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serious conflagration since the milliof dollar Chattenden hotel fire in 1893 vis-ited Columbus last night. Half a block cierk and the baggage master were se-verely injured. The slide which caused the disaster is about 100 feet long and 15 feet deep. The road will probably be blocked until late this afternoon. Boise, Idaho, Feb. 2.—One of the most by-law, aggravated assault, of fine buildings in the heart of the **busi**-ness portion of the town has been de-stroyed, and at daylight the fire brigade ion of the streets by-law. which sailed at 10 a.m., had in her cargo 300 sacks of flour for a west coast store. Messrs. Gibson and Hayes were passsevere blizzards in the history of Idaho is raging in the southern part of the Danube, which arrived y had not control of the flames. The total The steamer vill be more than \$1,000,000. arrived yesterday fire is thought to have started in the basement of the Dunlap building, occu-pied by the Chicago Bankrupt Clothing state. A message from Red Rock, Mon-tana, the junction, states that all traffic Sth. not sail north again until February over the stage route to Salmon City has been suspended. Great loss of stock is over the stage route to Salmon City has been suspended. Great loss of stock is reported, and several people caught by the storm in the mountains have, it is spriced in the mountains have, it is sprit carried away but a mountain the bow-Company. It swept up the elevator shaft and soon the whole building was ablaze. their best The brigade, although doing sprit carried away, but a more serious loss befel the Nanaimo pilots, whose business it is to meet the Nanaimo-bound work, seemed to have little effect in stayfeared, perished. ing the progress of the flames. The audience at High street theatre, which COLOMBIA LABOR TROUBLES. is across the alley from the turning block, was dismissed in a hurry and this vessels in the Roads and take them to Vessels in the Roads and take them to Nanaimo, for they have probably lost their fine sloop, the Gordon, and it is thought that their two boatmen have been drowned. The sloop took Capt. Christensen, the pilot, out to the collier Strikers Threaten to Fire the Town of Colon. rowd was soon swelled to enormous pro portions by a number of excited people from all parts of the city. The fire soon spread to the Jones block, on the left, New York, Feb. 2.-A dispatch to the World from Colon, Colombia, says: Ter-rified by the threats of the strikers to fire and to the stores of Messrs. Soulder & Bright and Mr. D. S. Ambach. A fire wall four feet thick separated the fine Titania, which was bound up from San the town, the merchants have asked for strønger military protection. The rail-way officials are confident they could ex-tinguish the fire if it was started and the authorities have prepared to respond the authorities care of the slope stood in towards her mooring place in the inner (From Wednesday's Dally.) block of Messrs. Green, Joyce & Co., wholesale drygoods, from the offices, but this was no harrier, and at 1 o'clock this morning the fire had eaten its way through and was burning fiercely in the upper stories. At 11:30 'last night, with scarcely any warning, the front and rear walls of the Dunlay building, as though rent asunder by an explosion, fell on High street. For-tunately the police had kept the street block of Messrs. Green, Joyce & Co., wholesale drygoods, from the others, but 525.77. o'clock. She soon afterwards, however disappeared and has not been heard of by an explosion, fell on High street. For-tunately the police had kept the street fairly cleared, or loss of life would have been great. As it was a number of firemen were caught while fleeing from the crumbling walls. Whitley Davis is missing. The following were badly in-jured: Captain Jack Welsh, Otis V. Kilbourne, John Donohne Charles Constrikers.' Several complaints of such abuse are said to have been lodged at since. The tug Sadie went out yesterday afternoon and spent some time in the straits searching for the lost sloop, but could find no trace of her. There is prob-WILL ASSIST UNCLE SAM. Gomez Undertakes the Disbanding of ability that the sloop has found a refuge in some of the small coves below the Bace, where she is awaiting an abate-Cuban Soldiers. cossary authority. John Donohue. Charles Kilbourne, Remedios, Province of Santa Clara, nors, Al. Beeves, Pat Sullivan and Wm. Swift. Miss Carrie Johnson was knockment of the weather, or perhaps she has made the American side. The pre-vailing opinion, though, seems to be that she has been lost. The Gordon was a Cuba, Feb. 2.—As a result of a confer-ence which Mr. Robert P. Porter, the special commissioner of President Mc-Kinley, has had with Gen. Gomez, the commander of the Cuban army, the lat-ter cabled to President McKinley this action of the Cuban of his co-operaed down and run over by a hose reel, her right leg being broken. Scores of people were slightly injured by flying 14-ton sloop, heavily ballasted, for she drew about nine feet, which is more than debris. some of the sixty or seventy-ton schooners draw. She, however, suffered in a heavy sea. If the waves ran high at all they washed right over her decks. One FROM OTTAWA. afternoon assuring him of his co-opera-tion in disbanding the Cuban army, and distributing among the Cuban soldiers Mr. Morrison, M.P., Denies Statements in the "Dawson Nugget"-Bank Teller Found Dead. of the two boatmen who were on her is known as "Big Gus." The name of the other could not be learned. The tug Constance went out into the straits tothe \$3,000,000 appropriated for the pur-pose of enabling them to return to their be given to-morrow. Ottawa, Feb. 2.-Mr. Aulay Morrison, M.P., has telegraphed to the Hon. C. Sifton that he never authorized or made the statements attributed to him by the homes. day to continue the search for the lost FRIGHTENED TO DEATH. sloop, but until the time of going to press New York, Feb. 1.—Mrs. Kate Witt-man, wife of John Wittman, of Twen-ty-eighth street, Weehawken, decided to undergo a surgical operation. Two phy-sicians who were to perform the opera-tion called at her home, and while they they had not seen any sign of her. twson Nugget regarding officials in the THE CAMPAIGN FINALE. Islandike. Bishop Christie, of Victoria, is here. West Huron bye-election takes place on February 21. Mr. J. H. Grisdale, of St. Martha, Close of the Bye-Elections Fight Today. Mr. J. H. Grisdale, of St. Martna, underec, has been appointed agriculturist t the experimental farm. He will have harge of the live stock and undertake for management. Mr. Thos. Roxborough, government uperintendent of stationery, whose office at the government printing hureau. As the Times goes to press the last hal-Quebec, has been appointed agriculturist at the experimental farm. He will have charge of the live stock and undertake lots are being deposited, the vote cast be-ing unusually large. Before two o'clock over 2,200 ballots had been deposited, and those who have been keeping count of the vote say that when the aggregate is made' at the government printing bureau, ed last night after a long illness. He as thirty years in the public service, as was 61 years of age. The Rev. G. R. Maxwell, M. P., is ere on the fishery regulations and Yu-bus business. fear of the operation. up to night the total vote polled will be found to be unprecedentedly large, prob-ROGERS PASS ACCIDENT. Six Bodies Recovered From the Snowany sensational incidents. The section of \$1,000 each. Trains Now Running. Vancouver, Feb. 2.—All the bodies but one have been recovered from the big slide at Rogers Pass. The track is all clear. Through trains will reach Van the act which precludes magistrates, police Mr. J. D. MacGregor, who was mininspector in the Yukon last season, return there from Brandon in a couver at 4 o'clock to-morrow morning. Another will follow on schedule time on or so, and will act as liquor in-Friday. To-day's train was only local. The Catholic Truth Society is organizto have petitions presented to the ATTEMPT TO WRECK A TRAIN. San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 21.-Five hanged. A. J. Watson, who was one of ders in the Bank of Montreal A. J. Watson, who was one of ellers in the Bank of Montreal and who was on his way to Hamil-fill a better position in the branch there, was found dead in his sleep-Toronto this morning. He had

shelter for the destitute, and 300 people sat down to the opening dinner on Christmas day. Ensign McGill is in charge of the station and has nine as-sistants, two of whom are ladies. Mrs. Poor, an old lady, who arrived by the Danube, says many are dying from want and the bodies of scores are around the hospitals wrapped in sacks and frozen solid. The heavevelent society and frozen solid. The benevolent society buried many, but their funds have run miner who lived alone in a cabin on Bonanza creek. He was taken sick and lay in his bunk alone, unable to move until death came. None knew of his illness, and as he was unable to light his fire or get up to get himself food he starved to death. A note was found on him telling of how he met his sad end. A MILLY DOLLARY DOLLARY DECLARY DECLARY Colo., Feb. 2.—All trains on the continental lines leading through Col-orado are tied up by the snow. East-bound trains from Salt Lake on the Col-orado Milland and Denver and Rio Grande roads are stalled at Glenwood Springs, being unable to proceed further westbound trains on these roads have The Dawson Nugget also tells of the Messrs, Godson, Williams and F. G. White. Other departures this morning were, besides the delayed ferry steamers, both of which, the Charmer and the Kingston, left at 4 a.m., the Willapa for westbound trains on these roads have pushed through the drifts as far as Eagle Pass, but they are now blocked. Train No. 1 on the Denver and Rio Grande ran into a snow slide near Shoshone, about nine miles from here. The mail car telescoped and the baggage cat was jammed into the mail car. The mail clerk and the baggage master were se-parable with the start of the baggage master were se-are block of which, the Charmer and the bout of which, the Charmer and the gas and Northern British Columbia ports, the Queen City for Ahousett and west coast points, and the delayed Prin-west coast points, and the delayed Prin-mister at 9.30° a.m. The Willapa, which left at 11° a.m., had a fair cargo and many passengers, including Messrs. Draney, S. A. Spencer, R. Cunning-A MILLION DOLLAR BLAZE. While Fighting the Flames, Firemen Are Injured by the Fall of a Wall. cess Louise, which left for New West-minster at 9.30 a.m. The Willapa, which left at 11 a.m., had a fair cargo and many passengers, including Messrs. Draney, S. A. Spencer, R. Cunning-ham and F. Imrig. The Queen City, which could all the particular Columbus, Iowa, Feb. 2.-The most

an intoxicant, 2; supplying intoxicants to Indians, 2; infraction of the public norals by-law; 3; lodgings, 4; assault, 2 infraction of the revenue by-law. 2; frunk, 18; theft, 15, and one each of the following: Wounding with intent to Broad streets. A considerable sum of ping, section 10 Liquor Regulation Act infraction of Lionor Traffic Reguation Act, infraction of fire preventio obtaining oney under false pretences and infrac

Year will be celebrated in the local Chinatown. The present year, according to the calculation of the Chinese calen-dar, has contained thirteen months. The frast in conversion will the event will -Daniel Allen 'McFadden, formerly parser on a Yukon river steamer, who passed through here some time ago. posing as a newspaper correspondent in connection with the event will be en-tirely suspended, the custom in the old at Seattle, has been arrested at Oak-iand. California, at the instance of the Seattle police. The men or their ar a, California, at the instance of the Seattle police. The men on their ar-nival at Seattle placed their possessions, including Hampton's money, in the Hotel Northern's safe. Then they took a trip to Tacoma, where McFadden disappeared January 7. Hampton, how-aver claims McFadden secured the Northern's Rowland Lee, Mr. L. Goodacre, reading matter; Mrs. eyer, claims McFadden secured the money from the hotel before they left for Tacoma. Hampton and McFadden first met at Five Fingers on the Yukon,, both being en route out from Dawson. -The Victoria bank clearings for the' week ending 31st January were \$715," -Quite a large number of minor fires took place last night, there being no less than ten chimney fires reported. -The funeral of the infant daughter of Mr. C. H. Gibbons will take place from her parents' residence, Quebec street, to-morrow afternoon at 2.30. -Robt. Jones was fined \$2 in the police court this morning for infraction of the Street By-law, having dug a drain in the street without procuring the ne -An English syndicate, whose representative has recently been on a visit to Victoria, has bonded thirty placer claims on Quartz Creek in the Atlin country for \$50,000. -Chun Loy and Kong Fang were for obtaining sums to the amount of \$35 and \$42.50 from Ah Gu under false pretences this morning. Judgment will; be given to-morrow -At a meeting of the Benchers this The a meeting of the benchers this morning the following gentlemen were-called to the bar and admitted as soli-citors, viz., A. D. Taylor and J. S. M. Morrison, of Vancouver? E. C. Wragge-and J. K. Macrae, of Victoria. -The inland revenue returns for the month of January were: Spirits, \$12,-201.91; malt, \$630; manufacture to-bacco, \$1,824.13; raw leaf tobacco, \$358.52; cigars, \$822.60; inspection pe-troleum, \$20; total, \$15,950.16. At the last meeting of the Vancouver Island Building Society, held in the Sir Wm. Wallace hall on Monday evening last, the drawing resulted in favor of found to be unprecedentedly large, prob-ably reaching 3,000. Although interest has run high the day has been unmarked by declared entitled to an appropriation of officers and other public officials from es- £ -The Victoria Building Society held ercising the franchise has been rigorously enforced, and one or two who, unaware of this provision, presented themselves to or the provision of the secretary's, auditof this provision, presented themselves to the returning afficer were retused. Hingston Siddayl, deputy sheriff, acted as deputy neturning officer, and was assisted by a complete staff of poll clerks. The government committee rooms were in two of the staffs of the Market building. The opposition retained their ald rooms in the population retained their ald rooms in the possible committee mean were busy in both these rooms from the opening of the poll till its close keeping check en the vote as it was polled. The hackmen, as usual, did a thriving trade.

commences. Said capital must be sub-scribed within nine months; and the works completed within two years.

The following appointments have been made: Arthur W. Bleadsell, Fort Steele, The following appointments have been made: Arthur W. Bleadsell, Fort Steele, to be a coroner; David H. Watson, of Peachland, to be a notary public; John A. Turner, to be returning officer of the Nelson riding of West Kootenny, Thes. Brown, of Sandon, to be a member of the Board of Licensing Commissioners: Hon. F. Carter-Cotton, Finance Minis-ter, to the Acting Provincial Concenter noney was involved in the transaction and it is Mr. MacGregor's intention to and it is Mr. MacGregor's intention to build a brick block on the property shortter, to the Acting Provincial Secretary and Minister of Mines during the ab-sence of Hon. Fred Hume from the city. Walter A. Merkely, of Pilot Bay, to be a notary public for Kootenay, county; Edward Thos. H. Simpkins, of Nelson, -One week from to-day Chinese New

Mr. L. Goodacre, reading matter; Mrs. H. D. Helmcken, A Friend, Mrs. M. J. Taylor, clothing.

> -"Hypnotized?" the new novel by Julian Durham (known in private life as Mrs. Henshaw, of Vancouver), which we reviewed last week, has attained a wonderful and instantaneous success all wonderrul and instantaneous success all over Canada. The book is strikingly original in plot and phrase, and has been brilliantly reviewed by the Canadian press. It is now on sale by T. N. Hib-ben and Victoria Book & Stationery Co.

and this morning he was arraigned on that charge in the city police court. He was sentenced to five months' imprisonment with hard labor.

-The many able articles on British Columbia that have recently appeared in the San Francisco Chromicle and other American and British journals, from the pen of Julian Durham, have not only brought fame to the apthoress, but are doing good work for the province in making the advantages and attrac-tions of the west known to all the world. The Canadian Magazine for January contains a beautifully illustrat-ed sketch of Victoria by this new western writer.

-The police last night arrested four young men on a serious charge. It is al-leged they are concerned in the whole-sale robberies which have taken place in the city within the last few months. Their names are Wm. Snider, Geo. Ros-son, Wm. Robertson and Stuart Robert-

son. The, first three are held on a charge of burgtary, and the latter for being in possession of stolen goods, When arrested they had in their possession a number of coins, a pistol, two lege, of mutton, and a considerable quantity of miscellaneous articles. The case goes over until Sagurday.

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The Loss of the Glenalyon Kwangs Rebels Endeavoring to Rally.

News is brought by the Biojun Maru of the loss of the steamer Glenalvon, which left Hongkong on December 29th and struck a rock near the Samuan Islets, four holes being made in her. The water gaining her based was The water gaining, her head was turn ed to the shore, but before reaching it she sank. The crew and passengers escaped in four boats. One has arrived at Hongkong, one was rescued by a junk and two were lost. III Mr. S. Rat tler searched for some time for them, but could not learn anything of their fate.

fate. Mr. Dixon, chief officer; Mr. Ainslie, third officer, and Mr. Wilson, steward, -wm. Kelly was passing John Ful-lerton's shoe stone yesterday afternoon, when he was noticed by several street-car men to quietly appropriate a pair of shoes which were hanging in front of the store and walk away with them un-der his arm. They followed him down the street and taxed him with the theft, and this monning he was arraigned on good many well-to-do families, being afraid of their depredations, are compelled to remove to other places for safety. The local magistrate has re-peatedly applied to the Canton government for reinforcements, but so far nothing has been heard of the sending of soldiers from Canton. The situation

is very critical. A RECORD From Dawson to Salt Water in Nine Days and a Half.

The N.W.M.P. have made a record in sending the mail out from the Klondike capital. A big batch is now here which

was brought from Dawson to the coast a 91 days. It was hurried from station o station along the trail in relays. This the fastest winter time ever made from the Kindoke and the police are quite proud of their feat. Late arrivals say that this system will be used throughout the remainder of the whiter in sending the mail to the coast.

DESTROYED BY FIRE,

Mr. William Sheriff's house on Alpha street was burned to the ground last night while the owner and his wife were at the opera. The cause of the fire is as yet unknown. The building and contents were valued at over \$2,000, and were insured for \$1,150.

There was also an alarm from 13 Kane street, but no damage was done there. A chimney next received attention from the firemen on Burnside road. The firemen had only got home when they were again called out to the house of Mr. A. G. Mc-Candless, which was threatened by the stove-pipe catching fire.

CANNERIES SOLD.

Vancouver, Eeb. 2 .- A. E. Tregent has sold two of his company's canneries on the Fraser, and will build on Belingham

-The returns of the Victoria customs for the month of January are as fol-

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