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ENGLISH PRESS ALARMED.

IRISH UNIONISTS WILL ASK THE RETURN OF TWELVE MILLION DOLLARS.

THE RADICALS ARE IN MORNING.

Defeated in Their Fight Against the Renewal of the London Tramway's Lease.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The agitation arising out of the report of the commission on the provincial relations existing between Great Britain and Ireland is growing apace, and the question bids fair to be one of the leading matters to be discussed at the next session of parliament.

The London Radicals are in sackcloth and ashes at the decision of the London county council this week regarding the renewal of the lease of the tramways for fourteen years. The Radicals made a hard fight against the renewal, but according to the Star, London, they lost all hopes of profiting by electric traction; lost £10,000 a year, as the lease was worth £5,000 instead of £45,000 which the company pays, and has lost all hope of half-penny fares which exist on the provincial tramways, as well as having no security against an increase of the present fares.

Figures just published regarding shipbuilding in the United Kingdom during the present year show that this branch of industry is not losing ground. The total tonnage launched was 1,326,822 tons, Harland and Wolfe, of Belfast, alone built \$1,316 tons, which beats all records and is five times the amount which all the British dock yards have added to the navy.

Private letters received here from Manila capital of the Philippine Islands, state that the Spaniards are resorting to torture in order to extort confessions and information from captured insurgents and suspects. The instruments of torture used are the thumb screws, "Spanish boots," etc., which are still preserved there.

A preliminary meeting of the trustees of the queen's commemorative fund has been held for the purpose of placing the jubilee institute for nurses upon a national basis. The institution was founded by the queen in 1857, who gave £70,000 toward it. The Duke of Westminster, who presided, read a letter from the queen, the Nightingale, approving of the plan. It is stated that, although subscriptions have not yet been invited, £18,000 is the amount already in hand. The committee appointed, including the Duke of Westminster, the Duke of Fife, the Duke of Norfolk, Earl Cadogan, the archbishop of Canterbury, Cardinal Vaughan, Baron Russell, the chief rabbi, the governor of the Bank of England and others.

STILLWATER NEWS.

Insanity the Defense in the Swanson Assault Case—Prison City Social.

Mrs. R. S. Parker met with a severe accident Sunday morning, when she fell from a roof, and will be laid up for several weeks. Her husband is coming down from the city and will probably go to the jury in the forenoon.

The action of the court in the Swanson case, charged with assaulting his divorced wife, was on trial in the district court yesterday, but was not completed. The case will probably go to the jury in the forenoon.

Exercises at the prison Christmas morning will consist of an address by Rev. J. L. Danberg and instrumental music by Prof. J. C. St. Paul, and Willard Wing will be allowed, including a short liberty in the cell room, which is always acceptable to the inmates.

Mrs. B. J. Mosler is expected home this week from a visit at Lake City. Misses Marie Mosler, Ruby Coligan and Lauren Wiklow will return from Winona next Thursday to spend the holidays at home.

Miss Edith Brown, of Minneapolis, is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Brown. Deputy Warden F. H. Lemon and wife have gone to California, intending to spend some time at Los Angeles and neighboring cities. The trip is made for the benefit of Mr. Lemon's health, and during his absence Assistant Deputy Warden Gilmora will act as deputy warden at the prison.

Mr. C. B. Marshall is confined to his home by illness. Ben Lowell, of this city, has gone to California. Mr. Mosler returned from Lake City on Thursday. He was called there by the serious illness of his mother, who is improving. E. H. Beckman, principal of the high school, has gone to Grundy Center, Ia., and will remain until after holidays.

The ladies of the Eastern Star will give a dancing party in Masonic hall New Year's eve. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Aple will entertain their friends tomorrow evening, Masquerade and cards.

Miss Inez Baldwin, of Minneapolis, was a guest of her father in this city last Sunday.

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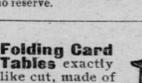
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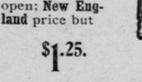
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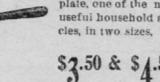
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MANKATO'S MURDER TRIALS.

Two Sensational Cases Before the Courts—General News of the Northwest.

Special to the Globe.

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 19.—W. D. Ferguson, of London, England, general manager of the Seine River Mines company, arrived in the city today accompanied by Arthur W. B. Whitley, his superintendent, and W. W. Birdsall, the physician at the mines. Mr. Ferguson is ill and is on his way home to London. Mr. Whitley said that Barney Barnato, the South African millionaire, has purchased Seine river gold location at a cost of \$250,000, paying 10 per cent down. He did so after a thorough investigation by a London expert, and he expects to work his location this winter.

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While the trial will attract a great deal of attention, that of Clarence Crooks, charged with the willful murder of Henry G. Bornt at Amboy on the night of June 8 last, will not be made by the young man, who has all odds against him, neither he or his relatives having money with which to defend him. The old story of love and infatuation by relatives with a romantic tinge was the direct cause of this crime. Young Crooks is 23 years of age, and had been keeping company with Miss Gertrude Smith, a pretty girl, one of the belles of Amboy—and a niece of the murdered man. From all accounts, it was a case where both young people were very much in love with each other. L. Smith, father of the girl, objected, but to no avail, and Henry Bornt, her uncle, did not think well of the affair and took his niece to task, telling her things detrimental to Crooks' character. Miss Smith went to Crooks with her uncle's story, which enraged the young man. On the evening of June 8 he hired a livery to drive him to the home of Hiram Bornt, father of Henry Bornt, where he found

the young man walking. A short conversation ensued, and the senior Bornt heard his son order Crooks out of the barn, and as the latter departed he fired two shots at him, which took effect in the vitals. He lived several days, when an operation was found necessary. This was performed and Henry Bornt was a widower, 33 years of age, and belonged to a good family. The attorneys promise several surprises when this case comes up for trial.

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