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ST. JOHN, N. B., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1900.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

Washington Comments on Nicaraguan Canal Rival.

THE FRENCH ROUTE.

The Short Ditch Would Be Dug if Rate Rivalry Were Not Feared--The Panama Company Want the United States and Colombia to Arrive at an Agreement.

Washington, Dec. 26--The report that Great Britain, France and Germany have agreed jointly to take stock in the Panama canal project so as to secure its completion under the present auspices, is believed here to be premature. It is thought that no European government would now have the money to sink in the Panama canal, with the expectation that the United States intended to construct a water way across the Nicaragua isthmus.

At 2.15 the fire broke through into the second floor and a second alarm was given. The damage to Woolworth is a total of about \$100,000 and he is insured. The damage and insurance in other places has not yet been ascertained.

CHIEF OFFICE SHOT.

Band of Italian Stonecutters the Leaders.

THEIR FUNDS.

The Officer Imitated But in a Peculiar Manner--Three of the Men Wounded--Six Arrested--Five Been Shot--They Were Making a Run at a Dance.

Paris, Dec. 27--A clique of Italian stonecutters, whose place was in the famous marble district of Carrara, tried to assassinate Chief of Police Patrick Brown this morning although they failed, and six of them ran into the clutches of the law, and one tonight was shot.

Those best informed on the canal situation do not believe that the United States will set up any high rate of tolls on foreign ships, no matter how much the Hepburn-Bard bluster there may now be.

Paris, Dec. 27--The new Panama Canal Company, at its annual meeting today, adopted the report during the course of which the directors, referring to the United States commission's report, say: "We think that a reasonable agreement wherein the United States and the Colombian governments and our country should unite is realizable and might finally determine the preferences of the United States in favor of Panama."

BRUTALITY OF FRENCH SOLDIERS.

Attention of the Government Called to the Reports.

Paris, Dec. 27--In the chamber of deputies today M. Marcel Sembat, Radical Socialist, called attention to the reports of the cruelties upon the part of European troops in China. He said the French soldiers were no more free from reproach than the Germans and Russians. They had committed similar atrocities, he asserted, had been carried out systematically and accused the missionaries of participating therein.

THE ISLAND C

Liberal Members Are in Lottetown

Charlottetown, P. E. I.--The first meeting of the Liberal members of the new legislature, for forming a cabinet, is now underway and the executive formed tonight.

BIG PORTLAND.

Great Damage Done on Congress

Portland, Dec. 28--A fire which will do thousands of dollars of damage, now in progress at the corner of the Rines' block, is occupying the lower floor of the building. The fire is burning in a packing box. The fire spread to the clothing store of Samuel Rosen, the same building. A wooded passage separates the block from the Warren liner Michigan owned by the Hoosier tunnel docks last Saturday two men who acted so suspiciously as to attract attention and who were in the description of Crowe and the kidnappers who is supposed to be in the case with Crowe, boarded the steamer and immediately sent a cable to Captain O'Connell, Neb. Dec. 27--A special despatch to the World-Herald tonight from St. Joseph, Mo., says that Patrick Carson saw Pat Crowe enter a saloon here this afternoon and a conference and decided to try to get the Boers as a step in the right direction.

ATTENDANT'S BRUTALITY.

How a Patient Was Murdered in Bellevue Insane Pavilion.

REPORTER'S TESTIMONY.

Inhuman Nurses Pounded and Choked an Inmate So Severely that Death Resulted in a Few Hours--Testimony Given at an Investigation

New York, Dec. 27--The inquest into the death of H. Hilliard, in the insane pavilion of Bellevue Hospital, on December 12, was begun before Governor Roosevelt today.

TRYING TO RETRACT.

Dutch Senator Disclaims Responsibility for a Letter.

THE PRESIDENT WROTE IT.

He Expressed Approval of Mr. Kruger's Noble Purpose--Hoped the Republics Would Gain Their Independence Forever--President of the Lower House Also Wrote.

The Hague, Dec. 27--On the re-issuance of the senate today Senator Hengers disclaimed, in behalf of the house, all responsibility for the letter of the president of the senate to Mr. Kruger, December 7.

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Washington, Dec. 27--Mr. A. E. Frye, the superintendent of education of Cuba, has superintended the war department by averting denial of the published story to the effect that he issued a circular or proclamation in Havana advising the Cubans to proceed to drive the Americans out of the island.

THE CUDAHY KIDNAPPING.

The Man Who Got the \$25,000 May Be on the Atlantic.

Boston, Dec. 27--The Boston police have obtained evidence which leads them to believe that "Pat Crowe" and the other Omaha kidnappers, who stole young Cudahy and returned him to his father for \$25,000, may be on a steamship bound for Liverpool and a cable containing that information is in the hands of the Scotland Yard detectives who are waiting on the Liverpool docks for the arrival of the steamer.

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AMERICAN WHEAT CROP.

There Were Raised Over Five Hundred Million Bushels.

Washington, Dec. 27--The statistics of the department of agriculture estimate that the United States crop of 1900 at 522,229,503 bushels, the area actually harvested being 42,485,85 acres and the average yield per acre 12.29 bushels. The production of winter wheat is estimated at 350,025,409 bushels, and that of spring wheat at 172,204,096 bushels, the area actually harvested being 23,283,897 acres in the former case and 16,233,488 acres in the latter.

SMALLPOX PRECAUTIONS.

P. O. Inspector Colter Has Issued Orders for FUMIGATION OF MAILS

From Infected District--The Local Government Will Meet the Board of Health in St. John Today--P. E. Island and Moncton Warding Off the Epidemic.

Premier Tweedie and colleagues have arranged to meet Dr. Bayard and other members of the Provincial Board of Health this morning, with a view of considering what means it is desirable to take of a general nature throughout the province for preventing the spread of smallpox.

SIGNIFICANT SPEECH.

By the Governor General at Toronto Last Night.

MILITARY REFORM

Throughout the Empire, He Says, Is in the Air--Closer Connection of Canadian and Imperial Forces--Big Banquet to Returned Officers and Others.

Moncton, Dec. 27--(Special)--Moncton Board of Health is taking steps to prevent the spread of smallpox in this district from the lower end of Westmorland county. Premier Tweedie has been requested to send representatives of the provincial board of health to the infected districts to see that the necessary precautions are being taken.

MONCTON HEALTH BOARD AT WORK.

To Prevent Spread of Smallpox--Has Asked for a Contagious Hospital.

Moncton, Dec. 27--(Special)--Col. Otter, Lieut. Col. Buchanan, Lt. Col. Byrson, Major Macdonnell, Capt. Macdonnell, Capt. Barker, Capt. Mason, Lieut. Temple and Wilkie, Rev. Father O'Leary and War Correspondents Hamilton, Brown and Egan, were the guests of honor at a public banquet here tonight, attended by the governor general, Premier Ross, Postmaster General Mulock and many other prominent public men. The guests of the evening were given great ovations when their health was proposed.

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NEWS OF THE WORLD.

THE HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK IN BRIEF.

Despatches from points of interest in different parts of the World—nestic and Foreign events—The and Sunny Side of I

DOMESTIC.

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—(Special)—A cable law received says that Corporal George of Stratthorn, died of enteric fever at Montreal.
Ottawa, Dec. 24.—(Special)—Fire completely gutted the establishment of Parker's Dry Goods, on Sparks street, today. The loss is placed at \$10,000. This is partially covered by insurance.
Toronto, Dec. 24.—(Special)—Joseph Heston, druggist, was committed for trial by the police court today on the charge of murder. He is alleged to have killed Mrs. Martha Mine by an illegal operation.
Manitoba, Dec. 24.—(Special)—Sir Hilbert Tupper denies that he has been appointed provisional leader of the Conservative party.
Moncton, Dec. 24.—(Special)—T. H. Tingey, formerly travelling for a New Glasgow jewelry house, has accepted a position as traveller for Levy Bros., formerly filled by the late O. W. Coleman, one of the victims of the Montclair disaster.
Ottawa, Dec. 24.—(Special)—Edmund Casey was today committed for trial by Justice Hennessy on the charge of stealing five dollars. Casey, it is said, is also wanted in Montreal on a charge of stealing fifty dollars.
Toronto, Dec. 24.—(Special)—Ald. F. S. Spence, a member of the board of control and widely known as secretary of the Dominion Alliance, announced himself today as a candidate for the mayoralty. There are five candidates in the field.
Ottawa, Dec. 24.—(Special)—Reports were received today at the department of militia from South Africa, from Lieut. Col. Drury and Major Hurdman, but they contained nothing that was new.
Grand Falls, Dec. 24.—(Special)—A man from St. John named Barrow, who is believed to have induced Mrs. Dixon to leave her home, she joined him here some time ago it is stated.
Fredericton, Dec. 24.—(Special)—Frank Kilburn, an old gentleman about 80 years of age, residing at Kingsdale, was run down this morning by a team driven by a young man from the country and was badly hurt.
Ottawa, Dec. 24.—(Special)—The citizens' reception committee had excellent arrangements for receiving the returning soldiers from South Africa. A large crowd met the train and Sheriff Swainsland, chairman of the reception committee, extended an informal welcome to Lt. Wallace and his men. The presentation of letters will not take place until after New Year's. The militia turned out in uniform.
Montreal, Dec. 24.—(Special)—James Baxter, a prominent broker, who was sentenced some time ago to five years' imprisonment for conspiracy to defraud the Ville Marie Bank, was released this evening on a ticket-of-leave. Mr. Baxter is a very sick man and only the shadow of his former self. He is suffering from dropsy, and it is believed he cannot live very long.
Digby, Dec. 24.—(Special)—The alarm of fire at 9 o'clock last night was for a slight blaze in the old school house building, now owned by Captain John W. Snow, of Lower Greenville. It was put out without the aid of the fire apparatus.
Mrs. McAlpine, who attempted suicide at Lousberg, C. B., last Friday, was formerly Miss Lizzie Trask, of Little River, Digby county, and is well known in this town and vicinity, where she for a number of years, taught school. A despatch concerning this morning announces that she is present seems out

IN ICY WATERS.

Crew of a Schooner Lived Through a Terrible Experience.

New London, Conn., Dec. 24.—The crew of the three-masted schooner Marcus Edwards, brought into port at 10 o'clock to-night by the United States lighthouse tender, Cactus, tell of the fearful experience of clinging to the side of their capsize vessel in the icy waters of Long Island Sound from the early morning until 6 o'clock tonight, when they were discovered and their rescue effected. The Marcus Edwards, all 133 tons burthen, sailed four weeks ago from Port Greenville, N. S., for New York, with a cargo of tile. In weathering a recent storm a leak was sprung, which increased in size until at 1 o'clock this morning the pumps were worked at the rate of 600 strokes a minute in order to keep the vessel afloat. No danger was anticipated, however, until 1.30, when the Edwards began to fill at the same time listing to starboard. All hands rushed to the deck and superhuman efforts were made to cut away the rigging, but of no avail, and in a few minutes the schooner went over, settling on her side in the water. The crew of six men were thrown clear when the Edwards capsized and with some difficulty succeeded in working their way back to the vessel to cling there. The daylight should bring their assistance. But at daybreak the fog was so dense that all sight of land and even of the sky was shut out and not a sound penetrated the deadened atmosphere. For 16 hours the men hung there, soaked by the waves and by the no less drenching mist until at 4.30 tonight they were sighted by the Cactus. Captain V. C. Bagley, of the Marcus Edwards, explains the disaster on the theory that the constant leaking had so weakened the centre-board that it finally gave way causing the schooner to list immediately. The Edwards was owned at Jonesport, Maine, and tomorrow an attempt will be made to tow her to port.

Albert County News.

Hopewell Hill, Dec. 24.—Golden Rule Division of the A. O. U. W. held their following officers for the ensuing year: John M. Tingey, W. P. George, M. Ward, W. A. G. Warren, Peck, R. S. Conner, A. R. S. Mariner Smith, P. S. G. M. Peck, trustees; George W. Newcomb, chaplain; Albert Conner, cor.; Laura Tingey, secy.; Mrs. M. S. H. Peck, L. S. G. M.; Mrs. S. S. Calhoun of Lower Cape, has gone to Boston to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. M. Hamilton, who has been very ill. Mrs. M. S. H. Peck, of Upper New Horlop, has a son, who is now in the hospital, and she is spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Donald Goss. H. H. Stewart and Misses Laura Peck, Marie Stewart and O. J. Moore, teachers, came to their home here on Monday. A social gathering was given at the home of Mrs. West's parents at this place. Rufus Wright, of Moncton, was at his home at Monville, for Christmas. R. B. Bennett, barrister of Calgary, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bennett, at Hopewell Cape. Mr. Bennett is one of the Albert boys who has attained the highest rank in the A. O. U. W. He is an unsuccessful Conservative candidate for Albert at the recent election. A special Christmas service was held in St. John's Episcopal church here yesterday evening. The text, St. Luke, 11-12: For behold I bring you good tidings of great joy. Jesus, who was accompanied by the church choir, in addition to the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, Gently, the choir sang a solo, the whole service was very impressive. The interior of the church was very beautifully trimmed with evergreens. Miss Isabel Stevens, of Moncton, was married on Monday evening at Hopewell Cape to a young man from the same place, at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Dixon. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Peck. Lieutenant Governor McNeilan has presented the Presbyterian church at Riverside with a new bell. Miss Julia I. F. Peck, organist of St. John's church, was on Christmas day, presented the members of the church with the first Sunday school with pretty and suitable books which were greatly appreciated by the scholars. Sch. Jessie arrived in the river this week with freight from St. John. The merchants in this locality report an unusually brisk Christmas trade. Miss Flora Russell went, on Saturday, to spend a few weeks with friends at Moncton.

Tortured and Robbed by a Negro.

Marietta, Ohio, Dec. 27.—Abram Johnson and wife, both 80 years of age, were bound, tortured and robbed during the night at their home a short distance below Marietta on the West Virginia side. Their assailant was a negro. After securing all valuables, he left his victims still bound. Mrs. Johnson was almost totally paralyzed from the shock and her husband was badly injured.

ANEMIA

is thin blood. It causes pale faces, white lips, weak nerves and lack of vitality. A blood-enriching, fat producing food-medicine is needed.

Scott's Emulsion

goes to the root of the trouble, strengthens and enriches the blood, and builds up the entire system. For Anemic girls, thin boys, and enfeebled mothers, it is the Standard remedy.

CLOSING OF THE HOLY DOOR.

Ceremoniously Sealed by Pope Leo the XIII.

AN IMPOSING FUNCTION.

The Door Was Opened a Year Ago to Inaugurate the Holy Year Which Has Now Terminated—Eighty Thousand People Were Spectators of the Ceremony.

Rome, Dec. 24.—The pope performed today the ceremony of closing the holy door of St. Peter's cathedral with the utmost pomp of the Catholic church. His holiness descended to St. Peter's Cathedral at 11 a. m. and the ceremonies lasted until 1 p. m. The pope then returned to his apartments apparently not fatigued. He intoned the Te Deum in a resonant voice and throughout gave evidence of being in excellent health and spirits. He used the artistic golden trowel, subscribed for by the Catholics of the world, in mortar and the three gilded bricks which he placed, as a first layer, on the threshold of St. Peter's door. The whole pontifical cortege participated in the ceremony.

A SORRY OF HORSES IN WAR.

They Last Six Weeks and Cost Three Hundred and Sixty Dollars Each.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 23.—Captain Hoggan of the British army, in purchasing 60,000 cavalry horses and mules for the British army in South Africa. He came here more than a year ago to buy horses and mules, but was ordered home a short time ago. But the unexpected renewal of hostilities has made the purchase of more horses and mules necessary. As the horses and mules are imported and bought they will be sent to New Orleans and shipped to Cape Town, Durban and New London on British transports, some of which are on their way to the United States. One ship load of the animals will be taken to South Africa by Lieut. David Moberly, leaving New Orleans soon after January 1st. Moberly said: "The horses and mules are landed in South Africa they cost the British government \$300 a head. This is a large price for animals which will be used for only six weeks. Most of the animals die because of the change in climate. They must cross the equator in going to the tropics and the heat of the tropics kill them rapidly. The average death rate on a shipboard is 32 to the 1,000. Forty days after a horse is put on board in Kansas City it is landed in South Africa. It is great the demand for the horses at the front that it is impossible to give them the best of care in landing. Consequently they go to the front in a weakened condition and not getting a sufficient amount of food. The December number appears of the Boer War England has purchased over 100,000 head of horses and mules in the United States. It required 65 ships to transport them. The British government transports will be kept very busy from now on carrying the horses which England will need in South Africa and which have been ordered purchased in the United States. Baden Powell now has 25,000 mounted police and it is proposed to mount 30,000 of the Imperial Infantry. England has ordered that her soldiers must be mounted to be able to cope with the Boer, who gets over the country with alarming rapidity."

Indications That the American Claim is Adjusted.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The nomination of John A. Leishman as envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Turkey is considered to mean that the United States claim will be paid and relations renewed as before. The officials here will not admit that they have any official knowledge that a settlement has been reached by Mr. Gibson, United States charge at Constantinople, of the American mission claim and in some cases his demand is given. Yet it is recalled that when Minister Straus came back to the United States and resigned in disgust at his inability to close up these claims, the impression was semi-officially given out that no minister would be named to succeed him until the Turkish government had met the demands.

A Fiendish Father.

Toronto, Dec. 27.—(Special)—Ernest Pette, was arrested today, charged with having, while in a fit of temper, placed his two-year-old son, naked, upon a hot stove, holding the child over the fire till the skin came off and adhered to the hot iron. The inhuman crime was committed about a month ago, but the story only reached the department today through indignant citizens. The child was found to be still suffering from the terrible experience.

A STATEMENT BY MR. CUDAHY.

A Personal Account of the Kidnapping of His Son.

FIRST STORY WAS RIGHT.

The Great Pork Packer Contradicts Stories Which Have Been Circulated Showing Doubt Upon His Son's Misadventure—Banker Tells of the Withdrawal of \$25,000.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 24.—Owing to conflicting reports sent to papers outside of Omaha, E. A. Cudahy this afternoon signed a statement, giving the details of the kidnaping of his son on the night of December 18. It is as follows: "It has been called to my attention that despatches are being printed which throw doubt upon the kidnaping of my son. I regret exceedingly that there should be any conflicting reports or any misrepresentations with respect to the crime that would create any doubt or uncertainty. The facts briefly are these: On Tuesday night, December 18, between 7 and 8 o'clock, my son was sent to a neighbor and was expected to immediately return. Failing to return, the police were notified. About 1 o'clock on Wednesday morning the coachman found a letter on the lawn fastened to a stick and addressed to 'Mr. Cudahy.' This was a five-page letter, with lead pencil writing and unsigned, stating that they had kidnaped my son and demanded \$25,000 in gold coin for his return and with specific instructions as to where the money should be placed. I procured \$25,000 in gold coin and delivered the same at the point designated in the letter. I recognized that the leaving of the money was but a chance at best, but a chance that under all the circumstances I was compelled to accept. About five hours after depositing the money my son was returned. He was held captive for five hours in the house of a neighbor and was expected to immediately return. Failing to return, the police were notified. About 1 o'clock on Wednesday morning the coachman found a letter on the lawn fastened to a stick and addressed to 'Mr. Cudahy.' 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EVENTS OF CITY LIFE. THE PASSING NEWS OF A DAY BRIEFLY TOLD.

Concerning People, Places and Things in a Short Readable Form. Notes of The News.

St. Vincent de Paul Society acknowledges \$23 received from Mr. J. M. Grant.

The Mispic pulp mill, which was down for some repairs and for Christmas day, started up again.

Rev. Job Shenton has accepted an invitation to remain pastor of Fairville Methodist church for another year.

The occupants of the county jail enjoyed a Christmas dinner, in which roast beef, mince, potatoes and apples were conspicuous.

A man, whose name is believed to be Liebet, was killed Monday afternoon in Penobscot by the Canadian Pacific from John for Halifax.

he president of the King's Daughters acknowledges \$10 for the King's Daughters' Home and \$20 for the Little Girls' Home from Mrs. James F. Robertson.

Mr. George McArthur is home from Campbellton for Christmas. The new omnibus at Campbellton built by him is completed with the exception of putting in the turn-tables.

Rev. Robert R. Mosson, of Windsor, N.S., has accepted the call to become pastor of the Congregational church here and will probably arrive in the city about the middle of January.

While watching the Christmas show in Messrs. Manchester, Robertson & Allison's window Miss Idles, of Halifax, had a purse containing about \$12 and a return ticket stolen from her pocket.

A petition to pass the accounts in the estate of Mr. George F. Baird was presented and a citation granted returnable January 28; Mr. L. A. Curry, Q. C., executor.

The friends of Mr. M. H. Ruggles, proprietor of the Farmers' Hotel, Halifax, who, for years, has been interested in aquatic sports in the province, will learn with regret that he is very ill.

Mr. Samuel Kerr, principal of the St. John Business College, was married on Christmas day at Canim, N. S., to Miss G. A. McDonald. Mr. and Mrs. Kerr will start a week in Nova Scotia.

Mr. Fraser G. Marshall, maritime secretary of the Y. M. C. A., has called a "Conference" to meet in New Glasgow, January 13. The object of the conference is for study purposes.

The New York Herald scores the House at Jack Bull, which received its first airing in the metropolis Monday night, it says Thomas A. Wise did so well that it is a matter of regret that his lines were not fuller.

A new regulation concerning landing certificates, makes charge of ten cents each for certificates unless they accompany the entry at the custom house for goods and goods in country.

THE AMERICAN ICE COMPANY.

Its Frigid Grasp Laid Upon the Bay State Ice Company of Boston.

Boston, Dec. 22.—The Transcript today says: It is stated on the best of authority that negotiations are about completed whereby the American Ice Company is to acquire the business of the Bay State Ice Company of this city and that the deal will be consummated the first of the week.

Officials of the company admit the truth of the report but give no particulars. This outcome of the efforts of the New York company to control the ice business hereabouts, the first step in the purchase of the Boston Ice Company last week, was expected. "Treasures" Charles Russell, who practically controls the Bay State Company, is a large owner of American Company stock. This was acquired through the sale of his Kennebec river plant and Charles Russell & Co. of Dorchester, like the Boston Company, is a Massachusetts corporation, with fixed capital of \$25,000. J. H. Chapman is president and Charles Russell treasurer. It is stated that the purchase of the Bay State Company by the Ice Trust has secured options on two other concerns, Pope & Turner, of Milton, and Albert & Co. of Dorchester, which would indicate that its operations are not to be confined entirely to this city.

PLATE GLASS COMBINE.

Its President Tells of Its Organization and Prosperity.

Philadelphia, Dec. 22.—The industrial commission today heard testimony regarding the plate glass combine organized by John P. Pitaro, president of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company. Mr. Pitaro said the annual production of the consolidated companies was about 20,000,000 feet. He asserted that a combination was necessary because of the failure of several individual factories and this was accomplished with an actual capital of \$10,000,000. Later it was decided to enter the jobbing business. In answer to questions made Thursday by witnesses representing the Philadelphia Plate Glass Association, Mr. Pitaro said that the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company was formed in 1885 there was in existence the National Plate Glass Jobbers' Association. This organization, the witness said, regulates the price of sheet glass and glass cut to sizes. After the consolidation of the manufacturers, said Mr. Pitaro, the price of sheet glass became objectionable in its demands. These demands practically closed the Pittsburgh Glass Company to the members of the jobbers' organization.

Albert County.

Hopewell Hill, Dec. 23.—The Baptist Sunday school at New Horton held a concert in the church at that place on Thursday evening. There was a good attendance, a large number of songs were sung and a very interesting program was carried out, consisting of recitations and choruses by children of the school, and a play by Mrs. Captain George M. Reid, and readings by Miss Julia F. Brewster and Annie Lewis. At the close of the entertainment, a basket social was held, also sale of refreshments. The sum of \$38 was realized, which will be used towards a new library for the Sunday school. Mr. W. Newcomb of this place, has purchased the property of Michael Keiver at Chester.

Mrs. Thomas Matthews of Point Wolfe, was so unfortunate as to have her arm broken last week. Dr. Carnwath of Riverview, rendered the necessary surgical assistance. The school at Tuttle Creek taught by Miss Onah A. West, held a most successful concert there on Friday evening. Misses Onah A. West, Margaret McGorman and Julia F. Brewster, teachers, have come to their homes here for the holidays.

Shanghai Says Tuan and Chang Have Been Taken.

London, Dec. 23.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Standard, telegraphing December 24, says: "The government has arrested Prince Tuan and Prince Chang on the board of the Shan Si and Sien Si provinces. Yu Hsien has been ordered to return to San Fu forthwith, to be executed, it is supposed. It is inferred from these reports that the imperial authorities are preparing to concede the demands of the joint note for the punishment of the instigators of the trouble in China."

abinet Ministers and a Famous War Correspondent Dine.

London, Dec. 23.—(Special)—A large and gaudy dinner was given at the Waldorf-Astoria last night, and heard a full story of the South African war. Mr. Churchill was afterwards entertained to dinner at the Mount Royal club by a number of distinguished citizens.

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The Boston correspondent of the New York Commercial telegraph that paper: Several Boston men are interested in a project to establish a steel shipbuilding plant on the east side of the harbor at St. John, N. B. The subject has been informally presented to members of the provincial government, with a view to opening the way for fostering legislation, and as St. John, like a great many other Canadian cities and towns, justifies its claims to be a center of new industries, the preliminary conditions are regarded as favorable.

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