

FROM THE ORIENT.

Not to Meddle With the Poy-Wise Chinese Vicery.
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AWARD BUT ONE-HALF.

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Suggestion That the Commissioners Compromise on the Paris Award With Interest Since.

WASHINGTON DECLARES THAT THE SEALERS GET INTEREST BUT NO PROSPECTIVE DAMAGES.

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TO LADIES.

One lady in each town or village of the Empire is suffering from the disease which will develop the part of the female form which is the most delicate and beautiful. Write to-day for Dr. G. M. Wilson's 'The Female System'...

SMOKERS.

THE OLD RELIABLE.
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WEAKNESSES AND INFLAMMATIONS.

Do you feel more tired in the morning than you do at night? Do you have melancholy, poor memory, shy, despondent, nervous, or suffer from Nervous Debility, or are you troubled with indigestion, or do you feel that you cannot get on your feet? If you want a little tonic, or if you want to be cured of any of these ailments, call or write for our 'Cure Circulars'...

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THREE CENT SCHEME FAILS.

And Letters to Great Britain and the Colonies Will Be Charged the Usual Postage.
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Mr. R. B. Franklin, of Wisconsin, one of those interested in the gold discoveries at Dyea, was a partner on the City of Seattle yesterday. His company, including John S. Fulmore, of New York; Chas. Phelps, of Great Britain; Geo. W. Johnson, of Pennsylvania; and R. B. Franklin, has, he states, sold their interests for \$5,000 each. The purchaser was the well known Mr. J. Smith, representing a New York syndicate, and who had been out to examine the property with the result that the deal was consummated. The mine is a placer proposition, and Mr. Franklin says it shows from eight to nine colors of lake gold to the pan.

THE WASHINGTON VERSION.

The Award Represents Actual Loss With Interest Without Anything for Prospective Damages.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The official statement of the award of the sealing commissioners is contained in the following announcement given out at the state department this afternoon: The award of the Behring sea claims commission has been filed in the department of state. The claims as presented by the British government to the commissioners as account of Canadian vessels seized by Behring sea aggregated with interests \$1,500,000. This included under the terms of the treaty several cases not embraced in the settlement proposed by Mr. Gresham. The award now made amounts to \$294,181.91, to which is to be added interest, which will increase the total by about 50 per cent. The Secretary of State has announced that the award is to be made within six months. Departmental officials, it is assumed, will proceed at once to prepare a bill of amendment to one of the regular appropriation bills for submission to congress, covering the appropriation necessary to pay the award. The bill is bound by treaty not only to pay any judgments rendered but to pay them promptly, the government is in honor bound to take the remaining steps in the settlement in short order. There appears to be little doubt that the United States has carried its point on the main question involved, viz, as to the right to

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MR. TARTE CORNERED.
His Defiance Promptly Accepted by Prominent Liberals of Quebec.
Many Members of Parliament and Senators Quite Reconciled to His Departure.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS.

List of Those at the Victoria Post Office on the Evening of December 22.
A—Mrs. M. Adams, H. A. Adams, Capt. J. F. Armstrong, H. Ashby, J. Bay, Francis Bayley, J. M. Beaumont, Thos. Blaney, G. W. Brewster, E. A. Burton, Wm. Bucknam, H. F. Burgess, D. J. Eburn, L. Belland, C. W. Clark, Donald Campbell, J. Casey, Mrs. Charter, Mrs. or Miss Annie Cheatham, S. Child, Chozo, Jas. W. Clouston, Jno. Corston, Lieut. J. K. Cowley, Geo. Cullen, C. H. Dakin, J. A. Dible, C. Dias, H. Douglas, L. B. Douson, Harry Dowsett, E. M. Dora Eaton, R. J. Edders, T. Emerson, W. Emerson, Chas. Erickson, J. E. Esmond, Mrs. Jane Evans, G. A. Fenner, Mrs. M. Frauer, J. A. Fraser, G. Mrs. P. Gallagher, Miss M. Garpyle, C. B. George, Mrs. Gilbert, Son, Goro, T. G. Goss, Alex. Grant, Jesse M. Grady, Grosse, Frank & Co., H. Chas. Hall, Otto Hallack, N. Hanlon, A. Y. Harrod, Jno. Hayward, Dan Hatlie, Miss J. Hilliard, Hungson, Esq., D. T. Hughes, J. D. E. Irvine, S. Inukki, J. H. James, J. Jennings, Johnson, A. Johnson, J. H. Johnson, W. D. Jones, C. Jones, K. Kwong On Chow, I. Jno. Lambert, W. H. Larier, J. G. Leiber, Lever Bros., Miss B. Loveland, Gilbert Lyon, M. J. C. Malher, Marks Matthews, Jas. Mathews, K. McNeil, E. Metcalfe, J. M. Koo, Jno. F. Morner (2), B. E. Murray, J. Murdoch, M. J. G. McDonald, Malcolm McLeod, Murdoch McLeod, Mrs. M. McLaren, N. Cap. Nelson, S. Nishimura, Nicholas, J. Nighthale, North, J. H. O'Brien, Alfred Nobis, Jas. Nobis, Mrs. Jas. Noble, O. R. Orano, P. A. Parry, W. J. Patterson, H. G. Phillips (2), Thos. Possibile, Preston Parson in Co., Frank Pratt, Frank Paville, Wm. Pringle, Pugh, Stewart, J. H. Stewart, Q. Mrs. or Miss K. Q. en, R. P. Rampley, Miss Ida Rhode, Richard Reil, Geo. Richardson, Mrs. M. D. Roche, Hugh Russell, S. K. Saksak, S. Salmond, Son Lee, Son Long, Adolph Schwarz, Frank Shion, J. A. Skinner & Co., C. D. Smith, T. E. W. Smith, Mrs. Boyle Somerville, W. H. Soren, Mrs. H. Soren