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LONDON, CANADA. WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1900.

WHOLE NO., 16181.

MARRIED.

HARDEY -CHEESEBROUGH .- At St. Andrew's Church, on Dec. 26, by Rev. Dr. Johnston, Frederick W. Hardey, London, to Margaret A. Cheesebrough, daughter of Frederick Cheesebrough, of Eva street, city.

FAWCETT-BIDNELL-At the home of the bride's parents, Dec. 25, by Rev. C. Sinclair, of London, T. Fawcett, Esq., to Mary Elizabeth Bidnell, of Mount Brydges.

OMOND-CANNOM .- On Dec. 25, at the residence of the bride's mother, 428 Dufferin avenue, Mr. Hugh A. Omond, of New York, to Winnifred Cannom, of this city.

DIED.

GARNER-At Thorndale, on Dec. 25, 1900, Thomas W. Garner, youngest son of Robert Garner, aged 35 years 4 months and 28 days.

Funeral on Friday, Dec. 28, at 2 p.m., to Vining cemetery. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

AMUSEMENTS.

Advertisements under this heading 10c per line, or 2c per word each insertion.

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MEETINGS.

CANADIAN ORDER OF HOME CIR-CLES-Annual meeting, Thursday, 27th inst., 8 p.m. All requested to attend. W. Joanes, Leader. b

MASONIC - INSTALLATION - THE officers-elect of the eight Masonic lodges of the city are requested to attend at the East End Hall on St. John's Day (Thursday evening next), at 5 o'clock, for the purpose of installation and investment. M. W. Bro. R. B. Hungerford, Grand Master, will officiate as installing officer, assisted by other Past Masters. A full attendance is desired. M. D. Dawson, Secretary Board

OWING TO THE HALL BEING OTHER-WISE in use, the regular meeting of the Real Estate Owners' Association will be held in Duffield Hall on Thursday evening, 27th inst. Every member should attend. W. H. Ferguson, secretary.

SPECIAL MEETING OF TRADES AND Labor Council Wednesday night, 26th. Building Laborers' Hall, corner Dundas and Richmond streets. 49c

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WELLAND CANAL. Tenders for Supplies for the year 1901. SEALED TENDERS for supplies, addressed to the Superintending Engineer, Welland Canal, St. Catharines, will be received until 20 o'clock on Wednesday. 16th January, 1901, for the supply and de-livery of various articles of Timber, Hardware, Castings, Fuel, Paints, Oil, etc., for use on the Welland Canal and its branches for the year 1901.

Specifications, forms of tender and other

information can be obtained at the Su-perintending Engineer's Office, St. Catharines, on and after Monday, the 24th December, 1900.

The lowest or any tender not neces-

sarily accepted. L. K. JONES, Secretary.
Department of Railways and Canals,
Ottawa, December 20th, 1900.

AGRICULTURAL

Savings and Loan Company. DIVIDEND NO. 57. C. P. BUTLER, Manager. London, Dec. 3, 1900. 42k ttxt

YAQUIS AT IT AGAIN. El Paso, Texas, Dec. 26. - Mexican troops in Sonora, Mexico, were recently attacked from ambush by a band of Yaqui Indians, and four officers and about thirty men were killed outright. Col. Francis Penado, one of the most popular officers in the army, was

among the killed. WALL STREET WILD! New York, Dec.26.-The market opened wild and excited, with striking gains in a number of stocks on the very congested demand. Tennessee coal was rushed up 51/8, and prices turned abruptly downwards under a flood of long stock, invited by the bulge and short selling by room professionals.

CARNEGIE GAVE A SMALL FOR-TUNE. Washington, D. C., Dec. 26.-Andrew Carnegie was leaving the Shoreham Hotel to join Senator Hanna to call on the president, when Solicitor of the Treasury O'Conneil and Director the Mint Roberts approached and asked if they could have a few words

"I am in very much of a hurry,

you will come along you can talk as As the trio proceeded toward Senator Hanna's house it was exlained to Mr. Carnegie that Fort Dodge, Iowa, was in need of a public library. The only chance it seemed to have of getting one was for some wealthy and public-spirited man to provide the money. As Mr. Carnegie pressed on the button of Senator Hanna's door

Fort Dodge shall have a library. Let the city donate a site and agree to maintain the library, and as soon as that is done draw on me for \$30,000 for the building."

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UNCONSCIOUS HUMOR.

Mother—What do you want Santa
Claus to bring you, Johnny?

Johnny—I want him to bring me a
gun to shoot Bullers (bullets). UNCONSCIOUS HUMOR.

THE JOYOUS HOME-COMING

Of London Lads Who Fought for the Dear Old Flag in South Africa.

Thousands of Enthusiastic Citizens Turn Out to Welcome the Brave Boys---The Streets Packed With People All Along the Line of March--- A Continuous Hurricane of Cheers Greets the Heroes---The Thanksgiving Service---Names of Returned Soldiers---Interviews With Col. Buchan and Other Members of the Company.

London's whole heart was in yester- | day's welcome to her twenty-one gladhearted, healthy and bronzed sons, who returned home as veterans of the South African war. Individual welcomes extended all along the line from the Atlantic coast to London itself. Lieut .-Col. Buchan was met by Mrs. Buchan and Miss Buchan away down at Halifax, and in several cities between impatient relatives and friends boarded the train to greet the men, and many of them stayed until the city was

At Ingersoll the soldiers who had already returned, met their former comrades. No crowd of schoolboys were ever more hilariously happy than they. They had parted at various places in Africa. Some had not been permitted, either on account of wounds or illness. to go far up the country, but had been forced to return to the Cape, and thence to England or straight home. They had tales without number to tell each other, if they only had time, and many engagements were made for future meetings, when they will retell their experiences, and who will say that these meetings will not culminate in the formation of a league of South African soldiers? Their expressions of delight were hearty and hoisterous indeed, and the gathering was truly an illustration of the loving comradery that exists between men who have marched weary, feet-blistering miles together, shared their last piece of bread, fought, starved and faced death

side by side.

A PLEASANT SURPRISE. At Ingersoll there was another pleasant and truly welcome surprise. The dainty baskets containing tasty luncheons, that had been sent at Col.Stacey's suggestion, and by the generosity of some kind unknown, were distributed among the soldiers. It was a thoughtful act, that, and the donors won the gratitude of a carload of healthy chaps, whose appetites had in no wise been poiled by their recent revelries in the

old country.
As the number of miles diminished, old-time chums grouped together, swapped stories and indulged in reminiscences that will hold many a family about the fireside these coming winter NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT days, when they eagerly awaited the current half year upon the capital stock, payable on and after Jan. 2. next.

Transfer books will be closed from 15th to the 31st inst. By order of the board,

C. P. BUTLER Manager. command.

REMINISCENCES OF THE CAM-

PAIGN. "We'd be so dead tired," said one, 'that we swore we'd never move another step. They could shoot us, we said, or hang us, or send us down country, only we wouldn't move another step. That's the way we talked among ourselves when our feet were sore. In the morning we'd say, 'I can't move. Send the captain to me. I'll tell him what I think.' Then when the order came to fall in, you'd find us in the line meek as the next one. We'd have our guns on the shoulder and wouldn't say a word.

The whole desire of the men seemingly was to

STAY WITH THE REGIMENT. They hated to be sent from it, and many a man who should have "gone sick" would hang on doggedly, hoping to

"I'd die on the road rather than go to the hospitals," one of the men said. "Not that they weren't all right, but you have such a longing to be with the crowd, and you're always afraid that they'll be doing something that you'll miss. When I went sick I was sent to three hospitals one after the other. That took me pretty well down country. The regiment was at Springs then, and by good luck I did not miss anything. You know, after you're better they make you do police duty on the I couldn't stand the thought of that, so one night I jumped on a train going north. I hid whenever we passed a town, and got clear back to Springs where the other fellows were.'

NEW-FOUND FRIENDS. Some of them fell to talking of the friends they had made out there, especially among the Gordons. THE GORDONS.

"They're the boys, those Gordons!

You should see them charge a kopje. They stuck by us well all along the line-they were our chums. You remember at Paardeberg, fellows, after we charged the trenches?" "Do we remember? Well!" And

went better than those biscuits and hot tea." Then to an interested civilian he said "the Gordons supported us, you know. Well, when we got back to the trenches we'd left, we found that they had made us hot tea there, and had it and biscuits all ready for us; and did: 't it go good." SHARING RATIONS.

"It was the same all the time," chimed in another. "They'd share their grub with us when we were and we'd divvy up when they didn't have much."

"Do you remember the little Frenchie the Gordon Highlander stabbed?" irrelevantly asked one of the khaki-clad. Then followed, "He lost his head in the excitement after we had charged one on the work of the charged one of the charged we had charged once and went jabbering into the Gordons' trench. They didn't understand his lingo and thought he was a Boer. So one up and poked him with his bayonet. It went clear through his wrist. 'Don't!
Don't!' he cried, in English, 'I'm a
Canadian.' Those big Scotch fellows
nearly cried then, and the chap that stabbed him was wild with sorrow. they tended his wound and nursed him like women until he got better.' So they talked until the jolt of a change of engines reminded them that London was near.

Then they earranged their uniform and prepared to face the volleys of cheers from their admiring townsfolk.

THOSE ON THE TRAIN. The men on the train were: Lieut .-The men on the train were: Lieut.Col. Buchan, Capt. Carpenter, Pte. W.
J. Byrnes, 7th Regiment, Sergt. A. V.
Becher, 26th Regiment; Pte. George
Macbeth, Strathroy; Pte. Bert Munro, A Company, Winnipeg; Quartermaster-Sergt. Galloway, R. C. R. I.;
Company, Winniper, South B. G. B. Company, Winnipeg; Sergt. R. G. B. Color -Sergt. Price, R. C. R. I., A Sippi, 7th Regiment; Sergt. Fred Gorman, 27th Regiment; Ptc. A. thune, R. C. R. I.; Sergt. Ray Little, 1st Hussars; Pte. W. R. Stevenson, R. C. R. I.; Pte. A. E. Merrif, R. C. R. C. R. I.; Pte. A. E. Merrif, R. C. R. I.; Pte. E. C. Andrews, 26th Regiment; Pte. J. C. Beers, 21st Regiment; Pte. J. C. Biggs, 26th Regiment; Pte. H. Burrell, 26th Regiment; Pte. A. G. Burwell, 6th R. C. A.; Pte. A. E. Cole, 1st Hussars; Pte. P. Delmar, 26th Regiment; Pte. W. G. Greene, 26th Regiment; Pte. W. G. Greene, 26th Regiment; Pte. J. Laurille, 26th 25th Regiment; Pte. J. Herrick, 7th Regiment; Pte. J. C. Hill, 26th Regiment; Pte. P. C. Ingamilis, 1st Hussars; Pte. K. G. J. Johnston, 27th Regiment; Pte. W. W. MacMahon, 26th Regiment; Lance-Corp. G. W. Munro, 26th Regiment; Pte. F. G. Stanbury, 25th Regiment; Pte. J. Sutherland, 25th Regiment; Pte. F. W. Turner, 6th R. C. A.; Pte. A. E. Warfeld 7th Regiment; Pte. W. Wester. dell, 7th Regiment; Pte. W. Westa-way, 25th Regiment; Pte. A. H. Wheatcroft, 7th Regiment; Pte. G. White, 21st Regiment; Pte. G. Woodliffe, 7th Regiment, Pte. R. Wilson, 22nd Regiment; Pte. J. B. Milliken, 26th Regiment; Pte. P.

Waiting for the Train. More than an hour before the arriv-

Stacey, 30th Regiment.

al of the train the crowds had begun to gather in the vicinity of the Waterloo street crossing of the G. T. R.. It was cold waiting in the chill morning air, through which now and then drifted down a stray snow flake. But the waiting crowd seemed to mind the cold not a whit, for was it not Christmas day and were not London's boys speeding home as fast as steam could hurry them. On every hand were heard intermingled Christmas greetings and expressions of happiness at the safe return of the soldier boys and pride in their gallant record. In good time the various civil and military bodies that were to form the procession arrived on the scene. Just before the arrival of the train from the east an M. C. R. special brought up the 25th (Eigin) Regiment, under Major McLaughlin and Mayor Meehan and a representation of St. Thomas citizens. In order to avoid delay to the express which brought the boys from Toronto, it was stopped at London East and their car detached. As the express ran past the waiting crowd hearty cheers were given for those members of the contingent who were remaining on the train and proceeding to their homes in Windsor, Chatham, Sarnia and other western HOME AGAIN.

A few minutes later a pandemonium of engine whistles and bells down the track announced the approach of the soldler lads, and as the car rolled up to the freight sheds platform a storm of cheers rose from the waiting crowd and was caught up by the mass of people that blocked Waterloo street, from the rallway tracks to Dundas street. The 7th Regiment Band struck up "Home, Sweet Home," but its strains could scarcely be heard above the cheers of the multitude. One by one the khaki-clad boys managed to after this expressive chorus one ad-ded "I never tasted anything that ings showered upon them, and were

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The Procession. With no unnecessary delay the prooession was lined up, and moved off in

the following order: Mayors Rumball and Mechan in carriage.
Reception Committee and Aldermen
of London and St. Thomas in

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The Fire Department.
Veterans of 1866-'70. Detachment of 1st Hussars.

Cols. Holmes and Buchan on Horseback. The Returned South African Canadian Non-Coms, and Men. Escorted by the City Police Force. Squad of 6th Field Battery on Horseback.

More Fenian Raid Veterans.
Royal Canadian Regiment of Infantry Under Major Little. 7th Fusiliers Band. 7th Regiment of Infantry. Caldets of the London Collegiate In-

stute. 25th (Elgin) Battalion Band. 25th (Elgin) Battalion, under Major McLaughlin. Order of Foresters With Union Jack and Banners. "A. O. F. Welcomes Her Heroes."

Boys' Brigade. Citizens. The route of march was along Waterloo, Dundas and Richmond street to St. Paul's Cathedral. The business of the Christmas season had militated against the decorations of the houses and business places along line of march, but there were no wanting touches of color here and there in the shape of flags and bunting. The absence of decoration was however, amply compensated for by the enthusiasm of the cheering thousands that lined every foot of the way. The sight of the sturdy form of Col. Buchan was the signal for the outburst of cheers as hearty as were neard in London, and as the lads in khaki marched past, attended by a cordon of police, which proved ineffectual in repelling the friendly attacks of friends eager to greet home-comers, the applause positively deafening.

At the Cathedral.

St. Paul's Cathedral, large as it is. proved insufficient yesterday to contain one-quarter the people who sought admission to the building. The center of the church was reserved for the returned soldiers and their civil and military escorts, and when they had taken their places the crowd surged in and occupied almost every available foot of space. All the aisles were erowded, and even the chancel steps and the seats to the chancel behind the choir had their occupants. The cathedral was a pleasing sight in its artistic blending of Christmas and patriotic decorations. Wreaths and festions of holly mingled everywhere with flags and bunting, while across the chancel hung a banner with the single word, "Paardeberg," that epochmaking word which will mean so much in future histories of Canada and the

The service in the cathedral was one quite in keeping, both with the character of the day and the desire of the men to join their friends and relatives as soon as possible. The service did not last more than half an hour, and from its very simplicity was all the more effective. As the soldiers reached the church they were preceded up the aisle of the church by the male choir singing a processional hymn, this was folllowed by the rendition on the organ of "Onward, Christian Soldiers

BISHOP BALDWIN'S ADDRESS. When all had taken their places and quiet was restored, Bishop Baldwin ascended the pulpit and addressed the

soldiers, as follows:
"Dear Christian Friends and Soldiers of the Queen,-It is a pleasure to me and to all of us that we are permitted to unite with you today in one solemn thanksgiving to God on your safe arrival home. We are most to praise and celebrate his name for his kind and loving care over you since you left your homes. I know that loving mothers, wives, brothers and sisters have had you continually in their

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(Continued on page 8.)

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the honor and intergrity of this coun-

try, or of any part of the British Empire. Tonight a number of the prin-

cipal buildings are illuminated in honor

of the colonel's return. The huge transparency, on the parliament buildings, "Welcome home, heroes of Paarde-berg," can be seen a mile off in the

WOODSTOCK'S THREE.

Woodstock, Ont., Dec. 25 .- The train

carrying the Woodstock section of re-

turning soldiers arrived here at 10:35.

The Woodstock boys numbered only three. They were Ptes. Victor and

Garnet Odlum and Harry Lane. It be-

ing a holiday, there was an immense

of the procession was through the prin-

each of the returning soldiers was pre-

sented with a gold watch and an ad-

thousands of people turned out to re-

The St. Thomas Men.

St. Thomas, Ont., Dec. 25.-Shortly

after four the big bell in the city hall

tower pealed forth the welcome news

that the St. Thomas contingent of

South African heroes had left London,

and would be in their native city at

4:45. The shivering crowds became

good-natured and waited patiently, but

nevertheless eagerly. When the train

loomed in sight the crowd had increas-

ed to great proportions. The engine was

appropriately decorated with flags, and

as the train slowly passed the Lake

Erie depot and Talbot street crossing

without stopping, the immense con-

course of people who had collected at

these points made a mad rush for the

Michigan Central depot. When the

train was turning into the station, it

was greeted with wild cheering, issu-

people. When the gallant heroes of

Paardeberg stepped from the train, a

wild scramble was made by thousands

of men, women and children to get a

glimpse of their long-absent idols.

Each man was seized by friends,

and carried on their shoulders through the surging, crushing and wildly cheer-

ing mass of humanity to Talbot street,

where the 25th Battalion, headed by their band, and followed by one solid

phalanx of enthusiastic citizens, es-

certed the boys to the regimental club

rooms. All along the line of march hun-

dreds of people lined the sidewalks; and when the brave boys tripped along to

the tune of "See the Conquering Heroes

Come," ladies waved their kerchiefs

frantically, and the men cheered vo-

ciferously. The boys marched like vet-

erans, their step firm and easy, carri-

age erect, eyes bright and appearance

soldierly. The procession was ac-companied by the city council and offi-

cials. At the club rooms each of the

five men appeared at a window, and in

tion given to them, and said they were glad to be home again. They all speak

very highly of the treatment shown

them by the regular regiments in the field, and are perfectly satisfied with

the experience. They are also elated

over the kindness they received while in England, and say everything pos-

time. The names of the men who ar-

rived are: Ptes. Green, Westaway, Su-

London. After some handshaking and

Every man is in perfect health and ap-

gallantry and valor of the Canadian

soldiers, and reflects great credit on

the Railway City. The formal demon-

stration will take place tomorrow af-

ternoon, and a half-holiday has been proclaimed by the mayor. The men will be then officially welcomed home

few appropriate words modestly anked everyone for the kind recep-

from the throng of about 10,000

ceive the boys.

with flags, and bunting, and

dress. The town was beautifully dec-

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AT TORONTO.

Dec. 25.—Col. Otter, Capt. Mason, Lieut. Temple and some 40 men of C Company, R. C. R., and invalids of other corps arrived home this morning, and were given a very hearty welcome by the civic and military authorities. At the Union station a big crowd had gathered, and the city regiments were formed up on parade to welcome the colonel and his men. Col. and Mrs. Otter, with the mayor and aldermen, entered carriages in waiting, and the men were conveyed in two tally-hos to the armories by way of the principal down town streets, which were pretty well filled with spectators. On their arrival at the armories, the city regiments lined the streets on both sides, and amid great cheering the gallant little band passed into the arm-ories, where the formal welcome took place. Replying to the civic address, and that of the Queen's Own reserve, Col. Otter said he had had the unique experience of having thrice been welcomed back from the front by the citizens of Toronto - in 1866, after the Fenian raid: in 1885, after the Northwest rebellion, and on the present oceasion. The colonel paid a splendid tribute to the Royal Canadians. So fully imbued, he said, were they with the necessity for maintaining and upholding the honor of Canada that there was nothing that could be imposed upon them, no work which they were asked to do. which they were not only glad, but anxious to accomplish, to meet the wishes of those in authority. The Royal Canadians were united with one object, and that was to do their duty and to gain credit and honor for Canada, and there was no one in that battalion but would readfly and willingly again enroll for service against any cause that threatens

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and presented with a purse. They will also be banqueted at the Grand Central Hotel at night.

Sarnia's Contingent.

Sarnia's Contingent.

Sarnia, Ont., Dec. 25.—Sarnia's South Africaa heroes—Sergt. Fred Gorman and Ptes. Dan McMillan, Ken Johnston and John Pardee—arrived home at half-past 1 o'clock this afternoon. The streets of the Tunnel Town were profusely and gaily decorated for the occasion, and despite the very cold weather, a tremendous throng of people assembled to do honor to the returning soldier boys, and give them a hearty welcome him. The Lehigh express, on which the boys, accompanied by Dr. Johnston, M.P., and H. Gorman, P.M., were brought from London, was about twenty minutes late in arriving, but the crowd waited good-naturedly at the tunnel station. Through the kindness of G. T. R. Agent John Boyd, a special train was in waiting to convey the party to the Cromwell street depot. The engine was eiaborately decorated with flags and bunting, and was in charge of Engineer J. B. Wilson. When the train pulled into the uptown depot, the noise made by the blowing of whisties, the ringing of bells and the cheers of the people, announcing the arrival of the boys, was almost deafening, and it was with difficulty the band, playing "Home, Sweet Home," could be heard. Nos. 5 and 7 companies of the 27th Regiment, under command of Major O'Neil and Capt. Towers, formed a guard of honor from the steps of the special car to the carriage on Front street awaiting the young men who were being honored by the citizens. As soon as the quartet set foot on Front street, the assemblage, led by Professor Fenwick and a male choir and the Sarnia Eand, sang "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow." This concluded, Rev. Canon Davis, chaplain of the 27th Regiment, offered a short prayer of thankfulness to the Almighty for the safe return of our citizen soldiers.

The boys then entered the carriages, and the procession, headed by Mayor F. C. Watson, chalrman of the citizens' committee; Wm. F. Lawrence, chairman of the reception committee; the Sarnia Eand, the members of the reception com-

committee; Wm. F. Lawrence, chairman of the reception committee; the Sarnia Band, the members of the reception committee, and the militia, under command of Lieut.-Col. Charles S. Ellis, was given the order to march by the major and adjutant, Robert Mackenzie, chief marshal for the day. The procession comprised the above-mentioned, after which came the carriers containing the came the carriage containing the "boys from the war," with about twenty young men as a guard of honor, followed by carriages containing the relatives of the young men, the bugle band and Boys' Brigade, under command of Capt. Nisbit; Brigade, under command of Capt. Nisbit; Sarnia fire department, members of the board of education, fife and drum band and L. O. L. members, Sons of Scotland, headed by two pipers in costume; Canadian Order of Foresters and citizens in carriages. After a short route march, the procession wended its way to Victoria Square, where Mayor Wilson, on behalf of the citizens, delivered a short address of welcome. Dr. A. MacLean then read an address to the heroes of the day, after which Mr. W. F. Lawrence, on behalf of the citizens, presented each of the young men with a handsome gold watch, suitably inscribed, accompanied by a gold chain. "God Save the Queen" was sung, after which the citizens were given an opportunity of passing before the boys an opportunity of passing before the boys and giving them a hearty hand-shake—a privilege that was taken advantage of by hundreds. Shortly after 3 o'clock the boys re-entered the carriages with their relare-entered the carriages with their relatives, amid cheers from thousands of spectators, and were driven to their respective homes, where a joyous and happy reunion awaited each one.

At Other Points.

Chatham, Ont., Dec. 25.—Three Chatham soldiers of the returning contingent arrived at 1:20 p.m., and were given an enthusiastic welcome. crowd at the station to meet the returning soldiers, and they were given a royal reception. The reception plans had all been mapped out, and as soon KINGSTON.

as the boys alighted from the train Kingston, Ont., Dec. 25.-Pte. Eaton, A battery, was welcomed home this morning from South Africa. Several Belleville men also stayed here, to go home to a reception at 11 o'clock. they were escorted to a conveyance, under a guard of honor, and a procession was formed. Hacks were pro-vided for the parents of the boys, and BELLEVILLE.

others in the procession were a portion Belleville, Ont., Dec. 25.—Sergt. Mills and Pte. Austin, of the R. C. R., reached of the militia, the 22nd Band, the fire department, the bugle band and citihome today from South Africa at 11 a.m. zens on foot and in carriages. The route They received the same hearty was given to the other returning cipal streets of the town, winding up in front of the market square, where

GALT.

Galt, Ont., Dec. 25.—Pte. W. H. Foote, one of the Galt soldiers who returned from South Africa on the Lake Champlain, arrived home tonight, and was met at the station by a very large gathering of citizens. A procession escorted Foote to the town hall, where two presentations were made, one by the citizens generally and the other from his late fellow-workmen in MacGregor, Gourlay & Co.'s fac-

ST. CATHARINES.

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 25.—The members of the 19th Battalion, headed by their splendid band, turned out in full strength at 7:30 this evening and marched to the Grand Trunk depot to meet to the Grand Trunk depot to meet McCalla on his return from South Africa. Although the weather was raw and cold, the streets were crowded with people. After parading some of the principal streets, an adjournment was made to the opera house, where a grand re-ception was tendered to Pte. McCalla. BRAMPTON.

Brampton, Ont., Dec. 25.—Tonight, by the 5 o'clock train, S. Nixon, Brampton's contribution to the soldiers of the Queen, arrived from South Africa. He was met at the depot by Mayor Milner and an immense crowd of citizens, the Mechanics' Band and an escort of volunteers from his own regiment, by which he was es-corted to the town hall, and an address of welcome was presented to him, to-gether with a gold watch and chain, suit-

FIFTY TONS OF CANDY

Have Been Sent to the Soldiers in the Philippine Islands by the Government.

Fifty tons of candy have been sent to the soldiers in the Philippine Islands by the commissary department of the army during the last three months and large amounts to the soldiers in Cuba and Puerto Rico. This is done upon advice of the medical officers of the army, because

it is a physiological fact that a modconsumption of confectionery promotes health and satisfies a natural craving of the stomach. Candy was never furnished to the United States army, before, although it has commonly been used as a ration by the French and British troops

This explodes another old-fashioned theory that sweets were injurious to the digestive organs, while a moderate use of sweets is actually benefi-

Very few things are injurious, and the food cranks who advocate the use of a few grains and vegetables and decry the use of sweets and meats are in error, as a wholesome variety of meat and vegetable food is absolutely necessary for the maintenance of the highest condition of health. sible was done to give them a royal

The best rule to follow is to eat what the appetite craves, and if there therland, Stansbury and Stacey. The latter is a son of Col. Stacey, D.S.O., any discomfort or trouble in digesting meat and sweets, the difficulty can be readily overcome by the regrenewal of old acquaintances, the boys ular use after meals of some safe were led away by admirers and friends. gestive composed of pepsin and diastase, which will adjust the stomach pears to be none the worse of his adby increasing the flow of gastric juice venture. The reception being a purely and furnish the natural peptone lacking in weak stomachs. informal one, was indeed a great mark of appreciation by the citizens of the

The hest preparation of this kind is probably Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, which may be found at all drug

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Did you overlook a anybody in your giving? If so, there's New Year's yet.

concentration of Christmas preparations someone is bound to be overlooked. You didn't intend it, of course, and want to do the next best thing. Remem. ber, then, that New Year's gifts are quite in order, and here you will find a splendil assortment of articles suitable for the occasion. The few remaining Toys in stock are going

at bargain prices. We only sell toys at Christmas time, and will not put any away if we can help it. This is a special chance for those who have Christmas tree entertainments yet to come on.

Ladies' Wrappers In assorted and dark shades of warm Flannelette, lined to waist, neatly finished, full width. Price\$1 00 Of heavy Wrapperette Cloth, in gray and black, white and black, also black ground with small colored sprays; lined to waist, finished with narrow

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149, 151 and 153 DUNDAS STREET.

ably engraved. Mr. Nixon made a characteristic reply, expressing his gratitude to the citizens for the ovation given him. modestly claiming to nave only done his the Queen and country he represented.

WINDSOR.

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 25.-Windsor's soldiers who returned from the Transvaal on the transport Lake Champlain arrived home this afternoon. They were met at the Grand Trunk station by a large numitie of the control of th ber of citizens, and accorded a rousing reception. Lieut.-Col. Gullette and other officers of the 21st Regiment escorted the boys to their homes. Every one of soldiers looked the picture of health, and was in the best of condition to do justice to the Christmas dinner that awaited him in his home. The lads expressed much delight in their arrival in time to spend the holidays with their parents, and they were liberal in their thanks to the steamblin and reliway authorities. the steamship and railway authorities for their efforts to land the contingent ahead of time. Early in January the boys will be tendered a banquet, and each will be presented with a gold watch the citizens.

Pa On the Christmas Toy Business.

Our teacher told us to rite some Christmas compositions last week, so I spoke to paw about it and ast him

what I better rite.
"Well," he says, " mite say that if it wouldn't of Been for Spain Americka miten't of ever got discovered, and if it wouldn't of been for Germunny the man that invented Christ-mas mite of Got discurridged becoz he couldn't find the rite kind of Backing. Spain furnished the Capitle for Columbus and Germunny put up the first chimbly for Santa Claus.

"What a bewtife thing it is to Think how the Germans have always made the merry Yuletide merrier yet. It's the greatest day of all The year over There. That's when the German hart is full of song. There's where the man ever got tripped on the end of his Blanket and fell down stairs when he was playing Santa Claus. So that's the reason Kris Kringle and Santa are both German dissent." After he waited awhile and Looked

at maw kind of sad for a minute he

"Of corse they are no use in Ennybuddy trying to pierce a hole thru the Gloom hanging over this Fambly with a joke. Yes, it's a bewtifie that. I can almost seem to see the little German children gathered around The Home surkle over there in Fatherland, all bizzy stamping Toys and things as fast as they can with stamps that Say 'Made in Germunny' and sending them away to Far Off Climbs where are so bizzy killing hogs and Bilding youniversities that they mite Forget all about the Dear old Sentiment if they didn't begin along a Munth ahed of Time to Fill the store windows with things That got made in Germanny the summer before. No wonder the Germans luv Christmus. They need it in their bizness. The Germans say 'We Care not who makes the world's Locomotives and Steal rails if we can make its Christmus toys.' So that's where Germunny got the Bulge on

"Well, you see," paw says, "Spain staked Columbus, but got squeezed out of the plant he started up over Here. Germunny opened the first account with Santa Claus and still Has him on the Books. That show's it's always a Good thing to mix a little Thrift in with your sentiment if you can Do it without Lettin' on. But can Do it without Lettin' on. But There should be fewer crimes and God bless Germunny, enny way. If more criminals committed.

"In what way?" maw est.



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SOTHERN IN HAMLET. St. Louis, Mo., Dec.25 .- E.H.Sothern, the actor, who for some time was laid up with an accident that necessitated the cancellation of dates all over the country, made his first appearance last night since the accident, presenting "Hamlet" at the Olympia Theater before a crowded house.

CANNOT BE BEAT .- Mr. D. Steinbach, Zurich, writes:—"I have used Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil in my femily for a number of years, and I can safely say that it cannot be beat for the cure of croup, fresh cuts and sprains. My little boy has had attacks of croup several times and one dose of Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil was sufficient for a perfect eu e. I take great pleasure in recommending it as a family medicine, and I would not be without a bottle in my house."

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We are Showing Great Value in Millinery and Outing Hats—Ready to Wear.

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BLACK EBONY BRUSHES, special 50c, 75c, 85c each. Silk Mufflers, 75c, \$1, \$1 25 each.

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Gentlemen's Fine Black Cashmere Hose, 15c, 25c, 35c, 45c, 50c

LADIES' WOOL SHAWLS, in gray, cardinal, cream, white and black, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1 25 each.

JOTTINGS FROM NEAR-BY PLACES

FLORENCE. Florence, Ont., Dec. 26.-The Christ-

mas entertainment given by St. Mathew's sunday school on Friday evening last, in the town hall, Florence, was attended by a large audience and was in every respect a decided suc-cess. Instead of the usual Christmas tree, an arch was formed at the back of the stage, which was tastily decorated and laden with handsome presents. A select and highly appreciated programme was given, consisting of choruses by the Sunday school and choir; quartets, by the Florence Male Quartet; duets, solos, recitations, dialogues, tableaus, etc. At the conclusion of the programme, Santa Claus on the scene and conducted the distribution of the presents much to the delight and satisfaction of the children.

Those contributing in vocal selections were Misses M. Davids, Mary Wilson, Ethel Boblin and Loa Walk er, and Rev. Mr. Diehl. The male quartet was composed of Mr. Jerome, first tenor; Rev. Mr. Diehl, second tenor; Dr. McTavish, first bass; Mr. Bodkin, second bass. The accompanists were Mrs. Diehl, Miss Maud Wilson and Mr. Jerome.

BYRON.

Sunday school held its anniversary Christmas services and entertainment Sunday and Monday evening. A platform meeting was held on Sunday evening, addressed by Mr. C. E. German, of London, and Rev. T. Wesley Cosens, superintendent of the circuit Suitable Christmas music was furnished by the choir and scholars of the

On Monday evening the school held its annual Christmas tree entertainment, when a splendid programme of choruses, motion songs, drills and recitations was rendered by the scholars. large number of pretty presents gladdened the hearts of young and old, and a very enjoyable time was spent by all. Rev. Mr. Hunter occupied the

The pupils of the day school were surprised and greatly pleased by each

That Spot.

throat? Felt as if you could almost touch it with your finger, didn't it? How hard you tried to reach it, but couldn't! It's easy with Cresolene, for you breathe it. There's nothing in the world equal to it for stopping these tickling coughs; and it's so pleasant, too. For asthma. croup, bronchitis, catarrh, and whooping-cough, it's the great remedy.

Mr. J. W. Little, of London. This generous and thoughtful act on the part of Mr. Little was very highly appreciated by the parents and friends of the

THEDFORD.

Thedford, Dec. 26.-A very successful meeting in the interests of the twentieth century thanksgiving fund was held in the Methodist Church, here, on Monday evening, Dec. 17. Rev. S. Salton, of Centralia, was present with his celebrated Scripture cross, which is a novel and has proved itself to be a very effective, method of stimulating people to giving larger givings to the cause of God.

The meeting was also addressed by Rev. R. F. Irwin, of Arkona, and the pastor, Rev. J. Pring, while suitable music was furnished by the church choir. Between \$500 and \$600 were raised for the fund at this meeting.

CHRISTMAS DAY ACROSS THE LINE.

Salvation Army Gave Dinner to 7,000 Pecple—The Day at the White House.

New York, Dec. 26.-Christmas Day was bright and pleasant, and before the day was well under way the hundreds of charitable society workers were seeing to Byron, Dec. 26.—The Byron Methodist the providing of wholesome dinners for the thousands of poor throughout the city. Madison Square Garden was transformed into a gigantic dining-room, and here at night the Salvation Army fed 7,000 people. After dinner the headquarters brass band struck up "Onward, Christian Soldiers," and the great crowd joined in the hymn with vigor, and then Commander Booth-Tucker made an address, in which, among other things, he said: "Today the Salvation Army has spread the tables in the United States for 150,000 guests, and into 150,000 hearts we shall seek to send rove of Christians. we shall seek to send rays of Christmas gladness, tidings of new hope, harbingers of better days.

Miss Helen Gould provided the dinners to the boys at the Woody Crest Sani-tarium, which she maintains, near Tarrytown. Besides the dinner, she distribut-

Washington, Dec. 25 .- Christmas Day Washington, Dec. 25.—Christmas Day was generally observed here, many of the churches holding special services. At the White House the president and Mrs. McKinley dined alone, and spent a good part of the day together in their private apartments. In the afternoon several personal friends called, but remained only a short time. The government departments were closed, and until late in the day the streets presented an almost deserted appearance.

Steamship Arrivals.

Dec. 25. Reported at. From.

Amsterdam......New York.....Rotterdam

La Normandie...New York......Havre State of Nebras-

Majestic......Queenstown...New York MOST INTERESTING THAN THE CANAL.

New York, Dec. 26.-Carnegie's contract of the delivery of the steel rails to the Great Eastern Railway excites keener public interest in London than Vapo-Cresolene is sold by druggists everywhere. A Vapo-Cresolene outfit, including the Vaporizer and Lamp, which should last a life-time, and a bottle of Cresolene, complete, \$1.50; extra supplies of Cresolene, complete, \$1.50; extra supplies of Cresolene zoents and 50 cents Illustrated booklet containing physicians' testimonials free upon request. Vapo-Carsolene Co., 180 Fulton St., New York, U.S.A. the technicalities of the Isthmian Canal free sample will be sent to any perquestion, says a Tribune cablegram. It son troubled with catarrh. Inclose 5-

COMMANDANT DEWET PRESSED

British Forces Crowding the Clever Boer Leader in Ladybrand District.

Thorneycroft Following Up the Retreating Enemy---Baden-Powell Has Places for 1,000 Canadians.

pressing Commandant Dewet in the Ladybrand district.

London, Dec. 26.-Lord Kitchener, telegraphing to the war office, under date of Naauport, Dec. 24, 9 a.m., reports: "Thorneycroft's Mounted Infantry have occupied Britstown without opposition. The Boers retired to the north in the direction of Prieska. They will be followed up."

CONDITIONS IMPROVED Cape Town, Dec. 24.-Regular railway service between Cape Town and De Aar has been restored. The report of the destruction of a bridge

south of De Aar turns out to be incorrect. Only a culvert was damaged. Trains are running from De Aar to Kimberley irregularly. There are considerable delays elsewhere, as the result of heavy rains. CAPE DUTCH NOT RISING.

London, Dec. 26.-The Cape Town correspondent of the Times telegraphs that scarcely any Cape Colonists have

joined the invaders.

A Cape Town dispatch says:
Fighting is going on near De Aar.
Particulars are unobtainable. Two hundred Boers have left Britstown after commandeering all supplies available. THE STRATHCONAS FIGHTING.

London, Dec. 25.-A delayed dispatch dealing with the pursuit of Dewet before he escaped from General Knox, refers to an all-day fight near Bethulie, in which the Strathconas participated. Soon after daybreak the Boers began firing at our outposts, says the dispatch. The enemy held a strong position porth of and para strong position north of and par-allel with the road. Gen. Knox found Col. Barker holding the several positions which he had gained the previous day, but the enemy's center was a very strong, rugged kopje, traversed by a solid stone wall, affording splendid cover. Along the foot of the kopje ran one of the branches of the Silk spruit, and up this a company of the Seaforth Highlanders attached to Col. Barker's Column crept in the early morning. They were warmly received by the enemy, but they ultimately gained a farm-house at the foot of the kopje, while on the opposite side the Boers held the end of the ridge, the eastern portion of which was held by Col.

Herbert. TOOK THE WRONK TRACK. When Gen. Knox arrived he ordered Strathcona's Horse to support the Seaforth Highlanders, and they at once started off with this object. They received a heavy and continuous fire, but quickly took shelter in the spruit. Unfortunately, however, they took the wrong track, and on discovering their mistake, made a bold and plucky dash for some farm enclosures. They met with a terrible rain of fire, but gal- | ment, etc. lantly persisted, galloping at full speed. They were forced, however, to lantly return in conjunction with the Seaforths, having fought the whole day

long, but having been well covered, their casualties were small. Col. Herbert and Col. Williams had meanwhile swung round to the right with great speed, and brought the howitzers of the 86th Battery to bear upon the Boer left. The enemy were unable to stand the lyddite shells, and retired hurriedly, but their center stood firm till nightfall, and then also

DANGEROUS SITUATION.

London, Dec. 25 .- According to the Morning Post's Cape Town dispatch, everything depends upon the quantity of ammunition in the possession of Dutch residents, 1,500 of whom have joined the Boers in the Philipstown district alone. Energetic measures have been taken to stem the invasion, but there is unquestionably danger that parties of the Boers will get through into parts of the colony and gradually raise the whole Cape in rebellion. Reinforcements can arrive none too soon. Most of the dispatches from Cape Town describe the raiders as doing little harm, and are being rainclosed by Lord Kitchener's combination.

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Maseru, Dec. 25.—The British are vantage of being personally acquainted with local conditions. Last March he supervised the suppression of the rising which occurred then. He is rising which occurred then. bringing down thousands of troops from the north.

The Standard's Cape Town correspondent sent: The loyalists demand that martial law shall be proclaimed throughout Cape Colony, but adds: Such a step is now impossible, owing to the lack of sufficient troops to enforce it.

The correspondent of the Daily Mail at Cape Town says: The pro-Boer newspapers are singularly quiet. They have, been made uneasy by the promptness and thoroughness of the military action, but reports from various parts of the western provforeshadow perilous possibili-

BOERS REPULSED. Civil railway traffic has been suspended largely in all parts of the colony and movements of both Boers and British are almost unknown in Cape Town. It appears that one Boer column attacked Sternsburg, but was repulsed and fled, entrenching in the mountains. Another Boer commando captured a party of police at Venterstad. Mounted colonial troops sur-prised 300 Boers fifteen miles from Burghersdorp Dec. 23, and after a brisk interchange of volleys, retired

with a loss of two men. NEW ZEALANDERS TO STAY. Wellington, N. Z., Dec. 26.-The government has asked the gove or, the Earl of Ranfurly, to inform Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, the secretary of state for the colonies, that it does not wish the New Zealand contingent in South Africa to be diminished, that drafts will be forwarded to fill the ranks, and that additional mounted men will be sent.

PLACES FOR CANADIANS. Ottawa, Dec. 26.-Ever since the announcement that recruits were being sought in England and the colonies for Baden-Powell's constabulary applications have been received at the Militia Department from Canadians who were anxious to join this force. A week or two since the de-partment brought this fact to the notice of the imperial authorities, and asked to be advised whether it was intended to enlist recruits in Canada. Mr. Chamberlain has just cabled the following reply to the governo

"Referring to you telegram of Dec.
4, unavoidably delayed by necessity
of consulting authorities in South
Africa, her majesty's government
learn with satisfaction that recruits are coming forwarded in Canada for the South African constabulary, and will have much pleasure in accepting up to 1,000 men, if so many are avail-

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lain.' A cable received at the militia department states that Corp. George, of Strathcona's Horse, had died of enteric fever at Doomfontein. The name of George cannot be found on the nominal roll.

"BOBS" AT MADEIRA

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The War and Its Losses.

Considerable comment has taken place because, after the backbone of the rebellion in South Africa was supposed to be broken, the British war authorities arranged for the home-coming of the Canadian and Australian forces In South Africa, and also for various wolunteer bodies from the Motherland. It has been assumed that because this policy was resolved on, there was an enormous depletion of the forces in the field, but the official returns, up to the 1st inst. do not bear out this view. They are interesting, and they are worth giving in detail, as showing the size of the force, the mortality, and the present approximate strength of the army left in the field to re-establish order. Here is the statement:

not reach South Africa until after the outbreak of hostili-

1. From colonies other than South

Total, all arms sent to South Africa up to 1st December, 1900, including garrison on 1st August, 1899...... 267,311

Numbers:
1. Killed to 30th November, 1900... 3,018
2. Wounded to 30th November, 1900 13,883
3. Died of diseases or wounds, or accidentally killed, in South Africa, to 30th November, 1900... 7,786
4. In hospital, South Africa, 2nd October, 1900 (latest returns)... 11,927

South Africa.

4. Returned to colonies direct from South Africa: 1,884 1,172 1st December, 1900:

Volunteers

Total 210,293 The authorities state that the summation last given does not allow for the disbandment of the colonials, etc., of which precise details have not been received. But there must now be in South Africa a British force of close on two hundred thousand, which ought to be able to close up the war, and reestablish order in the country. That they have not done so by this time is in part accounted for when we recollect that a very large portion of this force is detailed to keep open connection with the outside world, and guard the lines of railway. The fact that every now and again Boer forces crop up, and start the war anew, shows that those who thought the conflict would end with the capture of Pretoria were over-sanguine. Only when it is shown that the Boers can hope for no favorable result from Kruger's mirsion to Europe, and that British rule must remain supreme in South Africa, will these outbreaks be entirely suppressed. Very many of the Boers are known to be now favorable to making the best of the new conditions, which Kruger's crass persistency in un-British methods have rendered absolutely necessary, and we do not despair of their numbers being largely augmented in the near future. But it cannot be forgotten that war invariably brings in its train much ill-will and hardship, that years always elapse before a normally healthy condition of affairs can be brought about.

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business is rapidly overhauling fours. "With less than one-quarter of our territory, and with a vastly larger percentage against that country in the matter of production, Canada has managed, by ceaseless energy, to approach and pass us in sending abroad those products which this country is paramount in. Here is something

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frigeration is doing for Canada what International Baby Competition. it has done for Australia and New Zealand, and what it ought to do for this country. We know as much are not applying it to develop foreign business. We simply seem satisfied to work within our shell. Here is one sort of expansion that will meet with approval on all sides."

The Nineteenth Century and the Past.

"Our nineteenth century, now drawing to a close, has shown from the first and will bequeath to the next age a vivid taste for historical search, to which it has brought an ardor, a method crowned by a successunprecedented in former times. The story of the world and its inhabitants has been largely re-written. The pickaxe of the archaeologist has restored to light bones of the hero of Mycene and the very features of Seostris. Ruins explored, hieroglyphics translated, have led to reconstructing the life of the illustrous dead, sometimes to penetrating into their thoughts." This is the testimony to the nineteenth century given by a great French critic, and it calls our attention to a remarkable phase of its life. The earth has grown smaller by explorations and increased facilities of communication, but the universe has grown larger. Before the nineteenth century dawned men had realized the result of the discoveries in astronomy. The earth was seen not to be the center of the universe, but one world among many. The first feeling was that of the littleness of the earth and the insignificance of man.

In our century the extension has been in a different direction. Intelligent people no longer believe in a world six thousand years old. Our gaze has been indefinitely prolonged into the backward and abysm of time. Mr. Barton Is To Form the First The Darwinian theory as well as the geological record shows a long growth of life on the earth. But the teaching of the records that have been dug up is that civilized man has been at work much longer than we supposed. Much of the reconstruction of history from the remains of a long buried past is tentative and conjectural, but there are certain bold outstanding facts which show that at the date formerly set down for the creation of the world. Oriental kingdoms existed in great splendor and with high forms of civilization. New languages have been discovered, and new literatures explored, or rather opened out for exploration. And this sort of research is only in its infancy. It certainly shows that the nineteenth century, with all its modernness, has not neglected the past.

Too Much Poor Elecution.

There has been much discussion ly as to the relation of the art of "elocution" to pulpit speech. While all sensible men agree that the preacher in the delivery of his message must avoid too much display of "art," it is generally conceded that much good material is spoiled from want of more effective delivery. It is quite true that a man who has something important to say, and who is in dead earnest, will make a real impression in spite even of grave defects of style, yet that is no reason why men whose constant business it is to address the public should neglect any means of culture which will help them in their work. We are not going at any length now into this important question, but will simply notice briefly the question that is sometimes asked, How is it that so often scant justice is done to the reading of the sacred Scriptures in the regular services of the church? We hear very much today about "the Bible as literature," the commonest view of this great Book that it is a revelation of spiritual truth, but it is now fully recognized that the revelation is enshrined in a great literature, which assumes a great variety of forms, history, oratory, poetry, etc. It is probable that this great literature is not read as diligently and carefully in public as it might be. Hence many people are dependent for their knowledge and appreciation of it upon the public reading.

Reading aloud with clearness of utterance and intelligence of expression is an art that is not too much cultivated. It would be well with all of us if it was more attended to in early life. Young men, especially young men looking forward to the Christian ministry as their vocation, should train themselves before they enter theological seminaries. Then after this general preparation there should be a special care in handling that which is a great literary classic, as well as a sacred book, to select the passage, or, if it is selected by the church, to read it over and understand it beforehand. As a rule, false emphasis comes from a lack of understanding and appreciation of that which is read. There are ministers who read a passage so that their reading is an interpretation, and almost an exposition, but these are too few. More might attain to this gift by giving the thought and care that the high duty demands. We cannot create great orators or brilliant elocutionists, but good readers might be more common, for surely every man should seek to understand what he has to pre-

In the editorial, "The Day We Celebrate," in yesterday's issue, the printer made a sentence read as follows: "There is no manifestation of our natures that produces so much happiness as usefulness." What the writer said was "unselfishness." However, at Christmas time everybody has to be forgiven, even the revising compositor.

sent to others.

The New York Journal challenges The London (England) Daily Mail (Mr. about the science as Canadians, but Harmsworth's paper) to a great international Baby Show. Each paper is to offer prizes for photographs of the finest and handsomest babies from the British Empire and United States, respectively. Impartial judges, French, German, Italian, will decide. The enthusiastic Journal considers the matter of patriotic importance, "for a winning Baby means a winning Nation." The Journal seems to us rather reckless in the scope of the competition. "Call in your Imperial colonies," it "Canada, Australia, and, if you chose, recalcitrant South Africa. Select the finest baby in the entire British

That would mean, of course, if there is any fair play in the judging, that the finest baby in the British Empire would come from Canada.

Will any one say why, apart from the long-windedness of members, the ensuing session of the Dominion Parliament should last longer than two months, or at the outside ten weeks?

The Hamilton Times says that the gerrymander was Sir Charles Tupper's sheet anchor in the late general elec-Never were truer words pen-When the gerrymander is undone, and the discouragements which its existence caused supporters of the Government in many places are removed, Ontario will prove herself to be thoroughly Liberal in national as well as in Provincial contests.

AUSTRALIA'S COMMONWEALTH

Cabinet.

Twenty-Two Fishermen Perish in Storm—Several Boats Lost— Christmas Day in Paris.

THE NEW COMMONWEALTH. Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 26 .- Mr. Edmund Barton, who was the leader of the federal convention, has accepted Earl of Hopetoun's offer to form the first cabinet of the federation. He anticipated no difficulty. MANY LIVES LOST.

London, Dec. 26 .- The reports that several Shetland fishing boats were in great peril from the storm, and had probably been lost, are confirmed. Only one boat out of five has ben found, and it is known that no fewer than 22 fishermen have perished.

DEATH AT OSBORNE HOUSE. London, Dec. 25 .- The Dowager Lady Churchill, senior lady of the bedchamber, and an intimate friend of the Queen, was found dead in her bedroom sborne vesterday morning tiring she complained of cold, but as no alarming systems manifested themher indisposition was not thought to be of a serious nature.

PALACE OPEN TO PUBLIC. St. Petersburg, Dec. 25 .- The Prince of Oldenbourg, president of the government temperance committee, noon yesterday, declared the people's palace open to the public. After the naugural ceremonies, the prince and twenty of the higher army officers, including the commanding generals, along with high officials, noblemen and ladies, dined side by side with peasants and the families of work-

CHRISTMAS IN PARIS.

Paris, Dec. 26.-Christmastide was favored in France with bright, cheerweather, and Parisians celebrated it in characteristic fashion. All the restaurants, and cafes were thronged with festive supper parties, which did not disperse until early next morning. At midnight masses, with special musical attractions, filled the leading churches to overflowing. The charitable side of the festival was represented by numbers of free meals and seasonable gifts to poor families and outcasts. adame Loubet gave 700 francs to be used for the relief of widows in necessitous circumstances.

THE HAY-PAUNCEFOTE TREATY St. Petersburg, Dec. 26.-The Novoe Vremya, discussing the English news-paper indictment of the United States for its unparalleled attempt to overturn the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, says: The case is not unusual. Conditions have changed, and the treatly must change, too. Russia afforded an example in 1870 in declaring that she was no longer bound by her promise not to maintain war vessels in the Black Sea.

The Bourse Gazette says: Russia is gratified by America's diplomatic victory over England. Western Europe dislikes the Monroe doctrine because it desires to grab territories everywhere. Russia, which has sympathized with America since her independence, which liquidated American possessions to America, has nothing against the Monroe doctrine, and the old sympathies have grown more cordial in

CABLE NOTES.

Sultan Abdul Hamid has delayed an order authorizing the Cramps to build a warship because Germany protested against a new ship being ordered until Turkey paid her debts to Krupp, the gunmaker.

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The Holiday Marred by Many Accidents

And Deeds of Violence—Toronto Man Stabbed by His Father-Woman Took Paris Green by Mistake.

SHOT BY FATHER Freat Falls, Mont., Dec. 25.—Jacob Werten today shot and fatally wounded his son John. Werten had threatened his wife, and treated her badly, and the son interfered to protect his The father drew a revolver and fired a ball into the boy's neck. The son is paralyzed, and will die. Werten surrendered to the authorities.

STABBED HIS FATHER. Toronto, Dec. 25.-Wm. Lendon, an incorrigible young scapegrace finished the Christmas festivities this evening by stabbing his father, Henry J. Lendon, 18 Woolsley street, a G. T. R. employe, with a bread knife. During a violent quarrel the boy seized knife, and before his father realized his intention, slashed him over the left eye and nose, inflicting severe wounds.

BALTIMORE HAPPENINGS. Baitimore, Md., Dec. 25 .- John Periman, steward, and Frank W. Baren-then, cook, of the British steamship Tampico, from Rotterdam, quarreled today on the deck of the ves result of which the former is at the Baltimore University with his skull crushed. A heavy iron poker was used by Barenthen to defend himself,

Periman having attacked him. Wm. Black, an 18-year-old bootblack, shot Abram Jones and Clarence Phillips. Jones will probably die, and Phillips lost a leg. Black claims the shooting was done in self-defense. Frank Johnson cut John R. Hawkins wit ha razor, and was chased several blocks by a crowd, who threatened to

MURDERED AT HIS HOME. St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 25 .- Frank Richardson, a wealthy business man of this city and Savannah, Me., was mur-dered at his home in Savannah last town and shot him in the back of the head. Richardson was a brother of John D. Richardson, general manager of the biscuit trust.

ILLINOIS TRAGEDY Carbondale, Ill., Dec. 25 .- This aftermoon, at Vegennes, a small station on the Illinois Central Road, in this county, Joe and Jake Davidson, brothers, became involved in a quarrel with Henry Fox, a farmer. Joe Davidson emptied his revolver in Fox's abdomen. Other shots were fired, which probably mortaly wounded Joe Platt, a byst nder. The brothers fled. but were overtaken, and in a running fight both were wounded. Three of the injured will probably die. BAD INDIAN.

Moskoge, I. T., Dec. 25.—John Tiger (Indian), living on the Arkansas River, two miles south of Eufala, went to Eufala with his wife this afternoon, and while intoxicated met L. Roper and threatened to kill him. at V Roper strnuck Tiger with a board. Tiger free.

procured a Winchester and came back to kill Roper, but falling to find him, he proceeded to shoot everyone he saw, shooting Jesse Beck through the hops and killing him; shooting and killing Dave Porter, a nephew of Chief Porter, and a man named Johnson on his way to Missouri in a covered wagon with his family. Bud Taylor, aged 16, was shot through the shoulder, and is not expected to live. Tiger jumped on a horse and tried to escape, but was shot in the arm and captured. J. Smith, who also lives two miles south of Choctaw, became involved in a quarrel with T. Thompson over the affair at Eufala, and began shooting, Thompson being mort-

aidy wounded. KILLED BY A FALLING TREE. Kingston, Ont., Dec. 25.-John Kager, aged 15, was killed on his father's farm in Pittsburg township on Monday. A tree fell on him.

KILLED NEAR CHATHAM. Chatham, Ont., Dec. 25 .- Johnston MacAulay, a well-known Chatham young man, was found dead west of the G. T. R. Station at 7 o'clock this morning. He is suposed to have been struck by a train.

TOOK PARIS GREEN. New York, Dec. 25.-Mrs. Sarah Frank, of Brooklyn, today took what she supposed was a headache powder. Instead, it was a small paper of Paris green which she got hold of, and without noticing that it was poison, she swallowed the stuff. She died shortly

SUICIDED IN THE CELL. New York, Dec. 25 .- Obrecht Reiber, a prisoner charged with attempted felonious assault, committed suicide in his cell in the West 20th street station house last night, by hanging himself with his handkerchief.

HIS HORSE THREW HIM. Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 25.-While riding cross country to join the Chester Valley hunt today, Henry L. Wilbur, aged 42 years, son of H. O. Wilbur, cocoa and chocolate manufactur er, of this city, was thrown from his horse and killed.

FIREMAN KILLED. Geneva, N. Y., Dec. 25.-A fatal rear-end collision occurred on the Central-Hudson, Pennsylvania Divi-

sion here tonight. The south-bound passenger train, due at 7:30 o'clock, crashed into a freight engine standing a short distance north of the station. Louis Peters, the fireman of the freight engine, was instantly SERIOUS RAILWAY COLLISION.

New York, Dec. 26.—Two passenger trains on the Eric Railway came into collision at 1:13 o'clock this morn-ing at the station in Franklin, a town half-way between Newark and Passaic. 'Two men-one the fireman of one of the locomotives-were seriously injured and may die. Many of the passengers on the two trains were injured, but none fatally.

Saw Death Near.

"It often made my heart ache," writes L. C. Overstreet, of Elgin, Tenn. to hear my wife cough until it seemed her weak and sore lungs would col-lapse. Good doctors said she was so far gone with Consumption that no medicine or earthly hope could save her, but a friend recommended Dr. New's Discovery, and persistent use of this excellent medicine saved her life." It's absolutely guaranteed for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma and all Throat and Lung diseases. 50c and \$1 You may touch the hear at W. T. Strong & Co's. Trial bottle If you tip-toe on a hill!

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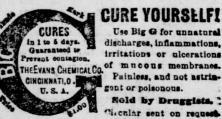
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CHALMERS, Toronto, Ont. Tired Feeling—"Was all run down and had no appetite. Was tired all the time. Hood's Sarsaparilla was suggested, and a trial benefited me so much that now I would not be without the medicine." Mrs. G. D. BURNETT, Central Norton, N. B.



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ENGLAND HAD A GREEN CHRISTMAS

One of the Mildest on Record-Primrose. Cornflowers and Roses in Bloom.

New York, Dec. 26 .- England has had one of the greenest Christmases on rec-ord, says the Tribune's London correspondent, for the weather has been so mid that primroses and cornilowers are abloom as far north as Liverpool and Yorashire, while Devonshire reveis in a sub-tropical climate, and the Isle of Wight is a garden of roses in midwinter. The London sky has been heavily clouded and the air filled with mist, while the weather has been unseasonably warm

LONDON BANK TO QUIT.

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London, Dec. 26.—The Cheque Bank announces that it is going into voluntary liquidation. The bank is solvent, and every creditor will be fully paid. It is stated, furthermore, that a considerable sum will be distributed among the shareholders, although some will inevitably lose. The directors say that the competition of other banks, their system of competition with the postoffice, and numerous lorgeries have made a continuance of profitable business impossible.

THE EMPEROR AND THE ACTRESS

THE EMPEROR AND THE ACTRESS. Vienna, Dec. 26.-Untraceable rumors have been in circulation for some time to the effect that a morganatic marriage is projected between the emperor and an actress attached to the imperial theater, and finally they have reached the Hungarian newspapers. A semi-official organ indignantly denies the rumors.

REVIEW OF LONDON TROOPS. Khartoum, Egyptian Soudan, Dec. 26 .- Lord Cromer, the British diplomatic agent, reviewed today the Egyptian troops of the Soudan under the sirdar, Major General Sir Francis R. Wingste. He assured a deputation from the great Dinka tribe, which formerly suffered severely from slave raids, that the British and Egyptian nags guaranteed them against a recurrence of such raids and insured respect for their ancient customs. chiefs departed expressing gratitude.

For Quick Perusal.

St. Paul experienced the first blizcard of the season Sunday. It is announced that Lord William

Beresford's condition shows considerwhile improvement. John Ayer, of Pittsburg township,

aged 15 years, was crushed to death by a bin falling upon him. Frank McDonald, druggist, of Minnedosa, and a partner of Dr. Roche, M.P., died suddenly on Tuesday.

A dispatch from Warsaw says 52 Poles have been arrested there, being accused of a political conspiracy.

The trial of Cornelius L. Alvord. un., who stole \$690,000 from the First National Bank of New York, hegins oday (Wednesday) in the United states district court. William John Frame, police magis-

rate at Collingwood for the last light years, died Tuesday morning. The deceased has been suffering from cancer for many years.

Mr. Wm. Oliver, who was elected mayor of Lethbridge by the casting vote of the returning officer, resigned his seat, and he and his late opponent,

Mr. John Keny, were renominated. The British steamer Antilia, which went ashore on Great Egg Harbor shoals Monday, during a heavy fog, was floated Tuesday. She was apparntly uninjured and started for New

A Sabramento, Cal., telegram says: A man named H. Green has sur-rendered himself to the police, saying that he and his brother John murder-ed a man named Bill Feeny at Slaiton Station, Isabell county, Mich., in

A New York telegram says: La Normandie came in two days late today, owing to the heavy weather she had encountered. She had forged her against head winds and terriffe seas all the way from Havre to the Panks of Newfoundland, and had subsequently been enveloped in a fog from Nantucket to New York.

When the State of Nebraska, of the Al'en Line, reached her dock in New York on Tuesday, Comender Peters and Purser Stirrat, declared that throughout their senfaring experience they had never encountered such tempestuous weather as they had encountered during the past nineteen days.

BICKLE'S ANTI-CONSUMPTIVE SYRUP stands at the head of the list for all diseases of the throat and lungs. It acts like magic in breaking up a A cough is soon subdued, tightness of the chest is relieved, even the worst case of consumption is relieved. while in recent cases it may be said never to fail. It is a medicine prepared from the active principles or virtues of several medicinal herbs. can be depended upon for all pulmon-

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SOME PRETTY TOUGH STORIES

Told in the Dispatches From

French Troops Said to Have Defeated 25,000 Chinese Without Losing a Man-Nineteen Christians Burned by Boxers-Prince Yu Hsien To Be Beheaded-Joint Note Sent to the

FRENCH MEET BOXERS. Tien Tsin, Dec. 25.-A French detachment of 1,000 men left here Dec. 20 for Hung Tsu, 20 miles westward, to search for arms. Approaching a village across a frozen creek a force of Boxers opened fire, killing Liuet. Contal and wounding another officer. The French burned the village.

DOUBTFUL STORY. Pekin, Dec. 25.—The French report encountering 25,000 Chinese and capturing five flags and a number of gans and inflicting a great loss, 35 miles south of here. The report is generally discredited. According to the report the French did not suffer any losses themselves. It is believed, however, that the French probably met a raying that the French probably met a roving band, which was dispersed, a number of the Chinese being butchered. Hung Chang says that he is satisfied that the story is false.

NINETEEN CHRISTIANS BURNED Rev. Mr. Kelly, a Presbyterian missionary, has reported to Minister Conger the burning by Boxers of nineteen Catholic Christians. He says, how-ever, that his information has been derived entirely from Chinese sources. The Japanese who have jurisdiction over that territory will investigate the

ANOTHER DUBIOUS YARN.

London, Dec. 26.-A dispatch to the Pall Mall Gazette from Pekin, dated Monday, Dec. 24, says much irritation has been caused by the activity of the German troops in the districts under British protection. So acute has been the feeling that there has been a question of the British seceding from the allied command.

PRAISE FOR AMERICANS.

London, Dec. 26.—In a careful review published today in the Morning Post of the conditions existing at Pekin, Mr. H. J. Whigham, a well-known newspaper correspondent and golf player, says there are now a quarter of a mil ion inhabitants pursuing their or-dinary vocations in the American quar-ters. The markets are in full blast. He says that the American and the Jap-anese quarters are in all respects the best managed. Continuing, Mr. Whigham says: "If the Japanese have come out of the muddle with flying colors, they at least have the Americans close behind. It was worth sending an expedition to China if only to get a few hints on transport from the Ameri-

TO BE BEHEADED.

London, Dec. 26 .- The Shanghai coring Dec. 24, says: The government has arrested Prince Tuan and Prince Chaung on the borders of the Shan Si and Shon Si Provinces. Yu Hsien has been ordered to return to Sian Fu forthwith to be executed, it is supposed. It is inferred from these reports that the imperial authorities are preparing to concede the de. mands of the joint note for the punish. ment of the instigators of the trouble

BOXER BARBARITY. A dispatch from Pekin to a news agency here, dated Dec. 24, says misstate that Boxers, 35 miles east of Pekin, killed twelve Catholics and burned eight in the temples.

RUSSIANS ALMOST AS BAD. The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times says that detachments of Russian troops in Southern and Southeastern Manchuria continue to pursue the work of exterminating disorganized Chinese troops and bri-

THAT "NOTE."

According to a news agency despatch from Pekin, dated Dec. 24, the ministers there are unanimously of the opinion that China will accept the condition imposed by the joint note by the powers within a month. The note was started on its way to the Dowager Empress and the Emperor immediately after its presentation, the despatch says, but wire communication is slow and it probably will not reach them until Dec. 27.

PARLIAMENTARY NOTES. Pekin, Dec. 24.-The preliminary joint-note was delivered today to the Chinese. Li Hung Chang found that he was unable to attend the meeting of the ministers, and his credentials and those of Prince Ching were presented by the latter to the foreign envoys. Prince Ching said he would immediately communicate its contents to the emperor, and assured the ministers that a speedy reply was the desire of the court, as it felt that all China wants peace and prosperity.

LONDON'S YELLOW JOURNAL YARN.

London, Dec. 26.-The Foreign Office informed a representative of the Associated Press today that there was no truth in the Pall Mall Gazette's accused he was honorably discharked. Pekin despatch which said there had been a question of the British seceding from the allied command owing the activity of the Germans in the districts under British protection.

Says He Was Tortured.

"I suffered such pain from corns I could hardly walk," writes H. Robinson, Hilsborough, Ill., "but Bucklin's Arnica Salve completely cured them."

Acts like magic on sprains, bruises, cuts seres, scalds, burns, boils, ulcers. Perfect healer of skin diseases and piles. Cure guaranteed by W. T. Strong & Co. 25 cents. The game of billiards first came into

fashion in England and France in the sixteenth century. THERE IS DANGER IN NEG-LECTING A COLD, Many who have died of consumption dated their troubles from exposure, followed by a cold which settled on their lungs, and in a short time they were beyond the skill of the best physician. Had they used Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, be-fore it was too late, their lives would have been spared. This medicine has no equal for curing coughs, colds and all affections of the throat and lungs. The ancient inks closely resembled black paint, and on account of the large quantity of gum employed in their composition the letters stood up

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in relief on the parchments as though

SCORCHER CHRISTMAS MORNING

Several of Calgary's Finest Structures Destroyed.

The Loss Will Be at Least \$100,000 -Senator Lougheed is a Heavy Loser.

Calgary, Alberta, Dec. 25.—The most destructive fire in the history of Calgary raged today, and wrought damage, variously estimated, but it will not be below \$100,000. Several of the finest business structures fell a prey to the devouring flames, notably the Clarence, the Eau Claire and the new Norman blocks.

The fire broke out at 2 a.m. in the lower part of the Clarence block, and in a few minutes the huge three-story building was enveloped in smoke and flame. The fire brigade was early on the scene, and worked heroically, though hampered for the time by the poor sup-ply of water. So great was the heat, that the Eau Claire block, on the east side, occupied by the Calgary Clothing Company, and the Norman block, on the west, occupied by Glanville & Robertson, for their immense drygoods business were soon ablaze.

The Clarence block was soon gutted. The block was full of tenants, but all escaped, though nothing whatever from the upper stories was saved. The firemen turned their attention to

saving the Eau Claire block. After a long struggle, in which the inside of the building was completely destroyed, the flames were mastered In the meantime a crowd of willing workers were carrying out from the

Norman block, on the west, the immense stock of men's furnishings. corpets furs and other stock of Glanville & Robertson. This new block was also gutted. The loss will be over \$100,000. Senator Lougheed, who built and owns both the Clarence and Norman blocks, is the chief loser. Besides the

buildings themselves, the latter just completed last week, the senator loses the whole of his magnificent law library and papers. The Calgary Wine and Spirits Company had just got in an immense stock of liquors, thus adding no little to the

The Alberta Music Co. lost their stock of pianos and organs. The Watts Company, cigars, was burned out. Mr. G. H. Mitchell's stock of gro-ceries and chinaware lies in ashes. The Calgary Clothing Company's stock is destroyed.

fury of the flames.

Glanville & Robertson lose very Crispin E. Smith and H. W. H. Knott lose their extensive law library, and many other volumes and papers. Dr. O'Sullivan's dentistry parlors suffered. Mr. Evans, Mr. Todd and a num-

WILL SAVE \$2,000,000.

Canadian Bonds Admitted to English Trust Investments.

Sttawa, Dec. 26.-A cablegram has been received by the department of finance stating that official notice has been given in the London Gazette of the admission of the Dominion inscribed stocks to the list of securities in which trust funds may be invested.

The Hon. W. S. Fielding, minister of finance, explains that the difference between the selling prices of the security admitted to the trustees' list and one shut out from the list is from two to three points.

At a later stage the difference will probably be even greater, because under the influence of the present important step the securities on Canada will approach very nearly the value of British consols. Calculating, however, at the moderate estimate of 2 per cent on the loan which Canada will have to place in England in the next ten years the saving will not be less than \$2,500,-000 to the Canadian treasury.

IT WAS ALL A MISTAKE.

Richard Harris Left His Watch at Home and Thought It Was Stel n-Heavy Fines for Disorderly Conduct.

Richard G. Harris, the young man from the country, who had a resident of London arrested last week for stealing his watch and chain, appeared at police court this morning and explained that it was all a mistake. His mother had taken the watch from his pocket without his knowledge before he left home, and on missing it after his arrival in the city, he concluded that he had been "touched." There accordingly being no evidence against the George Ballantyne and Rosi Niosi attended the matinee performance at the London Opera House yesterday afternoon. A dispute arose Ballantyne and Constable Park. Ballantyne left the theater and Park and his assistant followed and tried to arrest him. Niosi went to his friend's assistance and both were gathered in by the police. This morning Ballantyne was charged with being disorderly and with assault, while Niosi was charged with assault alone. Ballanwas fined \$10 and costs or 21 days hard labor on the first charge. and \$20 and cost or two months hard labor on the second. The aggregate amount of the fines and cost was \$35.75. Ninsi was fined \$10 and costs or one month at hard labor. His mother paid his fine for him. A physician and a citizen who ne-glected to register infants' births

earh paid \$1 and \$1 85 costs. Three drumks were discharged and one bailed till Jan. 1. James Maher, a cigarmaker, was remanded till tomorrow for sentence. The charge against him was that of

nome and on the streets. THE COUGHING and wheezing of persons troub'ed with bronchitis or asthma is excessively harassing to themselves and annoying to others. Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil obviates all this entirely, safely and speedily, and is a benign remedy for lameness, sores, injuries, piles, kidney and spinal

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CLAM CAUGHT A RAT.

Closed His Shell and Killed Rodent That Tried to Eat Him.

Freehold, N. J., Dec. 26.—James Miller, of Seabright, has discovered a queer species of live rat trap. It is a large, hard clam, between the open shells of which was tightly grasped a

It is supposed that the cram had been lying in the sun with its shell opened, and that when the rat attempted to make a dinner of the clam, his clamship shut his shell on the rat's head. The clam was still liv-ing when found, but the rat was dead, and the sand about it showed evidence of a struggle on the part of the little animal to free itself from the clutch of the bivalve.

Councilman George B. Minton, of Seabright, photographed the freak.

AROUND THE CITY.

APPOINTED A DIRECTOR.

The Hon. David Mills, Minister of Justice, has been appointed a director of the Dominion Savings and Investment Society, in place of the late choirmaster, and Mr. James Cresswell Lieut.-Col. Lewis. FAWCETT-BIDNELL.

A very pretty wedding took place on terday they excelled themselves. Christmas day at the residence of soloists, both vocal and instrumental, Mr. Edward G. Bidnell, of Mount Brydges, when his daughter Mary E., was united in marriage to Thos. Faw-The groom was supported by his brother William and the bride by her sister Minnie. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. Sinclair, of London, after which the company sat down and partook of a dainty repast. The many valuable gifts testified to consisted of "Shout the Glad Tidings," the popularity of the young couple.

DREW CROWDED HOUSES. Marks Bros.' Dramatic and Vaudeville Company played to large crowds at the London Opera House yesterday. ceptable manner. Mrs. James Murray The offering in the afternoon was "The Celebrated Case," and in the evening "A Soldier's Sweetheart." Both performances gave great satis-Some fine specialties worked in between the acts, making the performance continuous. The company are here for the remainder of the

PRESENTATION.

A committee of the employes of the Wortman & Ward Manufacturing Company waited upon the manager, Mr. F. Stoneman, last Saturday, and presented him with an upholstered rocking chair and a meerschaum pipe, as a token of the esteem in which he is held by the men. The presentation speech was made by Mr. J. B. Allen, which Mr. Stoneman made a suitable reply, thanking the employes for their kindness, and wishing them a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. J. B. Allen, J. Jacobs, J. De Wolf and J. Mitchell were the members of the presentation committee. NOMINATION PAPERS.

City Clerk Kingston's opinion has been asked several times upon the necessity of the nominator and seconder being present at the nomination meeting. Several have mentioned to him their belief that it is only requisite to have the names of the nominator and seconder upon the nomination papers. This, in his opinion, cannot be done. The law contemplates a meeting of the electors, and that they choose their candidate at that meeting. In the first place, the nominator and seconder should be among electors summoned to meet for the purpose of nomination, and in the secthis is necessary to prevent fraud. The returning officer must be satisfied that fraudulent names are not attached to nomination papers.

MERRETT-GRAY. A very pretty wedding took place on Christmas afternoon, at the home of Mrs. E. P. Gray, 265 Clarence street, when her daughter, Nettie, was unit-ed in marriage to Jas. T. Merrett, of the McClary Manufacturing Company, Montreal. Miss Rose Merrett, sister of the groom, ably assisted the bride, while Robt. T. Gray, the bride's brother, acted as best man. Many beautiful presents indicated the esbeing drunk, but he was also shown to have threatened his family, and teem in which the young couple were held, among others being a magnifi-cent marble bust and cut glass water acting in a disorderly manner both at bottle, presented to the bride by her associates in T. B. Escott & Co.'s warehouse, where she has been employed for a number of years, also a large silver fish set from Mr. Escott. A dainty luncheon was served, and the young couple departed on the 5 p.m. train, amid showers of rice and good wishes, to visit in Thorndale, after which Montreal will be their home.

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FINE LINENS-A nice line of Table Linens, 2 yards wide, at 35c per yard, and so on, up to the fine bleached goods, 24 yards wide, for \$1 00 per yard.

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Those present from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hawthorne, Woodstock; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gray, Sarnia Tunnel; Miss Mary Sackeld, Goderich, and Mr. Ben. Gray, Detroit. INTERESTING SERVICES.

The services at St. Mary's Roman

Catholic Church, Hill street, yesterday morning and evening, were marked by music of a very high order, Mozart's Twelfth Mass being rendered in fine style. It was given under the musical direction of Mr. W. T. Mullins as as leader of the orchestra. The abilities of these gentlemen are well known. but it is not etoo much to say that yesdid splendid work. Their names are as follows: Mrs. John Traher, Miss Bergin, sopranos; Mrs. W. T. Mullins, contralto; Mr. M. O'Hagan, Mr. W. Traher, tenors; Mr. Jos. Leach, Mr. Charles Povey, bassos; Mr. James Cresswell, Miss Sara Gleeson, violins; Mr. Frank Abriglia, flute; Mr. Clarence Robinson, cornet; Mr. John Traher, slide trombone. The offertory selection by Wilson, the mass concluded by "Marche Exulta" (Gounod). At the evening service Miss Lenehan, soprano, Mr. John Hughes, terror, and Mr. Jas. Connor did the solo work in a very acpresided at the organ in her usual efficient manner. The altar was beautifully decorated under the supervision of Father Traher by the ladies of the church, and the reverend gentleman in the course of the day preached two eloquent sermons which were listened to by the very large congregations.

Amusements.

An elaborate production of "A Fe-male Drummer" will be given at the London Opera House New Year's matinee and night. Almost the entire great cast that appeared in this play upon previous presentations here has been retained. Whatever changes made have been to strengthen this alretained. ready exceptionally strong aggregation of fun makers. The company, being a large one, the presentation is equal to the best comic opera efforts. The production is an elaborate one. consisting of three completes sets of scenery and many novel and beautiful costumes.

Winston Spencer Churchill will deliver his famous lecture at the London Opera House on Monday evening next on "The War as I Saw It."

BELMONT.

Belmont, Dec. 26 .- Mr. John Stewart, of South Dorchester, who passed peacefully away recently, at the family home, was highly revered in the community and in Knox Church of this place. The deceased was born in Argylshire, Scotland, in 1819, Mr. Stewart came here when 18 years of age, accompanied by his parents, four brothers and five sisters, and settled on lot 19, con. 7, South Dorchester. He married Miss Catherine daughter of Duncan McColl, of Westminster, and eight children were born to them, three boys and five girls, two of whom have died. The survivors are Mrs. John Campbell, of Sault Ste. Marie; Charles Stewart, of Detroit; John Stewart, Misses Bella and Jen-nie, at homestead, and Archibald Stewart on an adjoining farm. His wife predeceased him in November, 1894. Mrs. Ferguson, relict of the late Donald Ferguson, Yarmouth, is the only sister living. Interment took place Wednesday, Dec. 19, to the Stewart Cemetery. The obsequies were art Cemetery. The obsequies were conducted by the Rev. John Currie. Messrs. D. F. Moore, warden of Elgin; C. Dance, ex-M.P.P., of East Elgin; Duncan Ferguson, ex-reeve of South Dorchester; James Meikle, Jas. Campbell and William Dyre were pall-bear-Messrs. Wyatt and Bassett are aspirants for county honors for the municipality of Yarmouth; also Messrs. J. C. Ferguson, Alex. McBrayne, Wm. Paddon and Geo. Francis. Miss McKenny, of Kingsville, has

obtained the principalship of the public school at Glen, Yarmouth. Salary \$275.

Messrs. Nichol and Cousins are looking for the Westminster reeveship.
William McGregor has arrived at his parental home from Dakota to pass

the winter. The Belmont public school staff consists of Mr. Walter Keist and Misses Webster and McCord. Mrs. Geo. Pretty died of typhoid ever in the hospital at St. Thomas. after an illness of four weeks. Her maiden name was Wilmot Cole, and she was a daughter of the late Wil-

liam Cole, Yarmouth. Ernest, second son of Robt. Smith, to an attack of bronchopneumonia Dec. 12, aged 3 years, afer a prief liness. Miss Mary McDonald, of Hamilton, has returned home after spending s number of weeks among relatives and

Mrs. Alfred Nevils, of Glen, Yarmouth, went to Illinois to spend Christmas among her numerous relatives there. Miss Snelgrove, of Orwell, has been a guest of the Misses Bingham, Yar.

mouth.

LYONS. Lyons, Dec. 26.-Wilson McCredie has Lyons, Dec. 26.—Wilson McCredie has six men cutting cordwood.

Herbert C. Branion, of Calton, has secured the principalship of the Crossley and Hunter public school. Salary, \$325.

A successful musical and literary social was held recently under the auspices of the Crossley and Hunter Sabbath school. Rev. John Currie, of Belmont, presided. Inspiring addresses were delivered by the Rev. William Charlton, Messrs. E. Mc-Credie, of St. Thomas, and Morley Pettit. The vocalists were Albert Campbell, of St. Thomas; Miss Kate Charlton, of Mapleton; Mrs. L. Eckert and Miss Annie

Moore gave a number of instrumental solos, and the Wismer Orchestra, of Mapleton, rendered choice selections. Choice refreshments were served by the ladies. Receipts, \$21 50.

Miss Tena Noble has secured the principalship of York's public school. Sal-

ary, \$325.
Miss Laura Simpson is re-engaged as Miss Laura Simpson principal of the public school here. Sturrocks, Mrs. Vanderwalker and Mrs. Hillis, of Brown City, Mich., and Clarence and Austin Learn, of Chicago, came here to spend Christmas.

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THE MARKETS.

Montreal Stock Market.

MONTREAL DO	
Ask.	Off
Canadian Pacific 90%	90%
Duluth, common 7	514
Duluth, preferred 17	14
Commercial Cable, xd167	166
Com. Cable Coupon Bonds	
Commercial Reg. Bonds	
Montreal Telegraph	169
Hichelieu and Ontario	10814
Montreal Street Railway 2781/2	278
Montreal Street Railway, new 269	268
Toronto Railway, xd	1093/3
Montreal Gas Company211	2101/2
Bell Telephone	
Royal Electric	20514
Bank of Montreal260	250
Ontario Bank	124
Molsons Bank	195
Bank of Toronto	
Merchants' Bank	155
Merchants' Bank of Halifax 190	185
Ouches Bank of Halliax130	100
Quebec Bank	
Union Bank	145
Bank of Commerce	47
Northwest Land	135
Montreal Cotton Co	80
Canada Colored Cotton 82	93
Dominion Cotton 95	
Toronto Stock Market	

TORONTO, Dec. 26. 148% British America......103 estern Assurance......117 nsumers' Gas..... Montreal Gas. 2114
Northwest Land Company, pref. 49
Canada Pacific Ry Stock. 91½
General Electric. 187½
London Electric. 167
Commercial Cable 167
Cable Coup. Bonds. 102
Cable Reg. Bonds. 102
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Yesterday's New York Stocks.

Yesterday's				
Close.	Open.	High.	Low.	2 p.m
Anaconda 471/4	47	473%	47	47%
Amal Copper				
Atcheson 461/2	48	48	467/8	4734
Atcheson Pfd 871	8834	883/	8734	883%
B. & O 8114	831/8	831/3		82
Brooklyn Tran 834	86	88 7/8	85	883/4
C. B. & Q14134	14334	14234	14034	14034
C. C. C 71	7136	723/8	711/2	72
O. F. I 544	55	551/2	544	5536
Gen. Electric 195	190	200	1971/2	19736
Jersey Central	146			
K.& T. Pfd 45%	4716	47%	451/4	46
L. & N 871/2	87 16	8734	871/8	871/4
Manhattan 1131/	113%	116%	112%	1165
Metropolitan St. 174	172%	1731/2	17074	172
Mo. P 691/	70	71%	6914	703/4
N. Y. Central 1421/2	143	143%	14134	1421/4
Norfolk and W 44%	44 3%	45	44	44
Northern Pacific 83%	84 1/2	84 1/2	811/4	83
Ont.and Western 28%	293/8	293/8	281/2	29
Pacific Mail 44%	14114	441/4	431/2	44%
Pennsylvania144%	145	145	1434	144%
People's Gas10134	1027/	104 %	10234	10414
B. I	119%	11978	119	1197
Reading 69	69%	693/4	6814	6934
8t. Paul1365%	139	139	13634	1381/
Southern Ry. Pfd 721/2	72%	72%	71%	7256
Southern Pacific 45	4514	4534	44%	4534
T. C. I 6434	67	6914	611/2	67
U. Pacific 77%	77 1/2	78	76%	77%
W. U 831/2	837		8374	83
TRUSTS-	0078	0075	00,0	
Lead 20				
Leather 75	75%	75%	75%	7534
Leather Com 14	14	14	127/8	14
Sugar1403/	144%	14414	14034	14234
Federal Steel 551/2	561	571/4	567/8	5734
Rubber 2814	27 1/2		27	27
Steel and Wire. 44%	45%	45%	4316	451/8
Tin Plate 54	54 1/2	561/8	55	561/2
Tobacco112	11334	1145%	1111/4	1123%
Continental 39	40	401/8	3934	39%
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Local Market

A. M. HAMILTON &	SON'S REPORT.
	nesday, Dec. 26.
Wheat, white, per bu	61%c to 630
Wheat, red, per bu	61%c to 63c
Oats, per 100 lbs	75c to 78c
Peas, per bu	50c to 540
Corn,per bu	
Barley, per bu	331/2c to 430
Bckwheat, per bu	401/2c to 450
Beans, per bu	\$1 00 to \$1 1
Dressed hogs	\$7 25 to \$7 78

WEEKLY REVIEW. WEEKLY REVIEW.

The receipts of grain during the past week have been fair. Wheat was firm without any change in price, selling from \$1 05 to \$1 08 per cental.

The bulk of the receipts during the week were oats, for which the demand was good, but price a little lower, selling from 75c to 78c per cental.

A few loads of corn offered and sold from 75c to 80c per hundred.

Peas sold from 83c to 95c.

No rye or buckwheat offering.

No rye or buckwheat offering.
Dressed hogs—Receipts light; demand good, at \$7 00 to \$7 50 per hundred.
Hay in good supply and demand, at \$7 00 to \$8 60 per ton.

Quotations:						ì
GRAIN.						1
Wheat, white, fall, per 100 lbs.	1	03		1	05	
Wheat, red, fall, per 100 lbs	1	03		1	05	
Wheat, spring per 100 los						
Oats. per 100 libs		75	6	2000	76	1
Peas per 100 ibs		82	9		90	-1
Corn per 100 lbs		75			80	



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HOGS. For Housekeepers. PROVISIONS. Butter, b, large rolls or crocks 19 @ Butter, pound rolls, retail 20 @ Butter, croemery 24 @ Lard, per lb. 11 @ WHOLESALE DEALERS PRICES.

Reggs, store lots, doz. 18 @ Butter, crock
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 18

 Butter, pound rolls, basicets
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 Butter, store lots
 17

 Butter, creamery, per lb
 23
 POULTRY. Turkeys, per lb Geese, per ib

Ducks, per pair

Chickens, per pair

Hens, per pair

FRUIT. VEGETABLES.

Potatoes per bag 30 Turnips, new, per bag 25 Celery, dozen.

Gabbage, per doz.

Beets, per bag.

Onions, per bag. Onions, per bag 60
Carrots 30
Parsnips 40
Savory and Saze, per doz 15
Parsley, per doz 75
Vegetable oysters, doz 25
MEA'L HIDES, ETC.
Beef, per lb 6
Lamb, quarters, per lb 6
Lamb, quarter 8
Hides, No. 1, per lb 7
Hides, No. 2, per lb 6
Hides, No. 2, per lb 5
Calfskins, green 5
Lambskins 25

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THE OIL MARKET. PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 26.-Oil opened

Toronto Produce Market.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—Wheat—Steady; red and white, 63½c, middle freights; goose, 60½c to 61c, middle freights, and at 60c north and west; spring, 66c to 66½c for No. 1 east; Manitoba, 92c for No. 1 hard at Toronto and west; 84c for No. 2 hard, and 77c for No. 3 hard; and grinding in transit it is quoted at 91c to 91½c for No. 1 hard, 86½c for No. 2 hard, and 78½c for No. 3 hard. Flour—Steady, at \$2 85 for cars of 90 per cent patents in barrels, middle freights; choice brands held 15c to 20c higher; Manitoba flour is steady, at \$4 20 for Hungarian patents, and \$3 85 for strong bakers in car lots bags included, at Toronto. Millfeed—Steady, at \$14 for shorts and \$12 for bran west. Barley—Unchanged, 39c to 39½c for No. 2, middle freights, and 37½c for No. 3 extra, north and west. Buckwheat—Steady 40c siddle freights. Toronto Produce Market. 3 extra, north and west. Buckwheat-Steady, 49c, middle freights. Rye—Steady, at 47c, middle freights. Corn—Market steady and good; Canadian yellow, 35c west; No. 3 American yellow is lower, and is quoted at 43c at Toronto. Oats—Steady, at 26½c, middle freights. Peas— Easier, at 61c, middle freights, and 61c high freights. Butter-Choice dairy rolls high freights. Butter—Choice dairy rolls good demand; best large rolls, 17c to 18½c; medium or low grade stuff at 13c to 14c; fine dairy pound rolls, 18c to 19c; creamery steady, at 20c to 22c for solids, and 22c to 23c for prints. Eggs—Receipts of new-laid are small; there is a good demand, and market is steady at 28c to 30c for them; choice held-fresh are quoted at 20c to 22c; limed are quoted at 15c to 16c; medium, 16c to 18c.

to 16c; medium, 16c to 18c. American Markets.

DETROIT, Dec. 26.-Wheat-No. 1 white opened, cash, 77c; No. 2 red opened, cash, 77c; Dec., 77c; May, 79½c. TOLEDO, Dec. 26.-Wheat opened, cash, 76%c: Dec., 76%c. Corn opened, Dec., 37c; May, 37c. Oats opened, Dec.,

23½c; May, 25c. NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Flour—Receipts, 47,249 bbls; sales, 2,700 pkgs; state and western market was quiet, but displayed steadiness of undertone; Minnesota patents, \$3 90 to \$4 20; Minnesota bakers, \$3 to \$3 25; winter patents, \$3 60 to \$3 90; winter straights, \$3 40 to \$3 55; winter extras \$2 55 to \$2 90; winter law grades \$2.45 tras. \$2 55 to \$2 90; winter low grades, \$2 45 tras, \$2.55 to \$2.90; winter low grades, \$2.45 to \$2.60. Rye flour—Quiet; fair to good, \$2.80 to \$3.15; choice to fancy, \$3.15 to \$3.50. Wheat—Receipts, 221,075 bu; sales, 675,000 bu; option market was firm all the morning on bullish statistics, lack of pressure and scattered covering; March, 79.11-16c; May, 79c to 79.3-16c. Rye—Dull; state, 52c to 53c, c.i.f., New York, car lots; No. 2 western, 56c, f.o.b., afloat. Corn—Receipts, 534.300 bu; option market ruled dull and 534,300 bu; option market ruled dull and barely steady on improved weather con-ditions west and liberal world's shipditions west and liberal world's shipments. Oats—Receipts, 156,800 bu; option market was slow but steady; on track, white state, 30½c to 35½c; on track, white western, 30½c to 35½c. Butter—Receipts, 12,782 pkgs; market steady; state dairy, 16c to 25c; creamery, 17c to 25c; June creamery, 17c to 23c; factory, 11½c to 16c; imitation creamery, 14½c to 19c. Cheese—Receipts 6 165 pkgs; market firm; fancy Imitation creamery, 14%c to 19c. Cheese
—Receipts, 6,105 pkgs; market firm; fancy
large fall-made, 11%c to 11½c; fancy small
fail-made, 11%c to 12c. Eggs—Firmer;
state and Pennsylvania, 24c to 25c; western regular packing, at mark, 19c to 23c;
western, loss off, 25c. Sugar—Raw steady;
fair-regulary 27c. acceptable 21%c. western, loss off. 25c. Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining, 3%c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4%c; molasses sugar, 3%c; refined quiet; crushed, \$6; powdered, \$570; granulated, \$560. Coffee—Weak; No. 7 Rio, 6%c. Lead—Dull; exchange price, \$437½; bullion price, \$4. Barley—Dull; feeding, 42c to 46c, c.i.f., Buffalo; malt, 55c to 63c, c.i.f., Buffalo, Barley malt—Dull. Wool—Dull; domestic fleece 24c to 26c. Trays Dull; domestic fleece, 24c to 26c; Texas, 14c to 16c. Hops—Dull; state, common to choice, 1900 crop, 16c to 21c; 1839 crop, 11c to 15c; old olds, 2c to 6c; Pacific coast, 1900 crop, 15c to 19c; 1899 crop, 10c to 14c; old olds, 2c to 6c.

BUFFALO, Dec. 25.—Spring wheat—No. 1 northern, old, 81%c; No. 1 north-

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ern, new, 80%c. Winter wheat—No. 2 red, 77c; No. 1 white, 75c. Corn—No. 2 yellow, 41%c; No. 3 yellow, 41%c; No. 3 yellow, 41c; No. 2 corn, 40%c; No. 3 yellow, 40c. Oats—No. 2 white, 29%c; No. 3 white, 28%c; No. 2 mixed, 26%c.

Chicago Exchange. Chicago Exchange.

CHICAGO. Dec. 26.

Fellowingare the fluctuations on the Chicago
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Open. Righ Low. Close
Wheat—Jan. 70½ 70½ 70½ 70½ 70½
May 73 73½ 72½ 72½ 72½
Corn—Jan 36½ 36½ 35¾ 35½ 35½
May 23½ 35½ 35½ 35½ 35½
Oats—Jan 21½ 20 12 20 12 12 12 12
May 12 20 12 20 12 12 12 12 12

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Lard—Jan 6 35 6 85 6 77 6 77
May 6 92 6 92 6 90 6 90
Ribs—Jan 6 30 6 30 6 22 6 22 Ribs-Live Stoc Markets.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES. London, Dec. 24.—Here and at Liverpool cattle are dull, at from 11½c to 12½c per lb, dressed weight; for tops 13c is paid; sheep sell at 12c to 12½c per lb; lambs at 14c per lb, dressed weight; refrigerator beef is slow, at 9½c to 9½c per lb.

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Latest Weather Probabilities

FAIR AND COLD. Toronto, Dec. 26-10 a.m.-Probabilities for the next twenty-four hours for the lower lakes region: Fair and cold today and on Thursday.

LATE LOCAL ITEMS

Of all mean men beneath the sun, And many such I recollect, The meanest is the crafty one Who sends a telegram, "Collect."

-Mr. George Mathewson has taken out a permit for a two-story residence. -Mr. Frank Harvey is spending the holidays with his parents, South Lon-

-Miss Ross, Dundas street, has been summoned home on account of ill--Miss Fanny Gibbins, of Toronto,

is spending the Christmas holidays at -Mr. C. W. Sarvis, Jackson, Mich., is visiting his mother, at 482 Elizabeth

street city. -Mrs. and Miss Eleanor Brooks, Grey street, spent Christmas in St.

-Mr. R. A. Gray, B.A., formerly mathematical master at the Collegiate Institute, is spending a few days here. -Mrs. Tunis Griffith, of the Wortley road, South London, is spending the bolidays with her daughter, Mrs. Palmer, of Rochester, Mich.

-Messrs. Hugh Macbeth, of Toronto, and Chas. Macbeth, of Detroit, spent Christmas with their father, Col. John Macbeth, Sydenham, street. -Mr. W. H. Hewlett will give the second of the series of organ recitals

in the Methodist Church, Sarnia, tonight, assisted by Mrs. Clara Barnes-Holmes, of Buffalo, N. Y. -Building permits have been issued to Mr. Wm. Wyatt for a double residence at Talbot and Fullarton streets, and to Mrs. H. E. Boomer for a brick

residence on Colborne street, near Dufferin avenue. -The management of the London Opera House have extended the freedom of the house tonight to the returned soldiers from South Africa, on the occasion of the presentation by the Marks Bros, Company of the old flavorite, "East Lynn." This graceful act will doubtless be greatly appreciated and largely taken advantage of

by the boys in khaki. -The festal carol service in St. Paul's Cathedral tonight, at 8 o'clock, will no doubt be well attended and chloride was due to the peculiar charwill be a treat that Londoners hitherto have not had an oportunity of en-joying. Though carol singing is a chloride solution was destructive of very ancient custom in the old coun- heart tissues, and that by mixing caltry in connection with Christmas. The cium and potassium solutions with the carols are old English carols, and the sodium solutions the poisonous effects choir of Sit. Paul's has taken much of the sodium chloride were destroyed. pains in practicing them.

BY ACCLAMATION. The following gentlemen were elected separate school trustees by acclamation this morning: No. 1 ward, J. E. Costello; No. 2 ward; J. P. Murray; No. 2 ward, J. Loughlin; No. 4 ward, Wm. McPhillips. PRIVATE WEST HOME.

Private Will West, of South London, who missed his train at Montreal while returning with the London members of the first contingent, reached home at 11 o'clock last night. BAXTER PARDONED.

James Baxter, condemned to St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary in connection with the Banque Ville Marie frauds will be pardoned. Baxter was condemned to five years in the peni-tentiary, but his health has been very poor, and the government has consented to allow him out on ticket-ofleave. He is very ill with dropsy and erysipelas, in fact may be said to be dying. His wife and friends have been working incessantly for his pardon on account of ill-health, ever since his conviction. Their efforts have been successful to this extent, that he will be liberated on ticket-of-leave.

Baxter kept a drygoods store Dundas street, next to J. G. McIntosh's store, London, a number of years

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ANOTHER TRAP!

Squadron of Yeomanry From Britstown Said to Have Been Captured.

Cape Town, Dec. 26.-A squadron of yeemanry, which had been following the Boers from Britstown, is reported to have been entrapped. There were several casualties, it is said, and the remainder of the force was captured.

SETTLED AT LAST

Legal Proceedings by Massey-Harris Co vs. Iron Molders Union Ended-Costs on Company.

[Special to Advertiser per G. N. W.] Toronto, Ont., Dec. 26.-The legal proceedings instituted by the Massey-Harris Company for a perpetual injunction to prevent certain officers and men of the Iron Molders' Union from interfering with men at work in the Massey-Harris shops here has been settled out of court, the company paying costs.

The action was begun during the molders' strike last summer, and the company at first claimed an injunction to prevent the men from ever discussing the strike question with

the men at their homes.

When this proposition came up some of the judges strongly objected to it as being calculated to tie the men up far more closely than the law contemplated, and the case since that time has been on the record for trial. The union was somewhat loth to have it abandoned, as judgment would have resulted in a clear definition of the position that may legally be taken by strikers in urging others not to

Alleged Stove Combine.

Hamilton, Dec. 26 .- John H. Tilden, of the Gurney-Tilden Company, has gone to Chicago in connection with the Canadian stove combine. The deal has been manipulated by Dr. McCauley, of Chicago, acting for a big syndicate of American capitalists. Early in the year the members of the various firms were approached with a view to securing the consolidation, and appraisers and accountants were set to work to value the

various concerns.

This was done some time ago, and Dr.
McCauley set to work to interest the
capitalists. It was estimated that at least \$7,500,000 would be required to take over all the concerns. The foundrymen were called on to take stock in the proposed company, and fully \$300,000 was subscribed in Hamilton alone. It is now understood that Dr. McCauley has been successful in his undertaking, and that the gigantic turnover will take place on

Jan. 1, or shortly afterwards.

One of the principal foundrymen of the city has received word that the deal will go through satisfactorily, and the heads of the various firms are feeling consider-ably elated over the prospect, as the con-solidation means much for Hamilton.

DOES SALT MAKE

Curious Theory Said to Have Been Confirmed by Recent Experiments on Turtles.

Chicago, Dec. 26.-The Record says: Experiments on turtles have convinced Dr. Jacques Loeb and Prof. D. J. Lingle, at the University of Chicago, that common salt in the blood makes the heart beat. What is more, they say that not only does salt keep the heart in action, but that it possibly may cause the heart to beat again after it shall have been stopped. In the experimental work instead of taking the heart as a whole, a small strip from one of the ventricles was used. Suspended in a solution of sodium

ON THE TRAIL OF THE KIDNAPPERS

Omaha Police Believe They Have Got the Abductors' Horse-Sanguine of Securing the Bandits.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 26.-That the bay pony at Pacific Junction, Iowa, found there Friday morning in the stable of Mrs. Bud Mack, is the horse of the kidnappers of Eddle Cudahy, is firmly believed by the Omaha police, and the authorities of the Iowa town. horse was found after neighbors had noticed a strange man coming from the barn in the early morning. By identification on the part of Frank Glynn, of this city, it was proven that the animal was not the horse which was seen in Omaha, but as the animal had been advertised under big headlines, and no owner found it is believed to have been ridden across the ferry at Plattsmouth by one of the kidnappers, who slept in the barn over night, and left his horse behind. The animal will be brought to Omaha.

Mr. Cudahy expresses himself as pleased with the progress of the case, and believes that the kidnappers will be apprehended. Both Mr. Cudahy and the police have been receiving letters from "Eloise T.," who has been writing from Cincinnati, asking why the police think Pat Crowe is one of the kidnappers, by what law he could be punished, etc. The letters are written on stationery of the Windsor Hotel, Omaha, two months old, when the ho-tel was under a former management. The letters apparently have been mailed to Cincinnati from here, and remailed by a confederate. Other letters of from cranks and sympathiz-

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ILDERTON.

Ilderton, Dec. 26.-The concert given on Christmas Eve by the teachers and pupils of Grace Church here was a success in every way. The programme consisted of recitations, vocal music and dialogues. A cantata, "The New Santa Claus," was given in up-to-date style. Mrs. Frith, as Mrs. Claus, acted her part to perfection. The children also took their part well and looked very pretty in their white cos-

tumes. Rev. Mr. Rhodes made a very pleasing chairman. After the presentation of a beauti-

ful parlor lamp to the esteemed or-ganist, Mr. Skinner, the contents of the Christmas tree were dispensed. The school sang as the closing piece, "A Sweet Good Night to All."

GLADSTONE.

Gladstone, Dec. 26 .- Mr. Enoch Bratt, who died at the residence of Mr. Henry Tackson Gladstone, on Monday, Dec. 17, Jackson, Gladstone, on Monday, Dec. 17, was born in Willenhall, Staffordshire, England, in 1812. He left England in the England, in 1812. He left England in the spring of 1834. After spending a year in the States he returned to his native country, where he married Miss Hannah Parks, when he recrossed the sea and settled on con. 6, Westminster, and after a sojourn of about ten years removed to con. 3, lot 6, of the same township, where he lived continuously for 55 years. Subsequently he removed to the home of Mr. ne lived continuously for 55 years. Subsequently he removed to the home of Mr. Henry Jackson. His wife predeceased him in 1890. Two brothers survive him, namely, Martin Bratt, in Indiana, and Job Bratt, in Illinois, together with a half-sister, Mrs. Wilkinson, of Taylor-ville. Ill. Deceased was an adherent of rail-sister, Mrs. Wikinson, of Taylor-ville, Ill. Deceased was an adherent of the Methodist Church. He was buried in Union cemetery, Dorchester. The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. W. T. Bunt, and the pall-bearers were Messrs. A. York, D. Spring, L. Mc-Murray, W. McMurray, J. McCallum and C. Farquhar.

GLANWORTH.

Glanworth, Dec. 26.-Miss Kate A. Mc-THE HEART BEAT? Gregor is re-engaged as principal of Shore's school, school section No. 11. Salary, \$325, including expenses. Messrs. Charles Beattie and H. Rath are aspirants for municipal honors in North Dorchester.

Miss Mills has secured the principalship of school section No. 8, North Dorchester. Salary, \$275.

NILESTOWN. Nilestown, Dec. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jackson have gone to Arkona, to Mr. Ed. Jackson's, for a Christmas visit.
Mrs. Ella Cartwright and children are visiting at Port Huron.
Mr. John Milne went home for Christmas

Mr. John Milne went home for Christmas.

Mr. A. Barnard's report of his Michigan trip was one of praise.

A new store is soon to be erected here.
A bee, consisting of six or seven teams, hauling brick from London, was in operation the other day. Another bee, of similar nature, to haul the balance of the material, will take place soon. The building is to be situated upon a portion of the late Mrs. George Byers' lot. Mrs.

Suspended in a solution of sodium chloride the strip of turtle's heart began a series of beats, and separated from all nerve connections the lifeless strip of heart muscle responded perfectly to the presence of the salty solution.

For weeks the experimenters worked to ascertain what properties salt contained to cause this rhythmic beating of the heart that were not possessed of the salts of of the heart that were not possessed by calcium or potassium, the salts of which enter the composition of the blood.

THEY FOUND A SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM in the fact that the action of sodium chloride was due to the peculiar character of the sodiums.

They discovered that a pure sodium chloride solution was destructive of heart tissues, and that by mixing cal-

LAMBETH.

Lambeth, Dec. 26.—Mr. R. Robinson and wife left on Friday for an extended trip to Prescott and other points east.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cornell, of Vassar, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cornell, of Vassar, Mich., are spending the Christmas vacation with Mr. H. Cornell.

Miss R. Moore is the guest of her sister, Mrs. D. Lown.

Miss Ruby Heard, of St. Thomas, is spending a few days with Miss B. Humpidge

Miss H. Burch left on Monday to spend the Christmas vacation at her home in Blaine, Mich.

A pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. H. Cornell on Dec. 22, when the pupils of the north end gathered with their parents and teacher to spend a few hours socially. The evening's entertain-ment consisted of games, indulged in by both young and old, and a programme of recitations and songs given by the auxiliary recitations and songs given by the pupils.

Just before refreshments were served,
Rev. W. E. Millson, of Gesto, was in the village last week, renewing old ac-

quaintances.

Miss Olive McGregor, on behalf of the pupils of the north end, presented their teacher, Miss Burch, with a beautiful handkerchief and jewel box. At a late hour the company dispersed, with many good wishes a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

MANY MARINE DISASTERS. Port Townsend, Wash., Dec. 26.

Each tugboat arriving from Cape Flattery brings fresh news of marine disasters along the coast, and when full returns are in the damage by recent gales will be the largest in the history of shipping along the Pacific coast.

FRENCH DEFEAT CHINESE TROOPS.

Berlin, Dec. 26.-Field Marshall Count Von Waldersee says in a dispatch from Pekin, dated Monday, Dec 24: "The French troops encountered, Dec. 22, east of Chochan, between Pe-Kin and Pao Ting Fu, a Chinese force numbering 2,500 men with artillery. The Chinese fled in the direction of Kuan Hsien. They suffered tosses, and left behind them five standards and four cannon. The Chinese prob-ably consisted of the reunited remnants of a body already diss wed.

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This wonderfully gifted young lady is recognized by press and public as the greatest genius of the age. Your fate and fortune is in your hand. Hours 9 to 8. Queen's Hotel.

KITCHENER'S MOVEMENTS. Cane Town Dec 26 -Cen Kitchene has left Naaupoort and gone northwards. The rapid concentration of troops in the disturbed districts, through the personal energy of Gen. Kitchener, has allayed the loyal un-

Be Christmas green or Christmas white In country or in town,
It's all the same to turkeys, for
They're always served up brown.

easiness.

The Oueen's Veil.

A little tremulous sob broke from Tina's lips as she also turned and disappeared within the lace manufactory.

A figure stole from behind the trunk of a tree that overshadowed the building as the door closed after her, and then stood still in the glare of the lamp, and peered down the street af-ter the retreating form of Ernest Hol-

The figure was that of Barbara Beza; but her yellow, wrinkled face was almost convulsed with pain, and almost ghastly in its pallor.

"I should know one of that race any

where," she muttered, in a shaking voice. "What is he doing here, and what can he want of my gentle little dove? I told her she was too pretty to be working for her living, and it seems that more than I have discov-ered the fact. But Barbara Beza is her friend, and she will see to it that no harm befalls her, if it is in her power to avert it.

Lord Holborn, with his sister, mother and friend, left Brussels the next day; and Tina resumed her duties in the manufactory of Monsieur La Fort. The design for the wonderful lace was at last completed, and, having been copied upon cloth to be reserved for exhibition, the holes were pricked in the parchment, which was divided into sections, and given to the experienced lace-makers, who were deemed fitted to work upon it.

One day, on opening his mail, Monsieur La Fort found one letter which seemed to throw him into a state of great excitement.

The princess and some friends are coming to see the design for the royal veil," she said to Tina, a little while after, when he had recovered something of his usual composure.

'When will they come, Monsieur?" she had asked, in a low, constrained tone, and her voice sounded so strangely that he turned round in his

chair to look at her.
"Tomorrow at three," he replied, and watched her narrowly to see the effect of his words.

She made no answer, but he noticed that she gave a sudden gasp, as if something had pained or oppressed her, and then she tried to resume her

When the royal visitors called, according to appointment, Tina was not present to exhibit the designs. A sudden illness confined her to her room. The princess was charmed with the delicate and artistic work, and earnestly said to the proprietor of the

establishment: "Monsieur, I am in ecstasies! These lilies and tiny rock ferns, surrounding the royal crest, are my favorites in nature. How strange that I should find them woven into my wedding-veil! Did Monsieur design it himself?" "No, your royal highness, it

done by a young woman—a mere girl —in my employ," Monsieur La Fort answered, much pleased by her gracious praise.

The princess expressed a desire to see her, but on being informed that the young artist was ill, she took from her finger a beautiful ring, which she placed in Monsieur La Fort's hand, with the request that he present it to the gifted young artist, as a token of the donor's appreciation of her rare skill. It was a diamond encircled with

About half an hour after the departvisitors. Tina mad appearance, heavy-eyed and sad-look-

her Monsieur La Fort dilated upon the princess' delight at the beauty of the design for the veil, and told of her surprise and pleasure at discovering her favorite flowers among the collection; and as he spoke of her praise and thanks to Tina herself, and gave her the beautiful token that she had left for her, he watched to see if those sweet brown eves would brighten with pleasure, or her lips relax with a smile of appreciation.

But she only seemed to grow paler and more sad. The hand that she held out to receive the princess' gift trembled vis-ibly, and as it touched her palm, her fingers closed over it convulsively; then, with no other warning than a moan of pain, she sank back in her shair in a dead faint.

CHAPTER XII.

Several eventful weeks went by after the incidents recorded in the preceding

Tina recovered almost immediately from her illness, which, in spite of Monsieur's anxiety for a number of days afterward, she declared was nothing which need cause any one any

She resumed her accustomed place and work, which was now the fashtoning of those most delicate portions of her design, Madame Fouchard, in her jealousy had declared could never be wrought.

As the days passed, Tina became aware that Monsieur La Fort's attentions had become quite marked. He was her constant companion, consulted her upon every possible occasion in regard to the business, daily made her a present of a fresh bouquet of which he placed in a silver vase on her table, and one day crowned his devotion by asking her to be

He pleaded with the warmth and persistence of a Romeo, but she firmly yet politely declined his offer. He had not dreamed of a refusal and he determined to work a change in her heart by patient affection and unremitting attentions.

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On the following day monsieur met her as if nothing had occurred—was as gallant and attentive as ever, and she felt quite relieved, and believed that he had accepted her refusal as final, and would trouble her no more. And so several weeks went by; the wedding finery progressed satisfactor-fly, and those graceful sprays of lilies, which had so offended Madame Fou-chard and aroused her jealousy, and which Tina had reserved as her own especial share of the work, increased rapidly; for she had found among the workwomen one whom she thought she could trust to assist her, and who, with some instruction, might be able to carry on the work alone, if anything should happen to prevent her re-maining until the veil was completed.

And something did happen.

Madame Fouchard had never ceased to regard her with the most bitter animosity, and from the day monsieur had informed her that Tina would, in a measure, supersede she had been determined to do her utmost to injure her, that she might prove to her master that she had prophesied truly with reference to

One day Mademoiselle Julie, was in the habit of assisting monsieur in the salesroom where there were many visitors, came to him with the information that one of the most expensive collars, one valued at 300 francs, was missing. He paid little heed to her at first.

must have been mislaid," he said, and will turn up somewhere." He had never lost anything; no one was allowed in the salesroom him save herself, and it must still be

But when, after a thorough search could not be found, he began to bluster and threaten.

He swore that Mademoiselle Julie alone was responsible; that she must search until it was discovered, or, if she failed, be discharged from his service.

week passed, and the lace was still missing, and then the poor girl was sent away in disgrace.

A few days later, a fine pair of needle-point cuffs disappeared also, and, of course, Mademoiselle Julie could not be blamed this time.

Monsieur La Fort became furious, and ordered every girl into his pres-

Matters began to assume a serious

They came frightened and trembling, for he was a terror to them all when But he could elicit no information from any of them, and every trunk, box and bag in the pension was searched, with the same result.

The cuffs were charged to the profit and loss account, and Monsieur La Fort, more disturbed than he had been for years, vowed that if any-thing else was missing, he would surely nail the culprit.

He kept a sharp eye out after this, but not so sharp but that several yards of Valenciennes soon followed the other missing articles.

Again every trunk, nook and corner was ransacked, but all to no purpose. Through it all, monsieur had not

seemed to entertain a suspicion of Tina. She still occupied her place in his office, which she scarcely ever left, except for a walk now and then, or to go to her meals. When the trunks were searched she

had unhesitatingly given up the key to her tiny one, and seemed almost as anxious and troubled over the affair as monsieur himself, and his thoughts never once turned to her.

observe this, and one day when she came into the work-room, she asked, "Has monsieur found his laces yet?"
-does he know who the thief is?"

"No," he returned with an angry scowl; "but I will know yet, and. lieve me, nothing more will be lost." That night another piece of his best seedle-point took to itself wings and

"A hundred francs to the one who will discover the thief," he cried in despair, when he discovered the fact. At this rate he would soon become poor man. Madame Fouchard's victous black

eyes snapped as she heard this. The hundred francs are mine, and that hussy goes to prison!" she mut-tered to herself.

[To be Continued.]

NEW TOBACCO FIELD. Washington, Dec. 26 .- Milton Whitney, chief of the division of spils in the United States department of agriculture, reports a successful termination of experiments conducted in co-operaof experiments conducted in co-opera-tion with the Connecticut exepriment station in the production of Sumatra tobacco near Hertford. The yield of cured tobacco was 700 pounds, making an estimated yield for one acre of 2,100 pounds. This lost about 10 per cent in the fermentation.

Hamburg is one of the wealthiest cities in Germany, yet it has only 299 persons who pay taxes on an income of

Young Mothers

Stand in special need of help while the baby is being nursed. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription not only strengthens the woman for motherhood and makes the birth hour practically painless, but it increases the nutritive secretions on which the child is fed. It soothes the nerves, encourages the appetite and rapidly restores the mother to robust health. There is no alcohol in "Favorite Prescription," neither opium,



tion,'" writes Mr. Robert Harden, of Bran-don, Manitoba, Box 236. "It was a case of childbirth. We had heard so much of it that much of it that my wife decid-ed to try it. (I may say my wife is thirty-three and this was her first child.) She commenced to take 'Favorite Prescription' five months be-Prescription'
five months before her child
was born. We
have a fine,
healthy girl,
and we believe
that this was
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> Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets put the bowels in a healthy con-

THE WORLD OF SPORTS.

Berlin Hockey Team Defeated by Waterloo.

Shooting Tournament at Centralia-Racing Results at New Orleans.

> THE TURF. AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, Dec. 25 .- Mint Sauce, who on Saturday placed the \$2,000 Crescent City, handicap to the credit of his owner, A. R. Cowsey, today addthe \$1,000 Christmas hand cap to the score. The English bred geiding was always the favorite, though his price receded from 4 to 5 to 9 to 10 in response to play on Sir Florian, who was backed from 4 to 1 to 7 to 2. The others had but trifling support. Tom Kingsley set a hot pace for six fur-longs, and then tired, relinquishing the lead to Mint Sauce, who, carefully raced by McJoynt, was never worse than third. Sir Florian took the longest route, and though he ran a very fast quarter at the end, could never reach Mint Sauce, who won easily by a length. Weather fine, track

First race, 1 mile, selling—Tim Gil-more 1, Bert Davis 2, Brown Vail 3. Time, 1:42%. Second race, handicap, 6 furlongs-

Senator Beverage 1, Isobel 2, Gallopin 3. Time, 1:16½.

Third race, handicap, steeplechase, full course—Isen 1, Donation 2, Terry Ranges 3. Time, 4:56.

Fourth race, Christmas handicap, 1

mile-Mint Sauce 1, Sir Florian 2, Fleet Wing 3. Time, 1:41%.
Fifth race, 1½ miles—Sir Gatian 1,
Strangest 2. Hardly 3. Time, 1:55.
Sixth race, selling, 1 mile—Ben

Chance 1, Hood's Brigade 2, Uncle Bill 3. Time, 1:421/4. TRIGGER.

MELROSE RIFLE CLUB. The Melrose Rifle Club met Wednesday,

	Dec. 19. The eighth o				rize		was
	won by J. A. Clare. S	COLE	s:				
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	J. D. Brown		8 1	3 5			-38
	J. Ferguson		5	4 1		7	-34
	J. T. Hennesy		5		8 7	5	-33
	R. Robinson		8	2	5 5		-32
	E. J. Shaw	1	5		6 5		-31
	J. Harrison		7		5 4		-30
	J. Oliver		1		3 5	7	27
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	J. Oliver		3	3	4		-18
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AT CENTRALIA

A correspondent writes: A grand shooting match was held in connection with the Dufferin House, Centralia, on Thursthe Dufferin House, Centralia, on Thursday, Dec. 20, 1900, in which a number of sports from Alisa Craig, Clandeboye, Clinton, Seaforth, Zurich, Exeter, Crediton, and a number of sports in that town, took part. The day was fine, and the shoot was a success from start to finish. Up to a late hour in the morning it looked as though the shoot was going to be a failure, but after the first rock match was off people began to pour

ock match was off people began to pour into town from every direction, till up-wards of 1,000 people had assembled on the grounds to witness the sports. Some excellent shooting was done. Mr. Foster, of Clinton, referred to the satisfaction of all. Mr. G. S. Grafton, the originator of the tournament, intends holding an annual shoot in connection with the Duf-ferin House, of Centralia, and also takes the opportunity of thanking the sports for their kindly patronage. The scores

Event No. 1, 15 live birds-J. Dodds 11. Ketchum 10, J. Hovey 10, M. Mahler S. Cantelon 11, J. C. Sheardown 14, 12. S. Cantelon II, J. C. Sheardown 14, W. Snell 8, R. Samuels 10, Ira Bice 14, D. Kennedy 9, L. Hicks 9, F. Kerr 10, T. Atchison 8, T. Ogden 8, W. Yearly 8, A. Hicks 9, G. Hertzel II.

Event No. 2, 15 blue rocks—J. Hovey 11, Ira Bice 12, D. Kennedy 10, L. Hicks 9, J. Dodds 10, J. Ketchum 9, J. C. Sheardown 10, S. Cantelon II, M. Mahler 13, A. Hicks 9.

13, A. Hicks 9.
Event No. 3, 15 blue rocks—J. Hovey
11, J. Dodds 11, S. Cantelon 9, I. Bice
14, S. Ketchum 11, D. Kennedy 10, J.
Sheardown 10, M. Mahler 14, L. Hicks 9.
Event No. 4, 10 blue rocks—J. Hovey 8,
S. Ketchum 7, J. Dodds 7, M. Mahler 10,
D. Kennedy 8, S. Cantelon 7. 13. A. Hicks 9.

FISTIC. IN THE SECOND ROUND.

Paris, Dec. 25.—A boxing match at the hippodrome yesterday, between George Golwin and Ted Cantrell, for 5,000 francs, Golwin and Ted Cantrell, for 5,000 francs, resulted in the defeat of Cantrell, who was knocked out at the end of the second round by a blow under the heart. The police commissary, who was present, announced that he would take proceedings against the pugilists.

DIXON WOULD NOT FIGHT. Boston, Mass., Dec. 25.—George Dixon, ex-champion feather-weight, did not box Jim McDavenport, of Chelsea, tonight. Dixon had agreed to fight at the feather-weight limit, but McDavenport weighed 135 pounds against Dixon's 105. Andy Daven of Medden was substituted. Daly, of Malden, was substituted. The fight resulted in a draw. Dixon issued a challenge to feather-weights, barring Mc-

HOCK EY WATERLOO BEATS BERLIN.

Berlin, Ont., Dec. 25.—The Waterloo hockey team defeated Berlin, in Berlin rink tonight, by a score of 6 to 5. The game was very fast, and both teams

The Railways.

It is stated that the stock of the Clover Leaf Railway is being purchas-ed by heavy holders of Canadian Pacific interest, and that the Canadian Pacific will soon have possession of the road. It is known that the Canadian road has for some time been seeking a foothold in Ohio and of an entrance to St. Louis. It is also probable that the purchase of the Detroit and Lima Northern and Ohio Southern will be included in the deal.

Mr. R. W. Youngs, general agent of the L. E. and D. R. R., has been appointed temporary superintendent of construction on the extension between Ridgetown and Dutton. Mr. W. J. Prosser will act as agent at Ridgetown during his sheence.

night of \$200 toward the patriotic fund

M.P., on behalf of the committee having the matter in charge. He said it was proposed to raise \$600 for the boys. Several prominent ladies in the city have secured \$200. Another \$200 is to be raised by subscriptions, and the council was asked for the balance. The sixteen soldiers who survived the war will receive a gold watch, each costing \$30, and the equivalent will be given the parents of Barre and White, who died on the veldt.

SUSPECTED KIDNAPPER

Arrested at Fort Dodge, lowa-Had a Pile of Gold in His Possession.

Fort Dodge, Ia., Dec. 26 .- D. Allie, of Omaha, loaded with a large amount of gold coin, for the possession of which ne can give no samsfactory explanation, is under arrest in this city on suspicion that he is one of the kidnapers of Edward Cudahy, jun. He has been identified as a former employe of the Cudahy Packing Company at South Omaha, and the Omaha police have sent urgent messages insisting that he be detained until they can investigate his movements.

Allie got off an Illinois Central train at Midnight, Thursday, having left Omaha at 7:50 o'clock. He claimed to have been injured while attempting to pass between two seats in the car, and pretended to be suffering great pain. He went to Station Agent Frantz, who sent him to the General Hospital and notified the company's surgeon here. His actions were suspicious from the start, and the doctor made a thorough examination of the man. He could find no injuries such as would necessitate treatment.

The result of the investigation was that the Illinois Central Radiroad re-fused to have anything to do with the case, and the hospital closed its doors on him. On examination by one of the nurses it was found that the man had, in different pockets, several thousand dollars in gold and bills. Alle refused to tell where he got the money.

BURNED OUT

One Third of Eau Claire. Mich., Destroyed-Several Other Conflagrations.

Eau Claire, Mich., Dec. 26.—A \$20,000 fire wiped out one-third of this village early yesterday morning. The fire started in the store of Arthur J. Dean, and a high wind carried it to adjoining buildings. Rowland, Man., Dec. 26.—Early yesterday morning fire destroyed the store and stock of Cameron & Co., furniture warehouse, also the general store of Shijson stock of Cameron & Co., furniture ware-house; also the general store of Shilson & Co., about two-thirds of whose stock was saved. Shilson's loss is fully covered by isurance, but Cameron & Co.'s loss on stock and building will be heavy. Total loss about \$7,000.

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 26.—About 9 o'clock yesterday morning the two-story frame residence of Mr. Henry Wilson, Henry street, took fire from a defective chimney, and before the fire was got under control the house was damaged to the exent of \$900; contents, \$200. Fully

the exent of \$900; contents, \$200. Fully Stevensville, Ont., Dec. 26.-The general

tore and dwelling, combined, owned by Dr. Collver and occupied by C. C. Harris, merchant, was completely destroyed by fire last night. Loss about \$6,000. Origin of fire, explosion of lamp.

Ca' In as Ye Gae By!

Oor hoose is sma', but snod and clean, Ye'll get a welcome frae oor Jean, Her scourin'-things shine like a preen— Aye, ca' in as ye gae by!

We'il mak' ye welcome, Jean an' I. Aye, ca' in as ye gae by; Tho' ye be hungry, wat or dry, Aye, ca' in as ye gae by

Oor bonnie weans, like staps-an'-stairs-Will no pit on dour, saucy airs, But rin an' get ye cosy chairs-Aye, ca' in as ye gae by!

We'll sing a sang, or hae a crack, O' sense an' wit we'll hae nae lack, To pit in min' the days gaen back— Aye, ca' in as ye gae by! We'll crack o' freen's avont the sea.

O' scenes sae dear tae you an' me, We'll min' an' lo'e until we dee— Aye, ca' in as ye gae by! True friendship is life's greatest bliss,

Its pleasure wha wad like to miss? Gin ye be oors—tak' tent tae this— Aye, ca' in as ye gae by! Toronto, Canada. —John Imrie.

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By a careful consideration of the following symptoms you can decide for yourself if your liver is torpid or inactive. The liver is the largest or-gan connected with the digestive system, and as a filterer of bile from the blood is to a very large extent respon-sible for the health of the whole body. A sense of fullness and oppression about the stomach, a pale, sailow com-plexion and pain in the shoulders and back are among the first indications of a disordered liver. Then there comes indigestion, wind

the stomach, headache, coated tongue, a bitter taste in the mouth, depression of spirits and despondency. The bowels become irregular, and constination and looseness alternate. The bile left in the blood by an inactive liver poisons the blood and causes liver spots, blotches and pimples. So great is the influence of the liver over the health of other organs that

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METEOROLOGICAL

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 25-8 p.m.-The weather has become unsettled in On-tario, attended with light snow falls, and colder conditions are now generally indicated from the lakes to the Atlantic. In the territories and Manitoba the cold has moderated. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 42-46; Klamloops, 26-36; Calgary, 16-32; Qu'Appelle, 12-36; Winnipeg, 16 below-12; Port Arthur, zero-18; Parry Sound, 24-32; Toronto, 26-34; Ottawa, 28-34; Montreal, 30-34; Quebral, 28-34; Minipeg, 28-34; Montreal, 30-34; Quebras 38-34; Montreal, 3 bec, 30-34; Halifax, 36-42. Local temperatures, Tuesday, Dec.

30; lowest, 19.5 degrees. Today (Wednesday) the sun rose at 7:50 a.m. and sets at 4:46 p.m. The moion rose at 10:32 a.m. and sets at



A LOCAL BUDGET.

And we hae feasted weel; Sae Jock maun to his flail again,

And Jenny to her wheel.' -Mr. Arthur Wilson, of the Bank of Toronto, spent the holiday here.

-Mr. and Mrs. R. Farrel, of this city, spent Christmas in Brantford. -Mr. W. A. Thompson, of Texas, is visiting friends at his home in this Damage \$5.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Merritt, of Chatham, spent Christmas in this

-The only offender at the police court yesterday was a drunk. He was allowed to go.

-Captain and Mrs. White, of Detroit, are guests of Mr. Joseph Smith, of Princess avenue.

-Miss Annie Alexander, of this city, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Geo. Ged-

des. at St. Thomas. -Miss Ada C. Hodges, of the staff of the West Side Hospital, Chicago, is home for the holidays.

-Mr. and Mrs. John Savage, of this city, were at Brantford on Monday on their way to Waterford.

-Miss Mabel Bennett, of Chatham, spent her vacation with her cousin. Miss Flora Merritt, in this city.

-Mr. John Bray, of the Bank of Montreal, spent Christmas with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Bray, at

-Mr. Andrew Lamb, of the A. K. Melbourne Company, Hamilton, spent the Christmas holidays at his home

-Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jewell and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jewell, with their families, are holidaying with their parents in this city.

-Mr. Harvey Farrington, of Norwich, purposes taking a course at the military school here during the early

part of the new year. -Mr. J. F. Sherlock, of South London, has been in Ingersoll, where he purchased Mr. Jas. Davies' bay pacer,

for which he paid \$200. -Mrs. Clara Barnes-Holmes, the popular contralto soloist, of Buffalo, N. Y., who has delighted so many audiences in London during the last five years, will sing at the regular monthly organ recital to be given by Mr. Hewlett in Dundas Center Church

on Thursday afternoon next. -Mr. R. H. Welburn, electrical superintendent of London street railway, was the recipient on Christmas Day of a valuable pipe and a box of choice cigars from the members of the car barns staff. Also from the power house staff, another pipe, silver-mounted, accompanied with a nicely-worded

-Special Christmas services were held at St. Paul's Cathedral, the Memorial Church and Christ Church, yesterday by the rectors. Rev. C. H. Yatman addressed a meeting at the First Methodist Church, reciting various Large stock of Pillows and Mat-tresses, Iron and Brass Bedsteads. around the world. There was a good

-Mr. F. James Lowry, of Maymore, Killyleagh, county Down, Ireland, second son of the Rev. Mr. Lowry, 317 King street, this city, carrived home Christmas morning after an absence of nearly eight years, in response to cablegram sent him some time ago, calling him home to see his moher. who is lying very ill at her residence. He sailed on the steamer Vancouver.

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which reached Portland on the 23rd, having made the voyage in about ten

-Toronto Mail: The marriage of the Rev. Donald Macdonald, principal of St. Andrew's College, to Miss Par-fitt, of London, will take place in Montreal on Wednesday, Dec. 26. The ceremony was arranged, when it was hoped that the bride's brother, Dr. Parfitt, formerly of Toronto, who is now at Saranac, would be able to be present, if it were held in Montreal. Unfortunately, however, his health has not been so good during the last week. and it is now feared he may not be able to take the journey after all.

BLAZE IN A PAWNSHOP.

The firemen were called to a small blaze in the pawnshop of Jos. Fox, King street, last night. Some curtains near a stove became ignited.

GOOD SKATING.

The skating rinks were largely patronized yesterday. The cold snap made the ice excellent. Music was furnished the skaters at the Princess Jubilee and Westminster rinks.

JUDGMENT GIVEN.

Police Magistrate Davidson, of St. Thomas, has delivered judgment in the charge auginst Duncan Campbell, of reckless driving and maliciously damaging the wagon of George Gill, of this city, by colliding with him on Kain's Hill. The magistrate imposed a fine of \$1 and \$15 for damages. FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

The East Middlesex Farmers' Institute will have meetings in January,1901, at Lambeth and Ilderton, on the 16th and 17th respectively. They expect ex-Miss Flora Merritt, in this city.

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Messrs. W. E. Grieve, of Wilton Grove, where throng the numbers save we mer throng the numbers save we may be not the numbers save we mer throng the numbers save we mer throng the numbers save we mer throng the numbers save we mer th and James E. Orr, of Tempo, will assist at Ilderton, and Messrs. Thomas Knapton, of Masonville, and T. B. Scott, of Vanneck, will assist at Lam-

VETERINARY ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Veterinary Association was held at Toronto on Friday, Dec. 21, and was opened by Mr. W. J. Wilson, V.S., of this city, who gave a short and interesting address. The usual routine of business was then called for. Some new members were elected. mittee on the revision of the bylaws was appointed, and the meeting adjourned for luncheon. After luncheon an animated discussion took place in connection with some alleged violation of professional ethics, in which many members participated. Cases of interest were described and discussed also the pathology and therapeutics of some well-known diseases, on which different views may be held, and the meeting adjourned. The following is list of officers appointed for the ensuing year: H. S. Wende, president; J. H. Tennant, London, first vice-president; W. Steele, second vicepresident; C. H. Sweetapple, secretary-treasurer; directors, F. G. Hut-ton, J. H. George, J. Wagner, W. Shillinglaw, F. J. Gallanough, W. Law-son, D. H. McMurty and S. E. Boulton; auditors, C. Elliott and J. H. Reed.

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> These questions are not, however, so difficult to decide if we would but remember that presents or gifts at this festive season are always more beautiful and more welcome when they are useful. Now what, among the articles that are useful as well as beautiful, can be more so than a pair of the new style of Ladies' or Gents' Boots or Slippers that are sold at BROWN BROTHERS' BOOT SHOP?

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THE JOYOUS HOME-COMING

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thoughts, and through many weary nights have cried to God that he would hold his hand as a shield over you and keep you in the darkness of the night, the storms of battle and the troubles that have beset you. hold it as a direct answer from God that you have been brought back to us in peace and safety. We desire to thank him for his gentle mercy in watching over you by sea and by land. In the great war in which you have taken part, he shielded you when others were laid low. One thousand may have fallen at your side and ten great arm of God was strong to pro-

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto God and to show forth his praise. This Christmas morning we wish to lift up thanks to God the Futher for his mercy and goodness to you and to

us ail. "The empire is grateful to you for your noble answer to the call which came to you. The nation rises to thank you and to say that it is proud of its sons, who, at the call of Queen and country, left home, with all its tender associations and memories to go forth and fight the battle of the nation. From our beloved Queen on her throne to the humblest subject the

deepest prayers, we have heard of the trials you have borne so bravely, we know of the dangers you have faced so unflinchingly, and today we rejoice in the goodness of God to you all. 'In conclusion, let me entreat of you that you let your gratitude to God show forth in your lives, that you give yourselves up to God and lav your homage and faith at the feet of him whose birth we commemorate today, and who died to make us free. May God's gracious aid be with you and the sunlight of his grace rest up-

on you now and forever. PRAYER AND PRAISE. The bishop's remarks were followed by the reading by Dean Innes of a prayer of thanksgiving for the return of the soldiers. Col. Buchan and Capt. Carpenter were then asked to step into the chancel while the grand old Christian hymn, the "Te Deum," was sung. Its solemn words and triumphant strains rang through the cathedral and found an echo in every heart. Another hymn of thanksgiving was sung and then came the climax of the service. The National Anthem was announced, and probably never in London has it been rendered with such soulful fervor as it was yesterday. There was not an individual in the vast congregation who did not know and love the words of the national air, and as the united voices took up the strain and rolled it heavenward in a flood of sound, the effect was indeed

magnificent and inspiring. GREETING THE HEROES. The service of welcome was over, and the congregation filed slowly out. Egress was of necessity slow, for the exits were blocked with crowds of people eager to see and welcome returned warriors. Many affecting scenes marked the meeting of friends and relatives. Here an aged father kissed his brave son, there a stalwart giant clasped the little mother in his arms, here again a circle of admiring youths raised their returned comrade to their shoulders and carried him through the crowd to a waiting back. The escorting companies were formed up and marched off, the crowds slowly dispersed homewards, and one by one the heroes of the day were led away to the enjoyment of a Christmas dinner very different indeed from that of a year ago, when sand formed one of the principal ingredients of the meal, when one rib of a chicken was considered a large share, and when each man's share of plum pudding was, as one expressed it, "About as big as a glass alley and nearly as hard.

Lieut-Col. Buchan.

Lieut.-Col. Buchan, the gallant gentleman from this city who shared the honors of the command with Col. Otter, and who won the affection of every man in the regiment, was met yesterday afternoon by an Advertiser representative. He had just issued triumphant from a struggle with the nearly forgotten intricacies of civilian's dress. "I've just got into this suit," said the

colonel laughingly. "I've almost forgetten how to put it on. It's a welcome change, though, after living in khaki for fourteen months." IN OLD LONDON.

Speaking of the welcome accorded them in England, he said: "It was a remarkable and wholly unexpected demonstration. Lord Roberts led us to believe that after the march-past in Pretoria was over, and we had started for home, we would go to England, and right on to Canada. We believed that there would be no formal reception.

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Well, when we got to London, you know what happened. They simply overwhelmed us with kindness. Right and worries of the campaign. from the Queen and the Prince of Wales down they all tried to make us enjoy ourselves as much as possible. I thought they were overdoing it, but they all seemed to think that we had done something to deserve it. One ova-tion followed another until we were simply tired out. There was absolutely nothing that was too good for us. IN LIVERPOOL.

"The same thing happened in Liverpool. When we left London, we thought that we would go straight from the Liverpool station and go on the ship. When we got off at the Lime street station we found the streets literally packed with people. It was estimated that there were at least a quarter of a million people on the streets. They all had flags and were cheering and waving and blowing horns, just like the people here did tomay have fallen at your side and ten day. We had four or five receptions thousand at your right hand, yet before we reached the boat. death had not come night you, for the It was simply indescribable. When we got on the ship we found that it would not be able to sail until Wednesday. That left us there all day Tuesday. The enthusiasm was won-derful, when a Canadian walked along the streets a cheering crowd would follow him. If an officer stopped on the street to look in a window, a crowd would gather that would block street and stop the traffic. Everything was free to Canadians. Some of the British officers warned us of the trouble we'd have getting the men on the ship. When a British regiment embarks they generally have to take the men down in carts. We didn't have the least trouble. Although everything was free to our fellows, they were re markably well-behaved. In fact, only two or three needed any help at all when they were getting on the boat.

LEAVING LIVERPOOL. "When we started down the Mersey another wonderfully enthusiastic de monstration occurred. The docks were crammed with people, waving and cheering. All the ships in the place were decorated. Whistles were blown continuously, and when we were finally off, the ships, with thousands of peo-ple on them, followed us down the river. It was simply overwhelming, and more particularly since we didn't expect anything of the sort. All we had known of it was that the lord mayor had telegraphed to learn when we would arrive."

THE GORDONS. Referring to South Africa, Col. Buchan spoke of the Gordon Highlanders. "We rubbed elbows with them," all through the campaign. he said, They were our best chums in the imperial service. Fine fellows they are, too. It was natural that we should be so friendly. We landed at the Cape on the same day, they were sent up the country the day before we were. Then we caught up to them. We were together off and on all the time after that When Gen Roberts' famous march was planned, we were brigaded with them in the 19th, under Smith-Dorrien. We were the two regiments that were first suggested for charge at Kimberley. We were chosen, as you know, and the Gordons

supported us.

A MATTER OF MEN. "They were good-sized chaps, but they didn't have the physique of our men. I offered to wager once with a British general that the Canadians weighed heavier and had higher average height than any other imperial regiment, not even excepting the Household Guards. I am sure I'd have won it, too. For all that, I don't consider the large man the best soldier. The smaller chap is quicker and more active and doesn't expose so much surface to the enemy. If I had to surface to the enemy. If I had to choose a regiment again, I'd take men over 5 feet 10 inches.

six-footer isn't in it with a smaller HALNESS AND WATER.

"You were not ill yourself, were you, colonel "Not a day. Neven had a scratch of a wound, either. I attribute my health in a measure to the fact that I refrained as much as possible from using the bad water out there. The stuff the men had to drink was awful. It was putrid. When we were bivouwas putrid. When we were bivou-acked beside the Modder there was a freshet. The next morning we counted 172 Boer corpses floating in the river, and carcases of horses, oxen, sheep, goats and other animals without number. The men had to drink that water. It was thick. The men were told not to drink it unless they boiled it first. An order like that was no good. They couldn't boil it. There wasn't anything to boil it with. It was a barren country there, no trees or anything, hardly, that would burn, I have seen men fight, actually fight for a fence-post, a thin stick that holds up a barbed wire fence, and carry it all day so as to have something to boil the water or cook any-

THE PRESENT UPRISING. Col. Buchan said of the present uprising: "I consider it simply an effort to cause the disleyal inhabitants of Colony to rise. That was the original intention, but it failed then. Now Dewet and Botha are making a last effort. They are all desperate now. They are outlaws. Their farms are gone Their business is spoiled. They don't know where their women are, so they have decided to fight. They have no other way of making a living. I be-lieve that it will last six months yet." The appreciation they had received

thing they might get to eat.

Notes of the Reception.

Stacey.

The soldiers brought back many interesting souvenirs, both of Africa and England. Nearly all the soldiers donned their civic suits as soon as possible after getting home.

Ptes. West and Turner unfortunately missed the train, the former in Montreal and the latter in Toronto. The turnout of citizens was fully at large as that on the occasion of the departure of the first contingent on Oct. 25, 1899.

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Sergt. Gorman, Ptes. Johnston and Mc-Millan, of Sarnia, went straight through. They were cheered heartily by the crowds at the station. Mr. Harry Gorman, sen., was on the train with his son.

Christmas dinner at Wolseley Barracks was delayed long enough to allow the returned members of No. 1 company to enjoy it with their comrades. It was an enjoy it with their comrades. It was an especially merry Christmas feast. Of those who returned yesterday, Sergt. Of those who returned yesterday, Sergt. Sippi, Pte. Wheatcroft and Pte. A. R. Cole were wounded in South Africa. A number of the others were missing for some time, and several were siek, though not very seriously. In fact, those who came back were for the most part the men whose physical condition had allowed them to go all through the campaign. The members of the Oregon Club seized Pte. Bert Cole as he left the church and carried him to the waiting carriage which contained his father and mother.

TRAGEDY IN CHATHAM.

Patrick Kennedy, Who Has Relatives in Detroit. Is the Victim-Murder Suspected.

Chatham, Ont., Dec. 26.-The bruised body of Patrick Kennedy, of Bothwell, was found on the ice on the River

Thames on Sunday. The finding of Kennedy's coat on Bathe street, containing a letter addressed to his daughter, Nora Kennedy, Bothwell, has raised suspicion of foul play. The coat is said to bear blood-stains, and a theory advanced is that the man may have been attacked and robbed, as he was known to have had considerable money, and none was found in his pock-It is presumed Kennedy was rendered unconscious, and upon recovering wandered in the dark towards the lighted streets on the opposite side of the river. This may account for his being on the ice. Kennedy was 40 years of age and a widower. His daughter lives at home, and a son is employed by a brother of Kennedy's in Detroit.

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