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Mike Flannery, the Westcote agent ment should be addressed to our Tariff f the Interurban Express Company, Department." Mr. Morehouse wrote to the Tariff ed over the counter of the express fice and shook his fist. Mr. More-Department. He stated his case clearuse, angry and red, stood on the ly, and gave his arguments in full, ther side of the counter, - trembling quoting a page or two from the encyclopedia to prove that guinea-pigs rage. The argument had been ng and heated, and at last Mr. Morewere not common pigs. use had talked himself speechless. With the care that characterizes corhe cause of the trouble stood on the porations when they are systematicalnter between the two men. It was | ly conducted, Mr. Morehouse's letter soap box across the top of which was numbered O. K.'d, and started nailed a number of strips, formthrough the regular channels. Duplia rough but serviceable cage. In cate copies of the bill of lading, manitwo spotted guinea-pigs were greedfest, Flannery's receipt for the packeating lettuce leaves. age and several other pertinent papers, Do as you loike, then!" shouted were pinned to the letter, and they nery, "pay for thim an' take thim, were passed to the head of the Tariff don't pay for thim and leave thim Department. The head of the Tariff Department Rules is rules, Misther Morehouse,

sgust. "What more do you want?

ren't they pets? Aren't they domes-

iddenly he turned to Flannery, and,

ss, spoke slowly, but with intense

an his hand through the pages and

"An' I don't take fifty cints," he

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laim for the overcharge.' In this

ase, Misther Morehouse, I be in doubt.

ets thim animals may be, an' domes-

they be, but pigs, I'm blame sure

ey do be, an' me rules says plain as

e nose on yer face, 'Pigs, Franklin to

'estcote, thirty cints.' An' Mister

rehouse, by me arithmetical knowl-

e, two times thurty come to sixty

Nonesense!" he shouted, "confound-

"Pigs is pigs," he declared, firmly.

Suinea-pigs, or dago pigs, or Irish

igs is all the same to the Interurban

Express Company an' to Mike Flan-

ery. Th' nationality of the pig cre-

tes no differentiality in the rate, Mis-

was they Dutch pigs or Rooshun pigs.

Mike Flannery," he added, "is here to

tind to the exprise business an' not to

sivinteen languages fer to discover be

they Chinese or Tipperary by birth an'

ther Morehouse! 'Twould be the same

Morehouse shook his head sav-

spered in mockery. "Here's the

orcing his voice to an artificial calm-

ffer you fifty cents."

inea-pigs!

Flannery was stubborn.

opped at page sixty-four.

Aren't they properly boxed?

Mike Flannery's not goin' to be put his feet on his desk and yawned. He looked through the papers carelessed down fer breakin' of thim." But, you everlastingly stupid idiot!" uted Mr. Morehouse, madly shaking "Miss Kane," he said to his steno-

flimsy printed book beneath the grapher, "take this letter. 'Agent, gent's nose, "can't you read there-Westcote, N. J. Please advise why your own plain printed rates? 'Pets, consignment referred to in attached lomestic, Franklin to Westcote, if pro-perly boxed, twenty-five cents each."" papers was refused domestic pet rates.' threw the book on the counter in Miss Kane made a series of curves

and angles on her note book and waited with pencil poised. The head of the department looked at the papers again. "Huh! guinea-pigs!" he said. "Prob-He turned and walked back and ably starved to death by this time! replied: rapidly; frowing ferociously. Add this to that letter: 'Give condition

of consignment at present." He tossed the papers on to the stenbgrapher's desk, took his feet from his

wn desk and went out to lunch. "Pets," he said. "P-e-t-s! Twenty-When Mike Flannery received the e cents each. There are two of them. letter he scratched his head. ne! Two! Two times twenty-five are "Give prisint condition," he repeated, ifty! Can you understand that? I thoughtfully. "Now what do thim clerks be wantin' to know, I wonder! 'Prisint condition,' is ut; Thim pigs, praise St. Patrick, do be in good Flannery reached for the book. He

health, so far as I know, but I niver was no veternairy surgeon to Dago pigs. Mebby thim clerks wants me to call in the pig docther an' have their pulses took. Wan thing I do know, howiver, which is they've glorious appytites for pigs of their soize. Atc They'd ate the brass padlocks off a

barn door! If the paddy pir, by the same taken, ate as hearty as these Dago pigs do, there'd be a famine in Irc. land.' To assure himself that his report would be up to date, Flannery went to at the rate of twenty-five cents each.

the rear of the office and looked into the cage. The pigs had been transferred to a larger box-a dry goods them.

nosense, I tell you! Why, you poor hearty an' all eatin' loike ragin' hip- sixty Dago pigs once, but wake up mmon pigs, domestic pigs, not desk and wrote.

pips is pigs because they is pigs and bages." will be till you say they ain't, which is It required a great many letters back ing village singing revival hymns. what the rule book says stop your jol-lying me you know it as well as I do. and forth before the Audit Depart-ment was able to understand why the open-air meeting throughout the town, As to health they are well and hoping error had been made of billing one and then marched back to the drill you are the same. P. S. There are eight now the family increased all hundred, and still more time for it to good eaters. P. S. I paid out so far get the meaning of the "cabbages." nould conversation wid Dago pigs in two dollars for cabbage which they like shall I put in bill for some what?"

Mr. Morehouse hesitated. He bit his lip and then flung his arms wildly. "Very well?" he shouted, "you shall hear of this! It is an outrage! I have offer-of this! Ution Very the best of the shouted is black of the should be th ou fifty cents. You refuse it! Keep | Miss Kane, take this letter: "Agent, | for eight hundred Flann pigs until you are ready to take Westcote, N. J. Regarding shipment up all attempts to attend to the refifty cents, but, by George, sir, if guinea-pigs. File No. A6754. Rule 83, ceipt or the delivery of goods. He was hair of those pigs' heads is harm- General Instruction to Agents, clearly will have the law on you!" states that agents shall collect from He turned and stalked out, slamconsignee all costs of provender, etc., ng the door. Flannery carefully lift- etc., required for live stock while the soap box from the counter and transit or storage. You will proceed to daily. collect same from consignee." aced it in the corner. He was not ried. He felt the peace that comes a faithful servant who has done his morning, and when he read it he grinand done it well. Mr. Morehouse went home raging. "Proceed to collect," he said, softly, His boy, who had been awaiting the "How thim clerks do loike to be tailknea-pigs, knew better than to-ask in'! Me proceed to collect two dolthem. He was a normal boy and lars and twinty-foive cints off Misther erefore always had a guilty consci- Morehouse! I wonder do thim clerks nce as to be out of the path of the know Misther Morehouse? I'll git it! Oh, yes! 'Misther Morehouse, two an' Mr. Morehouse stormed into the a quarter, plaze. 'Cert'nly, me dear frind Flannery Delighted!' Not!" "Where's the ink?" he shouted at his Flannery drove the express wagon to ife as soon as his foot was across the Mr. Morehouse's door. Mr. Morehouse cant eyes. The windows were bare of answered the bell. Mrs. Morehouse jumped, guiltily. She "Ah, ha!" he cried as soon as he saw ver used ink. She had not seen the k, nor moved the ink, nor thought of your senses at last, have you? I ne ink, but her husband's tone conthought you would! Bring the box in." victed her of the guilt of having borne "I hev no box," said Flannery, cold-..."I hev a bill again Misther John and reared a boy, and she knew that henever her husband wanted any- C. Morehouse for two dollars and feverish inquiries in the village. Mr. thing in a loud voice the boy had been by his pigs. Wud you wish to pay 'I'll find Sammy," she said, meekly. ut When the ink was found Mr. More-'Pay-Cabbages-!" gasped Mr. house wrote rapidly, and he read the Morehouse. Do you mean to say that completed letter and smiled a triumphtwo little guinea-pigs-" ant smile. 'Eight!'' said Flannery. "Papa an' That will settle that crazy Irishmma an' the six childer. Eight!" nan!" he exclaimed. "When they get For answer Mr. Morehouse slammed that leter he will hunt another job, all ooked at the door reproachfully. A week later Mr. Morehouse received "I take ut the con-sign-y don't want long official envelope with the card pay for thim kebbages," he said. the Interurban Express Company "If I know signs of refusal, the conthe upper left corner. He tore it sign-y refuses to pay for wan dang pen eagerly and drew out a sheet of kebbage leaf an' be hanged to me!" aper. At the top it bore the number Mr. Morgan, the head of the Tariff 6754. The letter was short. "Subject Rate on guinea-pigs," it said, "Dr. r-We are in receipt of your letter garding guinea-pigs, as to whether garding rate on guinea-pigs between they were pigs or not pigs. The presiranklin and Westcote, addressed to dent was inclined to treat the matter president of this company. All lightly ms for overcharge should be ad-"What is the rate on pigs and on essed to the Claims Department." pets?" he asked. Mr. Morehouse wrote, to the Claims "Pigs thirty cents, pets twenty-five," partment. He wrote six pages of said Morgan. return of oice sarcasm, vituperation and argu-"Then of course guinea-pigs are ent, and sent them to the Claims pigs,' said the president. eceiving in "Yes," agreed Morgan, "I look at it A few weeks later he received a rethat way, too. A thing that can come from the Claims Department. Atached to it was his last letter. st week of "Dr. Sir," said the reply. "Your pigs, pigs? Aren't they rabbits?" ith the local. tter of the 16th inst., addressed to "Come to think of it," said the presihis Department, subject rate on dent, 'I believe they are more like rab- week they had shiped two hundred and Christians have been set on fire with taken. The last captured showed fight, Bank, who with his wife, H. P. Gray, uinea-pigs from Franklin to West- bits. Sort of half-way station between ote, rec'd. We have taken up the pig and rabbit. I think the question is were in the express office seven hun- in Plymouth was so enthused by the two fine, large hemp hawsers. Eventualatter with our agent at Westcote, nd his reply is attached herewith. He pig family? I'll ask Professor Gordon. they began packing them. orms us that you refused to receive He is authority on such things. Leave consignment or to pay the charges. the papers with me.' explosion in ou have therefore no claim against The president put the papers on his ped packing only long enough to wire . Van is company, and your letter regard- desk and wrote a letter to Professor back, "Can't stop," and kept on send- their hearts to God. After being hoist- passengers: A. Peterson, D. McLean, for an hour and consisted of thirteen the King Edward hotel, where a most ing the proper rate on the consign- Gordon. Unfortunately the professor ing them. On the next train up from ed up to the lighthouse in the chair he and Messrs. McCurdy and J. Robinson. bouts.

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was in South America collecting zoo-logical specimens, and the letter was forwarded to him by his wife. As the professor was in the highest Ardea professor was in the highest Andes, where no white man had ever pene-trated, the letter was many months in reaching him. The president forgot the guinea-pigs, Morgan forgot them, fice he saw the express wagon back-Mr. Morehouse forgot them, but Flan- ed up to the door. Six boys were carrynehy did not. One-half of his time he ing bushel baskets full of guinea-pigs gave to the duties of his agency; the from the office and dumping them into other half was devoted to the guinea- the wagon. Inside the room Flannery, pigs. Long before Professor Gordon with his coat and vest off, was shovelreceived the president's letter Morgan ing guinea-pigs into bushel baskets received one from Flannery. with a coal scoop. He was winding up

"About them Dago Pigs," it said, the guinea-pig episode. He loowed at the inspector with a what shall I do they are great in family life, no race suicide for them,

snort of anger "Wan wagonload more an' I'll be they are thirty-two now shall I sell them do you take this express office quit of thim, an' never will ye catch for a menagerie, answer quick." Flannery wid no more foreign pigs on Morgan reached for a telegraph his hands. No, sur! They near was the

blank and wrote: death o' me. Nixt toime I'll know "Agent, Westcote. Don't sell pigs." that pigs of whativer nationality is do-He then wrote Flannery a letter callmistic pets-an' go at the lowest rate." ing his attention to the fact that the He began shovelling again rapidly, pigs were not the property of the com-

speaking quickly between breaths. pany, but merely being held during a "Rules may be rules, but you can't settlement of a dispute regarding fool Mike Flannery twice wid the same the preceding functions. It is claimed rates. He advised Flannery to take the trick-whin ut comes to live stock, that the dinner which signalized the indang the rules. So long as Flannery stallation of officers of Victoria-Columbia

Flannery, letter in hand, looked at runs this express office-pigs is pets- lodge, No. 1, A. F. & A. M., last night the pigs and sighed. The dry goods box cage had become too small. He an' lions an tigers an' Rocky Mountain the lodge-an assertion that cannot be boarded up twenty feet of the rear of goats is pets-an' the rate on thim is charged with extravagance. It was a

the express office to make a large and twinty-foive cints." airy home for them, and went about He paused long enough to let one of priests who discharge their rites in the his business. He worked with fever- the boys put an empty basket in the Douglas street temple, but also for those ish intensity when out on his rounds, for the pigs required attention and There were only a few guinea-pigs left. took up most of his time. Some months As he noted their limited number his later, in desperation, he seized a sheet natural habit of looking on the bright of Bro. E. E. Leeson, who is a past masof paper and wrote "160" across it and side returned. mailed it to Morgan. Morgan returned "Well annyhow," he said, cheerfully,

it, asking for explanation. Flannery "tis not so bad as ut might be. What if thim Dago pigs had been ele-

"There be now one hundred sixty of phants!" them Dago pigs, for heavens sake let me sell off some, do you want me to go crazy, what."

"Sell no pigs," Morgan wired. Not long after this the president of the express company received a let-ter from Professor Gordon. It was a long and scholarly letter, but the point was that the guinea-pig was the Cavia

best possible care of them.

remarked that they were prolific and multiplied rapidly.

dent, decidedly, to Morgan. "The twenty-five cent rate applies." Morgan made the proper notation on the papers that had accumulated in File A6754, and turned them over to look the matter up, and after the usual delay wrote Flannery that he has had

ing had been packed with women only, on hand one hundred and sixty guineapigs, the property of consignee, he should deliver them and collect charges Flannery spent a day herding his

Affects the Army and Navy.

"Wan-two-t'ree-four-foive-six - "Audit Dept." he wrote, when he had sivin-eight!" he counted. "Sivin finished the count, "you are way off Probably the most striking feature of the month's campaign has been the fiths. nosense, I tell you! Why, you poor storm eight: he counted storm ministed the count, you are way on way in which the movement has af-norant foreigner, that rule means spotted an' wan all black. All well an' there may be was one hundred and fected the thousands of soldiers and sailors quartered in and around Plypypotty-musses." He went back to his don't be a back number. I've got even mouth. Numbers of them have been

ery had given

THE HOW AND

"Fruit-a-tives" are the parts

of the fruit that do you good.

Apples, Oranges, Figs and

Prunes are pressed-the juices

separated from the tough,

woody fibre-and concentra-

ted. Then-(and this is the

secret of "Fruit-a-tives")-

LECTURE ON "LIFE."

day Afternoon Before Y. M. C. A.

Frenchman in appearance and manner,

he used the English as a master of the tongue. He is the son of a French noble-

his remarks having a force which im-

pressed his audience with his earnest be-

lief in the principles outlined.

Movement Will Continue. Although the evangelists have left Plymouth it is expected that the movement will go right on for months to come. Revival fires have been lighted in many churches and chapels, where



Very Enjoyable Function in A. O. U. W Hall Last Evening-Good Menu and First Class Speeches. one more atom of bitter prin-

ciple from the orange peels is forced into the concentrated The festivities of local Free masons have become famous for unalloyed pleafruit juices. By this process Year after year members of the -one of the most remarkable craft assemble around the banquetting board and on each occasion there is very achievements of the age-the plainly indicated a desire to overshadow juices are made stronger, and many times more active medicinally. Finest tonics and was the most successful in the history of internal antiseptics are added, feast not only for the Masonic high and the whole evaporated and pressed into tablets. "Fruitmembers of the order in the neighborin a-tives" are the greatest tonic, cities who were able to attend. The catering was in the capable hands laxative and blood purifying

ter in this art. The tables were splendidmedicine ever discovered. ly arranged and tastefully decorated, 50c. a box. which called forth spontaneous tributes

to the skill displayed by Bro. Lesson and his assistants. The menu was faultless The chair was occupied by W. M. J. H. Greer, who was flanked by the grand master, M. W. Bro. T. J. Armstrong, of New Westminster, and W. Bro. Christie There were present twenty-seven grand masters, a fact that was commented upon with considerable elation by the chairman. The speeches were of a superior character, especially those by Rev. Dr. Rowe, Rev. G. K. B. Adams and Rev. C. Ensor Sharp. In responding to the toast to the President, the U. S. Consul, Hon. A. E. Smith, spoke in glowing terms of the great service rendered to civilization centre and started revival flames, by President Roosevelt in bringing about which, it is hoped, will spread all over the now historic meeting at Portsmouth. England, came to an end in the drill The toast list and programme complete hall amid scenes of spiritual fervor. | were: "The King and Craft"; "President Six thousand men gathered in the drill of the United States," responded to by

No man can have life with hall for the final meeting, which lasted U. S. Consul Smith; song, Bro. W. J. Man cannot say he is l Dowler; "The M. W. Grand Lodge of B. possesses life. You may C.," responded to by M. W. Bro. T. J. am I alive? The mere fac Armstrong, of New Westminster; "Newsee and walk does not de ly Installed Officers," W. Bro. J. H. you live; that demonstrat Greer; song, W. T. Williams; "Educayou exist. Life begins tional Value of Free Masonry," M. W. never ends with man. Is C. Ensor Sharp; song, Fred. Richardson; leads a disreputable life? "Spirit of Free Masonry," Bro. E. S. Rowe; "Visiting Brethren," Bro. G. K. B. man say he is living who in gambling, who takes Adams; Tyler's toast, Bro. A. F. Grif-

TRUSTEES INDIGNANT.

Seven Boards Meet and Take Exception to the New School Act.

to be spies upon their neighbors.

will not stand for re-election.

Located.

the West Coast of Vancouver Island was

grievances complained of.

meeting.

Ass-

Hon. F. J. Fulton. provincial secretary, was waited upon this forenoon by a deputation representing the trustees of the school districts in this part of the province. The delegation consisted of W. A. Pitzer, of West Saanich: H. H. Evans of Cadboro Bay; and W. Trickey, of Prospect. These were appointed at a meeting held at the Royal Oaks' school on Friday evening, and represented seven schools in this neighborhood.

At the Friday evening meeting there were twenty trustees from seven school districts, which included the following: ing place and notice the consternation, are told that the wrath is for those who

RESIGNATION FROM STAFF OF TEACHERS WHY OF IT.

> Miss Speers Has Accepted the Frincipalship at Duncans Rather Than be Transferred.

The public schools opened this morning or the first term of the ensuing year. The re-opening was attended by some changes in the teaching staff in compliance with the decision of the school board at its last meeting.

Mr. Winsby assumed the principalship of the South Park school. He was succeeded as principal in the Victoria West chool by Mr. Deane, formerly of the South Park staff.

Miss Johnston was transferred from the Boys' Central to Victoria west to fill he place vacated by Miss Nesbitt.

The board transferred Miss Speers om the position of 1st assistant of the South Park school to the 8th division of the Boys' Central, to fill the place vacated by Miss Johnson. This latter change will not go into effect, however, as Miss Speers has resigned. The reason assigned for her resignation is that she did not think that she could do as efficient work the lower divisions as in the higher he to which she had been accust Miss Speers has accepted the principalhip of the Public school at Duncans. Some other arrangement will have to be ade to fill the vacancy on the Boys' Central staff. Miss Speers has been 12 years on the public school staff of the At all druggists. ity.

The chairman of the school board says that in transferring Miss Speers no re duction in salary was contemplated. The By Dr. Cristion, of Paris, France, Yesterchange was made after consideration and was expected to be in the interests of ne schools of the city.

Yesterday afternoon an interesting lec-Mr. McLaren has been given charge of ture was delivered by Dr. H. B. F. Cristhe 2nd division of South Park school, Mr. Palmer has the fourth division and tion, of Paris, France, at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, Broad street. He took for his subject "Life." Although a thorough S. B. Netherby the fifth.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

man and proved an interesting speaker, Averages During the Month at the Various Divisions of the city.

The school report shows the follow-After a brief introduction, he said: God is the life and the light. Life is ing results during the month of Detherefore with God, for He created life. cember;

No man can have life without the light. Man cannot say he is living unless he possesses life. You may say to yourself, am I alive? The mere fact that you eat, see and walk does not demonstrate that you live; that demonstrates merely that you exist. Life begins with God, but never ends with man. Is he living who leads a disreputable life? No. Can that	Number present during month.	Average daily attendance.	Per cent. average daily attendance.	Per cent. perfect attendance.
man say he is living who spends his time	High school 204	170.41	\$3.50	2
in gambling, who takes from his pocket	Boys' Central 512	475.82	92.94	58
those wages which he earned by labor	Girls' Central 454	412.81	90.92	5
and which could well be spent for good	North Ward 380	346.30	91.13	5
purposes? Can that man say he is living	South Park 378	347.50	<i>J1.93</i>	6:
who cannot utter five words without tak-	Victoria West 223	206.29	92.50	5
ing the name of his God in vain? Can	Spring Ridge 181	157.01	86.74	6:
that man say he is living who cheats,	Hillside 119	101.87	85.51	4
steals, lies and defrauds? Hè cannot.	Kingston Street 144	135.49	94.09	6
Gloom will be his end. "Ler us look at the man who lives be-	Rock Bay 62	56.04	90.37	6
cause he has accepted the light. He has	Total2,657	2,409.54	90.65	

accepted that light and that faith to The average attendance was only a promuigate life, to foster that life for little over 90 per cent. This is ac-counted for in part by the fact that others. He who possesses the life of Christ in his soul hath eternal life. Nothere were a number of pupils who did thing is more pleasing to the Christian not attend at all during the month. In than to stand up manly and say: 'Yes, I 41 divisions out of the 65 there were feel the life and the inspiration of God over 50 per cent. of the pupils present "Have you ever been in a place and every day. These were as follows:

heard a man shout fire, and there is no High school, divisions 1 and 8. Boys' Central, divisions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, cry more terrorizing? Let it be in the house, the hotel, the hall or public meet-9, 11, 12.

Girls' Central, divisions 2. 3. 4. 6. 7 terror and fright aroused. And yet we 9, 10. North Ward, divisions 1, 3, 4, 6, 7,

The Torrey-Alexander campaign, which has stirred Plymouth to its "They are not pigs," said the presifour hours. In the afternoon the build-

and thousands had been unable to obtain admission. During the day nearly 400 persons professed to accept Christ, while the total number of recorded converts is over 3,000. charges through a narrow opening in their cages so that he might count

eight hundred, now shall I collect for set on fire with revival zeal. A few "Mr. Morgan, Head of Tariff Depart-ment," he wrote. "Why do I say Days

wo dollars for cabbage which they ike shall I put in bill for some what?" Morgan, head of the Tariff Depart-The pigs had all the rest of the room, ment, when he received this letter, and two boys were employed constant- barracks, reaching the gates just be-Mr. Morehouse hesitated. He bit his laughed. He read it again and became ly attending to them. The day after fore closing time at midnight. Among

The King's Choir

ENGLAND RINGS WITH "GLORY SONG"

aparoea while the common pig was the genius Sus of the family Suidae. He

Each night at the drill hall a body hastily building galleries around the of soldiers and sailors in their red and express office, tier above tier. He had blue uniforms occupied a particular four thousand and sixty-four guinea- section of the auditorium, and Mr. in pigs to care for. More were arriving Alexander called them his "King's Choir." Their favorite song was "Lean Immediately following his authorizaon His Arms," another popular one Flannery received this letter next tion the Audit Department sent an- being, "Stand Up for Jesus." At Mr. other letter, but Flannery was too busy Alexander's bidding they would stand to open it. They wrote another and up and sing lustily the verses of these then they telegraphed: hymns, while the great audience join-"Error in guinea-pig bill. Collect ed heartily in the chorus, making the for two gpinea-pigs, fifty cents. De- rafters reverberate with the vast volliver all to consignee." umne of melody. Flannery read the telegram and At the praise and experience meetings conducted by Mr. Alexander, some cheered up. He wrote out a bill as rapidly as his pencil could travel over of the soldiers did not hesitate to stand paper and ran all the way to the More- up and give their testimony. One night a Royal Marine stood up and house. At the gate he stopped suddensaid: "I want to tell you there is no The house stared at him with vaharder life to live than ours in the curtains and he could see into the service, but it is easy to live it when empty rooms. A sign on the porch you are trusting the Lord Jesus was Flannery. "So you've come to said, "To let." Mr. Morehouse had Christ." "Do they give you a hard time?" inquired Mr. Alexander. "Yes,' moved! Flannery ran all the way back to the express office. Sixty-nine replied the soldier, "they give us a hard time, but what is the use of carguinea-pigs had been born during his absence. He ran out again and made rying a cross if there is nothing to carry on it?" At this the audience twinty-foive cents for kebbages aten | Morehouse had not only moved, but he burst into loud applause. had left Westcote. Flannery returned The "Glory Song" Everywhere, to the express office and found that At the garrisons and barracks around two hundred and six guinea-pigs had Plymouth the "Glory Song" is heard entered the world since he left it. He everywhere. A Royal Marine told me wrote a telegram to the Audit Departthat at his barracks where there are 1,200 men, the soldiers sing it down in "Can't collect fifty cents for two the laundries as they wash their Dago pigs consignee has left town adclothes, and in the rooms as they scrub he door in Flannery's face. Flannery dress unknown what shall I do? Flanthe floors. I am told that in the Royal nerv. Naval Dockvard, where 9,000 men are The telegram was handed to one of employed, the "Glory Song" and other the clerks in the Audit Department, and as he read it he laughed. revival hymns have largely taken the place of music hall ditties. When a "Flannery must be crazy. He ought ship is being launched they sing songs to know that the thing to do is to reas 50 or 60 of them knock the stays turn the consignment here," said the Department, consulted the president of clerk. He telegraphed Flannery to from the keel with the aid of a long the Interurban Express Company re- send the pigs to the main office of the battering ram. When the first-class battleship Hibernia was launched recompany at Franklin. When Flannery received the telegram he set to work. The six boys he had engaged to help him also set to work. They worked with the haste of desperate men, making cages out of soap boxes, cracker boxes, and all kinds of boxes, and as fast as the cages were completed they filled them with guinea-pigs and expressed them to Franklin. Day after day the cages of guinea-pigs flowed in a steady under two rates is naturally due to be stream from Westcote to Franklin, and to pray. classed as the higher. But are guinea- still Flannery and his six helpers ripped and nailed and packed-relentlesseighty cases of guinea-pigs, and there this-are guinea-pigs of the domestic dred and four more pigs than when meetings that he made a special trip ly she had to await the leviathan coming "Stop sending pigs. Warehouse full,"

cently the men sang the "Glory Song" instead of some ribald tune as they swung the heavy ram and knocked the blocks from the keel. Some of the soldier-converts have to endure all sorts of ridicule and abuse at the hands of their comrades, but they have gone through the ordeal bravely. It is said that the soldiers sometimes hurl boots and other missiles at the converts as they kneel down To Save Others. One of the most striking features of ly and feverishly. At the end of the the work has been the way in which average a whale a day is still being Laughlin, of the Dominion Savings to the Eddystone lighthouse, fourteen to the surface dead before taking it in came a telegram to Flannery. He stoplonely men stationed there about the

the hull.

miles out in the ocean, to tell the three tow. The Queen City only went as far as meetings, and to urge them to give Ahousaht. On her return she had as

s from the districts named use and trample that life which is sent to them. The subject of the new School Act and

"Then it may be said: 'Doesn't this its relation to the trustees was fully disbody become pained and wrecked with cussed at the meeting. The general exdiseases?' Yes. But he who has life pression of opinion was that the schools merely passes into another state and that should have been supported by the inlife continues eternally. How do we know crease in the revenue tax from \$3 to \$5. these things? We know them by know-Serious objection was taken to the ing God. God who is infallible, the Maker duties imposed upon trustees, who were of the universe forced to forward the names of the rate-"To die without this life is to pass payers in the district and values of the into an aching pathway. Does it require properties to the assessor. It was repre-

within me.'

a sacrifice? Yes, but no man has ever sented that the trustees were really asked done a great work for the world or for himself without a sacrifice. Little is re-The three trustees named were appointquired and much is given to be received. ed to wait upon the provincial govern-In conclusion Dr. Cristion made a plea ment and represent the views of the for men to live rightly and according to the teachings of their Creator. He urged It is more than likely that at the election of school trustees on Thursday next men to embrace the teachings of Christ which would, said he, be to embrace the

the majority of the trustees now acting right manner of living and to gain life eternal. The provincial secretary, it is said, The Association quartette was present

gave the usual answer to the delegation and rendered an appropriate selection acto the effect that he would look into the ceptably.

"The Economics of the Liquor Traffic" will be the subject of a discourse by Dr. Ernest Hall next Sunday afternoon.

> Passengers To-Day Announce Their Safe Arrival.

brought to the city by the steamer Queen City on Sunday morning. The belt was There is some curiosity manifested found by an Indian named Charley Wil- in shipping circles over the amount of liam near Round Island on December salvage which the owners of the 25th. The inscription which it bore, ac- steamer Chehalis will claim for towing cording to the Indian, was "Palssed U.S. | the disabled steamer City of Puebla to York, Dec. San Francisco from a point a little to inspection, -13th, 1899." In this there is little to sig- the south of the Columbia river. It nify from what the belt came, for no is stated that the sum claimed will apname in the American shipping registry proximate \$40,000, but the award, it is is spelled "Palssed." The belt, if it has safe to predict, will be nothing like drifted in from sea, has probably come that amount. Including the crew from some wreck on the southern coast. there were over 200 people on the The remains of the Pass of Melfort Puebla, and in the litigation which is have been located by the Indians up pretty sure to arise over the settleagainst a bluff of rocks half way between ment of the claim, this fact, together Round Island and Amphitrite Point. They with the value of the property in dan lie in 36 feet of water with lower masts ger and the risk which the Chehalis standing. No attempt has been made at took are matters which will receive examining the hull, but as it is right in full consideration. While the City of the way of the ocean swell it is thought Puebla is off the San Francisco and that possibly the whole bottom is out of Victoria route, the steamer Valencia will take her place, having been The Queen City brought a big freight scheduled to leave the Golden Gate

from the Coast on the voyage just end- for this port this morning. ed. From the whaling station she had A number of telegrams were reas cargo 38 tons of fertilizer, the first ceived to-day from the Victoria passhipment of this product to arrive from sengers aboard the City of Puebla, anthe station, and 20 barrels of oil. Busi- nouncing to their relatives here their came up for discussion. The election ness at the station has been conducted in safe arrival at San Francisco. Among recent weeks without interruption. On an others heard from were J. H. Mcfervid zeal to save others. A pastor and the Orion in landing her prize broke Mrs. Gray and daughters are on a

Victoria West, divisions 2, 3, 5, 6. Spring Ridge, divisions 1, 2, 3, 4, Kingston street, divisions 1, 2, 3. Rock Bay, divisions 1, 2.

The divisions which reached 95 per cent. and over are as follows: High school, division 1, 98; Boys' school division 9, 96; division 11, 97; division 12, 95; Girls' school, division 2, 95; division 10, 96: North Ward division 1, 95; division 4, 96; Victoria West, division 4, 96; Spring Ridge, division 2, 96;. Kingston street, division 1, 96.

ACCIDENTAL DEATH

Was Verdict Returned at Inquest Into Circumstances of Goldstream Fatality-Funeral To-Day.

An inquest was held this morning to nvestigate the circumstances of the death of Harry S. Ward, the late chief engineer of the B. C. Electric Railway Company's power house at Goldstream on Friday afternoon. As readers of the Times will remember, Mr. Ward met with a fatal accident while perfecting the alignment of one of the switch boards, his hands coming in contact with the copper. Instant death result-ed. Three witnesses were examined before Coroner Hart, namely, Messrs. Ward and Collier, two assistants, and Supt. G. M. Tripp, as an expert. The former told practically the same story that has been detailed in these columns, while the latter described the

plant, the character of the switchboard and how it was possible for a person, through momentary forgetfulless or carelessness, to receive a charge of electricity which would be fatal. A verdict of accidental death was returned.

The funeral has been arranged to take place from the Masonic temple, Douglas street, this afternoon.

ANNUAL MEETING

Officers Elected by the Ministerial Association This Morning.

There was a full attendance at the annual meeting of the Ministerial Association held this morning at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, Broad street. Rev.

G. K. B. Adams, the president, occupied the chair, and, after the usual routine business, quite a number of matters of more than usual importance of officers resulted in the selection of Rev. Leroy Dakin, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist church, to the presidency. The retiring official, Rev. Mr. Adams, delivered an appropriate address before inviting his successor to the chair. Rev. H. Carson, of the Congregational church, was reapppointed secretary

After the transaction of busines disabling his right arm. The duel lasted there was a general adjournment to appetizing repast had been prepared.

A dispatch from Paris says: During a duel with swords on Thursday Major unanimously. Dryant twice wounded General Percin.

LIFE BELT FOUND. Bears an Inscription, but This Cannot Be Identified-Pass of Melfort THE CITY OF PUEBLA. Telegrams Received From Victoria News of the finding of a life belt on