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Twenty-third Year

Big Policeman of Nations Now Great Britain's Role

Proposal for Arbitration of Venezuela Difficulty Did Not Come From U.S.

London, Dec. 15.—The House was crowded this evening when the Venezuelan matter came up for debate. Henry White, the American Charge d'Affaires, had a seat in the diplomatic gallery. Mr. Schwann, after having expressed surprise that the government was anxious for arbitration, said that the information concerning the Venezuelan situation which had been given to parliament. He said he hoped arbitration would be accepted, because the situation is full of danger and Roosevelt's hands might be forced by politicians.

Lord Cranborne spoke after Mr. Schwann. He reproached this member with a desire to discredit the government and exclaimed that papers in the Venezuelan matter were very red-hot and that those issued to-day were only a summary. He said that Great Britain had to perform police duty among the nations and that the Venezuelans had broken the law of nations. The United States took the sensible view that the Venezuelans should not be allowed to break the law of nations. The United States took the sensible view that the Venezuelans should not be allowed to break the law of nations.

WALL STREET SEES WAR HENCE PRICES GO DOWN

Brokers Yesterday Worked Up an International Turmoil Frenzy for All It Was Worth.

New York, Dec. 15.—The opening of the stock market to-day was after the fashion of a battle. Wall Street operated on the theory that the alleged breach of faith by the allied powers against the South American Republic in the bombardment of St. Juan would result in some radical interference by the United States, which might terminate in ugly complications. Nothing but talk of this kind could be heard in the street. Brokers worked themselves into a fine international frenzy, and the market was a scene of confusion. The market was a scene of confusion.

NEW PRESIDENT NOT NEEDED.

New Loan Negotiated for the Consolidated Lake Superior Co.

Philadelphia, Dec. 15.—The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company was held to-day, and was protracted until late to-night. It was announced that the election of a new president had been postponed until next week. The company is in a financial straits and is seeking a loan of \$10,000,000. The company is in a financial straits and is seeking a loan of \$10,000,000.

OPERATED ON CRIPPLES.

Dr. Lorenz Meets With Success in New York Cases.

New York, Dec. 15.—Two girls, six and twelve years old respectively, were operated upon yesterday for congenital dislocation of the thigh bone by Dr. Adolph Lorenz, an Austrian specialist, and another girl five years old was treated in his presence for the same ailment. Dr. Lorenz is a specialist in the treatment of cripples and has had many successful operations.

ARRESTED IN COBOURG.

Woman Who Deserted Baby Saturday Will Be Brought Here.

A message was received at the Detective Department last evening, announcing the arrest in Cobourg of a woman who had deserted her baby. The woman was arrested on Saturday and will be brought to Toronto for trial.

MET TERRIBLE WEATHER DRIVEN OUT OF COURSE

Allan Liner Peruvian Arrives At St. John's Newfoundland. With Two Propeller Blades Gone.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 15.—The Allan Liner Peruvian, from Liverpool, arrived here to-day with two blades of her propeller gone. She encountered terrible weather, and was driven hundreds of miles from her course. The vessel was rescued by the schooner Thrasher, which sank an hour later.

THOUGHT TO BE SAFE.

Deserter, Dec. 15.—It is believed here that the missing steam barge Hall and her consort Noyes, are probably all right, in lee of the Prince Edward shore.

ANDREWS AT HAMILTON.

Hamilton, Dec. 15.—The schooner Andrews, which was in tow of the steam barge Resolute and cut loose Saturday noon, has arrived at Hamilton.

AID IS ASKED.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—The Department of Marine is asked for assistance from Sydney, N.S., for the steamer Teniente, which has been driven ashore in a storm.

HOUSE 3000 YEARS OLD.

Built by Prehistoric Man, Discovered Near Point Barrow.

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 15.—Not since humanity began diving into the mysteries of the existence of prehistoric man has a discovery been made so rich in its suggestiveness of the home life of the prehistoric races as that made by the revenue cutter Bear on her recent cruise to the Arctic Ocean.

FOUND DEAD IN HIS CHAIR.

His Manuscript in Hand.

Mr. KRUGER, a ruined debtor: Oh, why, oh, why, wasn't dot South African farm of mine situated in South America with a Monroe mortgage to hold it down like dot farm of Castro's?

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CASTRO'S ADVANTAGE.

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"West of Moosejaw," said Mr. Whyte, "the line to the coast is to be almost all rebuilt. That is, the line is to be more or less changed to straighten out curves and lessen grades. The expenditure will be considerable. The early spring will see a start of the work."

"The biggest construction scheme that has been decided upon," continued Mr. Whyte, "is a new line that will be built from a point on the main line between Yorkton and Prince Albert, westerly and northwesterly, to a point on the North Saskatchewan River, in the vicinity of Battleford, and from there to Wetaskiwin on the Calgary and Edmonton line. A line will also be constructed by the C.P.R. from a point near Church bridge to a point near the branch to 'Prestige Hills.'"

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Probation System Favored Saving the First Offenders

Smallpox Stops Ship Trouble Will Result

Word was received at the Cattle Market Monday evening that the steamship Lake Champlain had been quarantined on its arrival at St. John, N.B., yesterday, owing to smallpox on board. Several cattle men will be put to considerable inconvenience owing to the quarantine of the Lake Champlain. It is estimated that 1200 copies of the annual report will be printed.

After prayer by Rev. G. M. Milligan, the president gave an interesting review of what had been accomplished by the association during the year. A comprehensive report of the work done by the different branches was submitted in some twenty-four pages of printed matter.

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That the Executive Committee of the Prisoners' Aid Association be authorized and requested to take such further action as may be considered wise and necessary for the promotion of prison reform, and that this meeting hereby endorses the following prison reform platform:

FATHER HENRY'S IDEA.

Think Coal Dealers Have Put Up the Price of Fuel.

Quebec, Dec. 15.—During his sermon yesterday at High Mass, Rev. Father Henry, C.S.S.R., rector of St. Patrick's Church, strikingly referred to the distress among the poor in Quebec, caused by the excessive price of coal and fuel. He said that the coal dealers were making excessive profits under the present circumstances.

MEET ON DEC. 18.

Premier Parent Calls His Brother Premiers to a Conference.

Montreal, Dec. 15.—Word was received in the city to-day that Hon. S. N. Parent, Premier of the Province of Quebec, has asked the Premiers of the different provinces through Canada to meet in Quebec on Thursday next, Dec. 18, in order to decide exactly what course the provinces should take in trying to secure from the Federal Government an increase in the subsidies granted to the different provinces.

CIGAR TRAVELER ARRESTED.

W. H. Walsh Charged With Trying to Staff Ballot Box.

St. Thomas, Dec. 15.—William H. Walsh, a cigar traveler, residing in this city, was arrested to-day on complaint of the city constable, James Dineen, for attempting to stuff a ballot box on the day of the referendum vote.

LOWER LAKES AND GEORGIAN BAY.

Strong Winds, Shifting to Westward; Night Mild at First, then Snow Bursts and a Heavy Cold by Night.

Lower St. Lawrence—Strong south and southwest wind; milder, with snow and sleet—Southwest wind; milder; light snow by night.

DEATHS.

EYRE—At 508 Lippincott-street, on Dec. 14th, Mrs. G. E. Eyre, nee Moore, 67 years of age. Buried in Mount Pleasant cemetery, Dec. 15th, at 10 o'clock.

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The Prisoners' Aid Association
Urges Adoption of Indefinite Sentence System.

An indefinite sentence system with a commission of unsalaried and reputable citizens to determine when a prisoner should be allowed his liberty was a part of the scheme of reform favored by the Prisoners' Aid Association at their annual meeting held Monday evening in Old St. Andrew's Church, Hamilton Cassels, K.C., president, was in the chair, and a large number of the members were in attendance.

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THE HARSH RUGBY TEAM

May Join the O.R.F.U. if the Intercollegiate Union Refuse to Adopt Burnside Rules.

A SPLENDID FINANCIAL REPORT

Officers Were Elected for the Coming Year at the Annual Meeting.

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THE RACING GAME IN RUSSIA

American Trainer Had His Stable at Head of Winning Owners.

Leighton, Ky., Dec. 15.—"It is a skilled American money man in looking only to making money for a champion that comes to the country," says the American trainer, who has just returned here after a successful year abroad.

English Football Team Coming. New York, Dec. 15.—It is more than likely that an English Association football team will cross the ocean.

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NEWLY WELCOMED BROTHER

Toothpick Kelly of San Francisco Said to Be in Line for Championship.

English Bantam Arrives in America Looking for Match With Harry Forbes.

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AMBITIOUS CITY CLERGYMAN SUE

Annie Rose, Formerly of Hamilton, Claims \$10,000 Damages From Rev. T. G. Geoghegan.

In the Criminal Sessions on Monday Judge Morgan charged the jury in the case of Alfred W. Cooper, the waterworks inspector charged with a serious offence. The jury reported, after several hours of deliberation, that it was impossible for Cooper to agree, and were discharged.

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POLICE NOMINATIONS.

Annual Meeting of Police Benefit Fund on Saturday. The annual meeting of the Police Benefit Fund was held on Saturday afternoon at Police Headquarters.

RELEASED FROM PRISON.

Citizens Showed Compassion on Men Who Committed Crime. Orangeville, Dec. 15.—David Ballard, James Ballard, Alonzo Smith, William Reid and James E. Corbett, the Melancthon men, sentenced to long terms of imprisonment in May, '97, for arson, have been released or ticket-of-leave.

SILVER FOR MITCHELL.

Business Suspended When He Appeared at His Old Home. Spring Valley, Ill., Dec. 15.—President Mitchell of the Mine Workers' Union was given a warm welcome upon his return to his old home here today. Business was suspended in his honor. A parade was held in which 3000 unionists and citizens took part.

Notable Centennial.

Mentone, Dec. 15.—Mrs. Trenea, 80, a famous old lady and widow of the leader of Mentone's blossoms, was just celebrating her 100th year. The venerable dame enjoys perfect health, directs her monetary affairs, and drives daily to visit her property at Cap Martin and elsewhere.

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The favorite Winter Resorts are easily and quickly reached, and the journey made a pleasant time, if you will take the precaution to consult J. W. Ryder, the City Passenger and Ticket Agent of the Grand Trunk Railway System, at the northwest corner of King and Yonge streets. Illustrations cheerfully made up showing best plans to visit. Personal attention is given to reservations in palace cars, checking baggage, etc.

New Church at Whitby.

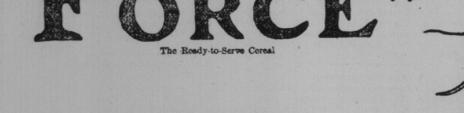
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Spent Christmas at Home.

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SPOKE ON PRISON REFORM.

Hon. S. J. Burrows of New York Addressed Canadian Club.

At the dinner of the Canadian Club on Monday, Hon. S. J. Burrows of New York was the speaker. He condemned the system which prevailed in many places, of sending men to prison for six months for offences such as non-support of their wives.

WILL NOT RETIRE.

Dr. Channonhouse to Run in North Renfrew Despite Party Efforts. A politician who was in town yesterday from North Renfrew stated: "The World that Dr. John Channonhouse the Independent Liberal, who announced that he would be in the field against the regular Liberal nominee in that constituency in the by-election, had not retired, and that there was no probability of his doing so."

PERISHED IN QUICKSAND.

Man's Head Remained Exposed for Two Days Before Death Came. New Orleans, La., Dec. 15.—The unknown man who perished in the quicksand near Haldip, Miss., has been the Model School. Most of those who asked for the increase have reached the maximum of \$675.

Christmas and New Year's.

Everyone looks forward to Christmas season with great anticipation, and not the least pleasant prospect is that of spending the day at home. The Canadian Pacific announces for the general public return tickets at single first-class fare between all stations in Canada.

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ONTARIO HAS SOME CLAIMS

These Will Be Presented at the Meeting of Premiers in Quebec This Week

PREMIER ROSS WILL NOT GO DOWN

But Claims That the Dominion Subsidies Should Be Made to Conform with Increase.

Premier Ross will not attend the conference of provincial Premiers at Quebec on Dec. 18, but the views of the Ontario government will be presented. At the time of Confederation, it was agreed to pay Ontario \$80,000 a year for civil government, Quebec \$70,000, Nova Scotia \$60,000, and New Brunswick \$50,000, and it was assumed at the time that that would go a long way towards paying the expenses of civil government. But nearly all of the amount paid to Ontario is required for members' indemnity, which amounts to \$50,000. There was also at the time of Confederation an allowance of \$60,000 a head made on the basis of population of 1861, but since then there has been an increase of about 800,000 in population. These are all matters for consideration at the conference. The Ontario government held that the Dominion subsidies should be re-adjusted to conform with the increased expenditure of the province.

H. H. COOK INJURED.

Broke His Ankle While Getting On a Car Saturday Night.

H. H. Cook, ex-M.P., broke his left ankle while alighting from a car at Dowling-avenue and King-street about 6 o'clock on Saturday evening. After making several attempts to get on his feet he swooned and fell unconscious on the road, where he lay for some time. The boy who found him summoned some neighbors, and Mr. Cook was removed to his home. Last night he was reported to be resting quietly, and not suffering much pain from the broken limb.

Coal Strike Commission.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 15.—It was announced by the Coal Strike Commission to-day that when it shall have adjourned for the holidays, probably on Saturday, it will be in Philadelphia on the first Monday in January.

NINE DAYS LEFT

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YORK COUNTY AND SUBURBS

Toronto Junction Council Adopts Motion to Change Name of Town to West Toronto.

OLD DAVENPORT SCHOOL SITE SOLD

Time of Nomination Meeting Changed from Noon Hour to 10 to 11 a.m.

Toronto Junction, Dec. 15.—The statutory meeting of the Town Council which closes business for the year, was held in the Council Chamber this morning at 10 o'clock. On motion of Councilor Shephard and Howell, a by-law was introduced and read three times by which the time for holding the nominations for Mayor and councillors was changed from between 12 and 1 o'clock to between 10 and 11 a.m. W. J. Dalton offered \$300 for the old Davenport school site, next to Davenport Methodist Church. The offer was accepted on condition that Mr. Dalton enter into an agreement under seal to erect a foundry and residence at a cost of not less than \$4000. In order that the Canada Cycle and Motor Company may make additions to their factory, they asked to have a fire hydrant which was in the way of the extension removed. The request was granted upon the company paying all costs of removal, the work to be done under the supervision of Supt. Haggas. On motion of Councilors Baird and Howell, it was moved and carried, "that in the opinion of this Council it is desirable that a petition be presented to the Legislature by the Province of Ontario at the next session thereof, praying for an act to change the name of this town to West Toronto, and that the Council for 1903 be respectfully requested to take the necessary steps to effect such a change." On condition that the Heintzman Company carry out certain changes in the water mains will be made to suit the convenience of the new addition to their factory on Van Hornes-street. The offer of \$15 from the Union Stock Yards for an old horse-reel was accepted. The Treasurer's financial statement was received and placed on file and 200 copies ordered to be printed for distribution. The Executive of the Women's Benevolent Society will meet on Friday afternoon in the Town Hall to send Christmas cheer to the deserving poor. Lodge Bradford, S.O.E.B.S., No. 91, Lambton Mills, was attended by about seventy members at its annual meeting, which was the most successful meeting in its history. The officers are: W. P. W. Clayton, M.P., S. K. Chard.

Weston.

Weston Lodge, No. 290, I.O.O.F., has elected the following officers for 1903: N.G., D. Rowntree; V.G., Alfred Barton; recording secretary, George Sanson; permanent secretary, J. L. Crickshank; treasurer, F. T. Hill.

The concert to purchase a flag pole for the members of the Victoria Presbyterian Church to-night extended a call to Rev. George Pidgeon of Stratfordville. The stipend is \$1500 a year.

North Toronto.

William, the eldest son of John P. Peet of Bedford, died on Saturday last after a day's illness of appendicitis. The funeral was held Monday at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Spencer Waugh will give a lecture on Sir Walter Scott at the meeting of the St. Clement's Literary Society to-night. Monday was the final day for the payment of the second instalment of taxes, and Collector Whaley reports less than 10 per cent. of this year's instalment tax now outstanding.

The statutory meeting of the Town Council was held last night with Mayor Fisher presiding. Councilor Spittler was absent owing to illness. The Treasurer's annual statement was read and ordered for publication. The Town Council object to the account rendered by the town for electric lights, and the Treasurer was instructed to make a rebate of \$12,000 on a water main on West Eglinton-avenue was passed, as was also a deferring a cheque until next year. By resolution the Treasurer was instructed to issue \$25 cheques for \$25 for charitable purposes. Councilor Anderson suggests a modern snow plow should be procured, and the "week" will communicate with manufacturing concerns to that end.

Webuz.

The annual meeting of the Scarborough Township Liberal-Conservative Club, held on Thursday, Dec. 18. All Conservatives are invited to attend.

York Township Council.

The final meeting of the Council was held last afternoon. A communication was received from W. J. Douglas, representing the North Toronto Council, tendering the use of the Town Hall for nomination purposes.

A long discussion took place over an error in the assessment of property in the neighborhood of the tracks of the Poplar Plains-road, wrot, urging the removal of four gas lamps in that vicinity, but the request was laid over.

E. Bogals, sanitary inspector, notified the Council that he had visited the premises of the Boake Manufacturing Co., but had found nothing that constituted an offence against sanitation.

On motion of Messrs. Sylvester and Maclean Robert Hamilton was authorized to remove all obstructions from the western end of Bee-street in the Village of Toronto.

John A. Ramey noted that a special meeting of the County Council will be held in his office on Friday, Dec. 19, to consider the recommendation of the County Council to appoint two or three constables to patrol the outskirts of the city, and inviting York Township to be represented.

Fire in East Toronto.

One of the most destructive fires in the history of East Toronto occurred Monday morning in the Stephenson Block. The building was occupied by W. J. A. Carrabara, druggist, and Richard Garland, grocer.

Shortly before 12 o'clock an employee at Snell's bakery noticed flames issuing from the building, and on attempting to give an alarm found the box out of order. He then ran to the station to summon the brigade. On the arrival of the fire brigade the fire was completely under control, but the firemen, however, rendered excellent service in confining the flames to the Stephenson block.

It was 7 o'clock before the flames were extinguished. Mr. Garland, who lives immediately above his store, together with Mrs. Garland and the other members of his family, escaped with the greatest difficulty. About 6 o'clock the Carnahan building collapsed, the south wall falling across the tracks of the Toronto Street Railway Co. The destruction of the telephone service, which was installed in the drug store, will be a temporary inconvenience to the residents.

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TWO NOW IN THE FIELD.

St. Catharines, Dec. 15.—Ad. Mayors of St. Catharines and Niagara-on-the-Lake in opposition to ex-Ald. Burgoine.

Wedding Bells.

"Pinegrove Farm," the residence of Thomas Armstrong, Panarous, was the scene of a very happy event on Saturday, Dec. 13, when his niece, Miss Jennie Armstrong Adams, was united in marriage to Mr. J. L. B. Stiver, only son of Mr. William Stiver, Unionville.

The Rev. Mr. Stuffer of Unionville performed the ceremony. Precisely at 6 o'clock the bride, leaning on her uncle's arm, entered the parlor and was accompanied by her bridesmaid, Miss Kate Carroll, Hagerman. W. B. Armstrong ably supported the groom. The bride was becomingly gowned in a modest costume of brown. Venetian slouch with bodice of white beads and sooty, consisting of many useful articles. When the ceremony had been performed and the customary greetings given a sumptuous repast was partaken of by some fifty guests. Kind words were spoken to the bride, and after an interval of social converse, the bride and groom left for their future home at Unionville, amid showers of rice and good wishes.

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had received from Minister Huggart a cabled summary of what purports to be Venezuela's reply to the British ultimatum. Venezuela's demands are such that no separation was offered by Great Britain for the landing of the British troops, or for the conduct of the British authorities of Trinidad. This deepened closed by saying Venezuela's representatives that her treasury was exhausted. It would not be necessary to remind the Venezuelan government of its obligations.

COMMENT ON SPEECHES.

London, Dec. 16.—The issue of the parliament's struggle has to be considered, but not altogether, abated the public impatience with the government's policy of non-interference. The feeling against the government, however, for too readily linking itself with Germany, whose claims are supposed to be purely financial, still runs high. This strong feeling is an outcome of apprehensions that some impulsive action on the part of Germany might endanger the existing friendship between Britain and the United States.

In this light many newspapers protest most strongly, and it is asked what would happen should Germany try to defy the Monroe Doctrine and land troops in South America. In short, all the opposition newspapers, as well as many of those in sympathy with the United States, are in a state of high indignation. It is not too much to be asked either for Germany or Venezuela, whether a reasonable basis are entertained that Venezuela's proposal to arbitrate may lead to an amicable settlement of the difficulty.

With the exception of Lord Cranborne, who was at one time military attaché to the British Embassy in Washington, expressed regret at the course of the debate in the House of Commons, Henry Norman (Liberal), the government's expansionist, during the course of the debate in the House of Commons, Henry Norman (Liberal), suggested that Great Britain should even now approach the United States in a friendly offer.

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BRITISH FLAG FLIES.

London, Dec. 16.—The Willingstons, Curacao correspondent of The Daily Mail says the British flag is now flying from the fort at Puerto Cabello, and that President Castro's position in respect to "El Mocho" Hernandez, Parado and other revolutionary leaders.

DAILY GROWS WORSE.

Antwerp, Dec. 15.—A firm here, which trades with Venezuela, has received a despatch from Caracas, saying that President Castro's position is growing daily more difficult. A new revolution seems imminent. Gen. Malvar has price \$31.50 per set, Wednesday 23.75

ITALY JUMPS IN.

Rome, Dec. 15.—In the Chamber of Deputies today Foreign Minister Prinetti, replying to an interpellation, made a statement on the subject of Italy's attitude towards Venezuela. He reviewed the causes leading up to the Anglo-German action, and said: "Italy, on her side, claims damages for her citizens who sustained losses during the insurrection, which has disturbed the commerce of the island. The Italian minister at Caracas having exhausted all efforts to bring about a friendly settlement, presented a list of claims, reduced to a minimum of 2,810,251 bolivars."

Continuing, the Foreign Minister said that further considerable damage to Italians in Venezuela had been caused during the last revolution. He stated that the amount of these damages had not yet been ascertained. As soon as he was informed of the Anglo-German action, he addressed London and Berlin, proposing to participate in the measures those countries were about to undertake, to collect similar claims, and his proposition was favorably received. In conclusion, Signor Prinetti said: "I think this statement will reassure my countrymen; they will have the same confidence in the ability of British and German subjects enjoy."

The Prime Minister was followed by Deputy Prime Minister, who expressed confidence in the government's policy, and urged accord with Germany and Great Britain. He said that the Italian government to "watch the United States, whose imperialism is a political and economic menace to Europe, and especially to Italy, the weakest of the great powers."

Continuing, Deputy Santini declared that the energetic attitude of Germany and Great Britain had "sent the Monroe Doctrine sky high, as the United States understood it is not dealing with poor Spain."

A WIDE SPHERE OF USEFULNESS.—The consumption of Dr. Thomas' Electric Balm is to be recommended for its ability to relieve the most distressing cases of rheumatism, neuralgia, and other forms of nerve pain. It is a complete cure for all these ailments, and is a most valuable remedy for all who suffer from them. It is a complete cure for all these ailments, and is a most valuable remedy for all who suffer from them.

No Word of Island.

Nothing has been heard of George Island, the carpenter who disappeared on the 10th inst. from the boat of the Queen-street about a month ago. Mr. Island is one of the boat of the Queen-street at Fairbank.

Killed His Own Father.

Coboes, N.Y., Dec. 15.—William Page, aged 35, was shot and killed by his son, aged 21. It was an accident.

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45 only Men's Fine Imported English Smoking Jackets or House Coats, consisting of beaver and saxony cloths in garnet, dark blue and medium grey shades, made with shawl collar and patch pockets, pockets, edges and cuffs trimmed with colored cord to match, sizes 35-42, regular 6.00 and 6.50, 4.45 while they last, Wednesday..... 4.45

100 Men's Heavy Winter Overcoats, consisting of Raglanettes, with long full box back, vertical pockets and cuff in the fashionable grey and black Imperial checks, also fine navy blue beaver cloths in Chesterfield and medium box back styles, good durable Italian cloth linings and neat velvet collars, sizes 35-44, regular 6.50 and 7.50, 4.95 on sale Wednesday..... 4.95

55 Boys' Fine English Tweed Brownie Suits, brown checks, greenish fawn and medium and light grey, soft smooth finished cloths, in handsome patterns, made with small and large sailor collars, some with silk-faced lapels, nicely trimmed with braid, pockets in vest, reg. 3.00, 3.25 and 3.50, on sale Wednesday..... 2.19

Men's 1.25 Flannel Shirts, 49c.

An item from the Furnishings section of the Men's Store that upholds the reputation of the Richmond Street wing. We have accepted a clearing offer on 300 samples, and we turn the advantage in your direction.

Christmas Furniture "Specials"

Christmas dinner, the chief dining-room function of the year in every home in the land, should have the honor of a new set of dining chairs, in ten cases at least, this year. Our Furniture Store makes an offer of ten 31.50 sets for 23.75 to-morrow—another instance of the economy possible in buying furniture here. Parlor rocking chairs and parlor tables also on the cards for to-morrow. See the figures:

- 10 only sets of Dining-room Chairs, in solid quarter-cut oak frames, hand carved and polished, in rich golden oak finish, box frame seat, all-over upholstered in fancy figured leatherette covering, in sets of five small and one arm chair, reg. 22.22 and 24.24 inch tops, fancy turned legs, with shell, polished patterns, regular prices \$2.50 and \$2.75, 1.90 special, Wednesday..... 1.90
- Ladies' Reception Chairs, mahogany finished, assorted patterns, upholstered silk tapestry 5.90 seats, carved back, special Wednesday..... 5.90
- Music Cabinets, solid mahogany, fine polished finish, enclosed door front, shaped legs, all movable shelves, Wednesday, special at 10.00
- Combination Bookcase and Secretary, in quarter-cut golden oak and birch mahogany finish, neatly hand carved and polished, fitted with British bevel plate shaped mirror, enclosed glass door bookcase and drop leaf writing table, Wednesday..... 15.00

Christmas Umbrellas.

An Umbrella is a practical, sensible, thoughtful gift of present that everyone appreciates. We can show you just about everything in umbrellas the umbrella manufacturers have turned out for this season. And the best of it is Simpson's prices leave a balance in your favor. Here's a part list range—1.50 to 5.00:

- Men's, gloria silk and wool cloth tops, natural wood and horn handles\$1.50
- Ladies', gloria silk and wool cloth tops, Dresden, horn and natural wood handles\$1.50
- Men's, tafteta cloth tops, natural wood handles, sterling silver trimmed\$2.00
- Ladies', tafteta cloth tops, horn, ivory, pearl, Dresden and natural wood handles\$2.00
- Men's, satin Levant tops, with border edge, natural wood and horn handles\$4.00
- Ladies', satin Levant tops, with border edge, pearl, ivory, Dresden or agate handles\$4.00
- Men's, twill silk tops, border edge, ivory, horn or natural wood handles, handsomely trimmed in sterling or gilt\$5.00
- Ladies', twill silk tops, border edge, pearl, agate, crystal and natural wood handles, all sterling or gilt trimmed\$5.00

The 1903 Art Calendars.

75c ONE for 25c TO-MORROW. Exclusive stores, which depend upon such goods, charge as a rule very different prices to 75c in this big general store. But even our prices are discounted by this offer for to-morrow:

413 Art Calendars for 1903, lithographed in different colors, in the shape of roses, pansies, etc., also landscape scenes, marked prices on these are 75c, 80c, 90c and 1.00 each, special, Wednesday..... 25c On sale on the First Floor.

"The Cascade, North Wales."

The newest addition to our collection of original water colors. The artist is a Canadian—W. S. Thomas Smith, A.R.C.A. It is a large landscape done in his best style. The price is \$300.00. Hundreds of artistic smaller bits on view and on sale.

Watch Wisdom.



A Gold-filled Watch, dust-proof case, guaranteed to wear like gold for 20 years, fitted with American jewelled nickel movement, usual watchmaker's guarantee stamped on every bill, Wednesday..... 4.95

A Thousand Half-Priced Toy Books.

Dean's Toy Books have a world-wide reputation. It is an offer in Dean's toy books we are making to-morrow. They were shipped to a large publisher's agent here in duplicate—that is, the order was filled twice by mistake. Rather than send them back to England they were sold to us at half. We sell them the same way.

1152 Children's Toy Books, mounted on unbreakable linen and printed in fancy colors, some contain short stories, others A, B, C Books. This line sold regularly at 50c, for a special on Wednesday..... 25c

Wm. A. Rogers' Silverware.

So that we might be safe in our guarantee, and you might be right in your gift, we tested Rogers' silverware (stripped the silver off and weighed it) and we endorse the accompanying guarantee and will make it good by refunding the money if any article is found unsatisfactory.

- Rogers' Teaspoons, set of six 74c
- Rogers' Dessert Spoons and Forks, sets of six \$1.35
- Rogers' Coffee Spoons, six in case 85c
- Rogers' Butter Spoons, Rogers' Pie Knife, Rogers' Fish Fork, Rogers' Meat Fork, Rogers' Ladles, Rogers' Butter Knife, Rogers' Sugar Shells, all in presentation cases, 65c to \$1.00
- Rogers' Quadruple Plate Tea Sets, four pieces, gold lined, price \$12.75
- Other lines of Guaranteed Silverware—Nut Bowls, \$1.50; Butter Dish, \$2; Cake Basket, \$2.25; Fruit Dishes, \$1.50; Syrup Set, \$1.75; Blacuit Jars, \$1.75; Bread Tray, \$1.75; Claret Jug, \$1.75; Smoker's Set, \$2.25; Water Set, \$2.25; Five o'Clock Tea Set, \$5.