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December 20th, 1907.

D-2 cows, brand E. B. on right tht ear split, one of them red ads of horns cut off, one half and half Holstein, colored black Thaw.

ained on the highest standard \$1.50 to \$2.50 per day. Free "bus NOTICE. eby given that, 30 days tend to apply to the Hon-mmissioner of Lands and

ARCLAY BONTHRONE, Agent. COAST LAND DISTRICT.

> ng 10 acres, more or less. November 28th, 1907. ALBERT HAMMER.

notice that A. Hammer, of Bella farmer, intends to apply for perto purchase the following delands: Commencing at a post 20 chains south of the northwest of Lot 24, Range 3, Coast District, thence in a southeasterly directly of the cong shore line to the west bound. Lot 24, thence north five chains, less to point of commencement,

Per year, strictly in advance, to any address in Canada or Great Britain

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THAW'S LETTERS TO

Revelations in Famous Trial Describe White's "Den of Infamy. "

witness at the trial of Harry K haw to-day. He testified that late in M Thaw came to him, and complained vicious practices by Stanford White and several of the latter's friends. During the year that followed, Thaw wrote to him several times and was a frent visitor at the vice-president's

Letters were read in evidence. They suggestions." ave the names of the alleged victims White in the famous Twenty-fourth of white in the families and referred to white as the "blackguard." The house Thaw declared "consecrated orgies and was controlled by six or seven criminal

The letters were new evidence in the case, but were mentioned at the last trial when Dr. Evans was telling what haw had said to him of his efforts to have Stanford White sent to the pen-

said Thaw at that time, "but I did want to have him brought to court and have is acts known. Providence intervened, wever; it was an act of Providence." At 10.20 o'clock when the trial was resumed this morning, Mr. Littleton, of the defense, legan at once the preliminary of proving Henry Thaw's will and codicil executed the day of his weading to Evelyn Nesbit in Pittsburg. Miss Frances Pierce will will nessed the signatures and was that the t the last trial, was called to the

Miss Pierce identified the papers, bu rict Attorney Jerome objected to introduction of the will in evidence witnesses had come to prove its ody from the time of signing up to resent moment. Mr. Littleton ded the district attorney's objection ly would delay matters, but he arily withdrew the offer of the

stice Dowling said the condition of will-a long rambling affair-was such as to make the proof of custody desirable. There are many changes and Marations in it. As to the codicil Mr. e ground that it was in the defend-

fustice Dowling said the codicil was mpact continuing document and competent as evidence.

red in such unlawful practices as the to his successor on February 1st. id Stanford White. Among those to Chas. H. Parkhurst and Anthony Com-tock. Thaw named a number of young of absence. en now on the stage as possible nts against White.

Mr. Comstock said he was vice-prest and special agent of the Society besieged in the Pekin legations in 1900. the Suppression of Vice, and ining held these positions for many

you know Harry Thaw?"

omstock said that Thaw called this office in February, 1904, and com ned of a party who was wronging oung girls. Thaw went into details, hich the witness repeated as far as buid remember. Mr. Comstock also said he had received several letters

The witness identified several co tions from Thaw, one of the ers being a diagram of the prem- an error on their part on Monday where he declared evil men carred workmen on the buildings near death, and a fourth is very ill. In mison criminal practices. Thaw depremises had heard young girls take they all drank from a jug of wood was killed by a horse falling upon him. and suggested that men be alcohol. The poison had got into their The horse stumbled while crossing watch the entrances to the systems before medical aid arrived, plough field, throwing Shaw to the Thaw also said he had comated with the secretary of the tims succumbed. for the Prevention of Cruelty n, suggesting that a search

and an investigation afternoon; his brother, Frank, who ade of the house, which was located died yesterday morning, both being and a nugget worth \$3,000 was stolen. enty-second street. w told me he had been followed town; Harry Coney, nephew of the office the second time by men the witness. "I sent several Monday night The fourth man,

closed. He said he would furnish me with the names of several girls who had been there and I told him it would be necessary to correspond to the control of be necessary to corroborate their story, and we talked the matter over some

Mr. Comstock here identified three more letters from Thaw, one having been received as late as April, 1906, two months before the tragedy. Mr. Littleton first read to the jury a communica-ANTHONY COMSTOCK tion from Thaw to Comstock, written in November, 1904. It attempted to give a description of the Twenty-fourth street house, with crude diagrams appearing here and there in the text. Thaw declared that one room was furnished like a forest, that secret stairs led from it to the room of the mirrors. The door in the first room was hard to find, he declared, and there was no escape for the young girls who were drugged. Thaw claimed that six or

> "Thousands of crimes have been com mitted there and many felonies," Thaw wrote, and he added that there was a The Morning Post remarks as a sigby a door behind a picture.
>
> "In this room," the letter went on, United States arose long before a simi

(Continued on page 4).

LIBERAL VICTORIES

Toronto, Jan. 23 .- In the South Huron by-election yesterday to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Benjamin B. Gunn, M. Y. McLean, Liberal, was elected by 144 majority over H. Hor-

ton, Conservative. Stanstead County. Coaticook, Que., Jan. 23 .- The by-election to fill the vacancy for Stanstead county in the House of Commons, caused by the death of Henry Lovell, Liberal, took place yesterday, and resulted in the election of Charles Lovell, son of the de-cessed member, by a majority of 260 over A. H. Moore, a form-

Sir Robert Hart Petitions Revenue Council for Leave of Absence.

Pekin, Jan. 23 .- Sir Robert Hart, director general of the Chinese customs service, on Tuesday petitioned tion. Service, on Tuesday petitioned which started here to night destroyed the station and divisional headquarters of the canadian Northern railway and even provided a number of hequests health. He has chosen as his successions. nests health. He has chosen as his succeslawyers and others to aid alleged this of Stanford White to prosecute alms for damages against him and the prosecution of all persons entry to his successor on February 1st.

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The station was of modern construction of the permanent corps are stationed at Esquisible to the flames, and his charred body was found later. He was a native to his successor on February 1st.

It is thought here that the two years and the loss will be about \$5,000. hom the funds were made available will not be granted, but that the ere R. Ross Perry of Washington, Dr. throne will issue a complimentary edict throne will issue a complimentary edict TWENTY ARRESTS IN granting Sir Robert one year's leave

Sir Robert Hart is director of the collowing the reading of the codicil, Chinese Imperial maratime customs.

Littleton created something of a He has had 52 years of unbroken serby calling Anthony Comstock to vice in the customs and consular posts he stand, his first appearance in the in China. He has declined the post of ambassador, which was offered to him

> TRAGIC RESULTS OF WOOD ALCOHOL

Three Saskatchewan Men Die While Fourth Is Seriously III.

Glen Ewen, Sask., Jan. 22.-Through three men from this community met

They are Dave Coney, who died this farmers and living one mile from above men, a laborer, who died on

FAVORABLE COMMENT BY LONDON PRESS

lem Will Foster Commercial Activity.

New York, Jan. 22.—Anthony Comstock, vice-president of the Society for the Suppression of Vice, was the principal witness at the trial of Harry K. ment and express satisfaction at the

little room to which access was gained nificant fact that, although the ques-by a door behind a picture. "there is a valuable French painting lar problem presented itself in Canada of a woman, and of peculiarly infamous no final settlement has yet been reached between Tokio and Washing-

The Chronicle, on the other hand, renarks on the question is settled prac tically with regard to both the United States and Canada and that the set-tlement reflects the greatest credit on all who were instrumental in bringing

"Japan's most pressing need at the present time," says the Chronicle, "Is internal development and commercial

ing-off ground for California. Japan could hardly do more to show her deermination to maintain peace at al most any cost, save loss of all dig-nity as a nation."

Emigration to Hawaii. Honolulu, Jan. 23.—Japanese Consul Saito has received a cable from Foreign Minister Hayashi, advising him nat beginning on Feb. 1st, the only Japanese laborers who will be permitted to emigrate to Hawaii are those who are returning and who are imme-

FOUND CHARRED BODY.

Grim Relic Among Ruins of North Bat-tleferd Railway Station. Probably very shortly be taken over by Canada and that the purpose for which North Battleford, Sask:, Jan. 23.-A fire

"NO RENT" CAMPAGIN

Shows No Sign of Quieting Down.

Boyle, County Roscommon, Ireland, Jan 22.—A force of 200 constabulary visited the Geevagh district to-lay and took into custody twenty men who are charged with unlawful assembly and riot and with having interfered with the mails.

The landlords of the Keogh and Knox valleys, in this district, have refused to sell their lands to the tenants, and the latter consequently organized a "No rent" combination against the land owners. The latter then sent out processes for rent to latter then sent out processes for rent to their tenants, and it was the mails bearith by the men gathered in to-day.

NUGGET AS LOOT.

Cobalt, Jan. 23.-The ore house of the FOUR THOUSAND MEN GO OUT. Tyneside Employees Refuse to Accept

Lower Wages.

Will Leave Rome on Feb. 1st. Rome, Jan. 23 .- Baron Takahira, the newly-appointed Japanese ambassador to the United States, has decided to leave Rome on Feb. 1st. He will first go to Paris, where he will have an interview with Baron Kurino, the Japanese ambassador to France, leaving immediately for London. He may be accompanied to London by Baron Kurino, and expects to meet there Count Komura, ex-minister of foreign affairs, Solution of Immigration Prob- and now ambassador to Great Britain, as well as Sir Edward Grey, the British secretary for Foreign Affairs.

> JAPANESE DIET. Motion to Censure Government Nar rowly Defeated,

Tokio, Jan. 23.—A motion to censure the government was defeated in the Lower House of the Diet to-day by 177 votes to 168. The debate on the motion lasted for three hours and a half.

ANOTHER CANARD

Bubble Blown by Yellow Press to Advertise "Great Armada" Is Pricked.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 23.—The controversy arising out of the report that Commander Alex. Diatchkoff, a Russian naval officer, is in an official capacity following the American fleet on its trip around South America has now taken a new turn at the same time she purchased less through the publication of a communication.

Canada May Take Over Naval Station in Near

Future. (Special Correspondence).

Ottawa, Jan. 16 .- In reply to Ralph diate relations of those already there. Smith, M. P., in the House of Commons yesterday, Sir Fred Borden said that the Esquimalt naval station would it would be used was under considera-

> Mr. Smith also asked the following 1. How many officers and men of the

nstruction permanent corps are stationed at Es-

3. Are the number at Esquimalt considered to be sufficient to man the forts and 'efficiently maintain the station? 4. Are there any large guns at Esquimalt not yet placed in position? If so, why? so, why?

Hon. Sir Frederick Borden, Minister

of Militia and Defence, replied as fol-1. Sixty-eight officers and 1,219 noncommissioned officers and men.
2. Thirteen officers and 149 non-com sioned officers and men.

3. The strength of the present garri-son, and the disposal of its armament have been settled with the full know-ledge and concurrence of the Imperial 4. Yes, just where they had been day that Nicholas Tschaikovsky might day that Nicholas Tschaikovsky might rther disposition is subject to correspondence with the war office.

RUSSIAN GRAIN SCANDALS.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 23.-M. Muekek, assistant minister of the interior, has been dismissed from office as the out-come of the Lidval grain scandals. M.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS.

out in the hallway to see if anywas there."

Jerome objected to the witness of the result of this search, but it evil in the discussion that no one followed Thaw.

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The above men were well known in the trace of the accusation is the charge that Tschalkovsky purchased arms at Springfield, Mass, for prices. Shortly before the surrender, to the depression in the industry. Some ploneers of this place.

The above men were well known in the tryne district became a fact to-day, when some 4.000 men, who had refused the proposed reduction in their wages, did not return to work. The employers declare this reduction is necessary owing to the depression in the industry. Some ports on the northwest coast also are affected.

Each pulsation of the heart of an average adult sends 10 pounds of blood to the depression in the industry. Some ports on the northwest coast also are affected.

New Japanese Ambassador to U. S. GREAT BRITAIN'S

BUILDS ONE-HALF OF

Agitation to Replace Alien Crews by Unemployed in Old Land.

London, Jan. 23.—The statistics of the output of mercantile tonnage by the the northern and southern frontiers. United Kingdom, of 1,742,365, being a decrease of 220,200 tons as compared with 1906 which was the highest on record. The foreign output in 1907 in-

BROUGHT TO EARTH creased by nearly 80,000 tons. Great Britain, however, still builds nore than one-half the mercantile shipping of the globe, which last year showed a net increase of 1,984,800 tons, as compared with an increase of 2,-158,000 in 1906. The world's fleet of sailing ships was reduced during the year by 180,000 tons and the steam tonnage was increased by 2,164,800 tons,

internal development and commercial sinternal development and commercial activity with both the United States and Canada."

The Times says: "Tact will still be required to see that the conditions are obeyed on both sides, but it is encouraging evidence of the satisfactory nature of the settlement that there are indications that the difficulty with the United States will find a somewhat similar issue. Count Hayashi is evidently most anxious to remove all possible Criction with the republic and has even threatened to forbid immigration to Hawaii, if it is made the jumping-off ground for California. Japan

DANCER MURDERED. Chicago, Ills., Jan. 23.-Mrs. Cather ine Cartwright, a concert hall dance and singer, was found shot to death in her room at 92 Wells street early to woman for some time.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Vancouver, Jan. 23.—Arthur Mannel a school teacher of Chilliwack, attempt his assistance. He will recover.

INCENDIARY EXPLOSION.

Petrolea on October 17th last was of products amounted to \$35,390,857, and incendiary origin, according to the re- \$30,731,282. port handed to Attorney-General Foy by the commission appointed to invest

Revolutionist May Be Exiled to Siberia Without Regular Trial.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 23.—The idea was advanced in official circles yesternot be brought to trial before a regular tribunal and that there was a possibility of his being punished by administration procedure for revolution-ary activity in Russia.

Nicholas Tschaikovsky is the well known Russian revolutionist who lec-tured in the United States last year. He come of the Lidval grain scandals. M. returned to St. Petersburg last November and was at once arrested. He is gal contract with Lidval to supply now confined in the fortress of St. Brockville, Ont. Jan. 23.—Calvin Shaw, a farmer living near Newboro, ing him money."

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Brockville, Ont. Jan. 23.—Calvin Shaw, a farmer living near Newboro, ing him money." Stolypin for his release. An administrative sentence may involve a long Toronto, Jan. 23.—The Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons is in annual session here. It has decided to fix the initiation fee at \$20. The election of officers i sulted in the re-election of John Levile, Winnipeg, Grand Z. The Charter were elected superintendents.

Taronto, Jan. 23.—The Grand Chapter of several terrorist plots and the purchase of rifles and revolvers for the purpose of arming the revolutionary peasants and workmen for an insurrection in Russia, are among the charges made against General Stoessel to-day by Col. Vershinin. Who was civil commander to that place, and who fathered the charges made against General Stoessel to-day by Col. Vershinin. Who was civil commander to the true, but on expostulation thought to be true, but on expost and who fathered the charges made against General Stoessel to-day by Col.

Vershinin. Who was civil commander to the charges made against General Stoessel to-day by Col.

Vershinin. John Leylle, Winnipeg, Grand Z. The charges made against M. Ischaitovsky and several officials in the ministry of for Western Canada: A. McGreevy, Vancouver, and L. T. McDonald, Regina.

J. P CONSUL RECALLED.

charges made against M. Ischaitovsky and several officials in the ministry of the interior yesterday declared they were unable to understand the attitude of the signers of the American petition. Provisions were enormously expensive. A cow cost \$800, a pig \$500, eggs \$1 a asks the government to set free one line.

DIAMOND MAKER OR FAKER.

Lemoine Always III After Odorous BANK RATE IS

Paris, Jan. 23.—According to "the Journal," Mrs. Lemoine, the wife of Henry Lemoine, the "Diamond maker, stated that she purchased diamonds in Paris in 1905 to the value of \$5,000, but LDS ONE-HALF OF

MERCANTILE TONNAGE

Tanis in 1905 to the value of \$5,000, but that her husband reduced them to powder and prepared compositions which emitted such an overpowering odor that he always was ill after the experiments.

BIG CHILIAN RAILWAY. Network of Lines Will Penetrate

Santiago, Chili, Jan. 22.-Congress to-day passed a bill authorizing the president to make contracts for a railway running north and south. The bill limits immediate expenditure to world's ship-building in 1907 just Is- about \$37,500,000, but it is intended that sued by Lloyds register, shows a total the road eventually will be extended to

> Jap "Spies" Were Merely Mill Hands

Portland, Ore., Jan. 23.—A special of the Oregonian from Fort Stevens says an investigation by the com-manding officer of Fort Stevens yesterday, developed the fact that he two alleged Japanese taken into custody in the West Battery yesterday were simply visiting Fort Stevens.

It developed later that the men were sawmill hands.

BONFIRE OF TEXT BOOKS. Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 23 .- In order to

FOUND DEAD.

St. Johns, Que, Jan. 23.—W. H. Smardon, a traveller for the Richardson Manufacturing Co., Montreal, was found deed in bed in the Canada hotel this

CANADA'S BOOMING

day. The police are searching for Jas.

McGee, who had been attentive to the Over 1906 of More Than

Sixty Millions. Ottawa, Jan. 23.—Canada's foreign ed suicide this morning in Stanley park by taking carbolic acid. His groans Canada and that the purpose for which were heard by passers by, who went to an increase of \$64,281,485, or the best showing in the history of the Dominion. The trial imports amounted to \$385,275,360, compared with \$324,841,-685 in 1906. The exports of domestic

FIRE IN WINNIPEG.

EGGS SOLD AT ONE DOLLAR EACH

High Price of Living in Port Arthur Before Fortress Fell.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 22.-Testimony

Experiments.

To all other Countries (postage prepaid)

payable invariably in advance, per year \$2.00

Southern Republic.

TRADE RETURNS

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 23.—The explo-sion and fire which wrecked the Petrolea torpedo and limited magazine at 746,322, while the exports of foreign

ATLANTIC RATE WAR Liverpool, Jan. 23.—The postponed onference of the White Star, American, Cunard, Hamburg-American, North German Lloyd, and other steam-TSCHAIKOVSKY North German Lloyd, and other steams fixed for Feb. 5th in London.

Winnipeg, Jan. 23.—Fire broke out last hindu religious worker, the sum of \$90 for one year's rent of the lower part of the house on Douglas street in which before the flames were extinguished the Kumar lives. Last Monday night Ku-

the present action is the res J. P. Mann, who appeared for the de-fendant, cross-examined the first wit-

the acceptance of the \$90 and stated that the first time he heard about it was when the police came out on the 15th. Sergeant Carson told of going out to Kumar's house under instructions. He told Kumar he could not turn the men out and then he went downstairs and showing the straits of the civil populawas given at the court martial of Lieut-General Stoessel to-day by Col.

Verschipin who was given as a lieural accounts the state of the serge of th

Daniel Smith, of Valdez Island, Victim of Accident.

killed on Sunday afternoon by a tree falling on his cabin.

E. & N. CONSTRUCTION.

AGAIN REDUCED RAPID IMPROVEMENT IN MONETARY SITUATION "Old Lady of Threadneedle Street" Reflects Betterment of Conditions.

London, Jan. 23 .- The rate of discount of the Bank of England was to-day re-

duced from 5 to 4 per cent. The reduction of the Bank of England's rate was a foregone conclusion owing to the rapidly improving financial conditions prevailing everywhere, which caused the market for discount rates to fall to 3% per cent. The return of cash from the country considerably swelled the reserve, which will be increased in the near future by the receipt of gold from Egypt and Australia, as well as bar gold now en route to London. This will include £5,000,000 worth of gold, which probably will be secured by the Bank of England on Monday. Other influences tending towards the reduction of bank rate are the improved conditions prevailing on the continent, forecasting early reduc-tions in the bank rates of France and Germany, and the likelihood of the re-turn of gold from America to the Ar-gentine Republic, thus relieving the

demand on London.

The announcement of the bank rate had a favorable effect on the London prevent the spread of scarlet fever the board of / education at a special meeting yesterday decided to burn at least 570 text books in use in the Kenwood and Douglas schools.

Home Ralls and Kaffirs were marked. Home Rails and Kaffirs were marked higher, and Americans, which opened around par, improved 1/2 to 1 point for

active issues. Bank of France, Paris Jan. 23.—The Bank of France to-day and its rate of discount from 31/2 to 3 per cent.

Bank Statement. London, Jan. 23 .- The weekly stateent of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve in-creased, £1,656,000; circulation decreased, f114,000; bullion, £1,541,537; other securities decreased, £567,000; other deposits decreased, £1,220,000; public deposits increased, £2,227,000; notes reserve increased, £1,166,000; government securities unchanged.

The proportion of the bank's reserve

to liabilities this week is 54.87 per cent., compared with 52,69 per cent. last week.

HINDUS IN COURT. A Dispute Among the Colony as to Rights to Occupy Quarter.

The small debts court was Wednesday somewhat enlivened by the pres-ence of a number of dusky Punjaubi Sikhs witnesses or prince peculiar case which has in it a dis-tinctly Oriental flavor. While the solicitors were waiting for their severa ases to come on they amused themselves by perusing an outline Buddhistic method of attaining eternal bliss and they were duly impressed to the extent it is thought that some at least of the members of the learned

profession will give up all their evil The plaintiff was one Hainam Singh (all the Hindus in Victoria seem to rejoice in the name of Singh), who claims that he paid G. D. Kumar, the Kumar lives. Last Monday night Kumar brought a policeman with him and threw all the goods of the said Hainam Singh into the street. He the nsulted his solicitor, D. S. Tait, and

ness at great length, but was unable o shake his evidence.
G. D. Kumar, the defendant, denie!

Vancouver, Jan. 23.-Daniel Smith, a blacksmith of Valdez island, was

Vancouver, Jan. 21.—John Bright was to-day awarded the contract for grading twelve miles of the line from Wellington to the head of Nanoose Bay.