BRITISH COLUMBIA.

MIDWAY.

Midway Advance.

Three six-horse teams, all unloading goods at the same time on Thursday last, at the store of our local merchant, Mr. McNicol, and from whence did they come? One from the north, Penticton, and two from the south, Marcus. The mercantile index finger points in which direction?

A new townsite is to be started at Grand Prairie, three miles from Grand Forks. C. Sanders sold out recently to Montana capitalists and his ranch will be laid off into building lots as soon as possible. It is reported that the new town will be given the name of Centerville.

Work upon the government road being built up Boundary Creek and which would have given good communication to the nucleus of the youngest city in our midst, bearing the title, or rather misnomer, of Greenwood, has been partially stopped, owing, it is understood, to shortage of funds.

The 28th of October and peaches still in the market and home grown at that. Does not this speak volumes for the climate of the Okanagan, and also cast reproach on those who pay attention to seedling fruit instead of grafting the trees, and thereby turning into the market a superior article at least six weeks or two months earlier. The seedling fruit at present in the market generally ranges from 3 to 10 cents per pound, while the cultivated varieties would readily fetch from 10 to 25 cents per pound and would require no more attention to raise and place on the market. How long will it take the horticulturist to recognize his true interest in this directon?

S. Benerman returned on Saturday from the Snowdrop, Midway mountain, having completed the assessment work. The vein has widened from five to eight feet, and is more mineralized than before.

Some particularly fine samples of ore have recently been sent down from Greenwood camp, taken from the Snowshe claim, which is being developed by Messrs. Denzler and McDonald. The mining bureau, when it receives the samples that are being collected, will be enriched by specimens that will compare favorably with those sent from other portions of British Columbia, and not the least conspicuous will be the samples taken from the Snowshoe.

Mr. G. W. Averill came over from Gran Forks on Thursday last, having in his company Captain Hall, of Butte, Mont., a gentleman who, it is understood, is a representative of Marcus Daly. Together with the above gentlemen was Mr. Pitner, of Chicago, and Dr. McCulloch, of Seattle. For the past week they have been giving the several mining camps their attention, and expressed their determination before leaving of again returning in the spring.

For some time past the boundary line question, as applied in a purely local sense, has been a live one between parties owning land on the Colville reservation and the Midway Townsite Company, owing to the fact that the preemptor on the other side, claimed that a fence which was built by the company had been put upon the reservation lands. A request having been made that the fence be removed, the townsite agent carrying into practice the axiom that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, employed J. A. Coryell to define the line between the established monuments, which in this vicinity are four miles apart, with the result that it was found the fence was in a true position, a fect which being established should have the effect of setting at rest once and for all time the little local quibble.

H. A. Guess, the local assayer, had his leg broken by his horse falling upon him.

VERNON.

Vernon News.

Potatoes are being offered by local farmers at $8 per ton in sacks, on the cars.

Prairie chicken are said to be more plentiful now than earlier in the season, presumably because the cold weather on the mountains is driving them down to lower altitudes.

A good deal of prospecting has been done recently near the head of the lake, above the Indian reserve, and some very promising looking specimens of rock have been brought to town from that locality.

Mr. Sussman, C. P. R. mining engineer, passed through on Friday on his way to the Kettle River country. He stopped for a couple of days at Camp Hewitt and thoroughly examined several of the claims there, expressing himself as being well satisfied with the prospects ahead of that camp.

Another car of flour was shipped on Saturday from the Vernon mill to Revelstoke. Mr. Ellis states that he has now more orders ahead for flour from points between Nanaimo and Revelstoke than he can possibly fill for some time to come.

The Swan Lake Mining Company have completed their preliminary work on their claim and have now a shaft down some 50 feet. The character of the rock, which is a low grade free milling gold quartz, remained unchanged until the last few feet, when it assumed a somewhat different appearance. This week the company shipped a ton of ore for test treatment to the coast, one thousand pounds being sent to Mr. Pellew Harvey at Vancouver, and the remainder to the Tacoma Smelting works.

The preparatory work on the Okanagan Flour Mills at Armstrong is being pushed ahead with the energy which has characterized this movement from the start. Stone is being hauled for the foundations and Mr. John Hamil has been appointed temporary inspector of the work. Mr. Wolfenden is at present acting in the capacity of secretary to the company, and at a meeting to be held at an early date a manager will be appointed.

On Saturday a party of Mission Valley farmers, including Messrs. H. Dell, R. S. Hall, H. C. Crouse and J. Corsorso, left for the Kootenay, where they will establish permanent depots to which will be shipped vegetables, fruit, etc., from the Kelowna Shippers' Union. They will build extensive root houses at Sandon and other points, and as soon as these are completed they will be filled with vegetables, which can be retailed from them as required and in this way the farmers expect to realize much better prices than if they consigned their produce to commission merchants or produce dealers.

Some time ago Messrs. C. E. Costerton and L. Simmons recorded two mining claims near the BX ranch, about four miles from the city, which were given the names of White Elephant and Bon Diable. On the latter they have done a little work and put in a hole about eight feet. The rock looks well, but everyone was astonished at the splendid assay recently received from it, which gave a return of $219.60 in gold and $2.80 in silver. The proprietors are naturally elated at the good news and will at once start work on a more extensive scale. Several other claims have been staked on what is claimed to be the same lead.

About this season every year the creek mouths running into the various lakes of the district are visited by myriads of fish locally known by the Indian name of "kickanies," which come into shallow water to spawn. They average about twelve inches in length and appear to be closely related to the trout species. During the remaining part of the year they are never seen and are supposed to retire to deep water, except when spawning. They do not take bait, but are caught in great quantities by means of scoop nets or seines, many of the ranchers salting down barrels of them for winter use. At present they are being taken in large numbers near the "railroad" on Long lake, as well as at several points on the Okanagan. They are an exceedingly palatable little fish and if once introduced in places where they are not known a profitable business might be worked up in exporting them.

Mr. John Weir, a new York gentleman, who is one of the leading directors of a large mining syndicate representing capital that runs up into the millions, came up from the lower country last Saturday and left on the same day for New York. He, in company with Professor Judson, a mining expert of continental fame, have been investigating for some time the mineral resources of the Boundary creek and Kettle river district. It is quite possible that a large amount of eastern capital will be invested in these sections as a result of his visit, for he does not hesitate to say that he was more than pleased with what he saw. He is also thoroughly conversant with the mineral resources of the Kootenays, and feels well assured that the Boundary creek district will soon be as well known as Kootenay. In fact he says that it is only a matter of transportation facilities. If railway communication from Kettle river to Okanagan lake can be obtained, immense shipments of valuable ores will at once follow, and there will then be not the slightest difficulty in procuring all the capital required to work these mines. The rumor is now steadily gaining ground that the C. P. R. intends to build into the Southern Okanagan and Kettle river districts, and if such should prove to be the case a development of our southern mines will at once ensue, which will more than justify all the prophecies that for the past few years have been advanced regarding the wonderful future of the southeast part of the district of Yale.

NANAIMO.

(From our own correspondent.)

Nanaimo, Nov. 2.—The total shipments of coal to foreign ports for the past month were 53,577 tons, as against 53,587 tons for the previous month. The New Vancouver Coal Company sent 16,677 tons; Wellington, 19,460, and Union 17,450.

Mr. A. Haslam, M. P., emphatically denies any intention of contesting the mayoralty this year. The candidates will probably be named next week.

Mr. Dunbar, the manager of the Alberni paper mill, came as far as Wellington last night by Sareault's stage. He is en route to the old country, where he purposes to solicit additional capital in the paper mill. Mrs. Dunbar accompanies her husband.

Messrs. H. A. Simpson, C. Dempsey, J. Graham and J. McGregor returned from Mount Moriarty last night, but instead of bringing back gold nuggets they brought ptarmigan.

A concert will be given at the Needham street Presbyterian mission, under the auspices of the Y. P. S. C. E., on Tuesday, Nov. 19th.

The annual sale of work by the ladies working party of St. Alban's church is to be held on Tuesday, Nov. 12th. There will be a concert in the evening.

A concert, ball and supper will be given at Cedar district Institute Hall on Saturday next, Nov. 9th, under the auspices of Cedar lodge, I. O. O. F.

Returns for the past month show there were 15 births, 8 deaths and 5 marriages in this city.

Following are the customs returns for the month of October:

Duty collected	$5,321 38
Miscellaneous	96 84
Total	$5,418 22
IMPORTS.	
Goods imported free	$1,399 00
Dutiable	16,425 00
Total	$17,824 00

UNION.

(From our own correspondent.)

Union, Nov. 2.—Dr. W. S. Dalby, lately of Victoria, has opened an office in Union.

The postoffice has been removed to the Dunne block, a much needed change.

Billy Horne, Billy Vass, Joseph Walker and Gudien Thompson, four careless boys who were out target shooting with a 22 breach air gun, dangerously wounded Jno. Calnan. Mr. Calnan was shot in the left hip. Drs. Lawrence and Westwood were unable to locate the ball. The boys were up before J. Abrams, S.M., and W. B. Walker, J.P., and put under bonds to appear when called for.

The creditors of Robert Graham, hotel keeper, Courtenay, have appointed M. Hamburger and R. Grant trustees to manage the business. The hotel has been rented to A. McCallum, of Nanaimo.

KAMLOOPS.

Inland Sentinel.

W. L. Hogg, of the Tulameen Hydraulic Company, reports that the Stevenson Gold and Platinum Hydraulic company has its flume and ditch nearly completed and will be ready for washing in the spring. The Tulameen company has been prospecting its gravel bank with a small hydraulic plant, and has had very satisfactory returns. Captain Scott's company has been hydraulicking some time, but Mr. Hogg has not been down there recently. He understood the work done was mostly preliminary, preparatory to putting things in order for the spring.

Fourteen cars of pipe in all have passed through bound for Ashcroft, thence to be teamed to Barkersville for the Cariboo Gold Fields Company.

Provincial Officer Beattie and H. McLean go down to New Westminster tonight, taking down ten prisoners to the provincial jail there. Among them are Connor, who struck Lanktree with an axe on the head in a cabin on the Dewdney trail, and Petries and Johnnie Faliideau, accused of the murder of Felix Tomet, all awaiting trial at the spring assizes. Another is Smart, the Vernon counterfeiter, who will be taken to the penitentiary to serve five years.

A Salmon Arm correspondent writes: "One of the most brutal and inhuman acts ever attempted in this locality was that of a man who has since left the settlement. Before going he said he wished to say good-bye to a neighbor here, and reaching out his hand the other took it. Then this individual grasped his other arm around the neighbor and bit off one of his ears. It was a most cowardly act, as neither party was under the influence of liquor. The matter was settled out of court."

Mr. Herchmer, of Minneapolis, who was appointed city electrician, has declined the position, and George Marshall, of Vancouver, has been appointed in his stead.

GOLDEN.

Golden Era.

Rev. Father Coccola, of St. Eugene Mission, returned on Monday from a trip to New Westminster, where he had been conferring with the bishop concerning the trouble with the Indians on the Kootenay reclamation lands. He was sent there to investigate. At first the natives were excited and would not listen to any settlement, but before he had been there ten days they agreed to put the matter in his hands. It is now decided that they will abandon section A, over which the trouble arose, and a separate section has been set aside for them. The trouble is now at an end.

Father Coccola recently made a sale of the Nip and Tuck placer claim on Wild Horse creek for Henry Rogers, who is in St. Mary's Hospital, New Westminster, for the sum of $5000. It was purchased by Mr. Harry Symons, barrister, Calgary, for other parties. The claim joins some hydraulic ones on Wild Horse creek, and is considered to be a very valuable property. He also states that mining matters in Fort Steele and vicinity are progressing favorably. The Montana company have made a new strike on the Wild Horse opposite the Nip and Tuck. The reverend father left on Tuesday's boat for the Mission.

NORTH SALT SPRING ISLAND

From Our Own Correspondent.

North Salt Spring Island, Nov. 1.—There was a very pleasant social gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robertson last evening, the occasion being the celebration of Hallowe'en. Besides the regular Hallowe'en games, among them being diving for apples, several others were enjoyed by the party, which did not disperse until the "wee sma' hours."

This part of the Island promises to afford its share of amusement to the residents during the coming winter, as there had already been two parties before the one spoken of. One of these took place at Mr. and Mrs. McFadden's, a birthday celebration, and the other was a surprise party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cotsford last Friday night. An unusually large gathering was at the last mentioned.

On Tuesday, 5th inst., in commemoration of the Gunpowder Plot of 1605, or Guy Fawkes' Day, as it is often called, a large bonfire and display of fireworks are to be seen in the central settlement near the school house. A dance is also on the programme for the latter part of the evening. ALPHA.

VANCOUVER.

(From our own correspondent.)

A well-known Vancouverite has become enthusiastic over the discoveries of gold on Lulu Island, and after giving the locality a reasonable amount of consideration, has come to the conclusion that the gold deposit will be found on the eastern side of the island, as the formation of the island was commenced at that end. A rush for claims on the upper end of the island has commenced, and before long all the available land will be taken up.

Mr. George Black and Mr. Ogilvie, two young miners who have recently been prospecting for gold in the vicinity of Harrison Lake, are at present in the city. They were the discoverers of a large quartz ledge on the creek running from Trout Lake, which lies between Harrison Lake and Ruby Creek. The ledge is said to be sixty feet wide. The discovery has created a large amount of excitement in that vicinity, thirty claims having already been staked out. Black and Ogilvie sent down several specimens of quartz, which have been assayed by Mr. W. Pellew-Harvey at $42.44 gold per pan. A road is being constructed from Harrison to the spot.

Mr. A. Jukes, late of Brandon, has come here to open and manage the branch of the Imperial Bank. Mr. Jukes expects that the bank will be open for business in about a fortnight's time, though the exact date will depend on the length of time the contractors for the fittings will take to complete their work.

ARRIVAL OF THE TOPEKA.

Henry Buck, a Well Known Miner, Killed on the Yukon.

—At daylight this morning the Pacific Coast Steamship Company's steamer City of Topeka called at the outer wharf on her way to the Sound from Alaska. She had on board a large number of miners returning from the mines of Alaska and northern British Columbia. Among those who landed here were Jos. Mellor, who has been mining in Cassiar; J. C. Calbreath, of Fort Wrangel, the well known general merchant, and H. Lynch, a miner from Douglas Island. A great deal of gold dust was brought down.

Mr. Mellor had no good reports from Cassiar. Like all placer mining countries, it has had its day. The bars have given up all the dust they possessed, and now the miner is looking for the ledges from which the dust must have come. Prospectors have during the season located several big ledges in the vicinity of Dease Lake and McDame's creek, but they are not rich enough to pay. The prospectors, however, intend to return next season.

The reports from Cook's inlet and the Yukon country are very satisfactory. The miners who came from the former place are very well satisfied with what they have done.

Henry Buck, known in almost every mining camp in the west, was killed on the Yukon river. A steamer was being hauled up the rapids by means of a rope attached to a tree. The rope snapped and flying back, struck Buck on both ankles, nearly severing the feet from the legs. He bled to death, his companions being unable to do anything for him.

News has been received from Unalaska that Capt. Healy, of the United States revenue cutter Bear, met with a painful accident there, which may prove fatal. While walking along the wharf at Unalaska, preparatory to embarking in a small boat, he slipped and fell a distance of fifteen feet into the water, his back striking a floating log. He was taken aboard the Bear immediately and medical attention rendered, but for several days his condition was precarious. Eye witnesses say it was a miracle his life was saved, and when assistance reached him it was thought his was dead.

$25,000 ASKED FOR

To Induce the Beaver Liners to Call at St. John, N. B.

Ottawa, Nov. 4.—A large delegation from St. John, N. B., is here to-night and have asked the government to give a $25,000 subsidy to the Beaver steamship line if it called at that port instead of at Boston.

Halifax, N.S., Nov. 2.—The steamer Obdam has arrived here in tow, having broken her shaft off Sable island on Thursday. The Obdam will likely discharge here and dock to receive a new shaft. Her passengers will be forwarded by mail. The Obdam broke adrift twice yesterday in a southeast storm, the cable having parted, and a new line was got aboard with much difficulty.

Beauharnois, Nov. 4.—Valentine Shortis, the Valleyfield murderer, was sentenced this morning to be hanged on January 3rd, at 8 a.m.

Cornwall, Ont., Nov. 4.—Half of the village of Lancaster, a short distance from this town, was wiped out of existence yesterday morning. The loss, including all the principal stores, hotels, and many private residences, amounts to $50,000, with about $10,000 insurance.

Toronto, Nov. 4.—Mrs. Mercy Ellen Beer, Christian Scientist, who was treating the six-year-od child of Percy Beck, who died recently of diphtheria, has surrendered to the police, and has been admitted to bail in $[illegible]

[illegible] Mrs. Andrews has [illegible] St. Michael's Hospital, being the [illegible] victim of the Queen's Hotel fire.

NANAIMO NEWS.

Prospectors Return—Liberal Club Concert—Some Weddings.

Nanaimo, Nov. 1.—Chief of Police Cressan has returned from a prospecting trip to Mount Moriarty, and reports that the mineral deposits found there did not justify the party in staking claims. The Simpson party have not yet returned, but are expected to-morrow.

A concert will be given at the Needham street Presbyterian mission under the auspices of the Y. P. S. C. E. on Thursday, Nov. 19.

G. Pittendrigh, the popular manager of the Nanaimo Telephone company, returned to the city last night with a bride. The event took place at Vancouver, and Mrs. Pittendrigh was formerly Miss Lily Fowler of that city.

It has been definitely decided by the Liberals to give the smoking concert in the opera house on Saturday, November 9th. A small admission fee will be charged in order to defray expenses. W. Marchant's address will be on "The Moral(?) Influence of the Government."

W. H. McKay, of Nanaimo, inspector of bridges on the E. & N. railway, was married in Vancouver to Miss Cullum of that place.

A white man at Jordan's mine, West Wellington, received a severe scalp wound from a sugar bowl which was intended for a Chinaman who quarrelled with the thrower.

THE ROYAL CITY.

Lawyers Protest Against the Abolition of an Office.

New Westminster, Nov. 2.—The bar association met to-day and appointed a committee to draft resolutions to the provincial government protesting against the abolition of the office of district registrar of titles at this city. Registrar Corrigan has been dismissed on the ground of economy. Strong public feeling against the action of the government has been aroused, and the citizens, Board of Trade and City Council will also move in the matter.

Another gold excitement has been caused by the discovery of an 80 foot ledge four and a half miles from Harrison Hot Springs that assays $40.50 per ton.

The Eburne gold quartz assays $7000 per ton. Excitement is still on the increase.

The bark Mary Jose cleared for Liverpool to-day with 27,231 cases of canned salmon, valued at $128,219.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

The Provincial Act Discussed and Standing Committees Appointed.

Drs. Davie and Watt, of Victoria, respectively chairman and secretary of the Provincial Board of Health, Dr. Walker, of New Westminster, and Dr. Davis, of Nanaimo, were present at the meetings of the Board held in the city during the last two days. Dr. Lefevre, another member of the board, is absent in Europe. The provincial health act was discussed clause by clause to enable the board to make itself familiar with the powers granted it by the act. Several suggestions were offered and will be brought to the attention of the attorney-general's department. Standing committees were appointed to deal with sewage, disposal of excreta, water supply, construction, ventilation and heating of buildings and school hygiene. These committees will gather all information obtainable and report within a month, when probably another meeting will be held to discuss these reports. The board decided to recommend immediate action with regard to certain matters which will be made public when considered by the attorney-general's department.

HOLMES WILL HANG

The Jury, Without a Moment's Hesitation, Find the Multi-Murderer Guilty.

They Had Decided it Without Leaving the Court, but Wanted Their Supper.

Everyone Was Surprised at the Verdict—Holmes Has Nothing to Say.

Philadelphia, Nov. 4.—When court reconvened on Saturday there was not an inch of space in the court room or the gallery above, and the doors were locked to prevent the entrance of more. One of the peculiar features of the trial has been the attendance of society women present to witness the proceedings, and to-day there were more than ever. In ordinary murder trials there are few, if any, women present.

The present session was begun at 2:45 when Mr. Rotan, after a moment's conversation with Holmes, began the argument for the defense. He was very pale, but self-possessed, and received admiration for the pluck and endurance with which he fought, practically single-handed, against the mighty force of the commonwealth's evidence and skill and experience of the district attorney. His colleague, Mr. Shoemaker, was absent to-day on account of illness. Mr. Rotan was entirely alone. There was a pathetic note in the way he began: "Gentlemen of the jury, there is probably no one in this courtroom who can fully appreciate the responsibility that rests on my shoulders. Yet each of you have a greater responsibility."

He immediately entered upon a discussion of the evidence and said the defense plainly admitted that the body found in the Callow Hill street house was that of Pietzel, and that he and Holmes had been conspiring to defraud the insurance company, and at the time of this occurrence had such a scheme on hand. They also admitted, Mr. Rotan said, the story of Holmes' wanderings around the country with Mrs. Pietzel. They had offered no defense because of their confidence that the commonwealth had not made out its case. When the jury had analyzed the evidence they would find the facts more consistent with the theory of suicide than murder. When Holmes went to the house on Sunday, September 2nd, he found the body on the third floor. The attorney then repeated the details of the arrangement of the body, as already told, but, he asked, had anything been produced to show at what time the man had been killed or committed suicide? Coming down to the time of the killing the speaker denied that there was anything to show alcohol indications in the man's stomach to bear out the commonwealth's assertion that Holmes had chloroformed him while he was drunk. Concerning the hurried departure of Holmes and his alleged wife from 11th street house on the night of the murder, Holmes having come home flushed and warm, and ordered her to pack her trunk, Mr. Rotan urged that Miss Yorke's testimony showed beyond question that they had the night before resolved to leave town on Sunday night. The commonwealth relied on the medical testimony that the body could not have been found in the reposeful position in which it was had Pietzel died by inhaling chloroform. The defense admitted the truth of this, but asserted that it was placed in such a position by Holmes after Pietzel had committed suicide, leaving a note for him to utilize the corpse to consummate the insurance swindle.

In conclusion he begged the jury to carefully weigh the facts and give the prisoner the benefit of the doubt.

Mr. Rotan concluded his address at 4:30 o'clock, and Judge Arnold charged the jury. He began with the usual definition of the various degrees of murder and manslaughter and read several passages from the penal code of Pennsylvania.

He instructed the jury to direct their thoughts to the question whether the prisoner had committed the murder and if so, of what degree. If the commonwealth had proved that it was wilful, deliberate and premeditated murder, then he was guilty of murder in the first degree.

"A number of witnesses have been called and the testimony is known as circumstantial. Of this line of testimony I will say many of the most important cases are proven by such evidence. I do not think I exaggerate when I say that half of them are decided upon such evidence. All evidence is more or less circumstantial. The difference is only in the degree of it." After reciting illustrations, the judge continued: "In the case of killing by poison, experience shows that nearly all such cases are proved by circumstantial evidence. These questions must be determined by you in this case: First, is Pietzel dead? Second, did he die a violent death? Third, if he did, did the prisoner kill him, or did he commit suicide?"

The judge reviewed the evidence at length, and, continuing, said: "Now, was it suicide or murder? It is argued by the counsel for the prisoner that it was suicide. If it was so the natural impulse would have been to notify the police upon discovery of the body, but he says he did not do so because he wanted it to appear as if an explosion caused it, so as to defraud the insurance company. The next step was told by Miss Yorke. The prisoner cross-examined her himself." Here the judge quoted from her testimony concerning Holmes' return to the 11th street house on Sunday, the afternoon of the murder.

"If upon all the evidence, you are satisfied that Pietzel was killed by Holmes, by means of chloroform, it is a case of murder in the first degree. If persuaded by the argument of counsel that it was suicide, and not murder, then you must acquit. If after hearing this testimony, you are unable to make up your minds that he is guilty, if you feel a hesitancy, a doubt, you must give him the benefit of that doubt and acquit him; if not, you must find him guilty of murder in the first degree. If you have any impression in your mind of anything you may have read in the newspapers or heard spoken in this court about the case other than on the trial for the murder of Benjamin F. Pietzel, pray dismiss them from your minds and consider the case with the utmost care.

The jury retired at 5:40 p.m. and at 8:50 returned a verdict of murder in the first degree against Holmes. He coughed slightly when he heard the worst, but that was the only sign.

According to one of the jurymen, they had reached their verdict before the doors of their room closed upon them, but being hungry they ate their supper first. Then they took a ballot, and without hesitation every man of the twelve answered: "Guilty of murder in the first degree."

But however atrocious the crime, however fiendish the criminal, it is hard to send a man to the gallows in one minute's time, so for decency's sake, they talked about the case for about an hour and a half. Then word was sent into the court that they had agreed. This was at 8:15 o'clock. It took a half hour to get the court in readiness to receive the verdict.

Holmes spoke to his counsel, Rotan and Shoemaker, before he was taken back to prison. To them he said: "I feel that this condemns me. It was an unjust trial." He would say no more than that. Immediately after the announcement of the verdict the usual application for leave to file a motion for a new trial was made. District Attorney Graham did not oppose the motion and Judge Arnold fixed the 18th of this month for a hearing. The principal reason will be lack of time for the preparation of the defense. Should a new trial be refused, an appeal will be taken to the Supreme Court and argument heard at the next sitting in this city or in at the next sitting in this city in January, 1896. So even if everything goes against him, Holmes has yet some time to spend on the earth from which he is alleged to have sent so many more. The verdict was a surprise to many persons, who did not believe the crime had been fastened upon Holmes beyond a reasonable doubt.

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THE CITY'S TAXES.

Collections Remarkably Near the Estimates.

City Treasurer Kent and his staff were busy during the last four days of October receiving the tax money from those ratepayers who waited till the last days for paying taxes without forfeiting the one-sixth rebate. There was collected in this time $104,610.67. Of this amount $41,329.73 was collected the last day. The collections were exceedingly close to the estimates. The estimated revenue from real estate was $180,000, and $180,517 was received; from board of health $11,000, and the collections were $10,750; receipts of $20,000 were estimated for school purposes, but as there are yet two months to pay the school tax in, only $18,220 has so far been paid. The collections are much nearer the estimates than last year, and the promptness with which the taxes have been paid is an indication of the ratepayers having more money at their disposal.

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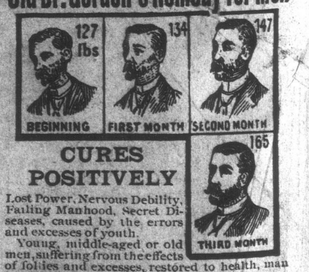

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