A PARADISE FOR CRICKETERS.

Cricket Club.

Philadelphia is one of the greatest cricket

cities in the United States, and lovers of

the interesting English sport have recently

occupied extensive grounds and elaborate

buildings at Haverford, near the city. The

movers in the project are members of the

Merion Cricket club, an organization

ery. The new grounds of the club are near the Haverford station of the Pennsylvania

railroad and comprise 12½ acres. A wide and massive gateway admits clubmen to

the grounds, which are encircled by a fend

MERION CRICKET CLUB'S HOME.

tearoom, the billiard room, the dining

room, the cardroom and the taproom. The last named is very English with its jut-

The cricket house of the club is a sep-

broad. It is thoroughly equipped with va-rious appliances for the use of the club's

nembers of the club, and its cricket team

DELAND'S FLYING WEDGE.

The Man Who Helped Harvard with His

Deland flying wedge" and other nev

en yards back of LORIN F. DELAND.

the line at one side of the field and ran at

full speed toward the line and Yale's terri-tory. At the same time five lighter men

in single file, like the others, started in a

similar manner from the other corner of the field. Between the two lines ran a

fake runner, who seemed to Yale to be the man who was to get the ball. The two

lines of men. running at high speed, finally

came together, forming a wedge protecting the real runner, who had the ball, and this

wedge crashed its way a score of yards into

Yale's territory.

The flying wedge did not win the game

for Harvard, but it is said to be very con-

fusing to an opposing team, and Harvard

is foremost at the start, much like the

on in their course, and no wedge is made.

The light runners merely do their sprint-

ing to confuse the enemy, while the real

runner, with the ball, is with the heavy

Harvard, turned Vale's end with this new

play and gained forty yards before he was

elist, Margaret Deland, who wrote "John

Ward, Preacher." In planning the new

plays Deland says he has only applied the

art of war to the football field, and the fly-

ing wedge is a movement Napoleon often used to turn an enemy's flank.

CHECKERS AND CHESS.

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8...19 to 16

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8..27 to 24

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Deland is an expert mathema-

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ting rafters and its sanded floor.

enjoys an enviable reputation.

football maneu-vers used by the

Harvard varsity

elevens this year.

The flying wedge

was used by the

Harvard varsity

team against Yale

and won twenty

yards for the wear-

ers of the crimson.

Four of the eleven's heaviest

men started fif-

rge country houses.

founded in 1865 by William W. Montgor

A Dangerous Tramp in Nanaimo Vancouver Municipal Matters-Captured by Indians.

(Special to the Colonist.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 28 .- A special meeting of the Trades and Labor Council was held this evening to complete organization for the coming municipal elections.
G. Thomas, jr., son of G. Thomas, of the Oriental, was married to-day to Emma

Wriss.

J. Jackson Langley, who was killed by a tree falling on his cabin, is insured in the I.O.O.F. for \$2,200, and owns \$10,000 worth

property here. He has no relatives on M. Melville was fined \$100 for selling

liquor to an Indian.

A fine specimen of cinnabar, bearing gold as well, was brought in by a Siwash yester-day. Efforts to ascertain the locality of the The children of the Orphans' Home were

entertained by Mrs. Dana at her residence, on Robson street. A Christmas tree was provided and the little ones loaded with

Two hundred couple were present at the the Imperial Opera House.

The City Act of Incorporation Amending Acts and the Consolidated By-laws have just been published in pamphlet form.

The B.C. Iron Works have been awarded

The Beaver mine in the Slocan country has been bonded to a Montreal syndicate for \$75,000. The ore is of a fine steel galthe contract for making the machinery for the steamer being built by the C.P.R. at Okanagan lake.

Mayor and Aldermen have been The Mayor and Aldermen nave called upon by requisition to discuss civic questions with the citizens on Friday night. questions with the citizens on Friday nign The meeting will be held and the Mayo and Aldermen will be expected to attend Last night the children of the First Pres-byterian and Homer street Methodist hurches had a happy time at their annual

Christmas tree.
Al. Larwill, the well-known patron amateur sport, has been presented by the junior football club with a gold-headed Beaver" cane.

Steamship Capilano is in port with a car-go of coal from Seattle.

The steamer Coquitlam is, it is said, going fishing for halibut.

A year ago the city cut down the grade of and this distance will be cleared and graded Cordova street five feet at the request of the C. P. R. to suit the new station build-ing. The City Council are now formally calling on the railway to carry out its part calling on the railway to carry out its part of the agreement, as work has been stopped since May on the building. The railway will also be requested to allow stop over privileges in Vancouver on Sound tickets. Steamship Haytian Republic cleared yesterday with a cargo of Oriental freight, having 2 294 sacks of flour for transhipment to Hongkows.

ment to Hongkong.

The street railway's proposition for the city to guarantee interest on its bonds has een laid over. Steamer Island Belle arrived yesterday

on her first regular trip between this port and Tacoma.

The council have done nothing so far to investigate the charges against the city en-

St. Luke's Home received a great quan tity of substantial Christmas cheer for Christmas. A very cheerful holiday was spent at the home.

Word comes from Valdez Island that Indian have arrested a white man and taken him to Cape Mudge. They stated that In-dian Agent Pidcock ordered them to arrest him for supplying a klootchman with liquor. Michael Flynn, a reputed gambler, was fined \$10 and warned for discharging fire-

Joseph Della, a half-breed, broke into Inlet Hotel by way of a window, and after drinking a quantity of liquor, filled his pockets with bottles of firewater and attempted to escape, but the load inside outweighed the other load, and Della fell an easy and indit ferent prey to his captors, being found in senibly drunk in the bar chair.

WESTMINSTER.

WELTMINSTER, Dec. 28.-A tough from Seattle name Rose, one of the members of a gang of sneak thieves who have been operating here and in Vancouver lately, was arating here and in Vancouver laterly, was arrested last night with stolen goods in his
possession. He had gone through four houses
and hotels during the evening.

The river is open again and steamers are
making regular trips.

Game dealers report that wild duck were
never so plentiful. Over 500 brace have
been brought in during the last two days

been brought in during the last two days. Next week will be observed here by the evangelical churches as a week of prayer, union meetings being held every afternoon

and evening.

The ice dealers fear that the promised harvest on the river will not be reaped, and are making arrangements to get a supply from the interior.

A man named Low, an American, was

arrested for the theft of a coat from the Colonial yesterday by Officer Dominy. This man and another have been committing thefts of a similar nature, and are supposed to have held up and robbed McCrochan on Saturday night, of \$17.1

Saturday night, of \$17.1

The attraction to-night is the grand ball at the Opers house for the benefit of the artillery band, managed by the ladies.

The officers and members of Pacific Lodge No. 16, of Mission City, gave a grand ball this evening.

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One of the benefit of the in addition to the stained grand and the subscriptions need not exceed a ball in addition to the stained grand ball and the subscriptions need not exceed a ball in addition to the stained grand the subscriptions need not exceed a ball this evening.

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One of British Columbia, over which His Lordship had Episcopal rule for 21 years, it seems to me that subscriptions ould fairly be solicited from the two other Dioceses, and probably churchmen there

Joseph Waldroff, a well-known public lecturer, has been invited to speak and will

very probably accept.

A wrestling match has been arranged between Thomas Smith and J. C. Stewart for \$100 a side in the Opera House, on Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Smith is to throw Stewart three times in one hour, but if Stewart gets one fall he wins the match.

Stapleford Rectory, near Hertford, England, Dec. 8, 1892. W. O'Dell, architect, and Miss Lake left for Vancouver on the Cutch this morning to get married. They had kept everything quiet, but just before the steamer left, some friends who thought "something was up," came down and sent them off with showers

not succeed in selling their business for the figure agreed to to their Eastern friend, nor A man named Anderson has been arrested in disposing of all of their stock this Christ for vagrancy and for having a loaded re-volver on his person. He answers the de-wherein they have conducted business for scription of the man suspected of having the last 17 years is to be destroyed shortly plugged Captain Freeman's rifle. He has been on the Glory of the Seas recently, and has had access to the place where the rifle was kept. In one of his pockets two or three plugs similar to those extracted from the captain's rifle were found. He has been in town about two weeks, and the only visible means of subsistence found on his person was a 10 cent piece.

A delightful Christmas tree party came at a moderate rate. his person was a 10 cent piece.

A delightful Christmas tree party came at a moderate rate.

off at the Departure Bay school house on Monday night. The school was tastefully decorated and the tree presented a fancy picture. The chair was taken at 7 p. m. by Mr. C. N. Young, after which Miss Thomas, the present teacher, put her scholars through a very amusing and highly antartaining norgamme. Songs by Mrs.

The Bench Show Is the Thing entertaining programme. Songs by Mrs. Dadley, Messrs. Young and Ellison of the steamship Wellington followed, after which the presents were distributed. Mr. John Just Now.

WE GOT THE IDEA FROM ENGLAND

of the Craze in Great Britain and America-The Westminster Kennel Club' Good Work in This Country.



Morrow proposed a vote of thanks to Capt. and Mrs. Salmond and orew of the Welling-ton for their kindness in decorating the

house and tree. Capt. Salmond replied and proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. James

proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. James Morrow for the manner in which he had taken charge of preparations. Much re-gret was felt that the school house was so

small, a large number having to return home. Besides the 72 children with their

parents, among those present were Capt. Freeman of the Glory of the Seas, Mrs.

Little of Union and a number of friends

KASLO-SLOCAN.

(From the Examiner.)

We are enabled to announce definitely

During the winter months the work of pre-

on good authority that the work of con-

company, is to be really under the control

The Lakeview mine in Bear lake district

is perhaps one of the best located properties in the Slocan country. The ledge, which shows three feet of solid ore, comes down to

reports that the Kasle road up as far as Deer lake is completed. Jim Wardner's road from the Freddie Lee mine has been completed. The road extends as far as the

Fish lake, and from its terminus to Bear

ake the distance is only about three miles,

in another week.

Thirty tons of Freddie Lee ore was

shipped out on the last trip of the Nelson, and twenty-five tons more will go out by

Andy Whalen recently bonded the Purcell claim for \$25,000; cash down, \$2,500.

the same grade as the Best.

The Mountain Chief is a very fine

The tunnel is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot

tunnel has only been driven in a few feet

Baillee, of the Kaslo-Kootenay Land Co.

NEW DENVER.

The Cumberland will be bonded for \$24,000.

City is to be the metropolis of the Slocan.

Work has been commerced on the Young

BISHOP HILLS' MEMORIAL.

To THE EDITOR: - I am pleased to observ

e committee entrusted with this matter

that the most appropriate and effective means of handing down to subsequent gen-

to participate in showing ho

o one whose memory they will always hold

dear. As one who was ordained by His

Lordship, and labored in his diocese for five years as Incumbent of Saanich, I shall

have much pleasure in doing my part in

Do Not Miss

Reading this item, as Lange & Co. did

carrying out the above proposal.

W. H. GREGORY.

Hector Sproat declares that Bear Lake

the same boat to-morrow.

ena, showing strong traces of conner.

from Wellington.

of the Great Norther

E GET our fash ions in dogs in America from England, and it was from Eng-land, too, that we got the idea of bench shows for

that the railway from the city into the heart ist Cuvier said is the "completest, the of the Slocan country will be begun as soon as the snow clears off the ground in spring. | Ist Cuvier said is the completest, the most singular and the most useful conquest ever made by man." At the present time America's dog fanciers are pre paration, will be pushed forward so that paring their favorite canines for exhibition there will be no delay when the time at the various bench shows soon to be held for construction arrives. Rails, rolling all over the country. One of the most not stock, etc., will be purchased, and able shows will be the seventeenth annual forwarded to be in readiness as soon as the exhibition of the Westmins first mile of grading is done. It is rumored at New York Feb. 21 to 28. exhibition of the Westminster Kennel club

Dog shows of one kind and another have struction, although carried forward under the charter of the Kaslo-Slocan Railway been held in England for quite a hundred years, but up to 1859 they were but aduncts of country fairs and incidents of the market day. In 1859, however, in New castle, was held a dog show of so much importance that English authorities con the kind. silver assay is 100 ounces, with 50 per cent.

In a few years annual shows were held in the principal cities of England and were patronized by the royalty, nobility and gentry of Great Britain, and also by the rough fellows who bred and trained dogs for a livelihood. It was seventeen years before there was

almost the water's edge. Three assays were made recently from different samples of ore taken from the mine that run from 425 to an effort to introduce bench shows in America. The first effort was made by 1,452 ounces of silver.

J. A. Wither, one of the first men to penetrate the Slocan mining country, has arrived in the city to spend the winter. He the Westminster Kennel club of New York and the effort succeeded so well that sim-



CHAMPION BREEZE GLADSTONE.

John L. Seaton, one of the owners of the celebrated Noble 5 group of mines, has just returned from Spokane and reports everybody wild about the Kaslo-Slocan [Winner of first prize at Brooklyn recently.] ilar clubs were formed in other large cities. April there is a succession of shows, follow ing each other so closely that an exhibitor who would go to all has to travel rapidly

This claim lies half a mile west of the Noble Five, and has a 4-foot vein showing 18 inches of clean ore, which is said to run 260 unces in silver and 70 per cent. lead.

The Martin recently sold the Keno,

Martin recently sold the Keno, devoted to the interests of certain dogs. For instance, there is a Mastiff club, a \$5,000, \$4,000 in Spokane property and \$1,000 cash. The Keno has a 4-foot ledge and 10 inches of clean ore, which assays from 400 to 800 ounces in silver, being about Pointer club, a Collie club, and so forth And all of these clubs—kennel clubs and special clubs—have united to form the American Kennel club, which is a kind of The Mountain Chief is a very fine synou of the bench shows, keeps makes the rules for the bench shows, keeps makes the rules for the bench shows, keeps the records of the prizes won, and also maintains a studbook, in which the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook, in which the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook, in which the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook, in which the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook, in which the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook, in which the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook, in which the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook, in which the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook, in which the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook, in which the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook, in which the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook, in which the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook, in which the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook in the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook in the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook in the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook in the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook in the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook in the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook in the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook in the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook in the pedimental in the pedimental is in 12 feet and shows a 2-foot maintains a studbook in the pedimental in the pedimen there are 6 inches of fine ore in the face.
D. J. Munn, John Hendry and Wm. hibited in the shows are set down. This is a work of such dimensions and importance that the central club is obliged to maintain offices and keep a corps of clerks

This club makes the general rules by which dogs in the shows shall be classed, though each local kennel club makes up its prize list and the special rules The the special clubs establish the rules by which the dogs shall be judged. The judg-Some very rich galena is being taken out of the Mountain Chief, which is a very owners who form these special clubs deterpromising property.

J. E. Boss has bonded the Mountain Lily,
Roulette, Rebound and Lucky Move; consideration \$25,000. fect. a number is given, and as the dog good or bad in any point the number is great or small.

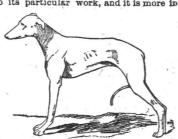
In going along a line a visitor will see in the mastiff class twenty magnificent speci mens of these gentle and intelligent fel the kindly feeling shown by all classes to the venerable Bishop Dr. Hills, who for 33 the catalogue that five or six of these lows. He will notice either by labels or in years had the oversight of the Diocese of called "champions." Now how, the un-Columbia, as its first bishop, and I am glad tutored bench show visitor will ask, can Columbia, as its first dishop, and I am glad to hear that steps have already been taken with a view to perpetuate the memory of title is certainly misleading. It really window in the new cathedral about to be ledged to a certain high class, which is erected. I venture, however, to suggest to reached by a reckoning of a dog's winnings

The classes in which dogs are judged are six—the miscellaneous, the selling, the erations a memorial worthy alike of the good Bishop and his work, would be a portrait of His Lordship in oils, to be painted by one of our best English artists, and to be hung in the library which is destined to receive the valuable gift of books the Bishop has so generously donated to the Diocese.

The challenge class is for dogs who have have won four first prizes in the open classes. And when a dog has got into this challenge class, and in it won three first prizes, then he is entitled to be called "champion." Therefore it is sometimes novice, the puppy, the open and the chalthe case that on the same bench there will be several dogs that never competed

against one another before.

The bench shows in America have done a a great service to dog breeding. None but a dog whose authenticated pedigree is of record is eligible in these exhibitions. Dog lovers are therefore taught that nurely more worthy of pride and affection. A purely bred dog is at once better suited to do its particular work, and it is more in



LORD NEVERSTILL. Winner of first prize for greyhounds at Brook-

lyn recently.] telligent and safer to have around. In crossing breeds more frequently than not all the bad qualities are transmitted to the progeny, and none of the good. It there fore follows that the dogs that bite chir-dren and dogs that go mad are nearly always of these mixed and nondescript breeds. The bench show rules make it appear a reproach to a man to harbor a cur, and in this way they have been of great service. JNO. GILMER SPEED.

he Handsome New Home of the Merion

The Latest Productions in New York City.

MRS. BERNARD BEERE A FAILURE.

pectations—How "The Fencing Master" Impressed New Yorkers-Bronson How ard's Latest Comedy, "Aristocracy."

I saw Mrs. Bernard Beere, the much her-alded "English Bernhardt," the other night at Hammerstein's new Manhattan opera pard," which, under the title of "As in a Looking Glass," Mrs. Langtry has made familiar to American theater goers. Mrs. Beere, in my opinion, is not even a particul larly good leading woman, much star, and it does not seem possible that the The big clubhouse is an imposing lookmany stories published on this side of the ng structure formed by the union of twe water detailing her phenomenal triumphs in England can be true. Nor is Mrs. Beere hard woods within, and is a model of congood looking. venience and comfort. There are numer-In the play her beauty is spoken of sev ous rooms in the big house, among them the reception room, the ladies' tennis room overlooking the tennis courts, the ladies'

eral times, and if these lines had been cut out possibly no attention in a critical way would have been paid to her personal ap-



MRS. BERNARD BEERE

But Mr. Marcus Mayer, he pearance. manager, with very much more zeal than discretion, had heralded the advent of his star in such a ridiculously extravagant anner that a high standard was set, and by that standard Mrs. Beere must be judged. Realizing the nervousness of a star in a strange land, I deferred my visit to the Manhattan opera house until Thursday, so as not to do the lady an injustice by criticising her first night's performance. Mrs. Beere has a very good supporting

ompany, the play was well staged, and she was the initial attraction in the handmest opera house I have ever seen. Therefore, although "Lena Despard" is a horribly weak and senseless play, the actress certainly made her American debut under auspicious circumstances. Mrs. Beere is perhaps the greatest dis-

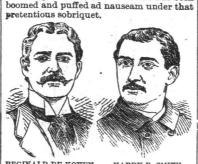
appointment of the present theatrical season. She does well enough in the ordinary conversational tones and commonplace dialogue, but when it comes to emo tion her lack of power is apparent. She will continue to use it. In the freshmen game, which was fought out to a draw, Harvard used Deland's "crisscross," which appears to be conscientious, however, and does her best all the way through. I can say without hesitation that there are numbers of leading women and stars in the United States who can put Mrs. Beere in the shade in acting, reading and personal appearance, and yet they could no more have got the opening date at the Manhattan opera house than a crying child who insists upon having a piece of the moon could get a slice of fair Luna.

A few more experiences like that of Mrs. Bernard Beere will bring supposably astute managers to a realization of the fact that the American public will judge foreign actors upon their merits, without regard to the exaggerated statements of their alleged numerous triumphs "on the other side." If Mrs. Beere is considered a great all I have to say is that the English people have suddenly acquired a theatrical obfus-cation which is incomprehensible to me. In "Lena Despard" Mrs. Beere only once

gave evidence of the probable possession of a spark of genius, and that was in the last scene of the play, when she poisons her-self. Despite her absurb fall, she was really good in that, the simulation of the caused by the liquid fire which she had swallowed being admirable. In the scene before that, however, when, after having confessed to her husband that she had sinned earlier in life, she implores his forgiveness, she so signally fails to rise to the necessary heights that this, which is one of the best episodes among the very few good ones in the play, is made posi-tively ridiculous.

I don't suppose that Mrs. Beere's manager was responsible for the comparisons ican comedy, while I really believe that which have been made between her and within a very few years the average per-Mrs. Langtry, but there have been advance son will have forgotten that there ever Mrs. Langtry, but there have been advance estimates of the merits of the two ladies in the same play, and these have invariably plot, like most of Mr. Howard's, is a very n to the disadvantage of Mrs. Langtry. This is rank injustice, for Mrs. Langtry is superior in nearly every respect to Mrs. Beere. Her magnificent, regal appearance is of itself a great deal in her favor, of

hand, is anything but impressive. She is very tall, with a thin face and an ordinary Normandale, whose house, with all appur figure. She walks awkwardly, with a stiff, uncertain movement, while Mrs. Langtry sails across the stage with the air of one who owns this planet and is on the way to secure options on several others. No one would think of calling Mrs. Langtry the "English. Bernhardt," and yet she the superior of the woman who has been retentious sobriquet,



REGINALD DE KOVEN. HARRY B. SMITH. I saw "The Fencing Master" on the night when the Casino returned to its aye, whose work as the wealthy Westerner egitimate uses. Much interest attached in New York city to this production, for, while the opera had been seen elsewhere, the complications at the Casino and the remarkable chain of circumstances which brought about the putting of an opera ability as a genuine dramatic author. company owned by J. M. Hill into the

house controlled by the Aronsons, who, to put it mildly, are certainly not overpow-ered with love for Mr. Hill, gave added test to the appearance of an opera by the author and composer of "Robin Hood," which, oddly enough, had just returned to New York, too, to begin an engagement at the Garden theater.

Opinions vary as to the relative merits o ing Master." As to the libretto there is but one opinion, and that is that the earlier opera is much better written than "Th is excessively dull, uninteresting and colorless, while "Robin Hood" has one of th pest told plots of any comic opera in existides no one can see the come

dians in "The Fencing Master" withou peing constantly haunted by the ghosts o Lorenzo and Rocco in "La Mascotte." The story itself is about as vague an insatisfactory as the nebular hypothesis The fencing master has a daughter wh

has been brought up as a boy that she night succeed to her father's position This she does when her paternal progenito accepts the leadership of a band of assas sins. Then she foolishly falls in love wit. Fortunio, the rightful heir to the ducal hrone, to which he eventually succeed after very magnanimously consenting to make a duchess of the woman who has for rears gone about the streets clad only in he best quality of silk tights. The music is generally conceded to be

distinct advance for Mr. De Koven, who easily leads the American composers of the present day. Much of it is of course ac cused of being "reminiscent," as nearly all music must be, but the chorus at the end of the second act, besides being pretentious is beautiful and artistic in the extreme and evoked genuine enthusiasm. There is very little of what is so breezily designate s "catchy" music in "The Fencing Master," as the composer seems to have aimed higher. However, there are some tunefunumbers, notably the solo, "If a Maiden' Heart You Would Win and Wear." Th "Zum Zum" song, which Mr. De Koven took from the Alibi club, of Washington, who in turn appropriated it from an old Spanish book of folk songs or something of the kind, got the most hearty applaus and was the only reasonably good thing allotted to the comedians.

The company could scarcely be improved upon. Miss Marie Tempest recaptured all of her old New York admirers and gained many more. Mrs. Pemberton-Hincks, Miss Grace Golden, Signor Michelena, Hubert Wilke and William Broderick made the nost of their parts. The best feature of the entertainment perhaps was the mount ng of the piece, which was done under the irection of Max Freeman, and was perfection itself. It is entitled to the stronges raise, for it will long stand as a type of what is possible in a new operatic produc

"Aristocracy," Bronson Howard's latest society comedy, seems to have made a hit in New York. It has been put on at Palmr's theater for a long run, but I candidly fear that its stay will not be as protracted as is now expected.

Bronson Howard is a great playwright—

certainly the greatest among Americans. His touch is delicate, his treatment usually refined and always accurate, and his dialogue, despite the frequent apparent striving after epigram, is never less than incisive. He never writes low comedy and the fun he makes is seldom at the expense of the proprieties. The American drama owes much to Mr. Howard. He has never descended to questionable methods to increase his income. His work show eater uniformity of excellence perhaps than that of any dramatist living, but no one can produce a play written by Bron-son Howard which possesses a really orig-inal plot. His technique, so to speak, is grand in its accuracy, but the imagination which makes really brilliant work possible appears to be lacking.

It has been absurdly stated that "Aris-

tocracy" is Bronson Howard's master "The Henrietta" is better than



PRONSON HOWARD.

sibly for some few delicate flashes which are found only in the latter. "The Henrietta" will endure forever as a high type of Amerwas such a play as "Aristocracy." small idea beautifully inflated. erner worth \$70,000,000, to gratify the ambition of his wife, consents to go to New York and enter the charmed circle of the Four Hundred. He decides that the shortest route to the desired goal is via London, Mrs. Beere's appearance, on the other and he accordingly buys up the social in-

it fairly interesting, but the climax is very slowly reached. The characters, with one or two exceptions, are outrageously overdrawn, and as types are therefore worth-less. However, I am told that Mr. Howard intended "Aristocracy" to teach a lesson by warning American girls against becom-ing fascinated by the glitter of European titles, which too often serve as comely cloaks for depravity, avarice and selfishness. "Aristocracy" will add to Mr. How ard's reputation as a social reformer, but it will not enhance the literary and dramatic fame of the man who wrote that queen of American comedies, "The Henri-"Aristocracy" is magnificently per-

formed by a company including such well known artists as Wilton Lackaye, Fred-eric Bond, J. W. Piggott, William Faversham, S. Miller Kent, W. H. Thomps sman, S. Miller Rein, W. H. Thompson, Paul Arthur, Viola Allen, Blanche Walsh and Josephine Hall. The hit of the piece was unquestionably made by Wilton Lackwho applies the same intended to business matters as to social affairs, was faultless, "Aristocracy" will show what a deft playwright Mr. Howard is, but "The Henrietta" will stand as a monument to his

OCTAVUS COHEN.

KASLO CITY.

Mr. D. J. Munn Gives Some Facts About That Rapidly Growing Place.

Opinions vary as to the relative meries of the music of "Robin Hood" and "The Fenc--Extensive Projected Improvements.

> Mr. D. J. Munn, of New Westminster, is just down from the Kaslo and Slocan dis. tricts. He reports a good season in that section

"Things there are looking prosperous, said he, "a quantity of ore is being shipped by means of sleighs from the mines to Kaslo. and thence by rail and water to the various smelters of the United States. The cost of transportation is the only drawback to the rapid development of this section, but this problem will soon be solved. Orehas already been shipped over this road, which has give. owners a chance to sent out mineral, and ascertain their value, and demonstrate more clearly than ever the pressing necessity for a railroad, the survey for which has already been completed.

"The town of Kaslo is growing as rapidly as lumber can be found to erect buildings Lumber is often not twenty-four hours from the log to the building. Business is ver brisk and money is easy. Sampling works will shortly be erected by a number of local business men. This will give prospectors and mine owners a chance to r tain the value of their ores, and thus pro mote development work as well as faci shipping.

snipping.

"A private bank will be in operation by
the first of January. Mr. J. M. Burke is
the promoter of this enterprise, and has ample backing for carrying on an extensiv asiness.
"Applications will be made for charters

for an electric light plant and water works by the citizens, and a number of other improvements are under way which will greatly benefit the town.

One great reason for the interest taken in this section by American miners is that there are but very few mines in the United States that carry the high grade ores of this region, and there is not the same dependence on the maintenance of a high price for silver which is inevitable on the ther side.

"From present indications it is safe to predict that in the near future a sufficier number of smelters will be erected in an near Kaslo, along the Kootenay lake, thandle all the output of the mines and thu render expensive transportation no longer necessary.
"The outlook is all that could be asked

for, and there will no doubt be a great rush to this region during the coming eason, with a progress all along the line that will astonish even the most The trouble is that one can hardly tell the plain truth about this region and find the public ready to believe the facts.

MARINE MOVEMENTS.

The Loss of the Finland-Puget Sound and Hawaiian Steamship Line Receives a Subsidy.

Alexander Stewart, who narrowly es Alexander Stewart, who narrowly escaped drowning in the sloop Finland, which was wrecked off Trial Island the other day, is back in Port Townsend. He says he was compelled to take to his small boat, as the sloop had struck a log and was rapidly slibing. He was afterwards capsized in the small boat, but succeeded in reaching shore, where he was sheltered for a time by a fisherman. The sloop, which had \$25 worth of fish on board when she was wrecked, was BAZZLING THE OLD PEDRO

The recent continued heavy storms have the recent continued heavy storms have been playing havoc with the wrecked steamer San Pedro, and the work of placing the pontoons and getting ready for the final lift has been indefinitely postponed. There were two or three of the pontoons injured, but so far as the wreck itself is concerned, the force of the wind and waves does not seem to have done year, work does not seem to have done very much lamage. THE SUBSIDY SECURED.

W. S. Simpson, manager of the new Puget Sound and Hawaiian steamship line, has returned to Tacoma from Honolulu, where he was successful in securing a subsidy of \$500 per trip from the Government. He will now make final arrangements for his company at this end of the proposed THE PANAMA CANAL.

U. S. Senator Frye's Prophecy as to Startling

Developments Which Must Be Made. WASHINGTON CITY, Dec. 27 .- Two years

ago Senator Frye prophesied that time would show that the Panama canal scheme was corrupt, and that within a year or two light would be thrown upon it, and that the faith of the republic would tremble under the shock. That condition exists to-day. There has been some talk to the effect that the Panama and Nicaragua cana schemes are parallel, and that the disaster that has overtaken the French people will cause public men in this country to hesitate in giving their votes to sanction the guarantee of the Nicaragua bonds, fearing that scandal might result. Mr. Frye sees ing of that kind, and is emphatic in his claration to that effect.

"There is a very good reason to advance, which is that the government should exercise supervision over the Nicaragua canal and control all that is done there, and there is no reason why any legislator should be afraid to cast his ballot for a bill which has this end in view. I believe this measure will pass the senate, but such a prediction cannot be made as to the house. It can hardly be supposed that the bill will meet with favor there, inasmuch as it contempts. plates the expenditure of public money, and such expenditures are opposed on that side of the capitol."

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ing, a social with the delicacy as the piece de the usual lodge business

Want a Residen

The citizens of Victor to have at least one mer manic board of 1893 a r

and will hold a public decide whether or not t candidature of Mr. G. C

Although most of the to be found in their office was very little doing, no cept routine work. Christmas vacation rube begun or causes tricks

All Quiet in

A Lucky

Yesterday's storm telegraph wires, all c the East being interr last evening the tecrossed by an electric damage was done to t instruments. New Year's There will be evening celebration of Holy Barnabas church at 11 eve. The full surple part, and judging freast year, there will be ance and a most impression.

Postponed T The entertainment been given in the Mar under the direction of for a charitable object until January 14, whe ing programme, em features, will be prese

Resting on

The Citizens' commit

The Citizens' comminanother meeting this Xmas and New Year absence of the chair who is in Winnipeg, new teem made. The ably get down to active of the year, but in the candidates are get wass on their own according to the complex of the year, but in the candidates are get was on their own according to the complex of the year. No Word Ye

No advice has yet Nanaimo as to the res Stark Miller, the Vici in the woods forty mi city. It is thought there may be some there may be some the meantime the gratest the news may be ful surmise, that the land and average the street of th cold and exposure. Wants a W

Captain Moore, the valley, said last eveni in your interview wit were cleaning up from gold per day, that ste with the words 'w. What we want in troad. If we had easy ingress the good bull down here. Under have done well, but of have done well, but o that country will go bounds.

Publication The following self-ment appears in the the Diocesan Magar appearance yesterday ber of the Diocesan & 6th volume, and the in for the present, owin for the present, owin port. The loss incur has been somewhat mainly upon the edit therefore, in saking t received the magazi paid their subscription

Seattle's Re

Seattle's represen which is to play V park on Monday r from the Sound to-n they meet Nanaim enjoy themselves her afternoon will come visiting team is mad players: Goal, W. can, R. Work, ca Williams, H. Work L. Hein, D. C. M. Beggs, R. McCan Beggs, Farley.

Internati The school-room o presented a scene of ing, preparations god dinner to-night. Th ing; flags of the diff represented are drap tables. Mayor Bear of the English table. Mayor Bear of the English table. P., will take the Canadian, U. S. Corcan and Mr. Macrae

event promises to be pains have been span

wants of the expects a programme will also be representative Returnin The following it Toronto Empire of well was said ye goodly knot of fri Powell and P. S. L Victoria, B.C. who have been purs at Osgoode Hall years, were admitte They intend to pra
Victoria, where the
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A Hallelu The Salvation ar grand hallelujah barracks last nigh crowded to the d gathered to see how the knights of the bigs.

After the usual s Mr. William Dougl Dales, two members places on the platfo