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WESTERN CANADA'S BIG STORE.

Stirring Bits of News

for Today

It is not often that we have the opportunity to

offer such bargains just at the beginning

of the season

THE FOLLOWING ON SALE TODAY :

Special Sale of Silks, Crepe de Chine Silk and Wool Eolienne, Liberty Silks and Sating,

Regular values, \$1.25 to \$2.00.

WILL BE SOLD TODAY FOR 75 CENTS.

de Chene. 44-in. Sky and Navy Broohe Crepe de Chene.

14-in. White and Black Broche Crepe de

Remember, this line was bought for the present season's trade-every piece absolutely new.





## VICTORIA STEAD

**Clearing House Ret** tance of City a Facts and Fig

DY the courtesy of Thoma kenzie, president of the clearing house, a Cold was vesterday given acce figures of that valuable institu purpose of verifying what upon the subject of the steady terable increase in the volume eral business in the city of These figures and the conclusion leducted therefrom should c biect matter of pleasant co

In comparative weekly statem en amply shown that but ria in recent times has prosteady increase. The figure sively prove in incontestable manner not fact, but the exact annual rai ich that satisfactory result

It may be argued that the he clearing house taken for a veek and contrasted with som in a previous year, tain conditions, possibly have detached from the con used to convey wrong impression such argument, however, can ho in relation to the annual returns taken year by year, are a sure mutable indication of the true of affairs.



into Canada via Beech Japanese Nine of the Japanese surrep landed were arrested at Parson's nd the provincial and city polic pursuit of others, some of who ched Victoria and are in hid On Friday the Suian Maru, er of about two ns, a new vessel, arrived off Bay and hovered about until afte fall. Then, under cover of darki old sampan, the sole type of b ries on the quasi-fishing vesse many trips to land twenty-two Ja among the trees in the desired There were thirty-one left on boar schooner, which at daybreak starte There was no wind, and before schooner was far from where the ty-two had been landed she was ed by Dr. Watt, quarantine officer

## Suspicious Movements

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day, registered at the Driard hotel. Mr. Lachmund at present occupies the dual position of secretary-treasurer and company, but his home is in Clinton, low a, where he has been connected with the Lambu interests for many years. In the course of a talk with the Colo-nist, Mr. Lachmund explained that is the adding vessel took morphiles and optime several times to early arrowphead Lumber Company at Arrow-head and the Kamloops Lumber Company at Arrow-head the the the the the the the startege the stranger, has the the the startege the stranger, has the the the startege the stranger, has the the the stranger tool def the stranger tool def the stranger tool def the stranger the stranger the stranger the stranger the stranger the stran

FROM THE COAL CITY Development of Industries---Encounter With Hold-up Men

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White and Blue Stripe Silk

44-In. Pink and White Stripe Silk Eoli-

enne. 14-in, Light and Dark Green Silk Eoli-

price addes' Pleated Grey Tweed Skirt, 21 gore, side pleats. Regular, \$8.50. Sale price

Values ranging up to \$10.50, for \$2.7 Ladies' Pale Blue Silk Waist, front made entirely of insertion and tucks, and large medalilon in front; back made with large box pieat down centre, six rows of tucking on either side; coilar made of blas silk and in-sertion edged with lace; elbow sleeves with fancy cuff af tucked silk and insertion edged with lace; Price, \$2.7 Ladies' White Silk Waist with deep yoke made of pin tucks and inser-tion; body of waist fine pucking and insertion; elbow sleeves with shir-

Umbrellas, with patur aight or crook handles, silver o mounted. \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.50 to 3 have a spiendid line at \$1.70, \$1 \$1.00, assorted handles (crook , for everyday use these umb annot be beaten in the city.

Ladies' and Children's Umbrellas 

Sale of Silk Waist Values

**Gents' Umbrellas** 

Special Values in Silk **Beits Shown Today** 

**Chairs and Couches** 

Ladies' Black Skirt, Melton cloth, pleat-ed side panels. Regular, \$9.00. Sale bias tucks down front, wide hem made of fucking and bias silk; collar of same; large box pleat down back; long sieves with four rows of hem. stitching on cuff. Price ......\$2.7

Crepe de Chene

44-in. Cream and Cardinal Spot and Broche Crepe de Chene.

44-in. Plain Colors Liberty Silks an

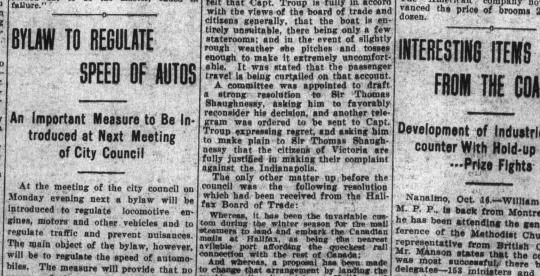
44-in, White, Cream, Black, Sky, Grey, Helio, Navy and Old Rose.

44-in. Plain, White, Cream and Black.

44-in. Silk Crepe de Chenes and Liberty Silks and Satins.

44-in. Silk and Wool Eoliennes, Plain Cream, White and Black.

dies' White Silk Waist, with deep 



which will now be amaigamated into one great industry. "We are about to materially extend the business," said Mr. Lachmund, "and to that end have engaged the services of Mr. Wilkinson of Minneapolis, a man of the highest ability, who has probably had more experience in this direction and built more sawmills than any man in the world. He is engaged in looking over our plants and will make sugges-tions and

Undertake Improvements

Undertake Improvements and when these have been carried into effect we reckon on being able to pro-duce fifty million feet of lumber per annum. The estimated cost of these al-terations and extensions will be some-thing in the neighborhaod of \$100,000. "The timber limits of the company are upon the Arrow lake and Columbia river in the one direction, and upon Shuswap lake and the Thompson river on the other, and contain some of the best timber in the province. "The market for which we cater is that of the prairie provinces. Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. "Lamber is getting very scarce just

Merchant Heid Up For the first time in ten years Na-naimo was the scene of a hold-up on Sunday. A well known merchant of Commercial street, who does not care to have his name published, was the victim. He was returning home shortly after 9 o'clock when a gruff voice called "Hands up!" In doing so, however, the business man shot his hands straight into his assailant's face, knocking him down. The high-wayman was relinforced by a com-panion, who attempted to aid his friend. The merchant made good his escape and reached his residence with-out further molestation. New Company's Plans

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The sch oner was seen from vesterday morning hovering Beecher bay in a suspicious m and her presence was reported to Watt. He went with the quan-tug Earle to investigate. The old anese captain had prepared for th for's coming There were new f inese captain had prepared for in tor's coming. There were new i lines and various fishing gear-short lines-scattered about the This was in itself calculated to suspicion. The lines were new, obviously never touched by water, had never been used for the purp fishing, or for anything else but a family in description to the surp tempt at deception; that was ever Then, too, there were no dories at a fishing vessel would carry, no nor anything to allow of fishing of part of the crew of fifty-three Jap There was only one old sampan. "Where are you from?" asked Watt

Watt. "Have been fishing Copper isla said the Japanese captain. "Very bad weather Copper islam can catch fish; drift here." The Japanese pointed to the f gear. The mate also pointed to the coiled so nicely about the deck. "Weather too bad Copper is Now go New Westminster buy sa mon."

This wasn't so suspicious, but do the hold there were forty bunks, a accumulation of baggage. It was usual baggage of the Japanese ste passenger and entirely dissimilar the shop-chest clothes of the fishe The schooner was taken to Wi Hend, the quarantine officer havin plained that it was necessry for, th sel to be fumigated and the bagga those on board disenfected. Whe This wasn't so suspicious, but do baggage was brought up there was that was unclaimed. Finally the who remained by the vessel said longed to others. "What others?" asked the quar Superintendent

Japanese Landed

Soon the story came out; there been many Japanese landed. The tain explained that twenty-two me run away when the schooner was a other how

ther bay. The schooner was then turned or the provincial police and taken to I malt, where she was moored at the buoy and a partol arranged lest of the remaining 31 on board escap Without attracting attention he ped a little package of gold coins the pocket of Dr. Watt. The d felt the jingling store of gold and