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The public will join with us in earnest regrets at the continued illness of the Hon. C. F. Fraser, both for the personal regard in which he is held and for the loss of public asefulness. Following the resignation of Hon. Jas. Young and the withdrawal of Hos. A. Crooks from the same cause his indisposition mustseem like a corroboration of the old maxim that troubles never come singly. A ministry so affected must have great strength in its record, and bear a high confidence from the people, to withstand with remarkable success the most determined political assaults any country has produced.

The Belleville Intelligencer, in justice to Dean Lyster, publishes his reasons for dismissing Rev. Dr. Wilson from his curacy. These reasons, it says, no doubt appear all sufficient to the Dean but the general public will feel that the verdict is a very harsh one. At the very worst the alleged offence was the first committed by Dr. Wilson, whose long and confessedly faithful service entitled him to at least as much consideration as is ordinarily awarded to offenders, namely reinstatement, with an admonition that dismissal would folow a repetition of the offence.

Canadians have very little sympathy with the radical cries in England, but they must feel in accord with general sentiment in England, one so strongly exhibited by the rabid class alluded to. upon the grasping tendency of the royal family. The appointment of the Duke of Edinburg to the command of the Channel Fleet, so soon after the Duke of Connaught was sent to a high East Indian military position, and not long after the distribution of several less conspicuous favors to royalty, has been anything but popular. Such posttions should unmistakeably be the reward of long service, experience and conspicuous sccess. They are but nominally filled by young men who cannot take place until after the session. have never smelt powder.

The lesson of the hour is clearly understood. Principal Grant has told us that Charles Dickens is "the best Christmas entertainer of our genera-The remark recalls what the Rev. Mr. Murray said of the great novelist: "Never more will the bells, ring at Christmas Eve but that to me a note of sadness will mingle with their chimes: for he taught the world the lesson of the festival." We recall, too, the sketch contained in the Christmas Carols, found at Thackeray's death among his papers, descriptive of Scrooge's dream, his awakening, his surprise at finding that "the bed post was his own, the bed was his own, the room was his own; best and happiest of all the time before him was his own to make amends in." It is recorded that Scrooge was "so flattered and so glowing with his own good intentions, that his broken voice would scarcely answer to his call;" that he "was as happy as an angel, as merry as a schoolboy, as giddy as a drunken man;" that he wished "A Merry Christmas to every body and A Happy New Year to the world. "The spirits, said he, "have done it all in one night." And Dickens, in his own inimitable style, chronicles the kindness which Scrooge showed towards friends and employees, amazing both by his exceeding generosity. There are a good many like the character whom Dickens portrays, a great many who could make their kith and kin the happier by their liberality. Would that some spirits-not the kind that tron bled Scrooge-might visit them, and make them like him, "live in the past in the present and the future.

CHRISTMAS AT THE CAPITAL.

The children in the populous capital of the Republic nearly all were made happy over a dinner on Christmas Day. This was effected by a distribution on a large scale like that made annually in Kingston by St. George's Society, Charity is fashionable in Washington, and many people in the higher social circles zealously embraced a plan through which the bungry, ragged children would have all the Christmas turkey they could est, besides Christmas trees and Kris Kringles. The President's little daughter was effectively placed forward in the scheme; and the daughter of Chief Justics Waite and Commissioner West were active workers. The organization managing this charity was known as the Children's Christmas Club, and had local clubs to insure a uniform system of invitation and distribution, so that as nearly as possible every poor child in the city might be remembered Contributions crowded upon the committees, and many children with happy homes, abundant cheer and Kris Kringles shared their presents with the hundreds less fortunate, to whom toys, candies, cakes and other childish delights of the holiday season have been known only as fairy tales. Beneath the crust of modern cynicism and worldticess there is yet a deep fountain of human sympathy.

TODIGNANT FARMERS.

The event which we anticipated and commented upon-the convention at which the farmers rentilated and formulated their grisvauces-bas occurred. Telegrams from Winnipeg state that two deputations were appointed, one to Wait upon the Local Coversment, and one to lay the recoint as, pawed at the meeting, before the Dominson Govern-

An amen liment, favouring a delegation to the Imperial authorities, with a request for separation from the Dominion and the creation of a new Western federation, was voted down. out the leaders of the agitation decided to go to Downing Street if they could not get the satisfaction they sought from the Canadian Government.

It is not a good sign when people of new country, of whose condition and prospects so much highly coloured language was used, become fretful and dissatisfied and even rebellions. If they have been misled and unreasonably hampered and injured they have a right to speak out, to appeal for redress to one authority after another until the very foot of the throne is reached; but in all their proceedings they are expected to be governed by common sense and

The Manitobans appear to have suffered not merely in the loss of crops by an inclement season but from railway and Government regulations. They have protested in vair, and now they mean to display their power and tay the effect of demands conveying all the emphasis which a well attented Convention can give them.

It is to be hoped that the Imperial Government will not have to interfere, and above all that separation may not be seriously contemplated or asked for.

MR. MOWAT FIXED.

The Winnipeg Times will not be accused of a partiality for Grittism. It is owned by one of the most pronounced Torics in Canada, and it is edited by one, who, for many years was editor inchief of the Mail. No pen is more trenchant, none more pointed in defence of Conservatism.

But the Times is not blund to inevitable facts. It does not join in the howl "Mowat must go," when the indications are so strong that he will not have to do anything so contrary to his inclination. In contamplating the recent elections it said that

"Mr. Mowat is evidently a conspicu "The Opposition is a strong one, but it

is weak in men. "Mr. Meredith is the only presentable

man, the only man of trains and high character on that side of the House. "Others have character without brains.

and one or two brains without charac-

"The Toronto Giobe claimed the other day that, allowing for Mr. Ross's defeat, Mr. Mowat would have a majority of 13. The gain of Mr. Johnston's seat gives him 15, a majority equal or correspondingly to a majority of about 33 in the House of Commons. It is tolerably certain, however, that the Algoma election will be set aside, and that Mr. Plummer or some other Conservative will be returned. But presuming that to have occurred, another election in Algores Mr. Mowat will still be safe and se-

"He is evidently there to stay, until Mr. Meredith is reinforced by one or two good Lieutenants."

The Times virtually surrenders all hope of a change of Government, and great must be the mortification of those who have longed for positions in the Ca-

The people will, in view of the candid admission made by the Winnipeg paper, thank their stars that a change of Government has not been rendered neces-

A GOOD MOVE. The terms of agreements entered into by Attorneys-General Mowat and Miller have been published, and to most of our politicians they are already known. A summary of its meaning is also given in our telegraphic columns It is sign ficant to ucte names that this agreement is entered into on the part of the Ontario Government, without prejudice to any questions which there has been, or may be, between the Dominion and Ontario Governments in relation to the territory in dispute, or in relation to any matters which have been the subject of negotiation or correspondence between the Dominion and Ontario Governments, and the rights or claims of the Province of Ontario are expressly re-

The efforts to bring about a settlement of the case originated with the Hon. O. Mowat, who, telegraphing Hon. Mr. Miller, asked why they should continue to be at warfare, why the Governments of Onterio and Manitoba should prolong the agression that in Rat Portage took such a serious aspect. Hon. Mr. Miller was tired, as the representative of the Prairie Province, of the conflict. and, not being able to reach satisfactory results. readily visited Mr. Mowatt. in Toronto and consulted Sir John Mac-

donald at Ostawa. In the interest of peace and quietoie, Mr. hiowat conceded some of the points upon which he had before held stiffly out. This is what the Tories said he should have done before-they contend ed that he was courting bloodshed, and that upon his head rested the respons bility of every breach of the peace-and yet when he shandons some of the grounds upon which he has fought Manitoba's usurpation and the Dominion's interference the shriek goes forth that

"the coon comes down." The issue will not be left in doubt be youd June or July. Then the Privy Council will pronounce upon the validit of the Arbitrators' Award, or, declaring it invalid, fix the correct bonn-

In the meantime all disputes have been suspended; the territory north and west of the height of land is to governed by two Commissioners of Police, one to be appointed by the Ontario and one by Manitoba, and are to have co-ordinate authority; the licenses granted by either Government in Rat Portage are to remain in force during the balance of the license year; and a new Municipal Board is to be organized ior Mat Portage.

CHRISTMAS EVENTS.

OF ENTERTAINMENTS REMEM-BERING THE POOR, THE APPLICTED. THE YERY YOUNG AND THE

Christmas at the Penitentiary.

Christmas at the Kingston Penitentiary was observed as usual by a divipe service and the administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in both the Protestant and Catholic Chapels. An excellent breakfast and dinner-the latter including 1,200 lbs. of really good plum pudding-were served to the convicts. All were apparently satisfied and many expressed their thanks personally to the Warden.

Christmas at the Gant.

The prisoners, soven men and three women, enjoyed their Christmas if no quite as well as their more fortunate fellow creatures on the entride of the stone walls, at least as well as their positions would admit. The carnival opened with a pound of surloin steak, coffee, etc., for each inmate's breakfast. For disner a goose between three seemed to satisfy the epicurean palate of the participants of the banquet. A light supper consisting of 1 lb. cf bread with tea and sugar ended what was considered at the Castle as a gala day.

Chri tmus at the Barracks.

Christmas festivity was entered into with great spirit by the officers and men of Battery "B." Extra good dinners were served in mess rooms profusely decorated both in wall and ceiling. In the drivers' room a most elaborate display was made. Flags covered the ceiling, and for cornice stood a fringe of evergreens, flags, shakes, etc. The walls contained not only flag and picture embellishments, but designs made out of arms and accoutrements. Two locomo tive lamps and innumerable wax tapurs threw a flood of light upon the tables, and made a jolly scene a gay and bright one also. The bandsmen's room was very tastefully dressed in festoons and wall ornaments, with a central design formed out of instruments, surmounted by two well known apostrophes to music. In the other rooms there had been a varied exercise of taste, no two being trimmed alike, and some paper decorations displayed not only a great ex penditure of labor but ingenuity as well The soldiers seemed to heartily enjoy themselves. Always free from cares they are especially happy at such times.

Christmas at the Orphans Home.

Christmas is always eagerly expected at the Orphans' Home and never arrives there empty-handed. This year it may have been said to have begun on Saturday evening, as on that evening the Christmas tree exhibited its treasures of varied fruit for the delight and enjoyment of the children. As usual, it was very tastefully adorned and loaded with beautiful dolls, toys, books and other more useful articles, prepared by kind friends, many of whom are children more happily circumstanced, who take a real pleasure in thus providing at Christmas for the happiness of the little ones at the Home. Many of these were present to see the gifts bestowed, affording unmingled happiness to both givers and receivers, and the room full of happy young faces, with the lighted tree in the centre, would have furnished an artist with a good subject for a ed from sight. Calvin & Son's vessel, were not forgotten, and a large and cleverly fashioned monkey caused the children a great deal of amusement and an of the Committee were present and several of the clergymen of the city, the Rev. Dr. Bain, Rev. F. W. Kirkpatrick Machar-the former remarking that he and his colleague had performed this duty, annually, since before any of the children now in the house were born. The children sang several hymns very sweetly to Miss Ford's accompaniments. and after "God Save the Queen" and the usual cheers for Her Majesty, and all their benefactors, they were left to enjoy a fuller inspection of the good things with which they were loaded. The bright and healthy appearance of the little ones especially, and their general good conduct, called forth much pleasant remark among the visitors. On Christmas Day the children had their usual excellent divner, consisting of turkey, goose and plum puddings, with an additional treat in reserve for tea. Several of the ladies of the Committee were as usual present at the dinner to carve for so many hungry little ones, and the children spent a pleasant afternoon with their numerous toys and picture books, a happy family, under | swore and preached. He will be sent kind and parental guardianship.

GOLD EXCITEMENT.

Tepeka, Kansas, Dec. 22.-There is great excitement in Los Vegas, New Mexico, an account of gold discoveries. Gold was found in paying quantities on the lot at Hot Springs, owned by a prominent resident of Topeka, by the miners who were excavating for the new court house. Next morning they were staking out mining claims in the court yards and now the hills and valleys around Los Vegas, are swarming with gold seekers, many of whom meet with success. The company has purchased an interest in the court yard and will try to develop it. The city is now a mining camp. Among the prospectors are several women.

The fyling of a petition against the return of Mr. Allison in Lennox will afford an opportunity for investigation into the standard-elevating practices resorted to by the Reformers of that constituency during the late campaign.

And the omission of the petitioner to claim the seat is an evidence that he did not want his conduct or that of Tilley, Pope, Roe et al. judicially investigated. Mr. Allison and his friends di not appear to dread the trial which is now threatened.

GENERAL ITEMS.

tiems for the Week Supplied by Our Exchanges, and Greatly Reduced by Condensation.

Saturday, 22. Dr. Kennedy will be re-elected Reeve of Bath for 1884. Dr. Evans is not a candidate for the

Picton mayoralty. Capt. Nellie Ryerson is again able to attend the Salvation Army meetings.

Miss Good, late of Cataragui School iss received a lucrative appointment in Trenton.

Sergt. Thomas Fanghnan will deliver a lecture before the 16th Battalion short ly at Pieton.

Mr. J. C. Maybee, a Moscow school teacher, intends leaving for Kingston to study medicine.

E. Babbit, of Ameliasburg, has sold a driving mare to a gentleman of Mon treal for \$225

Prof Staley's quadrille band supplies the music for the annual ball on Dec. 26th at Erinaville. The Saved Army intend to publish isn

Picton) a paper, The Sweed Army Trans pet and Gospel Gun. Wm. Dier is to sell, at Westport, on January 5th, three borses of fine pedigree, harness, sleighs, etc.

Additional subscriptions to the Ontario See House Fund : G. A. Kirkpatrick, \$100; J. Muckleston, \$100, Benjamin Shepard, Brockville, a cou

sin of Chaffey Bros., has arrived in Onrio, California, with his family to stay

The East Victoria Teachers' Assonia tion favor the Royal Canadian Readers. and are asking the Government to author Capt. Bristol encountered a lack

harmony at the Picton Saved Army meeting on Wednesday last. All now is peace, however. Eighty thousand bushels of Canadian

barley has been stowed in Burnham's elevator, Cape 'ncent, for shipment, The grain is principally the property of

Kingston dealers Last week Sarah Roblin, aged 84 years widow of the late Jacob Roblin, upon seeing a procession pass her house at Sophiasburg, exclaimed that she would be the next to go and suddenly expired.

Mrs. Shulte, of Newark, N.J., formerly Miss Mary J. McColl, of Kingston, well and favorably known to Capadians as the author of "Bide-a Wee" and other poems, is writing a novel.

Nellie Cooley, who disapreared from Wilkesbarre, Pa., two weeks ago, have been drowned. She has \$30,000 in he own right.

The residence of ex-Ald. McClave, New York, was robbed of \$2,000 worth of property while the fartily were at dinner last night.

Ex-policeman Conroy, who killed Peter Keepan, at New York, has been sentenced to be hanged on February 8th, a motion for a new trial being de-

The Peterboro Police Magistrate, in Peterboro, in his "free and easy Court. yesterday, told a lawyer from the beach that he lied, and that this was the only language fit for such a man as he.

Some of those who lost by fire at Ca Vincent are rebuilding. The Eagle sape the fire has demonstrated the need vs careful attention to the way in which of surance policies are written. Thevilin lage will procure a fire engine. The schooler Fitzgerald, which ran

aground at Port Rowan, has disappear-Christmas picture. Cakes and caudies | the Siberia, is standing the element weil and unless heavy ice does her damage she may be got off in the Spring. Mr. J. K. Kerr, Q.C., was married at

opportunity, as was suggested, to "study | Kensington, London, on Dec. 5th to their ancestors," A number of the ladies | Miss Cecil Stanley Pinborne, neice of M. A. Stanley Hill, Q.C., M.P. Bishop Helimuth assisted at the ceremony.

Mr. W. P. Herring, of Kansas City, and Rev. Dr. Bell. The latter address- Western Manager of the Dominion ed the children in a few well-chosen | Cattle Co., is in Napance on a visit to words previous to the distribution of his uncle, John Herring, Esq. The gifts, which was made, as usual, Company has a ranche of one million by the Rev. F. W. Kirkpatrick and Mr. | acres in Texas and has a herd of 40,000

A farmer named Green has had a narrow escape at a railway crossing near Toronto. His horses were both kuled and the waggon smashed into kindling wood. Though slightly intoxicated he saved himself by a vigorous

Judge Price, Sheriff Ferguson, County Clerk Elkington and the Mayor have concluded the selection of jurors, to act in the Courts in 1884. They began the work on Wednesday and finished on Friday. They selected 60 grand superior jurors, 60 grand inferior jurors, 120 petit superior and 90 petit inferior

Paddy Legge, of Pembroke, had his skull fractured some years ago while digging a well. He was twice incarcerated in the asylum here and turned out well. A few days ago he was seized with another attack of insanity and in his delirium shouted, yelled, whistied, back to Rockwood for treatment.

The Ontario & Quebec Railway are discharging a number of men who were engaged on the works above Sharbot Lake. The track has been laid now to Tweed and before January 1st the iron will be laid from Toronto to Perth. The sink holes have been filled in and no further trouble is expected from

In September last George Devana, son of P. Devana, of Longhboro, Frontenac, was drowned off the schooner "Frank Perew," in Escanaba, Mich. His body was found a couple of weeks later and identified by his father, who had been telegraphed for, but who could not obtain a permit for its removal on account of decomposition. He is now receipt from his comrades of a tribute to the character of the deceased. His excellent habits, sobriety, industry and honesty are represented as having commended him highly to the favor of his employers and comrades. He was one. they testify, whose acquaintance was

Early vesterday morming Jas. Smith, a brakeman on the Grand Trunk Railway, was run over by train No. 30. The train had just started when Smith attempted to climb up on top of a car. lost his grip and fell between the cars. It is a mystery how he escaped with his life as his hat fell inside of the rail. After the wheels, struck his arms ha was dragged a dozen feet or so. Both

tured. Smith, a Scotchman, was on his Mr. McRosses for a month or so before shorthand writer and only went brak. ing nutil ne could secure a situatir a. His uncle is G. T. R. agent at Ballan | He was dismissed

Monday 24 Mr. D. W. Allison's election has been protested. The petitioner, Mr. Prayn. loce not evalue the sout.

Principal Jrant will address the Band of Hope of St. James' Anglican Church on Friday evening. The Rev. John and Mrs. Posts have gone to Saratoga to assist the doctor's

restoration to health. Capt. Nellie Ryerson has left Bellerille for Paterson, N.J., where she spends

her Christmas holidays. Prof. Handmarsh, an old Kingston musician and bandmaster, is soon to return and engage in business.

Butter in New York sells at 35c. for creamery: cheese steady at 13c. to 13 c. A tri weekly stage will run between Kingston and Gauanoque during the

The coppers found with the burglar arrested at Belleville were the Harrow-

smith contributions to the Saved Army. Over 300 tickets for the Guelph Lot tery are held in Gananoque. The hold ers are beginning to think the whole thing a frau t.

Captain Evans, of the Syracuse Sal vation Army, has rented the old Welsh Church in Rome, N.Y., to open operations therefrom. Young men and boys should not be too

venturesome in their skating excursions. One young man went through the see on the Cataragus Bay on Friday and nearly lost his life.

Ex-police officer James Nesbitt has returned from England whither he went as one of the custodians of a large consignment of sheep. He does not desire any more ocean voyages.

An aged man named Adair, of Amherst Island, has hada large sized scone removed from his bladder. The operation was skillfully performed by Dr. Groves, of Fergus.

Two Kingstonians are contributors to the Christmas number of the Mail. Dr. Grant wrote on "A Plea for the Festivities of the Season ." and "Fidelia" on "Pere le Jeune's Christmas.

Mr. T. C. Stark last week sold a three year old pure bred heifer to Mr. Jos. T. Haig, Leeds, for \$250. The mother of the heiter was bought by Mr. Stark at Brougham for \$400.

The comet may be seen with the a ked eye after so set in the northwest near the dar Vega. It has a very thin tail, but by the end of January it will make more of a show than during its ast visit in 1812. Dr. Abbott, formerly of Wolfe Island,

and one of the foremost graduates of the R.C.P.S., K., is visiting his old home | terday. here. His practice is in Essex. Captain Nellie Ryerson is not the

coming bride after all. The lady to whom Captain Ludgate is to be married at Belleville next month is coming out from England.

Major French, R.A., C.M.G., formerly Commandant of the Kingston School of Gunnery, has been appointed Commandant of the Colonial Forces in Australia, with the local rank of Colonel.

It is now said that Mowat, the con-

tractor, before levanting, borrowed but a few days ago \$200 from a young woman with whom he had an acquaintance. He is also alleged to have supplied himself with an elegant gold watch a day or two before his depar-Mr. James Cowan, Pittsburgh, six

miles west of Gananoque, fell from a ladder in his barn. His head struck the latch on the door, cutting quite a gash, his left arm was broken, and he was bruised and shaken by the fall.

Yesterday, in the Kingston Anglican Churches, as in all others in Canada, was read a long appeal for support to the new organized scheme for domestic and foreign mission work. \$50,000 is asked for this coming year, \$44,000 to be used in Canada itself

Mr. George Johnson, Ottawa correspondent of the Mail, is to be appointed an additional Stipendiary Magistrate at Rat Portage to relieve Mr. Brereton of a portion of his duties. A Winnipeg despatch says : Pursuant

to an order from Manager Van Horne, 3,000 Canadian Pacific Railroad mechanics were reinstated yesterday. All the works are in operation from Thunder Bay to the Rockies. The engineers are still out, but are beaten, as the Company is operating trains with the

During the nickel riots in the city of Mexico on Friday President Gonzale was attacked by a furious mob while riding in his carriage, and was only released upon the arrival of the troops. Several of the rioters were killed.

The case of the Mayo murder conspirators was given to the jury at Cork on Saturday, who, after five hours deliberation, were unable to agree upon a verdict, and were d scharged.

To-day St. George's Society made its annual distribution of obser to the Englishmen in Kingston less favorably circumstauced. The spread made in St. George's Hall of roasts of beef, packages of tea and sugar and loaves of fanty and plain bread, was highly creditably to the Society's good name for generosity, and to the liberality of its English friends in Kingston. There were 90 recipients of an ample Christmas dinner for a family.

The Rev. J. Gallagher, of Pittsburg. is not seriously alarmed at the charge laid by a brother Presbyter for a violation of the rules of church discipline having married a man to his deceased wife's sister. He has challenged investigation, not with a view to notoriety for that he has never sought, but to assist in setting at rest the question of consanguinity.. There is a very vague church law on the subject, and seventenths of the Presbyterian clergymen think as he does upon the reasonable admissibility of marriage with a sisterin-law. It is not so objectionable as tolerated marriages of cousins

James Nolan, 45; found himself in an unfortunate plight. He is an ex-member of the British army, carries a medal for in the Zolu war. As a member of the 58th Regiment he was in the square which a great force of King Cetewayo's | tween them.

his arms were amputated above the troops attacked, with such terrible reelbow. His collar bone was also frac | sults to the Africans, who were literally mown down. Nolan escaped without fourth trip as brakeman. He worked a wound, returned to England, received his discharge and started for Cana ia. going on the C. T. B. He was a good He has only been in this country a week, and not getting occapation as readily as he expected began to drink

Wednesday, 20. The Queen will visit Italy in the Sir John Macdonald has become a to

tal abstance Capt. Labelle has been appointed Manager of the Hoyal Mail Line. The Christmas offering at St. Mary's

Cathedral was \$1,801. Father M. J. Cleary is Secretary to Bishop Carberry, of Hamilton. November cheese sold on Saturday at

Little Falls, N.Y., at 11 to 113e Oscar Wilds will wear, at his wedding, an overcost made from a crazy It is said that Mr. Mercier was invited

to enter the Cabinet of Quebec and de-The lady evangelist, Mrs. Watson, is conducting meetings at Mineral Point-

The contest for the Storrington Reeveship has settled down to D. J. Walker and J. Sharp for choice

Capt. Webb's body is to be exhumed. and given Christian burial.

In a burglary in Ottawa the robbers got \$2,100. An explosion occurred at Birkenhead

on Monday, caused by an infernal ma-The triols reporter at Buffalo has in terviewed a man named McBrde, who

says there is a plot to avenge O'Donnell's death with dynamite. There is likely to be trouble in the Pennsylvania mining districts, in consequence of a reduction of wages

President Arthur received six god beaded canes, six silver umbrellas with gold and silver handles, among his

Christmas presenta Hov. Mr. Dobbs was yesterday made the recipient of \$90, a present from his congregation. The address will appear to morrow.

An avenue in Toronto has been given the name of Gildersleeve, a compliment to our ex-Mayor. There is a conspiracy afoot to remove

one of the Custom House officers and give his place to a needy Tory And now ex-Mayor McKelvey is men tioned in connection with the representation of Vic. ria Ward in the Council A number of St. George's Cathedral

congregation partook of the sacrament

in other city Anglican Churches yester. The Sisters of Charity gratefully acknowledge the receipt of \$25 from Mr. Jobs Carruthers in aid of the House of

Providence. A. C. Edwards, of London, who passed a creditable examination at the School of Gumery lately, died suddenly yes

try thankfully acknowledges the receipt of \$100 from John Carruthers, Esq., being adonation to the institution. Among the new post offices establish ed are Caldwell's Mills and Levant

The Treasurer of the House of Indus

station, Lanark ; McLaren's depot, Addington : Macdonald, Lennox. At London, Ont., the Salvation Army hailed the incoming of Christmas with a torchlight procession through the

streets, disturbing people out of their Hon. D. L. Macpherson, Minister of the Interior, is home for the Christmas holidays, and Ron. G. A. Kirkpatrick

and Mrs. Kirkpatrick are spending them with him at Chestnut Park. Cleveland claims to have the cham pion Aldermanic, talker. Pooh! our Ald. Allen, if well again, could talk its man to death an. have lots of voice left

to sing a farewell to his bones. Capt. Ryerson arrived in the city yes terday en route to her home in Patter son, N. J. She is stopping at Mr. Garbutt's. During her absence Lieut. Hassen, of the 5th Canadian Corps, will conduct the meetings in Believille.

Severest Criticism So Far. The New York Herald, under the heading "High Old Times in Church." refers in the following terms to the row at the St. Paul's Church bazaar, Kings ton, a few lays ago : "If church festivities continue to develop at the present rate sinners will soon flock to the sacred edifices for the sake of diversions after their own heart. The disgusting Vangban-Highee scandal began at a church sociable, and now conjes a story of ballot-box stuffing, and a general row at a 'bazaar' in St. Paul's Church, Ontario, Canada. If kissing bees, meck marriages, lotteries and false voting can occur under church management, why not convivial affairs and boxing matches ? Such diversions may repel saints, but churches are maintained less for the benefit of the godly than for the capture of sin-

Just How the Matter Stands We have been asked by local pur chasers of tickets in the Gueloh lottery when the names of the winners will be known. Our only information on the subject is embodied in the following paragraph, taken from a Western ex-

"Mr. J. L. Murphy, charged with promoting and carrying ou a lottery at Guelph Out., was fined \$20 and costs The drawing was to have taken place in the City Hall on the 18th, but the Council refused to rent it for that pur pose, and at present nobody appears to know when or where it will come off.

Township of Kingston.

John Hay, of Glenburnie, who will

make a sensible, opright representative, is a candidate for a Councillorship. William Craig, of Glenburnie, announces his candidature for the Reeveship, and therefore the contest lies between Craig and Haycock. It ought to be a friendly one, as they have worked together well in the past. We have spoken of Mr. Haycock, and may add that Mr. Craig is a tried representative. a respected farmer and a man of many

New York, Dec. 21 .- Wm. H. Vancerbilt recently threatened to see Frank Work, to recover \$5,000 on a note given by Work to Commodore Vanderbilt in good conduct and a medal for bravery | 1858. Work claims that the note was paid. The men have been rivals for turf honors and bad feeling exists be-