## NEWS OF THE CAPITAL.

Nine Tenders for Yukon Timber Priv ileges Accepted-Names of Successful Bidders.

Extra Trains for the Yukon Rush-A Boy Murderer to Hang.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Jan. 27 .- Out of the large number of tenders for timber lands in the Yukon district only nine have been accepted. They are all to Canadians. new and the money market is wholly un-The average tender is in the nighborhood of \$1,000. The names of the successful applicants are as follows: A. S. Cross, A. McLean, L. Vochon, G. S. has stimulated the demand for heavy weer and prices of the leading staples McConnell, J. I. Johnstone and A. Skeery, all of Vancouver; J. R. Perry, Victoria; Sir Charles Tupper and Col.

The colonial secretary has informed the government that the request of the corporation of Toronto to have the Queen's jubilee presents exhibited in Canada cannot be entertained as exception could not be made in favor of one

strongly warns the investing public ings for the same week were \$396,000, an against fakirs now on the way out from Dawson with alleged claims for sale.

Allison, the boy of eighteen who murtinue and the result is low rates of extended to the result is

ago, will be hanged on February 4, Lord Aberdeen signing the order to-day.

Owing to the Yukon rush the C.P.R. coarse grains are higher. Prices of dressed hogs also show an advance.

Money on call is easy at 4 per cent., and prime commercial paper is discounted at 6 per cent. Within a few manufacturers interviewed Mr. Fielding days the London money market is higher to day and prime cent. On call, and open

to-day and urged an increase of the duty at 2 to 2½ per cent. on call, and open market discount rates 2½ to 2¾. The can competition, as Canadian wheels get no show in the States owing to the 57 for the same week of last year. Dingley duty of 45 per cent.

#### THE HEINZE PROPERTIES.

Conclusion of the Negotiations With the C.P.R. Reported.

It was learned to-day on the most reli- steamer Baluchistan off here, and her

WINNIPEG, Jan. 27 .- (Special)-Probably the first deal in connection with Yukon claims to be made in Winnipeg has been consummated recently, Drs. R. M. and Holmes Simpson and another Winnipeg gentleman having purchased interests in two claims, one on Bonanza creek and the other on Hunker.

#### MR. TARTE'S GREAT NEWS.

Montreal Enthusiastic Over All-Canadian

cess. Mesers. Tarte, Joly, Geoffrion, and Fisher were the Dominion ministers present. Mr. Tarte created a sensation and enthusiasm by the announcement that the government had granted a sum for the construction of a railway in the Yukon country, which will secure an all-Canadian route and bring great business to western Canadian cities.

### MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST.

Cattle Storage Enterprise-Winnipeg's Pop ulation Rapidly Increases.

WINNIPEG. Jan. 26 .- (Special)-It is the intention of Messre. Gordon and Ironside, the well-known cattle dealers, to at once push the work of construction of a large abattoir and cold storage ware- He Is an American and the Porte Is Invited here the other day, the Colonist is able house here, with a capacity for slaughtering 10,000 cattle per week and storing

Henderson's city directory just out to-day, places Winnipeg's population at 45,000 an increase of 5,000 in the year. J. B. Smith, a well known Winnipeg fireman and athlete, died suddenly to-

Mayor Andrews left for Toronto, Montreal, and Ottawa this afternoon.

H. S. Maywell has been elected D.H. R. of the high court of the Canadian Order of Foresters, now in session here.

A new French paper will appear in St. Boniface to-morrow.

Archbishop Langevin left to-day for Montreal in response to a telegram requesting his immediate presence there.

#### CANADIAN TRADE.

The Volume Well Maintained-Woollens Do ing Better—Railway Rush Still in Evidence.

TORONTO, Jan. 27 .- R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly statement of trade in Canada says: "While the lafe very heavy snow storm, the heaviest for quite a number of years, has to some extent impeded business in the Montreal district, the Ottawa valley and northern points, its effects are not as widespread as at first imagined, and the general volume of trade is fairly maintained at the level noted the past fortnight. Some of the larger dry goods houses report good or-ders, and there is an ardent disposition to buy more freely than for several years past. The unexpected advance in wool-len underwear has taken the shape of a

shortening of the credit terms. All woollen manufacturers are well employed, and dealers in raw wools say that orders are better than for several years. Wholesale trade in sugars and teas is of quite moderate character, and in the former line there is a tendency to in the former line there is a tendency to weakness; but teas are all steadily held and the New York market for mediums

and low grades is firm.

Cable advices regarding the annual sale of American raw furs, now going on in London, show a pretty general ad-vance on last year's figures, though the vance on last year's ngures, though all advance is not up to the expectations formed by some dealers. The improvement in values has been pretty well calculated in the prices that have been paid for raw furs this winter, and no further advance is local quotations is expected. advance in local quotations is expected. Rails remain rather quiet, but domestic bar iron has slightly advanced. In other lines there is nothing especially

Domville, on behalf of Yukon companies.

The colorial countries and Col. for some months. The increased demand extends to almost all departments.

Profits are fair, the disposition to cut

tion could not be made in favor of one colony and the presents could not be were \$448,851, an increase of \$46,892 as ent to all.

Major Walsh in a letter to Mr. Sifton of last year. The Canadian Pacific earn-

Allison, the boy of eighteen who murdinue and the result is low rates of exports of farm produce continue and the result is low rates of exports with easy money market. Another advance has taken place in wheat which its

#### ARMS FOR AFRIDIS.

They Came From Russia and Were Seized by a British Gunboat.

MUSCAT, Gulf of Oman, Jan. 26.—The MONTREAL, Jan. 27 .- The Star says: British gunboat Lapwing seized the

ing considerable trouble to the British.
According to dispatches from Calcutta
since January 12th there has been a
serious outbreak in the province of Mekran, the largest province of Baluchistan,
and not far from where the steamer
mentioned was seized. A British survey party was attacked by a number of
natives. Captain Burn, who was in
command of the party escaned on a

to Ormara, on the Arabian sea.

It is reported that the whole Kej valley is in a turmoil, that the troops of Kahn Kelat are holding Nasirabad, a military poet in India, southeast of Kimere, and that Fort Pasni has been looted and Ormara itself threatened.

Mr. Fishback said to the Colonist last might: "We are all Americans but we decided in favor of your city in the matter of outfitting because we can get much London, Jan. 26.—The seizure of the

GERMAN SAILOR MURDERED.

sian firms.

xcuse for the Landing of Further Troops

BERLIN, Jan. 26 .- A dispatch from China says that a German sailor named Schultz, of the cruiser Kaiser, while on outpost duty at Tsimo, the extreme German post on Kaiochou bay, was murdered by the Chinese rabble last Monday night. Detachments of marines have been sent to Tsimo and to the town

#### A WRONGED CONSUL.

ambassador, and Mr. Angell, the American minister, visited the porte together yesterday afternoon (Tuesday) to demand redress for wrongs done by the Turkish authorities at Alippo to the American consul there, who is an American sub-

#### ICE OFF NEWFOUNDLAND. lockade Raised at St. John's, But Contin

ing North of the Island. St. John's, Nfld., Jan. 26.-The ice blockade at this port was raised to-day, freeing the steamers Grand Lake and Portia, which were outward bound, also permitting the Allan line steamer Nu-

midian to enter the harbor. No sailing essels, however, ventured out. Reports from the northern portion of the island show that the whole shore is

The legislature will open on Friday next. An important programme of measures has been prepared. A Healthy Move.

London, Jan. 27 .- The announcement in the morning papers to-day that Lady Tatton Sykes has gone abroad for the benefit of her health has caused much talk and an evening paper intimates that she has gone to a country from which there is no extradition.

CARPENTER tools at Cheapside.

### . From THE DAILY COLONIST, January 28. VICTORIA IS IN FAVOR.

Thousands of Dollars Left Here This Week by Prospective Gold Hunters.

More Californians Outfit Here—A Big Manitoba Party Place Heavy Orders in Victoria.

The rush of prospective miners to Victoria during the past fortnight has proved a veritable Klondike to the merchants who have made special preparations for the northern trade. From many points in the States and Canada hundreds of people, bound for the rich gold fields of the North, have decided in favor of this city as an outfitting point and local outfitters in consequence are working night and day to fill orders.

Every boat from Seattle, Tacoma and epresentatives of mining parties whose object in visiting the city is to ascertain

in Victoria's favor can be offered. and Mr. A. C. Jen of Oak Lake, Manitoba. These gentlemen represent the far between and population in the coundak Lake & Yukon Trading & Trans-Archie Chisholm of Griswold. The company will buy here most of the goods for stores they intend to open in the Yukon country. They are taking in fifteen men to assist in transporting the goods and Dr. Barrett, late of St. Boniface hospital, will look after the welfare of the party will look after the welfare of the party will stabe in the constant of the party of the on the trip up. They will take in a city and Swansea, both on Lake Moyie, complete outfit including six trained dogs and fifteen horses and will go North on February 7, per steamer Danube. Mr. Bateman says the company other towns of importance are Westport have engaged space in the steamer for and Fort Steele, on the Kootenay river. 40,000 pounds and that they will leave in There are many other surveyed town-

ran, the largest province of Baluchistan, and not far from where the steamer mentioned was seized. A British survey party was attacked by a number of natives. Captain Burn, who was in command of the party, escaped on a camel, travelling 130 miles in 36 hours to Ormara, on the Arabian sea.

It is reported that the whole Kej value in this city of the same house is a party of four from Los Angeles, Cal., composed of Messrs. J. L. Fishback, James A. Watt, E. D. Gibson and W. R. Beardslee. After carefully looking into prices at Los Angeles and Seattle, the party came here, and have decided to purchase everything they need

ter of outfitting because we can get much better terms here. In dry goods partic-Route to Yukon.

Montreal, Jan. 26.—(Special)—The Special tends to explain the mystery as whence the Afridis secured their arms. The owners of the banquet to Premier Marchand by the Club Letellier to-night was a great success. Messrs. Tarte, Joly, Geoffrion, were shipped by a dozen different Russian success. Tarte, Joly, Geoffrion, Tarte, J \$1, while your merchants quote even better goods at 60 cents per pound."

In the matter of groceries Mr. Fishback stated that prices were but a shade better than in Seattle. He has advised all his friends in Southern California to come here to outfit. Another party from Los Angeles who have been in Seattle for several days pricing goods have, Mr. Fishback says, decided to come to Victoria to purchase their complete outfit.

Many of the American miners who

have recently come to Victoria to outfit, have brought with them price lists furnished by the merchants of the various cities which they visited for the purpose of looking into prices. Through the courtesy of Mr. H. Collins, whose party from Les Angeles purchased their outfit

to give a comparison of prices in Victoria, Tacoma and San Francisco. London, Jan. 27.—The correspondent of the Times at Constantinople says:

Baron de Calice, the Austro-Hungarian ambassador, and Mr. Angell, the American minister, visited the porte together.

> Another Victoria merchant who publishes his prices in plain figures, showing much to his advantage as compared with those of U. S. outfitters, is Mr. S. Marks, whose advertisement in this is-

sue of the Colonist speaks for itself.

It will be noticed that the Seattle prices are ommitted. They have already been published in the Colonist and have been shown to be considerably above those ruling in Victoria.

In the figures below quotations are confined pretty much to wearing ap-parel, and the prices of the best articles in stock alone are used:

The following facts as to the town of Cranbrook, in East Kootenay, now about to be firmly established because of the completion of the Crow's Nest branch of the C.P.R., are from the East Kootenay

Miner, published at Golden.
The townsite covers 360 acres, and is laid out on Cranbrook estate, after which it is named. This estate comprises 18,000 acres and lies near the center of south East Kootenay. The site for the town could scarcely have been better

Frisco brings over mining parties or will be no difficulty and very little expense in forming these sources of supply into an admirable water system unsur-

Cranbrook is near the Dewdney trail, The flood of orders for outfits already which was the great line of traffic in the hands of local merchants was augmented yesterday by those placed by Mr. William Bateman of Winnipeg, which is the thoroughfare from the walla walla trail, by Mr. William Bateman of Winnipeg, which is the thoroughfare from the walla walla trail,

The townsite is wholly situated upon the south-east side of the railway line. On the northwest side are the divisional workshops and round-house. It is upon this side of the line close to the foothills that the smelters will be located. A natural situation has been provided for them. There is abundance of water and timber. The supply of water is never-ending, the St. Mary's river, which is only four miles distant, can be easily tapped and its waters brought in, while the timber will be exhaustless for years.

The principal mines with the larges

so soon will the mines commence to ship fleet, with exceptionally good accommotheir ore, enormous quantities of which dation for both freight and passengers. The Queen City was originally designed are now on the dump awaiting shipment both at the St. Eugene and the North Star mines. These ores must be treated at the nearest smelting point, and the nearest smelting point is Cranbrook.

Not only is the townsite recularly and the nearest smelting point is Cranbrook. Not only is the townsite regularly and uniformly laid out, but 1,500 acres have in construction and the steam will be

been laid out suitable for suburban lots. which are divided into three hundred lots of five acres each. The owners not unnaturally foresee that Cranbrook is rapidly to become the great commercial and mining city of South East Kootenay. and that it is desirable to make it also attractive as a residential town.

The district of South East Kootenay has only been recently ejected into a separate district and the seat of the government administration has not yet been finally fixed upon, the commissioner being temporarily located at Fort Steele, where one of the mining

be a great city, an important mining and commercial centre and the metropolis of South East Kootenay.

# THE TOWN OF CRANBROOK. Circumstances Which Will Now Quickly STEAMBOAT BUILDING.

Another River Craft Ordered for the Yukon-Scheme to Use Idle Sealers.

The Willapa Bumps a Beacon-The Queen City's New Employment.

18,000 acres and lies hear the exhert of south East Kootenay. The site for the town could scarcely have been better selected, both from position and situation. Its position is admirably chosen for sanitation purposes, although part of the site is portion of a prairie, it is by no means level, but has a considerable fall, in more directions than one, so that no difficulty can be experienced in procuring proper fall and level for drainage, and also a proper outlet for it. There is abundance of good, wholesome water on the townsite, sufficient to supply for years a population of many thousands. It has three creeks running the though the town which yield 700 inches the other 100 inches of water. There are two springs of water which never freeze, one yielding 400 inches and the other 100 inches of water. There will be no difficulty and very little exercised to the town of the content of the process of the state of the position and situation. It is stated all along the water from the votoria will offer the same story. If the process we hence rel felt the need of it. (Signed) Mrs. Martha Benyon, Brockton, near Shew-ton in day. They all tell the same story—lilness and suffering with loads. In the upper harbor are now that there is a scheme afloat for converting and also a proper outlet for it. There is abundance of good, whole-to some water on the townsite, sufficient to supply for years a population of many thousands. It has three creeks running the there is a scheme afloat for converting all the schooners in the upper harbor are now that there is a scheme afloat for converting all the schooners in the upper harbor are now that there is a scheme afloat for converting and also a proper outlet for it. They all the schooners in the upper harbor are now the water from the water from the very and the lamber of this kind all day. They all tell the same story—lilness and suffering with load and they mention of this kind all day. They all tell the same story—lilness and suffering with law and so a proper outlet for it. They a business. Of this fleet the E. B. Marvin, Triumph, Annie E. Paint, and Florence M. Smith, are each capable of carrying two hundred tons of object in visiting the city is to ascertain whether they can save money by purchasing their outfits here. During the pass week alone large parties from California, Colorado and Washington have left thousands of dollars with Victoria merchants, after carefully investigating prices in Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, San Francisco and Los Angeles. The views of these parties on the matter of outfiting have been published in the Colonist and, needless to say, no better evidence in Victoria's favor can be offered.

Into an admirable water system unsurpassed by any system yet in operation in Southern British Columbia.

So much for position; now for situation. It is right in the centre of South East Kootenay, a busy line of traffic passing and repassing it. Other towns are forming round about it. It is in the centre of all the big mines. It is in the centre of Crow's Nest Pass railway—its chief divisional point, where its workshops will be.

Cranbrook is near the Dewdney trail, freight and nearly all have a carrying capacity of over 200 tons. It would require little preparation to put these schooners in condition, as they all are staunch seaworthy vessels. ton and Crane, and the keel of the ves-sel is to be laid in Turpel's shipyard this morning. The contract for the building of it has been awarded which is the thoroughfare from the south. When travellers were few and far between and population in the country was constituted by the 1st of April. She is intended entirely for the passentiant was constituted by the state of the passential traverse constitute to the passential traverse constitute the state of the passential traverse constitute portation Company, the other members brook was a place of some commercial importance, greater at one time perhaps than any other townin South East Kootenay. It had a considerable to and will be nowerfully (for the passengers service, and will have accommodation to 250 passengers. She is to be a stern wheeler, 120 feet long and 30 feet abeam and will be nowerfully (for the passengers wheeler, 120 feet long and 30 feet abeam and will be nowerfully (for the passengers wheeler, 120 feet long and 30 feet abeam and will be nowerfully (for the passengers wheeler, 120 feet long and 30 feet abeam and will be nowerfully (for the passengers wheeler, 120 feet long and 30 feet abeam and will be nowerfully (for the passengers wheeler, 120 feet long and 30 feet abeam and will be nowerfully (for the passengers wheeler, 120 feet long and 30 feet abeam and will be nowerfully (for the passengers wheeler, 120 feet long and 30 feet abeam and will be nowerfully (for the passengers wheeler, 120 feet long and 30 feet abeam and will be nowerfully (for the passengers wheeler, 120 feet long and 30 feet abeam and will be nowerfully (for the passengers wheeler, 120 feet long and 30 feet abeam and will be nowerfully (for the passengers wheeler) wheeler, 120 feet long and 30 feet abeam and will be nowerfully (for the passengers wheeler) wheeler, 120 feet long and 30 feet abeam and will be nowerfully (for the passengers wheeler) wheeler w

> that might be offering. THE "SEATTLE" SAILS.

Six passengers joined the passing throng on the steamship City of Seattle on her route North yesterday morning. able authority that the negotiations between the C.P.R. and Mr. Heinze has reached a conclusion afterness of the cargo is held by the reached a conclusion and result as stated a conclusion and result as stated a conclusion and fesult as stated as pall-bearers were Messrs. W. They were F. B. Bourg, Fred. Backman, acted as pall-bearers were Messrs. W. John Peters, F. Schampler, A. McCalling and J. Gawley—all strangers in the company with the men engaged will arrive here in about a week. They are taking it with them and J. Gawley—all strangers in town who had come here to outfit. The cargo is a kinded min Archive here in about a week. They were F. B. Bourg, Fred. Backman Frish consul.

Oman is a kingdom in Arabia, between the two parties were re-opened after an interval of several weeks, previous negotiations having failed to bring about an agreement for the purchase of the property by the C.P.R. The railway will have an entrance into Rossland from the Crow's Nest Pass, and will be able to give the mining people smelting facilities for which they claim they were paying too much previously.

BUYING YUKON CLAIMS.

British consul.

Oman is a kingdom in Arabia, between the two parties were re-opened the patenter of the Robin Hood powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood Powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood Powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood Powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood Powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood Powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood Powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood Powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood Powder to manufacture the explosive in the patenter of the Robin Hood Powder to steamer arrived from the Sound early in

According to news which Captain Gaudin, agent of marine, received from Nanaimo yesterday, the steamer Willana had a little encounter with the beacon on Beacon reef the previous evening, in which the steamer came out ahead. The beacon, which was of stone twelve feet square at the base and six feet at the

should make much money for her own-

#### FLOWING ON FOR EVER.

There is said to be a man once who for There is said to be a man once who for the first time in his life set out to see the world. He came at length to the bank of a wide river. To continue his journey he must cross it. There was no boat, no bridge. He did not miss them, however, being unfamiliar with the ways of great bodies of water. He simply seated himself on the chore and weited patiently for the river to water. He simply seated himself on the shore and waited patiently for the river to sal of these price lists and a personal inspection of the goods offered that Mr. Collins, decided to leave his money with the merchants of this city. The Red Front Store 857 and 859 market street, furnishes the 'Frisco prices and the Washington Woollen Mill Co., the Tacoma figures. The Victoria prices are taken from the list of W. G. Cameron, clothier, Johnson street.

Another Victoria merchant who publishes his prices in plain figures. Shows and populations, and the ontskirta, is only the merchant of the sale of the

Steele, which is on the outskirts, is becoming more apparenty every day, and the inconvenience will become greater when railway communication is established.

Events move rapidly, particularly in countries filling up with populations and new industries and large cities speedily arise full of the bustle and activity of commercial enterprise. Here in the near future at Cranbrook is destined to be a great city, an important mining and findings and my blood was thin and poor. Finally, I bought a bottle of Mother Seigel's Finally, I bought a bottle of Mother Seigel's Syrup and it cured me. That is nine years ago now; and I have been in good health ever since. (Signed) Mrs. Emma Rickard, Lanjeth, St. Stephen's, Cornwall, March

felt better, and when the Syrup was gone my complaint was gone too. (Signed) Mrs. Amelia Layland, 73, Spencer's Road, Heeley, Sheffield, Feb. 10th, 1898,"

Heeley, Sheiffield, Feb. 10th, 1893,"

"For the last ten years," says another,
"I suffered from severe Indigestion and
torpid liver. My appetite was poor, and
after eating my chest felt raw and sore. I
was never easy until I had thrown up my
food. Some days I was quite prostrate. I
had great pain and lifting at the heart, and
lost a deal of sleepat night. I saw a doctor
from time to time, but he was not able to
relieve me. In May, 1892, I first read of
Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup. After I
had taken it for a few days my food began
to relish and digest, and I didn't vomit any
more. I was cured and since then I have
kept in good health by taking an occasional

s never done-to cross the river that flows Besides, consider the saving of money

time and suffering. And then, too, best of all, the bright faces and pleasant voices of the women at home when they feel well and happy.

### THE CITY.

E. J. PALMER and J. F. Gibson, Ch ainus, are guests at the Dallas.

MAUDE LORD, who was taken suddenly ill on Friday night, died yesterday, her death being found due to natura causes.

THE tug Tyee, of Port Townsend, called at the outer wharf last evening on her way out to sea, having left her tow in the roads while she came in to the dock.

THE Nelson Tribune says it is announced that E. V. Bodwell and F. B. Gregory will be two of the opposition candidates in Victoria in the next genral election.

UNDER the provisions of the Dyking UNDER the provisions of the Dyking Debentures Act, 1897, F. J. L. Tytler, of Mission City has been appointed inspector of dykes for the Sumas, Matsqui, Pitt Meadows, Maple Ridge and Coquitbe hitched on astern, taking any freight lam dyking districts.

> THE remains of the late James Porter were yesterday interred in Ross Bay cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. Percival Jenns at St. John's church and at the grave. Those who acted as pall-bearers were Messrs. W. A. Robertson, James Mann, Fred. Morrison A. McGragger, J. F. Smith and

A very skillful and successful operation was performed on Mr. W. B. Kemp, of Vancouver, by Dr. Ernest Hall of this city, a week or so ago. From a cataract that had grown over one of his eyes Mr. Kemp had been blind for a number of years, but since the operation he has enjoyed as good sight as ever he did. He returned home yesterday morning in good spirits over having his sight

CERTIFICATES of incorporation have been granted to the following new companies: "British Columbia Oil Co., Ltd.," capital \$10,000, with head office at Vancouver; "Forfarshire Mines, at Vancouver; "Forfarshire Mines, Limited," capital stock \$20,000, head office at Vancouver; "Vancouver Power Co., Ltd., capital stock \$75,000, head office at Victoria; "The Odd Fellows Building and Investment Co., Ltd., capital \$20,000, with headquarters at Nelson.

square at the base and six feet at the top, was struck by the steamer as she was making Nanaimo harbor and knocked over. Apparently the vessel escaped without injury.

A VALUABLE ADDITION.

When the contemplated alterations to the big three-master Queen City are completed, the C.P.N. Co., will have in this vessel as fine a craft for the now all-important northern trade as any in their fleet, with exceptionally good accommodation for both freight and passengers.

Notice is given in this week's Gazette of the registration of the following extra-provincial companies: The Buffalo office for British Columbia at Rossland; Ellen Silver Mining Co., of Spokane, with head office for British Columbia at Cody; White Grouse Mining Co., of Spokane, with head office for British Columbia at Pilot Bay.

THE annual meeting of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church took place on Wednesday evening last with a fair The reports of the session managers and all societies of the congregation were read, and each showed an active improvement over former years and satisfactory indications of pros-perity for the future. The managers' report was very encouraging, showing that since the last annual statement there had been contributed for all purposes about \$10,000. The retiring managers, the auxiliary societies and choir received cordial votes of thanks and the vacancies in the board of management for the ensuing year were filled by the election of the following: D. McLean, A. Carmichael, James Hogarth, James Simon, P. J. Riddell, F. M. Henderson, F. A. Small and J. B. McKilligan.

Hamilton are solicitors for the applicants. John Elliot, as solicitor for the applicants, gives notice of a private bill incorporate a railway company wild from a point near Nelson Mile creek and thence to the diwhile between Lemonand Springer creeks.

And the proposed railway is that given no the of by Messrs. Wilson & Senkler.

It is to run from a point at or near Albert canyon, thence up the valley of the north fork of the Illecillewet river to the head grature of Downie greek and by:

| Subject after government has entered into a contract. In fact it might be fairly contended that it would be a violation of the privileges of parliament to sign such a contract within little more than a week of the meeting of the legislature." the headwaters of Downie creek and by way of the Columbia to Revelstoke There are also two more tunnel companies of which notice is given. One of these, of which I. W. Moffat gives notice, is the Kootenay Tunnel Co., which it is proposed to incorporate for the purpose of buying, constructing, leasing or operating tunnels for mining purposes. The other is to be applied for by Robertson & Robertson, and is for operations of the same kind in the vicinity of Roseland.

### From THE DAILY COLONIST January 2 NOT A BREACH OF LAW

Foreigner Tows in Canadian Waters by Special Permission Under Urgent Circumstances.

The "Commonwealth" Arrives for Repairs-One More Crowded Northern Steamer.

was about to be taken in tow, it w found that five of her crew had deser This is the fact that accounts for Briggs coming to the Royal Road she had to come here to comple crew or else these would have to up to Chemainus where the ve... In the latter case, however, the age-of the vessel would under the circum-

stances have been put to considerable

trouble, and as this was not imperative

collector Milne simplified matters by giv-

ing the necessary permit. THE TOPEKA SAILS. The outer wharf yesterday was not without its daily scene of miners congregated for embarkation to the North. The City of Topeka, the departing steamer, carried 210 passagers and the usual consignment of dogs, horses, etc. There were few passengers from Victoria and therefore the ship was not delayed long in port. This is the last trip of the Topeka north, for afterwards she is to be withdrawn from that route and will run between Portland and Lynn canal.

THE "COMMONWEALTH" HERE. The big tramp steamship Common-wealth, which is under bonds to the amount of \$100,000 in connection with the Canadian Pacific Navigation Co.'s salvage claim for services rendered by the steamer Willapa, arrived in Esqui-malt yesterday in tow of the Lorne. She will here enter dock and have a new tail shaft and propeller adjusted by the Albion Iron Works. When these re-Albion Iron Works. When these repairs are completed the steamer will proceed to Portland to load wheat for the United Kingdom. Gaptain Langley of the Lorne reports two large breakers on the coast since he left here, one in Ship channel, Clayoquot, and the other about one mile off Rafael point, midway between See Otter rock and Bear island. tween Sea Otter rock and Bear island.

MARINE NOTES.

The American ship John A. Briggs, now in the Royal Roads, has a cargo of 1,565,408 feet of lumber, valued at \$11,500, for Sydney, N.S.W.

Leaving here on Tuesday, the steamer Barbara Boscowitz will continue her next trip north to Wrangel, the extra run being made only in the interests of the Klondike Mining, Trading and Transport Corporation. Transport Corporation.

The C. P. R. bulletin announces the

White Star liner Germanic.
Steamer Maude arrived from Comox yesterday with coal for the C.P.N. Co.

RAILWAY RIVALRY. Grand Trunk Said to Be Interesting Itself

With Premier Greenway's Scheme. WINNIPEG, Jan. 28 .- (Special)-The Greenway government organ publishes a rumor to-night that the Grand Trunk railway is interesting itself in Premier Greenway's scheme for a road to Lake Superior, with the object of securing an entrance to the Canadian Northwest. It thinks that the M. & N. W. railway may be acquired by the Grand Trunk and the line extended to Prince Albert. A member of the local government de-nies that there is any truth in the re-

THE RIGHTS OF PARLIAMENT. ntion That That Body Should Have

Been Consulted on the Yukon Railway Contract. (From Our Own Correspondent.) OTTAWA, Jan. 28.—The prospective bill of fare to be presented to parliament at the coming session is overshadowed by the public interest in the Yukon railby the public interest in the Yukon rall-way deal. As the magnitude of the government's concession to Mackenzie & Mann becomes known, the public are more critical. The Ottawa Journal, which yesterday approved of the bargain, now that it has seen the monopoly clause and understands that the lands are the above in the gold helt of the are to be chosen in the gold belt of the Yukon, is strongly opposed to the con-

tract.
Great interest attaches to the senatorial action on the deal. Senator Miller, speaking to-night, said: "The possibilities involved in the scheme are, to say the least, very alarming, and it is a bold thing for the government to enter into such a contract on the very eve of into such a contract on the very eve of parliament. Urgency may probably and perhaps not unfairly be pleaded, but there is a difference between urgency and indecent haste. True the scheme is subject to the approval of parliament, but we all know that parliament will virtually not be a free agent in dealing with it, if it has to consider a subject after government has entered into a contract. In fact it might be fairly

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" Bats a bad bird."

"You're another." "Eddie's all right." Entering a good sized of ing directly in the rear residence on Craigflower Mr. Edward Taylor, with a hobby keeps what largest private collection

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ent parrot keys. A perfect hub-bub ar Taylor and the scribe ente rots, green parrots, scarlet breasted parrets, and ev little Java sparrows joined

"You're another; you're Again came the thrillition, in harsh uncompro and the reporter glancing tion from whence it cam Australian parrot, known Mitchell species, solemnly an immense wire cage. "Ryan is not very comp day is he?" said Mr. Tay proached the cage. He

time of it coming across the his native home, and he go ed occasionally. "Don't yo queried Mr. Taylor pleasaning the cage door, he inser apparently for the purpos the bird's plumage. The powerful vice-shaped with a sharp click, dangero the hand, and in the same tones came the unequivery "You're another! You're "Really, this won't do," a lor, as he yanked the h

his rebellious pet a severe l rch with a quick moveme You wicked old fellow, his hand again towards the looking bird, "what do yo this behavior," The lecture and the slif force used had the desired e

now thoroughly cowed Ryan brilliantly plumaged head ted his master to stroke his will.
"Such," said Mr. Taylo
power anyone may obtain birds by constantly studying making them, as it were, Ryan is the only one i causes me any trouble now, indeed a sad dog at times. It fellow you" (shaking his half by at the now peniter Although Mr. Taylor has be

toria several months very few were aware that the city ha an interesting collection of The feathered pets of th Englisman, who has travelle face of the globe to possess not been offered for sale, as thinks "that gold cathem." Later on, he says dispose of a few of his birds in high fewer, but up to the in high favor, but up to time death only has separahis pets. Favored by fortu dependent means, Mr. Taylo

of his countrymen, adopte and, the study of birds a attention at an early age, h cuted it for years, until now a passion with him. He sy years in China, when he c studied the habits of nearlys birds, and from that coun Australia where he turned Australia where he turned almost exclusively to the when he left the latter co termined that he and hi

companions, who he companions, who he companions, who he conow interpret his very exprenot be separated. He cought them to Canada wisays he never regrets the tro penditure this step cost him siders "that the birds have claim on him now."
When Mr. Taylor left Aus

forty or fifty parrots, well

carefully selected.

The rough voyage and char conditions proved too much the birds, and his collection bers only about thirty-five. ber, however, will shortly as new birds are now on th the ocean, soon to pass into a master, who, while look every want, will, if his asse correct, soon have them cated and under his absolu When the scribe was

Mr. Taylor he shook hand apparently slightly over the age, tall, slight, but erect a ing. The bird collector w verbial tweed suit, and shaped beard of golden-bro trasted pleasantly with the of his face. For some yea has suffered very much wi and, as he explained, his particle of hird did not become study of birds did not bec until he was obliged to reading. With the heartiness of

he spent considerable tim

the habits of his pets, the represented, and how he sessed of them. The temp building he had erected his pets is carefully regula heater. It is complete cages, several of the largest into compartments. Here gorgeously plumaged parr a few years ago were luxt dense forests of the Amaz mazes of a South Africa the sweet scented trees of tralian bush. Perhaps men in the collection "Ryan." Mr. Taylor se the parrot after a sailor from the rigging of the sl caped from its cage on the "Ryan" is a very i "Ryan" is a very it irascible bird and he has l

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