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A 1000,000 fire occurred in street. Philadelphia, Sunday nig POLITICS-CANADIAN. Mr. McDonald, a Patron mental, will his week introduce into the Legislation a this week introduce into the Legis it bill providing that civil servants in be exempt from garnishee SUICIDES.

M. Rempler, who had charge of Panama scandal, killed himself in den atmekof insanity, by throwing self from the window of the Pal-Justice. FOR MEN OF WAR.

Prince Henry of Prussia, who ha Deponted to, the con ill visit Pekin, where the Chine perper will receive him as an equ nusual honor. MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

The Niagara Falls elections are run on the issue of Niagara power veloped by Camelians for Camadians A Rossland, B.C., by law to raise to be applied toward scurrent expella a sewerage system, has been quastle The statement by County Tree. Co-brane that the Weatworth ide Cibec owes the county \$83 on the year's account down't tally with the tree of the Departy Registrar and

THE AGRICULTURAL WORTH A. W. Maybee of Toronto has play all for John McDonald of St. Juli meter which won the special jubiles heffer which won the special jubiled of set in gold at the cut stock show armers who desire samples of a the best varieties of seed grain make the application at once to the traffexperimental form. Ottawa letters addressed to the Central Fift he sumples, weight a 5 pounds ench le sent tree to the app all. The distribution will begin e.

December. SPORTING.
dayob Schaefer, the billiard player the rectid of the tracecustion garden Appeara Friday night dy making of impoints in an exhibition garde day says: F. O. Moors, Canadian Ling reads a fee-noder on a bigg Nay, 15, in 5 hours 2 militates, beauty he interesser af yard. A Ore Zwiner, Sinemicke Parlam

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ister on Saga This completes the reponcibation of Barran and Venezuela alper a 19 ruguere of diplomatic relations. Mail says day hears that Great E. agrees not to oppose t ermany soccut of Kino Chou in return for Geri promise not to interfere in the Egy qui -tion. According to a despatch from Sh the permans are extending the area cupation at Kino Clou and now c

400 square miles. The German administration and are collecting duties. PURCLY PERSONAL

W. J. Bryan is having a trium at tour through Mexico where he is triumed as a mathematic test.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has gone to L. tibes, whither he had been called the factors illness of his credie, Dr. Littles and the mean of the factors illness of his credie, Dr. Littles and the factors illness of his credie, Dr. Littles and the factors illness of his credie, Dr. Littles and the factors illness of his credie, Dr. Littles and the factors illness of his credie, Dr. Littles and the factors illness of his credies and the factors illness of his credies and the factors and the factors illness of his credies and the factors illness Anthony Hope, the English no contributes the proceeds of an after lectors in Toronto, to the Yletorian of Nurses scheme. Mr. Alfred Stead. H Christ Came to Clivago, and ed The Beview of Reviews, passed the Montreal Sunday for home, having

iruth protests, snobbery of the Dike of Newcas sending hundreds of phensints markets, labelled "shot by His" R. d. Bentson, late furate

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John E. Bennett of Bloomingburg, and his agel wife were hearly sufforby their folding bed closing upon bear night.

last night.
While William Crasupsey, a youn living in Toronto, was working aroun-plece of machinery in Back's brush fa-tory, his clothing was caught and hely thrown around like a shutthrock. It clothing was left in rughs, but he escape unhurt. BUSINESS.

Waterville, Me., bas sent \$1200 work cats and kittens for sale in a Philade. lepartment store.

Eastern newspaper mill men will, it mild, meet again this week to consider epartment store. scheme of consolidation.

Canadian cattle are said to be sent in: Buffalo involced at from a tenth to a of their real value. An investigation is

progress.
The W. Paterson & Son Compa Brantford have written to the Mayo questing that their establishment be empted from taxes on account of additions in machinery and plant which they An expedition, under the leadership Major Helpman, consisting of 12 monitors, has left Southampton, Eng., for the No.

west Territories of Canada by the ster

ship St. Paul. The expedition is co ed of practical men, all of and social standing in En They are heading for the Klondike. The Brantford authorities of th ginion Cotton Co.'s mills here nothing of the reported removal of mills to Three Rivers, but Mr. White said that the works would have ither enlarged or removed.

UNCLASSIFIED. Old Sol has 160,000 miles of sun sp At Proctor, Pa., some tannery

ve. contracted anthrax from ditimel accident whereby two men harles W. Smith of Minneapol just secured a patent on a process for verying soft coal into a fuel which i ed superior to any anthracite he libel suit brought by William against The Hamilton Herald offer, was dismissed on Saturday

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报) L prominent London manager is pr ing to produce Oscar Wilde's late affer a thinly-veiled pseudonym. 11 Jappes Gazette says: "The manage fally to grash the fact that this dr tist's career at respectable London houses must be considered closed." CRIME AND CRIMINALS.

Whiert W Wood has been comn year and a half to Central Pris attappting to swindle workmen at Ott Holice Magi-trate O'Chira of Ortawa pd Constable McLaughlin for st ing Kayler Daoust, a supposed thief, the latter was trying to escape arrest. This May & Co.'s wavehouse at Mont and style \$000 worth of silks and ribb after which he was arrested and locked New plended drunkenness.

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trade thorses with William Hogg sub-quently traded again with Robert Watso and finally disposed of Watson's horsgan Drydop's rig at Hamilton's Hotel for a si yer watch, a ring and se. Charles Zanoli, the barber who have lected insurance, upon the lives of four wives; a mother in law, a daughter and a inplaye, and who has pleaded guilty of befrauding an insurance company, gain arraighed in court Sacarday. cain protested his innocence of havin used the death of any of the insured. The pressure brought to bear by the bressure brought to bear by the British Minister at Washington and will not exequite Ed. Underwood of Wood stock, Out, who was extradited a year on a murder charge, of which he was acquitted, only to be arrested on two charges of burglary and sintenged to be hanged, in violation the Treaty of Extradition between

Feat Britain and the United States.

New Year's Abroad. The "American abroad" sticks to the assidulty. This is due probably more addesign to be in harmony with the cus toms of the county. The American col onles in London, Berlin and Paris mak onies in London, Derlin and Paris make the first day of the year the occasion for an elaborate interchange of visits that not only include Americans in the list, but also all the notable residents with whom they may be on calling terms. In these rapitals, of course; utmost formal-ities are observed, and the functions of the day it jealously carried out, as they generally are, call for a considerable dis-play of "staylog" qualities. When the play of "staylog" qualities. When the American embassador keeps open house, naturally the chief interest ecinera about his establishment. When the particularly pleasant duty of visiting him has been accomplished, then the people settle down to a vigorous pursuit of each other, striving as far as possible to be at two or more places at once. This is especially miticable in Paris, where the American custom is modeled closely on that which obtains in official circles. Paris gives itself up completely to call on this day, and they are regulated by the most exact rules of procedure. Every man is expectand they are regulated by the most exact riles of procedure. Every man is expected to call dist on the superior next above him and then to harry home to receive the inferior next beneath him.

Politeness at Home.

In family life do not let familiarity swallow up all courtesy. Many of us have a habit of saying to those with whom we live such 'shings as we say allout strangers behind their backs. There is no place, however, where real peliteness is of more value than where we mostly think it would be superfluous. You may say more truth, or ruther spoak you may say more truth, or rather spoak nibre plainly to your associates, but you ought not to do it less courteously than you would speak to strangers.

Nomenclature of the Months. The Roman year originally began with Much, and September, October, November and December were the proper mimes for the first four months, as the rear had but ten. When Jabuary and F-bruary were added, however, the names became entirely inapprepriate, but nevertheless have by general custom been retained in spite of the error.

Timber Policy-The Coming Session the Dominion Parliament.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—The center of pol may take concerning the timber issue, the Conservatives are determined to make it the chief question for discussion in the tical gravity has shifted from the Foderal capital to the commercial metropoli Down in Montreal there is trouble of omewhat serious nature in the Liberal amp. We hear that an alliance between Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Sir Adolphe Chapleau and Hon. Israel Turte is on the tapis. As was stated in this correspondence last week, Sir Adolphe is a particularly strong man in Quebec. The settlement of the Manitoba school case is not considered satisfactory by the Liberal Administration at Winnipeg, and it is not looked on with favor by the Laurier Government. The plan is to compass a new arrangement; in arriving at which Sir at the Patrons, who asked longing at the Patrons, who lone unjoin a Adolpho is to give his aid. Mr. Francois were either Conservatives or Lipenia. as to state that Sir Wilfrid had promised commission shall be formed to enquire into the whole affair, and that Sir Adolphe shall give the Government his aid in arriving at a settlement. The Ontario Liberals see no reason why the question should be reopened, and, consequently, they are disposed to side with Mr. Langelier. At present writing it is impossible accurately to predict how the issue will end. Thomas Greenway, the Premier of Manitoba, has been in Ontario for a week. He is never communicative to newspaper men, but during the present visit he has been completely dumb. Another visitor from the West has been Hon, Joseph Martin, the man who didmore than anybody else in Canada to place the Liberals where they are. It 1 not the province of the writer of an independent letter to try to explain the inner workings of any political party. All that we know is that Mr. Martin did not receive the portfolio which he con fidently expected. A new king arose in Clifford Sifton and Joseph Martin has

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session. They each desire to give the country a high idea of their devasion above anything mean or petty. Of course, as the session goes on we may expect more vigorous speeches, but so far the talk has been mild and ladylike in the extreme Evan Mr. St. John wild in the Trouble Among the Liberals in Montreal.

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The Local House—The Conservatives in the Local House—The Local House—The Liberals in the Liberals in the Local House—The Liberals in the Liberals in the Liberals in the Local House—The Liberals in the but onep orcine occupant. The Conservatives' Timber Policy.

No matter what action the Governme

the Conservatives are determined to make it the chief question for discussion in the coming campaign. Even if the Government falls in with the Opposition views, the electors will be assired that the Conservative's policy has been stolen by the wicked Liberals. The Ministerialists assert: that it will be beyond the Conservatives greatly to interest the agricultural constituencies of the province in he timber question, and the agricultural constituencies, they point out, dompise his timber question, and the agricultural sobstituencies, they point out, compose two-thirds of the ridings of the province. Mr. Whitney and his colleagues intend to carry out their programme nevertholess. They anticipate an election early in March and have made arrangements to two most of their timely or whiles, until give most of their time to politics until Langelier has long been an aspirant for the Lieutemant-Governorship of Quebes; in fact, he went so far a few weeks ago, as to state that Sir Wilfrid had promised as to state that Sir Wilfrid had promised as to state that Sir Wilfrid had promised him the post. But Sir Adolphe also seeks the place, which is worth ten thousand dollars a year. The proposition is that a commission shall be formed to the control of the situation. Such movesock's view of the situation. Such move-ments as Patronism are always ephomeral, no matter how strong may be the min-who are associated with them. How many Patrons were elected to the Legis-lature in 1891? Seventeen, And how many to the House of Commons two years later? Three, Nothing else is needed to prove the truth of the statement that the movement is losing strength. And lif-caunot be denied that the Patrons have been a lower for good in the Lordstream. gen a power for good in the Legislatur been a power for good in the legacity first may not always have been honest, and the love they always have been honest, and the love to do what was right. Their legacity is the love to do what was right. of sirength has not been ascribable any inherent weakness in themselves, is he result simply of the old trulb the inference like ours there is room foult two great political parties. Me will follow a new movement for a timbut they usually return to their first low in the new organization they meet ne associates, men who formerly were withe o her parry. Human matures weatness prevents their making firm frience of these men, and, when the enthesias has effective deep them and the methods as the section of these men, and when the enthesias has effective deep them. Mention was made not long ago of a tinguished recruit to Paronism, in lawful day Professor Sinith is at the office of the Weekly Sun, which the not controls. There this Radical by choic and aristograt by birth and adequate grinds out his interesting articles—of lather than the controls. asm compelled to return to the active prointed man, Mr. Martin has no kindly ines towards Mr. Greenway, Mr. Sif-

THE PARSON AND HIS USUAL CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

conversation with him the other day, when he prophesied the certain downfall of the Greenway Government. He printed out that the constituency of furtle Mountain, in which in a bye-election the Greenwaytes the other day unificat a reverse, is very near the provincial Premier's own riding of Mountain. From this fact Mr. Martin drew the inference that Greenway's strength in the province is diminishing. Of course, we must not place too much reliance on the judgment of a disappointed politician, who is not usually prone to force this real or fancial wrongs. Nevertheless, should - Martin enter the next provincial campaign as an anti-Greenway man he will cortainly do anti-Greenway man he will cortainly do
the administration a great deal of harm.
The Manitobans do not forget that Martin was the first man to make a move in
the direction of the abolition of Separate
schools, and it is underliable that this
policy commended itself to the overschools, and it is undeniable that this policy commended itself to the overwhelming majority of the voters of the province. Greenway, Cameron, Sifton and the other Ministers simply stole Martin's policy and then worked with out Martin's policy and then workedwin out of the Government. The gentlemen now in power at Winnipeg have done little but follow out Martin's own plan of action, and their success has been due to his farsightedness. It will be no supprise if Mr. Greenway should find some difficulty in retaining power, atthough Hugh John Macdonald, the new leader of the Opposition in the Legislature, has few aides who will be valuable in a campaign. of the Government. The gentlem

The Local House. The first division has been taken in the The first division has been taken in the Ontario Legislature, and the Government's majority stands at twenty-toven so far as its thinber policy is concerned. The latrons voted straight with the Liberals, Leader Haycock having proposed an amendment expressing satisfaction at the Administration's promise to bring down legislation that should give the people of the province adaquete protection. Before this Mr. Miscampbell, one of the Conservatives, had moved an amendment consuring the Government for its inaction. The astute Mr. Hardy seems to be following out the French mimes for the first four months, as the maines for the first four months, as the star and but ten. When January and February were added, however, the names became entirely inappropriate, but nevertheless have by general custom been retained in spite of the error implied.

The Professor's Mistake.

"What made Grumpy so mad when the phrenologist said he had a great love for little children?"

"Because the lump the professor was feeling was caused by a baseball with which a small boy accidentally struck Grumpy. He's been laying for the kid over since."—Detroit Free Press.

"Amendment' consuring the Government to the First for its thaction. The astute Mr. Hardy and out the First proved to be following out the

ins, where his speeches are always listened to with attention. Dr. Smith has gone
into newspaper work for an usement, and
does not intend to run the sun on morelymaking lines. He will not find much
difficulty in doing so. Anybody can own
a newspaper, if he possess the necessary
cash. But few amateurs make money out
of the business.

The Coming : ession. Owing to the little family, disagree ment in Quebec, it is not probable that the next session of the Dominion Parlia-ment will open before the beginning of

by which the Government retains each alternate chaim, is unfair to the miners. Major Walsh has forwarded a preliminary report on the question, and Hon. Clifford Sicton, during his trip this autumn, ascertained that our own miners as well as the Americans were strongly against the present system. It is certain as well as the Americans were strongly against the present system. It is certain that extensive changes will be made in the reugintions. D. W. Davis, the Collector of Customs at Dawson City, is to be given extensive judicial powers. At first it was intended to confer these powers on Major Walsh, but it is believed that the Major will have plenty to keep his hands full as administrator of the district. The new regulations will be put in force as soon as the district shall become accessible in the spring.

Solved at Last. Barker prides himself on never say ing an unkind word of the absent." "Oh, that's it, is it?" That's what? What are you getting

Why, I have been wondering for long time what it was about Barker conversation that made it so hopeless dull."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Postmaster-General Makes Provision for Carrying Mails

he Mounted Police Force in the Yukon t Be Materially Increased - A New Money Order System for Canada Postal Notes to Replace Postonice Orders - U. S. Reciprocity Commissioner Foster's First Offer to Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Offer to Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—Postmaster-General Mulock has authorized the despatch of a mail from Victoria to the soveral places, on the Stickeen route to the Yukon from Wrangel to Lake Teslin. The courier will leave Victoria about January 5. The mail will be confined to letters, the nature of the route precluding the convoyance of bulkier matter. Gldnora, Telegraph Crook and Teslin Lake are the chief places on this route.

Increase of Stounted Police.

It has been decided to increase the force of police in the Yukon from 90, as at present, to 250, of which probably 100 will be stationed at Dawson. The balance will be stationed at Selkirk, Tagish, the Dalton Trail, the Stickeen and Hootalingua route; and at one or two other points in the territory. The first detachment of thirty will be sent up at New Year's, sailing probably on at New Year's, cailing probably on ry 5th. New Money Order System.

Canada will adopt the postal note system in vogue in the United Kingdom.
Mr. Mulock has been studying the question for some months, and is now contion for some months, and is now considering the details, with a view of bringing the system line operation on July 1, 1898. Paper notes about the size of a bank bill will be printed on thin linen paper of the following denomina-tions: 20, 25, 30, 3), 50, 60, 70, 80, and 90 conts, \$1, \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50, \$3, \$4 and \$5. The cost of obtaining these notes will be one cent each up to 40 cents, two cents between that figure and \$2.50, and three cents each for all above that. These, three cents each for all above that. These postal notes will replace the postoffice money orders for the transmission of all amounts throughthe post. The present money order system is a cumbersome and indirect method, and wastes much time. It will be continued however, with some improvements, for the transmission of sums up to \$100. These postal notes will serve a great public convenience, doing away with the payment of accounts in postage stamps, the postal notes being payable at any money order office without the identicitation of the payer or any condition other than the presentation of the out. It is expected that the rates low as they are fixed, will give a small profit. The system is very popular in England. The number of notes issued in 1881-3, a year after the system was

Sir Louis Davies and Mr. Adams, of the British Embassy Mr. Foster proposed: Sir Louis Davies and Ar. Adams, of the British Embassy, Mr. Foster proposed:
First, that the Governments of Great
Britain and the United States agree at come to a modus vivendi providing for a complete suspension of the killing of the Cocan and Behring Sea for one year from December, 1847, and for the suspension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the content of the providing to the suspension of all the killing of scals on the content of the providing to the pension of all the killing of scals on the content of the providing to the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of the pension of all the killing of scals on the pension of pension of all the killing of seals on the Pribyloff Islands for the same period. Second, that the British Ambassador Second, that the British Ambassador and one or more representatives of the Canadian Government on one part, and such representatives as may be designated by the President of the United States on the other part, shall, with as little delay as possible, take up for consideration, with a view to settlement by means of treaty stipulations the fur seal question, protection of fish the fur seal question, protection of fish in the waters of the rivers and lakes contiguous to the United States and contiguous to the United States and Canada, the subject of reciprocal emigra-

tion, commercial reciprocity, or any other unsettled question between the United Governments may so proper to bring forward.

GREAT FIRE AT MONCTON.

midnight Moncton's worst fire for many years broke out at the corner of Manchester, N. H., Dec. 21.—Notices of a ten per cent. reduction in wages on and Wesley streets, in the business contro of the city, and for at hour it looked as it a general conflagration-sweeping the cast end of the city was certain. The property destroyed is F. P. Reid Co., wholesale grocery, general book store, owned by Truro firm, Ruddick's block, totally destroyed; George Vies, building, general wreck; the designal Manchester in the California of Manchester in owned by Truro, firm, Buddick's block, totally destroyed; Georgo Vies, building, general wreck; the deiginal Methodist church, and formerly as Salvation barracks; Mooro's barber shop, Horsonhorn's fur store, Comor's restaurant, P. A. McGowan's overhead residence; Mrs. J. G. Dobson's millinery store, all destroyed. In nearly overy case the first

destroyed. In nearly overy case the fire made a clean sweep, and not oven a wall is left. Less \$40,000; insurance \$23,000. AN ACT OF TREACHERY.

Col. Joaquin Ruise, an A.D.C. of Marshs Blanco, Put to Death by Cuban Insurgents. . /. of the case.

Havana, Dec. 20.—The killing of Lieut.-Col. Joaquin Rulse, an aide-decamp of Marshal Blanco, the Capitain-Goneral of Cuba, by the insurgents under Col. Aranguerin, is confirmed. Rulse was recently sent to confer with the insurgents. He proceeded to the enemy's country on Monday last, having proviously written a letter to Aranguerin announcing his coming. Last night a Consular employe, Senor Tosca, who had been commissioned by United States Consul-General Lee to make inquiries, returned from Campo. Florido, three leagues distant from che insurgents' he met outposts of Aranguerin's force, and that the chief of the party confirmed the report that on his arrival Col. Rulse was met by Aranguerin and an escort of 13 men, who received him warmly. Rulse urged the party to accept autonomy, and congratulated himself that he would induce them to return with him to the next session of the Dominion Parlia them will open before the beginning of February. Joseph Israel has changed his tastes, doesn't be the soft or retirement by the Conservative press, but, unless Joseph Israel has changed his tastes. He proceeded to the enemy's country on Monday ast, having proviously written a letter to Aranguerin. Sir Wilfrid and he is about the ablest political organizer in Canada. Sir Wilfrid Sir Wilfrid and he is about the ablest political organizer in Canada. Sir Wilfrid and he is about the ablest political organizer in Canada. Sir Wilfrid and who would enderse, but, as Tarte says: "Results show." By which he means that success atones for a multitude of sins. The first man to leave the Cabinet will probably be Sir Henri Joly, who has no political strength, who is getting old, and who would be quite content to accept a Governorship or a Semetorship. Beausalel or Choquette will get the portfolio of Inland Revenue, and the unsuccessful aspirant will go on the bench. I hear that the more and the unsuccessful aspirant will go for the bench. I hear that the Rlondiko mining, laws. It is felt that the alternate chains seath by which the Government chains each which the fine content to accept a made in the Klondiko mining, laws. It is felt that the alternate chains seath any of the process of the seather to the content of the party to accept autonomy, and congratulated himself that he would induce them to return with him to the miners, and that the object of his visit, they demanded the application of the death penalty more any report on the question, and Hondian and Ho

orders the inaction of the death penalty upon all persons what attempt to induce the chiefs of the rebellion to surrender.

In compliance with their demands a court-martial was formed and the sentence of death was passed upon Ruise.

Senor Tosca adds that Aranguerin stood aloof during the trial and allowed the death sentence to be parried out. Col. Ruise was executed with a muchete.

The affair is the general tiple of conversation in cafes, theatres and clubs. Col. Ruise was very popular here. It is understood that he offered his services to Marshal Blanco for the purpose of inducing Aranguerin to surrender, as the inducing Aranguerin to surrender, as the latter had been formerly employed by Ruiss when he was constructing th Vento waterworks.

OXFORD PROHIBITIONISTS.

paring for the Plebiscite. Woodstock, Ont., Dec. 20.—The Oxic Woodstook, Ont., Doc. 20.—The Oxford Prohibition Association held its annual meeting Saturday afterneon in the Town Hall. Representatives from the various municipalities of the county were present and a good deal of enthudasm was mani-

ested regarding the Dominion plet and also the approaching provincial alco-tions. Roy. Dr. Mackay, President, opened the meeting, saying: "We will sing the grand old pealm that our force fathers so frequently sang when fighting against unjust laws." The 46th Peals

was then sung.

A resolution was passed characterising the late license law legislation as not an accommodity. poorable full ment of the covernment of the plottees or an adequate response to the people's demands. Another resolution called up a the friends of temperands to attend all meetings for the purpose of selecting representatives for municipal or laborators suppressed and to have parliamentary purposes, and to make their influence felt as Christian cittiens, A resolution was also passed commit-ting the association to the selection of a candidate in the approaching provincial

WOMAN HORRIBLY BURNED.

Mrs, Poters, in Saving Her Children, Reocived Fatal injuries. Walkerville, Ont., Doc. 20.-A Mr. Peters had left for work about fifteen minutes before, and Mrs. Peters has not been able to tell anything about it. It is supposed the children's clothing caught to extinguish the flames her own clothing caught. The She ran out doors and caught. The She ran out doors and then ran into the house next door, occupied by James Chitules, where the burning clothing was torn from her. Her hair was burned off and hardly a square mich of her body but is ballly burnt. She was also burnt internally. She is now in the Hotel Dicu, Windsor.

ELLIOTT GETS FIVE YEARS.

Judgo Masson Declines to Reservo a Case -Will Move for a New Trial. Goderich, Dec. 20.—Saturday morning Judgo Masson gave judgment in the charge of manslaughter against Frederick Elliott. Mr. Proudfoot, for the defence, offered a number of objections on which

England. The number of notes issued in 1881-2, a year after the system was established, was a little over 4,000,000, which had increased in 1880-7 to 67,000, 000 notes.

Text of Mr. Foser's First Offer.

The original offer made by Hon. J. W. Foster, United States Commissioner, in regard to the seal question, has been given out by the authorities here. The protocol reads: At a conference, November 10th with Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Sir Louis Dayles and Mr. Adams, of

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Sunday Morning Blazo at Oshawa.

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The coroner's jury has rendered a 5.55. 21. Archer," the man who killed Actor William Terriss in London last Thurs-

Belleville, Dec. 21.—Robert McDonald, who stole an overcost gold watch and chain, was yesterday scatteneed to a your in the Central.

Mrs. Mitchell, whose effects were about to be sold for rent, uncerthed \$500 from

Had His Leg Smashed. Had His Leg Smashed.

Hospeler, Ont., Ded. 20.—Allen Groff, a f.rm hand employed by Absolin Snyder, about three miles forth of herp, on Saturday morning was engaged by felling a tree, which toppled towards him, instead of falling the other way, and in trying to get out of its way, lo slipped and fell, the tree falling across his right log, resulting in a compound comminuted fracture. He was removed to the Galt Hospital Sunday by Dr. Lockhart, of this place, who has charge of the case.

A School Missienary. Montreal, Dec. 20.—Hon. A. C. Larlvere, M.P. for Provencher, Man., is in
town on a private mission respecting the
Manitoba School question. He will visit
the various Catholic prolates of the
Province of Quelec, to urge the necessity
of keeping up. the agitation for the
restoration of Catholic separate schools
Mr. Lariviere contented himself with
declaring that the rights of the minority
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Voted for the Bonus. St. John's, Que., Dec. 20.—The bonus upon which the town has been voting for two days in favor of the Lafebvre vine gar factory of Montroal was carried by large majority.

His Apology The Lake City (Fla.) Reporter says that at a camp incerting recently held near Lakeland a minister at the beginning of his discourse said he had forgotten his notes and excused himself as follows: "I will have to depend upon the Lord for what I say this morning; this evening I will come better prepared.

Not the Military Sort, However. Fosdick-Hemphill has joined the na-Fosmes—
tional guard.
Keedick—He'll make a good militiaman.
What makes you think so? I thought "That s what I mean. He's done a great deal of Courier Journal."

An Inviting Poem. "This," enid the Kansas editor, looking over the top of his spectacles, "is the most inviting manuscript I have received for a long time." long time."
"What is it?" asked the foreman. "A poem, beginning, Come drink with me."—Chicago News.

"Poets," said the man who writes in verse, "are born, not made."
"Possibly, possibly," returned the weary critic, "but of late I have been incolined to the belief that they are neither in the new overcest

HAPPY GIRL

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Miss Amina Kelly, a well known

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der at my duty to let you know what 5 out would ful medicine has done for mp. In April, 1896, I began to lose losh and color; my appetite failed and on going ap stairs I would be so tired would have to rest. I continued a his condition for three months, when you taken suddenly ill and not able to go about. Our family doctor was called in and he pronounced my ill ness chloresis apperty of the blood, At first his treatment appeared to do ne good, but only for a time, and I then agan to grow worse. I continued walkorvillo, Ont., Dec. 20.—A sad assisted to three merels accident occurred here Saturday improved ing, in which Mrs. Peters, of Limola avenue, was so badly burned that she will probably not recover. Her children also app badly burned, one seriously. No conserved, as Mr. Peters had left for work about fifteen the different properties of the current of the conserved as Mr. Peters had left for work about fifteen threat left in the stignest properties of the current of the conserved as merels and the stignest properties of the current of the conserved as the conserved as the current of the conserved as the current of the current o mulicing advertised to cure case line state has did not obtain the slighten ed and weak. There was a con tout terrible roaring noise in my head my fort jains ankles were swollen and I vas as pale as a corpse. while is this condition my follow Pile and asked me to try the parties than a week I could sit up and a could sit up and a could sit up and distance without being tired. My posite rejurned, the rouring a my ed confect. I began to gain desh at calor will before I had used a half Cor lokes I was as healthy as I ha! er decrein my life. My friends & 1 of expect me to recover and are now polying at the wonderful charge to Wham I'nk Pills have wrough in

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