JAPANESE VOLCANO COMMISSION BOARD

Sikura, Where Greatest Losses Occurred, Cannot Be Visited.

TEMPLES WERE WRECKED

Loss of Life As Yet Unknown, But It Is Feared Will Be Very Heavy---One Boat Saved 300

[Canadian Press.]

Tokio, Jan. 14.-Official reports this afternoon from southern Japan, where volcanic eruptions and earthquakes have caused heavy loss of life, panic and great property damage, are that the eruption of the volcano of Sakura-Jima, which has caused the most devastation, is abating.

Just how heavy has been the loss of life cannot yet be estimated. Sakura, where the greatest loss of life undoubtedly occurred, cannot visited because the eruption Sakura-Jima continues. Troops and warships are now in the vicinity and a search of the island will be made at the first opportunity.

Kagoshima, the nearest big city to Sakura, while it suffered great damage from the earthquake, doe's not appear to have sustained a severe loss of life; Ijuan, former Japanese minister to China, who lives in Kagoshima, sent a despatch to the foreign office in which he said that ten persons have been killed and thirty injured and also stated that the greatest confusion prevailed in the city.

GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE DOWN Other telegrams report that the barracks, governor's residence and the temples were among the buildings wrecked in Kagoshima. The soldiers are camped in the squares of the city while the population has sough refuge in the shrines and temples in the hills.

POSTOFFICE COLLAPSES.

The postoffice was one of the first buildings to collapse in Kagoshima at the start of the earthquake disturb-The staff escaped, and after the first panic erected a hut in field and are now busily engaged repairing the telegraph equipment. Kagoshima is protected from loot ers by patrols of police and troops. FOREIGNERS SAFE.

All foreigners who were in the vicinity are safe. Several missionaries were stationed at Kagoshima.

A TERRIFYING SIGHT. Sakura-Jima, at the height of its follows: eruption, is pictured in reports as a ntain of fire. The air is thick with ashes and smoke. police and soldiers of Kagoshima, soon after the disturbance began, made many rescues from the island The people at first did not seem to realize their danger and were slow in trying to escape. is feared that many were killed before reaching the seashore. Thousands, pursued by a rain of flery stones, knelt on the beach, half subin water and gesticulated wildly to the steamer, and fishing One small steamer boats for aid. saved 300 persons while the other also did noteworthy rescue

The Japanese destroyers that were despatched to the scene were unable to complete the journey. Stormy weather and high seas compelled them to return to Sazebo. The second squadron of armored cruisers, consisting of three, was then hurriedly sent off and is expected to reach Kagoshima tonight. Thick atmosphere, for the moment, interferes with wireless reports.

SENDING SUPPLIES TO REFUGEES Official advices from Kumamoto dated vesterday, reported that place shrouded with ashes from the eruption of Sakura-Jima. Energies there are directed toward the repair of the railroad, so that water and rice may be sent to the hungry refugees near

Kagoshima With the distress caused by the volcanic eruptions and earthquakes in the south and serious famines in the north, the government is bending every energy to relieve the double affliction. Naval vessels, with food and other supplies, will be sent as speedily as possible

In Tokio this morning a sulphurous odor in the air was followed by squalls, thunders and rain. The storm is attributed to the disturbed meteorological conditions resulting from the earth disturbances in the

WHOLE VILLAGE PERISHED? [Canadian Press.]

Miyazaki, Japan, Jan. 14.-A party of refugees from the stricken island of Sakura in the Gulf of Kagoshima arrived here today and reported that the inhabitants of 300 houses composing the village of Seto on that island, lost their way in trying to reach the seashere and escape, and probably all perished together.
The refugees believe also that many

others were drowned in trying to swim across the gulf to Kagoshima. The volcano of Sakura-Jima is said to have completely changed its form, several new craters having opened.

The hail of ashes ceased here today rain has cleared the atmosphere.

Others With Specific Du ies.

[Canadian Press.]

Edmonton, Jan. 14 .- The city couneil endorsed the recommendation of entire city commission board composed of A. G. Harrison, A. J. Mcers, each with specific duties. son Bay stores here, was chosen com-Bryce J. Saunders, commissioner of re-appointed and given charge of their rights in such cases.

ABERDEEN ASSOCIATION

Hold Fourteenth Annual Meeting on Tue:day-Good Work In Northern Ontario.

The fourteenth annual meeting of the London Branch of the Aberdeen Association was held on Tuesday in the city hall with a large attendance of members. Reports showed good work last year among the new settlers in New Ontario, where the work of the association is carried on. Applications are frequently sent in from families living where there is neither church nor school, asking for books, and the association appreciates donations of

any good volumes.

The election of officers held sulted as follows: Mrs. H. A. Boomer, Mrs. Beck and Mrs. C. M. R. Graham, honorary presidents; Mrs. Jeffrey Hale, president; Mrs. Yarker and Mrs. Jerdon, Miss Fraser. Mrs. Saunders and Miss Nelles, vice-presidents; Miss Waugh, treasurer: Miss Jeffrey, recording secretary; Miss McMillan, corresponding secretary; Miss Boyd, convener of parcel committee.

Perry David Again Elected District Master, With Harry Bennett as Deputy.

The annual meeting of the district Orange Lodge of London, No. 1, was held last night in the new lodge rooms, corner Dundas street and the Market lane. The suite of rooms has been fitted up with new furnishings and is of a pleasing ap-pearance. The election of officers was as

District Master-Wor. Bro. Perry David (re-elected). District Deputy Master - Wor. Bro. Harry Bennett. Chaplain-Wor. Bro. Rev. Samuel E. McKegney. Deputy Chaplains—Wor. Bros. Rev. T. B. Clarke, Rev. J. Dagg Scott, Rev. W. C. Riddiford, Rev. S. E. Heakes, Rev. E.

Recording Secretary-Wor, Bro. George Financial Secretary-Wor, Bro. A. E. Director of Ceremonies-Wor, Bro. F. H.

Lecturer-Wor. Bro. H. Murray Deputy Lecturer—Wor. Bro. James Hill.
The election was conducted by Past
County Master W. B. Walker, assisted by Wer. Bro. George Geoghegan, past master of L. O. L. No. 230. The officers will be installed next Monday evening.

U"STUDENTS TO GET TANGO OFF THEIR CHES

Dance Tonight Will Be Tangois tic to The Core---Latest Declension of Word.

The tango craze has struck Western University. The latest stunt is himself. declining the word tango, as per, ango, tangeri, turki, trotum. Whether this activity is part of the curriculum has not been stated, but

he students are said to be sitting up nights getting the declination down pat. Tonight the fourth year medical students will give a dance in the new Masonic Temple and it will be a tango party of the first water. local physician told The Advertiser yesterday that a number of those

comprising the flower of the younger generation, had a considerable accumulation of tangoese on their chests and it was considered advisable to get it off. The dance tonight be tangoistic to the core, and the great ballroom fancy will be danced

GIVEN A COLD DIP.

New York, Jan. 14.-Captain A. J. Baltaban, owner and skipper of the tug, Robert White, and the five men in his crew, were thrown into the Hudson, when they were run down by the ferryboat, Suffern, of the Erie Railroad. All were rescued, half dead, from immersion in the freezing

DROPPED DEAD AT FIRE.

Toronto, Jan. 13 .- J. G. Miles, whose woodworking building, along with two other buildings, was destroyed by fire

The half of ashes ceased here today other buildings, was destroyed by fire sadly handicapped by the work of Jack after lasting for 36 hours, and a heavy today, dropped dead while watching it Frost. Appointing an Executor

Which is the better, to burden one man or to give the business to a company which makes a specialty of these details? The surer, safer plan is to employ the services of a reliable company. This company solicits your favorable consideration when making your will.

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GERMAN MINISTER EXPOUNDS THE LAW

Edmonton Will Now Appoin, Says No M litary Intervention Possible In Bavaria Without Civil Request.

[Canadian Press.]

Munich, Jan. 14.-Intervention by the military authorities without a rea special committee and dismissed the quisition by the civil authorities would not be permissible in Bavaria, the war mnister, Baron Kress Von Kres-Lean and John Chalmers. It was senstein declared in the chamber yesthen decided to appoint commission- terday. His declaration followed general discussion of the Zabern af-Booth, until now manager of Hud- fair. He said the regulations governing interposition by the military aumissioner of health and safety and Bryce J. Saunders, commissioner of so clear that he did not believe officers public works. John Chalmers was could harbor any doubts concerning

The war minister also asserted that he had had no part in the recent press agitation aimed at an attempt to represent Germany's armaments as in-

ELECTS 1914 OFFICERS ONE BANK FAILURE CAUSES SECOND RUN

Other Banks Assist Swiss Institution to Withstand Withdrawals.

[Canadian Press.] Berne, Switzerland, Jan. 14.-The failure of the Credito Ticinez has resulted in a formidable financial panic There was a heavy run yesterday on the Caisse D'Epargne et de Prets, more than 2,000,000 francs being withdrawn in a few hours. The Swiss National and other banks are placing funds at the disposal of this bank to enable it to weather the storm.

Some Icy Comments [BY J. FROST.]

It was cold last night They Got It. Anyway, the man who wanted it colder

Has Second Wind Although Jack Frost may have taken emporary breathing spell, there is every ndication to show that he has found hi

Some Exercise. Speaking of healthy, vigorous, out-door exercise, there are the firemen.

"Simply Warm." Some things are naturally and others are simply warm.

Impromptu Marathons People who claim no Marathon laurels, Hotel Stables Also Consumed evertheless did some fancy sprinting from car to office this morning. They vere mostly late, at that,

"We Should Worry." The ice man, the coal man and the plumber are basking in one glad, halo of joy these days. "We should worry

Cheers for Stokers. All eyes looked with friendly interest t the diminutive stoves of the London Street railway. When the conductor op- broke out about two o'clock. ened the door to throw in another piece

lcy Games.

Poor Coppers. Pity the policeman on his beat.

n persuading the passengers to "move

Just Find Out.

The 985643274th person who called up the "keeper" of the long-suffering weather bureau, was told to stand in the street with his coat off and ascertain for

Used An Axe. Milk bottles, yielding to the persuasive eloquence of Jack Frost sent up their predicament should another fire break out. creamy? contents this morning. In all eases, the milk conformed to the graceful curves of the container and didn't look bad either when served on the table in that manner. Only instead of pouring, people helped themselves with

Better Learn the Tango The mercury has been quite skittish of late, and may now be expected to take lessons so that it can fall sideways as well as down

Poor Little Germs. And besides, any spare germs that are novering about may be frozen.

Back Together. men are never satisfied. example take the man who grumbled because his nose and ears got cold at the

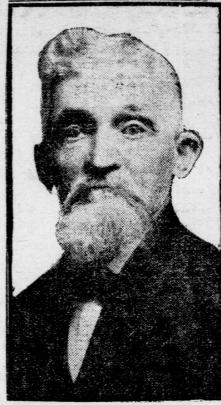
Stores Dual Duty. Question-Do the street cars carry thermometers Answer-No, the stoves have always given satisfaction

No Use For Display. Merchants can now remove their displays from the windows. They are

TORONTO MEN VICTIMS OF BIG AUTO SWINDLE

[Canadian Press.] Toronto, Jan. 13.—Fellowing the arrest in Edwardsville, Ill., on Monday of J. C. Walker, a man who apparently, under the name of Mrs. Elizabeth E Walker. has been putting over a huge automobile swindle, many people in Toronto and throughout the province are looking at their bank accounts and bemoaning the loss of amounts ranging from \$250 to As far as is known at the present time, there is no Mrs. Walker, and wardsville, Ill., was received by a swindler with rather novel ideas of getting rich

Has Been Reading The Advertiser for More Than 50 Years



William Richardson, a resident of Arkona, Lambton County, is another pioneer reader of The Advertiser. He is a staunch Canadian and a loyal supporter of Western Ontario. He was born near Hamilton in 1833, but soon re-moved, with his parents, to Westminster Township, where he resided until 35 years

At that time he removed to Arkona where he resides at present. He was an Advertiser subscriber when the paper was known as The Liberator in the year 1858, and has followed the progress of the paper ever since.

"I have always been a reader of The Advertiser," he said, "and I always will read it. I have watched the paper grow, and there is a vast difference between the finished paper of today and the journal at the time of its inception.'

Fire-fighting Apparatus All Lost In Burning Building.

IN HEART OF THE TOWN

and Other Buildings Threat-

[Special to The Advertiser.] Listowel, Jan. 14.—Fire effecting \$10,000 damages wiped out the town hal stables of the Grand Central Hotel and seriously scorched or partly burned the implement warehouse of Robert Marks, and other nearby buildings, between two and four o'clock this morning. The fire broke out about two o'clock. The origin ened the door to throw in another piece is unknown, but it is thought it was prob-of coal, there were many wild signs of ably due to a defective furnace. One of the town constables fired up in the build-ing Tuesday in preparation for the divis-tion court, which should meet today. Be-fore Chief J. K. Wilson and the members Hockey spectators at the rinks last of the local fire brigade could reach the hight were few and far between Several hall, access to the part of the building players froze feet and hands while on the where all their fire-fighting apparatus ice.

was stored, had been shut off and all was lost in the flames.

Volunteers came to their assistance. bucket lines were formed and a strenuous contest was engaged in with the flames. No Trouble At All.

And to return to a painful subject, the street car conductors had little difficulty

No Trouble At All.

Calls for help were sent to Palmerston and Stratford, and brigades from these places arrived by special trains and assisted in extinguishing the fire. The Grand Central Hotel was saved by he hard work of the fire fighters, alhough it was badly scorched. The stables, which were totally destroyed, had a capac-ty for 300 horses. All the horses in the stable at the time were saved. The fire was brought under control about four clock. The buildings destroyed were

largely covered by insurance.

The fire was in the heart of the town and for a time threatened to destroy many of the nearby buildings. The town is now without any appliance whatever for fighting fire and would be in a serious Steps will be taken at once towards securing new apparatus.

BULGARIA CENSUS SHOWS

Only a Fraction of Men Left In Some Districts.

[Canadian Press.] Sofia, Bulgaria, Jan. 13. - A striking illustration of the terrible male section of that portion

human waste in war is shown by the latest Bulgarian census. The Macedonia allotted to Bulgaria was reduced during the hostilities 175,000 to 42,500. In Bulgarian Thrace, only 225,000 males remain out of a total before the war of 494,000, while in the district of Mustapha Pasha, where the fighting waged so long and flercely, only 4,000 males are left out of 33,000, the total before fighting

ONE DOLLAR AWARD FOR LOSS OF WIFE EUROPEAN POWERS

Result of Supreme Court Case In Vancouver-A Contrast.

[Canadlan Press.] Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 14.-John

Simpson was yesterday awarded one dollar in the supreme court for the all the money sent to that name at Ed- loss of his wife, when the steamer Cheslake went down a year ago off Vananda harbor. This award is in than the same court the previous day, when a woman was given \$6,000 for the loss of her husband in the same disaster.

[Canadian Press.]

Brindisi, Italy, Jan. 14.—The armored cruiser Francesco Feirucio has been ordered to Aviona to join the cruiser Iride and the armed yacht Misurata, now there with a view to possible complications in Albania, As far as can be found out, more than the same court the previous day. a half hundred people have bought one particular car, which was offered for the loss of her husband in the same sale by "Mrs. Walker."

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DIED IN NEW YORK Cuyler Hastings Was a Leading American Actor, and Well-

Cuyler Hastings, a former Parkhill boy, and a leading American actor, is dead in New York. He was 50 years of age, and was stricken with paralysis last August while playing in the cast of "The Woman." He last appeared in anada with Blanche Bates in "The Girl of the Golden West." Rev. Thos. H. Mitchell, of New St. James' Presbyterian Church, is a third cousin. Dr. Charles Hastings, medical officer health, Toronto, is a cousin, and brother, George W. Hastings, and

Known Here.

sister, reside in Toronto. Cuyler Hastings graduated from Os goode Hall with his brother Edward. but shortly afterward went on the stage. Both met with success, Edward was killed in a train collision at Omaha some years ago. Cuyler had supported Leslie Carter, Rhea, and

other famous actors. He was a personal friend of Mr. John S. Moore, of Wellington and Oxford streets, manager of the London and Western Trusts Company The funeral will be held at Parkhill.

GREAT INCREASE IN MISSIONARY GIVING

Canada and United States Give \$50,000,000 More Annually Than 8 Years Ago.

[Canadian Press.] New York, Jan. 14.-Churches in the United States and Canada are giving into the prison and ordered the turnkey at least \$50,000,000 more annually for to open his cell. missionary work than they gave eight years ago, according to J. Campbell White, general secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, who was one of the speakers at the third annual dinner of the members, officers and friends of the home and foreign mission boards of the United States and Canada, held here last night. A strongly hopeful and optimistic view was taken by the speakers, who included Rev. Dr. Alfred Gandier, principal of Knox College, Toronto.

al Man Financed Counterfeiting Scheme.

[Canadian Press.] Montreal, Jan. 14.—That a Montreal udge and a man high up in Montreal raternal circles, will be exposed as the fraternal refers, will be exposed as the financiers of the Joliette counterfeiting scheme, was the sensational declaration made yesterday afternoon by Arthur Gagne, father of one of the six accused, who were arrested on December 18 last. "Grignon and my boy are the only ones who knew anything about this affair," said Mr. Gagne. "The others know nothing. But the people at the head of the thing have not come to my boy's help when he needed it. They have been opposed to his being granted bail. They are afraid if he gets out he will tell something I am tired of this. I have kept my mouth shut a long time. My boy is a mere baby. Either he gets off, or all are convicted, and all means some pretty rominent people in Montreal." Mr. Gagne returned to the city yester day in company with Alban Germain, K. C., who is acting as counsel for the ac-

WATCHING ALBANIA

Italy and Germany Send Cruisers and Warships, Fearing Complications.

[Canadian Press.]

Graphically Describes Horrors of Russia's Political Dungeons.

THE SOLDIERS HARD LOT

Conscripts Beaten Like Prisoners and Subjected to Utmost Brutality, -

Chained with fron bands around his waist and ankles, and able only to move by carrying in his hands the 40pound weight to which his chains were attached, James B. Hearn, of 769 Dundas street, who was instrumental in securing the release of Benjamin Greisoch, the young Jew held at Halifax last week, from a similar fate, spent three months in a Russian subterranean prison underneath the River Neva in the city of St. Petersburg. Russian prisons are frequently built under rivers, to lessen the chance of the prisoners escaping by tunnelling

their way out. Liberated By Students. Mr. Hearns was a student at Moscow University in 1903-1904, when the students and professors were all sent to prison in St. Petersburg for circulating an appeal to the people to demand a more democratic government He made his escape by the assistance of other members of a students' secret organization, who, dressed in soldiers' and guards' uniforms, marched boldly

Become Settlement Worker. Mr. Hearns escaped to America in 904, and spent four months as a setlement and social worker in Chicago. He attended the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Chicago, and spent two years at the university of Denver, where he also taught Semitic languages. He speaks freely some eight

languages in all.

Orders To Shoot. Familiar with conditions which prevail in the Russian army, he graphically described to The Advertiser today the conditions similar to which young Benjamin Greisoch escaped from. After a recruit passes the medical xamination he is held like a prisoner for three months or more. Then he is sent in the custody of another soldier to bring his belongings from his home. If he attempts to escape, the soldier with him has orders to shoot to kill. Says He and Prominent Fratern- He is then sent to another part of the country for four years' service. This is so he will not hesitate to fire on the populace when ordered to.

Filthy Prison. The prisons are filthy and swarm with vermin, especially in the summer when the soldiers go to camp, and the insects, feeling the pangs of hunger, come out from the cracks and crevices and crawl about in myriads. The so!diers sleep on bare, slanting floors, lying as close together as they can. In their four-years' service they get one month's vacation at home, but must report daily to the local adjutant. drill if they misunderstand or make a slight mistake, they are struck with the fists of the sergeant, and if they raise their hand to ward off the blow they go to prison for three or four months. Frequent flogging is a commonplace experience in the Russian

Escaped While Securing Luggage. Young Greisoch escaped when sent to his home for his luggage. An agent or intermediary generally effects such scapes by detaining the soldier in charge of the new recruit with funny stories or other entertainment, while the recruit is presumably packing his grip in another room-but really es caping through a window.

EVICTED FROM HOME. Hamilton, Jan. 18 .- Mrs. Gibson, this city, was today, in spite of the cold weather, evicted from her house, and her furniture was dumped into the

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Stalls 10, 11, 12, Market House, Phone 2009, 87 Wellington Street. Phone 1057. RAILWAY STRIKE IN PORTUGAL. [Canadian Press.]

Lisbon, Portugal, Jan. 14 .- The entire railroad service in Portugal was suspended today owing to the declaration of a general strike by the em-ployees. About one-third of the rail