

THE FACES OF THE FUTURE Almost Total Failure of Crops is Reported in the North.

Wholesale Deaths by Hunger and Disease Seem Unavoidable.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 21.—The average grain crop gathered in Finland is valued at \$30,000,000. The estimated value of the 1902 crop is \$20,000,000. While this loss is generally distributed through Finland, it is almost total in the northern third of the country, where are the provinces of Uleaborg, Kuopio, Vasa, St. Michael and portions of Viborg.

MANY PARISHES DESTITUTE. There are, all told, about 500 parishes in Finland. One hundred and ninety-four of these parishes are now nearly destitute. The Agricultural Board has received reports from 184 of the 194 parishes showing that they have food supplies which will suffice them until Christmas only.

APPEAL FOR HELP ISSUED. Count Bobrikoff, Governor General of Finland, has issued an appeal for help in Russia, and a voluntary relief committee has been organized by Finlanders, with branches throughout the country.

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LONE ROBBER ACHIEVES HOLD-UP. Continued From Page 1, Column 7.

GIVES BACK A WATCH. After gathering up the money and jewelry the robber ordered Wilson to drive on. As he did so F. C. Meckel, one of the passengers who had contributed a watch, asked the robber to give him back the watch as it was a present from his mother.

SOME ESCAPE LOSS. One lady, Miss Martinez, dropped her money in the stage, and Frank Woods saved his watch and money by slipping it down his pants leg. The passengers were Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Meckel of Weaverville, Frank Woods of Lewiston, C. C. Braton of Oroville, William Jackson of Coffee Creek, and Miss Rebecca Martinez of French Gulch.

Late Shipping Intelligence. ARRIVED. Sunday, December 21. Steamer Inagua, Gunderson, 22 hours from San Pedro. Steamer Mary C. Campbell, 8 hours from Bogota.

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His Grace Archbishop Riordan, With Many Clergymen, Assists in the Beautiful Exercises Which Proclaim Sacred Edifice Open and Gives High Praise to the Pastor, the Rev. Father Brady

LONDON Foreign Office Receives the President's Reply. Intimates That It Is An Acceptance of Powers' Proposal.

Prompt Settlement of the Venezuelan Affair and Cessation of Hostilities Are Expected.

CARACAS, Dec. 21.—In the name of Venezuela, President Castro has signed an acceptance of the appointment of President Roosevelt to arbitrate the Venezuelan difficulty.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—It is believed that President Roosevelt's answer to the proposal made by the allied powers that he arbitrate the Venezuelan issues has been received in London.

A constant interchange of cables is proceeding night and day between the United States Embassy here and the State Department at Washington.

It must be said that the acceptance of the office of arbitrator by President Roosevelt would greatly surprise the Foreign Office which has been doubtful of the issue of the arbitration negotiations on account of the belief that President Roosevelt of the United States was not favorably disposed to participate.

Imposing Procession. Punctually at 10:30 o'clock a procession was formed, headed by cross-bearers, His Grace the Archbishop, followed by the Rev. Father Scanlan of St. Joseph's Church, Rev. Father Lynch of St. James Church, Rev. Father Casey, Rev. Father York, Rev. Father John Nugent, Rev. Father Hickey of St. Francis Church, Brother Zannonian and many other brothers.

ASKS A BLESSING. His Grace asked a blessing for the new church and its devout congregation and pastor. The dedication sermon was preached by the Rev. Father York. The Rev. Father Casey was the celebrant of the mass.

CRUISER CAPTURES SLOOP. Italian Warship Takes a Prize Off Port of La Guaira. LA GUAIRA, Dec. 21.—The Italian cruiser Giovanni Bausan has captured a sloop which was coming from the East.

REVISIONIST OUTRAGES. Foreigners Are Compelled to Make Heavy Contributions. PARIS, Dec. 22.—A dispatch to the Matin from Caracas says the Venezuelan revolutionists in the Higuerote and Rio Chico regions are levying heavy contributions, under penalty of imprisonment, upon foreigners as well as natives.

WARSHIPS ARE PATROLLING. Effective Blockade Is Maintained on Venezuelan Coast. PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, Dec. 21.—The blockade of Venezuelan ports was begun with an effective force at midnight last night. The British have the cruisers Indefatigable, Alert and Tribune, the special service steamers Columbine and the torpedo-boat destroyer Rocket along the coast.

FAVORS THE HAGUE PROPOSAL. One of the Allies Supports the Plan of the President. ROME, Dec. 21.—It has been learned here that one of the allies at present contemplates submitting the Venezuelan difficulty to The Hague court.

ALLIES IN FULL ACCORD. Adopt Detailed Answers to the Proposal to Arbitrate. BERLIN, Dec. 21.—It has been learned here that the Governments of Germany and Great Britain have adopted detailed answers to the proposal to arbitrate the Venezuelan issues.

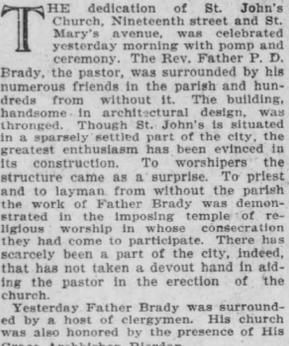
BRITISH CRUISER TAKES A PRIZE. British Cruiser Takes a Prize. CARACAS, Dec. 21.—A British cruiser has captured the Venezuelan schooner Jesuita.

POSTPONEMENT. The Pacific Coast Steamship Company's steamer State of California will leave San Francisco for Los Angeles, San Diego and Santa Barbara December 23, instead of on December 25 and January 1.

NO CORNELL CREW FOR HENLEY. ITHACA, N. Y., Dec. 21.—The Cornell athletic committee has formally abandoned the idea of sending an eight to Henley.



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BIG VESSEL THE GRIP OF THE FAMES

Fire Consumes Craft in Sight of Boston Harbor.

Life-Savers Fail in an Attempt to Reach the Doomed Crew.

Fishing Boat Is Seen Nearby and It Is Hoped Some of the Seamen Were Rescued.

GLoucester, Mass., Dec. 21.—It is believed that a large vessel—either a tank steamer with oil or a sailing craft loaded with some highly inflammable matter—was burned to-night in Massachusetts Bay, about twenty miles out of Boston harbor.

At 10:30 o'clock to-night two Boston fishermen came into port and reported that they passed within two miles of the burning vessel, but did not attempt to ascertain her identity.

The vessel was first noticed at 4 o'clock this afternoon by Keeper Bailey of Eastern Point light, at the entrance of this harbor. At that time she apparently was enveloped in thick smoke and Bailey had been unable to reach her for only a few minutes when there came a sudden explosion, followed by flames.

Bad Decision, Says Jeffries. Champion Believes the Butte Referee Erred.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 21.—In an interview to-night Champion James J. Jeffries declared that the decision rendered against him in his contest with "Jack" Munroe, the Butte miner, was unwarranted and all the young fighter was entitled to was the \$250 forfeit. He said: "This is the first decision against me in my whole pugilistic career. Had the bout gone one round more I without doubt would have knocked out Munroe. The altitude affected me greatly and I was afraid of over-exertion."

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HUMBERTS FAIL TO SAVE COIN

Officers Recover Large Sum From Alleged Swindlers.

Prisoners Say Their Disclosures Will Rival Panama Scandal.

MADRID, Dec. 21.—When Mme. Humbert and other members of the Humbert family, who became notorious in connection with the great safe frauds in Paris, were arrested here yesterday, one of the family handed a package containing \$48,000 to some persons who lived in the same house with them.

While the police were waiting to enter the house Mme. Humbert burned many papers, including, in her hurry, bank notes to the amount of \$1200.

No Delay in Extradition. PARIS, Dec. 22.—A special messenger has left here for Madrid with all the documents connected with the extradition of the Humberts.

CYLINDER BURSTS ON THE LINER DEUTSCHLAND. Escaping Steam Fills the Vessel and Causes Excitement Among Passengers.

PLYMOUTH, Dec. 21.—The Hamburg-American line steamer Deutschland arrived here at 2:15 o'clock this afternoon. When she was nearing the Scilly Islands a cylinder burst and the starboard engine was badly damaged.

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