOUTH half lot 20, 4th range, south Longwoods road, Caradoc. Good buildings, well watered; also 60 acres, 3rd range, Caradoc. For further particulars apply Geo. Haggerty, Burwell Road P. O., or on premises. F(? SALE - FARM - VIESTMIN STER (ownship; 105 acres, first-class improvemen \$, 5 miles from London. Apply Joseph McDougall, Pond Mills.

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DEEKS & MUNSON, Near City Hall.

Meetings. **HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU"—THE Young Men's Christian Association extend a cordial invitation to all their friends, and the citizens generally, to call on Monday, at the building, where they will be at home from 10 to 1, and 3 to 6 o'clock. Music furnished by the Mandolin, Guitar and Banjo Club There will be fencing, indoor football, basket ball, gynnastics, flag drill by 20 young ladies, soldiers of the queen by 12 boys, in uniform, and a representation of five nations in hand-somely decorated booths.

Male Help Wanted. CASH FOR ACCEPTABLE IDEAS; STATE if patented. Address The Patent Record, Baltimore, Md.

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Miscellaneous,

THE MISSES WESTCOTT'S SCHOOL, 441 Ridout street, reopens Jan. 8. 430 2xv Ridout street, reopens Jan. 8. 430 axv

I MAKE A SPECIALTY OF REPAIRING electro medical apparatus of all kinds. R. M. Millar, 280% Dundas street, Spencer Block. 60tf



NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the under Signed and indorsed. "Tender for Improvements at Port Colborne," will be received at this office until 16 o'clock on Friday, the 28th day of January, 1900, for the works of improvement at the upper entrance to the Welland

ment at the upper entrance to the Welland Canal.

Plans and specifications of the works can be seen on and after the 26th day of December, 1899, at the office of the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, and at the Superintending Engineer's office at St. Catharines. Printed forms of tender can also be obtained at the places mentioned. In the case of firms there must be attached to the tender the actual signatures of the full name, the nature of the occupation and residence of each member of the same, and further, an accepted bank check for the sum of \$10,000 must accompany the tender. The accepted bank check must be indorsed over to the Minister of Railways and Canals, and will be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the work at the rates and on the terms stated in the offer submitted.

stated in the offer submitted.

The accepted bank check thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are not accepted The Department does not bind itself to accept The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tendor.

Contractors are specially notified that the conditions requiring the works to be wholly completed by the 30th day of June, 1902, will be rixidly enforced and all penalties for delay enacted. By order,

L. K. JONES.

Secretary, Dept. Rwys. and Canals Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, December 21, 1899. 37i cod



WELLAND CANAL

Tenders for Supplies for the Year 1900. Tenders for Supplies for the Year 1900.

CEALED TENDERS for supplies, addressed to the Superintending Engineer, Welland Canal, St. Catharines, will be received until 16 'clock on Wednesday, 10th January, 1900, for supply and delivery of various articles of Thuber, Hardware, Castings, Fuel, Paints, Olls, etc., for use on the Welland Canal and its branches for the year 1900.

Specifications, forms of tender, and other in formation can be obtained at the Superintending Engineer's office, St. Catharines, on and after Thursday, the 21st day of December, 1899.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

L. K. JONES.

Department of Railways and Canals. Ottawa, Dec. 20, 1899. 35i vzx

Chattel Mortgage Sale

Of 30 Standard-bred Horses. property of the Late T. D. Hodgens.

WB HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTEE, under power contained in a certain chattel mortrage, to sell by public auction, at the Bernard House stables, London, on Jan. 3, 1900, at the hour of 1 o'clock sharp, thirty head of valuable horses, including carriage, saddle, roadsters, trotting horses and stallions, the property of the late T. D. Hodgens. All horses on view at Bernard House stables day previous to sale. Posters and catalogues can be had on application to the auctioneers, H. PORTER & CO., 97 Carling street, London. Phone 162.

LA GRIPPE COMING BACK Chicago, Dec. 31.—Chicago physicians expect influenza to appear in this country soon. The cable reports that it is epidemic in London and rapidly apreading. The first epidemic appeared here only three or four weeks after its appearance in London

Boers Bombarded Ladysmith Again

One Shell Kills a Captain and Wounds Seven Lieutenants.

Party of Boers Cut Off by the Rising of the Tugela -- Colonial Authorities Taking Every Precaution to Curb Dutch Disloyalty.

Boers Repulsed at Victoria-Inhabitants of Kimberley Send a New Year's Greeting to the Queen-Lord Salisbury's Son Cecil Wounded at Mafeking.

London, Jan. 1.—The following helio- near the station. A patrol reported early in the evening that they had graph message has been received by way of Weeman from Ladysmith, dated, Wednesday, Dec. 27 .- "The Boers are actually bombarding the town. One shell struck the Devonshire mess tent, killing Capt. Dalzel and wounding seven lieutenants, Dent, Tuisa, Tringman, Caffyn, Bryne, Scafe and Kane."

A later dispatch from Ladysmith, by way of Weenen, dated Friday, Dec. 29, says: "All well. The Boers have been firing plugged shells, containing plum pudding and the compliments of the season. They are fortifying their positions and are evidently determined to make a firm stand."

METHUEN'S POSITION UNCHANG-ED.

"Hear unofficially from Sterkstrom that a British reconnoissance, seven miles north of Dordrecht, engaged su-

perior forces and was obliged to retire on Dordrecht."

BOERS CUT OFF. Frere Camp, Dec. 30.—Saturday—Owing to the flooding of the Tugela River a large party of Boers have been cut off from the south side. They are reported to be in the hills to the right of Chieveley.

Cape Town, Thursday, Dec. 28 .- The colonial authorities are using every precaution to prevent an insurrection on the part of the disloyal Dutch in Cape Colony and to suppress a rising if it should occur. Everywhere the British colonists are being organized into home guards drilled, armed and ready to act in their respective localities should armed Dutch colonials

The theory is that the British homestaying colonials should be fully prepared to cope with the Dutch colonials without the aid of regulars.

UNITED ACTION PREVENTED. The alertness of the British makes united action on the part of the pro-Boer residents difficult. Unable to act openly, they slip away singly or in small groups, to join the enemy's forces. The authorities have been informed of many centers of agitation. which it is considered undesirable to particularize; but there is nothing like concerted action apparent over wide

The case of M. Michan, solicitor to the De Beers Company, who is accused of treason, acquires increased import-ance, as he has been transferred from the custody of the civil authorities here to the military authorities at De Aar. His high position causes the Dutch to watch his case keenly. RAILWAY WRECKERS DRIVEN

OFF. Parties of Boers have been operating some 70 miles south of Lord Methuen's position. Boers appeared on Christmas day near the railway, about 20 miles south of De Aar. A force of the Duke of Edinburgh's own volunteers prepared to engage them, but the enemy disappeared.

Another party of Boers fired into the British patrol camp during the night of Wednesday, Dec. 27. This was near Victoria road. An attempt was made Lot far from that point to damage the railway. One man was caught in the act and shot.

Like attempts are reported from several other points. Evidently small parties of Boers or Dutch colonials have been trying to interrupt the movement of trains, but thus far they have been baffled by the elaborate British patrol-

A BAD MISTAKE.

In one case a patrol of regulars fired on a patrol of colonials. The latter were wearing broad-brimmed hats, and were mistaken by the British for Boers. No casualties resulted, but in consequence of the incident, an order has been issued requiring all classes of troops to wear helmets. BOERS DRIVEN BACK AT VIC-

TORIA. Cape Town, Dec. 30 .- The troops in the British camp of Victoria West Our troops of turned out last night to repel an attempt of the Boers to cut the railroad and provisions.

sighted the Boers in the neighborhood. At 10 o'clock at night the Boers opened a heavy fire near the station. The British replied and the Boers retired at daybreak, their attempt having turned out a failure. WAR RISK PREMIUMS RETARD

VOLUNTEERING.

London, Dec. 31.-Advices from Cape Town say there is great dissatisfaction there at the action of the British in-surance companies, who are retarding volunteering by making policyholders pay war risk premiums, while the agencies of the leading American companies allow perfect freedom for naval and military service.

CEYLON VOLUNTEERS. The government has accepted 165 Ceylon volunteers, mostly planters, and has also accepted the offers of Indian princes to supply horses.

MAJESTIC OVERDUE. The non-arrival of the Majestic, due The war office publishes the follow- at Cape Town on Thursday, is causing ing dispatch, dated yesterday, from the some surprise among the public. who general officer commanding at Cape expected she would maintain ner usual transatlantic speed. Shipping circles, however, explain that this is due to the conditions imposed by coaling en "French reports that the Boers, fear- route, the necessity of economizing her

discount her usual rate of speed. SALISBURY'S SON WOUNDED London, Dec. 31.-Advices from Pretoria regarding the sortie alleged to have been made from Mateking on Monday last, say that Lord Edward Cecil, son of Lord Salisbury, was among the wounded.

NEW YEAR GREETING TO THE

QUEEN. London, Dec. 31 .- The war office issued a dispatch dated Cape Town, Friday, Dec. 19, evening, saying that Col. Kekewich wired, through the general commanding at Modder River, on Dec. 28. as follows:

am desired by the mayor and council to forward the following for transmission through the proper channel.

To Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen:
"The inhabitants of Kimberley beg to send your majesty New Year's greetings. The trouble that we have passed through and are still enduring, only

tends to love and loyalty towards your majesty's throne and person.
"'R. H. HENDERSON.'" The war office also issues the following addressed to the secretary of state

for war: "Please send the following to Col. Kekewich for communication to the mayor and council from the Queen:
"I am deeply gratified by your kind
and loyal New Year's greetings. I view with admiration your determination and gallant defense, though I re-

gret the unavoiable loss of life in-curred."

TO HELP THE BOERS. Cincinnati, O., Dec. 31.-The Boer recruiting office sent another batch of 43 recruits to Norfolk last night, where they will sail on Monday for Antwerp. to join a large expedition which will leave Amsterdam on Jan. 15. The company was in charge of a German named Hermann, who will be responsible for the safe arrival of his charge at the

Boer headquarters. The men were notified to assemble at given point. They went in smail parties to the station to avoid creating comment and exciting suspicion.

The vessel which will bear the recruits to Amsterdam is the Sula, a freighter. In a few days it is expected

that another large party will leave. THE BUNDESRTH INCIDENT. London, Jan. 1-4 a.m.—The morning papers are inclined to refrain from commenting on the Bundesrath inci-dent, pending further investigation. In the absence of confirmation of the reported sorties from Ladysmith and

Mafeking, the stories are discredited. Col. Baden-Powell's silence, however, causes some uneasiness. The dispatches from the front tonight all breathe a confident spirit.

BUGLE BLASTS. The Queen has approved the appointment of the Duke of Connaught as commander-in-chief of the British

Nearly all the artillery men in Dublin are wearing mourning for General

A war office dispatch from Col. Baden-Powell, dated Dec. 12, after announcing that Lady Sarah Wilson had arrived safe and well at Mafeking, adds that the bombardment and musketry fire continue daily on all sides, and that the health and spirits of the garrison are very satisfactory.

Mr. Somerwell, a British resident in Buenos Ayres, is organizing a corps of 50 men, which, when equipped and armed, will go to Cape Town.

Only one American officer and five soldiers were wounded, but the loss of the insurgents was heavy. Our troops captured a number of rifles and a quantity of ammunition

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SIZING UP

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British Treasury Measures Come

in for Criticism. The Bank of England Will Be Fut of

Trial-Talk of Cabinet Changes and

the Anglo-German Agreement.

New York, Dec. 31.-Cabling from London under Saturday's date, the correspondent of the Sunday Tribune says: This is moralists' day, and everything is under review, from high finances and Boer hunting to drama

literature and horse racing. The Bank of England will be on tr during the next year, although it has always been regarded as founded on solid rock; it has shown its inability during recent years to retain possession of any portion of the immense stock of new gold which has been added to the world's working resources; and now that the Transvaai supply has been cut off it is a question whether even a high rate of interest will prove strong enough to attract bullion from foreign markets. Two ing their communications would be cut supply and of traversing the tropics, by our cavalry, have retired to Colos- all of which, they add, combine heavily erica during the last week, but ten more are needed for home use, and immense reserves are required for carrying out the viceroy's gold standard in

> Treasury methods of war finan are still kept in the dark. The che cellor of the exchequer has announced a small issue of treasury bill early in the week, to replace maturing bills for war purposes, and there is some evidence that he intends to persevere in using ordinary revenue for meeting exceptional expenditure on a larger scale. The war will so cease to have what little populari has if the burdens are not carried forward and saddled upon a future generation by a large increase of the

national debt. TALK OF CBINET CHANGES. Rumors of cabinet reorganization are in the air, but it is not probable that there will be any changes unles Gen. Buller meets with a severe dis aster. Lord Lansdowne would then be marked out for slaughter, and the chancellor of the expectation, would chancellor of the exchequer would likely to follow him. The strength the cabinet now lies in four mer Salisbury, Balfour. Chamberlain and Goschen. These four leaders are at their best where they are, and no substitute can be found for any of

The persistent rumors that Lord Salisbury will retire from the premier-ship, as well as the foreign office, and that the Duke of Devonshire will succeed him at one post, and Lord Rosebery at the other, are

IDLE INVENTIONS. The Duke of Devonshire has steadily lost influence during recent years an could not lead the Unionist party and Lord Rosebery is embarrassed by a swarm of superserviceable friends, who are always nominating him for any office in sight, whether in the gift of one party or the other. There are weak men in the cabinet, notably Lord Lansdowne, who has a talent for c sulting private partizans inste experienced military advisers, an Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, who a small mind to bear upon the soltion of large and complex question. But there will be no immediate char of promotion for younger men George Wyndham, British arms are overwhelmed disaster in Natal, and it becomes cessary to throw overboard on more Jonahs.

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SIR CHARLES DILKE'S EXPLA

Sir Charles Dilke in today's

icle ventures upon a shrewd ex [Continued on page 6.]

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Ring of Confidence-Thorough Organization Promised-Vigorous Addresses-A Fine Gathering.

Dr. McWilliam will again be the Liberal candidate in East Middlesex. A representative meeting of the Liberal Association of the riding was held some two weeks ago, but it was not known at that time whether or not he would consent to allow his name to Still it was known that his would be the only name submitted, and that the Liberals were as one man in lesiring him as their standard-bearer. This unanimous opinion was expressed on Saturday by a standing vote. Dr. McWilliam was assured that if he would accept he would not have to or under the disadvantage of imperlect organization, as ne did before. Every effort would be made to poll every Liberal vote in the riding.

The convention on Saturday was held in Sherwood Hall. President Gorwill presided, and with him on the platform were Messrs. T. H. Purdom, G. Jackson, John Gillson and Alex. Stuert. Every available seat was occu-pled, and many had to stand in the alsles, and outside in the ante-room. It was by far the largest nominating con-vention ever held under the auspices of the East Middlesex Reform Associa-Every subdivision was well represented. Every delegate was imbued n to win the constituency if honest and faithful efforts can accomplish this

chairman briefly outlined the objects of the meeting. Secretary Laid-law read the names of the delegates present. Nominations were then called for. Dr. McWilliam was nominated by ames Henderson and John H. Elliott, Westminster. His name was the

accepting the nomination, Dr. Mcwho was received with rs, made a short speech, in which thanked them for the honor that ey had conferred upon him, and spoke riefly of the retrospect and prospect.
Ifter making kindly references to the te member, whom he had always esd highly, and to the cause of the or ent campaign, he put before his ters a few of his reasons for ac-cepting the position of their candidate, In the last campaign he had done fair work with more success than was thought possible, and for this reason he considered it not unreasonable to ask to be their representative again. He would rather represent East Middlesex than any other riding. He had had al opportunities to be the candi date in other constituencies, but he always refused because his heart

s in this riding, where there was a member of the government party could give advice for their interests nch better than would be possible for member of the opposition. He would nd on them to win the constitcy on the purest principles, and on best organization. He had no symhy whatever for any dealings that the least tendency to the illegal. He nted the election won by fair and right proceedings, and only such ork would he countenance.

done to strengthen a government the as unexcelled in Canada, or any the States of the Union. It was of utmost important that such influential constituency as Middlesex should be car-

on the Liberal Association of Lon-to help on the interests in East delesex and do its utmost to gain he seat. The speaker said that he was not leading a forlorn hope. He had come back to win. (Cheers.) He had ot to like the work. Perhaps it was the old Anglo-Saxon spirit within him, whatever it was, he was in the but whatever it was, he was in the light to win, and this time it was with un assurance of success. (Cheers.) It would not be a victory over any party. It would be a victory for right and justice and fairness. It was the duty of every man in the riding to strive to the attmost to strengthen the govern attmost to strengthen the governent now ruling in Ontario, and if such fort were made he had every confi-lence that he would be elected. (Great

Mr. T. H. Purdom made a vigorous ch, and was frequently applauded. He said that the convention was the regest that he had ever seen in the regests of East Middlesex. He had med carefully to Dr. McWilliam's straightforward speech, and

especially his common sense re-to corruption. He knew that constituency could be carried by a ang vote for Ross, Reform and Mc-man. (Applause.) The Reform the had a good past record. We y had a good past record. not to forget that were it not he Reform party a very large por-of Ontario would have been lost.

crnout Nerves.

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Margaret Iron, Tower Hill. N. ites: "Dr. Chase's Nerve Food done me a world of good. I was eak that I could not walk twice tength of the house. My hands bled so I could not carry a pint ater. I was too nervous to sleep, was unable to do work of any

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tavorite remedy for croup,

Sir John A. Macdonald had tried to wrest a great district from Ontario, but by the shrewd foresight of Sir Oliver Mowat, it had been retained, and should Sir Oliver Mowat die tomorrow, he was convinced that the Conservative press, as well as the Liberals, would eulogize him for his wisdom in that act, as well as for those done throughout the course of those done throughout the course of his long administration. If there was reason to be proud of Sir Oliver Mowat in the past we have also reason to be proud of the Hon. George W. Ross in who had risen to his present eminent position solely on account of his inherent worth. He had evolved a programme for the thorough development of Ontario. He could not conceive of any person desiring to turn down a man of the premier's great ability for a man of the ordinary calibre of Mr. Whitney. If those present would put their shoulder to the wheel, the election of Dr. McWilliam was assured, and on election night the Liberals of Past Middlesex would have cause to throw up their caps on account of the Ross government being sustained in their constituency.

Mr. Alex. Stuart said that he had known Dr. McWilliam for many years, and always he had shown himself as a man worthy of the honor they had bestowed upon him.

setic work. The Conservatives were chuckling over the manner in which they considered they had discomfited the Liberals. He acknowledged that their candidate was a worthy man himself, but as the candidate of the party he represented, the glamor of personal popularity was thrown off, and it was the party with all its present principles and past actions that had to be considered, not the man himself. (Applause.) The Liberals had a strong and worthy candidate, who was seeking to strengthen a good government, and he was confident that with united

work his success was assured. Messrs. Flaherty and Jackson made short speeches, in which they expressed their satisfaction in having Dr. Mc-William as their standard-bearer. They laid stress upon the importance of thoroughly working each subdivision and polling every vote. If such were done, Dr. McWilliam's election was a

certainty. The secretary then submitted a scheme for a perfect organization and th enthusiasm, with a hearty spirit a complete canvass. Three cheers for co-operation, and with the determin- Dr. McWilliam and Mr. Ross were given, with great enthusiasm, and after singing "God Save the Queen" gathering dispersed.

Mercury Takes a Dip Considerably Below Zero.

May Go Up Again by Tuesday-Jack Frost's Work.

Toronto Dec. 30 -Most of the trains coming into the city today are late. Railway men say that last night was one of the hardest they ever had, as it was almost impossible to keep things from freezing. The intense cold modobservatory officials see no prospects of increasing temperature in the near future. Following is a record of Fri-

day night's temperatures:	Below	Zero.
Montreal		4
Toronto		ō
Ottawa		8
Winnipeg		18
Kingston		20
Halifax		22
White River		32
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St. Joseph, Mich., Dec. 30.-The first winter storm is on at this port, and the harbor is closed with ice.

Menominee, Mich., Dec. 30.-Ice covers nearly the entire surface of Green Bay, having formed during the cold weather which prevailed for the past two or three days and nights. Considerable damage was done to the waterworks crib by anchor ice last night. Reports today are to the effect that the ice is shoving up on Sherwood's Point, near the north entrance to Stur-

OHIO RIVER FROZEN OVER.

Cincinnati, Dec. 30.-Navigation in the Ohio River from Cincinnati to Pittsburg is closed today by ice. The between Portsmouth Cattlettsburg is full of ice, and as far down as Cincinnati the floating ice is so heavy as to make it dangerous for boats and impossible for them to land. Boats may venture down the river, but even that is uncertain today.

AT DETROTT. Detroit, Dec. 31.-Norman B. Conger. of the weather office, announces that today and tomorrow will be cold, glear with the likelihood of sple ice forming everywhere wherever there is anything to congeal. Yesterday was the coldest day of the winter thus far, and at 9 and 10 o'clock yesterday forenoon, when it was coldest, the mercury stood at zero point. It gradually rose in the tube, however. Observer Conger promised that before this morning the temperature would fall again to the zero point, and perhaps below. The indications are that this state of affairs will continue today and tomorrow. By

Tuesday the weather may begin to moderate. SNOWBALLS. Snow swept down the Rockies near Glacier, covering 850 feet of railway track and snapping off trees and telegraph poles twelve inches thick. Traffic on the White Pass and Yukon

TRAGIC SUICIDE

Arm, She Fired a Bullet Into Her Brain.

Brie, Pa., Dec. 31.—Erle added another to its list of suicides on Saturday night. Mrs. Frank McLaughlin, sick with consumption, retired with her husband. Later she arose, and, going to a bureau drawer, drank from a vial of chloroform. She returned to bed and was deathly sick. Her suffering

awoke her husband. As the chloroform did not bring death she again arose and secured a revolver. She returned to bed, and, with her head on her husband's arm, said: "Frank, I will never get well." An instant later she sent a ball into her brain, killing herself instantly. The bed and her hus-

band were bespattered with blood. She leaves four children, the eldest being 10 years of age. Her mother and sister were visiting her, and were asleep in a room upstairs at the time. It was the most tragic suicide that ever occurred in Erie.

Today Decides the Fate of the Municipal Candidates.

The Names on the Ballot Papers-An Opportunity to Strike for the Abolition of Wards.

Today the duty of deciding who shall be the city fathers for 1900 devolves upon the electors. They are also asked to express an opinion concerning the ward system, and to select representatives on the board of education for the years 1900 and 1901. The return by acclamation of Mr. J. W. Little and Mr. Wm. Jones as water commission-Mr. John Gillson, of London town-ship, made a spirited address, in which he emphasized the great need of ener-on that score, and in ward 6 no choice on that score, and in ward 6 no choice offered for school trustee, Mr. A.

Wilkins being elected by acclamation. The candidates whose names are on the ballots are as follows:

FOR MAYOR. Fred J. Darch (Socialist). Ald. F. G. Rumball. Ward No. 1. FOR ALDERMAN.

O. E. Brener. Fred Hazeigrove (Socialist). Thomas E. Parkes. Ald. John Pritchard.

Henry Winder. FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE. Dr. Teasdall. Samuel Wilson.

Ward No 2 FOR ALDERMAN. A. B. Barter (Socialist). Ald. Douglass. Thomas Jenkins.

Ald. Jolly. FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE, R. A. Bayly. Hugh McPherson.

Ward No. 3. FOR ALDERMAN. Dr. H. A. Stevenson. David Ross (Socialist). Harry Wallace. Ald. Winnett.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE. Henry A. Clark. Thomas Evans. Ward No. 4

FOR ALDERMAN. Neil Cooper. Ald. Garratt. Alexander McRae. Ald. Malloch. Wm. Scarrow.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE. John McLean. Dr. Ziegler. Ward No. 5.

FOR ALDERMAN Fred Appleton (Socialist.) J. W. Bartlett. G. W. Burdick (declined). Ald. Dreaney. Ald. Plant. Thomas Sargent. John Tuke.

Ald. Wilkey. FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE. E. W. Boyle.

Ward No. 6. FOR ALDERMAN. John Barnard. Wm. Gerry. Ald. Greenlees. E. M. Westland (Socialist.)

Richard Wray. George C. Young. Following is a list of the respective polling places: POLLING PLACES.

A bylaw appointing the following

polling places and clerks passed: NUMBER ONE WARD. Division No. 1-Committee room, city nall; J. B. Smyth. No. 2-George Chittick's shop, 263 King street; James C. Grant. Division No. 3—Samuel Turner's shop, 347 Ridout street; W. F. Howell. Division No. 4—Mr. Adams' shop, 289

Wellington street; Joseph Graham. Division No. 5-Miss Coustns' house, 123 Bathurst street: Thomas Cousins. Division No. 6—George house, 175 Simcoe street; Alfred Hall. Division No. 7—Lindsay Bros.' shop, 236 Grey street; John C. Williams.

NUMBER TWO WARD. Division No. 1-J. W. Fletcher's house, 114 Carling street; John W. Fletcher. Division No. 2-William Percival's 237 Queen's avenue. Joseph

3-William Smith's Division No. store, corner Albert and Richmond streets; W. T. Peel. Division No. 4-James Webb's house, 192 John street; M. Dillon.
Division No. 5-R. Allen's store, 723

Richmond street; J. D. O'Neil.

Division No. 6—Richard McNeill's store, 903 Richmond street; W. H. Smith Division No. 7-St. George's school house; H. B. Gahan.

Division No. 8-Albert Hall; R. A. Jones.

Railway near Skaguay, Alaska, has stopped because of a big snowslide. NUMBER THREE WARD. Division No. 1—Alex. McDonald's house, 346 Colborne street; William Wilson. No. 2-Joshua Darch's house, 510 King street; John Whittaker,

Division No. 3—Thomas A. Atkinson's ouse, corner Burwell and Simcoe streets; Frank McVean. With Head Resting on Her Husband's house, 118 Hamilton road; Samuel J. Bell.

Division No. 5-Jane Lloyd's house, 364 Grey street; James Pirie.
Division No. 6—William Fralick's house, 470 Hill street; Thomas Cole. Division No. 7-John Geary's house, 337 Hill street; Frank Wright.

NUMBER FOUR WARD. Division No. 1-O. Benson's house, 380 Dufferin avenue; W. H. Irvine.
Division No. 2—William Howie's office, corner Dufferin avenue and William street; William Howie, jun.
Division No. 3—Joseph Fallow's house, 417 Princess avenue; Harry Burton. Division No. 4—James Jackson's house, 647 Maitland street; Henry Division Division No. 5—Alex. Woonton's house, 714 Maitland street; William

Division No. 6-W. R. Garner's house,

765 Colborne street; W. R. Garner.
Division No. 7—Arthur Brown's

house, 815 Maitland street; William Flannigan.

NUMBER FIVE WARD. Division No. 1—Mrs. Southcott's house, Hamilton road; Charles Moorhead.

Division No. 2-East End Hall; Arscott Isaac. Division No. 8-John Davidson's house, Francis street; John Bavidsen's Division No. 4—Charles Bartlett's house, Elizabeth street; Charles Bartlett. Division No. 5-George Berry's house, Princess avenue; Peter Toll.
Division No. 6-John A. Matthews'
house, Dufferin avenue; Thomas Tux-

NUMBER SIX WARD. Division No. 1—Mrs. Walton's house,
High street; Charles Smith.
Division No. 2—Alf. Cave's house,
Marley Place; James Shaw.
Division No. 3—Isabella Foster's Marley Place; James Shaw.
Division No. 3-Isabella Foster's
house, 32 Euclid avenue; James Hart.
Division No. 4-George Trebilcock's
hall: James T. Westland. Division No. 4—George Trebilcock's hall; James T. Westland.
Division No. 5—Newans' store, Wharn-

JOTTINGS FROM NEAR-BY PLACES

cliffe Highway; H. Werner.

STRATHROY.

Advertiser Agent, J. D. Meekison. Strathroy, Dec. 31.—Mr. P. J. Thompson, B. A., the new public school inspector of East Midlesex, was the recipient from the Glencoe High School pupils recently of an appreciative address, accompanied by a beautiful gold watch and several handsomely bound

volumes of poetry.

The young gentlemen of Strathroy held a reception in the Lyceum Friday evening. Dancing was indulged in until a late hour. The music was furnished by the Strathroy Orchestra. Mr. E. Roach, of Detroit, is spending the holidays with his parents here.

The annual meeting of the members of the Strathroy Horticultural Society will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 10, 1900, at 7:30 o'clock p.m., at the American Hotel, to receive the report of the directors, and to elect officers for

the ensuing year.

Miss Queenie Clark has obtained a school in Nipissing, and leaves to com-mence her labors in January. A number from Strathroy attended the "At Home" given by Mrs. D. M. Cameron at "The Beeches," London,

last Wednesday evening. The Broadhurst Company will present the well-known comedy; "Why Smith Left Home," at the Lyceum on Tuesday evening, Jan. 2. It will be the second appearance of this company before a Strathroy audience, the same company having presented "What Happened to Jones," here last winter. Mr. Eddie Macintyre, of Chicago, is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Mani-

gault, Head street.

The Strathroy Furniture Company have arranged to send an exhibit to the Paris Exhibition. Messrs. R. Stepler, W. Rapley and F. Mitchell have all passed their jun-

ior term examinations at the Ontario College of Pharmacy, Toronto. Mr. Stepler obtained honors. The funeral of the late D. Dalton, whose death occurred on Wednesday last, took place from the family resi-

dence, Milner street, Friday afternoon, to the Strathroy cemetery. Deceased was a well known and highly respected resident of Strathroy. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh K. Zavitz, of Carberry, Man., who have disposed of their farm in the Northwest, arrived

here last week, to spend the winter in this vicinity.

LAMBETH.

Lambeth, Dec. 31.-Mr. and Mrs. R. Robinson are spending the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. J. C. Stoneman, of Hensall. Mr. William Moore, of Kansas, is

visiting relatives here.

Miss Alice Calcott, of 47 Byron avenue, South London, is renewing ac-Lambeth Methodist Sunday School held a very successful entertainment

on Dec. 14. Receipts, \$37.
Trinity Church Sabbath school held their annual entertainment Thursday Miss Burch, school teacher, is spend-

ing her Christmas at ther home in Blaine, Mich. Miss Mary Mickleborough, Thomas, is home for a few days.

Messrs. Tom and Frank Hamlyn each received on the Christmas tree beautifully-framed picture of their Sunday school classes. were entertained Tuesday night at Mr.

The Misses Broad, of Seaforth, after visiting their cousin. Miss Minnie Hamlyn, for the past few weeks, have returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Martin spent Christmas in Strathroy.

Messrs. A. K. and G. A. Sadler spent Christmas with their sister, Mrs. Wal-

ter Jordan, St. Thomas. The I. O. F. held a special meeting to install the officers for the ensuing year and to receive a very gratifying from the financial secretary. After the business of the court had been concluded oysters were served in abundance. Bros. Vandermade and Hunt received great praise for the way in which they attended to this part of the programme, which would do credit to any chef. The remainder of the evening was spent in speeches, songs. music, recitations and games. The meeting broke up about 11 o'clock, all expressing the belief that it was good for brethren to dwell together in large numbers. Occasions like this will probably occur frequently during the coming year.

Renewals of subscriptions for The Daily Advertiser are numerous.

KOMOKA.

Komoka, Dec. 28.-The entertainment neld in Komoka public school on Dec. 15, was a decided success. The programme consisted of choice selections

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from the Lambeth male quartet: Miss M. Murray, soloist, of Wilton Grove; Delaware vocal and musical trio; Mrs. B. Robinson, elocutionist, Komoka; Messrs. Shaw and Gray violinists, Hyde Park and Melrose; accompanist, Mrs. George Edwards, Melrose; violin selection, Miss Hooper, Delaware. The scholars of the school also took a good part. The crowded house indicated the appreciation of the programme, and all went home well satisfied with the e's entertai ment.

Mr. Wm. Heath visited friends in the village.
Mr. M. Pender, of the Blind Institute, Brantford, is home on vacation.

Miss Aggie Matthewson, who has
been visiting at Niagara Falls, is home

A number from here attended a tin wedding last Tuesday evening at Fern-

Miss Minnie Stilson, of Wyoming, returned after a visit to friends here. Annie Frank has returned home.

Mr. John McMurphy has moved into his new residence. Mr. T. Haywood, of Kilworth, has moved into the house formerly ocupied by J. McMurphy.

PORT STANLEY.

Port Stanley, Dec. 30.-Standing room was at a premium on Thursday evening, at the Town Hall, on the occasion of the Christmas entertainment given by the Sabbath school of the Presbyterian Church here. The programme was both interesting and instructive, and held the undivided attention of the audience throughout. 'Sheridan's Ride," by little Miss Myers, was a gem. After the primary class, which is always first, the hon-ors were divided between Miss Phyllis Thompson's quartet in "The Seasons." and Mrs. Courtenay's sextet, in "The Star," and "The Red, White and Blue," Rev. A. H. Going, B.A., Methodist Church, whose life and labors since he came among us have done so much to bring closer together all that is best in the Christian life of the

place, spoke briefly, too briefly some said, but directly to the point, to wit, the importance of Sunday school work. The primary class looked in large-eyed wonder at fourteen ladies and gentlemen of uncertain age ("awful old," said one primary in a confidential aside to another), say 17 to 20, as they proceeded to tell an expectant audi-

ence "Why I Never Married." The trial scene from "The Merchant of Venice" was exceptionally well rendered. The text used was that of the high school reader. The undivided attention given throughout the programme is, perhaps, the highest trib-ute that could be paid to the matter, as well as to the mode of rendering the scene.

The Christmas tree bore fruit for every scholar and every member of the staff, and some besides for

Among the presents were several from the congregation to Mr. and Mrs. Courtenay, consisting of a silver cake basket, a silver butter cooler and knife and a superb buck-horn handled carving set in a suitable case; and to Mr. Courtenay a pair of fur-lined driv-ing gloves. Mrs. Courtenay also received a certified check for fifty dol-

The singing of "The National Anthem" and a brief wish for the Master's blessing upon all brought a delightful evening to a fitting close.

DELAWARE.

Delaware, Dec. 30.—On Thursday evening last a number of the friends and parents of the pupils of school section No. 4, Delaware, visited the home of Mr. Whitehead for the purpose of bidding farewell to Mr. F. V. Langford, of Maple Grove, who has so successfully carried on the school during the past three years. After a few hours of social enjoyment, tea was served, after which Miss Maggie McLellan read a parting address, while Misses Myrtle Heatly and Laura Forsythe presented Mr. Langford with a beautiful easy chair as a slight token of the esteem in which he is held by the pupils and friends of the section. Mr. Langford came to this section a total stranger, but has won for him-

self a popularity that will be held in long remembrance. The crowd broke up at an early hour Friday morning, all feeling satisfied with the evening's enjoyment as well as the big surprise they gave Mr.

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SPORTING NOTES A TRUE TALE

Jookey Ruled Off the Track at New Orleans.

Doc Payne Knocked Out by Tommy West-A Six-Days' Bicycle Spin.

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DOC PAYNE KNOCKED OUT. New York, Dec. 31.—Tommy West Knocked out Doc Payne at the Greenwood Athletic Club, Brooklyn, last night in the second round. TURF

New Orleans, Dec. 31.—The stewards, in their investigation of the running and jumping horse Fred Perkins, ruled Jockey J. Pierce, who rode him, off the turf. In the St. Lorenzo case, the stewards refused the entry of the horse in the future, and restored H. Jones, the owner, and A. McIntyre, the jockey, to all privileges. Summaries:
First race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—
School Girl won, Nailer 2, Musket 3.

Time, 1:51½.

Second race, handicap, 5½ furlongs—
Triaditza won, Tom Gilmore 2, Gold

Or 3. Time, 1:08½.

Third race, 6 furlongs—J. E. Cline
won, Brown Vail 2, Tobe Payne 3. Time, 1:14½. Fourth race, New Orleans handicap,

7 furlongs—Imp. Mint Sauce won, ndes 2, Molo 3. Time, 1:18¾.

Fifth race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Yaba Dam won, Klondike Queen 2, Doughty 3. Time, 1:50.

BASHBALL. "Pete" Lohman may manage the

new Club at Omaha.

The Cincinnati club will not insist on the players signing a temperance clause next season. The experiment was a failure last season.

was a failure last season.

Bucky Freeman will get into the pool of players from which the big leaguers will have to make selections with accompanying bids if the Washington franchise goes to the league.

The Eastern League magnates are serious in their belief that they will possibly be able to pick up Baltimore and Washington before the big season

> WHEEL DUBOIS WAS WINNER.

New Bedford, Mass., Dec. 31.—The six-day bicycle race, finished at 11 o'clock last night, and was won by John Dubois, who made 779 miles 15 laps. Munroe was second.

COPYRIGHT ON PICTURES. W. A. Brady, manager of the Jeffries-Sharkey fight, who claims a copyright on the pictures of the fight, has issued a writ for \$10,000 damages and an injunction against M. S. Robinson, of the Bijou, Toronto, who is exhibiting what purports to be pictures of the fight.

NOTES OF SPORT

N. Dyment, whose racing colors are well known on the Canadian circuit tracks, makes good use of his winnings, as he recently cleared up the debt on the Methodist Church in Barrie, paying \$1,000.

Casper Whitney has finally picked out his All American football eleven, as well as a substitute team, and not one western man is included in the 22

Connie Mack intends to take the Milwaukee players to Richmond, Ind., April 1, to remain three weeks, training for the season of 1900, when a hard fight for first honors in the American League is expected by the manager of

The contract for furnishing baseballs to the major league is considered worth fully \$7,000 in profits, and it is that snug little sum that Uncle Anson would like to earn with his new manufacturing concern that will do business if there is a chance to secure the contract after the one Spalding holds expires.

price of \$18,000 has been placed on the Louisville franchise and misfit aggregation of players left in that city since Pittsburg took the best men, and It is claimed that unless the league that amount the club will sold to a local stock company, and they will keep Louisville in the league the remaining two years of the compact.

ANOTHER NAME ENROLLED.

Growing List of Those Who Testify to Dodd's Kidney Pills in Montreal.

Montreal, Jan. 2.—The list of those who have received benefit from the great medicine, Dodd's Kidney Pilis, is steadily growing in this city. Since Mr. Robert Thomson's name was published, Mr. M. Mullin, of 4 Elgin struct, has stepped forward and submitted his testimony. His case was rheumatism, which, though now generally recognized as a kidney disease, is not always treated as such.

People waste a lot of money trying to drive rheumatism from the system. If they would all follow Mr. Mullin's example they would be saved much

Says he: "I have had rheumatism for some time, and could get nothing to cure me until I used Dodd's Kidney Pills. I have now taken three boxes

The Kingston board of education has directed the principal of the Collegiate Institute to investigate certain disloyal atterances ascribed to one of the teachers.

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

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New York.

Churchill's Grandmother Was There.

Lockport, Dec. 31 .- How the grandmother of Lady Randolph Churchill attended a New Year's house party in Central New York more than a half a century ago, is entertainingly told by Hon. John T. Murray, of Lockport. Mr. Murray is close to four score years, but he is in the active practice of law today, being the oldest attorney in Niagara county. He was born in the famous Pompey Hill district, Onondaga county, which was settled by New England farmers, who promptly mortgaged their unsettled farms in order to found the academy which has long since become famous for the great men and women it has sent out. Said Mr. Murray, in the course of some entertaining remin-

"The New Englanders who settled Pompey Hill went upon the mountain, passing by the fertile valleys, because they desired to avoid the malaria in the lowlands. And so it was that Pompey Hill was tilled to the top while the level meadows in the valleys lay fallow for years after the settlers came into that section. Steep hills and stones were the features of the landscape. I am told that one day my father was driving by the homestead of one Hiram Smith. Hiram was occupied, as most Pompey Hill folks were three-fourths of their working hours, in picking up stones in the field. Stopping his horse, father cried banteringly:

"'Why, Hiram, where did you get enough stones to lay our hull farm out in four-acre lots with fences around 'em higher'n the walls of Jerico, and so wide they'd be higher yet of they tumbled down?"
"Smith raised up from his task and,

straightening out his back with his replied warmly: 'Why, you ole fool, can't you see where I get 'em?'

"Father responded with a chuckle:
"No, I haven't missed any."
"At this time I recalled, with no little pleasure a New Year's house party, as the present generation would call an old-fashioned holiday gathering of kinsfolk and other friends for a good time, held on Pompey Hill more than a half century ago. My aunt, the grandmother of Lady Ran-Churchill, figured prominently in the festivities. On the south side of the hill, which is the highest arable land in New York State, being more than 2,000 feet above sea level, was what was in the old days called the Murray district. Four families, three Murray brothers and the Jerome family, into which my father's sister, Aurora Murray, married, held the district. It consisted of a quadrangular incline plane, about one mile each way, with a farm house at each corner, A road connected the four houses;

that is, by 'driving 'round the block.' "It was a cold afternoon, on the 31st of December. The greater portion of Onondaga county, which we could see from our house, looked like an im-mense mantle of white, dotted here and there with woodland spots, so that it resembled a vast cloak of ermine Father came in from work early and told mother he was in favor of having the folks over to spend the night, so as to see the good old year out and greet the new coming in. The suggestion received unanimous approbation. So we soon had the team hitched to the big sled and were plowing our way quickly through the snow 'round the block. The first place we reached was block. The first place we reached was Jerome's. I declare to goodness, to use a homely expression, I shall never forget Aunt Orie's look of despair, when we invited her to the New Year's party, to be accepted forthwith. Her sleeves were rolled up, and her plump arms were concealed to the elbow in dough. Said she:

"'I don't see how we can come; it's my baking day, and that's the most important of the week at this house, with its room full of children.

"Father solved the problem by telling her to roll all her bread into a clean sheet and throw it into :ne sleigh, promising her that the boys would split the wood and bake it in our oven at home. This was done, and Aunt Orie Jerome made one of the New Year's party at our house. It snowed so hard during the night and next morning that the party had to stay until we could shovel out the roads, so we had to eat Aunt Orie's bread. Her granddaughter, Lady Randolph Churchill, never ate better.

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Guests Snowed In-Lady Randolph Just Before the Canadian Contingent Left the S. S. Sardinian.

Glad to Land-Comment on the Rations -Pies One Dollar Apiece.

The relatives of the Londoners who are with the Canadian contingent in urday, when the second batch of mail without stopping to count the from B. Company was received.

in part, as follows:

"I am keeping well, as most of us are. We will be in Cape Town tomorsometime, and are running at half-speed now, as the weather is very misty, and we are near the coast. All is bustle on board with preparations to leave the snip tomorrow. We are all mighty glad to land, especially as we can get a change of grub. Everyone is heartny sick of the rations. Sometimes we buy a pie from the baker, and that costs \$1. Fried cakes sell three for 10 cents, and everything correspondingly dear. For cigarettes, one council 25 cents apiece today. All the boys have any amount of money, as we got paid last Friday. I got ±3 10s 8½0-\$17 20, Canadian money. We were all paid in gold. I have to go on watch tonight at 8 o'clock, and be on for twelve hours. At 8 o'clock in the morning we will parade in full marching order on the quarter deck. The outfit com-prises a khaki suit, which is a kind of light brown canvas, while on our backs we wear our overcoats, capes, and valises. It all weighs about 65 pounds, and is atached to the Oliver equipment, and is not so bad.

"Today there was practice shooting out of the Gatling guns at barrers pitched overboard. It was quite exciting for the time. None of us know what we are going to do on landing, so won't inform you, but will write first chance on land."

After stating that the routine on board the ship has been the same for some time past, Pte. Reed draws a comparison that emphasizes his dis-tance from London. "I suppose winter has set in there for good," he writes, adding: "Today the sun was straight overhead, and burning hot, but there was a nice breeze. I suppose by was a nice breeze. I suppose by Christmas we will be in the field, and likely fighting, but if not, so much the better." He goes on to say: "I got my other letters off on a steamer we signaled on the 17th, the Rangantina, bound for England, and we have seen no ship since." Although contemplating a Christmas dinner of "hard tack and embalmed beef," as the boys call it, Will was in good spirits. He hoped his letter would find his family about to enjoy their hearty Christmas, and asked them all to put in a little extra for him. "But wait till I get to the Cape," he adds expressively. "I'll lay in a meal that will do me for four months, if I have to pay \$5 for it." This is followed with a good-humored reference to the cleations. "Tall ne 'Goldie' Coles will elections. "Tell pa 'Goldie' Coles will put in a plumper for him and mail it to him. The boys wish to be remembered to all, and, if handy, would like some papers." After stating that the pad on which his letter was written carried the place in two days, and at pad on which his letter was written had been presented by Toronto and was very handy, the writer adds: "I've just learned that all hands get up at 3 a.m. tomorrow, so we must be near land, although it is not in sight." Then a later note, hurriedly written, is dat-ed Nov. 29: "Arrived in Cape Town at K. Sighted land at 5 this Harbor full of warships. morning. Beautiful sight. Going ashore now.

SEDITIOUS BUTTONS

"Victory to the Boers" Souvenirs Are Prohibited.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 31.-A few days ago a large number of buttons, on which was inscribed, "Victory to the Boers," in French and English, were seized by the customs officers in Toronto and forwarded to the department here.

The result has been that the department has sent out a circular to all customs collectors. All importations of the character mentioned are declared to be seditious under the customs act and therefore prohibited.

Good Advice.

Mr. Isaac Holden, Omemee, Ontario, formerly of Toronto and Montreal, cattle buyer, well and favorably known all over Ontario and Quebec, says in regard to Dr. Ward's Blood and Nerve Pills: "For the past two years I have been a great sufferer with muscular and nerve rheumatism, and chronic constipation. The rheumatism got so bad the early part of the past winter that I could not get around without the help of a cane; even then it was only with great difficulty and excruciating pain. My blood was stagnant; my legs, feet, arms and hands feeling numb all the time, brisk rubbing failing to restore circulation. Frequently when walking a spasm of pain would take hold of the muscles and nerves of my legs, and in an instant I became powerless, and would fall perfectly helpless. The first of last January I was in such a crippled state and suffering such constant pain, and I felt I must go to bed and be laid up helpless and suffering for an indefinite time, with the probabilities that I would never be able to get around again. Fortunately, my son, who had received a great benefit from Dr. Ward's Blood and Nerve Pills, said:

"Father, Why Not Try Those Fils?"

"I did so, and in one week felt so much better and so much relieved from pain that I have continued the use of them. They cured me of constipation, and the rheumatic pains have entirely disappeared from my loins and stom-ach. They have restored healthy and natural circulation of my blood and enabled me to get around without incon-

They are a marvel in the medicine line. It is the only medicine of the many I have taken that gave me immediate and permanent relief. I am satisfied that if I had not taken them I would today be helpless in bed, suf-fering torture which only those who have acute, muscular and nervous

rheumatism can imagine.
"ISAAC HOLDEN." Fifty cents per box, ail druggists, or Sam. Williams & Co., Toronto, Ont.

British in the Past.

A Contemporary Says They Were Foolish, but They Were Magnificent All the Same.

[Detroit News.]

The fault which, more than any other has distinguished British generals from the beginning, and probably will to the end, the one which lost the three last battles in South Africa. South Africa were made happy on Sat- is a propensity to rush at the enemy "Like a bull at a gate," as one mili-One from Pte. Will G. Reed, son of that their men can go anywhere and Ald. Reed, is dated Nov. 28, and reads, do anything, and the soldiers, on the other hand, put the most implicit faith in their officers and are ready to officers can stand it, we can," is the only thought that crosses their minds, if they ever stop to think at all. never occurs to them that it is simply suicide to attack an impossible position, or an enemy overwhelmingly strong.

The charge of the Light Brigade was an excellent sample of this. Officers and men knew that it was madness for a body of 600 horsemen to attack a Russian army of 80,000 men supported by guns, but they went, nevertheless, and they pushed the charge home, de moralizing the whole Russian army for a time. There was no possibility of doing anything effective, but two-thirds of them laid down their lives

in the attempt. Equally idiotic was the attempt of Gen. Pakenham to storm Andrew Jackson's position covering New Orleans during the war of 1812-15. Jack-son had his whole front protected by the Bayou St. John, which was about 40 feet wide at the top and 20 feet While the British were struggling through this they were being shot down by scores by the Kentucky riflemen, all of whom were dead shots. Again and again did the British general hurl his men at the position, in the end they had to give up with a loss of 2,600. The Americans, lying becotton bales, suffered scarcely any loss.

Another instance was in 1758, when a British expedition landed on the coast of France, made an appointment with the fleet to meet them at St. Cas, and marched overland to their harbor, destroying every fortification they came across. They threw out no pickets or scouts, but marched in fours with the bands playing, as if inviting an attack, It was not till they had reached the shore, where the fleet was awaiting them, that a French army, about 17,000 strong, advanced to the attack. The French were kept at a distance by the guns of the ships while the troops were embarking, and the whole expedition could have got away without losing a man but for the foolhardiness of the officer commanding the Grenadiers. With 1,400 men he attacked the French strong position, and only gave up when he had lost half of his force. But if the army has been reckless, the navy has been far more so. There is nothing more so in history than the storming of Gibraltar in 1704. The

night a small body of them, under Capt. Whitaker, stormed the sea defences and carried them with a loss to the attacking party of 63 killed and 225 wounded. Had the Spaniards made any sort of defense, not a man of the storming party would have lived to return. As it was the town had to surrender. In the harbor of San Juan de Ulloa, Florida, in 1568, Sir John Hawkins, with six small ships fought 25 Spanish ships of the line supported by the forts and shore batteries. One of his vessels was captured, two were sunk and the others escaped to sea in a shattered condition.

In 1652 Blake engaged 42 Dutch ships with only 23 English ships at his back. and for four hours, while he was waiting for his fleet to work up to windward to get into position, his flagship sustained the attack of the whole

Dutch fleet. In 1816 Viscount Exmouth with British ships, of which only six carried over 40 guns, reinforced by six small Dutch vessels, attacked Algiers, which was defended by about guns, and had nine large covettes and frigates anchored in the harbor besides smaller vessels. After a hours' bombardment the Algerian vessels were sunk or burned, the fortifications destroyed and the dey obliged to lower his flag.

Most insane of all was the fight 1591 between the Revenge and the Spanish fleet at the Azores, immortalized by Lord Tennyson. Half of the crew of the Revenge were suffer-Half of ing from scurvy, and Sir Richard Grenville had landed them to give them a chance to recover, leaving only about 100 men to work the ship. Word brought that a Spanish fleet of 53 vessels was approaching and five of the English vessels took to flight. Gren-ville refused to leave his sick, and before he got them aboard the Spanish fleet was seen approaching in the form of a half-moon. Finding it impossible escape, he decided to fight the

"Ship after ship, the whole night long, the Spanish galleons came: Ship after ship, the whole night long, with her battle thunder and flame, Ship after ship, the whole night long, drew back with her dead and her shame.'

Eight of the Spanish ships were sunk and many more badly shattered, while the Revenge had lost every spar, every shred of cordage, and nearly her whole crew were lying dead and dying, when the fight was ended by her ammunition giving out. She was forced to surrender, but went down shortly afterwards with the prize crew the Spanlards had placed aboard of her. Ever since there has been a Revenge in the British

Fortune has so often attended the British in these reckless, desperate attacks, that it is little wonder that they are tempted to run long chances

TO OBSERVE ECLIPSE OF THE SUN. Amherst, Mass., Dec. 31.-Percival

Powell, of Boston, and Prof. David P. Todd, of Amherst College, will start for England early next month on an expedition to observe the total eclipse of the sun, on May 28, in Northern They first will make a tour of the important European observatories, collecting full notes on new forms of instruments, processes and latest methods of astronomical work. Their principal instrument for observing the eclipse will be a 24-inch telescope for obtaining large scale pictures of the sun's corona. The expedition will re-

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The New Year.

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"What folly' then," the faithless critic with sneering lip, and wise, world-*While fort to fort, and post to post

repeat ceaseless challenge of the wardrum's beat, round the green earth to the church-bell's chime.

The morning drum-roll of the camp keeps time, To dream of peace amidst a world in Of swords to plowshares, changed by Scriptural charms;

Of nations drunken with the wine of Staggering to take the Pledge of Brotherhood."

But in the words of the poet it may

"Still lives for Earth which fiends so long have trod.

The great hope resting on the truth of God:
Evil shall cease and Violence pass

the tired world breathe free through a long Sabbath Day."

Humanity, looking through faith in Providence, sees a brighter day beyond the war-cloud that darkens the immediate future. The issue will be for the best-there is no doubt of that. The pity is that such gains for progress and civilization do not always come through peaceful evolution.

Looking at our domestic affairs, we Canadians have a satisfying prospect and retrospect. The year just closed has been one of great material prosperity, and national growth. The year just opening promises to be one of increasing development, without the correding burdens of taxation with which militarism weights the industry of other nations. Let Canadians see to it that the rushing tide of progress does not undermine their high social, moral and political ideals, and may the genius of our young country prove equal to the opportunities arising on

East Middlesex for Mr. Ross

The Liberals of East Middlesex are be congratulated on again having McWilliam as their standardrer. He made an excellent run in deemed the riding, even against so pular a candidate as the late Mr. odgens, whose untimely and deeply gretted death has opened the constitncy. Dr. McWilliam's record in that ntest immensely increased his presge, and he has steadily grown in vor since. The electors have been mirably impressed by his strong mon sense, his grasp of public questions, and his moderate tone of discussion. His quiet persistency is, we believe, about to be rewarded with uccess. He has inspired the Liberal arty in the riding with the utmost thusiasm, and he will derive considable support from his Conservative eighbors on personal grounds.

The electors of East Middlesex need t be reminded that a vote for Dr. le William is a vote for the Middlesex mier. Hon. George W. Ross is a al product," a brilliant son of Midsex, of whom Middlesex is proud. tis public policy is one that should amand the support of every farmer, nd the farmers of East Middlesex, in oting for Dr.McWilliam, will have the vole satisfaction of promoting their wn interests and of doing a good turn for the Middlesex Premier.

Light and Shade.

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ork to work him! Old Gentleman—"Do you mean to y that your teachers never thrash

tle Boy-"Never! We have moral on at our school." Gentleman-"What's that?"

dle Boy-"Oh, we get kep' in, and d up in corners, and locked out, d in, and made to write d a thousand times, and scowled and jawed at, and that's all."—

A FATAL KISS

yous Shook and Fright Cause the of a Young Girl in Chicago. go, Dec. 31.—Florence Owens, 19 Id, who lived with her parents North Pauline street, died in an asylum at Elgin yesterday. She clerk in a Milwaukee avenue

ceks ago she had ocasion to the stock room, and while there man, whose name could not be ained, grasped her about the and kissed her. Frightened, she of to the store, and was soon in hysterics. She was conveyed home. A high fever set in and ne delirious. On the following began to rave, and it was best to send her to the deten-pital. Here it was discovered

John and Jonathan

American Friendship a Great Desideratum for Britain-Europe Yelping at John Bull's Heels.

Coal Famine Threatened on Account of So Many Colliers Joining the Reserves—Boers Contemplating a Mission to the United States to Influence Public Sentiment—British War Office Defended by Conan Doyle.

the Soudan.

London, Dec. 30 .- It is strange to note that as the New Year dawns for Great Britain the greatest army she ever put in the field remains passive in South Africa, held at bay by two of the smallest republies on the face of the earth. All Europe is yelping at her heels, and the necessity for America's friendship is recognized on all sides. Papers and people that for years have been ready with a jibe for America's good will no longer make any attempt to belittle the desirability of securing her friendship. "America," says the Globe, with a crop of 542,000,000 bushels, is especially in a position to help us." The economic shoe already begins to pinch the mili-tary foot. Not very seriously, but enough to suggest grave cogitations as to what would happen if Great Britain was at war with a great power. The fact that the government has chartered so many transports has resulted in the rise of the price of bread, while coal is rising by leaps and bounds to famine prices. It is such unpleasant results as these that silence the scoffer at things American and induce such a vituperative publication as the

Saturday Review to say:
"The Americans have had their eyes opened to the possibilities of a foreign policy, and are taking a sounder, be-cause a cooler, view of the situation. They are not less friendly to us than before, but the insincere element has been eliminated and has left a reliable

substance of good will." DAY OF RECKONING COMING. On the whole, the organs voicing the better class of opinion face 1900 and its eventualities in South Africa with an unhysterical determination that compels admiration. That there will be a day of reckoning for some one is a certainty that even the most guarded and conservative do not try to conceal. Whether it be Lord Lansdowne, Lord Wolseley or Gen. Buller, it is impossible to tell. But all the information obtainable at present and the gist of criticism point to Lord

shoulder the

Lansdowne having to

onus for mismanagement.

BOERS LOOKING TO AMERICA. While Great Britain feeds contentedly on long special cables showing American friendship, the Boer agents in Europe believe sentiment in the United States has been gradually turning Boerward, until the time is now ripe to develop it into material effect. Under this impression the Associated Press learns that they are contemplating dispatching a special mission to the United States for the purpose influencing public opinion, possibly by open meetings, and by personally assisting the efforts of those in gress whom they believe frie Moreover, they consider it advisable to offset what they declare has been a systematic campaign of John Hays Hammond, the American engineer, who was a member of the Johannesburg reform committee, to influence Washington opinion. If the plans now under consideration are carried out the mission will include a very prominent Boer agent and a pro-Boer member of the British Parliament who intended to sail this week, but was prevented by what is thought to be a temporary hitch in the arrangements. Their desire is to affiliate themselves with no particular party, but by in-fluencing political and public opinion, secure at least an offer of mediation from the United States. A representative of the Associated Press has made careful inquiries, but failed to find any circumstances to warrant the

sideration. OLD PARISH CLERK DEAD. Thomas Kite, the old parish clerk of Shakespeare's church, has quickly followed the custodian of Anne Hatheway's cottage to the grave. He was 91 years old, and succeeded his father and grandfather half a century ago, and was well known to all dramatic celebrities. Among those whom he conducted to Shakespeare's tomb was Sir Walter Scott, Washington Irving,

would receive the slightest con-

Dickens, Emerson, Booth, Kean and Nathaniel Hawthorne. SENIOR WRANGLER MUST GO. Senior Wrangler bids fair to become

a thing of the past at Cambridge, the board of mathematics having recommended the abolition of this coveted distinction in future. If the senate agrees, as is probable, the wranglers will all be classed alphabetically, and none will know who is the cleverest mathematician of the year. For this nonor men have worked themselves crazy, and it has been secured by some of the most prominent figures in

English history.

MOODY'S DEATH DEPLORED. The death of Dwight L. Moody is universally commented on here, and his visits to England has been recalled. The Times has a long editorial, comparing the career of Mr. Moody to that of the Duke of Westminster. The weeklles, and even the halfpenny evening sheets, all paid tribute to the, dead evangelist. A memorial service held in London was largely attend-

GOING TO SOUTH AFRICA. . Among the latest distinguished guests going to South Africa is Capt. Holford, who is one of the closest friends of the Prince of Wales, and his equerry. The captain sails Jan. 6 to join his regiment, the 1st Life Guards. From 1888 to 1892 Capt. Holford was equerry to the late Duke of Clarence, and since then has been equerry to the Prince of Wales. He is a wealthy land owner and proprietor of Dorchester House, London, famous

for its picture galleries.

The King of the Belgians goes on a chting cruise in the Mediterranean in January, returning to Belgium in

King Menelik of Abyssinia is soon

khedive, thus disposing of the stories that he is collecting an army to invade

COAL FAMINE THREATENED. The British government is threatened with a coal famine, the most serious development of recent weeks. Unless the conditions improve many industrial concerns depending upon the coal supply may have to suspend operations before February, as their margin of profit is rapidly being wiped out. The root of the trouble appears to be the withdrawal of so many colliers to take their places in the ranks of the reserves. Wages have gone up, but labor is hard to find. The normal Christmas congestion of traffic aggravates the situation, while the government need of fuel for transports, war vessels and depots on the way to the Cape, has created an unprecedented demand.

OVERSHADOWS EVERYTHING. Berlin, Dec. 31.-The South African war overshadows everything else here. The correspondent of the Associated Press has just had an interesting interview with the Liberal leader, Dr. Barth, who is one of the most steadfast friends of Great Britain and America but who also condemns this war. Dr. Barth said:

"At present it looks as if England might lose the whole of South Africa: I have private information from Africa, via Holland, according to which the rebellious movement among the Cape Boers has assumed much more serious proportions that the English newspapers admit.
"There never was a greater piece of

political stupidity than that shown by Mr. Chamberlain in provoking war without having made the necessary military preparations. If England had only waited a few years, she could have had everything without war. "If England is totally defeated this war will be the best thing for the world, even for England. It will be a

lesson she will not soon forget. It will have a wholesome influence upon the jingoes of all countries, including the GERMANY DISTRUSTS ENGLAND. "Our navy scheme, which is almost

increase was decided on because Germany has lost confidence in the men who are shaping England's policy. The brutality of the present English cies renders Germany's position too insecure. What happens in the Transvaal today on land may happen to Germany upon the sea tomorrow. Distrust of England makes it necessary for Germany to be so strong at sea that the English jingoes will think twice before attacking Germany. If the before attacking Germany. If the English statesmen of today were of the type of Gladstone and Morley, we should have no concern, but with such political jack-lanterns as Mr. Chamberlain at the helm we do not know what to expect and must arm for any eventuality."

FEAR ENGLAND WILL LOSE. The German press generally, during the last few weeks, has expressed the opinion that Great Britain will lose, not only the war, but also South Africa. The military expert in the Deutsche Zeitung says:

"It is no longer a question of whe ther England will not subjugate the Boer republics, or whether she will lose Cape Colony. It is true England will retain the harbors, for they lie under the guns of English ships, but the entire interior she will lose, and instead of the dream of enormous British South African empire, England will only keep a number of ports. This will probably be the issue of the war, if England does not hurry up and con-

From an excellent authority the correspondent of the Associated Press hears that Great Britain has instructed her minister at The Hague, Sir Edward Howard, to sign the peace convention, with the reservation of article 10, all the conference powers having consented to such reservation.

REFORMS IN GERMANY.

One of the reforms to be carried out in 1900 will be in connection with the Berlin criminal police, which is grossly inefficient. The reform will be thorough, comprising the training, promotion and distribution of the police. Hereafter the criminal policemen will be chosen from civil life, and their number will be increased.

DELAGOA BAY.

The correspondent of the Associated Press learns in government circles that Germany does not believe the report that Great Britain intends to take decisive steps soon at Delagoa Bay. It is admitted that Germany would be informed beforehand if any serious step was intended, and the reports circulated are considered to be Ballons d'essai issued by the countries interested in preventing Great Britain from getting

Delagoa Bay.

A perfect epidemic of weddings broke out here, the number of persons married being six times the ordinary num-

SEVERELY COLD.

The faunching of the Hamburg-American Line steamer Deutschland, which was to have occurred Jan. 3 at Stettin, has been postponed because of the heavy ice in the River Oder.

While the weather here has moderated, the reports from elsewhere in Gr-many tell of severe cold. A letter-carnier named Luedtke was frozen to death while on duty at Damnatz, and another, named Anton Baumann, was killed by the cold at Frankfort-on-the-Main. The snow lies phenomenally high in the mountains.

THE WAR OFFICE DEFENDED. London, Dec. 81.-Conan Doyle, the novelist, publishes a letter defending the war office personages from what he terms "unjust hysterical and es-sentially cowardly attacks upon men There were three German officers and going to Cairo as the guest of the who are prevented by their official po- twenty men on the ship, who were

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tion Suits. 10 per cent off all Men's Fur Caps.

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eseware, Tea Sets, Cups and Saucers. 10 per cent off all Men's Undercloth-25 per cent off all Men's Frieze Ulsters and Tweed Overcoats.

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"Our navy scheme, which is almost sure of adoption, must be understood to be in connection with the war in South Africa, all fine phrases offered in explanation notwithstanding. The

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sition from replying." Due credit, he urges, ought to be given to the war for its striking successes in the mobilization, and the dispatch of so large a force to such a distance in so short a time. All foreign authorities agree that this was a remarkable achievement. See how division after division is being formed division and dispatched, and yet how often we have been told that these divisions of reserves were non-existent. Surely here

also the war office has scored. "In the matter of guns, I am assured by expert officers that our field artillery is still the best in Europe. Certainly in this campaign it has silenced all field guns brought against it. In the exceptional circumstances of guns of position being trundled about the country, and used to outrange field artiflery, the most we could fairly ask is that our authorities should at adopt themselves to these novel conditions. This was very quickly done by the use of the naval guns on the spot, by the dispatch of siege guns from

"As to mounted infantry, this whole campaign is now a thing destined perhaps to revolutionize warfare, and we can simply meet conditions as they arise. The very large mounted force now on its way is a sign of how adaptive and elastic we are.

"The real fact is, we are fighting against a very tough lot of men, whom we shall certainly wear down in the long run, but who will give us many hard knocks, which we must bear in manly silence, without any shrieks of 'nous somnes trahis.' Let there be a reckoning at the end for whoever has done less than his best."

LORD ROBERTS' SON'S DEATH. Lord Roberts, says the Outlook, learned of his son's death at the Travelers' Club. He was talking to a distinguished general at a little distance from the tape, round which was formed a circle of the members.

Someone who did not know Lord Roberts was present, exclaimed: heavens, Bobs' son is killed!" cried Roberts, el-"What! What!"

bowing his way to the tape. He read the fatal intelligence, then walked out of the club without a word, the members gazing after him with silent, affectionate sympathy. Lord Roberts was always proud of his son's riding powers. At the Irish meeting last year young Roberts rode clean away from the field, and won with a dozen lengths to spare.

'My son must not be encouraged to ride. A soldier has to keep all his abilities for service," said Lord Roberts, then, with a burst of paternal pride he exclaimsd, "but in all my life I never saw anyone ride a better race."

SEIZURE OF THE BUNDESRATH. Commenting on the seizure by the British man of war of the German steamer Bundesrath, the London correspondent of the Tribune says: "As the relations of the German and British governments are friendly it is not likely that serious complications will follow the seizure of the steamer Bundesrath in Delagoa Bay by the Magician. The prize court at Durban needs, however, to be in close touch with the admiralty and foreign office in these troublous times. The Bun-desrath is a steamer of the German destrath is a state of the defining the foreign office cannot refuse the directors' request at Hamburg for an immediate inquiry. Hamburg dispatches state that there was no con-

the Boer army. If their presence on the ship be ground for seizure, important questions of international law arise. A German liner in the ordinary trade route on the East African coast would seem to be as secure against seizure as the Trent was under the British flag, especially when she was heading for a neutral port. If she were a filibustering vessel, like the Virginius, there would be a British if not an American pre-cedent against her seizure, for in 1874, a British steamer entered Santiago harbor and threatened to fire on the town if any harm was done to the Queen's subjects who had sailed on the Virginius. This fresh incident, added to the dangerous precedent which may be established by the prize court treatment of foodstuffs as contraband of war, increases the diplomatic embarrassment caused by the Portuguese control of Delagoa Bay. A few more international episodes may have the effect to force the British government to take action at Lisbon which will bring about a cession of territory and its partition with Germany, whatever may be the interna-tional complications. The whole subject is enmeshed with difficulties but the indefinite continuance of a sham neutrality detrimental to the British interests is improbable.

NEW G.T.R COACHES

Five More New and Modernly Built Cars Added to the Rolling Stock.

The Grand Trunk have added another lot of five handsomely built first-class coaches to their already up-to-date equipment. Already during the past year some fifty of these modern cars have been built and placed in service, taking the place of some of the older coaches, and these new cars have been greatly admired by all who see them. Everything that science, experience, and skilled labor can do has been brought into requisition to make these new creations perfect in every detail, and great credit is reflected on the Grand Trunk shops at Point St. Charles, where the present lot of cars were turned out. In completeness of detail, artistic workmanship, appointments and finish, they surpass anything of their kind yet built in America, and, in fact, it would be hard to equal them in the world.

The new cars form part of what is known as the 800 series, and are of the wide vestibule order, 68 feet long, with four-wheeled trucks, making the riding of the cars easy, and with the least possible jolting effect. The cars are equipped with Westinghouse quick action triple brakes, and air signals. A special feature of the cars is the peculiar construction of the platform. which is built of steel, and an adjustable covering is arranged over the steps, making the whole platform a vestibule. By this means dust is excluded, and perfect safety to passen-gers on the platform is assured. The vestibule is also lighted with a powerful light, which, though unusual, is a most convenient appointment.

The total weight of these coaches is 72,100 pounds each, and they have each a seating capacity for 72 pas-sengers. There are 20 windows on each side of the cars, finished on the outside and inside in Gothic archi-tecture in oak and mahogany combin-is confirmed by the Dawson papers.

suspected of an intention of serving in ation. The interiors are finished in quartered oak, and are extremely handsome. The seats are Grand Trunk standard reversible pattern, upholstered in crimson plush. The other trimmings are of exquisite designs in bronze. A large and com-fortable smoking room with a seating capacity for eight passengers is pro-vided where the lovers of the fragrant weed can enjoy their smoke with luxurious ease and comfort. The saloons are fitted with the latest vices to make them as near perfec-tion as possible. The aisles of the cars are carpeted with Brussels, and linoleum covers the floor in the smok-ing compartment. The closets are self-flushing and separate lavatories are provided for the ladies. The cars are heated by steam, and the ventilating arrangements are ample and satisfactory. The tout ensemble of these handsome coaches is one of elegance, and everything about them wears an air of ease and comfort.

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Charlton Lewis, of New York, says in a report to the secretary of war that Cuban prisons are "hells on earth' and "moral and physical pestholes," which should be immediately reformed.

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Edward Watson, aged 23, is dead in Brooklyn, N. Y., from a jovial slap on the back administered by his friend, Thomas Leary. The slap broke Watson's neck.

A bottle of Dr. Siegert's ANGOS-TURA BITTERS to flavor your Lemonade or any other cold drink will keep you free from Dyspepsia, Colic, Diarrhea and all diseases originating from the digestive organs. Be sure to get the genuine Angostura, manufactured by Dr. J. G. B. Siegert & Sons.

A stranger entered Oak Hall, Windsor, on Friday evening, and asked to be shown some suits of clothes. He picked out a suit, paid \$1 on it, and said that he would return and take the garments. Some time after his departure a valuable overcoat was missed, which it is supposed he took with him. He has not yet returned for his suit.

Who Built the Pyramids? Hard to tell in some instances. But we know who are the great Nerve Builders. They are Scott & Bowne. Their Scott's Emulsion feeds and strengthens brain and nerves.

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*Every Well Man Hath His Ill Day."

A doctor's examination might show that kidneys, liver and stomach are normal, but the doctor cannot analyze the blood upon which these organs depend.

Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies, vitalizes and enriches the blood. It cures you when "a bit off" or when seriously afflicted. It never disappoints.

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Hood's Pills cure liver ills; the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla

THE QUININE TREE

How It Is Cultivated and How the Bark Is Gathered and Prepared for the Market

The quinine plantations, or quinales, as they are called, which have been started in Bolivia by the Germans, are usually found on rough and broken mountain sides and at altitudes of 3,000 or 4,000 feet above the sea. The trees will grow as high up as 8,000 feet, but they flourish best at an elevation of about 4,000, for they require a great deal of sun, rain and wind to reach per-

Most of the groves have been raised from the seed, which is gathered the early summer months and planted in hothouses. When the plants are about six inches high they are transplanted upon the hillsides, which have been cleared of underbrush and plowed up beforehand, so that the young roots can secure the benefit of all the moisture and plant food in the soil and the heat of the sun. For shelter they are partially covered with twigs, straw or other light stuff, which also serves to keep the moisture and heat in the ground After about two years this shelter is raked off, the plants are carefully inspected and those which are not promising are replaced by new ones. The ground around them is kept clear of weeds and the young trees are carefully trimmed twice a year. In five or six years the tree will have reached the height of 12 or 14 feet and its trunk will be straight and

der, with a diameter of about inches. It resembles the orange in size and shape and the pecugloss of its leaves.

or four strips of bark about two inches wide and from two to eight feet long are out from the trunk and thrown upon a paved yard to dry, where as the moisture evaporates they curl up like cinnamon. Within a year or so nature replaces the bark that has thus been stripped off and the tree is stripped again in other places. As it grows older smaller strips can be taken from the stronger branches and a mature tree will produce an annual average of about four pounds of bark.

The bark dries in a few days and is packed for shipment in rawhide bales. The most of it is shipped from Arica and Mollendo.

PREMIER OF AUSTRIA.

Count Clary, Chosen by Emper 'r Francis Joseph, Mas Fine Abilities.

The new Premier of Austria Count Manfred Clary-Aldringen, was born on May 30, 1852. Educated at Vienna University, he began life as a clerk in the civil service, and subsequently became a lieutenant in lancer regiment Returning to civil life, he was for many years in an Important position in the rubits ser-



COUNT CLARY-ALDRINGEN vice at Klagenfurt. Later he became Governor of Styria. Count Clary is a younger brother of Prince Carlos Clary-Aldringen. The family is cescended from a Bohemian nobleman of the sixteenth century, and the title of prince was bestowed on the head

of the family in 1767. Hope to Do Without Coal. Count Wilhelm von Bismarck Schonhausen, Superior President of the Frovince of East Prussia, in speaking before a trades union at Bremen, the other day, declared that the only hope of bettering industrial conditions in East Prussia lay in establishing the manufactures of the

vince on an independent basis. present conditions, he said, a stoppage of the German coal supply would deliver the industries, bound hand and foot, to the English and American coal companies. The Government, he said, was experimenting with peat and other fuels, the use of which, if practicable, would make the manufacturers independent of an nal fuel supply.

Mr. Lyman Lee, Wamilton, has been inted sollcitor of the Royal Ar-im for the province of Ontario, eeding Mr. D. F. McWatt, who

RUSSIA

Should the Czar and Mikado Come to Blows.

Comparison of the Military and Naval Forces Which They Could Put Into the Field-Russia's Penderence Would Be Three and a Half Times That of Japan on Water and Seven and a Half Times

Constant rumors of war preparations on the part of Russia Japan have turned the eyes of the civilized world castward. These two nations, one of which has figured prominently in all the modern history of Europe, and the other of which has but recently awakened from a hibernating sleep of centuries, are the two powerful political factors in the eastern development, and both are seeking supremacy in the portion of the globe which they would dominate.

Close students of eastern politics have predicted that before the vexing questions were settled the two nations would clash over the complications which the questions have produced. That such a thing is pose continued rush of military prepa. tions on the part of both nations only serves to illustrate. The news columns of the daily press tell us, and reiterate the story day after day, that the Japanese Government is issuing rush orders to the firms of shipbuilders who are constructing new vessels for the Japanese navy, and the same thing is true of the Russian Government. Each day seems to bring the two powers near-



COMPARISON OF THE NAVIES OF THE CZAR

AND MIKADO. er to the final arbitration of arms than to a peaceful diplomatic settle-ment of the questions causing the controversy. Japan is yet resentful over Russia's meddling with her setflement with China whereby she would have secured Corea had Russia not prevented such a settlement of the war in which Japan was victor-

That their victory over China had much to do towards raising the Japs' estimate of their powers is certain, but should the good opinion of the selves produced by that conflict carry them to a clash with Russia the estimate of their powers would probably have a rude shock, unless could make alliances which would override the preponderance which favors Russia's naval and military, resources.

In view of the possibility of war between these two nations, a comparison of their naval and military strength is not without interest. On land both countries could put enormous armies in the field, but Russia's military resources in the number of men which she could muster for war if they were needed is so much greater than the best that Japan could do that a comparison seems farcical. The total strength of the army which the Czar could put in the field should occasion require it would be 7½ times greater than any which the Mikado could muster to meet it.

The total force available for the military service of the Czar, including the active service, the reserves and men for the national defense, is 2,798,000. To meet this force Jajan could muster not more than 373 .-720. Even these figures, great as the comparison is, do not give full extent of Russia's advantage. For the war of the present day the trained and organized troops are superior to the new levies, lack not only the training and organization, but the equipments to fit them for the field as well. In this class Russia has still a greater advantage than that shown in grand total of the forces of the two nations. In what she classes as her active service — that is, men thoroughly organized, disciplined and equipped — she has the enormous number of 1,269,000, while in the same class Japan has but 78,540.

In naval strength the comparison is not nearly so one-sided, although the Russian navy is far ahead that of Japan in both men and



THERE WOULD BE SEVEN TO ONE AGAINST JAPAN ON LAND.

ships. The number of Russian ships is 31/2 times greater than that of Japan, Russia having 240 vessels of all classes, to 70 for Japan. But such figures express a greater advantage then Russia possesses, for her navy is not as modern as that of Japan, and, besides, she has a greater proportion of light boats of the torpedo class than Japan has. Of the boats now being built both nations have almost an equal number. Russia having 39 and Japan 36 now under construction.

In men Russia has a naval force of 41,915 enlisted men to man the guns of her fleet, while Japan has but about 15,000 in the same class. But Japan has a larger class of seafaring men to recruit her naval service from than has Russia. In case of war the little island empire could place a large force of seafaring men float, recruited from the multitude of fishing and coasting craft in Jap-

inese waters. But any comparison of men

ships between the two nations would be far from complete without some reference to the conditions under which they would probably fight, as well as the inability of Russia to utilize her entire army in a warfare with the Japs.

A war between these two nations would undoubtedly be fought in the east, to reach which Russia would have to transport her troops across the wide reaches of Siberia. At the present time that would not be an easy matter to accomplish, for as yet the Siberian railway, of which so much is expected, is far from complete, and even that part of it which is finished is not equipped for the transportation of large bodies troops. Russia would also have to maintain garrisons along the line of this road to prevent its destruction by unfriendly natives of Siberia; it would also be necessary to maintain the Russian army in Poland and along the Turkish border, all of which would reduce the total of the Russian force to a great degree and bring it much nearer the maximum force which Japan could put in the field against the armies of the Car.

PREMIER OF COREA.

Bemantle Career of Clarence R. Greathouse, of Kentucky-His Work in the Hermit Kingdom.

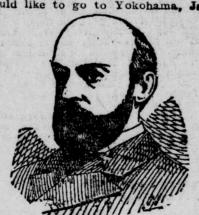
The career of Clarence R. Greathouse, the Kentuckian, who recently died at Seoul, Corea, almost rivals in romance the adventures of some of Dumas' heroes. The metamorphosis of the young sailor. Edmond Dantes, in the fabulously rich Count Monte Cristo was not more startling, and scarcely more improbable than the evolution of a Kentucky boy into Prime Minister, and almost King, of far-off Corea, wrap-ped in oriental luxury and jealously guarded from harm by a barbaric monarch, whose devotion to him was as strong as if Mr. Greathouse had come of a long line of Circan an-

The wildest dreams that his boyish fancy cherished probably never touched anything so far removal from the ordinary as what came to pass.

Thirty years ago Clarence Greathouse was editing a country newspaper in Versailles, Ky., and practicing law. He was then 25 years old. He was born on a farm about two miles south of the town. He received his legal education at the University of Virginia, and was a young man of fine natural ability and brilliant promise.

Attracted by the boom on the Pacific coast young Greathouse emi-grated in the fall of 1869 to San Francisco, and through the aid of his kinsman, Lloyd Tevis, the multimilliomaire goldbug (who recently died in that city), and by his own ability and force, he was soon occupying an enviable position as an attorney. Later he became a partner in the legal firm of Stewart, Greathouse & Blanding, of which Senator William H. Stewart of Nevada was the senior member.

In 1885, soon after President Cleveland went into office, Mr. Greathouse of the Royal Exchange, London. This was in Washington arguing a case in the Supreme Court. One of his friends, who had influence with the administration, asked him how he would like to go to Yokohama, Jo-



CLARENCE R. GREATHOUSE

pan, as consul. Greathouse replied that he believed he would like it. A few days later he was given the appointment, and widowed mother, with whom lived in San Francisco, to pack up and be ready to move to Japan. Two weeks later they set sail from San Francisco.

Mr. Greathouse was a very efficient and businesslike consul, and made such a fine record that he was continued in office under the Harrison administration until his resignation. During his term as consul he had rendered great service to Ni-Kung, the King of Corea, by giving him advice, and His Royal Highness soon became of the opinion that he couldn't conduct the affairs of his kingdom without Greathouse. He created the office "Ho-Pang," corresponding in civilized monarchies to the position of Prime Minister, and besought Mr.

Greathouse to accept it. "Gen." Greathouse, as the King called him, was a potent factor in the development of Corea, and the King was said to be in full sympathy with his Yankee ally, favoring the building of railroads, the development of the mines, the opening of the ports to foreign commerce and the teaching of the English language to the Coreans.

Greathouse was said to have an interest in mining in Corea, and with the princely salary, he received from King (said to have been nearly \$100,000 a year) he was enabled to live like a lord. He did not affect the peculiar oriental garb, the tripledecked headgear and jade in which he had been pictured by a San Francisco newspaper some years ago, but always wore the plain dress of an English-speaking gentleman.

Mr. Greathouse cared nothing for money aside from what it would buy. and the life of oriental ease and splendor which he led in Seoul said to be very agreeable to him. He was a singular compound of cleancut intellect, great ability and

Vast Wealth of Hindeestan.

In India there is more wealth than in any other country in the world. Gold, fabrics, jewels and spices-for ages these have been produced and found in this land. One of the Indian princes owns jewels valued at

The Detroit council has voted to nurthase for future elections the voting machines tested there in the municipal



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Inches From End to End.

Said to Be the aurgest in the World-Its Interesting History, or Rather Traditien, For It Dates Back Before the Great Fire of London in 1666-Twice Destroyed by Fire.

The grasshopper shown here is just six feet six and one-half inches from what might be called end to end, meaning to exclude the long projecting antennae, or "feelers."

Measuring these, we have an additional three feet, and if the grasshopper here shown were made to stretch his hind legs to their full extent we would have, say, two feet more-or a total of eleven feet six and one-half inches.

This grasshopper is placed on top building is in the centre of the city. facing the Mansion House and Bank

of England. Just how the grasshopper came to find its elevated position is a matter more of tradition t han' history. One account has it that in the early days the Royal Exchange, being more or less in the fields, was frequented by numerous grasshoppers, which dwelled in the high grass of the Exchange court.

From this circumstance the London builders of the present structure thought to perpetuate memories of these early times by placing a model of a grasshopper upon the building. The more authentic account, how-

ever, is somewhat less fantastic. The Royal Exchange was built by Lord



LARGEST GRASSHOPPER IN THE WORLD Gresham. The crest of the Gresham family-who were a very old and distinguished set of persons-was a grasshopper. Now, when Gresham built the exchange it is natural that his crest should surmount the highest pinnacle on the building.
Of course, the building built by

Gresham has long since passed away. It was destroyed in the great fire of 1666. Another structure was erected. but it, too, was burnt down, though the present clock tower (shown in the photograph) remained.

It is a singular coincidence that the last tune played by the clock before the flames reached the tower was 'There's nae luck aboot the house.' The grasshopper was destroyed in this second fire, but it was reconstructed on a more elaborate scale on the building of the last Exchange.

The last grasshopper was gilded,
A legend went that when the grasshopper on the Royal Exchange and the dragon on Bow Church mot, a great disaster would happen to London. Both the dragon and the grasshopper were being repaired in the same shop about 1847, yet nothing of moment happened to London in that year.

The photograph shown here was taken from a roof facing the Exchange. The man who weds an heiress clips

coupons from the bonds of matri-

and restlessness during sleep. Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator is pleasant, sure and effectual. If your drug-gist has none in stock, get him to pro-

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THE "ROSETTA STONE.

The Key to the Lore of the Pyramids-How It Appears To-day in the British Museum.

Many monuments in the world possess historic interest, but few are so intrinsically valuable as the piece of black basalt known as the "Rosetta stone," mounted in the west gallery

of the British Museum, London. How many pass idly by this strangely-shaped object each day and scarcely give it the most casual attention! As a matter of fact, had it not been for this stone linguists would have been utterly at a loss to decipher Egyptian records;h ierogly-

remained meaningless tracings. This stone, however, proved the key to the language of Egypt, and

phic characters would have always



THE "ROSETTA STONE." has been accomplished through knowledge has been inestimable. dis-For instance, many points of cases, important passages of the Bible—especially relating to the time when the Hebrews "dwelt in

the land of Egypt"-have been eluci-

dated. The manners, customs and religlous rites of the Egyptians have been brought to light through this stone. and we are now enabled to obtain an insight into the secret history of this wonderful people.

The Rosetta stone is written in three languages—the Hieroglyphic, or priest-caste language; the Demotic, or common speech of the people, and the Greek. Had it not been for the use of Greek it is doubtful if the Rosetta stone would have ever been deciphered.

Of course, every classical scholar has a knowledge of Greek, and this knowledge the inscriptions Egyptian on the other portions of the stone were easily made out. the use of the key thus afforded, the whole of the characters of Egyptwhich are picture-words—became easy to read, just as one may peruse the most difficult of cryptograms

if he be possessed of the key. The Rosetta stone proper is 3 feet 7 inches long and 2 feet 6 inches wide, containing one-third of the Hieroglyphic and nearly all of the Greek portions, the upper part and some of the sides having been broken awav.

The inscriptions on the stone pertain to a decree in honor of Ptolemy Epiphanes, by the priests of Egypt, assembled at a synod at Memphis. The synod was convened on account of Ptolemy's remission of taxes and

dues owed by the sacredotal body. The Rosetta stone was found in 1799 by M. Boussard, a French officer of engineers, during the French occupation of the Nile Valley.

It was uncarthed at Fort St. Julien, near Rosetta, a city of Egypt



THE "ROSETTA STONE." on the west bank of the old Bolbitic Nile. The name "Rosetta" is derived from an Egyptian word meaning the "mouth of the Nile."

The English obtained the stone by treaty when the French Evacuated Egypt, and to-day it is one of the most valued of the many British Museum treasures.

A DINNER PILL - Many persons suffer excruciating agony after par-taking of a hearty dinner. The food partaken of is like a ball of lead upon he stomach, and instead of being a the stomach, and instead of being a healing nutriment, it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are wonderful correctives of such troubles. They correct acidity, open the secretions, and convey the food partaken of into healthy nutriment. They are just the medicine to take if troubled with indigestion.

RAREST BOOKS IN THE WORLD

Victoria Owns the Biggest and the Pope the Most Valuable Volume.

That Queen Victoria possesses the largest bound book ever made is per-naps an item of interest. It weighs 3 pounds and is 18 inches thick. The most valuable book in the world is the Hebraic Bible. At the Vatican in 1512, the Jews tried to buy it of Pope Julius II. for its weight in gold. It is so large and heavy that two men

can hardly lift it, and it would have brought \$100,000 if the pope had consented to part with it. The smallest book in the world is not much larger than a man's thumb nail. It was made in Italy. tenths of an inch long and about a quarter of an inch wide. It contains 208 pages, each having 9 lines and from 95 to 100 letters. The text is a letter before unpublished-written by the famous inventor of the pendulum clock to Mme. Christine of Lorraine in 1615. The next smallest book is an edition of Dante's Divine Comedy," and it is a little less than an inch wide,

with type so small that it takes a microscope to read the letters.
When it is finished, the official history of the American rebellion will be the costliest book in the world. It is being issued by the government of the United States and at a cost up to date of about \$2,000,000. It will consist of 112 volumes, including an index, and an atlas, which contains 178 plates and maps illustrating the im-portant battles of the war, campaign, routes of march, plans of forts and photograps of interesting scenes, places

and persons. The most voluminous encyclopedia work in the world is in the Berlin Anthropological Museum. It is in 1,-200 volumes in Chinese. It embraces pute in relation to ancient history literature, philosophy, astronomy, nathave been cleared up, and, in some ural science and industries. Each volhas 100 to 150 pages. Originally only 100 copies were printed, and those were not put on sale. But recently a new edition was put forth, which sells at \$300 for the set. It is splendid-

ly illustrated with maps and pictures. The largest private library in this country was owned by the historian, H. H. Bancroft. It consists of 50,000 volumes, valued at \$200,000. A fine collection of manuscripts in dialect, and manuscripts relating to the early set-tlement of the Pacific coast, of the Spanish colonies and of the early clesiastical mission are included in the

Bancroft library.

The highest price ever paid for a single volume was \$50,000. It was for a vellum missal, which was presented to King Henry VIII. by Pope Leo X. The missal was accompanied by a document making King Henry the defender of the faith. It is now in possession of the German Governme Charles II. gave it to an ancestor of the Duke of Hamflton, and it was

sold a few years ago at the san of the Duke of Hamilton's library. A valuable manuscript, if not the most valuable one in this country, is owned by John Jacob Astor, who gave \$15,000 for it. It is the Sforza missal. It is a manuscript measuring 13% inches by 9% inches; it has 184 pages of vellum, and is bound in red morocco. It was made for Galeazzo Sforza by the great Florentine artist, Francesca

Iron nails are studded all over the covers of a set of missals owned by Mrs. Samuel Browne Duryea, of Brooklyn, who paid \$900 for the set. It contains the full musical score in a European monastery—it is a choir book.

It was supposed that only two coples of Washington's first essay in authorship existed, but within the past few years, or in 1897, a third copy came to light and was purchased by a gentleman who makes a hobby of collecting Washingtoniana; he quite willingly paid \$1,000. The buyer is believed to be Henry Havemeyer. "The Journal to light and was purchased by a gento be Henry Havemeyer. "The Journal of Major George Washington" appears upon the title page, and it was printed In Russia miniature Bibles are often

worn as watch charms. One of thes Bibles is owned by a Bostonian who received it from a friend living in Ru sia. It is about one inch long, threeights of an inch thick, and contathe first five books of the Old Tes ment. The text of the book is Hebrew and the titles in Latin. can only be read with the help powerful magnifying glass. The privilege of printing a Bible is hardly less jealously guarded in England than is the privilege of printing a bank note. It is accorded by license to the Queen's printers, and by charter to the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge. From these amous press-es more than one million copies of the sacred book are issued annually.

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Bible, which weighs less than four ounces, to the superb folio Bible, the pages of which measure 19 by 12 inch-Not only in numbers, but in point of territory, the circulation of the Bible exceeds all other books. The American Bible Society has printed it in 300 tongues. Thousands of copies even now are traveling through the frozen polar regions to people who have not only never heard of this book, but to whom books are unknown.-Pittsburg

ENGINE HIT TROLLEY CAR. Chicago, Dec. 31.—A switch engine of the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago road ran into a street car yesterday hurling the car 50 feet and injuring three passengers. The conductor motorman and two passengers esca serious injury by jumping. The juries of an unknown colored man was a passenger may prove fata car was completely demolished

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Brooklyn Tran 72%	73		7134	721/2
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Chicago Gas 1041/3		10534	10434	
Con. Gas	100	100/4	101/4	201/4
Gen. Electric 124	12334	12334	1233/4	12334
Arsey Central1191/2	11814	119	117	1185%
K & T., Prd 325/8	33	3374	33	331/3
	801/4		801/8	801/2
L & N 795%		98	961/2	
Manhattan 973/4	98			
Metropolitan St 176	1751/2	175/2	175%	
Mo. P 40	401/4	41	40	4078
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Norfolk and W . 24%	25	253%	25	251/4
Northern Pacific 73%	733/4		735/8	
Ont. & Western. 221/8	221/8	223/8		221/8
P. M 41	441/4	46%	411/4	46
Pennsylvania131	131	1311/4	136 1/2	1301/2
R. I1061/	1061/2	10678	106%	106.78
Reading 513/8	52	521/2	5134	521/2
St. Paul1173	1171/2	118	1171/2	1171/4
Southern Rs. Pfd 541/4	54	54%	54	543/4
Southern Pacific. 37 1/2	.375/8			381/4
T. C. I 831/2	831/2			
U. Pacific 7434	713/4	7534	74%	753/8
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TRUSTS:				
Lead				
Leather 721/2	731/2	74	731/2	73%
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	Local Market.
	A. M. HAMILTON & SON'S REPORT.
No.	Wheat, white, per bu68c to 67c
-	Wheat, red, per bu 66c to 66c
	Oats, per bu 281/4c to 291/2c
1	Peas, per bu
	Corn, per bu281/2c to 300
9	Barley, per bu42c to 44c
	Rye, per bu50c to 56c
	Beans, per bu \$1 to \$1 35

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St. Thomas Market. St. Thomas, Dec. 27.-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 \$2 50; timothy seed, \$1 50

to \$1 75; clover seed, per bu, \$6 70.

Toronto Produce Market Toronto, Dec. 30.—Wheat is dull at 65c for red and white west; goose wheat is steady at 69c to 70c west. Manitoba wheat is steady at 78c for No. 1 hard, grinding, in transit. Flour—The market is quiet; cars of straight roller in bar-rels are quoted at \$2 80 to \$2 85 west. Milifeed is firm at \$14 to \$15 for shorts and \$12 50 to \$13 for bran west. Barley is quiet at 38c for No. 2 and 39c for No. 1 west. Buckwheat is duil at 47c west. Rye—Market quiet at 49c west. Corn dull; 31c for Canada yellow west; American is unchanged at 40%c for old No. 39 41c for No. 2, and 39c to 39%c for new, Toronto. Oats are lower at 24½c to 25c for mixed and 25c to 25½c for white west. Peas are quiet at 47c west. Eggs steady at 16c to 19c for fresh gathered and 16c for limed. Butter steady at 16c to 18c for medium to choice dairy tub and 17c for large rolls. Creamery is steady at 21c to 21½c for tub and 22c to 23c for prints. Dressed hogs are steady at \$5 15 to \$5 20 for cars of mixed weights here.

American Markets CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Opening—Wheat, May. 69½ et o 69½ e. Corn. May, 22½ e; Dec., 30¾ e. Oats. May, 23½ e to 23½ e. Pork, Jan., \$10 07½; May, \$10 42½ to \$19 45. Lard, May, \$5 80 to \$5 8½; now. \$5 80.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.-There was less than an hour's business in any of the markets today. The cold weather and slight improvement in the cash demand steadied wheat, May closing at a shade gain over yesterday. Corn closed a shade and oats 1/3c better, and provisions unchanged to 21/2c lower. An ase of from 250,000 to 500,000 bu in wisible supply was predicted in the here. Primary receipts were 156,400 against 754,100 a year ago. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 386 cars, ompared with 508 last year. ceipts were 73 cars, 10 of contract de. Seaboard exports in wheat and

r were equal to 159,000 bu.

ICAGO, Dec, 39.—The leading futures I as follows: Wheat, No. 2 Dec., 65%c; 69%c; May, 30%c to 30%c; May, 0 32%c. Oats—No. 2 Dec., 22%c; May, 0 23%c. Oats—No. 2 Dec., 22%c; May, 0 23%c. Mess Pork—Jan., \$10 10; May, 10 45/Lard—Jan., 35 65; May, \$5 82%. Cash quotations—Flour, steady: winter patents, \$3 40 to \$3 50; straights, \$3 90 to \$3 50; straights, \$3 90 to \$3 50; straights, \$3 90 to \$3 50; straights, \$2 90 to \$3 50; straights, \$2 90 to \$3; bakers, \$1 90 to \$2 55; low grades, \$1 35 to \$1 80. No. 3 spring whear, 65c to 63c; No. 2 red. 62%c to 68%c. No. 2 cc u, 30%c to 31c; No. 2 yellow corn, 31c to 31 c, No. 2 oats, 22%c to 22%c; No. 2 white, 24 c to 5%c; No. 3 white, 24%c to 24%c. No. 2 re, 52c o 52%c. No. 3 barley, 35c to 45c. No 1 flaxs ed. \$1 49%; No. 1 Northwest, \$1 41% I rime t nothy seed. \$2 52% to \$5 55. Short ril sid s, \$5 25 to \$5 45. Dry salted shoulder f%c t 5%c. Short clear sides, 55 50 to \$5 60. Clover ed. \$5 to \$8. Sugars, cut loaf, \$5 70; granu—ted, \$5 10. Eggs, firm. were equal to 159,000 bu.

RECEIPTS—Flour. 22.000 barrels; wheat, 2.000 bushels; corn. 292.000 bushels; aats. 223.000 bushels; barley, 66,000 8HIPMENTS-Flour. 22,000 barrels; wheat, 54,000 bushels; corn, 23,000 bushels; oats. 183,-900 bushels; parley, 54,000

MINNEAPOLIS. Dec. 30.-Close Wheat in store-No. 1 northern, Dec. 64%c; May, 66%e to 66%c; July, 67%c to 68c. On track—No. 1 hard, 66%c; No. northern, 65%c; No. 2 northern, 63%c. MILWAUKDE, Dec. 30.-Wheat lower; No. 1 northern, 66½c; No. 2 northern, 68½c. Rye steady; No. 1, 55c. arley firm; No. 2, 45c; sample, 36½c

INNEAPOLIS, Dec. 30 .- Flour and

cash, 99¼c; May, 73¼c. Corn—No. 2 mixed, 32c. Oats—No. 2 mixed, 25c. Rye—No. 2, cash, 56½c. Cloverseed—Prime, cash, old, \$4 75 asked; Dec., \$5 57½c asked; March, \$5 65. Oil—Unchanged.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Flour—Receipts, 14,244 bbls; sales, 1,500 pkgs; neglected and nominal. Rye flour neglected and nominal. Rye flour—Slow; fair to good, \$3 10 to \$3 25; choice-to fancy. \$3 30 to \$3 50. Wheat—Receipts, 87,875 bu: sales, 31,000 bu; options steady during the forenoon, but very dull; selling was checked by report of export business for Lisbon; March., 75%c to 75½c: May, 74%c to 74 15-16. Rye dull; state, 56c; No. 2 western, 60%c f. o. b. afloat. Corn—Receipts, 41,925; options inactive but steady on the slight rise at Liyermool. steady on the slight rise at Liverpool and with wheat. Oats-Receipts, 86,800 bu; options featureless; track white, bu; options featureless; track white, state and western, 31c to 34½c. Butter—Receipts, 3,189 pkgs; strong. Cheese—Receipts, 3,135 pkgs; firm. Eggs—Receipts, 4,812 pkgs; steady. Sugar—Raw, quiet but firm; fair refining, 3 13-16c; refined steady. Coffee—Steady; No. 7, 7c. Hops—Quiet. Lead—Steady; bullion price, \$4 45; exchange price \$4 70 to \$4 75. Wool—Dull.

Chicago Exchange.

CHICAGO. Dec. 30.

Following are the fluctuations on the Chicage
Board of Trade furnished by F. H. isutter
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Open High. Low. Close.

Wheat—Dec. 63¼ 65½ 65½ 65½ 65½

May. 69¼ 60½ 69¼ 69¼ 69¾

Corn—Dec. 30¾ 30¼ 30¾ 30¾

May 32¾ 32¼ 32½ 32½ 32½

Oats—Dec. 22¼ 22¼ 22½ 22½

May. 23¾ 23½ 23¾ 23¾

Pork—Jan. 10 67 10 10 10 07 10 10

May. 10 42 10 45 10 40 10 45

Lard—Jan. 5 62 5 65 5 62 5 65

May. 5 80 5 82 5 80 5 82

Ribs—Jan. 5 37 5 37 5 35 5 35

May. 5 50 5 55 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 2

Puts, 69½. Calls, 69¾. Chicago Exchange. Wheat—Dec. 65½
May 69½
Corn—Dec. 303½
May 32¾
Oats—Dec. 22½
May 23¾
Pork—Jan. 10 67
May 10 42
Lard—Jan. 5 62
May 5 80
Ribs—Jan. 5 50
Puts 69¼
Calls 6

The Oil Market. PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 30.—Oil opened at \$1 66 and closed at \$1 66. OIL CITY, Dec. 30.—Credit balances, \$1 66

Puts, 691/8. Calls. 697/8.

Live Stock Markets. OHICAGO, Dec. 30.-Cattle-Good to choice, \$535 to \$650; poor to medium, \$415 to \$425; mixed stockers, \$3 to \$385; selected feeders, \$425 to \$485; good to choice cows, \$340 to \$460; heiders, \$3 to \$490; canners, \$3 to \$310; bulls. \$2 50 to \$4 50; calves, \$4 to \$7 35; fed Texas beeves, \$4 25 to \$5 35. Hogs—Mixed and butchers, \$4 10 to \$4 40; good to choice heavy, \$4 20 to \$4 421/2; rough heavy, \$4 05 to \$4 15; light, \$4 05 to \$4 35; bulk of sales, \$4 20 to \$4 30. Sheep— Native wethers, \$4 15 to \$4 25; lambs, \$4 to \$5 75; western wethers, \$4 10 to \$4 65; western lambs, \$5 25 to \$5 75. Receipts -Cattle, 300; hogs, 26,000; sheep, 1,000. EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 30.-Cattle-Four loads on sale; a few bunches of batcher cattle were sold at steady prices; Canada cattle were dull and under light demand; the through shipments were liberal; there were not enough calves on sale to make a quotable change in the market; choice to extra calves, \$8 25 to \$8 50; good to choice, \$8 to \$8.25. Sheep and lambs— The offerings were 30 loads; the trade ruled steady all day, on the basis of \$5.75 to \$5.80, with a few sales at the higher prices; choice to extra, \$5 65 to \$5.85; good to choice, \$5.40 to \$5.65; common to fair, \$4.50 to \$5.40; sheep, choice to extra, \$4 25 to \$4 50; good to choice, \$4 to \$4 25; common to fair, \$2 50 to \$3 75; there was a fair clearance, with about all the offerings sold; sheep generally ruled dull, with no improvement in prices. Hogs-The market opened rather slow, with a total of 40 loads on sale; later it became active and closed strong; heavy, mixed, medium and Yorkers sold at \$455 to \$460; pigs, \$445 to \$450; roughs, \$35

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to \$4 05; stags, \$3 50 to \$3 65.

WISH THEIR FRIENDS AND PATRONS. . . .

A HAPPY **NEW YEAR**

THE LAUNCH THAT FAILED. Wilmington, Del. Dec. 31.-The attempt to launch the Windsor Line steamship Grecian at the Hartlan and Hollingsworth shipyards Saturday, was a failure, the new ship sticking on the ways. When the blocks were sawed away and the vessel started for her plunge into the water, Miss Wind-sor, daughter of the president of the company, who acted as sponsor for the new liner, broke the traditional bottle of wine, and spoke the words that named the ship. To the great disappointment of everybody, however, the huge hulk moved only about 18 inches, and then stuck. An investigation showed that the tallow in the ways had frozen and caked, and when the vessel started to move the grease dropped from the ways, and the ship rested on the timbers without the tallow. Jacks were used in an attempt to start the ship again, but every effort failed and it was decided to abandon the task for the present.

AMERICAN ADVANCE IN CAVITE. Manila, Dec. 31.-An American advance in Cavite Province, south Manila, is expected shortly. Reliable reports from native sources show that there are upwards of 2,000 organized insurgents under arms within a mile of Imus. They are strengthening their intrenchments and possess artillery.

At Novetela the Filipino entrenchments have been much strengthened since Gen. Schwan's advance. A thousand of the enemy are in that vicinity and there are 600 at San Francisco de

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LEDO, Dec. 30.—Wheat—No. 2. ADKINS, Jeweler, East London. treatment. Ever

BUNDESRATH

May Possibly Lead to Serious Complications.

Probable Loss of a French Steamer With Her Crew of 45 Men.

FAILED FOR 2,000,000 MARKS. Berlin, Dec. 31.-The private banking firm of Goerlitz, Prussian Silesia, was suspended. The liabilities are nearly two million marks. Some small banks in Berlin and London are said to be partition, which will go into effect affected to a considerable extent. A whenever Portugal is willing to sell local paper reports the arrest of two of the firm's principals. THE SEIZURE OF THE BUNDES-

RATH. Berlin, Dec. 31.-Regarding the seizure by the British cruiser Magicienne of the imperial mail steamer Bundesrath, of the German East African Line. a high official of the German foreign office, who was interviewed by the correspondent of the Associated Press. says: "Silence must be preserved at present concerning the actual status of the negotiations which have been begun with Great Britain about the matter. Private measures have been taken, of which Germany must await the result. The matter is regarded by Germany as of the utmost importance, because seriously involving the rights

of neutrals. This afternoon the foreign secretary, Count Von Buelow conferred at the foreign office, with his official advisers, and then reported to the emperor.

A cabinet meeting will consider the

SUPPOSED LOSS OF FORTY-FIVE Marseilles, Dec. 31.—Great anxiety is felt here regarding the fate of the French steamer Pierre le Grand, due

at Marseilles from Odessa a week ago, She is supposed to have foundered during the recent gales, with her crew ARBITRATION.

St. Etienne, France, Dec. 31.-Despite the extensive shutting down of the iron works and factories is locality, owing to the shortage of coal, the situation today is improved, in consequence of the joint decision to arbitrate. hopeful feeling now prevails that the dispute will be settled amicably, and without further delay. The lace-workers have also agreed to arbitrate. THE POPE'S SUCCESSOR.

Rome, Dec. 31.-It is asserted that the pope, after recent ceremony, opening the Holy Door at St. Peter's Ca-thedral, addressed his intimate entourage and said: "I thank Divine Providence for granting me the grace of being able to celebrate this great function, and I wish for my successor grandeur and a long reign, to the greater glory of God. My successor will be young as opmpared with my age, and will have time to see many glories of the papacy and the church." Later Leo clearly designated Cardinal Girolamo Maria Gotti, prefect of the congregation of indulgences and sacred relics, as his successor. Cardinal Gotti, the famous Genoese monk, is a man of great piety and modesty. He is now about 64 years old and has lived the

THE PLAGUE.

Melbourne, Dec. 31.—Advices from Nouvmena, New Caledonia, say that five whites there have been attacked have died from the plague, and twelve are under treatment.

UNLUCKY THIRTDEN. London, Dec. 31 .- The British sailing vessel Emily Lloyd has been wrecked near Cherbourg. The captain and twelve of her crew were drowned. The French steamer St. John has been sunk near Brest. Seven of her crew were

LANGTRY IS COMING. steamer Lucania, which sailed from here for New York yesterday, takes among her passengers Mrs. Langtry,

the actress. STRANDED STEAMER RELEASED. London, Dec. 31.-The Hamburg-American East African steamer Peletas, from Santos for Rotterdam, which went ashore near Dungeness on Friday night during a heavy storm, was drawn off about 10 o'clock this morning by five tugs. Apparently the vessel has not received serious injuries. She proceeded for Rotterdam in tow of

AMNESTY FOR ITALIAN PRISON-

Rome, Dec. 31.-King Humbert today proclaimed an amnesty for all persons convicted of or charged with crimes against the public security and the freedom of labor, as well as political press offenders. This implies a pardon for those punished for participating in the public security and the control of th the riots that startled Italy during the early part of the year.

INCREASE IN BRITISH REVENUE. London, Eng., Dec. 31.—The public revenue for the nine months ending with December, reached £82,777,044, as against £78,340,348 for the corresponding period last year. Grave complications are feared between England and France over the expiration of the Newfoundland fish-

eries modus vivenda today. CABLE NOTES. A British expedition has burned some native villages in the New Hebrides in punishment for the murder of some missionaries. Officials of the Manila Railway Company, in London, England, say they will ask the United States to pay them \$170,000 for the use of their rail-

way in the Philippines. Natives in Samoa are reported to have plotted a massacre of foreigners which was discovered in time to pre-vent more serious results than the murder of Frank Cornwall, a rich rich British planter.

The famous Tichborne case, which set England agog some years ago, is revived by the report that a man now in an insane asylum in Parramatta, New South Wales, is believed to be Sir Richard Tichborne, the heir to the

disputed estate.
Steamship Arrivals. Dec. 30. At Prom Laurentian Ha'ifax Portland Dec. 31. At. From La Normandie New York Havre Southwark Southampton New York
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Show that 25 per cent of men and women suffer the tortures of itching women suffer the tortures of Itching piles. Investigation proves that Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment has never yet failed to cure itching piles, and all of these men and women could end their sufferings at once by using it. Scores of thousands have been cured by this treatment. Everybody can be cured in the same way.

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tion of the Anglo-German agreemen respecting the Portuguese possessions in East Africa. He contends that there has been an agreement in existence for two years, and that it relates to Dela-goa Bay, but that it is what con-veyancing lawyers describe as an escrow deed, which can have no binding force until it is executed. This is the view which is entertained in dip-lomatic circles. Great Britain and out her possessions in that quarter. Portugal does not appear to be in any haste to do this, and consequently the contract for the extension of German East Africa to the Zambesi and the British occupation of Delagoa Bay is in a state of suspended animation.

THE PORTUGUESE POLICY. is intelligible. The sale of her dependencies in East Africa would be the sign that Portugal is going out of business as a colonial power, as Spain has been forced to do. The Portugovernment is not ready to take this step. The fact that considerable possessions are retained in Africa and Asia, when Spain has been forced to relinquish her colonies in the East and West Indies, is a source of satisfaction and pride in Lisbon. The cession of Delagoa Bay, when its importance has been vastly increased by the discovery of gold fields and the outbreak of a race conflict for su-premacy in South Africa, would be an unpopular policy, which might provoke a revolution in Lisbon and over-throw the house of Braganza.

BECHUANAS HELP THE BOERS

To Loot the Country and Invest Mafeking.

London, Jan. 1 .- The Daily Mail publishes the following dispatch from Cape Town: Ninety-five per cent of the Bechuana farmers in the Vryburg district joined the Boers, helping them to loot the stores throughout the country north of Orange River. They also undertook to invest Mafeking while Gen. Cronje's men went south to meet Lord Methuen. The government of Bechuanland is being administered just

KIMBERLEY WELL OFF. London, Jan. 1 .- A dispatch to Daily Mail from Kimberley, dated Friday. Dec. 22, says: We have food enough for three months. Fresh fruit and vege tables are obtained daily from Kenil-worth, and water is plentiful and ex-

cellent. A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Lorenzo Marquez, dated Dec. 29, says: It is reported from Ladysmith, by way of Pretoria, that the British are destroying their heavy cannon, prior to a final sortie.

The Transvaal agents here have bought up all the milk, sugar and butter. They have managed to get large orders sent here by French and German steamers. Prices have advanced 50 per cent in consequence, and the by the plague. One of them has since stocks are very short. Something like died. Fifteen Kanakas and Chinese a famine is threatened, as the British government is stopping all goods consigned here from coast ports. Some members of the volksraad meet every steamer, doubtless to give further orders. Portugal is doing her best to maintain neutrality, but foreign opinion in Lorenza Marquez is generally in favor of actively assisting the Boers to secure food supplies. Herr the Transvaal consul-general here, is losing the Lloyds agency, and the agencies for the Castle. Union and Liverpool, Dec. 31.—The Cunard line Bucknell steamship lines in consequence of the position he holds.

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The List of New Years Honors Short er Than Usual.

Baron Cromer, British diplomatic agent in Egypt, Lord Montagu Ronten and Mr. William Wither Brampston the Andover division of Hants, the member who has seen the longest service, are appointed members of the privy coun-

Mr. Charles Norton Elliot, the British member of the Samoan high com-mission, is appointed knight commander of St. Michael and St. George. Naval Captains Stuart and Sturdee are designated companions of St. Michael and St. George for their services in Samoa.

Messrs. George Buchanan and H. Cunningham are made Companion of the Bath, in recognition of their services in connection with the Venezuela arbitration boundary commission. Capt. Wm. De Wyvolstan Abney, principal of the scenic and art depart-ment, is designated a Knight Com-

mander of the Bath. Among the new knights is Dr. Thos. Lauder Brunten, physician to St. Ba?tholomew's Hospital; Lieut.-Gov. Daly, of Nova Scotia is also appointed Knight Commander of St. Michael and

NEW CANADIAN CONTINGENT

Millia Orders Regarding Organiza tion of the Several Corps.

[Special to The Advertiser per G.N.W.] Ottawa, Dec. 31.-A militia order issued today, under yesterday's date, shows that no officer has yet been appointed to take the place of Lieut. Libiere, of Quebec, who has resigned from the contingent. Capt. Van Luven, of the 40th Hussars, Kingston, will take the place of Capt. W. D. Johnston, of the Prince of Wales' Dragoons, Belle-

The Canadian Mounted Rifles will be divided into two battalions—first and second. The first will be A and B squadrons, and the second C and D squadrons. Both battalions will have a strength of 742, with 750 horses. The

enrollment of A and B squadrons has been changed, as follows: FIRST BATTALION MOUNTED

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RIFLES. "C" and "B" Squadrons, 2nd Bat-talion mounted rifles will be enrolled and concentrated under arrangements to be made by the commissioner of the Northwest Mounted Police.

CLOTHING AND KIT. The clothing and kit for the men of the contingent are as follows: Hel-met for artillery, helmet cover, felt hats (cowboy) cavalry, service field cap, frocks, serge, green, 2; frocks, khaki, 2; pantaloons, khaki, 2; pantaloons serge; putties, khaki shade; putties, navy blue; ankle boots, 3; flannel shirts, 3; socks, 3 pairs; belts, knitted knitted, 2; braces, 2 pairs; woolen caps (toques); jerseys, knitted; canvas shoes, 2; undershirts, 2; drawers, 2 pairs; handkerchiefs, 4; great coats, cloaks, waterproof coat, holdalls, soap, towel, boot laces, housewives, clasp-knife and lanyard, grease tins (boxes), blacking boxes, insoles, stencil for marking, brushes, hair brushes, blacking, shaving, cloth, polishing, knives and forks, spoons, combs, raz-ors, sponges, pipe clay, blankets. Eight or nine men left Kingston on

Saturday for Toronto. They belong to the mounted infantry detachment, and will undergo a week's instruction by the dragoons, to test their efficiency, proceeding to Halifax for mobilization.

It is understood that Lieut, Edward La Liberte, of Quebec, has been unable to accept a position as lieutenant on the contingent.

Besides the police there were 58 applicants at Edmonton for places in the mounted force being formed in the west; of these 37 passed the medical examination. These men are all good riders and proficient with the rifle. Twenty-five of those who passed will be selected. Forty-five men have volas if the Dutch had been in possession unteered at Pincher Creek, who offer to find their own horses.

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stroyed-Several Firemen Injured | right thing for New Years. -Marvelous Escapes

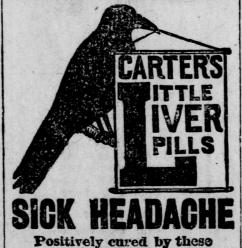
Chicago, Dec. 31.-A fire which broke out in the seven story building, Nos. 220 and 222 Monroe street, yesterday, completely destroyed that building and badly damaged the two adjoining structures, five and seven stories high falls heavily on wholesale firms, will be in the neignborhood of \$1,000,000.

One fireman was badly nijured by a falling wall. The building in which the fire started was occupied by Wooley & Co., woolen goods, whose loss is estimated at \$150,000; and Edwards, Stanwood & Co., wholesale boots and shoes, whose loss will be about \$250,000. The adjoining buildings were occupied by the J. W. Burr Paper Company and the Henry O. Shepard Printing Company. The loss to the former is estimated at \$200,000, and to the latter about \$125,000. The loss on the buildings amounts to \$250,000.

The escapes from death of Fire Captains O'Connor, Evans and Carry, and Firemen Padden, O'Hara and three others, was little short of miraculous. All of the men were working on the roof of the building at 216, 218 Monroe London, Jan. 1.—The Queen's last of the west side of the structure, the men New Year's honors shows fewer names were gradually driven toward the than usual. Sir John Labback and Sir than usual. Sir John Lubbock and Sir | middle of the building adjoining fell with Henry Stafford Northcote, governor of a terrific crash. An immense mass of brick and timbers crashed into the roof, where Captain O'Connor and his nen were at work. The roof tore away from the sides and fell with a crash to Beach, Conservative member of the Padden and O'Hara down in the debris and leaving the others on the frail broken edge of the roof, high above the

flames. Captain O'Connor, Lieutenant Calla-han and Pipemen Fountain and Horgon finally succeeded in rescuing the unfortunate pipemen, and crawling along the shaking walls, made their way to a fire escape and safely to the ground. After the fire had been raging for about an hour and a half, the walls began falling, and several fire-men were more or less injured, James Wooley so seriously that he was taken to the hospital.

The fire was one of the worst the fire department has had to contend with in years. The cold was intense, the thermometer being several degrees below zero, and several men were se-



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G. RUMBALL

Altoona, Pa., Dec. 31.-Bituminous coal miners in this section met in con-

vention at Portage Friday night, and ordered a strike Jan. 1. About 1,000 men at the Portage, Puritan and nearby collieries, are involved. Sessions were also held at Bornes-boro and Patton, at which points the miners also voted a strike for the increase demanded at the recent Clear-field convention. At these places, however, the men will await the action of the United States mine workers now in

session at Indianapolis. The action of the miners is regarded in this section as the entering wedge which will result in the calling out of nearly 50,000 miners.

WILL ADVANCE WAGES. Lowell, Mass., Dec. 31.-The Middlesex woolen mills will advance the wages of their 800 operatives on Jan.

ACCEPT ARBITRATION. St. Etienne, France, Dec. 31.-At a meeting of the striking miners Saturday it was agreed upon, as a compro-mise already accepted, to telegraph the colliery owners, submitting the dispute to arbitration

STRIKERS' RIGHTS. Toledo, Dec. 31.—Strikers have a right to put pickets near establishments where strikes are in progress, according to the decision of Judge Morris in a test case tried here.

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place as any."
"With all my heart. Where do you

"With all my heart. Where do you propose getting a horse?"

"At the King's Arms-but a stone's throw from here. Farewell."

"Good-night, and God speed you!" said Ormiston. And wrapping his cloak close about him, he leaned against the doorway, and, watching the dancing lights on the river, prepared to await the return of La Masque.

With his head full of the adven-

With his head full of the adventures and misadventures of the night, Sir Norman walked thoughtfully on until he reached the King's Arms-a low inn on the bank of the river. To his dismay he found the house shut up, and bearing the dismal mark and Inscription of the pestilence. While he stood contemplating it in perplexity, a watchman, on guar? before another plague-stricken house, advanced and informed him that the whole family had perished of the disease and that the landlord himself, the last survivor, had been carried off, not twenty minutes before, to the plague-pit. "But," added the man, seeing Sir

Norman's look of annoyance, and being informed what he wanted, "there are two or three horses around there in the stable and you

in the stable, and you may as well help yourself, for if you don't take them, somebody else will."

This philosophic logic struck Sir Norman as being so extremely reasonable, that without more ado he stepped round to the stables and setting the stables and setting the stables. lected the best it contained. Before proceeding on his journey it occurred to him that, having been handling a plagus patient it would be a good thing to get his clothes fumigated; so he stepped into an apothecary's store for that purpose, and provided himself also with a bottle of aromatic vinegar. Thus prepared for the worst, Sir Norman sprang on his horse like a second Don Quixote striding his good steed Rozinante, and sallied forth in quest of adventures. These, for a short time, were of rather a dismal character; for hearing the noise of a horse's hoofs in the silent streets at that hour of the night, the people opened their doors as he passed by, thinking it the pest cart, and brought forth many a miserable victim of the pestilence. Averting his head from the revolting spectacles, Sir Norman held the botof vinegar to his nostrils, and rode rapidly till he reached Newgate. There he was stopped until his bill of health was examined, and that small manuscript being found all right, he was permitted to pass on in peace. Everywhere he went the trail of the serpent was visible over all. Death and Desolation went hand in hand. Outside as well as inside the gates, great piles of wood and coal were arranged, waiting only the midnight hour to be fired. Here, however, no one seemed to be stirring, and no sound broke the silence but the distant rumble of the death-cart, and the ringing of the driver's bell. There were lights in some of the houses, but many of them were dark and deserted, and nearly every one bore the red cross of the plague.

It was a gloomy scene and hour, and Norman's heart turned sick within him as he noticed the ruin and de-vastation the pestilence had wrought everywhere around. And he remem-bered with a shudder the prediction of Lilly, the astrologer, that the paved streets of London would be like green fields, and the living be no longer able to bury the dead. Long before this he had grown hardened and accustomed to death from its very frequence; but now, as he looked around him, he almost resolved to ride on and return no more to London till the plague should have left it. But then came the thought of his unknown lady-love, and with it the reflection that he was on his way to find her; and, rousing himself from his melancholy reverie, he rode on at a brisk-er pace, heroically resolved to brave the plague or any other emergency, for her sake. Full of this laudable and lover-like resolution, he had got on about half a mile further, when he suddenly checked in his rapid career by an exciting, but in no way surpris-

ing, little incident.

During the last few yards Sir Norman had come within sight of another horseman, riding on at rather a leisurely pace, considering the place and

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the hour. Suddenly three other horsemen came galloping down upon him, and the leader, presenting a pistol at his head, requested him in a stentorian voice for his money or his life. By way of reply the stranger instantly produced a pistol of his own, and before the astonished highwaymat could comprehend the possibility of such an act, discharged it full in his face. With a loud yell the robber recied and fell from his saddle, and in a twinkling both his companions fired their pistois at the traveler, and bore, with a simultaneous cry of rage, down upon him. Neither of the snots had taken effect, but the two enraged highwaymen would have made short work of their victim had not Sir Norman, like a true knight, ridden to the rescue. Drawing his sword, with one vigorous blow he placed another of the assassins hors de combat; and delighted with the idea of a fight to stir his stagnant blood, was turning (like a second St. George and the Dragon) upon the other, when that individual, thinking discretion the better part of valor, instantaneously turned tail and fled. The whole brisk little episode had not occupied five minutes, and Sir Norman was scarce-

ly aware the fight had begun before it had triumphantly ended. "Short, sharp and decisive!" was the stranger's cool criticism, as he deliberately wiped his blood-Mained sword and placed it in a velvet scabbard. "Our friends there, got more than they bargained for, I fancy. Though, but for you, sir," he added politely, raising his hat and bowing, "I should probably have been ere this in heaven, or the other place."

Sir Norman, deeply edified by the easy sang froid of the speaker, turned to take a second look at him. There was very little light; for the night had grown darker as it wore on, and the few stars that had glimmered "Short, sharp and decisive!" was the

and the few stars that had glimmered faintly had hid their diminished heads faintly had hid their diminished heads behind the piles of inky clouds. Still there was a sort of faint phosphorescent light whitening the gloom, and hy it Sir Norman's keen bright eyes discovered that he wore a long dark cloak and slouched hat. He discovered something else, too—that he had seen that hat and cloak, and the man inside of them on London Bridge not inside of them on London Bridge, not an hour before. It struck Sir Norman that there was a sort of fatality in their meeting; and his pulses quick-ened a trifle as he thought he might be speaking to the husband of the lady to whom he had so suddenly conceived such a rash and inordinate attachment. That personage, meantime, having reloaded his pistol, with a selfpossession refreshing to witness, replaced it in his doublet, gathered up the reins, and, glancing slightly at

his companion, spoke again:
"I should thank you for saving my life, I suppose, but thanking people is so little in my line, that I scarcely know how to set about it. Perhaps, my dear sir, you will take the will for

te deed."
"An original this," thought Sir Norman, "whoever he is." Then aloud:
"Pray, don't trouble yourself about
thanks, sir, I should have done precisely the same for the highwaymen, had you been three to one over them." "I don't doubt you in the least; Nevertheless I feel grateful, for you have saved my life all the same, and you have never seen me before.

"You are mistaken," said Sir Norman, quietly. "I had the pleasure of seeing you scarce an hour ago."

"Ah!" said the stranger, in an altered tone, "and where?"

"On Lendon Bridge."

"On London Bridge."
"I did not see you." "Very likely, but I was there none

u know me?" said the stranger; and Sir Norman could see he was gazing at him sharply from under the shadow of his slouched hat.
"I have not that honor, but I hope to do so before we part."

"It was quite dark when you saw me on the bridge—how comes it, then, that you recollect me so well?" "I have always been blessed with an excellent memory," said Sir Norman carelessly, "and I knew your dress, face and voice instantly."

"My voice! Then you have heard me speak—probably to the watchman guarding the plague-stricken house?"

"Eyactly and the sphiste better."

"Exactly, and the subject being a very interesting one, I listened to all "Indeed! and what possible interest

could the subject have for you, may I "A deeper one than you think!" said Sir Norman, with a slight tremor in his voice as he thought of the lady, "the watchman told you the lady you sought for had been carried away dead, and thrown into the plague-

"Well," cried the stranger, starting violently, "and was it not true?" "Only partly. She was carried away in the pest-cart sure enough, but she was not thrown into the plague-pit."

"Because, when on reaching that horrible spot she was found to be

"Good heavens!" And what then?" [To be Continued.]

gestion and torpid liver. Sometimes there are spots before the eyes and hot flashes. At other times a sensation as of vertigo occurs, at once suffocating and blinding. It is a waste of time to attempt to cure this

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Regarding the Matter of an Open Door in China.

Results of American Negotiations-British Reply the First Received.

Washington, Dec. 30 .- The negotiations opened by Secretary Hay with the great powers of Europe and with Japan towards securing a common understanding for a continued open door policy throughout China have met with most gratifying results. The state department is unwilling at present to make public the nature of the replies received, as this information will be embodied in a special message to congress. But in other quarters, thoroughly reliable and in a position to have trustworthy and accurate into have trustworthy and accurate information, it is learned that favorable responses have been made by Great Britain, Germany, France, Russia, the Russian communication coming as late as yesterday, and Japan. There is no doubt, it is thought here, that Italy, the remaining country addressed, will make favorable answer if ined, will make favorable answer, if, indeed, it has not already done so. The position of Italy is felt to be assured by the favorable course adopted by the

other four great powers of Europe. The importance of this unanimous verdict by all the first-class powers of the world—Great Britain, Russia, Germany, France, Italy and Japan in conjunction with the United States—can hardly be over-estimated, so far as it relates to the future of China, and the commerce of the world in that empire. The state department is loath to discuss the far-reaching results to be secured when the agreement advances to the stage of formal consummation, for each favorable response is conditioned on the favorable action of all the other parties, so that in each case the negotiations may be regarded as short of absolute finality. But while the department is silent the details come from sources believed to be fully conversant with what has

THE BRITISH ANSWER. According to this information the British answer was the first to be submitted, and was exceptionally comprehensive and explicit in yielding to prehensive and explicit in yielding to every sugestion made by the United States relative to maintaining the freest entry to the ports of China. The British answer is said to emphasize the concurrence with the United States, by adopting, word for word, much of the phraseology employed by Secretary Hay, when he addressed his original note to Great Britain and the other powers. The wording is such as to make plain that the British Government concurs for the present, and hereafter without limitation, in a and hereafter without limitation, in a policy of free access to China.

though much secreey was observed in the transmission of the British answer, its general purport soon became known at the other European capitals, and there was not a little irritation at what was regarded as a precipitate response, purposely designed to embarrass the continental powers by showing Great Britain and the United States acting in concert, while the rest of the world held aloof. But this situation was made much more satisfactory to the continental powers by their determination to act for them-

GERMANY AND FRANCE.

Germany is said to have been the next power to answer in the affirma-According to the information already referred to, the German ans-wer was rather more vague than the which had preceded it, but its general tendency was favorable, the only condition being that any arrangement as to free access to China should be universal, and assented to by all of

the powers.

The French answer is understood to have come next, and the circum-stances attending it were rather peculiar, and not in the nature of a direct answer, although the result was regarded as most satisfactory. Secretary Hay's note had been forwarded to Gen. Horace Porter, the United States ambassador to France, who promptly called upon M. Delcasse, minister of foreign affairs in the French cabinet. Gen. Porter made known his mission, whereupon M. Del-casse showed the most sympathetic spirit, and stated that he had already made ample answer to just such a communication, although at the time he had not intended it as answer to the American note. This answer, M. Delcasse explained, was given in a speech made by him in November 24, in the French chamber. The main point of that speech, in its reference to China, was that France desired the most ample freedom of commerce. M. Delcasse referred Gen. Porter to this speech, and told him that fully gave the assurance which the United States desired. It is said that the meeting was gratifying on both sides and that the results are considered to be a favorable acceptance from

RUSSIAN NEGOTIATIONS. The Russian negotiations have proceeded less briskly, so that it seemed for a time that Russia's attitude might not be favorable. This was dissipated, however, by the Russian ambassador, Count Cassini, in the course of interviews with Secretary Hay. On these occasions Count Cas-sini pointed out that a hurried ans-wer was by no means the best evidence of a favorable attitude toward the American proposition, but that Russia was proceeding with due deliberation, in order to arrive at some solid ground for a permanent understanding. The Russians were desirous of weighing the many incidental questions involved such as the effect of the understanding on the territory known as "spheres of influence," as well as on the territory actually leased to the foreign powers, such as Talien Wan, Kiao Chau and the British and French ports. Besides giving them assurrances Count Cassini showed personally the most friendly spirit toward the American proposition, as well as being desirous of giving an well as being desirous of giving an answer in this case which would be another instance of the friendly coperation long observed between Russia and the United States. The Russian position, it is understood, is similar to those preceding it, with the same condition that Russia alone shall not be bound, but that all of the interested countries shall join in the agreement to keep the ports of China forever open.

JAPAN IS FAVORABLE In what order in the negotiations Japan's favorable attitude was made known cannot be stated, but it suf-fices that Japan made her position un-mistakable in favor, of the American mistakable in favor of the American proposition, with the same reservation as in all the other cases that unallimity should be reached. Although Italy is yet to be heard from officially, no doubt is entertained that this country also will be favorable, thus making complete the satisfactory responses of all the great powers.

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Doan's Kidney Pills never fail in the hour of need. They positively cure when others fail. But see that each box you buy has on it the full name and the trade mark of the Maple Leaf, otherwise you may be getting a dangerous or worthless substitute.

FOR LOST LOVE

Alabama Man Sues Telegraph Com pany for Alleged Delay of a Message.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 81.—W. B. Beck, of Ripton, Ala., has filed a suit for \$5,000 damages against the Western Union Telegraph Company for the alleged delayed delivery of a telegram, setting forth that through the alleged delay he last Miss Dora Ward as his mife.

'According to the plaintiff, Miss Ward in June last telegraphed three suitors, saying that if they would be present at her home the following day she would hear their respective cases and give a forward his enterty and the say the favorable answer to one. Beck alleges that he telegraphed Miss Ward that he would be present, but his dispatch was delayed, and Miss Ward, thinking he would not come, held hte conference with the other two men before Beck arrived, and chose a man named Rag-land, whom she subsequently married. Beck says the circumstance has caused him much mental pain and anguish, and has seriously lacerated his feelings and affections.

FRIED ONIONS

Indirectly Caused the Death of the World's Greatest General.

It is a matter of history that Napoleon was a gourmand, an inordinate lover of the good things of the table, and history further records that his favorite dish was fried onions; his death from cancer of the stomach, it is claimed also, was probably caused from his excessive indulgence of this

fondness for the odorous vegetable The onion is undoubtedly a whole-some article of food; in fact, has many medicinal qualities of value, but it would be difficult to find a more indigestible article than fried onions, and to many people they are simply poison, but the onion does not stand alone in this respect. Any article of food that is not thoroughly digested becomes a source of disease and discomfort, whether it be fried onions or beefsteak. The reason why any wholesome food is not promptly digested is because the stomach lacks some important element of digestion; some stomachs lack pep-tone, others are deficient in gastric

juice, still others lack hydrochloric acid. The one thing necessary to do in any case of poor digestion is to supply those elements of digestion which the stomach lacks, and nothing does this so thoroughly and safely as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Dr. Richardson. in writing a thesis on treatment of dyspepsia and indiges-tion, closes his remarks by saying: "For those suffering from acid dyspepsia, shown by sour, watery risings, or for flatulent dyspepsia, shown by gas on stomach, causing heart trouble and difficult breathing, as well as all other forms of stomach trouble, the safest treatment is to take one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after each meal. I advise them because they contain no harmful drugs, but are composed of valuable digestives, which act prompty upon the food eaten. I never knew a case of indigestion or even chronic dyspepsia which Stuart's Catana Carlonic dyspepsia which Stuart dyspepsia whic tarrh Tablets would not reach.'

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THE ST. THOMAS POSTMASTER-

SHIP. St. Thomas, Ont., Dec. 31.-Chief Inspector Bennett, of the postoffice department at Ottawa, was in the city yesterday, and relieved Postmaster W. W. H. Ingram of his duties as post-

LITTLE CHILD BURNED TO

DEATH. Middleville, Mich., Dec. 31.-Iva Kidder, aged 3 years, daughter of Oliver Kidder, of Irving, was burned to death yesterday afternoon. She played with fire during her mother's absence for

water. HE IS SPEECHLESS. Columbus, O., Dec. 31.—George B. Arnold, of Detroit, a medical student at the Ohio Medical University, was found paralyzed in his room at the Deaconess Home yesterday morning by fellow-students, who called to see him. He is speechless, and it is not known how long he had lain in that condi-FAILED FOR \$241,111.

New York, Dec. 31.-Stanley H. I. Stewart, of Washnigton, D. C., doing business as Stewart & Co., at No. 40 Wall street, yesterday filed a petition in bankruptcy, admitting liabilities of \$282,111, and giving assets at \$1,213,857. Of his liabilities \$241,477 is secured, he says, by securities with a face value of \$752,300.

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This time we give the statement of James P. McVicar, V. S., 361 Talbot street, who says: "Words can scarcely express my gratitude to Doan's Kidney Pills for the good they have done

ney Pills for the good they have done me. I had a very severe attack of kid-ney trouble and could not stand on my

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for round trip, going Dec. 29, 30, 31 and Jan. 1, good to return Jan. 3, and to points West of Detroit, Mich., Dec. 30, 31 and Jan. 1, good to return Jan. 2.

To Teachers and Students—On presentation of certificates signed by principal, tickets will be issued at

Fare and One-Third for round trip, going Dec. 9 to 31, good to return not later than Jan. 17. JOHN PAUL, City Passenger Agent. O. W. RUGGLES, General Passenger and Ticket Agent.

On and after Sunday, Oct. 16, 1899, the trains leaving Union Station, Toron to (via Grand Trunk Railway) at a.m. and 9:30 p.m., make close connection with Maritime Express and Local Express at Bonaventure De. pot, Montreal, as follows:

The Maritime Express will leave Montreal daily except on Saturday, at 7:80 p.m., for Half fax, N. S., St. John, N. B., and points in the fax, N. S., St. John, N. B., and points in the Maritime Provinces.

The Maritime Express from Halifax, St. John and other points east, will arrive at Montreal daily except on Monday, at 5:30 p.m.

The Local Express will leave Montreal daily, except Sunday, at 7:40 a.m., due to arrive at Riviere du Loup at 6:00 p.m.

The Local Express will leave Riviere du Loup daily, except Sunday, at 12 noon, and Levis at 4:35 p.m., due to arrive at Montreal at 10:10 p.m. 10:10 p.m.

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There's beauty and utility in Sound Teeth. Don't delay in applying "Anthe cavity and apply with a toothpick. 10c a bottle.

The total catch of seals in the North Pacific by Canadian sealing vessels during the past season was 35,344, as compared with 28,522 the preceding

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The Canadian Furniture, Manufacturers' Association has concluded a three days' convention at Stratford, where an agreement was made for amalgamation of interests in Western Ontario to develop the export trade.

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Henry McInery, the fire bug, who set he C. P. R. elevator at Toronto on fire on Nov. 22, ras sentenced to seven years penal servitude.

How to Get Plump and Rosy. Nature meant every woman to be plump, rosy and well developed, and if she has become pale, weak and nervous, Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food will restore and revitalize the wasted nerve cella, make the blood rich and pure, and give new vigor and elasticity to the whole body. For ills peculiar to women there is no remedy so successful as this great food cure of Dr. A. W. Chase. At all Genlers.

The 123rd session of the New York State Legislature convenen on Wednesday next at noon.

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METEOROLOGICAL

COLD; LIGHT SNOWFALLS. Toronto, Dec. 31—8 p.m.—A depression has developed today over the lake region, attended by light snowfalls, and the important high area continues to cover the Northwest Territories. Cold weather prevails from the Rockies to our Atlantic coast and the indications. our Atlantic coast, and the indications all point to continued cold weather.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 42-48; Kamloops, 34-38; Calgary, 4-8; Qu'Appelle, 22 below-2; Winnipeg, 6 below-10; Port Anthur, 8 below-8; Parry Sound, 14 below-18; Toronto, 2-17; Ottawa, 14 below-4 below; Montreal, 12 below-zero; Quebec, 8 below 4 below; Hontreal 12 below-zero; Quebec,

below-4 below; Halifax, 10-30. Probabilities for the next 24 hours in the lower lakes region: Fresh to strong southwesterly to northwesterly winds; continued cold with light snowfalls. Today the sun rises at 7:51 and sets at 4:52. The moon rises at 7:46 a.m. and sets at 5:17 p.m.

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GAMMAGE & SONS.



-The Y. M. C. A. juniors and seniors play a game of basketball today. -Miss Kate Fraser, of Central avenue, is visiting friends in Guelph. -Mr. J. Robinson, of New York, is visiting friends on Central avenue. -Rev. W. J. Clarke conducted services at the jail yesterday afternoon. -Mr. Knox Niven is home on a visit from McGill Medical College, Mon-

Mr. McCarron, Queen's College, Kingston, is the guest of friends in this

-Dr. Walter Ardiel, of Grand Rapids. formerly of London, is visiting relatives -Mr. R. K. McCormick, of Toronto,

is spending the holiday with friends in -Mr. J. Craig Boyd, superintendent

of the Canadian Soo Canal, was in the city on Saturday. -Mrs. Oscar Guillemont and Miss

Orpha Guillemont are visiting relatives in Niagara Falls. -Mr. and Mrs. Fred Long left on Saturday to spend New Year's with Mr. Long's parents in Brucefield.

-Watch-night services were held in many of the city churches last night, and were on the whole well attended. -Miss Boulter, of Picton, and Miss McDowell, of Kingston, are visiting Sheriff and Mrs. Cameron, South Lon-

-Mr. Will Shaw, of Detroit, is visiting his brother, Mr. Charles Shaw, of Muncey, who came in Saturday to of Mount Pleasant avenue, West Lon-

-Anniversary services were conducted at the Paris Baptist Church yester-day by Rev. Mr. Walker, of South

-Mr. and Mrs. Atwell Fleming, of Toronto, are spending New Year's at the residence of Mr. Benjamin Hig-

gins, 496 Dundas street. -Mr. Bert Such, formerly of London,

now of Toronto, is in the city in the interests of W. R. Johnston & Co., with which firm he is connected. -Mrs. McKay and her daughter, Miss Maud Prince, of Hamilton, are spend-

ing the holiday season with Mrs. Mc-Kay's sister, Miss Hamilton, of Ridout street. -Mr. Wright and son, of Kingston, who have been spending their Christmas holidays with Mr. Newman, of Dundas street east, leave today for

their home. -The Memorial Church held their monthly children's service yesterday,

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From early morning until late at night.

Meals served at all hours.

Regular Dinner, 25c. ALACE CAFE 383 Richmond Street. Opp. City Hall.

clothing for the children and others in need in Muskoka.

—At the Wellington Street Methodist Church yesterday, the special music prepared for Christmas was repeated. Mr. Ruthven McDonald rendered "The Holy City" in fine voice. -Dr. T. S. Cullen, of Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Md., and Miss Minnie Cullen, spent the holidays with their mother, Mrs. Cullen, of Macdoneli avenue, Parkdale, formerly

of South London. -At the Grand Opera House, Saturday, the Lyceum Company closed a successful week's stand. They presented "David Garrick" in the after-noon and "Othello" in the evening to large and well-pleased audiences.

—Mr. Richard Spicer, who has been visiting his parents' home here for several months, has returned to Nelson, B. C., near which city he is engaged in mining. He is accompanied by his brother George and Mr. Horace

-At the conclusion of the performance in the Grand last night, the employes of the house were tendered a supper by Manager Root. A couple of hours were pleasantly spent in feasting, music and song. Mr. Root was en-thusiastically toasted.

—A big time will be had today at toon by the men at Wolseley Bar-acks. A bounteous spread has been provided, and a lengthy toast list will be introduced. The joilification will take the form of a send-off to the men of the company who are going to South Africa. It is being provided by the sergeant's mess.

-Mr. W. H. Hewlett gave another twilight organ recital at the Dundas Center Church on Saturday afternoon. It was the third of the season, and very successful. A large audience attended, and expressed delight with the splendid programme. Mrs. Caldwell, of Toronto, assisted, and won hearty applause for her different numbers. which were finely rende ed.

-Guelph Mercury: The following members of the 30th Battalion, Wellington Rifles, leave on Jan. 2 to take a course of instruction at the London Infantry School: Lieut. Head, Guelph; Lieut. Campbell, Elora; Lieut. Smith, Arthur, and Lieut. Livingston, Harriston. There are also three non-com-missioned officers from Erin, one from Harriston, and one from Elora, who will attend.

-A large number of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Boyd, city, and Mr. Ernest Boyd, of Winnipeg, gathered at the residence of Mr. H. J. Boyd, sen., on Friday night, and made them recipients, respectively, of a very beautiful onyx clock and a fine umbrella. Mr. and Mrs. Boyd are leaving for Winnipeg to reside, and Mr. Ernest Boyd to be be believed. is home on holidays. Beautifully en-grossed addresses were presented in -At the last regular meeting of

Myrtle Lodge, No. 2, K. of P., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year. The attendance of members was the largest in years. After the meeting refreshments were served the members. These are the officers: C. C., Ero. James Dean; V. C., Bro. Charles Ellis; prelate, Bro. Mitcheltree; M. of W., Bro. Gavin Park; R. of R. S., Bro. M. E. Brown; M. of H., Bro. C. E. Galpin; M. of E., Bro. R. Cadwallader; M. of A., Bro. W. Hawthorn; trustees, Bros. J. Park, G. Park and C. Ellis; auditors, Bros. Ellis, Hawthorn and Moffatt; grand representathorn and Moffatt; grand representative, Gavin Park; physician, Dr. James D. Wilson. Myrtle Lodge is rapidly increasing in membership. During the year twenty citizens were received into membership. There were also four deaths, leaving a net gain of sixteen members.

-The annual meeting of Ahoghill, L. O. L., No. 230, was held Wednesday evening, Dec. 27, to wind up the year's Samuel Clare, county master, was calleed to the chair to conduct the election of officers. Bro. E. J. MacRobert was re-elected W. M.; H. Walker, D. M.: Wm. Simpson, chaplain; H. King, R. S.; John McDonald, F.S.; John Walker, treasurer; W. Griffith, lecturer; W. Taylor, deputy lecturer; F. Logan, D. D. Patterson, S. Heston,
Aikens, William Aikens,
Langford, J. McKenzie,
tee. After the election the Robert Samuel committee. county master proceeded to install the various officers, after which the worshipful master-elect, Mro. E. J. Mac-Robert, made a suitable speech. and then called upon the others, all of whom had something pleasant to say. A GOOD MEDIUM.

"A personal experience convinces me that a better medium for advertising than The London Advertiser would be hard to find," said Mr. W. M. Faulds, renew his paper. "I put in a small ad. for a teacher last month, and received 42 letters, besides many personal applications, as a result, and as they came from widely different districts it is an evidence that The Advertiser circulates over a big territory. As newspaper, giving all the news, it is hard to beat." DEATH OF ANDREW MCKAY.

The death occurred on Friday of Andrew McKay, son of the late James McKay, of West Zorra, county of Oxford. Deceased was 56 years of age, and though he had been ailing for some time past, was taken seriously ill only a week ago. Mr. McKay was for eight years a partner in the Wort-man & Ward Manufacturing Company, of this city, and was a machinist by trade. He left London about a year ago, and has since lived on con East Zorra. He came from Wood-stock to London, and was a staunch Presbyterian. His widow, two sons and

MIDNIGHT MASS AT ST. PETER'S.

Cathedral Crowded to the Doors-Mass Conducted by the Bishop.

Midnight mass was held at St. Peter's Cathedral last night, and the spacious edifice was crowded to the doors. The aisles were filled, and hundreds of people stood at the back of the building. The crowd was one of, if not the largest that ever assembl-BROS ed in the cathedral. Mass was celebrated by the bishop, assisted by Rev. Fathers McKeown, Lacterau, Le Hereux and Easen. The cheir rend.

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> A Very Happy and Prosperous New Year

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ered Mozart's Twelfth Mass. The first quartet, "The Crucifixes," was given by Mr. O'Hagan, tenor; Miss Howe, soprano; Miss Dibb, alto; and Mr. Meara, bass; and the second by Miss Mulligan, soprano; Miss Dibb, alto; Mr. Coles, bass, and Mr. O'Hagen, tenor

Midnight mass was celebrated throughout the world by the direction of his holiness the pope, on account of next year being holy year.

Thirty-Eight Men Will Be Recruit! ed in London.

Only the Best Material Is Being Chosen.

Names of the Volunteers Already Sworn In.

Since it was announced that 20 more men would be accepted in the Mounted Rifles for the second contingent, the authorities have received many applications from men who were eager to go before, but who could not be accepted, the full quota having already been sworn in. It will simply be a matter of picking out the best men of the numbers who are applying. This force will be even better in point of physical excellence than the first one. Men of excellent physique, who fulfill every requirement are being rejected simply because it is a small number that is going, and the recruiting officers are determined to choose from the good material offering only those who excel in physical condition and in technical knowledge. Thirty-eight men will compose the force of mounted rifles, and eighteen men will be the full strength of the artillery section from this district. The following are the names of those who have been sworn in up to the present

ARTILLERY.

son, J. Lesroy, B. Shaw-Wood, R. Shore, R. J. Coogan, H. Couse, A. Hume, Irwin Ray, E. Mills, J. A.

MOUNTED RIFLES.

W. R. Maycock, M. S. Wigle, A. A. McDonald, E. F. Ardiel, J. C. Marsh, Wm. Tilley, J. A. Munro, R.C.R.I., M. O'Connell, R.C.R.I., Wm. Glover, H. Reynolds, P. Cline, F. C. Peck and

WOUND UP

business and elect officers for 1900. Bro. Last Shot Fired Prior to Election Day.

> Discussion at a Ward Meeting Called in No.1 Becomes General-Many

The last shot was fired in the municipal campaign Saturday evening, at the city hall. The meeting was called at the instance of some of the residents of No. 1 ward, and it was supposed to have been a ward meeting. The hall was filled early, but a dearth of aldermanic candidates for the ward caused some delay in the proceedings. Five candidates are in the field, but only two responded to Chairman W. A. Howard's invitation and went on the platform. They were Fred Hazelgrove, Socialist. and Thomas E. Park, Labor candidate. Then the chairman announced that the meeting was open for general business, and called upon several candidates for aldermanic honors in other wards. Subsequently the mayoralty candidates arrived, and before the meeting was over the chairman had difficulty quelling speakers, instead of stirring them up. The speakers were Fred Hazelgrove, Thos. E. Park, Henry A. Clark, ex-Ald. Cooper, Harry Wallace, Wm. McRae, John McLean, David Ross, A. S. Johnson, Ald. Rumball and F. J. Darch.

STRUCK BY AN EXPRESS

Wm. McKenua, Driver of Heaman's Coal Wagon Injured-Horse Killed -Accident Occurred at the Burwell Street Crossing.

The 6:30 express for the east Saturday night struck the coal wagon of Mr. W. H. Heaman, of York street, at the Burwell street crossing of the G. T. R. The horse was carried nearly to Colborne street, and was so badly injured that it had to be shot. Mr. Wm. McKenna, driver of the rig, had a miraculous escape from death. He was thrown a considerable distance, and his leg was broken. Medical aid was summoned, and he was conveyed to his home, at 444 Hill street, in the ambulance. The wagon was smashed to kindling-wood. The horse was a valuable roadster, used by Mr. Heaman as a carriage horse. Owing to the rush of business caused by the cold snap he was using it on the wagon. The driver claims to have heard no whistle sounded, and was not aware of his danger until too late.

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MARRIAGES **FORBIDDEN**

The Decline of the Harmonists Due to

This Strange Law. "The Harmonists," says a writer in Ainslee's for January, "believed that one of the elements of their success was their celibacy, while, as a matter of fact, they were eminently prosperous before they determined, under deep religious influence, to abandon mar-riage. Not their belief in the second coming of Christ, but the dingent manner in which they tilled the fields and operated their manufactories, prospered until celibacy exterminated them. them. When they came to America, in 1805, under the leadership of George Rapp, they were 800 strong. They located at Harmony, Pa. Pooling all their possessions, they bought land and diligently to work clearing and cultivating the soil, erecting buildings and pursuing trades. During the first 150 acres of ground were cleared, 50 log houses erected, and a church, grist mill, large barn and shops. Next year they cleared 400 acres, built a sawmill, tannery, distillery, brick storehouse and planted a vineyard of besides 3,000 gallons of whisky. In 1809 they produced 6,000 bushels of corn, 4,500 of wheat, 4,500 of rye, 5,000 of oats, 10,000 of potatoes, 4,000 pounds of flax and hemp, and 50 gallons of sweet oil from the poppy. The same year they made their first piece of cloth from yarn spun by hand. In 1810 they erect-

of broadcloth. WONDERFUL PROSPERITY.

"In this, the fifth year of their organization, they had 2,000 acres under cultivation, a large stock of the fiest sheep and cattle, and a large surplus for sale from every department of labor. They had their own carpenters, blacksmiths, wagonmakers, coopers, shoemakers, hatters, pailors, masons, wheelwrights and saddlers. A similar picture might be presented of each of the other communities. It was the aim of all the communities to produce and manufacture everything they consum-ed. Like the Harmonists, they endeavored to produce a surplus for sale. Thus the Shaker garden seeds, for three-quarters of a century, were accepted as the best in the United States. The Oneida Perfectionists were famous for their silk twist, and the Amanas for their woolen stuffs. One Shaker community manufactured washing machines and mangles on a large scale, and another staves for molasses hogsheads. The chief aim of each community was to make only a good article, and secure trade by rigid honesty. The Communists were careful and thorough farmers. Their farm buildings were models for convenience and comfort of animals. Their tillage was clean and deep, and their orchards contained the best variety of fruits. They possessed in their homes greater comforts than their neighbors on the same plane of life."

At the present time there are but seven members of the Society of Harmonists. Four aged women and one man, all over 70, and John Duss and who are about 40, are all that remain of this once prosperous hive of people. Most of the factories have

once sheltered hundreds of cattle are empty. The flocks and herds are gone. The broad fields are untended. The town, while still preserving its ancient semblance, is inhabited by another people. The houses, hotel and store are all rented. Many of these now occupying the quaint, vine-covered dwelling work in Pittsburg. Some are the hired hands, employed to do the little labor still required by the so-ciety. Few of the people now living at Economy know anything even of the history of the former inhabitants. Not one in twenty can point out to you where the surviving Harmonists reside. These aged remnants of the society are seldom seen. Now and then two of the more active women appear hand in hand and walk slowly, silently through the street to the store or wine cellar, to the meeting house or garden. Joint possessors of a vast estate they dress in plain, old-fashioned gowns of calico, or gingham, grow what vegetables they still have strength to care for, and busy themselves from dawn to dark about their households. It has been many years since any of these aged ones have needed to work at all. Whatever they desired would have been theirs for the asking. But the greatest distress that can befall them is to fall for a day in little strength still left them, to do the work of their house and gar-

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"While celibacy was thus operating four acres. They raised grain enough at Harmony, other causes were work-for themselves and 600 bushels to sell, ing the gradual withering of the committees elsewhere, in January, 1857, an inventory showed the Wallingford and Oneida Perfectionists to be worth over \$67,000. In the next ten years their net profits amounted to \$180,000. In 1874 they were worth over half a million. Yet today, still controlling vast property, they are but few in numbers, and, ed a woolen factory, for the making as a community, nothing."

Amusements.

"Why Smith Left Home" is to be presented at the Grand tonight. This announcement will doubtless be a most welcome one, as Smith is heralded as being as funny as Jones. The author found a most amusing theme, one that strikes an auditor with its originality from the very start. The audience is compelled to succumb to the most virulent attacks of laughter from the very

"What Happened to Jones" will be presented at the Grand matinee to-Those who saw it last year will want to renew the acquaintance with the irrepressible Jones, while those who did not, have a great treat before them. It is the one play of recent years which affords laughter from all in particular, and it is thoroughly rehas been the most successful farce production in the history of the American stage, and it still continues its reign of hilarity in foreign capitals.

"Fabio Romani," which will be presented at the Grand tomorrow night is a romantic melodrama, dealing with Italian love and vengeance. The artists presenting the play have been carefully selected for the characters assigned them. The production will be under the personal supervision of Mr. Aiden Benedict. All the scenery for the production is carried by the company. Miss Grace Hunter has been engaged as a special feature, and will

appear in her famous and stereopticon The great barns that