PEOPLE OF PRAIRIES

In His Travels Through the New Provinces, D. R. Ker, of Victoria Learns of Thousands Bent on Moving

The West the Magnet

coming the "residential seat of Canada." The West the Magnet The oft-repeated statement to the ef-fect that "the trend of immigration was westward" was éndorsed by Mr. Ker. People were coming into the Northwest in thousands. Up to within a year or so the largest number had halled from the congested centres of the eastern and mid-dle States. Now they were arriving from the Old Country in larger numbers than heretofore. In fact streams were flowing from all directions. But the country was so vast that they were com-paratively speaking, lost sight of. The casual observer could form no accurate estimate of the extent of the immigration on that account. There was no doubt, however, that it was increasing by leaps and bounds. No homesteads could be procured now in the immediate neigh-borbood of such cities as Edmonton and Calgary. To get land in such localities the settlers had to purchase from the railway companies, most of which had grant hat quite a few were unable to ob-tain accommodation. They had to put up tents and live in the open despite the extreme low temperature experienced at this time of the year. It was somewhat i of this exceedingly busy town, dotted here and lives in the open despite the extreme low temperature experienced at this time of the rearried, to see the streets of this exceedingly busy town, dotted here and here with canvas houses. This demonstrated, more clearly them any-thing eise, the rapidity of the growth of that section. Agriculture in Alberta

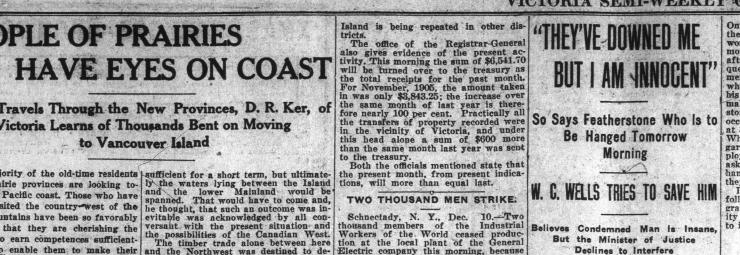
<text> Schnectady, N. Y., Dec. 10.—Two thousand members of the Industrial Workers of the World ceased produc-tion at the local plant of the General Electric company refused to reinstate three members of the union, two of whom had been discharged for inefficiency and trou-ble with a foreman, and one who had re-signed and wanted to be re-employed after his resignation had been accepted. **CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO**

Walls Collapse, One Man Killed, Several Injured and the

Victoria's Future Assured The extension of the C. P. R. to the West coast and the establishment by that railway of a seaport in that locality would not be detrimental to this city, in the opinion of Mr. Ker. Rather, he the opinion of Mr. Ker. Rather, he chants the same rates as they accorded toss engaging in business at the pros-pective township. Then Victorians would have the advantage of the compet-titive line of steamers plying between the Sound and the Orient, which always called here, and which, under such com-ditions, would have more reason than at present time for including this port as one of their ports of call. What bene-tited and tended towards the advance-ment of Vancouver Island as a whole would help Victoria's commercial inter-ests. While he balared thet Vintoria mould

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VICTORIA SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST



Declines to Interfere

The scaffold is almost complete, the public executioner is on hand, and in the Austrians.

provincial jail yard, tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock, Robert Styles Featherstone, convicted of the murder of Mary Jane Dalton, at South Wellington, on July Dalton, at South Wellington, on July 29, will pay the extreme penalty of the

law. The condemned man calmly awaits the fatal hour, still asserting that he is

not known. It is believed the condemned man wil make a short statement on the scaffo affirming his inforcence; but he will not speak long. As he recently stated "There's no use in prolonging the agony." Although in the shadow of the

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On several occasions he left his work on the instant because he thought other workmen were slurring his capabilities; more than once he akawened Mr. Wells after midnight to report some inconse-quential statement made by other work-men regarding him. On one occasion, when a mill hand missed a razor from his shack, one of the others said: "Let's make believe we think 'Crazy' Feather-stone took it." And they did. On that occasion Featherstone äwoke the owner at 3 a. m, to tell him of the accusation. When Mr. Wells was recently in Cal-gary, he wet a mill foreman who had em-ployed the condemned man, and was asked by him: "They're not going to hang that crazy Featherstone, are they?" Last evening Mr. Wells received the ALDERMEN CRY HALT Call His Worship to Order, Defeat His Liquor Bylaw, and The city council, by voting down the by-law submitted by Mayor Morley, Monday evening decided that Victoria is not in need of any further amend-mort to the ligner licence regulations.

they?" Last evening Mr. Wells received the following reply to his message: "Tele-gram received. No suggestion of insan-ity indicated in evidence. Feel unable to interfere. A. B. Aylesworth."

FATAL EXPLOSION.

ments to the liquor licence regulations. The question was taken up on an adjourned debate on the motion ask-ing leave to introduce the by-law, and permission was refused by a vote of to to 4. His Worship and Aldermen Fell, Hall and Fullerton voted in the affirmative; and Aldermen Douglas, Stewart, Yates. Vincent and Davey in the negative. His Worship, in introducing the mo-tion, said there was a mistaken idea Kenora, Ont., Dec. 10.—A fatal explosion occurred in a construction camp today, one man being killed and five injured, two seriously. All were

Stewart, Yates, Vincent and Davey in the negative. His Worship, in introducing the mo-tion, said there was a mistaken idea regarding the by-law, as, with the exception of one clause, there was nothing in it that was not in the regu-lations of other cities. He asked that the by-law be considered clause by clause, and the clauses that were ab-solutely necessary he would like to see pass. TO THE EDUCATION BILL Mayor Wants Fair Play Ald. Fell said he was going to vote gainst the motion. The by-law that he had introduced had been with-

he had introduced had been with-drawn because it had gone too far, and in his opinion the Mayor's meas-ure went ten times as far. His Worship did not think it was fair that the by-law should be thrown out before it was discussed. Ald. Fell took exception to the re-marks of His Worship, who was con-tinually referring to "a square deal." In his opinion he received as fair a deal as any mayor was ever occupied the chair. the amendments to the education bill made in the House of Lords, which in-

cision of the cabinet to reject en bloc, the amendments to the education bill made in the House of Lords, which in dicates that the non-conformists influence was too strong for the government to withstand, seals the fate of the bill. Any compromise is now regarded as hopeled. Ald. Stewart was of the opinion that if the provincial act were carried out there would be sufficient restrictions. His worship ruled Ald. Stewart out there would be sufficient restrictions. His worship ruled Ald. Stewart out there would be sufficient restrictions. His worship ruled Ald. Stewart out of order. Ald. Stewart-it is rather funny that I am the only one out of order. Ald the other aldermen have spoken to divide the transment places the responsibility de question.
 REVOLT IN VENEZUELA.
 Nort De France, Martingue, Dec. 10. Tweevelan advices state that a service state that as earlues difference. Montilla have carpitred Barquesimeto, 160 miles east of Caracas. Gen. Haredes is said to have defeated the government troops at Coro.
 TO AFFILIATE WITH

"Dear Friends and Felle The year has folled aroun most thankfully and gladly you to this, the twelfth and of the Local Council of Wo toria and Vancouver Island. "It is a matter of great sa see that nearly all, if not twenty-nine affiliated societ

sonally represented here to this fact betokens an of amount of vitality and interst encouraging considering home-makers, this is quit our nome-makers, this duties season of the year. From thank you for the efforts you and the planning that has sary to make it possible f you to attend this annual me

Friday, December 14,

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Representatives of 29

PRESIDENT'S INSTRUCTIN

Various Reports Presen

The twelfth annual

10 a. m. in the Carnegie ing, before a large and

Local Council of Women of

ancouver Island opened

audience, with silent prayer.

was appointed press secre

sessions, and the following

next welcomed as having a

The Alexandra club, the

sis society, the Victoria

Patrons-Mrs. James Dun Crease, Mrs. Perrin and Mr Life members-Mrs. J. L.

Perrin, Mrs. J. Robson, Mr Individual members-Mrs

Berkeley, Mrs. Beaven, Mrs. Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. (Dr.) C A. D. Cameron, Mrs. Ha Stadthagen, Miss Smith, Mrs. Mrs. Tennant, and Mrs. F

Mrs. Tennant, and Mrs. H Officers—Honorary preside Robson; president, Mrs. R. responding secretary, Mrs. ford; recording secretary, kins; treasurer, Mrs. W. vice president, Mrs. E. R second vice president, Mrs. third vice president, Miss O vice president, Mrs. Justin fifth vice president, Miss M Affiliated societies—The the W. C. T. U. Home, the cue Home, the Y. M. C. a the Woman's Auxiliary, P. pital, the Mothers' Club, the serv Society, the Friendly ciation, the Staff Girl's Ce the Daughters of Pity, P. pital, the Aged Woman's Anti-Tuberculosis Society, T.

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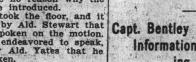
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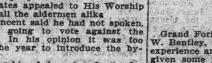
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Friday, December 14, 1906.

ON MAYOR'S POLICY

counts amounting to \$4,687.

The report was adopted.

Chambers streets.

received and ordered paid. The electric light committee

The electric light committee recom-mended that lights be installed at the corner of Camosan and Johnson, Nort Pembroke and North Pandora, Claredo and Niagara, Powell and Michigan, Mor treal and Michigan and North Park an

Grocers' Liquor Licences

Grocers' Liquor Licences It was moved by Ald. Hall that a ref-erendum be taken on the question. Shall regulations be passed to prevent the sale by retail in stores of spirituous and fer-mented liquors (bottle license) except in premises devoted exclusively thereto? The motion was carried, Alds, Hall, Fullerton, Vincent and Yates voting are and Alds. Stewart, Fell and Douglas in the newstive.

the negative. Ald. Stewart called attention to the

Administer Rebuke For Creating Impression

That City is Bad

ary Circle, the F Church Ladies Aid, Presbyterian Church Centenary Missionary, the Church Ladies. Aid, the St. church Ladies, Aid, the St. the James Bay Ladies Aid, dra Club. The order o Daughters was also represen comed, though not as yet a President's Addre

SHOWING IN OUR WINDOWS TODAY-SELLING 13 TOMO RROW.

B. C. FRUIT ON SALE IN EDINBURGH

Herewith is reproduced in fac-minlie an advertisement appearing in the Edinburgh Scotsman of November 19. The paper containing the same was sent to Hon. R. G. Tatlow by R. M. Palmer, who is in charge of the British Columbia fruit exhibit in the

As in former years, with an eye to our CUSTOMERS' ADVAN-TAGE, we have purchased some of the Exhibits at the CHRYSAN-THEMUM SHOW, Waverley Market; among them the Important STAND of PRIZE APPLES shown by the GOVERNMENT OF

APPLES AT MAULE'S !--- WHY NOT?

of Women. "It has been customary to our agenda, year after year idents address,' and although tempted to thlak it was an item which might be dispens A did not feel that I had a depart from the custom and sibly deprive you of the win ful words of future presi-might hesitate to return to which had been allowed to "The corresponding secret which had been allowed to "The corresponding secret which will be presented to yo noon will deal in detail win attempted and carried on du year, while the booklets whi for distribution will give you of the work accomplished dur twelve years through the co forts of the women of this co not here today to give the ro of the council, it has long ago

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"We have set before us watchward 'Altior,' leads us higher,' ever 'higher,' until hope to approach nearer to unity. "The union of all for all and God over all.' An conveys the true meaning which our local council stat." It has been truly said tion or community can rise stand upon the threshold of a of work, as it is outlined in which we hold in our hands, on the searchlight and revie and as we do so, let use ask before us_do the solid of a of any nearer to the spirit of its women and so the searchlight and revie and as we do so, let use ask before us_to the spirit of its women and so the solid of a of any nearer to the spirit of a spin ask. How can your of the you? The to any any nearer to the spirit of the you? The to any nearer to the spirit of the spir

"It may be that some of are in danger of becoming in their own work that they ent to the larger subjects our attention today, for in