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usual quantity; but the weather has moderated, consequently sales have been slow. We are overstocked and must have the room. From now on these splendid heating stoves will be sold at a reduction of 20 per cent FOR CASH.

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returned to his home this morning. At the cottage he was guarded by two men and provided with sufficient food. STORY OF THE ABDUCTION. CHICAGO, Dec. 20 .- A special to the

Tribune from Omaha says: When a call was made at the Cudahy rina, a sensational "proclamation" to residence at 2 o'clock by the representhe Cuban people. tative of the Tribune, it was stated that Mr. Cudahy had retired and could not be seen. The manager of the packing house, however, told the following story:

"The boy was abducted shortly be- | others be substituted which would be fore 8 o'clock on Tuesday night and. as we now learn, was taken out into the country five miles west of South Omaha and was secured by the abduc-Independence. tors, who blindfolded him and kept him in that condition until he returned home

this morning. He was at once conveyed into the country and placed in a Southern Pacific Orders Fifty Million vacant house far removed from any other habitation and, thus incarcerated.

he was guarded there all night and all gang while other members were in contract to a local firm for 50,000,000 ment with Mr. Cudahy. "As to the nature of the settlement, through the hills of South San Franhether any money was paid or not, cisco.

must decline to state." This is said to be the largest con-When it became known that the boy tract of the kind ever entered into in was safe at home, a number of friends the world.

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tempts on the part of the press agencies Drive Out the Anglo-Saxons to magnify the services of mounted in-NEW YORK, Dec. 20 .- A dispatch to fantry under Clements and explain the World from Havana says:

ENORMOUS BRICK CONTRACT.

Bricks to Line Tunnels,

away the recent reverse are not convincing. The strictures of veteran offi-Prof. Frye, the superintendent of pubcers here upon the management of the lic schools in Cuba, has just issued over his official signature and through the British forces in that engagement are Spanish newspaper, Diario de la Mamost severe.

> Lord Kitchener maintains silence with respect to the invasion of Cape Colony and there is bound to be considerable

He speaks in derogatory terms of the government and of intervention in gen- anxiety until the truth is known. It eral by the Anglo-Saxon race. He urgis difficult to believe that the Boers who es that all words offensive to Spain be crossed the Orange river can be in blotted out of Cuban hymns and that sufficient numbers to frighten the war office authorities or to cause General calculated to inspire the natives to pre- Kitchener much annoyance. One of pare to drive out and resist all foreign the commandoes is, however, reported foes to the island or to its absolute to be in the neighborhood of Aliwal North, which is about the worst center of disaffection in the whole colony.

The invading Boers are probably receiving considerable assistance from the local Dutch and in case of a general uprising the troops at the disposal of the British authorities would not be suffi-SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20 .- The clent to cope with the situation, which of the succeeding day by part of the Southern Pacific Company has let a advices depict as somewhat uninous. Delarey seems disposed to follow up Omaha endeavoring to secure a settle-, bricks to be used in lining the tunnels his success at Noitgedacht. Hitberto of the New Bay Shore road to run the Boer generals have been content to rest on their cars after a victory, but Delarey, if he intended profiting by his defeat of General Clements, should not have given the latter time to be joined by General French.

As was generally expected, the losses of the Northumberland fusiliers at Noitgedacht a week ago were much heavier than official accounts at first eported.

Owing to the altered arrangements for Lord Roberts' return and the short route in London which the field marshal will cover in his drive to Buckingham palace, it is feared by a good many people that the crush will be very great. The authorities are, however, determined to prevent a repetition of the scandalous scenes which marked the return of the city volunteers. Society gossip now proposes to reward Lord Roberts with an earldoin and £50,000.

St. Paul's was well filled at the service in memory of the soldiers and sailors who have fallen during the war. The lord mayor and sheriffs attended in state and there were files of gold streams and blues with a full military band. Lord Wolseley and Mr. Broderick represented headquarters and the war office. The service was impressive with funeral marches and dirges by Beethoven, Wagner and Chopin.

## ANTI-CANTEEN CONFERENCE.

Prominent Churchmen Insist That Senate Must Pass Provision Passed by the House,

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 .- A conferce of church and temperance societies

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