

THREE BATTLES IN HAYTI

HYPPOLITE'S TROOPS ADVANCING ON PORT-AU-PRINCE.

The Cannibalistic Rites of Voodooism Revived—A Human Sacrifice—Incredible Cruelty.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Hayti, Dec. 30.—As this despatch is being written the deposition of Legitimé by the dissatisfied citizens of the capital or by the advancing victorious troops of the North under Hyppolite appears to be shortly expected by all but the immediate supporters of Legitimé. He has thrown into prison all the prominent citizens and residents of the North in Port-au-Prince suspected of opposing him. Three battles have been fought and lost by Legitimé in the past ten days. The first, near Hirahe, was most disastrous, followed by an engagement on Dec. 22 a few miles northeast from here. During the rapid retreat on the capital two divisions of the Southern army, under Gen. San Flor Paul and Gen. Rosa, deserted to the pursuing Northerners. Both these generals had supported Gen. Thelamaque, but had been bribed by Legitimé to support him with their armies recruited in the central and northern departments. Gen. Paul was captured and shot by sentence of a drum-head court-martial under Hyppolite. Gen. Rosa escaped and sought protection at the French Minister's at Port-au-Prince. A stand was made the next day at a rising knoll of ground by the dispirited army of the South, but they were able to stand but a short time against Hyppolite's assaults. The army of the North are entrenching themselves some twenty miles from Port-au-Prince, completing their lines of communication, re-organizing their augmented army and awaiting the arrival of recently purchased arms and munitions of war. They are also devastating the great agricultural section where they are now encamped and from which Legitimé received the greater portion of his supplies. Gen. Hyppolite, having been elected and declared Provincial President by the central and northern departments, on his capture of the capital will demand a congress of deputies from all the departments and the election of a permanent President, declaring Legitimé's election unconstitutional and void. He will probably then be the only candidate in the field. Reports of defeats and desertions have raised to a high pitch of excitement the inhabitants of this section, and hence Legitimé is imprisoning all the possible ringleaders in a revolt against him. He is showing great activity in securing "volunteers" through press gangs, who seize the laborers in the fields and bring them to the barracks, frequently in chains to prevent their escaping. Without law life and property are unsafe in this section. Excesses of every kind are the rule. The horrid cannibalistic rites of Voodooism are revived and reports reach this city of a meeting of several thousand Christmas night near Jacmel and the sacrifice of a young girl and the greedy scramble for some portion of the half cooked flesh. The devastation of the central part of the Island has been the cause of the robbery of recently buried bodies and the devouring of the same. These are well attested facts. The inhabitants of the interior are even more degraded than their African ancestors. They are rarely brought in contact with any evidence of civilization and can easily be led by any scheming adventurer. Gen. Auguste, a resident of the North, has been thrown into the military prison here and his assassination is feared. The capital is denuded of troops and mob rule is feared. The French minister by his open backing of Legitimé is most unpopular. The schooner Aurora was captured in San Domingo waters; her mail bag, weighted with lead, was seized before it could be thrown overboard, the letters opened and found to contain statements implicating some 30 persons in Port-au-Prince, most of whom were previously unsuspected. All have been thrown into prison. Many hold high positions in Legitimé's Government. The seizure of the vessel in foreign waters was another high handed outrage. The cargo of provisions was instantly appropriated as being much needed. The whole Haytian navy consisting of some 8 vessels occupied the inner harbor Dec. 24 and 25 thus rendering null and void any previous blockade. The steamship Havtien Republic is still in the hands of Admiral Luce. It is claimed that Legitimé has appropriated to his own private purse all the remainder of the cash in the treasury and will flee in his fastest gunboat as soon as his fall is by assured fact.

Bucked Off The Train by a Goat. LARAMIE CITY, Wyo., Jan. 9.—The overland fast freight train on the Union Pacific Railway brought into the city, at 5 o'clock yesterday morning, the body of James Sumner, a brakeman, who had been pushed from the top of his car, while two engines were pulling the train along at the rate of forty miles an hour. His assailant was a bucking goat belonging to a "Daddy Nolan" Company and known as Oleo. It had been trained to clear the stage at a signal. Escaping from the hotel stables in Cheyenne, where it was kept, it wandered down to the railroad yard. It is supposed to have got on the freight train from a low shed near the water-tank. By the time the train had got ten miles west of Cheyenne, Oleo had his railroad legs on and started along the train. Brakeman Morrissey was first encountered. He waved his lamp at Oleo and jumped for the brake ladder, climbing down between the cars just in time. Morrissey pulled at the brake cord and found it was broken. Oleo had chewed it in two and the train was at his mercy. Of the struggle between the animal and Sumner the other brakemen could tell but little. They saw Sumner's lantern go out, and soon after the train stopped. Sumner's body was picked up two miles back. The goat had stepped the train by trying to chew up the rest of the bell cord. When the train pulled into this city a cowboy was secured who lassoed Oleo, and he is now in the hands of the police.

Sons Take Up Their Father's Fight. DIXON'S SPRINGS, Tenn., Jan. 9.—Wilson Jenkins shot and killed Willie Hankins last night. The former was sitting in Addison Young's store when the latter entered and struck him on the head with a stone. Jenkins jumped to his feet and fired several shots at Hankins, two of which were fatal. The trouble grew out of a quarrel which the fathers of the two young men had engaged in a few days ago.

A Bullied Male in His Head. PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 8.—About 1.30 o'clock this morning, Albert Davis, a well-known colored restaurant proprietor, was found dead in his hallway with a bullet hole in his head.

TORONTO TOPICS.

Central Bank Liquidators Fees—The Jeffery Testimony—A Break for Liberty. TORONTO, Jan. 9.—The Master-in-Ordinary has fixed the remuneration to be allowed the Central Bank liquidators. The amount collected up to Oct. 13 was \$720,029 and the fees allowed therefor are \$17,442. In addition there are at present outstanding accounts which the liquidators have to collect amounting to about \$200,000. The Master is not prepared to give the exact fees for this collection but in proportion to the present schedule the whole amount will not exceed \$20,000. This is in striking contrast to the amount originally demanded, some \$56,000.

Association Hall was packed to suffocation last night by an enthusiastic audience assembled to express their confidence in Rev. T. W. Jeffery. A beautifully framed and engrossed address was read and when the end was reached the Mayor handed Mr. Jeffery a marked check for \$1000. Mr. Jeffery made an affecting reply and speeches were made by Rev. Dr. Fotts, Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, Rev. G. M. Milligan, Mayor Clarke and others indicative of warm esteem and sympathy for the much talked-of clergyman.

A writ has been issued at the instance of Rev. T. W. Jeffery against Rev. E. A. Stafford, president of the Toronto conference, Rev. J. C. Stone, superintendent of the Toronto district, and Mr. C. K. S. Dinick, a trustee of the Western Methodist Church. The plaintiff claims \$333 on a check given for the instalment of the \$1000 when the trustees of the church agreed to give the ex-pastor to relinquish his post. Mr. William Ogilvie, C. E., of Ottawa, who has been in charge of the Mackenzie River survey, arrived here yesterday on his way to the capital. Mr. Ogilvie visited during his tour the Treadwell gold mine at Douglas Island, which is operated by the firm of Treadwell & Co. This mine is one of the most prosperous in America and the Treadwells are Canadians belonging to St. John's N. B. The output of the mine a short time ago was estimated at \$70,000 a month, when 120 stamps were in operation, but the stamps have since been doubled, and the output was increased to 240 stamps, showing an output of \$140,000 a month. This is one of the largest gold mines in operation on the continent.

Wallace Ross, held on suspicion of being concerned in the O'Connor tur robbery, made a bold break for liberty on leaving the van at the jail yesterday morning. He had slipped his handcuffs before leaving the vehicle and at once started on the run. Policeman Veitch, who was in charge of the van, saw that his other prisoners were safe and then started in pursuit, running him to earth on the Don flats after firing three shots at him without effect.

Mr. Wingfield, J. P., yesterday heard the charges against Alungo Smith, who was arrested on Monday on a charge under the Curfew Act. It is alleged that on June 2, 1888, under promise of marriage, he seduced a girl 17 years of age named Clara Gosney. The prisoner told the J. P. yesterday that he preferred to marry the girl and the case was adjourned to give him an opportunity to do so. Later on, it is said, he went down to County Clerk Lakus' office, secured a marriage license and they were married.

John Crockett, whose leg was broken a year ago when he was thrown out of V. T. Bero's hotel by the barkeeper, was saved with a verdict of \$271 against the hotel-keeper yesterday.

Mr. Angus McKay, manager for Milloy Bros. at the Yonge-street wharf, said yesterday that he had never seen the bay car of ice at this period of the year before during the thirty-one years he had been doing duty on the bay front.

The Death Penalty By Electricity. NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—With reference to a despatch from Buffalo, giving Dr. Southwick as authority for the statement that there would be a meeting in this city of the commission to select a proper method of executing the death penalty by electricity, Mr. Elbridge T. Gerry said yesterday he had received no notice of any such meeting, and he did not believe any was to be held. The commission had performed its work and made its report to the Governor, and there was no further occasion for its meeting. Some of the electric lighting companies, Mr. Gerry added, were anxious to keep the public in ignorance of the deadly power of their wires, and were denying their efficacy as death-dealing instruments, but if anybody was inclined to believe them let him take a pair of iron nippers and climb one of their poles and attempt to cut one of the electric light wires. He would have the death-dealing power of the electric current strongly enough impressed upon him to put him beyond cavil and denial forever, but that was no reason why electricity should be condemned or the man who put it to use. As much might the ropemaker be condemned because hemp had been occasionally instrumental in hanging a man.

Virginia Farmers Want Protection. WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Senator Riddleberger to-day presented resolutions adopted by the State Grange of Virginia, asking Congress to give a bounty of 50 per cent. on exported agricultural products. The resolutions say that the present tariff protects manufacturers at an average rate of 55 per cent. and agricultural products at only 20 per cent. and that as any protection afforded by tariff laws would be ineffectual owing to the fact that our agricultural staples are produced in excess of the demand and have to seek a foreign market, that therefore a bounty should be allowed.

KILRAIN OBJECTS TO THE ARTICLES. He Says Sullivan is Trying to Crawl Out of the Fight. NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—An Albany special to The World states that Kilrain says he is not satisfied with the Toronto agreement. He says his friends had to give way in everything to bring Sullivan to terms and that "the baby" was even now trying to crawl out of the fight by putting it off six months and choosing a referee at the ring side and to this Kilrain objects. He says the referee thus chosen would of course be a Sullivan man. Kilrain could not say whether he would fight under the agreement or not. He would have to consult friends in New York. He did not believe the fight would come off, as Sullivan would insist on having everything his way and would blame the other party for kicking and the fight would fall through. Sullivan, when shown The World special, said: "Kilrain is a monkey, referees are always chosen at the ring side in championship fights. I will be there to fight whether he is not."

The Skating Championship. AMSTERDAM, Jan. 8.—A race for the amateur half-mile skating championship of the world took place here to-day, and was won by Von Panschin of St. Petersburg in 1 min. 25 3/5 sec. Joseph F. Donoghue of Newburg, N. Y., who was a contestant, fell during the race. He afterwards skated over the course against time, covering the distance in 1 min. 27 2/5 sec. Von Panschin won another half-mile race in 1 min. 24 1/5 sec.

DOINGS IN THE DOMINION.

A SENSATIONAL LIBEL SUIT AT HAMILTON.

How a Montreal Barber is Masquerading as a Priest—Fatal Accident at Arnprior—A Lawyer's Misfortune.

HAMILTON, Jan. 8.—At the re-opening of the winter sittings to-day the case of Schuhl v. Rosenstadt came up for trial. This was a suit brought by Henry Schuhl, of this city, against Edward Rosenstadt for \$10,000 damages for libel. The libel consisted in exhibiting copies of a paper called The Dallas Evening Times of July, 1887, containing a statement of a number of charges against Schuhl and indictments in the courts against him while he resided in that city; also charging him with having been dismissed as rabbi from the congregation there for having illicit relations with an abandoned woman. The article was printed in The Dallas Times in response to a letter from the city editor of The Hamilton Spectator stating that Schuhl was making himself a conspicuous figure among the Knights of Labor in this city and asking why Schuhl left Dallas. At the trial to-day witnesses were called to prove the publication of the libel, after which the plaintiff took the stand. He said that when he left Dallas he was a professor in the commercial college, minister of the Hebrew congregation, chaplain of the Fourth regiment, justice of the peace, acting coroner, president of the fire department, president of the general relief society, etc. The Times' charges against him were the outcome of political malice, he being the only Republican candidate elected to office in the intensely Democratic Lone Star State. The case was not concluded when the court rose. Ellen Garbutt and Nellie Winters, two 16-year-old girls, were in the Police Court this morning charged with vagrancy. One of the girls admitted that she went to a dance where she remained until 12 o'clock, when she was afraid to go home, and afterwards went with seven other girls to a hotel, sleeping there all night. Some of the girls had young men, who occupied the same apartments with them. Her story revealed the horrible depravity of the young girls, none of whom were over 16, and the direct cause of their downfall was the tough dances they had attended. The girls were allowed to go with a reprimand. The accounts of the recent Art exposition were audited yesterday. The net receipts are \$4154, of which \$600 goes to the volunteers and the balance to the art school. Mr. John Close, an old and respected citizen of Hamilton, died to-day after an illness of about nine years' duration. He leaves two sons, one of whom (George) lives in Toronto, and four daughters.

Mrs. Mary Young, relict of the late Captain Young, died this morning, aged 79 years. Mrs. Young had been a great sufferer for the past three months, a hurt on one of her legs having resulted in gangrene. This afternoon Constable Duncan arrested Annie Scruggs, a woman who arrived from Brooklyn and was without friends. She showed symptoms of insanity. Frank Livings, proprietor of the Brant House, has assigned to P. H. Lamb.

Fatal Accident at Arnprior. ARNPRIOR, Jan. 8.—About 11.30 this morning Wm. Kerr, while engaged putting on roofing on the new town hall, slipped and fell a distance of 45 feet. His right arm was broken in two places, the left arm in one, the right side of the head was bruised to a pulp and the base of the skull crushed in on the brain. It is considered impossible that he can recover.

An Orilla Lawyer's Misfortune. ORILLIA, Jan. 8.—A serious accident occurred here on the arrival of the 3 a.m. train going north. Mr. A. D. Kean, a passenger, when getting off slipped and fell under the wheels, which passed over his legs, crushing them so badly that it was necessary to amputate both below the knee. The operation was performed successfully by Drs. Corbett, Harvie, Shaw and McDonell of Orillia, but at present it is hard to say if Mr. Kean will survive the shock. Mr. Kean was an enterprising young lawyer and is well known throughout the principal courts of the county.

North Bruce Farmers' Institute. PORT ELGIN, Jan. 8.—A large and enthusiastic meeting of the North Bruce Farmers' Institute was held here to-day, about 300 farmers being present. President Mills of the Ontario Agricultural College gave addresses on farmers' institutes and their work, best breeds of beef cattle, the silo and ensilage, and Mr. A. H. Pettit of Grimby delivered an instructive address on fruit culture and the work of the institute. Mr. J. B. Muir of North Bruce read a paper on profitable cattle feeding. A large mass meeting was held to-night at which a number of addresses were made.

Fell Under the Car. DUNDAS, Jan. 8.—As the Hamilton and Dundas 4.50 train from Hamilton was coming along Hatt-street this afternoon a boy slipped from the steps and narrowly escaped being run over. As the train backed into the station William Logan, aged 12, who was standing on the rear platform, lost his hold and went under the car, both wheels passing over him before he could be removed. His left thigh is fractured and his thigh joint dislocated. Unless he has received internal injuries he will probably recover.

Why Barbey Was Discharged. MONTREAL, Jan. 8.—In the Court of Special Sessions to-day Jean Elizee Barbey, charged with indecently assaulting his 13-year-old daughter, was discharged, as the little girl after six days' residence with the nuns did not know the nature of the act.

Educated Play Goers. In the good old times we had one set of scenery for all plays. A tent was a tent and a wood was a wood, irrespective of climes or persons. The public went to the play to hear the music or enjoy the verse, and actors grew declamatory. Since then we have gone to the other extreme, and stage setting has been wondrously elaborated. I think people are now too cultured to permit excess in this direction. But they have learned the difference between the furniture of the Louis XIII and Louis XIV periods, just as they have learned to distinguish between a Louis XVI and a Louis XVIII dress. They like correctness, and the plays do not suffer.—Lawrence Barrett.

Big Burgs. The five largest cities in the world are: London, 4,139,533; Paris, 2,344,559; Canton, 1,600,000; Berlin, 1,315,413; New York, 1,203,412. The ten largest cities in the United States in their order, according to census of 1880, are: New York, Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Chicago, Boston, St. Louis, Baltimore, Cincinnati, San Francisco and New Orleans.

Good Speed and Bottom. The fastest time for 100 miles by any horse was by the horse Conqueror, who ran 100 miles in 8h., 56m., 55s., at Union Course, Long Island, Nov. 12, 1883.

Dr. Boulter, Stirling, is confined to his bed by sickness.

BIRMINGHAM'S WELCOME.

An Enthusiastic Greeting to Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain—The Wedding Gifts.

BIRMINGHAM, Jan. 8.—The Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain and his bride were given a cordial greeting by the people of Birmingham to night. The reception to the couple was held in the Town Hall, which had been converted into a salon and beautifully decorated. The gathering was a large and representative one. Until the arrival of the guests of the evening the time was occupied in listening to a concert and viewing the presents intended for the bride, for which the citizens of Birmingham had subscribed £700.

The entrance of Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain, who were accompanied by Mr. Chamberlain's sons and daughters, Lady Mandeville and others, was the signal for a great cheering, which was again and again renewed, the organist meanwhile playing a wedding march. Handsome bouquets were presented to Mrs. Chamberlain, who repeatedly bowed her acknowledgments.

The bride was dressed in pink satin and her ornaments were diamonds and sapphires. The presentation of the wedding gifts and accompanying addresses followed. The gifts consisted of a pearl necklace with a diamond clasp from the citizens and a brilliant diamond brooch containing fifty-five gems in the shape of a six-pointed star, the gift of the women of Birmingham.

Mr. Chamberlain, in replying to the addresses, said they surpassed his expectations in the warmth of their greeting to his wife, whose ancestors left England over 250 years ago. [Cheers.] Although he neither hoped nor expected to lessen her love for the country of her birth he knew that she was prepared to take up life among them in all its fulness and that she would say with Ruth: "Thy people shall be my people." [Cheers.] Referring to the feeling of kinship with America expressed in the address just presented he said that that was no new feeling in Birmingham. At the time of America's greatest trial—the crisis of the Union—the eloquent voice of John Bright, now unfortunately hushed for a time by illness, was raised again and again in that very hall to defend the integrity of the republic. The same feeling permeated the whole country. It was now admitted on all hands that a serious quarrel with America would be the greatest national calamity. [Cheers.] Differences were certain to arise from time to time but the democracies of both countries were determined that they should be amicably arranged. He was glad to say that even that august body, the American Senate had nothing to say about his private negotiations which his hearers had just ratified by their presence.

Another Batch of Evictions. DUBLIN, Jan. 8.—Six tenants were evicted from their holdings in Col. Charles Tottenham's estate at Dunganstown, County Wick, to-day. A force of 100 military and an equal number of police were present to dispossess the tenants by force if necessary, but no resistance was offered. An army surgeon was also present.

The evictions on the estate of Ophbert at Falertragh were concluded to-day. The inmates of a house occupied by a tenant named Curran, which had been fortified, yielding to the entreaties of the priests, surrendered and were arrested.

A Special Correspondent's Little Story. LONDON, Jan. 8.—The last development of the Morier incident is only another indication of the bitterness of feeling against England in Germany. It would have been wiser if Sir Robert had not raised the subject, but nothing can justify the insolence of Count Herbert Bismarck's reply. It is only one of the many signs of the way in which England is considered there. The Emperor's anger is not one bit abated, and to that tune Count Herbert dances. It is known that he is the intimate friend and counsellor of the Emperor, and in every way represents imperial sentiment and opinion, so it is easy to see in what direction that is flowing. The pro-English feeling of Emperor Frederick, the strong English prejudices of the Empress and the Morill Mackenzie incident added fuel to the flame, and we may look out for a good deal more German insolence before we see the end of the friction. The visit of the Prince of Wales to Berlin did not improve matters. He saw many things of which he did not approve, ventured to criticize and give advice, and was not too civilly told to look water home.

Attempt to Blow Up the Palace in Madrid. MADRID, Jan. 8.—A dastardly attempt to blow up the royal palace was made here to-day. Fortunately no one was injured and the only damage done was to smash many windows. The petard with which the attempt was made was exploded on the staircase of the palace. Great excitement prevailed for a time, the members of the royal household being almost panic-stricken. Prime Minister Sagasta, as soon as he heard of the attempted outrage, hurried from the Congress to the palace, where he was at once admitted to an audience with the Queen.

The German Disaster in Samoa. BERLIN, Jan. 8.—It is understood that Samoan affairs will not be made the subject of a special debate in the Reichstag, but will be referred to during the discussion of the naval budget. The disaster in Samoa has created a deep impression and will strengthen the arguments of the anti-colonial party in the East African debate. The Kieler Zeitung states that the Samoan losses are the greatest in officers and men that the German navy ever experienced in a trans-oceanic expedition.

A Friend in Need. LONDON, Jan. 8.—The Italian Government has ordered that 4000 Italian workmen on the Panama canal, who are said to have been thrown out of employment, be given protection and assistance until their eventual return to Italy.

The Proposed Catholic Congress. VIENNA, Jan. 8.—The Freudenstadt denies the statement published in The Tribune of Rome, that Emperor Francis Joseph has written Cardinal Simon, Primate of Hungary, deprecating the summoning of a Catholic congress.

Boulanger Confident of Success. PARIS, Jan. 8.—In an interview to-day General Boulanger said that his election experience enabled him to feel the pulse of a constituency as well as any one, and that never, even during his triumphs in the Department of the North, did he consider his success so certain as now. The exaggerated importance attached to this contest by his opponents would only influence the Province still more in his favor in the event of his election. Therefore, he would work his hardest to secure a brilliant success, a success that would lead to a triumph at the general election.

Gladstone's Puzzle. LONDON, Jan. 8.—Mr. Gladstone has written from Naples to The Pall Mall Gazette with reference to his recent Telegram, which as published reads as follows: "The Tablet's version of my letter to the Marquis De Riva, touching the position of the Pope, is untrue." The statement that I recommended international arbitration upon the Roman question is incorrect under the present circumstances." Mr. Gladstone, in his letter, states that the telegram should have ended with the word "incorrect." The additional words "under the present circumstances," he says, belong to a private communication. Mr. Stead, editor of The Gazette, commenting on the letter says that even now he cannot understand Mr. Gladstone's meaning.

TOPICS FROM THE CAPITAL.

THE NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE LABOR COMMISSION.

Experimental Farm Improvements—A Dominion Geodetic Survey Broached—The Baden-Powell Fable.

OTTAWA, Jan. 8.—La Patrie of Montreal stated editorially yesterday that it was informed on good authority that Sir John A. Macdonald showed his love for Canada by investing \$1,500,000 in United States securities and that Sir Adolphe Caron had \$800,000 invested in a similar manner. There is not one word of truth in the story. On being shown the paragraph to-day Sir John laughed and said that unfortunately for him he had not \$1,500,000 invested in the United States or anywhere else. It is understood that Mr. A. T. Freed has been appointed chairman of the Labor Commission in place of the late Judge Armstrong. The commission meets here to-morrow to prepare its report.

An area of sixty-five acres in the central experimental farm will be laid out next spring as a botanical garden, and a great deal of other work will be done. A large number of young forest trees from Russia, France and other countries have been received and planted. A deputation of Dominion land surveyors has asked Mr. Dewdney to authorize a geodetic survey, on the basis of that adopted in the United States, for the purpose of accurately defining the coast lines on our inland waters as well as those of the Atlantic coast.

The Department of Agriculture has issued a small pamphlet descriptive of the visit of the Ottawa Field Naturalists' Club to the experimental farm last summer. George S. Mayes of St. John, N.B., has entered suit against the Government in the Exchequer Court for \$4500 in connection with the contract for building the railway bridge across the St. John River two years ago. Mayes claims that part of the timber to be used had to be obtained in South Carolina and it was agreed that it should be inspected by Government officers before shipment, but that owing to delay in sending the inspector he was put to considerable extra expense.

The cablegram that Sir George Baden-Powell has been appointed by the Imperial Government as plenipotentiary to Washington and Ottawa on behalf of the British Government in the fisheries question is not credited in official circles here, as the Home Government never takes such action without consulting the Dominion authorities. The impression here is that nothing can be done in the fisheries matter until after Harrison comes into power.

Sheriff Hathaway of Montana, to whom the warrant for the extradition of Godin, the half breed murderer now in jail at Regina was addressed, having been defeated at the late election, the Department of Justice has issued another warrant addressed to the new sheriff. As evidence of the openness of winter here it is worthy of mention that four of the Ottawa Rowing Club took a spin on the river to-day. There was a little ice about the boathouse, but the centre of the river was clear. A race for fours has been arranged for to-morrow.

It is understood that Captain James Dick, inspector of hulls at Toronto, has been retired from public service. It is probable that his successor will make headquarters at Kingston. Sir John Thompson left for Montreal this afternoon to place one of his daughters in the convent at Sault au Recollet.

The Author of the Murchison Letter. LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 8.—The Los Angeles Times this morning published a letter written by Col. H. G. Otis, editor of The Times, S. T. Cole and W. F. Fitzgerald, to President-elect Harrison, under date of Jan. 1, in which the identity of the author of the Murchison letter is disclosed. The letter states that the author of the letter is Osgoodby, a citizen of Pomona, a man of good repute and family, a fruit farmer and owner of considerable property. He has lived in Pomona a number of years. His parents and brother also reside there. He is of Scotch-English parentage, but was born in the United States. After drafting his original letter to Sackville West, which he says was written in the presence of his wife and brother, Osgoodby mailed it to the minister. Osgoodby says he did not until a few days before the correspondence was made public have a conception of its importance in a political sense.

Stabbed in a Fit of the Blues. PITTSBURG, Jan. 9.—Joseph Crawford attempted suicide yesterday afternoon in his room in the Bank Exchange Hotel. He had been on a spree since Christmas, and not being able to get a drink yesterday became despondent. He stabbed himself twice with a pocket knife in the region of the heart, and then cried out, attracting the attention of his room-mate. Dr. Langitt was sent for and had the man removed to the Locomotive Hospital. It is not known whether the wounds will prove fatal. Crawford is about 35 years of age and has worked for years as a brass finisher.

The End of an Old Feud. TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 8.—An old feud existed between James Stewart and Geo. D. Beach, prominent farmers and stockmen of Monmouth Township. Last evening the children of the two families got into a quarrel while returning from school and Beach handled one of Stewart's boys roughly. Mrs. Stewart assaulted Beach with stones and he threw her to the ground. Mr. Stewart then appeared and attacked Beach with a knife, cutting him badly in the arm, whereupon Beach shot him dead.

An Illinois Murder. CLAYTON, Ill., Jan. 8.—Norman Carter was murdered by Andrew and Frank Jackson in Brown county last Friday. The Jacksons had a grudge against Carter, claiming he had been intimate with their sister. They asked Carter to meet them at their cabin in a lonely strip of timber for the purpose of settling past differences on a friendly basis. He did so, and they then killed him with an axe, mutilating his body horribly. The murderers escaped.

Signor Blitz an Embricite. BROOKLYN, N. Y., Jan. 8.—Signor Blitz, whose merry manners, clever conjuring and versatility in ventriloquism entertained the young and old of a quarter of a century ago, is now in the hospital awaiting transfer to the asylum as a hopeless imbecile. He is a victim to paralytic dementia. Marie Van Zandt, the prima donna, is his granddaughter.

Mr. Davin's Friends. REGINA, Jan. 8.—At a mass meeting here last night a resolution was passed with only two dissenting votes condemning The Winnipeg Call for its attack on N. F. Davin, M. P.

Barry Barred Out. PITTSBURG, Jan. 8.—Thos. B. Barry was advertised to lecture in the Knights of Labor Hall here last night, but Master Workman Doyle of District Assembly 3 barred him out.