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## VANCOUVER'S BUDGET

### Westminster Murderer Pleads That He Was Drunk—Nothing About the Crime.

### Musket Junior Sentenced to Six Months for Assisting in Frauds on Wholesalers.

### Bank for Ashcroft Announced—Customs Returns for November—Conservative Association.

From Our Own Correspondent.  
Vancouver, Dec. 2.—The result of the coroner's enquiry into the murder of Jennie Anderson, alias Australian Jennie, alias Jennie Andrews, Fraser and Rogers, substantiates the statement of the police on the night of the murder that the deceased was killed by Donald Ferguson, a Filipino by citizenship, but admitted for recognition as an American citizen. Another Chinaman in Hawaii wants a passport showing that he is a doctor. The knife used has been found five yards from the scene of the murder. It is quite new. No further particulars were brought out at the investigation.

A thousand tons of tobacco goes to Japan on Monday by the steamer Empress of India to reach the Orient in time to escape the duty which it is supposed will be imposed by Japan on January 1. The trades and labor council of Vancouver have decided to demand a general eight hour day system from contractors at the commencement of the building season.

The annual meeting of the Conservative Association held on the following officers were elected: President, C. Wilson, Q.C.; vice-presidents, Messrs. McAllister and T. H. Robinson; treasurer, Ald. Foreman; secretary, G. E. Bull. Executive Messrs. Ellis, J. J. Bannell, W. Brown, W. J. Bower, J. B. Seymour, J. Stewart, F. W. Welsh, A. E. Shelton, E. L. Badlong, A. Baskwell, Dr. McGuigan, and C. Hackett. The annual subscription to the association was placed at \$1.

The Bank of British North America has opened a branch at Ashcroft.

The customs duties collected at the port of Vancouver during the month of November totaled \$98,545, an increase of \$20,000 over the month of October.

The bank clearings for the week ending November 30, were \$558,536.

Ninety-one cases were tried in the police court during the week.

"Sowing the Wind" was presented to a large audience last night and it proved a most interesting drama.

The case of A. H. Musket, murderer of J. A. Musket, came up to-day before Mr. Justice Walker in the district court.

Mr. Justice Walker said he did not believe some of the evidence Musket gave in his own defence. He believed that the sale of the Musket store to the prisoner was a sham of the worst kind.

ROCHESTER THEATRE BURNED.  
The Academy of Music and Great Business Block Destroyed.

Rochester, Dec. 1.—At 1:30 this morning fire was discovered in the Academy of Music, for many years leased and managed by H. R. Jacobs, and the oldest theatre in Rochester. At this hour the theatre is doomed, and the Reynolds arcade, an immense business block, is almost certain to go up in flames. The buildings adjoining the theatre on Mill street will almost certainly be lost. At 2:15 the fire is thought to be under control. The loss, including the theatre and damage to adjoining property, will reach \$100,000.

UNION PACIFIC TO CONTROL.  
Oregon Short Line and Railway and Navigation Stock To Be Acquired.

New York, Dec. 1.—At a meeting of the directors of the Union Pacific railway company held in this city to-day, it was decided to recommend to the stockholders at a special meeting to be called for the purpose of purchasing the Oregon Short Line railway company, an exchange of Union Pacific stock for that of the Oregon Short Line company.

By the proposed exchange of stock, the Union Pacific will be placed in a position whereby it will be enabled to elect one-third of the board of directors of the Oregon Short Line railway company. A majority of the preferred stock of the latter company is held for the joint benefit of the Union Pacific, Great Northern and Northern Pacific companies, the ownership of the Oregon Short Line stock will give the Union Pacific control of the Oregon Railway & Navigation Co.

QUEBEC LEGISLATURE.  
Quebec, Dec. 1.—The next session of the provincial legislature has been fixed for January 12.

REFUGEE FOR ANARCHISTS.  
Proposition That It Shall Cease Abandoned by International Conference.

London, Dec. 2.—The Rome correspondent of the Daily News says the anti-anarchist conference now in session there has practically abandoned the proposal to extradite anarchists, which was one of the leading motives of the conference.

WEST INDIAN RELIEF.  
Substantial Grant Besides a Loan From the Imperial Government.

London, Dec. 2.—In order to relieve the West Indies the Imperial Government has decided to grant Barbados \$200,000 and St. Vincent \$125,000, and to lend to each the sum of \$250,000.

## CHINESE AMERICANS' RIGHTS.

### Mongolians in Hawaiian Islands Claim Freedom of the Country Which Has Adopted Them.

### Washington, Dec. 2.—The United States government is being called upon to face some questions resulting from the expansion policy. The British government some time before the annexation of Hawaii to the United States filed with the Hawaiian government on behalf of the Chinese a number of claims for redress for ill-treatment and illegal confinement of British subjects involved in the revolutionary movement which overthrew the Queen.

These amount to several hundred thousand dollars in the aggregate and the question is, the Hawaiian government having failed to settle them, whether the United States government does not inherit the liabilities. The claims are just such as were filed against the Hawaiian government on behalf of a number of alleged American citizens, most of whom afterwards turned out to be aliens. None of the latter claims were pressed but they formed the foundation for the British claims.

Another question of more importance is the determination of the status of some of the newly acquired citizens of subjects. Already a Chinaman by birth, but Filipino by citizenship, has applied for recognition as an American citizen. Another Chinaman in Hawaii wants a passport showing that he is a doctor. The certificate sets forth that the doctor visited Coghil six months.

The annexation law prohibits the coming into the limits of the United States of Chinese from Hawaii, but the constitutionality of any act that proposes to discriminate among Chinese citizens has been raised, and this Chinaman is a citizen by adoption. There are a few of the questions that have already arisen and others are expected to follow in the near future.

The department of marine has published its annual shipping report, with the statements of the harbor commissioners of leading ports. The total number of vessels on the register books of the Dominion on December 31 last was 6,684, measuring 731,754 tons register, being a decrease of 57,547 tons register as compared with 1896. The number of steamers on the registry books was 1,765, with a gross tonnage of 213,804. Assuming the average value to be \$50 per ton, the value of the registered tonnage of Canada would be \$21,380,420. The number of new vessels built and registered in the Dominion last year was 231, measuring 17,094 tons registered tonnage.

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Alleged Revenue for Calling Off the Dogs on the Pugilistic Fake.

New York, Dec. 2.—Honest John Kelly's gambling house on 41st street was raided by the police early this morning. They broke up the place, and captured some gamblers and the lay out.

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SPANISH SAFE CRACKED.  
Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars in Gold and Silver Recovered From Maria Teresa.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 2.—The safe of the Spanish cruiser Maria Teresa, which has lain for some time in the navy yard here, was opened yesterday and was found to be filled with bags of Spanish and American gold and silver coins. It is estimated that the treasure amounts to \$75,000. The money will be turned over to the proper officials and the safe will be sent to the National Museum at Washington.

ATLANTIC STORM REPORTS.  
Great Damage on Newfoundland Coast Reported—Steamer and Three Schooners Lost.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 2.—The steamer Kite, with one of the Lloyds survivors and a large wrecking crew on board, left here to-night for Sea Cove to assist in saving the cargo of the wrecked steamer Scottish King and floating the ship off if possible.

The schooners Flying Scud, Laurel and Marian were lost in a gale in Bonavista bay on Monday last. The crews escaped as the vessels were hugging the shore.

The coast mail steamer which arrived here to-day reports that the recent gale did great damage to water-side property and fishing establishments along the northern part of the island.

SILVER IN THE PHILIPPINES.  
Mexican Dollar Now the Standard and to Make Any Alteration Would Be Unpopular.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Mr. Edward T. Harden, who as United States commissioner, investigated the financial and industrial conditions in the Philippines, has made a report to the secretary of the treasury.

The report says silver is the basis of currency in the islands. There has been no gold in circulation for more than twenty years. The Mexican dollar is practically the only money in general circulation. The question of the future currency of the islands is of vital importance to all business interests. Well informed men in Manila are unanimously of the opinion that under the present conditions the silver currency is the only one suited to the islands. The natives of the islands are conservative to a degree in the matter of their currency and it would be a hard matter to educate them to a dollar which would be worth twice that now in circulation.

Practically all the export and import trade of the islands is in the hands of foreigners. There are a few Spaniards engaged in trade but the bulk of the business is done by British, German, Belgian and Americans. The exports from the islands for the year 1897 were valued at \$1,292,989. The imports during 1897 were valued at \$1,742,990.

## NEWS OF THE CAPITAL

### Twenty-One Million Dollars Invested in Ships and Steamers Under Canadian Register.

### Increase in Customs Revenue—Thirty Thousand Seiners Arrived This Year.

### Insurance Agent Charged With Forging Doctor's Name to Certificate of Death.

From Our Own Correspondent.  
Ottawa, Dec. 2.—J. T. Niblock, local agent for the London Life Assurance company, was arrested to-day. It is charged that he forged the name of Dr. Clobot to a death certificate for Robert Coghil, aged 16 years, who died on the 23rd of February last. The deceased youth was insured in the industrial branch of the company, and was never attended by Dr. Clobot, who, when shown the death certificate, pronounced it a forgery. The certificate sets forth that the doctor visited Coghil six months.

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## YUKON APPEALS.

### The First Case Referred to Regina Dismissed for Want of Jurisdiction There.

### Winnipeg, Dec. 2.—(Special)—A Regina despatch says: "The first case of appeal from the Yukon district, and which from the recent change in law will undoubtedly be the only case to come up here, was heard yesterday before the court en banc consisting of Judges Richardson, Rouleau, Wetmore and Scott. Judge McGuire, being the trial judge, did not sit. The case was that of A. Plachearth vs. F. E. Klein-schmidt, a partnership dispute and an appeal from the decision of Judge McGuire thereon.

F. C. Wade, of Dawson City, appeared for the plaintiff-respondent and raised the question of the jurisdiction of the Supreme court of the Northwest Territories in the case, as judgment had been delivered since the passing of the Yukon act of 1898.

Mr. Norman Mackenzie, of Regina, for the defendant-appellant, argued that the right to appeal to the territorial court not having been specifically done away with by the Yukon act, still existed, and that the Yukon act was consistent with the interpretation of the act.

Judge Richardson read the unanimous decision of the bench on jurisdiction of the court, which was that the territorial court had no jurisdiction, and the appeal must therefore be quashed with costs. The judge further declared that the Yukon district to be a territory with a supreme court of its own. That took it outside the Northwest Territories. In the afternoon Judge McGuire read the report of appeal to the Northwest Territories court given. The right of appeal to such a court could only be by special enactment; jurisdiction could not be given by consent of the parties."

The day has been one of the most exciting ever experienced in the town. For the first time in its history the riot act has been read and insults offered to the representatives of the law. Probably no real harm was intended, but the usual matter of fact crowd had been so excited all day and the excitement grew so intense this evening that many men ceased to be accountable for their acts.

The court was crowded to suffocation in the afternoon when Judge Ferguson's charge was delivered, tending against Ponton. The jury retired at 4:40, and at a quarter past six the judge announced another adjournment till eight o'clock. When the court re-assembled the people were packed like sardines in a box. The crowd was so dense that the judge decided to adjourn until the morning. The crowd outside failed to understand the adjournment and the officials and judge could not get out.

Finally the constables cleared the way, and the appearance of the judge was seen. He escaped to a barber shop, a place of safety but the crowd surrounded the shop and so annoyed the judge that he called upon the sheriff to read the riot act. This was done and had a quieting effect on the mob and the judge got to his hotel.

The Napanee people say outsiders are responsible for the regrettable occurrence and not the townspeople.

FOR LIBEL OF THE CHIEF.  
Montreal, Dec. 2.—(Special)—Messrs. Brierly and McKay, of the Herald, were to-day formally committed for trial charged with the criminal libel of Chief of Police Hughes.

FARM PRODUCE EXPORTS.  
Montreal, Dec. 1.—Exports of grain from this port during the season of navigation are now in Berlin, June 1st, 1898, were nearly twenty million bushels over last year. Cereals shows an increase of 108,902 boxes and butter 141,464 packages.

ONTARIO BY-ELECTIONS.  
Nominations Made for Two Next Week and Two Others Announced for End of Month.

Toronto, Dec. 2.—The by-elections for the legislative vacancies in Nipissing and North Hastings will take place on December 27, nominations a week earlier.

Toronto, Dec. 1.—Nominations for two provincial by-elections were held to-day. In Halton the nominees are J. R. Barber, Liberal, and W. Kerns, Conservative. In West Huron the candidates will be Hon. J. T. Garrow, Liberal, and Major Jos. Beach, Conservative.

RAILWAYS AT ISSUE.  
Atchison Road Breaks Off Relationship With Northwestern Line.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe company has declared war on the Chicago & Northwestern. A bitter feeling has existed between the two roads for a long time because the Northwestern would not maintain the rules and regulations of the Santa Fe regarding interchange of passenger traffic. The misunderstanding culminated in the issuance by the Santa Fe of notices to connecting lines announcing that they would not be able to handle the business of the Northwestern. This applies to baggage, coupon tickets, sleeping cars and everything involved in passenger service. The order will take effect December 15.

## WANT AN OPEN DOOR.

### Englishmen Look for Substantial Return for Sympathy With the United States.

### Tariff Concession Would Square Philippine Deal—Assistance in China Looked For.

### People of the Purchased Islands Enter Protest Against the New Bondage.

By Associated Press.  
London, Dec. 3.—The practical conclusion of the peace negotiations at Paris is hailed here with considerable satisfaction, and the newspapers daily discuss the so-called "imperial" future of the United States, coupled with the fervent hope that the United States will adopt a colonial "open door" policy. In fact the latter point is regarded as being the corner stone of the Anglo-American understanding which is now an important feature of every political speech delivered on this side of the Atlantic.

The Saturday Review is very candid about what it describes as the slobbering cant and hypocritical blarney on "doubtful affection" between the United States and Great Britain, and says: "Let us be frank and say outright that we expect mutual gains and material interests from this approachment. The American commissioners at Paris are regarding their bargain, whether they realize it or not, under the protecting naval strength of England, and we shall expect a material quid pro quo for this assistance. We expect the United States to deal generously with us in the matter of tariff and we expect to be remembered when the United States come into possession of the Philippines; and, above all, we expect her assistance on the day, which is quickly approaching, when the future of China will be settled, for the young imperialist has entered upon a path where it will require a strong friend, and a lasting friendship between two nations cannot be secured, not by frothy sentimentalities on public platforms, but by reciprocal advantages in solid material interests."

The foregoing opinion is certainly outspoken enough, but every American moving in business circles here knows that this voice the expectations of the average Englishman. The question of the Sulu islands has awakened a great deal of interest, the Pall Mall Gazette remarking: "Let the United States acquire the Sulu if they want them, but let us have an 'open door' there for the connecting link between North Borneo and the Philippines, and we have a strong interest in the United States. Americans will have an equality of treatment will promote trade, not only between Borneo and the Philippines, but also between the Philippines and the Philippines."

Aginaldo's supporters in the Philippines are very much concerned about the prospect of the United States acquiring a Filipino named Cortes, as a representative of the United States. The so-called "Filipino Junta" at Hongkong has called upon the London office of the Associated Press, disavowing Cortes and declaring that he represents nobody but himself.

The Madrid correspondent of the Daily News says: "It is officially announced that the Spanish commissioners have secured a concession granting Spain commercial advantages in the island of Panay, while the island of Negros, the richest sugar district in the Philippines, is being exploited by the bourgeoisie, and it is therefore necessary to take alarm news with a grain of salt."

The Madrid correspondent of the Daily News says: "In consequence of the Carlist agitation in the province of Vizcaya, many rich families in the country districts are removing into the large towns for safety in case of an outbreak. Carlist emissaries have arrived at the respective Carlist headquarters in Vascongadas, Navarra, and Maestragado, and it is expected that the government will order the garrisons at these places to be increased."

Senor Sagasta, at the cabinet meeting to-day described the Carlist movements in a number of the provinces, and said that the government was prepared to energetically repress all attempts to disturb public order.

Senor Silveira, the Conservative leader, has started an agitation for the immediate summoning of the Cortes. He says that in view of the utter failure of the Carlist cause in the provinces, the Carlist danger will be quickly dissipated.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Senator Hale of Maine yesterday announced his opinion on the peace treaty which is being formulated in Paris. He is opposed to the acquisition of the Philippines, and his antagonism to the treaty will be based upon the section which deals with the Philippine question.

CUBAN SWAGGER.  
Officers of Their Army Ordered to Challenge in Resentment of Insults.

Havana, Dec. 2.—The executive committee of the Cuban assembly agreed at its last session to make it compulsory upon the part of any Cuban officers insulted by Spanish, Americans, or other officers to challenge the provoker to fight a duel.

The measure has two aims, according to the Cuban press, "to maintain the dignity of the Cuban army," and secondly, "to check the impudence and insolence of many so-called Cuban officers, who, without having ever put their courage to a test, having enlisted after the armistice, and swaggering about with Cuban uniforms, endeavor to offend Spanish officers."

It is learned on good authority that the Cubans have recently and secretly acquired a formidable armament, the ulterior object of which is not known. It is added that they have purchased over 6,000 rifles within the last ten days and the fact that they are continuing to purchase arms and ammunition is causing considerable speculation here.

## ANGLO-AMERICAN UNION.

### Generous Impulses of Each Nation a Stronger Bond Than Any Written Agreement.

### London, Dec. 2.—Sir Edward Grey, Liberal member of parliament for Bexwick-on-Tweed, who was under secretary of state for foreign affairs in Lord Rosebery's cabinet, and who was the spokesman of Lord Rosebery's government in the memorable declaration as to Great Britain's Egyptian policy, made in the House of Commons in 1885, spoke to-night on foreign affairs at Blackburn, in Lancashire.

Referring to the magnificent effect on relations between the United States and Great Britain accomplished by the free press of a free people on each side of the Atlantic, expressing the generous impulses of each nation, he said: "I would rather have the free play of this national sentiment, which is enriching the public life of both countries, than any written alliance. We have finally realized a double patriotism—the patriotism of country and the patriotism of race. There is a common bond between the two peoples, and we should look in times of peace to see the sentiment growing, and in times of disturbance to find it something upon which we could lean for mutual support." He expressed a hope that both Germany and the United States may incline more and more to our policy of the "open door," which will lead to a great improvement in trade throughout the world.

TREATY WITH JAPAN.  
Vienna, Dec. 1.—The upper house of the reichstag to-day approved a treaty of trade and navigation between Austria and Japan. The minister of commerce announced that the exchange of ratification would take place to-morrow.

FRENCH SENATORS ELECTION.  
Chamber Takes Up as Timely Proposal to Adopt Universal Suffrage.

Paris, Dec. 2.—In the chamber of deputies to-day M. Gauthier, republican, introduced a measure providing for the election of senators by universal suffrage and demanded urgency.

The Premier, M. Dupuy, opposed the granting of urgency and said the chamber should think twice before deciding upon a proposition changing the whole electoral system. The minister of commerce, however, was adopted by a vote of 243 to 228.

POWERS MOVE ON PEKIN.  
Opinion Growing That Foreign Military Occupation May Soon Be Necessary.

Pekin, Dec. 2.—Owing to the presence of a French warship at Nankin, a British warship at Shanghai, and the question of the extension of the American and British settlement at Shanghai, British public opinion is favorably inclined at an early date.

London, Dec. 2.—The Daily Chronicle publishes the following despatch from Shanghai: "The opinion is growing in diplomatic circles that a foreign military occupation of Peking may become necessary."

CLEAN UP FOR CUBA.  
Such Will Be First American Step After Securing Possession—The Proposed Carolines Purchase.

Washington, Dec. 2.—After the cabinet meeting to-day it was stated that such a course would be followed in the event of the failure of the Spanish commission to negotiate the purchase of Strong Island, as matters interest in the United States. The matter regarded as of great consequence. In any event it is not vital to the treaty of peace, and if the Spaniards also incline to carry out the matter will be allowed to drop.

Secretary Gage remained an hour after the meeting of the cabinet, but left the White House during his message to congress relating to the finances. Secretary Gage regards the message as one of the most important sent to congress in many years.

The cabinet discussed at some length the administration of the government of the island of Cuba and going into details as to revenue, sanitation, the personnel of the government and other matters. A military government, of course, will exist for some time unless congress, which is not deemed probable, the direct acts at the ensuing session. Immediately upon the occupation of the various islands prompt steps are to be taken to put them in the best sanitary condition possible, and plans were discussed to-day as to how to meet the large expenses this will involve without undue taxation.

RIGHTS ON GREAT LAKES.  
These Are Now the Subject of Barges Before the Anglo-American Commission.

Washington, Dec. 2.—In view of the statement published to-day to the effect that a committee of the Anglo-American commission was to be appointed to investigate the rights of the United States naval commission as to the building of warships on the great lakes of the United States, Senator Fairbanks representing all parties on the commission, have united in the following statement: "The statement that an agreement has been arrived at by the sub-committee appointed to consider the question of naval vessels on the great lakes is altogether incorrect. The matter is still under discussion."

This is the only information which the commission will authorize on the subject and the statement is the first official information that the question has been under discussion. How far the discussion has proceeded is not officially disclosed, although it is generally understood that progress has been made in reconciling the several differences which exist between the United States and Canada on the great lakes, including some concession relative to building and maintaining warships.

The joint commission was in session for a short time to-day, giving way to a meeting of the American members. There will be no meeting to-morrow, the commission having accepted an invitation to go to Annapolis to inspect the naval academy.

ALASKA BOUNDARY.  
Committee of Two Now Dealing With This Subject—Surveyor King Called In.

Washington, Dec. 2.—This afternoon Mr. Kasson and Sir Richard Cartwright, acting as a committee, held a meeting at the state department lasting nearly two hours. The subject under consideration was the delimitation of the boundary between Alaska and the British possessions of the King of Canada, was called as an expert.

Muskets were first used in 1414 during the time that they were used to replace the bows and arrows of the British soldier in 1521.