"SANTA CLAUS" BURNED TO

Detroit, Dec. 26.-Leo Wagner died

vesterday in a hospital from burns re-ceived while playing Santa Claus at a

family reunion. His cotton whiskers took fire.

LUMBER SHED GUTTED.

Prince Albert, Sask., Dec. 26.-The

umber shed, store and office of Wil-

liam Cowan & Co., lumber manufac-turers, were destroyed by fire on

Christmas Eve. The fire was of incen-diary origin. It was discovered in the

big shed, filled with shiplap. The fire-

nen did good work in saving the store

house, the lumber piles adjoining and the sawmill. The loss is about \$20,

000, covered by insurance. Mr. Cowan is spending Christmas at his old home

Trouble Follows Refusal of

Strikers to Obey Orders

of Judge.

Danville, Ky., Dec. 26.-A battle be

on, Ky., several days ago.

and Marshal Mullins, of Richmond, went to Stearns, found the strikers

barricaded in a hotel, and were fired upon. Then ensued the fight during

which Mullins was killed and severa

then burned and the miners fled. Mar-

shal Ryan got separated from the others, and it is feared he was killed.

Another Company Seeks Char-

ter to Build From Vancou-

ver to Burrard Inlet.

During the coming session of the leg

slature application will be made for a

charter to build a railway on Graham

Wilson, Senkler & Bloomfield, repre-

senting the applicants, will ask for a

charter to build a line from a point at

gate, on said Graham Island; thence

northerly and westerly by the most

branch line via the valley of Furry

Chicago, Dec. 26.-Four persons were

found dead yesterday in a residence at

phyxiated by escaping gas. Morris

the victims. The overcoat of Lukeman

rated and hung with gifts, was in an

STILL UNSENTENCED.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 26.—The

passing of sentence upon Ruef was on

Lawler until next Tuesday morning.

the prosecution might reply to the

numerous motions and affidavits sub-

mitted by the defence. The day was

the third continuance since Dec. 10th,

grave charges against individual mem-

BY ESCAPING GAS

FAMILY AXPHYXIATED

branches.

adjoining room.

Island, of the Queen Charlotte group.

GRAHAM ISLAND

eared further trouble will follow,

RAILWAY PLANNED FOR

f the miners wounded. The hotel was

in Norfolk county, Ontario,

MARSHAL AND MINER

SCHOONER FOUNDERS OFF PORT MORIEN

Crew Fights For Twenty Days **Against Tremendous** Seas.

(From Saturday's Daily.) 5 Sydney, C. B., Dec. 26,-One of the most serious marine experiences in many years that has had its sequel in local waters is that of the crew of the French topsail schooner Marcelline Capt. Louis Le Heogarut, which foundered about 40 miles off Port

The vessel sailed from Cadiz, Spain on November 4th with a full cargo of rock sait for St. Pierre-Miquelon. For twenty-one days almost ideal. Atlantic weather was experienced and the ship had arrived off the Grand Banks, Southeast of Newfoundland, Here bols terous weather was encountered, and from day to day the wind increased in ace until it blew in hurricane force and the vessel was battered ut at the mercy of the tremendous sea that was running. After a hard battle the land of the little French colony was sighted, but the wind shifted and the schooner was forced seaward

craft was beginning to labor more heavily and the captain ordered the sounding of the pumps when it was fast. The constant straining and pound- killed before he left the stand. ing day and night in the heavy sea had

ing that the water was gaining in the Union City was guarded, for they hold and that the crew were becoming wanted to visit that place and "attend every avenue of labor, and conveyed exhausted from the necessarily inces-to" Judge Jones, Attorney General feelings of regret over the court's de-sant handling of the pumps, decided to Caldwell, the latter's father, a man 80 sant handling of the pumps, decided to turn tail and run for Sydney. Soon after he had shaped his course for the Cape Breton shore the wind calmed and finally shifted to dead ahead, blowing with increased velocity. The seal ran mountains high and constantly riders were going to "get" Ranken and finally shifted to dead ahead, blowing with increased velocity. The seal ran mountains high and constantly riders were going to "get" Ranken and financial support, and in some instances expressed indignation.

Mr. Bryan, in a telegram dated Pittsburg, Pa., addressed to Messrs. Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison, says: "Sorry to read decision. You did your duty in testing law. Glad you'are taksweep the men overboard. The wind blew at the rate of sixty-five miles an had no gun, that his child was ill and Perhaps one of the most unique blew at the rate of sixty-five miles an had no gun, that ins child was in and hour and the crew began to grimly fight that he could not go. Prior to this he had burned his mask and told his seemed the end had come. Gradually the ship settling more and more in the water, began floundering about almost the helpessly. The hull became feed up arthur Cloar, the defendant, a few w. D. Mahon, president of the Amaldays after the killing. The latter told garaated Association of Street Railway out from exhaustion and the biting cold the witness all the details of the murwind and rain and sleet. The vessel der, and said that he, Arthur Cloar, are clearly the victims of a judgewas now practically beound control. was present when it was committed. A made law, which is wholly unconstitutional. It should be carried to the

Heading for land the crew took turns in rowing, and finally made Port Morien in a condition of absolute ex-

For twenty days these eight brave men battled for their very lives and for a full week they never ceased for fig. It was heart breaking work, but

ing they again set foot on terra firma shipwrecked and destitute for they had not saved any of their effects beyond the clothes they stood in.

The Marcelline was the captain's first command, and he feels the loss of the good ship very keenly. Shortly before eaving port he was offered a first officer's berth in a large steamer, ar ocean liner, bound for New York, but was persuaded to take the command of the schooner which brought him

DORANDO WINS RELAY.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 26 .- In a twelve nile exhibition relay race at the athletic rounds in this city yesterday Dorando fetrit, the Italian runner, defeated Floyd bougherty, of Providence, and Samuel Myers, of Cambridge, by half a lap. Dor ndo's time was 1.03.39; that Dougherty-Myers team was 1.04.18.

A large crowd watched the contest.

Dougherty ran against the Italian in the arst six miles and finished the first lap if few yards in the lead. Dorando took he lead in the second lap and was never again headed. At the end of the sixtle ile the Italian's lead was three-quarters of a lap.

Myers then came on the track and by the eleventh mile, however, was half a lap ahead and maintained this lead to the

MARE ISLAND TO HAVE POWERFUL WIRELESS

he has finished the installation new wireless station near Valdez, he not under the statute sufficient for the is anxious to install a more powerful purpose desired. It was also questiontion, so that the operators can get words of which applying to anyone re-into communication with stations 3,000 celving the right to vote under its promiles distant. Hanscome said that visions being "duly authorized by the lulu station from Sitka, which has the same size station as is at present lo-first objection, it was not disposed of cated at Mare island, but this feat was and the application was refused. owing to the fact that there are no other stations to interfere with

Washington, D. C., Dec. 26.-Presiden Roosevelt will make a special effort in his African hunting trip to shoot two white rhinoceroses, about the scarcest animal in all Africa. The national museum in Washington is especially anxious for one of these, and if the president gets another specimen he will give it to the British nationa useum. The president will not end his journey until he has got two ele-phants. The advice recently given him that he will get no elephants on the route he has decided to take has

HARRIS' HOME

sary to get elephants.

FEARFUL OF ATTACKS BY "NIGHT RIDERS"

Witness in Union City Trial Was Told All Details of Murder

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 26.-The state on Thursday, in offering more evidence against the night riders, summoned Thomas H. Cloar as its first witness. Thos. H. Cloar is no relation to the defendant, Arthur Cloar.

Thomas H. Cloar was induced to It was suddenly discovered that the join the night riders by Arthur Cloar, public to its foundations." ascertained that considerable water friend of one of them on trial told Bryan was chief among nearly two was making in the hold and gaining him that if he testified he would be On the night of Capt. Ranken's mur-

ened several seams, and it was now der, Cloar went to Recifoot Lake for with President Gompers, Vice-President and Bud dent Mitchell and Secretary Morrison, necessary to man the pumps to keep fish, and met Bob Huffman and Bud dent Mitchell and Secretary Morrison, the vessel afloat.

Time and again the decks were swept by tremendous seas. The captain findby tremendous seas. The captain findto join to get information as to how to join to get information as to how to join to get information as to how to join to get information as to how the country when the captain findto join to get information as to how the captain findto join to get information as

The schooner finally so settled that the water was about an inch over the deck. Taking to the boat the captain stood by for a short while when his gallant command lurched, settled and furched again, and once more righted, and then sank gracefully head foremost, about forty miles from a safe haven.

During a recess on Thursday Judge sin the court noticed a number of small boys in the court room and ordered them to retire. This was due to an incident that the court noticed last night. A plane, of the United Association of Plumbers at Chicago, that the decision will bring organized to the highest court, and contested to the bitter end, and we pledge you the united support of every member of our association to the end."

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youthful minds.

W. A. Robertson, a Reelfoot man, sympathy to the defendants. testified that he was solicited by Arthur Cloar to join the "night riders."
He refused, whereupon Cloar told him the "riders" proposed to get Judge Harris, whip him and cut his head off.
The night riders were never able to get Harris when the most Harris were never able to get Harris when most harris are the most harris are the most harris are the most harris and the most harris are the most harris a grounds and approaches to it are elec-trically mined, and it could stand a Neil. siege of weeks. Whether this was known to the "night riders" is not definitely known, but they never

CHURCH IS REFUSED VOTE AT NELSON

empted to raid the Harris home.

Court of Revision Disposes of Application by Rev. R. Newton Powell.

Nelson, Dec. 25 .- A novel point came up before the court of revision of the voters' list for the city of Nelson at its session in the shape of an application from the Methodist church to be placed on the list of those entitled to vote at the coming municipal elections. The application was based on the section of the Municipal Clauses' act allowing incorporated companies owning real estate the right to vote and authorizing the board of directors to name the person who shall exercise the franchise for the company. Rev. R. Newton Powell appeared before the court and presented a resolution from the church board appointing Henry Amas as the man whom it was desired should exercise the franchise for the church. The act of the incorporation of the Methodist church of Canada was dis-

cussed at some length and it was as-certained that the board of directors of that church is the governing body Mare Island. Dec. 25.—Now that of the church in general and hence, master Electrician George E. Hanscome has returned from Alaska, where of a ed by that board, the application was dist congregation. It will be built on at this yard. Hanscome stat- ed whether the Methodist church was ed that the yard needs a larger sta- a "company" as named by statute, the in Alaska he was able to get directors of a duly incorportaed com-commusication with the Hono-

ROOSEVELT'S HUNTING PLANS. SYMPATHY FOR LABOR LEADERS

> AMERICAN CAPITAL VS. **GOMPERS AND FRIENDS**

Alphonse Verville, M. P., Foresees Terrible Day for Recaused him to determine to go as far into the interior of Africa as is necespublic in U. S. A.

> Montreal, Que., Dec. 26.-Alphonse Verville, M. P., president of the Doninion Trades and Labor congress, says the sentences imposed upon the officials of the American Federation of Labor are very regrettable, but are the best thing that could happen the labor movement not only in the United States but also in Canada.

ould happen in Canada," he said. "Not because our laws are not as stringent as the American laws, but because of the judiciary's conception of equity, and especially because our British sense of fair play would not permit such an extreme appliance of law." "American capital." he said, "had de-creed that Mr. Gompers and his com-a coal mining town, sixty miles south vanions shall go to jail, and it is my of here, yesterday, and resulted in the pinion that it will succeed sooner or death of two men and the wounding pinion that it will succeed sooner or later in placing those labor chiefs be-hind the bars of prison cells, but when The dead: Jo

that happens it will be a sad and ter- States marshal, Richmond, Ky.; Rich-

"I do not believe the same thing

Messages of Sympathy. Washington, D. C., Dec. 25.-Wm, J. the country, who have sent messages expressive of their cordial sympathy

John W. Lennon, treasurer of the

get Harris, who was one of the own-ers of the West Tennessee Land Com-ers, declares the president of the

"Victory of greed is but temporary: justice will yet prevail," is the way John F. McNamee, editor of the Loconotive Firemen's and Enginemen's Magazine, in a telegram from Indian-

polis, expresses himself.

J. A. Franklin, president; Wm. G. Gilthorpe, international secretary-treasurer, and A. Pinsman, of the Inernational Brotherhood of Boilermakers at Kansas City, sent a message leclaring that Judge Wright's sentence is "unjust." On behalf of the Switch-men's union, F. T. Hawley, president, extends "sympathy and support." Many other telegrams of a similar nport were received.

AIRSHIP SANTA CLAUS. Roy Knabenshue Makes Flight Over Christmas Diners at Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 26.—Roy Knabenshue made a remarkable flight in his airship yesterday afternoon, leaving Chutes park at 4 o'clock and making

trip over the Y. M. C. A. building to give the hundreds of children entertained there an opportunity to see the Christmas Saint salling in the air. George Deusler, Knabenshue's engineer, 168 Hasting street, having been aswas costumed as Santa Claus. The airship was so near the roof that its passengers could easily see the remnants of the dinner upon the tables on

Madame Lillian Nordica was an interested spectator of the flight, and after the landing she congratulated Knabenshue on his succes in havigating the air.

NEW METHODIST CHURCH.

Vancouver, Dec. 25.-A new church o cost \$13,000 will very shortly be rected by the Sixth Avenue Methothe site of the present church at the corner of Sixth avenue and Fir street, and it is expected that it will be completed by April 1st. The church is of Gothic design, and will have a seating The postponement was granted so that

CHINAMAN KILLED BY BLAST.

Vancouver Dec. 25 .- Lin. a Chinanan, who was blasting stumps at the corner of Seventeenth and Westminster avenues, had his skull fractured -The sale of the Trutch property to as the result of an explosion, and died ork, as there are in this locality. W. J. Hanna was effected through the a through the are powerful station at Mare agent of the estate, A. W. Bridgman, cident happened nobody seems to know, island this interference would be off-set. and not as erroneously stated in a re-but it is supposed that the Oriental was can issue through another agency. standing too close to the lighted fuse. England cons-tish every year. REUNION OF FORTY-NINERS

VICTORIAN HAS-GONE TO TAKE PART IN IT

Capt. Dan McIntosh, of This City, Will Celebrate at San Francisco.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

During the Christmas holidays there is to be a reunion of the forty-niners in San Francisco, the old men who came to the Golden Gate city in the time of KILLED IN FIGHT the big gold rush. Victoria will be represented there on that occasion by Capt. Dan McIntosh, the veteran boatman from Point Ellice, who left a fev days ago for the south.

Capt. McIntosh came to San Francis co in December of '49, landing on the white sand beach at the corner of Commercial and Montgomery street, He had an interesting career and engaged in many different occupations in tween striking miners and five United that city. His first work was to drive piles and then he built the old saloon near the point where he first landed. Later he drove bulls, hauling out the giant redwoods, some of which went The dead: John Mullins, United rible day for the American people, and ard Ross, miner. The wounded: Maronly recently been started, and the the dinner held in the auditorium. one that may shake the American re- shal Tate, Somerset, Ky.; Marshal Boston Herald. For these he obtained Ryan, Somerset, Ky. Several miners were also wounded. fifty cents each. This was in the palmy very highly valued. porary restraining order issued by Judge A. M. J. Cochran, at Coving-

In those days gold was everything, as an instance of the allurement it had Marshals Siler, Ryan, Henry Wadell, for all comers. Capt. McIntosh arrived Messingale and Tate, of Somerset, Ky., at the Golden Gate on the barque



CAPT. DAN M'INTOSH, From photo taken in 1875.

or near Masset, on the north coast of Emily. When she arrived the captain Graham Island, one of the Queen and crew of the ship deserted, all anxious to go in search of gold. The Charlotte Islands, and east of the entrance to Masset Inlet; thence southbarque was left on the beach, and it erly by the most feasible and practic- was some time before she was manable route to a point at or near Skide-

"Yes, I made a fortune in California and spent it," said the captain. In '51 feasible and practicable route and he worked on Nigger bar, on the Amalong the southwest shore of Masset erican river, where with a cradle he Inlet to a point at or near Haden washed shining gold from the sand. He Harbor on said Graham Island; and spent the money he made and then a thence westerly, by the most feasible few years later went to the mines and practicable route, to a point on the again. In 1858 he first saw the beauti-west coast of said Graham Island, with ful shores of Victoria, a very crude F. C. Wade will also apply, on behalf and found of applicants, to incorporate a com- the coast. He then went down to Ne-

Y Loch Lomond, and thence via the in a place which he had walked over valley of the Indian River to the north hundred of times.

be needed to mines in the vicinity of Whatcom. He was engaged to do this the main line of railway and its by Jack Cosgrave, commonly known San Juan, also including Victoria in cordially invited. freight between the American Islands | Clark, F. Andrews and Secretary started a boathouse in James Bay. He sisted largely in the event. has been living in the city ever since, as one of the oldest old-timers in the

Thursday continued by Superior Judge may be expected to enjoy life for many years to come.

ROYAL CHRISTMAS TREE.

Vienna, Dec. 26.-On the eve of Christmas, Emperor Francis Joseph leading two of the youngest of his up. The Emperor himself presented ated, and a gigantic tree, laden with the Imperial children with gifts and gifts, stood in the ballroom. The King in his turn. Each thought the other presided at the family Christmas dinthe cause of his rejection. Both men lily had prepared for him.

A SUICIDE'S MESSAGE. 'Merry Christmas to the World and

Boston, Mass., Dec. 26.—Lewis Caca-ona, a teacher of Italian, committed suicide by gas asphyxiation. He left a note to friends which read: "Be kind enough to defend my name when I am gone. A merry Christmas." George Moody ended his life by drinking poi-

He was a veteran of the civil war He left a note saying: "If I can't eat Christmas dinner at home, I won't eat any at all. Merry Christmas to the world, and then good-bye."

CELEBRATED

SERVICES WERE HELD IN CITY CHURCHES

Hospitals Were Made Happy-Y. M. C. A. Gave Dinner.

(From Saturday's Daily.) Christmas services were held yesterday in many of the churches of the city when the news of Mr. Sylvester's city, and at the Salvation Army head-16 to 18 feet in Ciameter. He also sold quarters. At the hospitals special conpapers in that place, the principal ones | certs were given, while at the Y. M. C. being the New York Herald, which had A. some fifty guests were present at Frank Sylvester. He was identified

The Christmas services in the vari-The trouble arose over the refusal of the strike promoters to obey a temporary restriction of the strike promoters and t cathedral were largely attended. despite the weather.

Christ Church cathedral at 11 o'clock was full of worshippers when the service commenced, and the other churches were similarly attended. Rev. Canon Beanlands read prayers and Rev. Archdeacon Scriven the lessons. The organ was used yesterday for the first time since the improvements were completed upon it by Mr. Roberts. At St. Barnabas' there was a specia service held Thursday evening at 11 'clock and again vesterday mornin

mmencing at 11.30 and closing short w after 12.30. Rev. E. G. Miller, the ector, officiated, and at the evening service he preached a very appropriate The Salvation Army vesterday held

two special services, one in the after- earliest years, and while he refused to oon at 2.30 and the other in the even-

thedral on Christmas day opened at 6 project for the advancement of the a.m., when the first mass of the day city, with money, influence and time was celebrated, the choir being in attendance. Masses were also celebrated at 6.30, 8, 8.30, and high mass at 10.30, at which Rev. Father Leterme officiated. Rev. Father Caine preached an New York, in 1887, and crossed the con-eloquent sermon on the Feast of the tinent to San Francisco when about Day. The choir rendered Farmer's mass twenty. At the time of the Cariboo in B flat in its entirety, which, with gold excitement, in 1858, he came on the accompaniment of the magnificant north by stage, coming first to Vic new organ, presided over by B. Benedict Bantly, added greatly to the Cariboo fields, where he remained for solemnity of the service. Frank J. Sehl four or five years and met with suc acted as conductor for the occasion. In the Metropolitan and other Metho- the old-time firm of J. P. Davis & Co. dist churches short services were held the auctioneers, and remained a part

At the Royal Jubilee hospital yes- ing the firm Mr. Sylvester carried on terday, the patients were recipients of business alone as an accountant, rea Christmas dinner, which served to tiring from active business pursuits nmemorate the day and make pleas- some years ago. ant their stay in the hospital. The nurses will in turn enjoy their dinner his business partner, J. P. Davies, Mrs. in their new quarters in the nurses' Sylvester survives him, with five home, at 6:45 this evening. At 3 daughters and three sons-Mrs. A. o'clock yesterday afternoon A. Long- Ellis, Mrs. Menkus, Mrs. Campbell field, the organist of St. Barnabas Coalfort, Ont., Miss Ruby Sylvester, authority also to construct, equip, village at that time. He was en route maintain and operate branches from to the Fraser, where he expected to the church, with his skilled bellringers, rendered to the church, with his skilled bellringers, rendered to the fraser, where he expected to dered a performance at the Jubilee B., Clarence B., and Jesse P. Sylvester, they stuck manfully to duty, never pany, because he was well guarded to the Farmers' Education and co-operative pany, because he was well guarded at all times. His home at Tipton-sire not only to live but to save the craft even at the risk of life.

Forty-one days from the date of sail
To the Fraser, where he expected to make another fortune. His hopes were hospital to the patients and nurses, of the Sylvester Feed Company, because he was well guarded at all times. His home at Tipton-sire not only to live but to save the visit of the Fraser, where he expected to make another fortune. His hopes were hospital to the patients and nurses, of the Sylvester Feed Company, because he was well guarded at all times. His home at Tipton-sire not only to live but to save the pany, because he was well guarded at all times. His home at Tipton-sire not only to live but to save the pany, because he was well guarded at all times. His home at Tipton-sire not only to live but to save the pany, because he was well guarded at all times. His home at Tipton-sire not only to live but to save the pany, because he was well guarded at all times. His home at Tipton-sire not only to live but to save the pany, because he was well guarded at all times. His home at Tipton-sire not only to live but to save the pany, because he was well guarded at all times. His home at Tipton-sire not only to live but to save the pany, because he was well guarded at all times. His home at Tipton-sire not only to live but to save the pany point on the proposed line or lines at all times. His home at Tipton-sire not only to live but to save the pany point on the proposed line or lines at all times. His home at Tipton-sire not only to live but to save the pany point on the proposed line or lines at all times. His home at Tipton-sire not only to live but to save the pany point on the proposed line or lines and point on the proposed line or lines at all times. His home at Tipton-sire not only to live at all times at all times at all times. His hope were at the pan for the captain got stranded at Yale and found it difficult to get back to gical, men's and children's wards. The his was a familiar figure in his freof applicants, to incorporate a com-pany with power to build, construct, maintain and operate a line of rail-the Eureka mine. He made a good deal of money, there, but as usual want

the gift of Mr. Kent, of M. W. Waitt He was a member of the Jewish convalue of the Indian River to the norm of Burrard Inlet, with power to extend northerly to and through the Pemberton Meadows, and to build a Seattle and Port Blakely. At that creation room Christmas carols and the M. W. Waith He was a member of the Jewish content was used for the first time, while in the chapel and the new respectively. At that creation room Christmas carols and the A. O. U. W., and the members of time Seattle was but a village of 250 Christmas hymns were sung by the the city lodges will attend the fun-Creek to the shore of Howe Sound, and inhabitants. He also took the last mail nurses and their friends. The concert eral in a body, also any other short branches that may that was carried by sailing craft to was given at 3:30 in the recreation

Christmas Day at the W. C. T. U as Humboldt Jack. He also made two Mission, was spent in a most enjoyable trips from Port Townsend to Neah way, upwards of 100 men sitting down Bay. Between Port Townsend and Port to dinner and supper. There was also Angeles the monthly mail amounted to a concert given by the friends present. Angeles the monthly mail amounted to two newspapers and one letter. Then two newspapers and one letter. Then came the steamer Dispatch, which took the business from the sailing craft.

His next venture was carrying speak. Mr. Henderson will recite, and child through the heart, killing him freight between Port Townsend and music will be provided. All men are

his itinerary. Tiring of the seafaring At the Y. M. C. A. yesterday after. and only one chamber was loaded. life he sold the sloop and bought a noon, a dinner was given to the Lukeman, a grocer, his wife, Elizabeth, and their children, Annie, 16 years of ing. But the prosaic character of this there being fifty-six present who acage, and William, 15 years of age, were sort of life did not suit Dan. He stayed counted for seventy-five pounds of turthere two years, and at the end of that key. Vice President R. C. Horn pretime bought another sloop and carried sided, and Capt, McIntosh and R. W lieve that the fixture was broken by and the Fraser river. This sloop was addressed the gathering. Mrs. Brace the man throwing the coat over it be- sold to the Indians at Neah Bay, and and Mrs. Andrews with the women's fore retiring. A Christmas tree, deco- then the captain came to Victoria and auxiliary, Ald, and Mrs. Gleason as-

25 years in all, and is now looked upon | ert sang some Scotch songs, and com contributions were rendered by Dalzell. The secretary, in his address Captain McIntosh is 77 years of age, took a count of the visitors and found but he is still hale and hearty, and that ninety per cent of them were men

HIS MAJESTY'S CHRISTMAS.

when Ruef was pronounced guilty by a jury. The motion for a new trial was based upon affidavits making members of the royal family, entered was based upon affidavits making members of the royal family, entered when with the customary festivities. Both Fromich and Milanovitch had the great salon of the palace, where ham with the customary festivities. bers of the jury which convicted the defendant.

The great saids of the parace, where had been set a huge Christmas tree had been set and been set sandringham House was gaily decorpressed their suit and proposed, according to the girl. She refused each

SUDDEN DEATH OF A PIONEER

FRANK SYLVESTER DIED LAST EVENING

Was Well Known in City and Took Deep Interest in Early History.

(From Saturday's Daily.) One of the oldest of Victoria's oldtimers passed away suddenly last night in the person of Frank Sylvester, who has been connected with the history of the city for half a century. Mr. Sylvester had been spending the

evening at the home of his daughter

Mrs. A. Ellis, and returned to his home,

"Firleigh," 1246 Firguard street, about half-past nine. He was in the best of health and spirits and chatted freely with the family for some minutes and left the room to retire for the night. few minutes later he was found lying on the floor of his room dead. Medica aid was called, but the doctor could only say that death had been instant There was general regret felt in the death became known this There is hardly an old-timer here now except perhaps Hon. Dr. Helmcken who

remembers Victoria withou

with the history of the city from its



The late Frank Sylvester, from a photo

accept any office he worked steadfastly all his life in the interests of Victoria Services at St. Andrew's (R. C.) ca- He was always ready to help on ever

cess. Returning to Victoria he joined ner for fifteen years or so. After leav-

Mr. Sylvester married a daughter of

maintain and operate a line of railway of standard gauge, to be operated of money there, but as usual went bert Jones, J. Bailey and Messrs. had been secretary for some years. A but steam, electricity, or any other away broke.

Church: W. Barton, A. Mathen, Alberton, A. Bailey and Messrs. had been secretary for some years. A Barker and Thomas. by steam, electricity, or any other power for the carrying of freight, passengers and express: Commencing at a point at or near the city of Vancouver; thence northerly following the valley of Seymour Creek to the water shed north of Loch Lomond and thence via the passes of talks was bearing series of talks wa

A CHRISTMAS TRAGEDY.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 26.-While helping his mother trim a Christmas tree. Earl Locke, three years of age, playfully picked up an old revolver and said to his mother, "Shoot me, Mother." The instantly. The revolver had been ly-

TO DEATH IN DARK

Man Who Tried to Separate Combatants Probably Fatally Wounded.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 26.-A duel to the death with knives in a dark room who had recently come to Victoria, and were not members of the association. Christmas eve between two suitors for the hand of 14-year old Julia Pice rewere not members of the association. the hand of 14-year old Julia Pice re- a Vice President Horn gave an epitone sulted in the death of Powell Fromich m of the association's work and history, and the serious injury of Michael Mil anovitch, who is under arrest on the charge of murder. Fromich's brothe was probably fatally stabbed when he London, Dec. 26.—The King and the attempted to separate the fighting Both Fromich and Milanovitch had

were boarders in the Pice home

BUILDING

Great Increase In larly Dwe

The building activity forms a record of which must feel proud. While here it had scarcely any matter of fact, altho the buildings for which been granted was som per cent, below the figu number of buildings sho of sixty per cent. entirely to an interes the year's construct marked increase in the dwelling houses.

As has been remarked article on the subject, dw gone up literally by the year, and while these are tial and comfortable hon does not bulk as largely ing inspector's returns blocks or industrial struct Up to to-day the total v ings for which permits is sued this year is \$1,121,140 sent month the value ha

The manner in which ity has kept up this able. Towards the end officials always look f the taking out of permi month owners and builde active, and December wil fifth in comparison months. In addition to the con

for which the building issued permits the Do ment is doing \$80,000 wo in the city, for which pe to be taken out. The ne building at the outer w \$60,000, and the addition office \$20,000. Then under ordinary repair work th ably been \$100,000 spent

In the suburbs also a of building has been goi the permit system has force lately there is no for the year. In Oak B Saanich municipalities by builders competent must have been betwee \$90,000 of building done. In Esquimalt there is have been work done to some \$20,000.

The number and value issued month by month

Month. January

Total Repairs (estimated)
Immigrant hall
Post office addition suburbs (estimated)

In the last fifteen ings have been erecte an aggregate value of a quarter million dollarecords at the city hi this to be noted at however, that until for necessity for taking or applied within the now the by-law applicity. Neither federal governments take out public buildings, in ent buildings, have this total. It is quite to say that ten mil

of new buildings hav The details, which w how the city has grov

are as follows:

The permits issued in detail, as follows: Victoria Machiner foundry, Esquimalt re Aged Women's Hom E. Mahon, Mahon street, rebuilding, \$19 Victoria Transfer

Broughton street, \$14 Jubilee Hospital, street, \$14,000. Chinese Girl's Re orant street \$13,000. W. J. Mable, factor \$12,000. Victoria Truck & Broughton street, \$10, Hong Tick, dw street, \$8,500. Victoria-Prince R stores, Johnson street John Meston, carri

street, \$7,000. George S. Russel dora avenue, \$300. H. T. Knott, street, \$1,900. Moore & Co., dv Gardens, \$2,800. Prudential Co., o street, \$2,800. F. T. Newberger, street, \$350. Mary Russell, ad

J. E. Musgrave, k