free of charge, but did not say that students over the age limit should not

This was seconded by Trustee Dr

************ RUSSIAN VERSION.

ort of Two Days' Bombardment of Port Arthur and of Japanese Losses.

ris, Feb. 11.-The Journal Des Desin a special dispatch, from St. ourg; announced that a bombardof Port Arthur occurred the day re yesterday and again yesterday, says that the Japanese fleet with-after having suffered severe losses, day it is added all is quiet off Port-ur.

ALEXIEFF IS SUPREME. Been Apointed Commander of Land and Sea Forces in Far East.

Pefersburg, Feb. 11.-It is officially ced that Admiral Alexieff has appointed to the supreme command. Russian land and sea forces in ar East.

e minister of finance has issued a nication in which it warns the against becoming panic stricken crificing securities, as they benefit he speculators. The ministry exthe people to remain calm and colregarding events in the Far East, , while they may create temporary lties. cannot shake Russia's mic power. It points out that fell at the outbreak of the Russosh war in 1877, but that within a ght quotations nces, it says, is now being re-

ers have been issued for the forma of a third Siberian army corps and ns-Balkan division of Cos will be incorporated in the Manin army. eating the charges that the Jap-

attack on Port Arthur was made Wei Hai Wei, on the north of Shang Tung peninsula, the Novoeya to-day bitterly assails Great

allowing Japan to use the harbor asis of operations," says the Novoe ya, "Great Britain violated ntal principles of neutrality. Hai Wei must be regarded henceis part of Japanese territory, and Britain has forfeited the right ipate in any deliberations over the ial fate of the harbor." Novoe Vremya further holds that

se is analogous to that of the Alaand says Russia is entitled to nd compensation from Great Brit-r the losses she has sustained. rigid censorship still prevents the ar news from either Russian or

manner of rumors are afloat. The ent, however, has taken meascounteract their publication, forthe sale of the principal offenthe St. Petersburg Gazette. The ent expressed great displeas publication of the report of a victory, thus raising false hopes the population. According to one here the Russian armored cruiser boi recently sailed out of Vladik, destroyed twenty Japanese orts off Southern Koren and was sunk by a Japanese cruiser. Anstory claimed that four of the stock warships, under Admiral berg, had sunk four Japanese orts. The report of the sinking of sian cruiser Variag off Chen Still another was to the that the Japanese attack on Port was a feint to protect the pasthe transports bound to Shan Ki to land Japanese troops there. fect a junction with the forces of Shi Kai, the Chinese commanderf, and attack the Russians in the

the Russian navigation companies vessels in Far Eastern waters xious about their fate. The voluneet is particularly concerned g the Ekaterinsky, which left tock on February 4th, and the which left Shanghai laden for ore on February 1st. No news of vessel has been received.

tone of the press comments to-day · bitter against the Japanese, is perhaps significant. The report ited here that the United States: fered her good services is upon only by the Nesti, which sises the previous statement that ention is impossible, and says it whether the offer of good services trictest sense would have any re adds that it considers it strange United States has made a disbetween · China and Korea, it points out, is also an indepe untry.

PTAIN BLEW SHIP UP.

Have Destroyed the Variag fter the Crew Had Escaped. on, Feb. 11.-Reuter's Telegram

ny correspondent at Tokio, in a timed 9.15 p.m., yesterday, ils of the Chemulpo fight rehere say the captain of the remained on board his ship and er up after the crew escaped.
of the crew swam to a French

d others got ashor report says that the French wartified the Russians of the Jap-Koreitz engaged the Japanes

first, while the Variag protected nsport. The Koreitz was soon

MADE PRISONERS. of Bluejackets From the Variag Koreitz Captured by Japan.

on, Feb. 11.-A dispatch to the Gazette from Tokio, under late, says: are great rejoicings here at the wears the aspect of a city of conquer

A number of Russian bluejackets to establish an agreement to regulate who swam ashore after the Japanese attack on the Variag and Koreitz have een made prisoners.

"Reports from Chemulpo say that both the Variag and the Koreitz hoisted he white flag at the last moment." The St. James's Gazette correspond at Chefoo cables that in anticipation of the return of the enemy's fleet, the Russians at Port Arthur are adopting extra defensive measures. Workmen and troops are taking down high brick ouildings, which it was feared would Far East. fall and cause loss of life in the event f a Japanese bombardment.

MORE STEAMERS CAPTURED.

Nenni and Mukden Taken by Japanese Reported Unsuccessful Attempts to Land Troops.

Arthur, under the protection of the guns of the cruisers. It is asserted, however, all the attempts were unsuccessful. A special dispatch from Tientsin confirms the report that the Manchuria railway has been blocked by the blowing up f a bridge on the line, and that thirty Russians were killed in the explosion. It. is reported, the dispatch adds, that the Russian steamers Nenni and Mukden, belonging to the Chinese Eastern Railway Company, have been captured by

Idoyds's agent at Shanghai, cabling under date of yesterday, says it is re-ported, and generally believed, that a warship has destroyed the apanese mail steamer Mongolia,

from Shanghai for Dalny.

The cablegram adds that the three Russian warships damaged by torpedoes at Port Arthur, sank.

BRITAIN'S NEUTRALATY.

Proclamation Signed by King Edward at Council Meeting at Buckingham Palace.

this afternoon, signed a proclamation declaring Great Britain's neutrality during the war between Russia and Japan. report that Russia is attempting to arrange with Turkey to permit the Black Sea fleet to pass through the Dardanelles is revived, and it is added that Russia is trying to secure Great Britain's consent. There is no authoritative confirmation of the report.

LAYING MINES.

Russians Busy at Dalny-Consuls to Leave Kobe and Nagasaki To-Morrow.

New York, Feb. 11.-Several Russians re leaving by the German mail steamer Gera for China, says a Herald dispatch from Nagasaki. The mail steamer Yarya, which will sail from Yokohama on February 12th, will convey the Russian consuls from Kobe and Nagasaki back to Europe. Baron de Rosen tele graphed his compatriots from Tokio: Pray do not delay your departure." It is reported that submarine mines have been laid at Dalny by the Rus

NOTICE TO CANADIANS. Notified to Remain Neutral During War

Between Japan and Russia. Ottawa Feb. 11 .- An extra of the Canada Gazette will be issued this afternoon with a notice from the state department notifying all Canadians to remain neutral that a proclamation to this effect will fol

The Secretary of State is receiving tell grams from Canadians asking as to the safety of missionaries in Korea. Friends of these missionaries in Canada are anxious about them.

OVER-ESTIMATED.

Russia Had Only Fifty Thousand Mer in Field During the Boxer

London, Feb. 11.-Cabling from rekin, the correspondent of the London Times asserts that the habitual over-estimation the Russian forces in the Far East was due to the claim, arising from the Boxer troubles, put forward by M. DeGirs, then Russian minister at Pekin, during the peace negotiations at Pekin in 1900, for an indemnity of £17,000,000 on the ground that Russia had put 179,000 men in the field. It is now known, however, that the real number of their men was under 50,000.

TIENTSIN EVACUATED.

Russian Garrison Has Been Withdrawn-How Japs Spread News of Their Successes.

Tientsin, Feb. 11.-The Russian garrison was withdrawn yesterday to Shan Hai Kwan. The post offices were transferred to the French authorities Yuen Shika, governor of Chi Li provinces and commander-in-chief of the army, has issued a proclamation forbidding meetings of the secret societies.

The Japanese are flooding Pekin gratis Japanese successes against Russia.

WATTING.

Japanese Warships Ready to Seize the Russian Gunboat Mandjur After She Leaves Shanghai.

Shanghai, Feb. 11.-The Russian gunboat Mandjur is still here. It is understood that two Japanese warships are waiting here at the mouth of the Yang Tse Kiang.

RUSHING WORK ON RAILWAY.

Contractors Promised Bonus For Early Completion of the Road.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 11.-A dispatch from Irkutsk, Siberia, says orders have been issued to have the railway across the icecovered Lake Baikal completed by February 28th. The contractors have been promised a bonus of \$1,500 for each day's effort will be made to have "The Creation the ages of 6 to 16. He wanted to earlier completion. tion" concert take place on March 8th.

PRICES ADVANCING.

Silk Has Gone Up Ten Per Cent .- Operatives Going Back to Japan.

New York, Feb. 11.-War in the Far East already has affected the silk piece goods market in the United States. The major-billiousness. Use only Dr. Hamilton's market in the United States. The majority of prominent importing houses have just announced advances of 10 per cent. on habutti and other silk fabrics manufactured in Japan. They give as their reason

FOR SALE—COW, half Holstein and Jersey; will calf in about ten days; also 4-in. It was explained by Trustee Dr. Hall tire farm wagon. Apply 17 Spring road.

successes of the Japanese navy. The public buildings, residences and business houses are decorated with flags. Bunting is to be seen everywhere. Tokio decidedly light. The more important Jap-anese houses in the trade are endeavoring

RUSSIA'S BALTIC FLEET. Proposal to Send It Through Kaiser Wil

helm Canal on Way | East. Berlin, Feb. 11.—The Lokal Anzeiger say tion has been received of the pr posed passage of the Russian Baltic flee Kaiser Wilhelm canal, on its way to the

THE JAPS WILL WIN.

Japanese War Correspondent Confident of His Country's Success.

The Japanese soldiers are sure to win. They are better disciplined than the Russians, and every man is imbued with an from Port Arthur says the Japanese fleet attempted on Wednesday to land men in several bays in the neighborhood of Port resemblance between the average Russian Hall. soldier and the Chinese coolie. He fights because he has to; not for the glory of his country or his ruler. The Cossacks, how ever, are good soldiers and very brave." This is a comparison elicited by a Times reporter to-day from a Japanese resident who has had ample opportunity to compare the fighting analities of the two races Mr Wakimoto was war correspondent for a Japanese newspaper in the Boxer troubles several years ago. He accompanied the al-

> were blown open and the composite force of invaders entered the city and relieved the legations. He saw a great deal of the Russians and watched their methods very able pride overspreading his countenance," the Japanese marched better at every stage. In every battle they were the first to strike, and sized up the situation fair

lied forces on their march to the Chines

capital and was present when the gates

ore quickly than the Czar's soldiers. Th latter were brave, it is true, but lacked spirit; they were dead, and they did not have the same discipline." Mr. Wakimoto also pointed out that 't ground I took was strongly against com- Trustee Boggs, that Mri Pineo be allow-London, Feb. 11.—King Edward, at was the Japanese contingent which blew pelling candidates for third-class certifi- ed the use of the High school in the council held at Buckingham Palace open the gates of Pekin. He awards the

and Russian soldiers in that vicinity, and consented to drop this feature from the vacancy.

I expect that our men will make a land at-

"Ah, there is no doubt about that. The Japanese are certain to win. Man for ested in the matter I think it would be man, they are much superior to their advisable to make their views known to enemies," replied the Japanese decisively. Mr. Wakimoto then explained that Manchurla must not be considered terra incognita to the Japanese. They were thoroughly familiar with that country. For iree or four years Japanese in disguise had been stationed there paying particular attention to the railway. He said they knew exactly where it could be most easily the slightest doubt. Japan could place hair a million men in Manchurla.

As Chemino and Fusen, scaports of A. J. Pinco scalled

Korea, promise to occupy considerable at tention now that hostilities have com menced, the Times reporter sought som information from the said, including them. Chemulpo, he said, including them. This was objected to by Trustee Mowat. He could not see how such things could be utilized at the school at the sc information from Mr. Wakimoto concernand take no part for either side in the war between Japan and Russia, and stating that a real part to the free will follow the real part to the free will follow the real part to the research to the present time. peninsula and opposite Japan, had about thirty thousand Japanese residents. A railroad was under construction up the peninsula to matter be referred to the finance committee. This was carried.

Miss williams, principal of the Girls' railroad. Fusan, on the other side of the insula to meet the line from Seoul to Central school, reported an opportunction of this road has to purchase an encyclopedia cheaply. just begun. Altogether, he said, there were

about a hundred thousand Japanese The local Japanese have decided to conribute a certain sum monthly to the war thing for his country. The reservists have not yet received any intimation from the gone back. Word, however, is expected such work to be undertaken at once. any time. A number of the reservists have

LIFEBOAT COMMITTEE.

Meeting Held on Tuesday Afternoon to Purchase Steam Craft.

Capt. Royds presided at the adjourne meeting of the lifeboat committee, which was held at the office of J. Peirson on Tuesday afternoon.

The secretary submitted a copy of a etter he had written to Mrs. Joan Olive Dunsmuir, seeking her assistance in the inauguration of a steam life-saving serwith newspapers containing reports of the Japanese successes against Russia. ing permission to place subscription lists in their establishments.

The report on "The Creation" concert proposal was presented, and a sub-com nittee, consisting of Capt. Troup, H. D. Helmcken, K. C., and Arthur Wheeler, was appointed to make arrangements.

A. G. C. Galletly's generous contribu tion of \$50 to the fund was reported. The committee decided to recon that a steam lifeboat be acquired for that a steam lifeboat be acquired for committee enclosing bills to the amount Victoria. It was also determined that in of \$1,352.85, and recommending that the the event of a surplus other life-saving

apparatus should be purchased from On the suggestion of Paul Beygrau the committee decided that each person giving \$1 toward the funds should be come an honorary member. The 24th of May each year will be set apart for the were 79 pupils over 16 years of age re-

Manager Taylor, of the Royal Bank of

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Is liable to cause griping pains, but Dr. Hamilton's Pills of Mandrake and Butternut never gripe or cause any pair whatsoever. The mildest and effective Pills. Price 25c.

PRIPOSE HEROTE THE THE SEASON.

THE TRUSTEE BOARD IN MONTHLY SESSION

insisting of afteen warships, through the They Discussed a Number of Matters Scholastic-Fire Alarm System in Schools Proposed.

> The regular monthly meeting of the poard of school trustess was held Wednesday, when Miss Jeanette C. Cann was appointed to the High school teaching staff in succession to Miss R. Wat-

> Chairman Jay presided, and there were present Trustees Mrs. Jenkins. Lewis, Mowat, Boggs, Huggett and Dr. Lieut.-Col. Hall, C. O., Fifth Regient, wrete asking for the loan of chairs from the South Park school for the ac-

Bd. Bragg recommended the Odd Fellows' hall. Spring Ridge as suitable for Dr. Hall pointed out that such a ows' hall, Spring Ridge, as suitable for school purposes.

Received and filed.

City Clerk Dowler acknowledged the receipt of the board's annual estimates. He stated that the council had agreed to tendered the council.

R. L. Drury, M. P. P., as follows: that the enclosed bill was a subject of ficor of the House and also in several into any expense, terviews with the Hon, the Premier, The Trustee Hugget cates to attend the Normal school at Vanpalm for first place, to a Hindoo soldier couver, contending that their profes-who stole into the city undiscovered and sional training should be given locally, "Leaving racial bias altogether out of the views to the government. It seems to me profession, and if your board feels inte

the government before the next session Two Men Answering Description of of the legislature.
"I introduced the amendment to the School Act making it unnecessary for the school board to present a petition to the city council for the purpose of passing a money by-law, and the amendment the right to ask the city council to subapproached and precisely where it was mit a by-law to the people without going weakest. That it will be cut he had not to the expense and trouble of a petition

ested in the matter I think it would be

W WR I DRIEV" A. I. Pingo, sapplied for certain appliances used in chemistry instruction at the High school. The total expense, he stated, would amount to about \$11.

order to bring the matter to head Trustee Dr. Hall moved that the

Miss Williams, principal of the Girls' Central school, reported an opportunity completed. The remainder would be would be quite an acquisition to pushed forward with all possible dispatch, girls library, and she suggested that the as it would prove invaluable in the war funds necessary be appropriated. On motion, the request was granted.

Trustee Boggs, on behalf of the building and grounds committee, submitted the following report;

"We recommend that the space be-

tribute a certain sum monthly to the fund. It was at first determined to have fund. It was at first determined to have seeing last night, but this was found second street be filled in with the board nnecessary, as every subject of the Mi- from the old fence, and that the work kado in this city is anxious to do some- be done by day labor at a cost not exceeding \$20.

"That all the doors in the South Park Japanese consul regarding their recall to school be made to open outwards and duty, although those in San Francisco have that your committee have power to order "That orders be issued to use all the "That orders be issued to use all the plant of the Corn Produce Company in exifs in the South Park school when this city, causing a loss estimated at ver. They are all aching to get into the the pupils are dismissed in order to accustom the children to them in case of fire. Also that the janitor be ordered to have all doors unlocked during the

school hours. "We further report that the boller of the Central school has been inspected and the work required by the inspector. has been carried out. For this we ask the approval of the board.

"We would also ask authority to rearrange a portion of the fire insurance in order that one-third of the policies shall fall due on the 1st day of March next. "We would ask the opinion as to the advisability of providing about ten square yards of slated cloth for the Chi-

There was some discussion on the first matter mentioned. It was finally decided to adopt the recommendation. The question of improvements to the grounds at an expenditure of \$50 also caused some discussion. On motion it was dis-

the approval of the board, and were adopted unanimously. A report was submitted by the finance same be paid. It was adopted without

Other clauses of the report met with

Trustee Boggs asked that a "sports ittee" be appointed. Such a com mittee, it was pointed out, could only be appointed by giving notice of motion. Trustee Lewis pointed out that there ceiving tuition at the High school. Acrding to the School Act it was providknow whether the board was within its legal rights in taking in those over the age limit. He gave figures showing that \$700 was expended yearly in providing education for pupils over 16 years. Trustee Boggs said that he inte introducing a motion suggesting that the board communicate with the educational

department asking whether the School

Act was to be interpreted to mean that no students over 16 years should be educated free of charge.

between 6 and 16 years must be educated ANNUAL BALL OF

be accepted. It was left to the discre-tion of the board to impose a fee of Trustee Mowat introduced a motion A Scene of Splendor at the Assembly providing that a fire afarm system be in stalled in all schools of two stories or Prize Winners. appointed to bring the matter to an in

TT AGENTALY

It was not and carried It was moved by Trustee Mrs. Jenkins that the sympathy of the board be extended to Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Paul in their recent bereavement.

Trustee Mowat suggested that a system of "drinking fountrins" be established in connection with the different local schools. He explained that the present system, where all pupils put their mouths

of fountains would be comparatively to and the effect was impressive. This was referred to the building and night, when the merry-makers unmasked called to the deceased. The latter evigrounds committee for consideration.

A notice of motion was submitted by quaintances. About this time an adjournary of the deer. Witness had

for the pupils of the public schools dom been excelled. Flags, bunting, everin the left elbow, which was bent, and
should be set apart, such field day to be upon the most suitable holiday to be slon and a myriad of colored lights added As soon as the deceased fell to the agreed upon by the principals of the to the brillancy of the scene. The menu ground, witness called loudly to Stage, schools in conference with a sports committee, to be named by the chairman."

was a credit to the caterer, J. M. Hughes, who was some distance from them. He of the Queen's hotel, and the service was came burriedly up and between them

make it compulsory for trustees to visit schools at specified times. On the suggestion of the chairman

Trustee Mowat put the proposal in the form of a notice of motion, submit a by-law providing for the proposed extraordinary expenditure of \$40, 600. This was received, and thanks will at the High school in the evenings. Supt. Eafon explained that it had been

A communication was received from the custom of A. J. Pines to conduct classes once or twice a week at the "Dear Sir:-For the information of school. In order to replace any of the burself and the board I wish to say school material used a small fee had that the enclosed bill was a subject of been exacted from the pupils. It was some discussion by myself, both on the not Mr. Pineo's wish to run the board Trustee Huggett moved seconded by

evenings. This was carried. During the evening the board went into a committee of the whole for the informed the people in the legations that help was at hand.

"The big battlefield, I think, will be in the Yalu river. There are seventy thous—

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tack on Port Arthur. That is where the terested parties and educational boards boards boards throughout the province to present their mittee of three be appointed to take into consideration the question of extraordinquestion, what do you think the outcome of that flight will be from what you know of the soldiery of the two countries?" was asked.

The destriction of the two countries?" was asked.

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> CHINESE CAPPERED Fugitives Held in Seattle.

Two Chinese, who are believed to be the men the police are looking for in connection with the murder of Man Quon, a week ago Smiday morning, have been passed, so that your board will now have arrested at Custer, a point about eight miles from Blaine. They were caught by Collector Estell while aftempting to enter United States territory, and at once taken to Seattle. They were held up by the officer yesterday, and the odllector, who was aware of the search heing made by the police of Victoria and Vancouver for four fugitives from this place, immediately notified the local chief. In his telegram he says the two ers gave their names as Moy Chin description of two of the wanted Asiatics.

Chief Langley has instructed the Seattle authorities to have the Channen photographed. If they are found to be the men the police are after they will be becomen John Davis D. W. Potts, C. W. Cappelman, John Davis D. W. Cappelman, John Dav brought over as soon as possible to face

The four men who succeeded in escap ing from Victoria after the murder of Man Quen, are Wong Nam Yuen, who it is said was the ringleaded, Wong Sam, Wong Hung and Wong Yuen. The two men how in custody here are Wong Gow and Wong On. They will appear before the magistrate this aftermoon, the case having been remanded from yesterday.

ANOTHER BIG FIRE.

Oswego Scene of Blaze Which Destroyed Property Valued at One Million Dollars.

Oswego, N. Y., Feb. 11.-Two firemen were injured, one fatally, in the fire which practically destroyed the large \$1,000,000.

The fire started yesterday afternoon in the chemical room. After the city fire department and the volunteer department of Kingsford's mills had tried in vain to cope with the flames, Mayor Manson sent telegrams for aid to Fulton and Syracuse. From the latter city a force of three engines and twenty-five men were dispatched, and joined their efforts to those of the local department.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 11 .- Two persons ost their lives and four others wer jured; one perhaps fatally, in a fire that estroyed a three story brick apartm house at Fifteenth and Harrison streets, it the residence district. Many persons jumped from the second and third stories.

Clearing Away Debris Baltimore, Md., Feb. 11 .- Three thousand were set at work clearing up the debris in

the burned districts to-day. Loss Placed at \$85,000,000.

Baltimore, Feb. 11.-A complete estimate of the total loss from the fire by 25 experts, epresentatives of leading misurance companies outside of Baltimore, place the figares at \$85,000,000. Some of them think that the total loss will be reduced to \$10,-000,000, as much salvage is being dug out companies is estimated by the same experts at 75 per cent. of the total. The Chamber of Commerce to-day resumed the

board rooms in the Masonic temple

BLOOD POISON OFTEN RESULTS From paring corns with razors. Wise A. Palmer, have brought about this people use Putnam's Painless Corn and Wart Extractor, the standard cure of America and Great Britain, for all sorts of corns, warts and bunions. Use only Putnam's.

DIED. BROWN—On the 11th inst., at the family residence, Esquimalt road, Sidney Baden Powell, third son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown, aged 4 years.

Hall Last Evening-List of

The fifth annua! masquerade ball of the local aerie of Eagles was held Wednes-day at Assembly hall. There was an attendance of between 450 and 500, and everyone present spent a thoroughly enjoyable time. From shortly after 8 o'clock up til the early hours there was unrestrained have been more elaborate or a greater varied some distance from the camp when here, says a special cable from Vienna system, where all pupils put their mouths of a tap, was disguisting. The expense of a tap, was disguisting. The expense of a tap, was disguisting. The expense of a tap, was disguisting that the present and the present are the present are the present are the present and the present are ment was taken to the supper room. This fired five shots, the deceased Chilean run-"That in the opinion of the board it is was one of the principal features of the ining in front of the rifle when the last desirable that a regular annual field day function. The table decorations have sell shot was fixed. The bullet hit the man

commodation of those attending the Paardeberg Day celebration on February 18th at the drill hall. The request was granted.

mittee, to be named by the chairman."

Trustee Mowat moved that the board be divided into two committees, whose business it would be to visit the schools was granted.

of the queen's note, and the schools all that could be desired.

This was followed by the judging, which was performed by W. H. Price, Ed. Smith and Mr. Davis, of Nanaimo. The awards male from the camp when he left the

follow: party and set out by himself. About an motion was out of order as nobody could Grand Tombola, Mrs. V. M. Graham (one family half-cabinet Singer sewing machine, shots in rapid succession, then a fourth value \$75).
Finest costumed lady masker, Mrs. M. was fired, and a few minutes later he O'Keefe ,New Jewel range, value \$35). Best national character by lady, Mrs. W. same time that the last shot was fired H. Fletcher (magnificent massive quarter

oak upholstered rocker, value \$25, presented by Smith & Champton).

Best original character representing any out on his back groaning loudly. business firm or stock in trade, lady, Miss asked Bicenta whether Rivera had done F. Snyder (dinner set, 97 pieces, gilt lined it intentionally, and the deceased had reand Illuminated, value \$15, presented by plied, "No, no, Rivera shot at deer and Hastie's Fair).

couldn't hit it; greenhorn shooter.' Best sustained character, lady, Mrs. P. Bicenta died at 7.30 p.m. Witness said Shandley (aluminium guitar, value \$25, that the deceased had distinctly told him presented by Herbert Kent). Best original character representing a that Rivera had aimed at the deer. trade or profession, lady, Mrs. A. K. La- A sad tobogganing accident occurred leivre (china tea set, 40 pieces, value \$9, on Jackson avenue, Vancouver,

presented by Hastle's Fair).

Monday night: Willie Douglas, aged 14

Monday night: Willie Douglas, aged 14

years, son of Robert Douglas, was sliddon (silver cake basket, value \$7, present- ing down at full speed when his sleigh ed by C. E. Redfern). erashed into another which two boys Finest costumed gentleman masker, T. were dragging up the hill, and a plank M. Brayshaw (Columbia grand grapha-phone, value \$50, presented by M. W. stomach, and knocked him off his seat. Waitt & Co.). He was picked up in a badly shaken con-

Best national character, gentieman, a dition, and taken to the home of his par-Todhunter (elegant massive quarter of summoned, and it was found that the by Smith & Champion).

Best original character representing a filling the stomach with blood. The last business firm or stock in trade, gentleman, words he spoke were in answer to an in-J. H. Smith (Morris reclining chair, value) quiry from his mother, "I am not very \$15, presented by Smith & Champion). much hurt," he said. Then he sank into Best sustained character, gentleman, J. a stupor, and in about an hour breathed Lyon (Dobson banjo, value \$20, presented his last.
by M. W. Waitt & Co).

Dr. J. W. Bland, V. S., of Vancouver.

Best original character representing a trade or professional gentleman, H. Norman (beautiful lamp, value \$12.50, presenting the professional gentleman, in the professional gentleman of t ed by Hastie's Fair). ment as veterinary inspector of the Do-Most comical character, gentlemen, minion government at this port. Dr. Messrs. Price and Randolph (one ton of Bland's appointment will take effect im-

coal, presented by Hall & Walker).

Person selling most tickets, J. Oliver (\$10 ary inspector at that port for several in cash, presented by Henry Slebenbaum). years, but resigned last fall. During the The unqualified success of the affair is past few months the office was filled by largely due to the energy of the members Dr. A. G. Hopkins, who recently resign of the general committee in making prepar-ations and to the reception committee for paper. Dr. J. B. Hart, Vancouver, has ations and to the reception committee for the hearty welcome extended all visitors. It is been notified of his appointment as Following were those who acted out the two committees mentioned.

General Committee—Chairman, A. W. The Presbytery of Westminster held a Von Rhein; secretary, Frank Leroy; treasurer, M. O'Keefe; W. E. Wheeler, Jos. church, Vancouver, the first Presbyterian church, Vancouver, the first matter taken

Wachter, F. V. Robertson, G. B. Howard up being the call from the congregation J. M. Hughes, John Richards, Dr. J. Gibbs. The signal for a general dispersal was G. Calder. The call was sustained and given by the rendering of "God Save the King" some hours after midnight. Special cars were provided for the convenience of

those attending. Monkey Brand Sosp makes copper like gold, tin like silver, crockery like marble

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL.

and windows like crystal.

Wednesday Night-Financial Statement Read. to was as appended:

To the Right Reverend William Wilcox, embers of the building committee:

publicly declare this building opened for responded to. the use hereinafter mentioned. We desire that it be known as "St laborers, with hundreds of carts and trucks, Barnabas's Sunday school room." and That entertainments and local gather-

hold their meetings in the classrooms proof the ruins, which was thought to have children of our parish if a church day been destroyed. The loss to the insurance school could be established to be known as St. Barnabas's church school. We notice with much gratification

Chamber of Commerce to-day resumed the amongst the subscribers the name of usual calls for grains at the temporary Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere, K.C.M.G., Lieut.-Governor of the province. The untiring energies and perseverance f our revered superintendent, Mr. Thos much needed schoolroom, and he has the thanks of parishioners and scholars. We congratulate the contractor, Mr. W. E. Regan, on his successful and con-

> We pray Almighty God to bestow His Signed on behalf of the scholars. PERCY D. BANNERMAN. Dated the 8th day of February, on

thousand nine hundred and four.

HUNTING FATALITY. THE LOCAL EAGLES Man Accidentally Shot at Howe Sound -Boy's Sad Death at Vancouver.

A coroner's inquest was held at Van-

hour later he was startled to hear three

heard another shot fired. Almost at the

he heard Rivera calling loudly that

and found the deceased lying stretched

He

Bicenta had been shot. He went at onc

hearing the evidence relating to

conver on Tuesday over the body of Bicenta, a Chilean, who was accidentally shot at Howe Sound on Monday. After Prince Otto Are Current in Vienna. cumstances surrounding the death of the deceased, the jury were not long in re-turning the following verdict: "That the deceased came to his death from a bullet accidentally discharged from a gun in the hands of Albert Rivera." The first witness called was Albert Rivera, who fired the fatal shot. He said that on Monday morning he had gone out shoot-

that he and the deceased man were walk-The castle at Prague is named as the Dancing was continued up to about mid- ing along when witness espied a deer. He place where the Princess turned the

hand against herself.

her life several times. Denials inspired by the Austrian court were issued immediately following the announcement of the shooting of Louise

Lives. Doddsville, Miss., Feb. 9.-Luther Holbert and his wife, negroes, burned at the stake here on Sunday by a mob of over 1,000 persons for the killing of James Eastland, a prominent waite planter, and John Carr, a negro, on Wednesday at the Eastland plantation, two miles from this city. The burning of Holbert and his wife closes a tragedy which has cost eight lives. For lowing are the dead: Luther Holbert and wife, negroes, burned at the stake by a nob; James Eastland, white planter, killed by Holbert; John Carr, negro, kill-ed by Holbert; John Winters, negro, killed by Eastland; three unknown negroes,

killed by posses. The killing of Eastland, Carr and Winters occurred Wednesday at Eastland's plantation. Holbert and Winters were in Carr's cabin, when Eastland entered and ordered Holbert to leave the plantation. A difficulty ensued, in which Eastland, fatally wounding him and killing Carr. Eastland returned the fire

When the news of the tragedy reached Doddsville a posse was formed and left at once for Eastland's place. Arriving there, further shooting occurred and an unknown negro was killed. Hol-bert and his wife, who had denned men's clothes, both heavily armed, had fled.

until Saturday night, when Holbert and his wife, worn out from travelling over 100 miles on foot, through canebrakes heavy belt of timber three miles east ot Shepardstown and eaptured by a posse without a shot being fired. The two pegroes were brought to Doddsville and were burned at the stake also been notified of his appointment as

mistaken for him by members of the

put in the hands of Mr. Calder, who accepted it. SPLENDID ENTERTAINMENTS

a call from Fort Langley to Rev. J. A.

Were Given by "The Kilties" Tuesday Afternoon and Evening. The Kilties band Tuesday gave two proughly enjoyable performances at the branch lines in Ontario trains have the Victoria theatre. There were good not been operated for ever a week, and Formally Opened By Bishop Perrin attendances in the afternoon and even- in some places are in danger of a fuel ing and all were satisfied with the char- and food famine. To avert these the acter of the entertainment provided. The railway companies are doing everything band, under the able leadership of Wm. in their power. Even the oldest inhab-The new St. Barnabas's Sunday school was formally opened Wednesday, when T. W. Palmer, superintendent, read a most great deal of enthus asm, especially in fall of snow nor in the low temperature. interesting statement regarding the finan- the evening. From light, airy, captivat- readings. In Montreal thermometer ces of the building, showing that there ing music to the inspiring grandeur of teadings below zero were recorded on was a balance of but \$280 due on the Wagnerian masterpieces, it was equally nineteen out of the thirty-one days in contract price, for which a promissory at home. The ever-popular intermezzo January, and Ontario did not escape note due, June 30th, was given. A per from Cavallarie Rusticana was splendid much more lightly. The present fear is tition from the scholars was then read, ly readered. The programme was re-after which Bishop Perrin complimented freshingly varied. The Clan Johnstone, astrons floods. after which Bishop Perrin complimented Mr. Palmer and members of the building ing committee, and declared the building of Scotch reel, Sailors hompine, the Palace and Victoria hotels and several scores and declared to discovered and Irish jig. all in cestume. Tom duly opened. A concert, under the direcorship of A. Longfield, followed, which Johnstone's sword dance was the finest total loss is placed at \$40,000; covered was much enjoyed. The petition referred performance of its kind ever seen here, by insurance. The fire started in the J. Coates Lockhart sang in good style furnace room of the Palace hotel at '3 'Jock o' Hazeldene," and had to respend o'clock this morning, and destroyed Bishop of Columbia: to an enthusiastic encore. Despite the twenty other buildings, including the VieTo the Rev. Ernest Miller, rector, and to handicap of a severe cold, the vocalist's toria hotel, a number of stores and pri-Messrs. Thomas Palmer, lay reader tenor was used to excellent a lyantage, vate residences. At noon the fire was and superintendent; Edward E. The honorary pipe-major, Albert John-still spreading, and it was feared would

greeting, and petition His Lordship, the importunate recall. In fact encores Bishop of the diocese, to formally and were freely demanded and generously "Mummy and the Humming Bird." Last season Paul Gilmore made a prothat its primary use be for the scholars attending the Sunday school.

Tears." This season he has scored a positive triumph in "The Mummy and ounced success in "The Tyrandy That entertainments and local gatherings take place from time to time for the mutual benefit of those attending our church.

That the various percebial societies That the various parochial societies Murry, has given Mr. Gilmore a vehicle mains will be forwarded to Brockville, calculated to show off all his actor's his former home, for interment. This vided, thus making it a centre of church good qualities to the best possible advan-We believe it would be beneficial to the of the play, is such a lovable character that even a less capable artist would be admired in the part. His wit, like Mercutio's, is bubbling, and no matter how serious the situation, the dear Mummy tempers all his trials with the delightfu wit of his nature. What a foil the Humming Bird is for the Mummy. What a right hand bower the Italian organ grinder becomes in the hands of Lord Lumley. How penitent Lady Lumley grows, when she becomes cognizant of the real worth of her husband, and how she despises the sinister spirit of the evil genius of the play. Paul Gilmore appears at the Victoria on Thursday night.

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PRINCESS REPORTED TO HAVE ENDED HER LIFE

THE BOOK T

Rumors of the Suicide of the Wife of

New York, Feb. 11.-Princess Elizabeth Windescharetz, grand daughter of cess discovered in the apartments of her ing for deer with the deceased and a man named James W. Stage. They proceedhusband, Prince Otto, has committed suicide, according to a persistent rumor to the World.

The Princess, it is said, was suffering from a form of insanity which manifested itself in fits of jealousy. When shot was fired. The bullet hit the man suffering thus she sought to kill those whom she suspected of causing her despair. Her jealous fury alternated with which she is reported to have attempted

BURNED AT STAKE.

Negro and Wife Victims of Mob's Fury -Tragedy Which Cost Eight

t is alleged that Holbert opened fire on and killed Winters.

Posses were formed and the pursuit f Holbert and his wife was begun with bloodhounds. The chase, which was begun Wednesday morning, was continued

by a mob almost in the shadow of the negro church here. Two negroes were killed by a posse near Belzonta, Yazoo One of the negroes bore a striking resemblance to Holbert, and was

EASTERN WINTER.

Traffic on Eastern Railways Practically Suspended-Fire at Valleyfield.

Montreal, Feb. 10.-Traffic on the railways in Ontario is practically suspended with the exception of passe and a little freight business on the main-lines. So bad has the situation become that the Montreal wholesale houses have begun calling in their travellers, as not only are they unable to get around, but if they were the railways are unable to deliver the goods they sell. On some of

Wootton, churchwarden; Alexander stone, roused the greatest enthusiasm by cross St. Laurent street and destroy a M. Bannerman, George W. Knox, his bagpipe selections. The Kiltics number of small wooden houses. A firechoir of eighteen voices sang "Scots Wha" man named Currier was badly injured We, by these presents, do send you Hae" in a manner which commanded an by the falling of a beam in the Victoria

FOURTEENTH VICTIM.

Geo. F. Price, Injured in Collision Near Sand Point, Died in Ottawa Hospital.

Ottawa, Feb. 11.—George F. Price fireman on one of the wrecked trains at Sand Point, died at 3 o'clock at St. his manager, Jules Luke's hospital this morning. The remakes the fourteenth victim. ON HOLIDAY.

Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain Leave For Egypt-Lady Curzon Arrives in London.

London, Feb. 11.-Joseph Chamberain and Mrs. Chamberlain started for Cairo, Egypt, to-day on a prolonged holi-Lady Curzon, of Kedlestone, wife of the Viceroy of India, and their children,

arrived in London to-day. THE CAUSE OF PILES

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