gl to, and all was silent. perately the second figure at the gar- door, entered by some means un- ed and stood irresolutely behind a granite column on the balustrade. e shook the snow from his great coat apels were thrown back, exposing for nstant a part of the uniform of one of Czar's life guards. The watcher ed patiently as if expecting some one ave the palace, and his eyes rested on orway opening into the conservatory. hour passed ere any sign of life was d from within. Then a bolt was shot , the door was slowly opened and muffled figures emerged into the con- atory. One of them was a woman. or three timesshe drew back, though companion urged her on, and as if ling new resolution she followed the into the garden. At this juncture watcher rushed noiselessly to the door he garden wall and stepped into the lows, in time to avoid discovery by man and woman who stopped for a nent to listen before passing out. in the woman wavered, and passion- y threw her arms around her com- ion who stood firm and erect, awaiting ewed courage. For some time they ed earnestly in low tones, though as became more at variance, the words d be distinctly heard.

What! Is this your boasted loyalty to cause, Tatjana; pshaw! girl, where is courage! Come; to-night is the ap- ted time."

Oh! Bakunin, not to-night; not to- y;" she replied plaintively, "give time, it is all so sudden. For months ve dreamed of this hour, thinking I would be strong for your sake, , but God knows I am weak, and unin, my very blood seems frozen in veins."

Bah! It is nervousness, or the mptings of a cowardly nature, and could have believed you of all others e a coward, in the supreme hour when sia is to be freed from the yoke that gh down the necks of her people. From the house of a Romanoff, to nk from a stroke for liberty, that will e you the mistress of not only Russia of all Europe. You! who have been lted, dragged down, denied admit- to the Winter Palace, snubbed by es of rank not rightfully equal to your . You! the princess Ivanova courted nen, hated by women, feared by the l family; why, Tatjana, I laugh at "

But, if I fail, think of what it means to death, do you understand; or even e, banishment to Siberia."

Better to die a martyr for Russia than se the one chance of ruling Europe, ana. Come, we must go, for when un rises over Russia this morning, reat mountains and valleys, the old edrals, aye, and the palaces, will echo shouts of a million souls. Liberty independence! The plan is sure to eed; we have as many friends at t as the royals, who would eagerly us, when once the master stroke is me. The Czar sleeps to-night at the nage of Alexis who is to meet him ds. Once within his chamber under rt of Alexis, and the rest is easy. e, Tatjana, be brave my darling."

ithout a word she acquiesced, and to- er they hurried along the quay to d the Hermitage, silently passing ugh the gate, where Bakunin left her e and disappeared in the direction of Winter Palace.

tjana paced irresolutely back and h for ten minutes, when a stranger, disguised, approached her and whis- d "Tatjana!" Quietly she extended her d and murmured the one word, "Alex- which if heard from her lips would rouse Russia with a scandal.

here appeared to be a perfect under- ding between the two, and they cau- sly entered the Hermitage, where ana was taken to the room formerly d by Catherine, and the splendor of ppointments, the luxury of her sur- ndings, awoke all the latent revenge er nature. Her heart was of steel, in a moment she was equal to the gency. She would triumph now or

Her companion was silently con- plating her exquisite beauty. The e black eyes shone radiantly with the re of intense feeling, the mouth was tly closed over firmly-set teeth, and whole expression was one of defiance, riking in originality and so entranc- y beautiful, that involuntarily her panion sighed, as he turned a way to d the bed chamber, where the laid sleeping soundly. Tat- did not notice that Alexis still wore wraps and was muffled, though being nt on her purpose this fact is not rising. Turning to her he motioned llow him, and they entered the bed- mber. Excusing himself for a few ents, to remove his overcoat and fur, ana Ivanova was left alone with the r of Russia. Quick as a flash it oc- ed to her that the moment to act was and. Instantly a plan passed through brain. She world strike the fatal y while he slept and make her escape Alexis returned. It was a daring me, though not improbable for one of ana Ivanova's disposition. Glancing und to be sure of no interruption she w a sharp dagger from under her cloak, fearlessly approached the bed. For moment she gazed at the countenance he man who had trampled upon her ile, and in that look the pent up hatred years possessed her. The knife was sed over the prostrate form of the . There was a dangerous expression the beautiful features as she calculated distance, and selected a spot nearest his heart. Summoning her whole ength she braced herself for the w that in another instant would end life of the Czar. At this instant a ht noise attracted her, and turning head, she saw her companion stand- in the centre of the room horrified at apparition before him.

Alexis!" she screamed.

No, not Alexis, you murderess. See o stands before you!"

The Grand Duke Constantine! Be- ed! I am lost!"

(To be continued.)

AN ASTORIA TRAGEDY.

Chinaman Beaten Shot Dead by a Police Officer.

At 2 o'clock this morning a police attle was blown by a woman who s in a house of ill-fame on Concom- Street, opposite the old Astoria Iron ks. She was being beaten by a man ed Zeisler, from Geneva, Switzer- . Officer Linnville went to the e, and the woman, who bore marks iolence, asked him to come in and st the man. The officer searched house without finding the man, and climbed over the board fence into alley adjoining the house, when ker, who was crouched in the shad- f a building, spoke up, "Who's ef" Linnville answered, "An officer, I've come to arrest you." He then d, "Where is your staff" Linnville ed his coat and said "Here it is." ler replied, "This is my place and not going." Linnville said, "I guess will," starting toward. Zeisler com- forward cried "Halt! or I'll shoot." nville stopped, seeing a pistol in ler's hand, Linnville then said, op that gun or I'll shoot you. ler paid no attention to the com- d but continued advancing with n pistol to within about eight when Linnville fired killing him antly. The jury acquitted Linnville. *storian.*

Departing Chinese.—The tug Holyoke erday took on the effects and food of Chinese, who will be taken to Port overy, where they will take passage by bark Southern Chief for Hongkong. e is a considerably greater number of Celestials going out of the province than e entering. They will never be missed.

now.—A considerable quantity of the tiful fell in Active Pass Friday night, hills being covered.

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REGULAR COMMERCIAL ADVERTISING, as distinguished from everything of a transient character—that is to say, advertising referring to regular Mercantile and Manufacturing Business, Government and Land Notices—published at the following rates per line solid Nonpareil, the duration of publication to be specified at the time of ordering advertisement—

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Per Month.....40
Per Quarter.....75
Per Months.....75

WEEKLY ADVERTISEMENTS—Ten cents a line (nonpareil) each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than $1.

TO SUBSCRIBERS AND INTENDING SUBSCRIBERS.

IN ORDERING THE WEEKLY COLONIST, TO INSURE DELIVERY, YOU SHOULD ENCLOSE THE AMOUNT OF SUBSCRIPTION IN POSTAGE STAMPS. MONEY ORDERS, COIN OR BANK BILLS. PAPERS LEAVE THIS OFFICE UNLESS THE SUBSCRIPTION HAS BEEN FIRST PAID, AND NO NOTICE IS TAKEN OF ANY ORDER THAT IS NOT ACCOMPANIED BY THE MONEY.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

Persons residing at a distance from Victoria, who may desire to insert a notice of Birth, Marriage or Death in *The Colonist*, must enclose with each notice Two Dollars and Fifty Cents in P. O. Stamps, money order, bills or coin, ensure insertion.

THE WEEKLY COLONIST.

NOTICE.

SPECIAL EDITION FOR SOUTH SAANICH, LAKE, METCHOSIN, SOOKE, COMOX AND OTHER DISTRICTS NOT REACHED BY FRI-DAYS MAIL IS PRINTED EVERY TUESDAY MORNING AND DISPATCHED THROUGH THE POSTOFFICE.

Local and Provincial News.

From the Daily Colonist, Nov. 27.

RUMORED SUBSIDY.

To a Trans-Pacific Steamship Line.

(Exclusive to The Colonist.)

OTTAWA, Nov. 26.—It is stated here, though the statement lacks confirmation, that the home government has decided to grant a mail subsidy for a steamship line between British Columbia and Japan, the East Indies and Australia.

AN IMPORTANT LEASE.

Extension of the Union Pacific Railroad System.

NEW YORK, Nov. 19.—The Tribune this morning publishes the following: The lease of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company to the Union Pacific Railway Company was practically completed at the conference between the committees of the companies held in Boston on Tuesday. Elijah Smith, President of the Oregon Company, who with Directors Hall and Mayer went to Boston to attend the meeting, returned yesterday. He said that the lease was now simply a matter for the lawyers, because the terms had been virtually agreed upon. A few details of minor importance were left to be arranged, but there was no doubt of the final execution of the lease. It is understood that the minimum rental is 6 per cent per year on the stock of the Oregon Company and that a division of earnings in excess of that amount may be provided for. No definite action on the latter part was taken by the conference committee, although President Adams of the Union Pacific offered to agree to a division if the minimum rental should be reduced to 5 per cent per year. Provision was made for the building of branch lines by the Oregon and the transcontinental company, which owns a controlling interest in the Oregon Company. It is understood that the Oregon Company will not reopen negotiations and that the North ern Pacific, if it wishes to participate in the lease, will be obliged to make terms with the Union Pacific Railroad. The position of the Oregon Company is, in effect, that its property is now virtually in the hands of the Union Pacific Company and that it has no right to take any action in regard to it.

Personal.

Chas. E. and Mrs. Redfern are on the Elder from San Francisco.

At the Oriental: A. M. Harris, Mrs. Harris, Miss Harris, Boston; J. Neilson, A. Boyd, C. D. Atkinson, Brockville; R. Smith, John Phynas, Montreal; A. Pendola, Savona; Fred. E. Hills, Quebec; E. E. Burker, Vancouver.

At the Clarence: S. W. Walker, Portland.

At the Driard: Nelson Bennett and wife, Capt. S. J. Bennett, Tacoma; R. W. Mitchell and wife, Portland.

Thos. Shotbolt, of Johnson street, returned from an extended trip to England and France, on the Princess Louise last night. Mr. Shotbolt spent a pleasant and profitable holiday and returns in the best of health.

Reginald Nuttall returned last night from a prolonged trip in Eastern Canada and the United States.

It is stated that Mr. G. F. Kyle has been appointed manager of the Treadwell mine in Alaska. If the rumor is correct the Treadwell mine is in luck, for Mr. Kyle is bound to make it succeed even better than at present. His departure from the province will be deeply regretted.

Inferior Fish.—D. W. Higgins, late editor and proprietor of the Victoria Colonist, has just returned from a trip to Eastern Canada. He tells the people that the exhausted inferior fish sent recently from the canneries in the province have injured the market—a story similar to that told of the bad salmon sent east this fall by the Columbia river packers.—*Seattle Post-Intelligencer.*

FALL ASSIZES.

Address of the Grand Jury, and Reply of Mr. Justice Crease.

The following is the full text of the presentment to Mr. Justice Crease and his reply thereto:

THE PRESENTMENT.

To the Hon. Mr Justice Crease:

VICTORIA, Nov. 22, 1886.

May it please your lordship: The grand jury beg to record their sincere regret for the disgrace cast upon the administration of justice in the province by the serious charges so unwarrantably made recently by Mr. Justice Henry and Mr. Justice Strong of the Supreme Court of the Dominion in connection with the Sproule case; and for the contempt which these unretracted charges have brought upon our courts, as exhibited by the articles published in the press of the United States.

They respectfully desire to express in the fullest sense their entire confidence in the honesty, impartiality and scrupulous care for the administration of the law which the judiciary of the supreme court of this province have always shewn; and to which, they are satisfied, the people of British Columbia owe almost entirely, the peaceful liberty they have enjoyed ever since the first settlement of the country.

They view with dismay anything that assails the purity of the Bench, or detracts from the justly venerated character of British Justice; and while respectfully sympathizing with the indignation and mortification under which the judges of the supreme court of British Columbia are so unrighteously smarting, are constrained to believe that Mr. Justice Henry and Mr. Justice Strong could only have taken the course they did under an entire misapprehension of the circumstances; and that, therefore, (although the mischief wrought is largely irreparable), they will surely do their utmost to set themselves right, alike with the supreme court and the people of this province. The grand jury trust that the construction of well-designed, commodious and suitable offices (having due regard to future as well as present requirements), may soon be accomplished, the judges' and court house being inconvenient in situation, and altogether devoid of comfort, and proper accomodation.

Wm. C. Ward, foreman; John Parker, Jas. Muirhead, Geo. Rudge, Wm. Wilson, C.E. Renouf, Thos. Michell, D. Dale, Adam Glindenning, John M. Wark, A. S. Farwell, Ed. S. Wilkinson, Ed. Stephens, C. E.

THE REPLY.

SUPREME COURT HOUSE,
Victoria, Nov. 25, '86.

To William C. Ward, Esq., foreman, and other the Grand Jurors in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, now holden at Victoria, assembled:

Gentlemen:—I have the honor to acknowledge, with very many thanks, the expression by the grand jury of the district of the continuance of that entire general confidence in the honesty, impartiality and scrupulous care for the administration of the law by the judges of this supreme court which is so encouraging to them in the performance of the arduous and responsible duties they are called on to discharge.

For the last 28 years, within my own experience in British Columbia this public confidence has given a moral force and vitality to the solemn decrees of the court which no amount of physical power could produce.

I can only trust that reflection may produce upon the gentlemen you name the effect which you desire.

It is difficult to conceive that a regard, if not for the elevated position which both occupy on the judicial bench, at least for the prestige, reputation and high character of that honorable body with whom they are associated in the discharge of the supreme judicial functions should not induce them to extend that courtesy and fair consideration which are due to those who have long and honorably occupied the bench of even an inferior court.

It will give me great pleasure to transmit your presentment in favor of the erection of a new supreme court house to the proper authorities, who will, I am sure, give every attention to your recommendation.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

HENRY P. PELLOW CREASE,
Judge of the supreme court of B. C.

Vancouver and the Chinese.

The Knights of Labor of this city are still relentlessly pursuing their war against Chinese labor which they inaugurated, and almond-eyed celestials are finding the terminal city a poor location, and a number of them have taken their departure for better pastures. The knights have instituted a vigorous boycott against all who place themselves under the ban of the order by employing Chinese, selling them food or patronizing them in any way. If a business man creates one of these offences he finds a big black X painted on the sidewalk in front of his store or office when he goes to business in the morning, and the initiated understand that store or office, as the case may be, must be boycotted for supporting Chinese. By this means Vancouver will be ridden of the plague to white labor which threatened to invade the city in great force before the knights made a move in opposition to it. The knights intend to do all in their power to keep the celestials from obtaining a foothold in this city and the feeling of the citizens generally is strong in favor of the object. A Westminster company who own real estate here were afraid to send a gang of coolies to clear their property, as in all probability there would have been a collision between them and the representatives of white labor. No Chinaman need apply at Vancouver. They run the risk of a cool reception and a warm send-off.—*Vancouver News.*

The Canadian Pacific as a Winter Route.

CHICAGO, Nov. 18.—Reports from Iowa, Dakota, Nebraska and other western points show that the snow blockades on the American transcontinental roads have set in this year somewhat earlier than usual. The west bound Pacific mail train has been snow-bound at Brookville, Kansas, since Monday. A train with one hundred passengers is snowed in near Canton, Dakota. The different railways are lined with dead engines in snow drifts. In fact, transcontinental travel is demoralized and practically at a standstill over the various lines.

IN THE CANADIAN NORTHWEST.

WINNIPEG, Man., Nov. 18.—Reports from various points on the Canadian Pacific railway show that this railroad is absolutely free from the snow blockades that have virtually caused a suspension of traffic on the American transcontinental lines.

DONALD, B. C., Nov. 18.—Not the slightest trouble with snow; only six inches on the summit of the Rocky mountains, and also on the Selkirk range. No snow west of Revelstoke, eighty miles west of here. All trains running on time. Thermometer 13 deg. below zero.

Forthcoming Treats.—Professor Enrico Sorgé purposes giving two concerts to renovate the organ of the Reformed Episcopal Church. The first concert will take place on the 7th of December, upon which occasion several novelties, vocal and instrumental will be introduced.

What Some People Say.

That the local house will meet about January 25th.

That Katie Putnam opens in Portland to-morrow night. It is not known when she will play here.

That it is said to be impossible to make men virtuous by act of parliament; but it is possible to make them clean by virtue of a city sewerage bylaw.

That doubts are now expressed at Ottawa as to the dissolution of the Dominion house by "violent" means—that is by proclamation before the legal death of the body.

That an evening contemporary complains that *The Colonist* has not apologized to the chief of police. When *The Colonist* is shown that it has wronged that official, it will apologize. Not before.

That if Mr. Duncan should remove the Metlakahtlan colony to American territory, there will be a clear annual loss of trade to Victoria merchants of at least $100,000.

That American officials at Port Townsend say Uncle Sam will be only too glad to welcome the highly civilized Indian community, and will give them a whole island to themselves.

That the New York Journal heads an article "Is Poverty a Crime!" If the Journal man would try to occupy a front seat in a fashionable church without having paid the pew rent he would find out.

That "You seem to be in the clouds, Mr. Pegasus," said a friend to an absent-minded verse writer the day after the class dinner. "I certainly do feel like thunder," was the weary reply.

That "Why, Chawley," drawled Gus de Flipkins to his chum, C. Percy Giddibraine, "where's your watch?" "Oh, I couldn't stand it," he replied, "the beastly ticking shattered my nerves."

That "May I ask, young man, what your prospects are in life? I only want to know for my daughter's sake." "Well, sir, I have a position in a New York bank, and my salary, although small, is—" "I don't care anything about your salary. The question is, do you hold the keys to the safe?"

The I. O. O. F. Social.

The social given by the I. O. O. F. at Odd Fellows' hall last evening was a highly enjoyable occasion, and the hall was filled to its utmost capacity. Mr. A. McCandless, the floor manager, was kept busy in finding places for the many couples present and dancing was enjoyed until midnight when refreshments were served. It is the intention of the I. O. O. F. to give a social once each month, and judging from the large attendance last night these socials are among the most popular to be given this winter.

Marine.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 26.—Sailed—Steamer Geo. W. Elder, Victoria; ship Oriental, Tacoma.

Advices from London state that the British ship Otterburn, from Greenock for San Francisco has been towed to Montevideo and beached. The ship was previously reported as having been abandoned because of fire caused by an explosion. Her decks and upper works were destroyed; also a portion of her cargo. What remained has been sold at auction for $2,100. The sailors' wages awarded two-thirds of the price brought.

Cariboo Railway.

Mr. H. P. Bell, C. E., arrived this morning from Victoria with instructions from the local government to make a preliminary exploration for a line of railway from some point on the C. P. R. in the vicinity of Kamloops or Savona to Cariboo. Mr. Bell had charge of a survey party in this province for several years while the explorations for the C. P. R. were carried on and during that time acquired a large amount of information which will be of great value to the government at the present time. The local government are to be congratulated on the wisdom and energy they are displaying by taking this, the only means, of placing the feasibility of the Cariboo railway before the Dominion government.—*Inland Sentinel.*

A Well Known Authoress Cruelly Outraged.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—A ruffian burst open the door of the cottage of Mrs. M. J. Robinson, the authoress, who lives at Harrison, N. Y. The lady being alone in the house, she attempted to escape by jumping through a window. Although severely cut by glass, she at once started across a field to a neighboring farm house, but when only a few hundred yards from the house she was overtaken by the scoundrel who, after outraging the victim, carried her back to the house and locked her in a closet. He then robbed the house and made his escape. Parties are scouring the woods in search of him, and should he be caught, he will undoubtedly be shipped by cable road to the next world.

JAMES BAY BRIDGE.—At a meeting of the street committee yesterday afternoon, it was decided to award the contract to H. H. McDonald, for the construction of James Bay bridge. The price is $7,350. This was not the lowest tender put in. The tender of Mr. Lang for $6,998 was ruled out because he had only one surety though that one was excellent. That of W. M. Ross for $7,315, was ruled out because he had not paid his license before tendering. The ratepayers are thus out $352 on a slight technicality that might have been remedied by calling for new tenders as was done in the case of the improvements to Finlayson's bridge. A clause precluding Chinese from being employed in any way on the work will be added to this agreement.

THE LAST SHIPMENT.—The bark Aberlemo, Capt. Connon, has completed her cargo of salmon, and is ready for sea. Her cargo consists of 27,519 cases and 665 barrels of salmon, 80 tons of returned naval stores, and a variety of merchandise. The total value of cargo, exclusive of stores is $170,064. The shippers of salmon are Turner, Beeton & Co., E. A. Wadhams, and W. T. Coleman, the former being the charterers of the vessel. This clears out about all the salmon in the province.

THE RIFLE COMPANY INSPECTION.—The regular inspection of the Victoria Rifle company was held on the government grounds yesterday afternoon. Lieut. Woolacott was in command of about thirty men who were put through a number of evolutions, which displayed much improvement over the last drill. Lieut.-Col. Holmes, acting deputy adjutant-general, inspected the company and complimented them upon their soldierly bearing and the precision with which each movement was executed.

TAKE THAT! The Victoria Times announces that it has "a sort of fatherly interest in the News." Why does not the editor mind his own business and take a fatherly interest in his own paper; he will have quite enough to do in looking after it!—*Vancouver News.*

Love Will Laugh at Locksmiths

Last week a young man from the flourishing settlement of Comox arrived by the steamer Dunsmuir, accompanied by a young lady who had been on a visit to friends in the settlement. It was arranged that they should be "made one" on arrival in this city. But a Nemesis in the shape of the brother of the expectant bride was on the track. He rushed to the government agent to stop the issuing of a license but Cupid won that trick. He then visited the different ministers in the city and requested them not to perform the marriage service. The young couple, even if they are from Comox, were not very verdant, for finding themselves blocked in Nanaimo they proceeded to Victoria by the train, but on their arrival at the Capital city they found the telegraph was quicker than steam. The Nemesis had been on the alert and telegraphed to the young lady's father at Victoria the position of affairs, and the "stern parent," as the novelist would say, was at the depot and clasped his daughter to his arms and took her home, leaving the expectant bridegroom out in the cold. The "stern parent" now holds the fort but unless he is extra vigilant he will find our caption all powerful. The would-be bridegroom nothing daunted still keeps up a state of seige and the wheel of love may soon turn in his favor. The course of true love does not always run smooth, but generally conquers in the end. Two to one the license is worth its face value. —*Nanaimo Free Press.*

Money in Monkeys.

Those who have visited Howard's hotel at Esquimalt lately, will remember a benign visaged specimen of the monkey tribe, which was a fixture at that hostelry. About that same "monk" hangeth a tale (no pun intended.) It seems that a passing stranger, about a week ago, became a purchaser of the monkey, paying $20 for the the same. The strange, or, we was on his way to the east, took his purchase as far as Victoria, when he found that the ape was too much bother. He accordingly left it with a friend who was staying at the Occidental hotel. The friend in turn became sick of his monkeyship, and in despair turned to the proprietor of the Occidental hotel, and asked what was to be done with the monkey. Mr. Bayley suggested selling it, and the was agreed to. Telephone set to work. "Is that Howard's?" "Yes." "Do you want to buy that monkey?" "What'll you take?" "Ten dollars." "I'll give you five." "Split the difference." "Done." And Mr. Monkey was accordingly bought and shipped for Esquimalt yesterday afternoon, he going back to his original owner, who has made $12.50 on the trade, besides saving a week's board. Trafficing in our ancestors seems to be a paying business.

Leon Bar.

This bar is situated about four miles above the Big Slide of Fraser river. In the early days of gold mining in British Columbia it was skimmed by white miners who finally disappeared. Then John Chinaman with his long tail and his rocker came on the scene. He tested the paydirt and found it "belly good." Then he pitched his tent and proceeded to wash for gold. His success was such as to encourage him to greater exertions, so he put in sluices and brought water in by flume from a creek 21 miles distant. Now he is reaping a rich harvest—from $6 to $10 per day to the hand; and the diggings are lasting. The Chinese have the bar all to themselves and are about to extend their operations over other bars and benches in the neighborhood.

Marine.

The Mexico sailed from the outer wharf at one o'clock yesterday for San Francisco.

There is nothing further in reference to the Barnard Castle, which still holds he position at Bentick Bay.

The G. W. Elder is coming up the coast in place of the Queen of the Pacific, the last named steamer having been withdrawn to run on the Portland route, while the State of California is having new boilers put in.

Bark Julian Ford has been chartered at San Francisco to take a cargo of Wellington coal from Departure Bay to Honolulu.

SHAWNIGAN LAKE.—Mr. Chas. Morton has about completed a small hotel at Shawnigan lake, and though the accommodation is limited it is utilized to its utmost capacity. It is his intention in the spring to erect a large hotel to accommodate the many guests who will visit the new island summer resort. There is every reason to think that the lake will become a point of great attraction for tourists and citizens during the summer months. The lake is a beautiful sheet of water, surrounded by hills of romantic loveliness, and seems a spot intended by nature for recreation and enjoyment. It is still in its wild beauty, but no doubt artificial means will enhance this, and Shawnigan lake will become famous as a watering place.

NOT A SMUGGLER.—A pretty incident occurred at the landing of passengers from the Sound steamer yesterday afternoon, which lightened the heart of the generally regarded hard-hearted customs officer. While the effects of a wealthy family were being examined a little five-year old daughter came up to where the landing waiter was inspecting the contents of the mother's trunk, and placing a small square box on the trunk, said she wanted him to see it. The little child opened it, and the officer saw—a dressed doll. He marked the box O. K. and sent her away happy.

SLAUGHTERING THE INNOCENTS.—Every train on the Island railway brings to the city its quota of venison from points along the line. The greater number of animals killed are yearling deer, an occasional full-grown animal only being found among them. The slaughter this year has been something enormous, and if it goes on at this rate in the future, the forests of the island will be denuded of this noble game. It is a pity that hunters do not take some thought for the morrow, and spare the infant deer for future sport. The game law should be amended so as to prohibit the killing of deer until after their second year.

A NEW MARKET.—The Yorkshire market recently opened on Yates street between Government and Broad streets, by W. W. Evans & Co., is a credit to the business enterprises of this city. Mr. Evans comes to Victoria to reside permanently, and has been on the coast since 1858. The market is elaborately fitted up with all the most approved appliances, and in the rear an extensive curing and packing establishment is attached, which is run by steam supplied by a large engine. Everything in stock is of the best, and a call of inspection to the new market is recommended.

THE FEDERAL ELECTIONS.—Ottawa, Nov. 22.—A cabinet meeting is being held today. The premier and all the ministers are present. It is believed the question of a dissolution of parliament and the holding of the elections the same date as the Ontario elections is being discussed.

BY ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH

EXCLUSIVE DISPATCHES TO THE COLONIST.

CABLE NEWS.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—Gladstone has written a letter, in which he expresses the hope that Lord Hartington and Mr. Chamberlain will abate their opposition and explain their course.

The Vienna correspondent of the Times says that all the European governments, except England, have notified Russia that they are willing to accept the Prince of Mingrella as a candidate for the Bulgarian throne.

A verdict has been rendered in favor of Lord Coleridge in the libel suit brought against him by his son-in law, Mr. Adams.

LONDON, Nov. 26.—The action for divorce, brought by Lady Colin Campbell against her husband, Lord Colin Campbell, fifth son of the Duke of Argyle, came up for hearing to-day. The court room was so crowded the officials had to barricade the corridors. Lady Campbell, her sister and their mother were the first persons directly interested in the action to enter the room. They sat together, beside plaintiff's solicitor, Charles Russell. Lord Campbell entered soon afterward and sat near the plaintiff and at the same table, there being interposed between the litigants only their respective counsel. Russell, in opening the case for Lady Campbell, said his client petitioned for a decree of absolute divorce from Lord Campbell on the ground of cruelty and adultery. Plaintiff, the lawyer continued, was formally Miss Blood, and was a respectable and attractive person. She was sought in marriage by the defendant, and became engaged to him in 1880. The marriage was delayed at his lordship's request until July, 1881, when the ceremony was performed. The couple went away on an extraordinary honeymoon, the groom being attended all the time by a hospital nurse; in fact Lord Campbell was attended by this nurse from the time of his engagement to Miss Blood down to the date of the termination of their married life in 1883. He was, declared the lawyer, never during this entire period independent of special nurses' care. As he went on to speak of the case, the Duke of Argyle, defendant's father, entered the courtroom and took a seat beside Lord Colin, near whom the Marquis of Lorne, defendant's eldest brother, had already taken a seat. After giving the details of the matter from the marriage to the separation, (which are deemed unfit for publication,) the lawyer concluded: "For Lord Colin's pride had been lowered in the dust." Russell then detailed the grounds of the charge of adultery, which plaintiff made against defendant, turning from them to review the counter charges made by Lord Colin against the plaintiff. Russell said the lady was in a position to successfully meet all these charges.

The first witness called by plaintiff's counsel was Lady Miles. She deposed substantially as follows: She told Lord Campbell in 1882 that Lady Campbell had resolved to refuse to live with him as his wife, and her reason for such decision, but would continue to maintain the kindest friendly relations toward him and refrain from all mention of her separation in other respects from him. Lord Campbell was shocked at the information. He protested very hard against his wife's decision and said if she would recall it he would let Lady Campbell have her own way for a period of two years and would treat her with affection. Witness subsequently visited Lord and Lady Campbell in London. He found Lady Campbell suffering intense pain and Lord Campbell explained it by saying: "There has been foul play up stairs and Lady Campbell has had a miscarriage." Lady Miles protested that this could not be so and defendant reaffirmed that it was. Witness believing Lord Campbell that he had kept his promise relating to two years ago and been deceived straightway accused Dr. Bird of having taken advantage of his position. Dr. Bird denied the accusation, and refused to longer attend Lady Campbell unless the accusation was withdrawn. A family council ensued at this. Lord Colin admitted that he had not meant all he said, and asked Lady Miles to apologize for him to Dr. Bird. At the same time he complained of the length of time Gen. Butler remained when he called upon Lady Campbell. Witness continuing, said that at Lord Colin Campbell's request she had consented to be his witness, so far as to state he had not been guilty of ill-usage to his wife, but said she knew defendant would not call her because she knew of his relations with the girl Mary Watson, and felt sure they would transpire under cross-examination. After Lady Campbell had separated from defendant he complained to witness of having been badly treated. She retorted that he ought to think himself lucky, because his wife had obtained a mere separation and not divorce, which she would have got if witness had been called to testify concerning Mary Watson. Lady Miles testified Mary was a house maid; witness found Mary Watson in Lord Campbell's room in Cadogan place. At the time defendant was sitting on the side of the bed, and the girl was lying on the bed, with her arms around his neck. Witness, continuing, said that when she saw Lord Colin Campbell and Mary Watson together he said: "Mary is a good little thing. She is very fond of me. She has very nice hair; I often take it down and play with it." Witness had seen letters from Mary to defendant signed "your affectionate Mary." Witness, being questioned, admitted she had heard Lady Campbell say in presence of her husband that there were dozens of men he liked better than him. Her letter was produced, written by witness to defendant, advising him to get a divorce by force, and then take a nice little woman to be a companion and comfort to him. Witness admitted she wrote the letter and said that in reply to it Lord Campbell asked her whether Lady Campbell would require alimony, if he allowed her to get a divorce from him. To this witness answered that the Blood family would not ask for alimony, and they would pay Lady Campbell's costs. The court adjourned at this point.

At Manchester to-day the race for the Lancashire cup for 3 year olds and upwards, distance one mile, was won by five lengths by J. Hope's 4 year old Lady Lothair, Briscoe's 3 year old colt, St. George, was second, and Lord Hartington's 6 year old gelding, Corunna, third.

The Post this morning says: Eng'land has opened negotiations for the cession of Port Hamilton to China, the object being to nullify Russia's pretexts in connection with Port Lazaveff, and thus furnish effectual protection for British interests in the east.

LONDON, Nov. 26.—Admiral Hamilton commanding H. M. fleet in the China Ocean, has notified the admiralty that it will require 300 troops and three forts to be built to retain Port Hamilton.

GERMANY.

BERLIN, Nov. 26.—The Reichstag was opened to-day by Herr Von Boetcher, minister of the interior, who read a speech from the throne, in which the emperor says that the object of the policy of the empire, which enjoys peaceful relations with all the states, is in favor of the maintenance of concert among all the powers. The influence which accrues to Germany from her love of peace, from the universal confidence reposed in the empire, is owing to the fact that Germany is not concerned in the pending questions and from the emperor's close friendship with the two neighboring courts. Although the policy of the empire is always pacific, Germany, in view of the development of the military establishments in the neighboring states, cannot longer defer increasing her defensive force. The emperor, in accord wish the federal government, feels confident that the necessity of a demand which is indispensable to the national security will be recognized with a full determination by the whole German people and their representatives.

The Septennate bill fixes the peace effectiveness of the army until 1894 at 468,489 men, not including the single year volunteers. The infantry will consist of 534 battalions; cavalry, 465 squadrons; field artillery, of 524 batteries; fort artillery, of 131 batteries; pioneers, of 119 battalions; military train, 119 battalions. There will be two divisional and four infantry brigade staffs, five regiments and fifteen battalions of infantry, and one battalion of Jaegers. To the field artillery will be added two sectional staffs; to the railway corps three battalion staffs and nine companies, and to the transport corps, fourteen companies. The permanent expenditure of the army is placed at 23,000,000 marks, and a special expenditure of 24,000,000 marks. The preamble reports on the dangers besetting Germany in the large increase of the French forces, and says the postponement of strengthening the German army might be attended with fatal results. The importance of action to the service is absolutely imperative, because Germany is obliged to make compensation for the numerical differences by high training.

BERLIN, Nov. 26.—The German Gazette in an exhaustive article on Russia's financial condition compares it with that of France before the great revolution. The Russian debt is 5,600,000,000 roubles. The interest has risen in a decade from 100,400,000 to 261,000,000 roubles. The paper circulation is 716,000,000 roubles, of which only 165,000,000 roubles is covered by bills convertible into currency. The Gazette warns the Germans to avoid the new Russian loan.

The government has decided to dissolve the Reichstag if it rejects the military estimates.

Editor Prohl has been sentenced by the supreme court to nine years imprisonment for treason. It was proved he supplied France through Captain Sarawo with a German military and naval sketch.

BULGARIA.

SOFIA, Nov. 25.—Another conspiracy against the government has been discovered. Two officers, one of them a Russian, organized a plot to kill Colonel Nicolaieff, Major Popoff and the Regents. The crime was to have been committed at 5 o'clock this morning. Major Popoff discovered the plot and caused the arrest of the two officers and two others who are implicated. They will be tried in a few days.

SOFIA, Nov. 26.—An agitation has been started for the purpose of forwarding the nomination of Prince Emanuel Wogrides, nephew of Aliko Pasha, to the Bulgarian throne. The Sobranje will send a deputation of Bulgarian notables to Vienna, St. Petersburg, Berlin, London, Paris, Rome and Constantinople to fully explain to the powers the actual condition of affairs in Bulgaria, and ask the powers to make their choice of a candidate for the Bulgarian throne with due regard to the country's wants and disposition. The deputation will start on the mission next week and will visit Vienna.

PESTH, Nov. 27,—The Hungarian delegation to-day voted a credit for repeating rifles for the army without debate, and approved of the army budget and credit for the occupied provinces.

FRANCE.

PARIS, Nov. 25.—The chamber of deputies accepted without incident the various reductions previously agreed upon by the government. The committee stated that the government will ask for a vote of confidence on Saturday. The rumor is current that M. Aube, minister of marine and colonies, will resign if the naval pensions are reduced. Prime Minister De Freycinet has postponed his reception owing to the ministerial crisis.

PARIS, Nov. 26.—Sensational books on the war of 1870 have been brought to the notice of the public. The first, "Le Calvaire," by Octave Mirabeau, has been published. It portrays in a startling manner the French troops as a brutal body of men, with besotted and vaporing commanders. The second, entitled "Le Cabinet Noir," is about to be issued. Another, "Count Herreson," purports to be secret history, drawn from official documents hitherto unpublished.

IRELAND.

DUBLIN, Nov. 25.—In the municipal election here to-day, Messrs. Sexton and Gill were chosen members of the council. Mr. Clancey was defeated. In Cork the nationalists gained three seats, the conservatives losing one and the liberals two.

DUBLIN, Nov. 26.—The Irish Times says the government has resolved to promptly suppress all anti-rent and other illegal combinations; to curtail the license of the press; to forcibly suppress intimidation; to enforce the law governing the process for the collections of debts; to proclaim all meetings called for certain purposes, and to arrest certain prominent agitators of the anti-rent policy. The Times also