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Building Activity is Greatest in Many Years - Civic Improvements and Other Yearly Returns. Mrs. H. S. Fairall-House, on

The building activity in this city for

the past twelve months, as estimated by

the large number of residences erected.

Of a verity Victoria is a city of homes,

for sections which a short time ago were

are now adorned by dwellings of the

most modern character. There are

ocalities which, when the year opened

were in a comparative degree sparsely occupied, now present a surprising transformation scene. And it must not

building, Pandora street, \$2,000.

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Esquimalt road. \$1.500. W. A. Gleason-2 story frame house Stanley avenue, \$2,500. Mrs. L. Gibson-11/2 story frame residence, Douglas street, \$1,800. E. Gilchrist-11/2 story cottage, Dunethe permits issued at the office of the din street, \$2,500.

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building inspector, exceeds that of form-Mr. Green-1 story cottage, Coufts er years by a wide margin. The aggrestreet, \$2.500. Mr. T. T. Green-1 story frame dwellgate sum represented by these permits is

ng, View street, \$1,200. Miss A. Gribble-Dwelling, North considerably more than half a million dollars, while to this should be added the Pandora street, \$1,500. cost of such interior alterations and improvements as at the Pacific Club and St. Lawrence street, \$700. G. W. Garner-1 story frame house,

other buildings not included in the re-cords, but which are estimated at E. Geiger-11/2 story frame house Queen's avenue. seventy-five thousand dollars. This will

Alterations to building, corner Gov bring the total up to more than six hunernment and Yates streets, for Imperial dred thousand dollars. Of course all the bank, \$6,000.

work for which the permits were issued work for which the permits were issued has not yet been completed, the C. P. R. hotel foundations and a few handsome  $P_{L}$  building, \$1,900, now occupied by Mary hotel foundations and a few handsome residences, but so much of it has been B. Ledingham Hong Yuan & Chang Yuen-2 story executed within this year that the grand aggregate is not affected to a very large brick stores and cabins, Cormorant street, \$9,000.

Capt. R. Hicks-Two 1 story frame A feature of the activity that has predwellings, Princess street, \$2,400. vailed in building circles during the period now rapidly drawing to a close is F. J. Helland-1 story frame building, \$1 200

Mrs. J. Houston-House moved to block 7, Work street, remodelling and additions, \$1,200. unoccupied by structures of any kind John Hepburn-1 story brick building used as theatre, Johnson street, \$4,000.

E. Johnson-2 story frame building, corner View and Ormond street, \$2,500. Mr. Johnson-21/2 story frame building, comer Farquhar and Quadra streets, \$3.000

be concluded that in representative value A. Johnson-2 story, Pandora street, the activity has not kept abreast of num-\$2,200. Mrs. C. Jones-Addition to building,

bers. On the contrary some of the finest residences this city boasts of were erect-Gorge road, \$200. ed this year, and these it will be expect-ed will be duplicated within the next Geo. and Mrs. Elizabeth Kirk-Residence on St. Charles street, \$6.000.

H. J. Knott-Frame house on Cook As stated, the appended list does not and Elizabeth streets, \$2,000. include buildings in which internal im-John Kinsman-11/2 story frame buildprovements such as those just completed at the Pacific Club and other buildings, ing, Finlayson estate, \$2,500; 1 story frame house, Princess avenue, \$1.500. but only new structures or those to which new additions have been made. T. B. Laundy-Addition to 2 story house, Simcoe street, \$700.

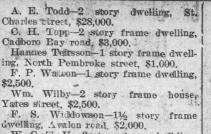
The list as secured by the Times at the C. J. Loat-1 story frame dwelling on building inspector's office is as follows: Wm. Atkins-Building, Johnson Niagara and Carr streets, \$2,500. Mrs. J. Luney-Two 11/2 story houses, Queen's avenue, \$2,400. Alex. Anderson-11/2 story frame build-Mr. Luscombe-2 story house, corner ing on Finlayson estate, Queen's avenue,

of Means and Oook streets, \$3,000. Mrs. Lawry-1 story frame building, Walter E. Adams-1 story bungalow \$800. cottage, Belcher street, cost \$2,500. Jas. L. Armson-11/2 story frame Lemon & Gonnason-New sawmill,

Orchard street, \$4,000. Alexis Martin -2 story frame building, stone basement, Rockland avenue, \$7,000. W. F. Adams-11/2 story frame building, corner of James and Andrew streets, Moore & Whittington-2 story frame dwelling, Pandora street, \$2,500.

Building on old agricultural groundsbrick building, Fort and Douglas street, Two 2 story frame dwellings, Heywood avenue, \$3,600. F. Moore-1 story brick building, Mrs. Sophia Barrett-11/2 story frame

street. \$1,200. H. M. Munday-1½ story frame build greater. Under favorable conditions, in Revenue For Yen? Will Exceed Showing ing, Elliott street, Douglas Gardens, this respect, a tank should cost between \$4,000 and \$5,000. It is built in the P. R. Brown-2 story brick building, \$2,500. E. B. McKay-11/2 story dwelling



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lwelling, Menzies street, \$2,000. C. Watkins-Bungalow, Belcher street, \$3,000. Mrs. H. H. Welsh-2 story frame nouse, Fernwood road, \$2,500.

W. H. Wheeler-2 story frame build ing, Richmond avenue, \$2,500. Mrs. Walters-1 story dwelling, View street, \$1.800. Mary T. Williams-11/2 story Mrs.

frame building, Alderman road, \$1,200. At Wolfenden-1½ story frame build ing, Frederick and Mary streets, \$1,800. Mrs. Annetta Young-11/2 story frame building, Bearen street, \$1,400.

provements inaugurated, most of the

ant street, Government street, several streets in James Bay and other section of the community have been laid with them, representing an outlay of approximately \$54,000

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earth with its roof on a line with Additional story on Nathan building, corner of Government and Broughton streets, \$9,000. O. S. Bailey-2 story frame building on Cook street, \$3,800. Definitional story on Nathan building torner of Government and Broughton O. S. Bailey-2 story frame building on Cook street, \$3,800.

in detail the work of the various schooners, giving the names of the different captains and the number of men forming DODDS r crews, and this article is only inended to give more succinctly and offiially the news then announced. During the coming year a similar sized fleet will be employed in the industry, and with 'a nuance of the war between Russia and Japan and the absence of the South Atlantic fur from the English market in Unin 200 any considerable quantity it is hoped that KIDNEY DISI even better prices will be obtained at the end of the year than were realized this winter. The war affects the Japanese in-HEUMATISMSEN dustry and limits the supply of skins

The state of the second st VICTORIA TIMES, TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1905.

council shortly, after which they will be

FIRE DEPARTMENT RECORD.

Largest Number of Alarms in History of

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and that taken in Behring sea and off the Copper island coast. One reason for this is that the weather is so rough early this is that the weather is so rough early in the year when the schooners first go high grade coking variety, and work is but that they are often unrble to lower about to commence in the district. At their boats when the seals are most plen- the next session of the legislature appli-The season just ends when the cation will be made for the incorporation tiful. weather usually gets nice, and then oper-ations cease until August first, when the sealers enter Behring sea. In the northern waters this year good weather was ncountered for one or two months, and then it was that the sealers made money As for the Copper island grounds, a com

paratively small fleet is there operated



There are two prospects within a short distance of Victoria which are dividing ocal interest between them. These are the King Solomon property near Cowichan station and the mine being the former and three for the latter, worked by H. Cecil near Ladysmith, Mrs. McKenzie and Miss. M. Robertson, Both properties give excellent promise, and the work is being watched carefully for the purpose of seeing what will be every teachers' meeting.

the ultimate outcome. \_\_\_\_\_ The King Solomon mine, the work on The King Solemon mine, the work on which is being carried on by a syndicate tributes \$50 a year for the support of with J. S. H. Matson at its head, coninues to show up excellently. The shaft, which was sunk on the property continued in solid ore giving high values. Work has been temporarily suspended n this shaft in consequence of an inrush bles school in this way is, in the estima water. An engine is being sent to the tion of the superintendent and teachers, the, and a pump will be installed so as the most laudable mission work the pupils could undertake, for that school has

sinking to continue. Pending the installing of the pump, for the education of children of French he men employed at the mine have com-(R. C.) parents converted to Protestant enced work several hundred feet away ism. By correspondence carried on reguom the shaft in order to afford a better larly between this Sunday school and the idea of the claim. The ore at this point Point aux Trembles school, the mission is very similar to that found where the ary spirit is being developed in the pupil. shaft was sunk. The ore will go 15 per of the former, so that they become incent. copper, and the conditions are most | terested in Christian work outside their favorable own school and congregation, and avoid

narrowness in ideas of religious work. At the Ladysmith mine Mr. Cecil is making satisfactory progress. He has a shipment of about 30 tons of ore ready for the Ladysmith smelter. This will be hipped in a few days, and will average \$40 a ton. Mr. Cecil states that on the west cross-cut a fine body of ore has just been struck of a similar character to that which a few weeks ago was reached There are nine men at work on the pro man's Home: perty, and in a short time there will b uite an amount of ore sent out, as the road is being put in good condition for eaming from the mine. The conditions for hauting are excel-lent, as the country from the mine to the

melter is very level. St. Eugene's Contracts.

has to get out of the mine nearly 19,000

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The St. Eugene has had an interesting

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Capt. Truebridge Relieved From the Command of the Minnesota-Along the Waterfront.

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When D. G. S. Quadra returns from her present trip to Sidney she is to be laid up for an overhauling. She will go out of commission for probably two months. The vessel has be en very busy this year, as the work of the department of marine and fisheries on this coast is continuously increasing, consequently she is badly in need of a rest.

Children of First Presbyterian Church While the Quadra is tied up the Dominion fisheries steamer Kestral, of Vancouver, will be on hand in event of an emergency. She has received instruc-tions to hold herself ready at any time. This is in case a government vessel might be required to render service in connection with any wreck. It will be always possible to reach the steamer by

CHANGES ON MINNESOTA.

the pupils under the supervision of Mr. Capt. John H. Rinder has been ap-Meston, who presided. A large number of prizes were presented for memorizing inted to the command of the steamer Minnesota in succession to Capt. Truethe Scripture, the Catechism and the Ter bridge, who has resigned to take a Commandments, and also for regularity. needed rest. Capt. Rinder's last command was that

One interesting feature of the proof the Mongolia, of the Pacific Mail. He was, before that, master of the Coptic. gramme was a class and solo singing mpetition. Two prizes were given for of the Oriental & Occidental Steamsl Company. For many years he was in teachers, secured the superintendent's command of vessels owned and operated prizes, which were given for being presby one or the other of these two coment every Sunday of the year, and at

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer of yes terday says: "After an illness of only two days Frank W. Webber, chief stew-The school is in good condition, with ard of the Minnesota, died at Providence a pupil at Point aux Trembles school, which is under the auspices of the hospital yesterday morning. Dr. Eagle-son says death was due to heart trouble. When the Minnesota arrived in Victoria Webber complained that he was ill, but ittee of the church. Assisting the Point aux Trem stuck to his post until after he arrived here. The day after the arrival of the boat he helped to handle the large crowd of visitors."

## CARMANAH ISOLATED.

As the steamer Queen City did not call t Carmanah on her last inbound trip and as there is no telegraphic cation with that point owing to the wires being down, it has been imposs secure further information relative to the wreckage which a week ago drifted into the coast between there and Clocose, seven miles distant. The nearest point that can be reached on the coast is Cape Beale.

SHEARWATER SAILS.

H. M. S. Shearwater went out Friday norning, heading in the direction, of Comox, and will probably be away for a month. The ship, which has recently been undergoing her refit, made a num-The following donations are thankfully acknowledged for Xmas at the Aged Wo ber of very successful trial trips last week, and enters upon her new commis-Mrs. Carne, sr., andirons for fireplace plum pudding, cake, preserves and Christ-

sion in good shape. The Paul Jones, the visiting American mas cards to all; C. E. Society, First Presbyterian church, tea, sugar and butter; Reformed Episcopal church, brown bread; torpedo boat destroyer, will remain in Esquimalt until Monday. Mrs. Durham, pair chickens; Mrs. Tite, box sodas; Miss Finalson, ham and bacon;

MARINE NOTES.

It is reported that the Pacific Coast Steamship Company will cut out the ton, clothes rack; Mrs. A. M. Goodridge, Esquimalt, cards to all; Miss Galletly, ham and cards; Mrs. Waitt, \$5 cash; Mrs. Wm. from Seattle to Vancouver, owing to

oss in any month was also in August, being \$60,470, of which \$60,000 was CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS. caused by the fire on August 9th-that started at the Albion Iron Works. The A Great Deal Has Been Accomplished most dangerous blaze with which department had to deal was that at the in Past Year. Driard, on the night of June 26th, when the loss was \$19,000 When the city engineer, Chas. Topp, The total loss for the year is \$86,921, a presents his annual report for the consideration of the council, it will show that in some departments more has been accomplished in the past twelve months than in any corresponding period in the history of the city. Chief among these is the extensive permanent sidewalk im-

plank walks, if not all, in main portion of the city having been thus replaced, while concrete sidewalks have been constructed in many of the residential localities farther out. Pandora avenue, Yates street, Cook street, Fort street, Cormor-

Perhaps the biggest work was the Bay and the Work Estate. This year | year is as follows:

Figure 2 and the end of Rock Bay bridge, which is one of the causes why bridge 1233hid out for Victoria West at the south October ..... is 1. 2,739 2,546,64 92.97 end of Mary street. Another tank will be built in Spring Ridge next year.

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comperatively)small amount considering serious nature; of some of the fires The loss by months are: January, \$100; February, \$996; March, \$505; April, \$45 May, \$775; June, \$19,200; Jufr, \$605; August, \$60,410; September, \$2,300; Oc-tober, \$50; November, \$1,850; December, The fires for December are: Decembe 6th, Mrs. Turner's store, 52 Fort street, smoke arising through floor; no loss. December 25th, box 14, fire at Mr. Oliver's, Cooks and Labouchere streets; furnace set fire to conservatory: loss. \$25. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

An Unprecedented Showing in the East An unprecedented feature of the city

school attendance for the past year was the high percentage which was sustained sewerage extension, which has been car-ried on to a degree that created a pretty In only one month was it less than 90 large hole in the sum of \$200,000, bor-rowed several years ago for the purpose. ber and December it was over 93. This is a splendid showing, of which the city pended on this improvement, the districts superintendent "and school board are benefitted being James Bay, Victoria rightfully proud. A few days ago the West and Rock Bay. Last year the lothe gravitation system were covered. These were portions of Rock Bay, James

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emptied into the salt water without the cessity of filtration. There has been some street paving dur ing the year, Government street from story nouse Courtney to Humbeldt street, and Yates street from Government to Wharf streets, having been paved. The council also passed the plan for paving Johnson from Douglas to Store streets, which will be carried out next year. Alogether the amount expended on street paving this year was about \$18,000. iderable amount of macadamizing has been done, especially in Victoria West, Esquimalt and Catherine streets, now undergoing improvement in this manner. The new causeway across Rock Bay is another good work, obviating the use of the unsafe Rock Bay bridge for the tramcars on the Esquimalt run, and greatly facilitating the service. This roadway has been macadamized, and is one of the best in the city. The abutment for the protection of the James Bay retaining wall, and the Point Ellice bridge, were also completed this year, although they are practically part of last year's programme. Douglas street has been extended across the flats to the park, representing completed will be a long-needed im-provement. The James Bay causeway has been macadamized and sidewalked while other work in that connection has been conducted by the city in the same neighborhood. Besides these the usual street programme has been dealt with, including the macadamizing of Pandora street from Stanley avenue to Belm avenue, while a new thoroughfare has been made from St. Charles street, in the vicinity of Regents Park. This is but a brief recapitulation of what has been accomplished in civic improvements in the year, the full particulars of which Notes. All those suffering with will find

> and Cerate Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd., Montres

will be forthcoming when the various officials present their annual reports. The health report has not been completed, but as far as can be learned it will be unusually favorable. The num-ber of infectious diseases dealt with is ch less than it was last year, while half the number of complaints were re-The police returns were not prepared when the Times reporter called, but these will be forthcoming in a few days. The various officials of the corporation are busy drafting their reports for the year. These will be presented in the Boils, Scrofula, Eczema Weaver's Syrup

invaluable to cleanse the blood

solid substances. The fluid can then be revenue derived from the sale of postage stamps, tox rent; meney orders, etc., less the necessary ergenses of The income from stamps abone for 1904 would make a better totaly according to Mr. Shakespeare, than the revenue received from all sources in the previous year. Mr. Shakespeare explains that, as the Victoria office supplies stamps" to the many branches scattered over Vancouver Island, the local income is considerably augmented in this way. About \$53,000 was received from this source during the past twelve months.-

Eugene Mission. Some good ore had been brought into the mission. Revenue was derived from the rent of letter boxes and drawers. Five hundred and twenty-four of the former were in Father Cocola, who was in charge, re ognizing that it was of high-grade, sen number of Indians on a hunt. use, and 64 vacant during the past yea ave to each a sample of ore, and asked Of the drawers 125 were utilized and 84 them to match it if they could. One ha rereinct rented. As the rent of boxes and drawers was \$4 and \$5 respectively one they returned unsuccessful. Skookum Jim, whose prolonged absence was the cause of alarm. He had been the total income was \$2,721. In this also an increase over last year was no ticeable. Mr. Shakespeare looked forway a month, and was about to be ward to having almost all the available given up for lost, when he came back boxes and drawers rented for 1905. with as much ore as he could carry, al The indications he added, were that th of high grade. He said he found it near money order business would exceed that Moyie lake, and though his statement

of any previous year. During 1908 the were doubted, search was made. After onsiderable hunting the ledge was total amount received was \$190.276.16. and the sum paid out was \$352,695.66. found, Father Cocola and James Cronin an expenditure of about \$3,000. It is now being filled and graded, and when participating in the search, and together they staked equal ground. Father Coall returns for the past twelve months cola eventually sold his interest for were available. 0 1 \$12,000, built a church, and provided for Skookum Jim. Mr. Cronin interested ther people, and to-day is manager

VITAL STATISTICS. Returns Showing Number of Births,

Deaths and Marriages For Year. Appended are the complete vital' statis

es for the past year: From January to lecided to grant the bonus on silver-lead September-Births, 335; deaths, 201; marriages, 103. From October production. It has since that time re-30th of December-Births. 112: deaths. 81; marriages, 93. 250 or 300 men. 10

SEALING CATCH. Total for Year Low. but Prices Were Favorable.

days ago, said: While the total catch of the Victoria ealing fleet for the year just ended is one of the lowest since it assumed its days. In the Centre Star's deepest workpresent tonnage, the average work of ings a better vein than any found before the schooners will be found to compare in that mine has lately been discovered. fairly well with that done in several of It is not very high grade, but it is good the preceding seasons. The official re-turns, now complete, show the total catch The mine is in better shape now than at for 1904 to be 14,646, made up as fol- any time in its history, and I have reason lows: B. C. coast, 3,118 skins; Indian to believe that this new vein will improv acatch, 1,501 skins; Copper island catch. in quality at a very little greater depth 1,790, and Behring sea, 8,237 skins. "The Le Roi is not an exhausted mine There were 22 schooners operated this either, not by any means. They are still year, against 26 the previous year, and there were over 300 Indians employed new vein as rich as any of those near the there were over 300 Indians employed and about 230 white men. As reported in a former statement of the work of the famous. I don't know its extent yet. It fleet, one of the schooners was lost, representing an item on the debit ac-count of the Victoria. Sealing Company's books which put a big hole in the profits "That is part of my reason for expect-

of the year. Better prices were obtained for the fur in the London market than prove as we go down. We are not as deep yet as they are in the Le Roi. I should say that neither of those two have been realized for many years, completely changing the outlook of the year's operations from one of an extremely grave character at the end of the coast mines has yet seen its best days." Fording River Coal.

Grant, candles: Mrs. Jeffs, sweet nickles: poor time upon which "the steamer is St. Eugene shareholders, the compa Mrs. Becker, box apples; Mr. Short, candy

TRUE PILCHARD.

suredly of That Variety.

and figs; Mrs. Russel, parcel of goodies to The American' four-masted schoone all; Mrs. J. H. Todd, 4 sacks potatoes; Lottie Bennett has completed loading Weiler Brothers, 2 dozen rugs; Mrs. Henry Clay, cakes; R. Porter & Sons, goose; Mrs. lumber at the Hastings Mill, and will probably get away to sea to-day. She W. Higgins, sausage; Mrs. Ure, raisins; has 673.434 feet of lumber destined for Mrs. Sydney E. Coker, cake and tea; Fruit | Caleta Coloso, Chile.

Commission Co., Ltd., box kippers and box Steamers Princess Victoria and Prinapples; J. D. McNiven, M. P. P., turkey; cess Beatrice will land at and depart Mrs. (Senator) Templeman, tea, sugar and from the new C. P. R. wharf, commencturkey: Miss Geisselman, hox oranges: ing on Sunday.

Mrs. Goodacre, fur ruff: Mrs. Frank Bar-The British ship Penthilsia will be nard, oranges: Messrs, F. R. Stewart & Co., towed into Esquimalt from the Royal turkey; W. Fernie, \$10 cash; M. Tyrwhitt Roads to-day.

The committee also desire to extend MISTAKEN FOR FLAG OF TRUCE. grateful thanks to Mr. James Dunsmufr for his annual donation of six tons of coal.

Handkerchief Precipitated Awful Tragedy-incident of War's Ferocity.

A painful incident illustrates the rithless ferocity of soldiers in the face of an imaginary act of treachery, says a St. Petersburg dispatch

C. B. Sword, inspector of fisheries, time ago forwarded to Prof. Prince some specimens of pilchard taken in the herring nets in Nanaimo harbor. A reply has been received from Ottawa, and in it Prof. Prince confirms the opinion, that they wer oilchards. In the letter he says: "They are pilchard, sometimes called California sardines, and were described by white flag.

Girard in 1854 under the name 'Meletta Caerulea,' but now known as 'Clupanodon Caeruleus.' You will find them referred to rang out, killing and wounding five of my men. So we lay down and fired, the pany which owns the mine, and In the 'Guide to British Columbia' for 1877-78, where it is stated under the heading Japs, after talking together, firing back. 'sardines' that they are always found At last they ceased firing, and when we among herring. "I cannot say that they are precisely the

fish known to commerce under that desig-nation, but they are firm in flesh and exallent in flavor. "In the United States commission report

1899 (published 1900), Mr. Rathbun, afte his visit to British Columbia waters refers to the sardine there, but he states that it mains only a brief time in the warme part of the year. (P. 262.)

Eagle-Centre Star Company, in an inter-view published in the Nelson News some "The sardine differs from the anchovy, which also abounds in the Straits of Georgia, in having a much smaller mouth "I have been down the Centre Star I got some anchovy near Nanaimo in 1894. and the Le Roi within the last couple of The plichard you sent is hardly distinguish able from the French pilchard, which in the young one-third grown condition are can-

ned in vast quantities under the name sardine. They are much richer in old than most herrings, and are no doubt captured extensively along with the herrings.

## BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The farmers and merchants of Clay county, Ga., met at Fort Gaines on Wedesday and decided to burn their share of two million bales of surplus cotton. A starter was made when a fire we made of cotton on the streets of Fo Gaines. It is not yet determined where it will stop. The object is to show that

the farmers are ready to saorifice a few bales for the benefit of the masses. According to a Ithaca, N. Y., dis-patch a dog owned by Wm. Walker aved five persons from burning to death to be encountered when raiding peach jumping upon the bed and awakening is master, who was nearly suffocated

y smoke. "Fire from a stove had spread brough the upper part of the house and

Fish Found in Nanaimo Harbor Were As "Before we made our attack on the said Sergt. Kotelnikoff, of Gen. Orloff's command, "there was a good deal of skirmishing and outpost work. We isolated a small body of Japs who were on the lookout on the sour of a

hill. They fired hard as we came on. and then-as we imagined-up went a "But when we drew near to disarm and capture them a well-aimed volley

were within about 50 yards of them up went another white flag. With a volley of curses our men rushed in and bay-onetted the Japs without mercy.

"I confess I felt sick at this massac

but it had to be done. Suddenly one of my men exclaimed: "The yellow faces my men exclaimed: didn't mean the white flag dodge at all When I looked around I saw that what we imagined to be the first flag was only a Jap's handkerchief drying on the side of the rock."

OYAMA'S SCHOOL DAYS.

Field Marshal Oyama, who is in command of the Japanese armies in Man-churia, was once a pupil in the Temple Hill school at Geneseo, N.Y., and Wal-ter G. Patterson, one of Geneseo's leading residents, remembers Oyama and relates many amusing experiences of the young Japanese, whom he describes as an undersized boy of 15, heavy set, but "I am perbright-eyed and keen-witted. haps the first man who saw Oyama der fire." said Mr. Patterson the other day. "One Saturday morning a crowl of students started afoot for a peach orchard belonging to 'Tomp' Campbell, which was a favorite place with the boys. While climbing a fence Oyama was the last over. Suddenly Mr. Campbell appeared with a shotgun. He took aun at Oyama and fired a charge of rock sale into his body. Oyama stoyl the pain stoically as one of the fortunes of war orchards."

Half a century ago a little more than oneeason to one of a slight success when perations in Behring sea are included. The Times some weeks ago published Another coal producing district in the eastern part of the province of British I walker quickly aroused the rest of the family at once and escaped. I half of the population of England lived to towns. To day the rural population is only one-fifth of the whole.