

LESSON XI.-DEC. 15, 1907.

Commentary .- I. The Lord calls Samsel (vs. 1-10.) 1. The child Samuel-Samuel is supposed to have been about in the tabernacle was to perform those | Samuel in Shiloh. easy services which his strength would allow, such as opening the doors, lighting the lamps, etc. He did not reside in the sanctuary, but in one of the apartments around it, which were kept for forded the opportunity to fight the Philthe use of the priests and Levites. Evi- istines and deliver Israel (1 Sam. 17. the high priest, kept Samuel as his spe- 15). Gideon was threshing wheat when Samuel's instructor." Was precious-The flock of his father-in-law to the back meaning is that direct revelations from side of the desert when called to lead God had become exceedingly rare. This Israel from Egyptian bondage (Exod. 3, was because of the sinfulness of the 1-8). Elisha was plowing in the field priesthood and the people. As sinfulness when called to prophetic office (1. Kings in the individual heart drives away the 19, 19). Nehemiah was waiting on King Holy Spirit, so in the Hebrew nation it Artaxerxes, as cup-bearer, when permitdrove away the spirit of prophecy .- ted to go and rebuild Jerusalem, the Whed. Com. No open vision-Literally, home of his fathers (Neh. 2. 1, 5, 6). no divine communication was spread; To minister to the Lord in the little that is, published abroad, made known. things is the sure way to be ready for -Terry. There was no publicly recognized prophet, whom the people could II. A called child. "The Lord called consult and from whom they might Samuel." The call came in the night, learn the will of God.—J., F. & B. 2. At the still hour of darkness. Its sound

spiritual darkness. In his place-In his usual place of rest. It was in the night. 3. Ere the lamp went out .... went out—This refers to the golden lamp in plying readiness to obey. To be ever where God knows where to find us, and and burned until morning. It is proba- where our friends know where to find ble that the main lamp of the candle- us, ready to attend to any call, human stick was never allowed to go out, and or divine, ready to obey or explain, this that only the branch lamps went out is what God would have of His children. (Exod. 27; 20, 21; Lev. 24; 2, 3.) This "He ran" (v. 5.) was some time in the night, Samuel was IV. An undeveloped child, "Now Samlaid down-Near to Eli's room, within | uel did not yet know the Lord, neither want anything in the night.

by his name. Some think the call came | did not know the Lord by a special revefrom the most holy place. Here am I- lation. Many are familiar with the writ-"Being unacquainted with the visions of | ten word, and know Jesus as the incarthe Almighty, he took that to be only nate Word, who do not recognize the

5. Thou callest me-Samuel's industry | "in" the heart (Hab. 2; 1, margin). and readiness to wait on Eli, are good to who called him. In fact, the quick should again call him, "Speak, Lord, for answer to Eli's supposed call showed thy servant heareth." that he was ready to obey God as soon | VI. A listening child. "Speak, for thy as he understood it. Obedience to par- | servant heareth" (v. 10.) God speaks to

swered—He was composed this time, and ures of stone of the warrior knights, For some time past a considerable

II. The Lord's message to Samuel (vs. 11. said to Samuel-Through Samuel. similar to one which he had previously sent by a holy man (1 Sam. 2:27-36), but which did not have sufficient effect to enable Eli to compel his sons either to live a different life, or to leave the service of God.—Peloubet. the ears..... incline his thoughts toward God. The of confectionery which had apparently one's ears with pain, so the bitter tidings of Israel's woe in the judgment about to fall on Eli's house would shock all Israel.-Terry. 12. in that day-In the day when my judgments shall be meted out. "The dreadful future here predicted open with the invasion of the Philistines, recorded in the next chapter, and the disastrous victory gained by them, involving the loss of the ark, and with it the loss of the gracious presence of God in his sanctuary for more than a generation, until the ark was brought to Zion by King David (2 Sam. 6:17)." I will perform, etc.-I will bring Ten Chatham Youths Caught Redall the judgments against the house of Eli that I have spoken. The particulars of this curse we read in chapter 2:27-

tice of what the end would be of such last night after holding a cock-fight on indifference. These warnings were given the Brundage Farm in Chatham Townin love; he still had an opportunity to ship. A raid was made by county Ruliff Grass, Thomas Walmsley and John shirt the man would have been probachange his ways. will judge his house officers while the excitement was at Flett, directors of the bank at the time for ever-"I will continue to execute its highest and the men were caught judgments until it is destroyed. God re- red-handed with two game birds dogards it as iniquity to allow children to | ing battle in a pit constructed for the choose their own evil ways. Eli's sons | purpose in an old barn. were wicked. Their father knew the The barn was lighted with gasoline Lord, but he neither taught his chil- jets, which were taken from town for dren, nor restrained them by parental that purpose. One of the men got'away authority." restrained them not-He with two of the birds. Hen birds were reproved them in a weak way (1 Sam. found in the shack. The trial will come 2: 23, 24), but he did not use his au- off to-morrow morning thority and remove them from office. 14. shall not be purged-"The sons of Eli had sinned 'with a high hand' against light and warnings, and for such unrepentent, presumptuous offenders the law had no atonement. See Num. 15: 27-31."-Cam. Bib. What is spoken here relates to their temporal death only .-Clarke. Mercy for their soule salva- Dr. Kidd. Eugene Herbert Reynolds, tion was still extended to them and if they had repented they might have been

(vs. 15-18.) The boy Samuel remained skin of a healthy man could be procurnuisance this winter. The following is who was but two years his senior, pluckis an excellent tone to the trade in groceries. The demand for staple lines and on the advice of t on his couch until morning and then ed and grafted Reynolds would have their bill of fare since October 1: Six ily attempted to rescue him, but she, groceries. The demand for staple lines and on the advice of physicians His Ma-

told him all. Then said Eli, with sense of his own unworthiness, "It is the Lord; let him do what seemeth him

IV. Samuel increased in influence and power (vs. 19-21). Samuel grew and the Lord was with him filling him with grace and wisdom. God "let none of his words fall to the ground," but fulfilled His predictions and caused His counsels to be received by the people, through-out the whole extent of Palestine. All Israel knew that Samuel was faithful and a prophet of the Lord. And the twelve years old at this time. His duty | Lord continued to reveal Himself to

PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS.

A ministering child-David was min istering to the Lord in defending the sheep when sent on the errand that afcial attendant, not because such an of the call came to him to prepare to save fice was assigned him, but because of Israel from the hands of the Midianites the deep interest he felt in him. He was [Judg. 6. 11, 12]. Moses was leading the the great commission.

that time—At the time when the word was that of a human voice. He could of God was rare and there was great not tell it from the voice of Eli. There was a tenderness and sorrow and love

III. An obedient child, "Here am I." A

calling distance, if the aged man should was the word of the Lord set revealed unto him" (v. 7.) He had never heard 4. Lord called Samuel—God called him God's voice, never had had a vision and Eli's call, which was really the call of Lord in his providences and are ignorant of the still small voice of the Holy Spirit

V. An instructed child. "Speak, Lord" examples to children to come when call. (v. 9.) Eli taught the child to love the ed. He hears and runs at every call. 7. Lord. He not only kept him busy about Did not yet know the Lord-"He did not | the tabernacle work, but let him assist understand the way in which God re in the temple worship (2; 18.) When vealed himself to his prophets." Many Eli perceived that the Lord had called still fail to recognize God's call. 8. The | the child he did not hesitate nor remonthird time-The call was repeated again strate. He did not say, "The child is and again, for God saw that Samuel's too young." "He cannot understand." failure to answer was not from diso- "There must be some mistake." He bade bedience, but from lack of knowledge as | the little one say to the Lord when he

ents and teachers precedes obedience to men. Oh, what an art it is to listen! God. Eli perceived-Through the uncer- Notice the sevenfold injunction to the tainty of Samuel God was calling the at- churches. "He that hath an ear let him tention of Eli to the fact that a message hear what the Spirit saith" (Rev. 2; 7, was about to be given. "Eli could not 11, 17, 29; 3, 6, 13, 22.) God wants us but consider the preference, which the "swift to hear, slow to speak" (Jas. 1; Lord showed to a child, before himself | 19.) He wants us to think more of and family, as a severe and humiliating what he would say to us than of what we have to say to him. The angels "do 9. speak, etc.—This was the usual way his commandments, hearkening unto the in which the prophets spoke, when they voice of his word" (Psa. 103; 20.) Tellhad intimations that the Lord was about | ing God our wish and not waiting to | dred years ago. On every hand are fig- from the local sheds. did not rise, but gave attention, and ask- whose fury in conflict shook the world, number of unaccountable shortages in although it was in the name of Christ. the shipments of goods handled in the High up on the wall of the tower is a local sheds have occurred, and it was either stand, sit or lie down. In this officials of one of these shortages that "penitential cell" any knight guilty of the alleged conspiracy to defraud was crime was shut and left to starve. An unearthed. A further result of the inopening in the wall revealed the high vestigation was the arrest of William altar, so that the only glimpse of the Swinton, of the local C. P. R. shed, in outer world given the criminal should connection with the discovery of a case ness said she told him, so that she would those of the same number 143 company the character of the character of the same number 143 company the character of the same number 143 company the character of widow of one of the most criminal of been diverted from its proper course and these knights gave up her life to pray- was discovered among the goods pilfering for the pardon of his sins. She retired to a cave hewed out of a chalk cliff, making a large, circular cell. Here she lived for many years, alone, in silence. Her time was spent in prayer, and in cutting on the chalk walls figures

WERE HOLDING COCK-FIGHT.

Handed in a Barn.

A Chatham, Ont., despatch: Ten Chat-36. Divine threatenings, the less they ham youths named Albert Vandusen. are heeded, the more surely they will J. Arnold, Henry Labombard, James come, and the more heavily they will Rice, William Skinner, David Skinner, Jas. Etches, Frank Hall, Percy Moss claim of the Ontario Bank against shirt and trousers were on fire, and but 13. I have told him-God gave Eli no- and Edward Rickman were arrested

GRAFTING OPERATION.

Successfully Performed at Ottawa on Wreck Victim.

Ottawa, Dec. 9.-A remarkable grafting operation was performed to-day by who was injured in the Plantagenet wreck on Sept. 11, has lain in the hostheir doom finally came, sudden and ir- most of the flesh and skin had been

tofore considered hopeless can be cured.
Since childhood, Leo Corrigan had been tortured with the burning agony and itching of Eczema. His parents had spent a great deal of money ir con-sulting physicians and buying medicines

-but all to no purpose.

As he grew older he sought other doctors-some of them specialists. He was eleven weeks in a Toronto hospitaleight weeks in bed. At times the irritation and pain caused by the Eczema were so severe, life was a burden. He would get so bad he could not walk. Several winters he could do no work.



He wrote, on February 20, 1906: "In November, 1905, I had another attack, and was advised to use Mira Gintment. (I thought this would be like the other remedies I had tried, and of no use to me). But, to my great delight, a few hours after the first application, I felt great relief.

I have used it mean tellef.

I have used it, now, two and a half months, and unhesitatingly state that it is the best remedy I ever used. It has worked wonders for me. Since using Mira Ointment I have been able to work every day—without irritation or pain—no stiffness of the limbs or soreness.

I feel a new person.

"From a state of great irritation and sometimes excruciating pains to freedom from all such, being capable of doing hard work every day, is a marvelous change. Mira Olutment has effected it. "I strongly recommend any person afflicted with this terrible complaint—Eczess—to use

What this wonderfully effective Ointment has done in this extreme chronic case, it can do in other seemingly incurable conditions. If you suffer from any form of skin-disease, don't delay Certain relief and cure is waiting you in Mira Ointment. Get a box to-day. 50c. -6 for \$2.50. At drug-stores or from The Chemists' Co. of Canada, Ltd., Hamilton-Toronto.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST PORT ARTHUR MEN.

Goods Have Been Going Astray at the close of the prosecution's case against R. Man Was Also in It.

Port Arthur, Dec. 9.-A sensation has been caused here by the arrest of Reginald Newman, foreman in the Canadian Northern Railway local shops; Charles Carroll, shipper for Richard Roberts, produce dealer, Cumberland street, and to make some special revelation.- know his way is the cause of many a William Williamson, a teamster for Clarke. 10. came, and stood-From verse failure, but "Whoso hearkeneth shall Roberts, in connection with an alleged 15 we learn that Samuel beheld a vision dwell safely, and shall be quiet from conspiracy by which it would appear as well as heard a voice, and, therefore, fear of evil" (Prov. 1; 33.) In London that the Canadian Northern Railway it is the most natural to understand the may be seen the ancient Temple church, has for some time been systematically witness said be thought, the sounds

chamber too small for the occupant to through the tracing by the company's

ed from the C. N. R. sheds. Newman and Williamson have been admitted to bail, but Carroll and Swinton are still in custody. It is understood that when the stolen goods were discovered Williamson, Roberts' teamsaints, crosses, martyrs. But to-day we ster, was asked to explain his part in know that it is not thus necessary to the business and his statement implithus shut ourselves up, in order to gain | cated Carroll and Newman.

## ONTARIO BANK.

Particulars of Claims Against Directors Filed in Court.

Toronto despatch: Particulars of the Mesers. G. R. R. Cockburn, Donald Mc- for the prompt action of Superintendent Kay, R. D. Perry. Richard Harcourt, Gallagher in tearing off the blazing of liquidation, have been filed at Os- arms and legs. The doctor ordered his

The statement alleges that the bank | The second man staggered out shortly had to suspend payment by the misfeas- afterwards. above the capital account, besides a sum scorched. Thorough enquiry is being of \$66,861.62 to the credit of the profit | made as to the cause of the accident. and loss account.

The plaintiffs allege that defendants only took a perfunctory interest in the affairs of the bank, and did not take care to protect their interests or to prevent the payment of dividends out of

WOLVES ARE NUMEROUS.

with his dog, came unexpectedly upon a huge wolf at close range. He poured four bullets into the animal and badly wounded the brute, which, frenzied with pain, made a rush on Thomas, with mouth wide open. The plucky lad stood his ground, and, thrusting the barrel in the beast's mouth, pulled the trigger and killed the wolf.

MRS. GRIFFITH SHOOTS DR. AT-TRIDGE AND HERSELF.

The Man is at the Point of Death and the Woman Seriously Wounded-Said She Was Betrayed by the Doctor, Who is a Canadian.

Windsor despatch: Mrs. Jas. J. Grif. tith, wife of the manager of the Bookkeeper Publishing Company of Detroit, who last night shot and fatally wounded Dr. James A. Attridge, her physician, and then turned the revolver on herself with probably fatal results, in a statement to-day lays bare a story of domestic infidelity and inconstancy from which the tragedy arose.

Dr. Attridge is a Canadian, whose home is near Ridgetown. Twelve years ago he came to Detroit and graduated from the Medical College, and attained a considerable practice among prominent families. According to the story told by Mrs. Griffith, Dr. Attridge was not only her physician, but her lover as well. Several months ago Griffith engaged Dr Attridge to accompany his wife on a trip of several weeks' duration for her health. Upon their return to Detroit Griffith became suspicious that all was not right. and he immediately abandoned his wife and was shortly to have begun divorce to 12 3-4c per lb., dressed weight; refrigerproceedings.

When Mrs. Griffith besought Attridge to marry her in case the divorce was granted the latter, it is said, refused to have anything further to do with her. Then in a fit of jealous rage the shots were fired which will probably blot out two lives.

After the shooting, which took place in the private apartments of Mrs. Griffith early last evening, both victims were taken to different hospitals, and while the woman is said to have a chance for life, Attridge is wounded unto death. His ante-mortem statement was taken by detectives to-night.

### FRAWLEY TRIAL.

Witness Swears Woman Said Clark Did Shooting.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 9.-The belief is prevalent that to-day will see C. N. R. Local Sheds and on Tracing Mrs. Nellie Frawley-Osborne, who is be-Them Up It Was Found That C. P. ing tried here jointly with Arthur Clark, a boy of 17, for the murder of Frederick L. Kistenmaker.

Another crowd which tested the capacity of the court-room was present this morning when the trial was resumed. The most important testimony adduced yesterday was that given by Arthur Clark, co-defendant, when he told of purchasing a revolver and some cartridges for Mrs. Osborne the day before Kistenmaker met his death. The boy said he heard shots fired, when he was in the Osborne house, on the morning of the words, "came, and stood" as meaning a built by the Knights Templar seven hunrobbed through the abstraction of goods were made by torpedoes on the railroad were made by torpedoes on the railroad

Deputy Sheriff Joseph Legler was the most important witness this morning. He testified to a conversation he had the jail. Mrs. Osborne or Frawley told | dull at 5s under. him, he testified, that young Clark shot Kistenmaker after the latter had called her vile names. Mrs. Frawley covered her head with the quilts on her bed, witnot hear the shots.

WORKMEN INJURED AT GALT.

An Explosion of Gas at the Malleable Iron Works.

A Galt., Ont., despatch: As the result of an explosion of either sewer or natural gas at the Malleable Iron Works this afternoon, Thomas Stockford and an Armenian, name unknown, were seriously burned. A third workman, also a foreigner, escaped miraculously. The cause of the explosion is unknown.

The two foreigners went into a cellar for sand, and one of them lit a match. There was a terrific report, followed by a burst of flame from the open door. One foreigner was blown through bly fatally burned. Af it was, he was badly scorched about the back, removal to the hospital

ance and negligence of the defendants, Mr. Stockford, who was working in who, at the time of the suspension, rep- front of the cellar door, at a distance resented to the shareholders that they of about 20 feet, received the sheet of had a rest account of \$700,000 over and flame in the back. His head was badly

LITTLE HEROINE DROWNED

Desperate Attempt of a Girl to Save Her Brother.

skating fatality in New Brunswick two on his couch until morning and then arose and performed his usual duties about the tabernacle. But he hesitated about making known the message to Eli. How could one so young bear a lifetime of the arms of the of the mate, and pigs and one calf. Six wolves were short that that that the arms of the Reynolds' limb. The operation of the Reynolds' limb. The operation of the standard of the result of the standard of



TORONTO FARMERS' MARKET

The Grain Market to-day was quiet steady. Wheat is unchanged, with raics 00 bushels of Fall at al. Later quiet, busiless seiling at ite. Oats unchanged, 400 bushes seining at 52c. buckwheat steady, low bushess actifing at of to we. risy is easter, with sales of 25 \$19 to \$21 a ton. Straw quiet at \$16.50 to

soid at \$11.

Dressod hogs are unchanged at \$7.50 Wheat, waite, bush. Do., spring, bueh. .. .. .. Do., goose, bush. De., No. 2 .. Dressed hogs Eggs, new laid, Butter, dairy .... Do., creamery Geese, dressed, 15 Chickens, per lb. Ducks, dressed 12 Potatoes, per bag Onions, per bag Do., choice, carcage

BRITISH CATTLE MARKETS London-London cables are firmer at 12c ator beef is quoted at 10c per pound.

Lamb, per cwt.

WINNIPEG WHEAT MARKET. Following are the closing quotations innipeg grain futures to-day: Wheat-Dec., \$1.07 7-8 bid, May, \$1.09

TORONTO LIVE STOCK. Receipts of live stock at the city market were large for Wednesday and Thursday over 120 loads, but not being able to get the G. T. Railway returns, we cannot give

class, but will give a full account in our next Exporters-There was one load of exporters that weighed 1450 lbs. that were bought for here, but, his money running out, the butcher purposes at \$4.75 per cwt. were no buyers for export cattle. Butchers-A few good loads at \$4.15 \$4.50; good cows and medium steers, \$3.26 peared, being recently caught at the Canto \$2.80; common cows, and light steers, and helfers, \$2 to \$3; canner bulls, at 75c

to \$2 per cwt. Also one load of cattle (exportera), from Maybee & McDonald, 1440 lbs. each, at \$4.75 per cwt. Feeders and Stockers-Best feeders, 100 to 1100 lbs., at \$3.50 to \$3.90 per cwt.; best feeders, 900 to 1000 lbs., at \$2.90 to \$3.50; best stockers, 800 to 900 lbs., at \$2.85 to National Bank of Commerce of Kan-\$3.15; best stockers, 600 to 800 lbs., at \$2.40 to \$2.75; common stockers, unchanged, at

Milkers and Springers-Prices ranged from Veal Calves-Receipts not very large an quality generally not first-class. Prices are Sheep and Lambs.-The run of sheep and lambs was large and prices were lower. Exto \$5.25 per cwt.; calves, at \$3 to \$6 per cwt. Cull sheep, \$2.75 to \$3 per cwt. Hogs-Deliveries light and prices unchanged. Mr. Harris quotes selects at \$5; lights, \$4.75; stores, \$4.50.

TORONTO CLOVERSEED MARKET. Wm. Rennie Co., Limited, report a quier market for cloverseed, in the absence of export enquiry. The following prices are being paid at country points for cleaned sam-

Alsike, fancy ..... .. .. \$ 8 00 \$ 8 25 Do., ordinary .. .. .. 6 00

LIVERPOOL APPLE MARKET. Woodall & Co. cabled Eben James-38,400 barrels selling; market active for good fruit; Baldwins and Spys, 16s to 18s; Greenwith Mrs. Osborne three weeks ago, at ings. 21s to 23s; Kings, 24s to 25s; others,

CANADIAN FAILURES.

Insolvencies in the Dominion of Canada for the month of November as reported by Hamilton, and is alleged to have fleeced Oscar was issued to-day: R. G. Dun & Co., were almost identical with Mr. L. H. Collard out of \$200 by forging number, 143 comparing with 142, but the doubled, \$2,090,925 comparing with \$967,697 in November, 1906. Two years ago there Chief Mains, of the Ontario police, and the number of failures was 99 and the amount involved \$649,757. The increase was Chief Parnall. Upon her own request almost wholly in the manufacturing class, she was remanded to jail till Monday, evening says: where 49 failures supplied debts of \$1,161,-051 against, 39 last year, involving \$383, \$3. and in November, 1905, there were 30 manufacturing failures with liabilities of \$340,485. Trading failures were 88 in number and \$549,314 in amount, against 100 last year with liabilities of \$579,299, and 84 defaults in 1905 for \$370,433. In addition there were six other commercial failures with Habilities of \$389,-560, against four similar defaults last year nvolving only \$4,775.

Bradstreet's Trade Review.

Montreal-General retail and whole sale trade here continues to hold an active tone. The main activity is in the which in some lines has already opened out. Sorting orders for fall and winter lines have been fairly good, although there has been but a moderate demand for winter goods owing to the non-arrival of really cold weather. Navigation at this port has practically closed and winter freight rates are now in force. Shipments of goods are consequently

the fact that bankers now speak rather with sufficient pressure to leave a more confidently of the immediate outlook. It is to be expected that money some coins that Connell had in his will continue tight for some time, but, pocket, and its course was arrested. it appears, there are signs of slight imOne of the other bullets passed through provement. Wholesale trade is moving the trousers leg of William Carson, anbriskly, and an excellent trade in holi-other bartender, and barely missed goday goods is going forward. The weath-St. John, N. B., Dec. 9.—In the first er has favored an excellent clearing up not serious. of fall lines in retailers hands. Re-orders saved. But every effort to restrain pital ever since, and there has been Cause Considerable Loss to Fort Alex- Jardineville, Kent county. Willie and textiles are still slow. Cotton prices Grace Orr, children of Richard Orr, went hold up well, despite lower prices elseburned off, could be saved. However, it Fort Alexander, Man., Dec. 9.—Wolves skating. The boy, who was seven years where. The demand for cotton prints is

though continued mild weather has affected the demands for winter lines. The demand for holiday goods is brisk. Collections are fair to good. London-There is generally a tone to business there, aithough manufacturers now find no difficulty in keep-

ing up with orders. Country trade is fair and collections are generally satis-Winnipeg-Wholesale and retail trade is fairly brisk in all directions. In some lines business is brisk, but taken as a whole the volume is hardly up to that of last year. The outlook for the holi-

day trade continues bright. Vancouver and Victoria-Trade conditions along the coast are not so good as they were a month or even a fortnight ago. The main factor in this is the over supply of labor, which has been brought about by different causes.

Quebec-Wholesale houses report very satisfactory movement in sorting lines. No city industries appear to have felt the existing stringency and no laying off of employees are reported .. Otawa-Theer is quiet tone to demand

for winter wholesale lines, but there is a very good trade in all fall lines, Groceries and all holiday lines are moving

# BIGAMIST GUILTY.

Central Prison. An Ottawa special despatch: J. S. Lavergne, alias Lang, who was brought here from the Soo last week on a charge of bigamy, pleaded guilty in the Supreme Court to-day, and was sentenced to 12 months in Central Prison. At the end

of that time he will be aken to Ogdensburg on a similar charge. He is also wanted in New York for theft of jewels from Mrs. Olive Jewett. Other charges may be preferred against him. Lavergne has a remarkable bigamy record. He lived in Ottawa. Twelve years

ago, when employed as a stableman, he went to Ogdensburg, N. Y., married and lived there until two years ago, when he left for New York, where he posed as a French count . He associated with people of high social position, and finally married again. Lavergne last July came a definite account of the numbers in each back to Ottawa, where he posed as J. T. Lang, a New York broker. Last September he married Miss Margaret Foran, girl's family became suspicious, and an investigation followed. Lavergne disapadian Soo after months of search.

## CLOSED THE DOORS.

sas City Fails.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 9 .- The National Bank of Commerce of Kansas City, Mo., failed to open its doors to-day and is in the hands of a National Bank export eews sold at \$3.76 to \$4; lambs, \$4.25 aminer. The bank is one of the oldest here and is one of the largest financial institutions in the city.

The following notice was posted on day by a jury. It was found by the the door of the bank: "This bank has been closed by order the board of directors. It is in the hands of James T. Bradley, National Bank examiner, by order of the comptroller of

the currency.' New York, Dec. 5 .- The National Bank of Commerce, of Kansas City, according to a recent statement, owed depositors \$12,600,000 and owed other

banks \$22,800,000. LILLIAN HAMILTON CAUGHT.

Woman Wanted in St. Catharines Ar- His Trouble Causing Him Continuous

A St. Catharines despatch: The woman who gave the name of Mrs. Lillian B. C. Fairfield's name in this city a few was brought to this city at 4 o'clock by is normal." when she will be given a hearing.

real name was Warner, but when a young girl she was adopted by the late James McKelvey, and resided with him on Lake street. She told Chief Parnall that she was married to a man named

# BARTENDER ShOT.

way of preparation for the holiday trade | Five Shots Fired at the Man by a Saloon Patron.

shooting affray. The shooting was the result of an argument over the price of much lighter. The wholesale trade is three drinks and James Connell, a bar- to-morrow or not. reported active. Owing to the indica- tender at the Oak Hotel, No. 59 Tonations of further advances in many lines wanda street, was the person shot. of textiles, the buying for retail ac- Five shots were fired at him, but only Toronto-Tight money continues the one took effect. That struck his head, dominant influence in trade here. Some in the scalp. One passed through the

KING OSCAR IS ILL

Aged Swedish Monarch Again in Poor

GIRL ARRESTED.

On Charge of Vagrancy - One With a Past.

Toronto, Dec. 9. Grace Cameron and Ruth Wilson, two good-looking girls were arrested in the King Edward Hotel Toronto, this morning, where they occupied rooms, on a charge of vagrance Both girls are well known to the police here. Grace Cameron only recently came out of the Mercer, where she has just served a term, but vagrancy is the present charge. It is alleged that the girlwere endeavoring to raise money means of bogus cheques. A detective dressed as a plumber, went into their room this morning, ostensbily to look at the fittings, and, recognizing them, placed both under arrest. Apparently the girls are acquainted with known men in Toronto, and used their names. When Grace Cameron was previously arrested she gave information that led to a raid of a well-known resort, and furnished a list of frequenters The list included prominent business and legal gentlemen.

MISSING EIGHT WEEKS.

Three Shipwrecked Timber Cruisers Return to Vancouver.

Vancouver, Dec. 9.-Three timber cruisers, whose schooner was wrecked on Calvert Island on October 3, and who were unable for fifty-eight days to get away from the island, arrived at Van. conver this afternoon on the steamer

The men, W. Wylder, S. Burdette and W. Campbell, all of Vancouver, sailing north in a small schooner on a timber cruising expedition, were caught by gales off Smith's Inlet, the boat's steel ing gear was carried away, and they drifted towards Calvert Island, where an anchor was let go, but would not

The schooner was driven ashore in neavy surf, and wrecked on October 3 Fortunately, it was a sandy beach, and most of the provisions, guns and ammunition were saved. Ducks, geese and deer being plentiful, the shipwrecked party were in no danger of starvation. Finally, as no help came, a punt was made out of lumber whipsawed from the solid logs, and the seams of the craft were caulked with canvas from the torn sails of the schooner. In this roughly made craft the men put out and inter cepted the American steamer Alaskan, which took them on board and carried the party down to a point near Alert Bay, where their punt was launched and

they came into port here. The strangely made craft in which they arrived is being kept as a curiosity

at Alert Bay.

SCHOOL BOARD MUST PAY Verdict for Damages From the Hochelaga

Montreal, Dec. 9,-J. F. Anderson. father of a six-year-old child who perished in the Hochelaga School fire last winter, was awarded \$300 damages tojury that the child's death was due to the fault and negligence of the Protestant School Board in failing to equip the Hochelaga School with fire escapes. as is provided by the civic by law, and also in not protecting the fresh air from

ontamination by smoke. This trial was a test case. It is like that sixteen other actions will foll low, brought on by parents who lost their children in the fire.

KING OSCAR SERIOUSLY ILL.

Pain-Sleep Not Satisfactory. Stockholm, Dec. 9 .- The following

bulletin concerning the health of I ing "The vesical trouble of yesterday amount of defaulted indebtedness more than weeks ago, was arrested in Buffalo to- which the doctors sought to all ate day. She was brought to the Falls by | by local treatment, His Majesty's simp was not satisfactory. His temperature

> A bulletin issued at 11 o'clock this "The King had some sleep during the She is a native of St. Catharines. Her day, but this evening his streagth was not so well maintained, although the

> > LIQUOR IN POOLROOM

Hamilton, but is now a widow and has Police Make an Important Seizure at Cohalt.

Cobalt, Dec. 9.—The police made raid to-day and captured a great quantity of liquors in a pool room run by Messrs. Woods, Powell & Kennedy. appears a disagreement amongst the partners occurred last night, and this morning Kennedy was bought out. Shortly afterwards the police appeared Tonawanda, Dec. 9.—Tonawanda was vulge the name of the informer. The the scene last night of a wildly exciting liquor was found stored in the frame work of the pool tables. Magistrate not known whether the case comes up

WAR AGAINST ZULUS

Natal's Troops Begin March Against Chief Dinizulu.

London, Dec. 9 .- The march of Natal's troops into Zululand began to-day. The avowed object of the expedition is the capture of Dinizulu. There is general apprehension that Cetewayo's son, who has already had the experience of being a British prisoner at St. Helena and didn't like it, will resist, and as the Zulus gathered about the royal kraal are said to be well armed with rifles, while 10,000 spearmen are ready to take the field, the expedition is believed to have a difficult task ahead.

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