

THE GUARDIAN EXTENDS XMAS GREETINGS

QUEEN ALEXANDRIA SECRETLY HELPING LONDON'S POOR

Christmas Presents of Value to Each. Tremendous Activity of Free Trade League. Some Wild Statements Being Made An Overdue Steamship Arrives Safely in Port After Storm.

Special to The Guardian.
LONDON, Dec. 23—Unknown men for the past two nights have collected the homeless and destitute who frequent the Victoria Embankments and given to each man a quilted jacket, gloves, scarf and a shilling and each woman a shawl, gloves and a shilling.
They refused to give the name of the donor of the articles.
The Daily Mail says the Queen, stirred by the stories of the wanderers who seek refuge on the Em-

bankment, has taken this means of providing Christmas presents.
LONDON, Dec. 23—On Monday the Free Trade Union are opening fifty campaign offices in the industrial centres from which eight hundred speakers will be directed and millions of cartoon leaflets will be distributed.
Reading some of these publications and listening to Radical meetings, ignorant electors are persuaded that

the protectionist United States is in deep depression with thousands of workmen in each centre searching vainly for work and food, and that Germans, driven by their tariff to eat horseflesh, lead miserably down-trodden lives.
LONDON, Dec. 23—The steamer Rostrevor, for which fears have been entertained, arrived at Holyhead this afternoon.
She had been detained by fog and stopping to assist a schooner dis-masted in the storm.

FIRST WARSHIP NOW PURCHASED FROM ADMIRALTY

And Will be in Canadian Waters Next Spring.—Second Class Twin Screw Steamer.

Special to The Guardian.
OTTAWA, December 23—The first Canadian war vessel will be in commission in Canadian waters next spring.
The Government has arranged to purchase from the British Admiralty the second-class twin screw Cruiser Rainbow, one of the Appole type of unarmed cruisers.
The vessel is now in dry-dock in Britain, undergoing alterations and repairs preparatory to being sent across to Canada.

CZAR NICHOLAS AT LIVADIA PLAYS SOLDIER

He Dons a Private's Uniform to Test it, Does a Humane Act and Has Novel Experience. A Soldier Must Obey His Emperor.

Special to The Guardian.
LONDON, December 23—The Czar walked about Livadia for two hours wearing the uniform and accoutrements of an infantry soldier in order to test the equipment.
While the Emperor was strolling in the park with an adjutant he noticed one of the sentries attacked with hemorrhage.
He sent the adjutant to tell the man to go to the barracks and report to the doctor.
The man replied that he dare not and that he was under oath to die rather than leave his post until relieved.
The Czar approached and told the man the same oath compelled him to obey his Emperor.
The Czar then ordered the sentry to surrender his rifle to him, and instructed the adjutant to accompany the man to the barracks and explain. Meanwhile the Czar mounted guard until relieved.

WAR IS STILL PROGRESSING IN NICARAGUA

Estrada Will Attack the New President. Prisoners Will be Treated, May Join Insurgents.

Special to The Guardian.
BLUEFIELDS, December 23—General Estrada will immediately assume the offensive against the Government of Madrid.
The Zelaya element was removed from consideration by the sweeping battle of Rama.
Madrid and his associates now represent the enemy. A march on Managua is imminent.
The prisoners captured at Rama have been well fed and all who espouse the cause of Estrada will be armed and enrolled in the ranks of the insurgents.

FIRE CHIEFS ARE DISMISSED

Special to The Guardian.
MONTREAL, December 23—The first results of the recent civic investigation by Judge Cannon were shown when fire chiefs Dubois and Marin were suspended and may be dismissed when the fire committee fully considers their cases.

PRINCE ALBERT WILL SETTLE

Special to The Guardian.
BRUSSELS, December 23—To avoid future scandals Prince Albert will settle with the creditors of his cousin Louise and take steps to prevent litigation by the other Princesses over the estate of the late King Leopold.

ALLAN LINER CORINTHIAN

Special to The Guardian.
HALIFAX, December 23—The Allan Liner Corinthian was floated this morning and is now at her pier, re-loading cargo for London and Havre.

FARMER BOUGHT THIRTY AUTOS

Special to The Guardian.
DETROIT, December 23—J. C. Coe, a Saskatchewan farmer, dropped into Detroit and purchased thirty automobiles for his former friends of the North West.
He told his neighbors he was going east and they gave him orders accompanied by the drafts.
The bumper wheat crops in the Northwest were the cause of prosperity.

AMUNDSEN TO SEEK FOR COOK

Special to The Guardian.
NEW YORK, December 23—Copenhagen cable despatches say that Captain Amundsen, discoverer of the Northwest Passage, has begun a systematic search for Cook.

HOW TO REGAIN TWO-POWER STANDARD

LONDON, December 21—Lord Charles Beresford, writing to the unionist candidate in Mid-Derbyshire, says the two-power standard has been deserted and cannot be regained unless the four other nations forming the British Empire will join with us until the security of our material supplies and raw material are safe beyond all question.

THE NEW PRESIDENT OF NICARAGUA

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Dec. 21—(Special)—Dr. Jose Madriz, the newly elected president of Nicaragua who took the oath of office this morning, was formerly minister of foreign affairs. He is comparatively young, a lawyer and author. He represented Nicaragua at the Central American Court of Justice at Carthage and was chairman of the Nicaraguan delegation of the Central American Peace conference held in Washington in 1907. He was elected secretary of the conference. Madriz is said to have been closer to Zelaya than any of the former President's associates. He is considered an able man.

CZAR NICHOLAS AS A PRIVATE SOLDIER

LONDON, Dec. 22—The Russian "Court Bulletin" reprinted lately that the Czar walked about Livadia for two hours wearing the uniform and carrying the accoutrements of an infantry soldier in order to test the equipment.
Another story has now reached St. Petersburg to the effect that, while the Emperor was strolling in the park with his adjutant he noticed that one of the sentries had been attacked with a hemorrhage. He sent the adjutant to tell the man to quit his post and report himself to a doctor. The man replied that he dare not, and that he was under oath to die rather than leave his post until he was relieved.
The Czar then approached and told the man that the same oath compelled him to obey his Emperor, who was also empowered by the military code to relieve the sentry. The Czar told the sentry to surrender his rifle to him and instructed the adjutant to accompany the man to the barracks and explain.
The Czar meanwhile mounted guard until he was relieved.



CHARLES OHLA
MRS. EMMA OHLA

THE C. P. R. HAD BIG REVENUE

MONTREAL, Dec. 21—It was yesterday estimated by finance officers of the Canadian Pacific that the gross revenue of the system for the calendar year would amount to \$100,000,000.
This estimate, while only approximate, since the year is not ended, is based on the earnings to date with the probable takings for the balance of the year based on last year's figures.
The earnings, published monthly include the railway system, with the lake steamships, etc., but not the takings of Atlantic and Pacific steam ships, the hotel system, etc.
The earnings, as shown, will amount to \$85,000,000 by the end of the year, and when to this is added the gross takings of the two ocean steamship services, hotels, telegraphs, etc., it is estimated that the takings will equal \$100,000,000.
A sign of the confidence of the British people in the Canadian Pacific Railway is shown by the fact that although payments on the recent issue of \$30,000,000 stock are not due until January, large sums are already pouring in from the old country.

PREMIER EXPLAINS RESIGNATION

LONDON, Dec. 22—Winslow DeLima, the Premier, gives as the reason for the resignation of the Cabinet, which took place Saturday, the detection of two groups of the coalition parties, by which the ministry had been supported.

BUBONIC PLAGUE AT GUAYAQUIL

GUAYAQUIL, Ecu., Dec. 22—During the first two weeks of December 30 cases of bubonic plague, of which 5 proved fatal were officially reported here. In the same period there were twelve cases of yellow fever and five deaths.

C. P. R. REVENUE IS \$100,000,000

MONTREAL, Dec. 22—The Controller of the Canadian Pacific gave out a statement today to the effect that the gross revenue of the Company for the year 1909 would be \$100,000,000, beating Mr. Fielding's estimated revenue by \$5,000,000. Of this amount it is understood that eighty-five million will come from the railway, and \$15,000,000 from the steamers, hotels, etc.

THIS DATE
December 1846
63 Years Ago.

We have been informed on what we consider good authority that Hon. Joseph Pope has resigned his seat in the Executive Council board of this island.
The Assault and Battery Court met in the County Court House on the 17th inst. B. De St. Croix, F. Longworth and Hon. S. Macdonald require, on the bench, 10 cases of assault were tried and the different parties dealt with. Theo. Desbrisay, Clerk of the Court.
The Brig "Elliot" Fleming, master which sailed from this port on the 17th ult bound to London, timber laden, was driven on shore at the Magdalen Islands, in the storm of the 24th and is a total wreck. She was owned by Messrs Nelson & Son of this town.
The Brig "Bessy" laden with 4000 bushels of grain, bound to St. John's N. F., was driven on shore in Richmond Bay in the gale of Monday 30th, and will not be got off until spring. She is owned by F. Longworth of this town.
The South Western Railway Company of England has purchased 200,000 Railway Sleepers from a large landed proprietor in Prince Edward Island. Some portions of which are already landed at the Southampton docks. The timber is a species of fir of a very heavy and durable nature. They are imported in such shape as to be almost ready to be laid down when delivered.
It is noted by letter from England young girl, tipped across the room. She clasped her hands over the eyes of the aged woman and then kissed her on the cheek.
"Guess who's here, Aunt Mary," it is feared dissolution is near at whispered the young woman. "I'll bet hand," you can't."
The aged woman was Mrs. Mary Ledwith, eighty-five years old, and her unexpected visitor was Miss Rosevelt, daughter of Colonel and the insurance of the last remains of Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt.
After "Aunt" Mary had guessed and guessed right Miss Rosevelt threw her arms around the aged woman, who for half a century had served as a nurse in the Carow and Roosevelt families, and gave her a good, long hug and many kisses.
"Oh, I'm so glad to see you, Aunt Mary, and I have come to bring good news from papa! He sends you his love and wishes you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year," she said.
"It was a happy day for Mrs. Ledwith. She had not seen Miss Rosevelt since her return with her mother from Europe on Thanksgiving Day, and as a result of the visit Aunt Mary is going to Sagamore Hill next week to join the Roosevelts and to spend the remainder of her days as a thoroughly completed. (They make it now in 8 1/2 hours.)



MRS. MARY LEDWITH

EDISON HONORED BY HIS ASSOCIATES

NEW YORK, Dec. 22—Thomas A. Edison, forsaking his multitudinous blue prints and the complex intricacies of his laboratory at West Orange, N. J., attended at the Hotel Plaza his first dinner for a number of years past. He joined a number of moving picture manufacturers who desired at once to pay him tribute as the pioneer in the field and to signify the completion of their first 12 months of peace after a protracted period of costly litigation. A silver trophy depicting a Greek procession of victory was given Mr. Edison by his associates who also exposed a special film as a record of the dinner.

COURT OF CHANCERY

The Court of Chancery was in session yesterday morning, the Vice-Chancellor presiding.
The case of Coles vs. Nunn came on for hearing. In this matter the Bill of Complaint prays that the estate of John F. Nunn, late of Winslow Road, may be administered under the order and direction of the Court and that the will of the said John F. Nunn may be declared well proved. Ten witnesses were examined at the hearing, A. A. McLean K. C., for complainant and J. A. Matheson K. C., for defendant. Cephas Nunn, and C. H. Smallwood, Guardian ad litem for infant defendants.
The Vice-Chancellor decided that all the property, stock and crop belongs to the estate of John F. Nunn and makes order of reference to the Master to take accounts, &c., and that the estate be administered under the direction of the Court.



JOHN MITCHELL

DUCHESS LEAVES A LARGE ESTATE

LONDON, Dec. 22—The estate of the late Consuelo Duchess, of Manchester is valued for probate at \$1,024,330. After provision for her grand son, the Viscount Manderville, and the younger children of the Duke of Manchester, the residue of the property was left in trust for the Duke during his life, and then for the successor to the title. The Dowager Duchess bequeathed a ruby and diamond bracelet to Queen Alexandra, as a token of respectful affection.
The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals received \$5,000. The testator before her marriage to the eighth Duke of Manchester, was Miss Consuelo Yznahua of New York.



JOHN MITCHELL

John Mitchell, Labor Leader, New York, who is aiding the suffrage movement.
Minard's Liniment cures distemper.

CHICAGO MARKETS.
CHICAGO, Dec. 23—(Special.)—
Dec. Wheat 114 1/2
Jan. Wheat 110 1/2
Dec. Corn 61 1/2
Jan. Corn 66 1/2

PEARY TO TRY SOUTH POLE

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—Peary very strongly intimated at banquet of the New England Society that the expedition which he led to the North Pole might also try for the South Pole.

Condensed Advertisements
(The late for classification)
SAUNSON'S SAUSAGES fresh every day at Saunders & Newson's
GIRL WANTED, with a fair education to learn the type setting. Apply in person between 8 and 10 a. m. at Guardian office, 11-25th St.
THE HUNTER river gulf and saw mill will be closed Saturday and Monday, December 25 and 27.
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Many Happy Days

I am thinking of you today because it is Christmas day, and I wish you happiness. And tomorrow, because it will be the day after Christmas, I shall still wish you happiness, and so on, clear through the year. Whatever joy or success comes to you will make me glad. In plain words, and without pretence, good will to you is what I mean, in the spirit of Christmas.
HENRY VAN DYKE.

Minard's Liniment cures Garget in cows
The temperature at three o'clock this morning was thirty-eight degrees.
Minard's Liniment Cures Colds Etc.
SNOW.
Special to The Guardian.
TORONTO, December 24—Strong winds and moderate gales northwesterly and westerly, cloudy with local snow falls. Much the same temperature.
The length of today will be eight hours and 56 minutes.