Terrible Tragedy in Small Apart= ment House in Buffalo.

A despatch from Buffalo, N. Y., says: | flames and smoke, lost their way and extra, 50c asked outside. Four lives were snuffed out and one per- were overcome. son was fatally burned in a small fire in the Zenobia apartment house on on the third floor. They, with a nurse, Prospect Avenue, at the corner of West Ida Schambacher, and Mrs. Crumlish's shipment. No. 2 mixed, 35%c bid 5c rate in that section. The crops are reported of cottages which rise above this sheet Huron Street, on Wednesday night. baby, were the only other occupants of to Toronto, 35%c asked. Other occupants of the place had narrow escapes, half a dozen being rescued by the firemen.

ter of Mrs. C. Crumlish, and Mrs. J. J. Fisher, of New York.

which the victims, confused by the joining house.

Mr. and Mrs. Lambrecht were visiting asked. Mrs. Crumlish, who occupied apartments the room when the fire started. Mrs. Crumlish had gone to a drug store to get medicine for the baby.

It is supposed that the Lambrechts, The dead are:-F. M. Lambrecht, 40 thinking that the fire would not be seri- 90 per cent. patents or export, buyers' Elmwood Avenue; Mrs. Lambrecht; ous, delayed taking the sick baby out bags, outside, \$2.65 bid; Manitoba first Ruth Crumlish, three years old, daugh- into the cold air until it was too late, patents, \$4.50; second, \$4; bakers', \$3.90. and all of them were overcome by smoke. The nurse, who had been dismissed for The building was flatiron-shaped, the night, escaped by jumping from her and had narrow, winding hallways, in bedroom window to the roof of an ad-

BED OF COBALT LAKE SOLD.

For the Sum of One Million and Eightyfive Thousand Dollars.

Canadian syndicate's tender of \$1,085,000 bill amending the election law has not for the purchase of the portion of the yet been finally passed upon by the Cabibed of Cabalt Lake still vested in the net, but it is understood that compulsory Crown, and comprising 46 acres, has voting will be one of the features of the been accepted by the Government. The legislation which will be submitted to tender was accompanied by a marked Parliament shortly after it reassembles. cheque for ten per cent. of the purchase tender was signed on behalf of over 600 subscribers to shares in the syndicate, years thereafter. the vast majority of them Canadians, by Pellatt & Pellatt and Messrs. Britton recommended by two special commit-Osler, Toronto; Thos. Birkett, Geo. F. Henderson and D. B. Rochester, Ottawa, and Raymond Mancha, Detroit.

was oversubscribed by several hundred, will lose his rights, however, who has thousands of dollars. The parties who were late in getting their money in will, ness or any other good and sufficient it is understood, receive consideration in the formation of the company which to the local judge will save anyone from is to be formed. The company will be called Cobalt Lake Mining Company, and will have a capital of between

\$4,000,000 and \$6,000,009. The highest tender for Kerr Lake, \$51,500, made by Americans, was considered too low. New tenders may be called for offers for the purchase of the

lake. Mr. T. A. Beament, Ottawa.

were received which did not comply paper mills in Canada at La Tuque. The with the forms of the tenders as clearly company is capitalized at three million set forth in the advertisements. One was | dollars, and will be known as the Queaccompanied by an uncertified cheque, bec Industrial Company, with Mr. Her-In another case the Government was bert J. Brown, of Portland, Me., presioffered a cash payment and a block of dent. stock in the company to be formed if the offer was accepted. The Government held that it would not be justified in deviating from the advertised terms:

BRYCE FOR WASHINGTON.

British Government Enquires if He Will be Acceptable.

A despatch from Washington says: The British Government has enquired of the State Department if James Bryce, Chief Secretary for Ireland in the Government at London, would be acceptable to the United States as the King's Ambassador to succeed Sir Mortimer Durand, who is to retire from active service soon. The appointment of Mr. Bryce, it is learned, would be perfectly satisfactory to this Government, although the State Department has made no formal reply to the Foreign Office in London. It is expected he will come to America to take up his new mission late in February or early in March. Sir ton shortly after Christmas.

MUST CAST BALLOT OR LOSE RIGHT.

Compulsory Voting Part of the Election Reform Bill.

A despatch from Toronto says: A | A despatch from Oltawa says: The

Any qualified voter who neglects, price, viz., \$108,500, and the balance without good excuse, to exercise the must be paid within fifteen days. The franchise at a Parliamentary election shall be disqualified from voting for six

Legislation in this direction has been tees of the House in recent years. The Government measure will impose several penalties for anyone under this disquali-The money required by the syndicate lication who attempts to vote. No one been prevented from voting through illreason, and in such cases an application the penalty that his non-attendance at the polls would otherwise incur.

BIG TIMBER DEAL IN QUESEC.

American Syndicate Purchases Bradley to 41c per bushel, ex-store. Limits at La Tugue.

A despatch from Quebec says: Thursfor mining leases of three parcels of land industrial pursuits was completed. A on the right of way of the Temiskaming syndicate of gentlemen from Portland, & Northern Ontario Railway, in addition | Maine, identified with the Berlin N. H. to a royalty of 25 per cent. on the gross | Paper Company, have purchased the value of ore mined, was accepted. This Breakey syndicate of timber limits at La tender was made by Messrs. Millar, Fer- Tuque for a quarter of a million dollars, guson & Hunter, barristers, Toronto, and and La Tuque water-power and other properties, involving one million dol-In the case of Cobalt Lake two tenders | lars, and will erect the largest pulp and

NO FAITH IN BANKS.

Woman Trusted Pocket Alone, But the \$6,000 Vanished.

A despatch from Philadelphia, Pa., says: Mrs. Ella V. Kober was robbed of \$6,000 by a pickpocket in a holiday crowd in the shopping district here on Monday. The money was paid Mrs. Kober by the Pennsylvania Railroad in settlement of a claim on the death of her husband, who was killed in the recent electric railroad wreck near Atlantic City. Mrs. Kober had no faith in banks, and had refused to accept a check from the railroad in payment of the claim, and demanded cash. She received thirty \$100 and six \$500 notes, which she sewed in a secret pocket in an underskirt. While shopping with a friend she discovered that the pocket had been cut from her skirt and the money taken.

The French Government has ordered Mortimer Durand will leave Washing- | prosecutions for holding religious services discontinued for the present.

A British Officer Commits Suicide While Insane.

Major-Gen. Guise Tucker, formerly com- two miles from his residence.

was returned.

A despatch from London says: At the | ganger under one of the bridges crossinquest on the decapitated body of ing the railway near Cosham Station,

mandant of the Royal Marine Artillery | The medical opinion was that the at Eastney Barracks, Portsmouth, which | General had deliberately placed his head was found on the London and South- on the line before an approaching train. Western Railway at Cosham, a verdict | Gen. Tucker, who was on the retired | port ewes, and \$3 to \$3.50 for bucks. of "suicide while temporarily insane" list, saw service in the Egyptian campaign in 1882, and fought in the engage-The evidence showed that the General ments at Kassassin and Tel-el-Kebin, had recently been depressed by ill- and was mentioned in despatches. He health, thoughh he had not been medi-lalso served in the Eastern Soudan camcally attended. On Tuesday evening he paign in 1884, and was mentioned in left his home at Purbrook Common, say- despatches for seizing one of the enemy's ing he was going to post some letters. Krupp guns and turning it upon them. He was not seen alive again, and his He gained the nick-name of "Krupp stated that a war at the present time infected with the disease. This is the of £50,000 for the discovery of a rembody was found by a plate-layers' Tucker" by this exploit.

BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Dec. 24.-Wheat-Ontario-Winter wheat, No. 2 white, 69c bid, 70c asked; No. 2 red, 69c bid, 71c asked east. No. 2 mixed, 70c asked outside. Spring, No. 2 loose, 65c bid east, 68c asked C.P.R. north; 66%c asked east.

Wheat-Manitoba, No. 1 northern, 801/2c bid, Owen Sound; 81c asked, Point

Edward. Barley-No. 2, 51c bid C.P.R.; No. 3

Oats-No. 2 white, 361/2c asked 5c rate to Toronto; 36%c bid for 5 cars January

Buckwheat-No. 2, 55c asked outside. Bran-Very scarce, \$17 to \$17.50;

shorts, \$18 to \$19.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

	Butter-The market for good very steady:	l butter	is
	Creamery	25c to	270
	do, solids		
	Dairy prints	22c to	
1	do, pails		
	do, tubs		20c
	Inferior	15c to	18c
	Cheese-Prices are holding	g firm	at
	131/2c for large and 14c for tv		
	Eggs-Storage, 23c to 24c;	limed, 2	22c.
	New-laid are quoted at 30c.		
	Poultry Drigge danged or	form c	iter

which is very varied: Chickens, dressed 7c to 9c Fowl 6c to 10c Ducks 8c to 10c Geese 7c to 9c Turkeys 11c to 13c

in car lots here; eastern, 65c to 70c. Baled Hay-\$11.50 to \$12 for No. timothy and \$9 for No. 2 in car lots iron ore for the season was 27,513,589 the Orange Free State, and at the en-

Baled Straw-Firm at \$6.50 to \$7 in car lots here.

MONTREAL MARKETS

Montreal, Dec. 24.-A firm tone pre vails in the local market, but very little business being done. Buckwheat-56c to 56% per bushel,

ex-store.

3 mixed, 54c ex-store. Oats-On spot, No. 2 white, 421/2c; No. 3 white, 41½c to 42c; No. 4, 40½c

\$1.10 in jobbing lots.

\$21.50 to \$22; milled mouillie, \$21 to notified the chief of police, who placed ties. \$25; straight grain, \$28 to \$29 per ton. the man under arrest. At headquarters car lots, \$2.10 in jobbing lots.

\$10.50 to \$11 per ton in car lots.

11%c; barrels plate beef, \$12 to \$13; half- been operating. barrels do, \$6.50 to \$7; barrels heavy mess beef, \$11; half-barrels do, \$6; compound lard, 81/4c to 9c; pure lard, 121/2c to 13c; kettle rendered, 131/2c to 14c; hams, 13c to 14%c, according to size; breakfast bacon, 15c to 16c; Windsor bacon, 15c to 16c; fresh killed abattoir dressed hogs, \$9 to \$9.25; alive, \$6.50 to

Eggs-The market is in a very quiet condition. A good local trade has been done; new-laid, 35c; late fall selects, 25c

\$6.75.

BUFFALO MARKET.

Buffalo, Dec. 24. - Flour - Steady Wheat-Spring, quiet; No. 1 northern No. 2 white, 47%c. Barley-Very strong; Western, in store, quoted 52c to 62c. Rye-Dull; nothing done.

NEW YORK WHEAT MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 24.- Wheat-Spot easy; No. 2 red, 79c in elevator and 81%c f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, 84%c c.i.f. Buffalo; No. 2 hard winter, 78%c c.i.f. Buffalo.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Toronto, Dec. 224.—Quietness was the predominant feature at the Western Market to-day. No good straight loads of exporters'

cattle were on the market. The prices were almost nominal, the range being \$4.25 to \$4.75 per cwt.

Picked butchers' cattle, \$4.35 to \$4.70; heavy butchers', \$4 to \$4.30; fat cows, \$3.25 to \$3.60; common cows, \$1.50 to \$3 per cwt.

Short keeps, \$3.75 to \$4; feeders, \$3.25 to \$3.70; stockers, \$1.75 to \$3 per cwt, according to quality.

Sheep and lambs were steady at \$5.25 to \$6.25 for lambs; \$4.50 to \$4.75 for ex-Hogs were quoted at \$6.15 for selects,

and \$5.90 for lights and fats. Milch cows were steady to firm. Prices ranged from \$25 to \$55 each.

would reduce Europe to bankruptcy.

Great Famine Follows Total Failure of Crops.

A despatch from Washington says: | formerly was a ferlile plain is a vast the famine in North Kiangsu, China, con-Flour-Dull; Ontario, \$2.70 asked for and the people are compelled to wade fuel being destroyed by the floods."

t their necks. Immediately west of Tsingho what 000,000.

Peas-No. 2, 79%c bid outside, 81c Official advices received here regarding lake extending 20 miles at the narrowest point and stretching for over 40 miles toward the south-west. "Here and firm the stories of suffering and want there," the prefect says, "are the groups as being almost a total failure to Tao of water and can only be reached by Yuen. In Antong and Fung Townships | boats. The people are in a state of abthe crops practically are a total failure. solute destitution, not only their crops The country everywhere is under water | but also the reeds which constitute their

> often waist deep and in some cases, up | An urgent appeal is made for aid for the stricken people, who number 15,-

PROFIT IN LAKE BOATS.

For Freights.

before was so much money paid for Fiset, D.S.O., has been appointed Decarrying freight in lake vessels as dur- puty Minister of Militia and Defence 'o ing the season just closed. A rough es- succeed Col. Pinault. The order-intimate places it at \$61,000,000 for coal, Council appointing Col. Fiset to his poiron ore, grain and lumber. The profils sition was passed on Wednesday afterto the vessels were perhaps the largest noon. Without doubt the militia . f in the history of the lakes. Careful Canada will receive the news that an Poultry-Prices depend on quality, computations, based on the earnings of officer who has shown his sterling typical steamers, show a net profit on worth upon the battlefields of South steel ships of 13 per cent. On wooden! Africa on more than one occasion is to ships of between 3,000 and 3,500 tons become Deputy Minister with satisfaccapacity the profits have ranged as high! tion. Especially in Ottawa is the apas 30 per cent., with an average of more pointment popular. Col. Fiset is a some than 25 per cent. on their insurance val- of Senator Fiset. He went to South Potatoes-Ontario, 55c to 60c per bag, uation. The cause of this great prosper- Africa in 1899, on the first contingent, ity was the demand of the country for being connected with the Army Medical iron and steel. The total movement of | Service. He served in the operations in tons, an increase of 4,036,683 tons over gagement of Paardeberg helped to bear 1905. Grain from Duluth moved in a off the field on a stretcher Capt. Arnold, larger volume than ever before. There were shipped from the head of Lake Superior 81,608,000 bushels, as compared with 59,678,000 bushels in 1905.

SWINDLER CAUGHT.

Corn-American No. 2 yellow, 55c; No. A Bogus Cheque Operator is in the Toils at Galt.

Rolled Oats-Per bag, \$1.95 to \$2 in the man was taxed with being the party who had worked the bogus cheque game Hay-No. 1, \$13.50; No. 2, \$12.50; No. in Guelph. At first he vigorously debut finally weakened and admitted the Provisions-Barrels, short cut mess, whole thing. He said he was the son \$22 to \$24; half-barrels, \$11.25 to \$11.75; of a farmer named Horace Brown, livclear fat backs, \$23.50; long cut heavy ing near Cainsville, a short distance Patrick Langane, foreman in Burton mess, \$20.50; half-barrels do, \$10.75; from Brantford. He would make no Bros.' Camp No. 3, north of here a few dry salted long clear bacon, 10% to further statement as to how long he had miles, took a dose of carbolic acid on

GLANDERS IN WINNIPEG.

First Outbreak in Two Years-Twenty Horses Shot.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: The first outbreak of glanders to occur in Winnipeg in two years was detected Woolly Bear's Sentence Commutedtwo days ago, and on Thursday 20 to 25%c; cold storage and limed, 20c to horses afflicted were shot at the city nuisance ground. Local veterinary surgeons detected the disease, and the horses were slaughtered under their direction. James Lightfoot's board and sale stables, on Bannatyne Avenue. lost nine, while Slatter's stables, on North 87c. Corn-Strong; No. 2 yellow, 48%c; Main Street, lost ten. The odd horse belonged to a local express company. It is supposed that the disease was first contracted in the bush and brought to the city by animals brought in from the

FISET SUCCEEDS PINAULT.

Never So Much Money Was Paid Out! A South African Veteran to be Deputy Minister.

A despatch from Chicago says: Never! A despatch from Ottawa says: Col. E. who was wounded. For his distinguished bravery on this occasion he was mentioned by Lord Roberts in despatches.

MUTINOUS SAILORS SENTENCED.

The Leader of Potemkine Rebels Gets Four Years.

A despatch from Sebastopol says: Fitteen sailors who participated in the mu-A despatch from Galt says: A Galt tiny of June, 1905, on board the Russian woman's timely pointer to the police on battleship Kniaz Potemkine (now the Peas-Boiling peas, \$1 in carload lots, Thursday led to the arrest of a man Panteleimon) were sentenced on Wedwho has confessed to being a passer of nesday. The leader was condemned to Flour-Manitoba spring wheat, \$4.25 bogus cheques, and is believed to be four years penal servitude, and the A tender offering a bonus of \$38,100 day afternoon one of the largest deals in to \$4.60; strong bakers', \$3.90 to \$4.10; the swindler wanted in a number of others to serve terms in the disciplinary winter wheat patents, \$4.10 to \$4.25; Canadian towns and cities. Thursday corps, ranging from six months to two straight rollers, \$3.60 to \$3.70; do, in morning a strange man entered Joseph years. The prisoners were those of the bags, \$1.65 to \$1.75; extras, \$150 to Hall's store, New Ainslie Street, and crew who sought refuge in Roumania asked Mrs. Hall whether she had any when the Kniaz Potemkine put into Millfeed-Manitoba bran, in bags, \$20 blank cheques she could spare, as he Kustenji, where she was eventually surto \$22; shorts, \$21.50 to \$22; Ontario wanted to fill some out. Mrs. Hall su- rendered, and who subsequently gave bran, in bags, \$18.50 to \$19; shorts, spected the man, and on his departure themselves up to the Russian authori-

TOOK CARBOLIC ACID.

3, \$11.50; clover, mixed, \$11; pure clover, nied the charge, threatening reprisals, Death of Patrick Langane, Foreman in Lumber Camp.

A despatch from Magnetewan says: Wednesday night about 6 o'clock, mistaking it for cough mixture, and died from the effects in less than ten minules. The unfortunate man was a good foreman and his untimely death is very much regretted.

SAVED FROM SCAFFOLD.

Cannot Live Long.

A despatch from Ottawa says: His Excellency has commuted the sentence of death in the case of Woolly Bear, an Indian who was tried at Brandon and found guilty of killing a fellow tribesman. He was to have been executed on Friday. It was reported that remorse and confinement had so affected him that he could only live a short time. The Government therefore decided that nature and not the law should be al-Howed to take its course.

Former Montreal Doctor Achieves a Triumph in Science.

A despatch from Montreal says: One | cessfully concluded through the medimedical science has just been accomplished by an old Montrealer and graduate of McGill, at present attached to first experience that has ever been suc- edy.

of the greatest achievements in modern | um of an animal, and means a great deal to medical science.

The chimpanzee had all the symptoms of yellow fever after it had been bitten, and now, if it can be successthe Liverpool School of Tropical Medi- fully established that the disease may cine, Dr. H. Wolferstan Thomas, son of be given from the chimpanzee to the the late Wolferstan Thomas, a native human being, doctors can then proceed of Montreal, and a member of the class to the discovery of a cure through the o' medicine '97 of McGill. Dr. Thomas chimpanzee. The disease is of such a has just succeeded for the first time in serious nature, and those living in couninoculating a chimpanzee with yellow tries where it is prevalent are so anxifever from the bite of a mosquito, which | cus to find a cure for it, that the Bra-The Italian Foreign Minister has had previously bitten a human being zilian Government has offered a prize