MORE CRUISERS ARE REQUIRED

TO PROTECT FISHING INTERESTS OF B. C.

Marine Department Will Supply Two Fast Vessels to Supplement Kestrel.

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—The New England Fish Company, a Boston concern, has been carrying on a large business in halibut through Vancouver, for a number of years. This company was one of the pioneers in this branch of the fishing industry, and was the first to demonstrate that the halibut of the North Pacific could be transported across the continent and placed in the Eastern market of the United States in successful competition with the halibut of the Atlantic. Notwithstanding the enormous handicap of the express freight charge, Pacific halibut have displaced the Atlantic fish, and this has been brought about largely by the enterprise of the New England Fish Company, whose local manager had carefully investigated the conditions long before the Boston company decided to embark in the carrying of coals to Newcastle experiment of hauling fish four thousand miles by rail to the greatest fish market on the continent. Competition was made possible because of the greater abundance of Pacific halibut, larger catches, shorter voyages and conveniences to trans-shipment at Vancouver.

The success of this American company, which has been doing business through a Canadian port, has led to competition, and not a little opposition has been given to the company, on the ground that it enjoyed special privileges and advantages.

The all-embracing policy of the American government in respect to Canadian fisheries, and the lop-sided view always held by our neighbors when international questions were at issue, has had much to do with most of the antagonism expressed to a continuance of the privilege accorded the American company at Vancouver. Our own fishermen imagine that the Americans are permitted to fish in Canadian waters, which, of course, is not the case. The privilege they get is confined altogether to certain conveniences extended to them by the customs department. As this privilege has been renewed for a period of two years from the first of the present month, it will be as well to quote the exact language of the order in council authorizing it, which is as follows:

"The minister therefore recommends that for a period of 24 months from the 1st January, 1908, foreigners or foreign corporations bringing fresh fish in American bottoms to any port in British Columbia shall be permitted to land such fresh fish at such port without payment of duties and trans-ship the same in bond to any port of the United States; and that foreigners and foreign corporations bringing fresh fish in American bottoms to any port in British Columbia shall be permitted to purchase supplies at any port in the said province of British Columbia—the whole under such rules or regulations and conditions as the minister of customs may determine."

The charge has been frequently made that the New England Fish Company, which is the only American company that takes advantage of this concession, is catching Canadian fish, to the great injury to Canadian fishermen. While it may be true that the New England Fish Company's fishermen at times take fish in Canadian waters, and use Canadian harbors to clean fish, they have no authority under the permission granted as above to do so, and can be seized if caught in the act. The American companies operating out of Seattle may, and probably do, do the same thing, but their vessels are also subject to seizure if found operating in Canadian waters.

The operation of the New England Fish Company is of enormous benefit to Vancouver and to the Canadian Pacific railway; while the operation of the companies making Seattle their headquarters—and the catch taken to Seattle is many times greater than that taken to Vancouver—is not worth a nickel to any place in British Columbia.

The right thing to do is to place an effective patrol on the coast and prevent all poaching in Canadian waters by any foreign fishermen, whether they are sent out from Vancouver or Seattle. More cruisers are needed. The Kestrel is too slow, and can be in only one place at a time. At least two additional cruisers are needed to help the Kestrel to preserve Canadian waters for Canadian fishermen, and it is the intention of the department of marine and fisheries to supply them as soon as they can be built.

Granted that Canadian waters are properly protected, it will be a good thing for British Columbia cities and Canadian railways if all American companies operating on the high seas or in American waters will trans-ship through Canadian channels to the Eastern American market.

EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ACT.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Senator Knox, of Pennsylvania, who has taken much interest in the litigation growing out of the Employers' Liability Act, which was declared to be unconstitutional in the supreme court of the United States yesterday, to-day introduced a bill which is intended to remedy the defects in the present law.

The bill is so drawn as to make it applicable only to corporations engaged in such commerce as congress has the undoubted right to control.

KATO GETS FIVE YEARS.

Jap Carried on Wholesale Thieving in Vancouver.

Vancouver, Jan. 7.—Kato, a Japanese charged with wholesale thieving, from West End residences, was sentenced to five years' imprisonment.

DASTARDLY CRIME.

Woman Stabbed to Death, House Fired and Child Cremated.

Lawrenceville, Ga., Jan. 8.—Two negroes, Jos. Hodson and H. Campbell, are in jail here charged with having murdered Hodson's wife and then setting the house on fire in an attempt to hide the crime.

When the neighbors arrived they found the remains of Mrs. Hodson and her eight-month-old child. After the bodies had been removed it was found that the woman had been stabbed to death, while the child was left to perish in the flames.

NED HANLAN BURIED.

Last Tributes of Respect to a World-Rowing Champion.

Toronto, Jan. 7.—Amid many tokens of public sorrow, the funeral of Edward Hanlan, the champion rower of the world, took place this afternoon to the Necropolis cemetery.

All morning great crowds of people visited St. Mary's church, where the body of Hanlan lay in state preparatory to burial this afternoon. The city council, civic officials, the athletic, and rowing clubs, attended the funeral, while an army of his old time sympathisers from all over Canada and the United States were also in attendance.

MISSION WORK IN CHINA.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—Rev. Dr. Carman, general superintendent, and Rev. Dr. Sutherland, secretary of missions in the Methodist church, have gone to New York to attend a joint committee on educational work in China, made up of delegates of the Methodist church in Canada and the Methodist Episcopal church south of the line.

WHAT IS WRONG WITH U. S. ARMY?

UTTER INABILITY TO SECURE RECRUITS

Skeleton Organizations Are Mere Travesties Upon Fighting Forces.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 8.—The hard times in the industrial world that has driven into the U. S. marine corps and the navy nearly all of the men needed to fill the authorized quota, have not helped the army so far in the matter of recruitment. Reports still flow in upon the war department of failure to secure recruits, of privates buying their discharges; of non-commissioned officers refusing to re-enlist, and of the resulting skeleton organizations that are little more than travesties upon fighting forces.

A tipical report just at hand is one from Fort Macintosh, Texas, in which the commanding officer of a battalion of the 19th infantry says: "I have present to-day in the four companies, 56 men and 29 of these are to be discharged this month. At the end of the month, if I get no new recruits, one company will have three men and another four. The other two companies will have eleven and twelve men respectively."

The report is one of a number being collected for the enlightenment of congress in dealing with the great question of "What is wrong with the army."

GRAND FORKS ELECTIONS.

Excitement Prevails Over Forthcoming Municipal Contests.

Grand Forks, Jan. 8.—A mass meeting of citizens was held last evening in Eagles' hall to select candidates for Mayor and aldermen for the city elections. At this meeting Postmaster Geo. Hull was chosen as school trustee, and the final decision of the meeting regarding the choosing of a Mayor and aldermen was postponed till an adjourned meeting on Friday evening.

G. M. Fripp, manager of the British American Trust Company, will run for Mayor, and his election will likely be contested by Neil McCallum. Intense excitement exists here on all sides.

AOKI'S SUCCESSOR AT WASHINGTON

U. S. Government Asked If Baron Takahira Would Be Acceptable.

Tokio, Jan. 8.—In connection with the successor to Viscount Aoki as ambassador at Washington, the Associated Press has been informed that the Japanese embassy at Washington was instructed a week ago to formally notify the state department of the selection of Baron Takahira, at present Japanese ambassador to Italy, and to ask if he would be acceptable. No reply has yet been received, and the foreign office attributes the delay to the pressure of business at Washington. It does not believe there will be the slightest hesitation on the part of the American government in accepting Baron Takahira.

MAN LOST FROM SCHOONER.

Halibut Fisher Mary Went Ashore on Marrowstone Point Last Night.

Port Townsend, Jan. 8.—The Seattle halibut schooner Mary went ashore on Marrowstone Point during the night in a moderate southeaster. One man was lost overboard. The schooner was floated this morning by the steamer Nautilus.

BOARDS OF CONCILIATION.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—The Grand Trunk railway carmen, about 800 in all, have asked the labor department for a board of conciliation. The men will be represented by J. H. McVety, Vancouver.

Professor Short has been appointed chairman of a board to settle differences between the Canadian Northern and their engineers, firemen and hostlers.

JAPAN LOOKS TO FAR EAST

IS ABSORBED IN MAINLAND OF ASIA

China Wants Integral Application of Treaty of Portsmouth to Prevent Aggressions.

Paris, Jan. 8.—The Echo de Paris prints an interview emanating, it is said, from an "authorized Japanese source" with the object of showing that Japan is so absorbed with the mainland of Asia that war with America is impossible.

"The entire attention of Japan," said the interview, "is occupied with China and Korea where developments are occurring which is giving Tokio the gravest concern. China has just dismissed a number of Japanese instructors who have been replaced by Germans. The Manchurian situation is full of complications.

China demands the immediate integral application of the treaty of Portsmouth which would deprive Japan of the possibility of exercising an efficacious influence in Manchuria."

Chinese influence will be felt in Manchuria when Japan opposes the extension of the Pekin railway to Foukim by way of Asinmintun on the ground that the Pekin agreement of 1905 stipulated that China should not construct a parrellel line injurious to Japanese interests.

The Japanese occupation of Korea also is meeting with much opposition and for this and other reasons Japan is actively pushing the work of increasing her armaments. The message of the emperor of Japan clearly indicates that the country is looking to the Far East and not in the direction of America."

SMALLPOX IN ONTARIO.

Brockville, Ont., Jan. 8.—The isolation hospital is at present taxed to its utmost capacity with smallpox patients and the board of health has decided to use tents if any more cases develop. The pastors of the different churches have been asked to discontinue Sunday school classes until the epidemic ceases.

EUROPA WILL BE VESSEL DE LUXE

Tailor Shop, Modistes Parlor and Ritz-Carlton Restaurant for New Liner.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 8.—The Times says among the innovations which Herr Ballin has planned for the new Hamburg-American line Europa, now being built at Belfast, are a tailor shop and modistes parlor, which will be under the direction of first class artists, from London and Paris. American tailors will also be on board to please those who like English clothes but not the cut.

Whether women will be spry enough to try on their dresses in mid-ocean is yet to be proved. Herr Ballin thinks that the great size of the Europa, 40,000 tons, will preclude the possibility of rolling to any extent and permit women to keep their feet while being fitted.

There is also to be a jewelry store on board in which passengers may select diamonds and precious stones at their leisure without the trouble of ransacking London, Paris or Berlin for them.

The Europa is to have a Ritz-Carlton restaurant and tanks on deck, in which to bring over live soles from Dover and St. Etilin. If the experiment is a success the Europa will bring over soles for New York restaurants and hotels as well as for her own passengers.

CZAR AT CHRISTMAS TREE.

At Entertainment to Cossacks Emperor Thanked Soldiers For Their Valiant Services.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 7.—The Russian Christmas, which commences thirteen days later than the day set for the observation of the feast by the Gregorian calendar, was celebrated to-day by the members of the imperial family in a very simple way.

A Christmas tree with presents for Alexis, the little crown prince imperial, and his sisters, was set up in the apartments of the empress. Only members of the immediate royal entourage were present.

This evening Emperor Nicholas was present at two Christmas trees in Tsarkoe-Selo, one for the guards and another for the Cossacks. The emperor made short speeches, in which he thanked the soldiers for their valiant services, and bestowed a number of presents.

The empress has made considerable improvement in the last few days. The doctors now describe her illness as "ordinary influenza," but still her majesty will not be able to attend the customary New Year's reception.

WOMAN IN RED MYSTERY.

Husband of Victim of Marshland Murder Will Be Charged With Crime.

Newark, N. J., Jan. 7.—A complaint, formally charging Theodore Whitmore with the murder of his wife, was drawn up by Justice Branegan to-day. County Physician Converse has refused to issue a burial permit for the body of the murdered woman until next Friday.

CANADIAN CARDINAL.

Quebec, aJn. 7.—It is semi-officially stated here that Archbishop Begin, of Quebec, will be made a cardinal at the next consistory.

CANADIAN NORTHERN.

D. D. Mann Denies Report of Funds Raised in England.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 8.—D. D. Mann, vice-president of the Canadian Northern Railway, denies the Winnipeg story that President Mackenzie had secured $16,000,000 in England for Canadian Northern Railway improvements in western Canada. Mr. Mann says the dispatch is incorrect.

"We never tried to get British money for the Hudson Bay road or the road to Athabasca Landing. We are not trying to finance them."

He would say nothing, however, of the object of Mr. Mackenzie's mission to England.

PRESIDENT DISMISSED.

Discharge of J. Theaker, of Hamilton Street Railway Company, May Cause Trouble.

Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 8.—John Theaker, president of the street railway men's union, was discharged yesterday. The company claims that Mr. Theaker was carrying passengers free of charge, but the men are inclined to think the dismissal is due to Mr. Theaker's part in the strike a little over a year ago. The mayor and the president of the trades and labor council have been appealed to. There may be trouble.

NO TRUTH IN REPORT.

British Regiment Will Not Displace Present Halifax Garrison.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—A newspaper report from Halifax says that a British regiment is to be placed in charge of the Halifax garrison.

The militia department says that there is no truth in this report.

FIVE PERISHED, TWO WERE SAVED

UNKNOWN SCHOONER WRECKED OFF HATTERAS

Stranded on Treacherous Diamond Shoals — Captain Among Those Drowned.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 8.—A broken message received here to-day from Cape Hatteras, on the North Carolina seaboard, reports the stranding and loss on the treacherous Diamond shoals yesterday of an unknown schooner, out of whose crew of seven men five perished and two were saved.

The message, which fails to give the name of the lost vessel, reports her to have been a schooner bound from Long Point, Maine, to Charleston, S. C., laden with fish scrap.

The captain of the vessel was among those who were lost.

RAILWAY VICTIM.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—Peter Steele, travelling chairman of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, died in the hospital here last night from injuries received from being run over by a railway car at Carleton Place yesterday.

PAID PENALTY OF DELIBERATE CRIME

Negro Pursued Toronto Victim From Room to Room, Finally Killing Him.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—John Boyd, a colored porter, was hanged at 8:15 this morning by Hangman Radcliffe in the room of the jail building. The crime for which Boyd paid the penalty had no extenuating circumstances. Premeditation and deliberate hunting from room to room for his victim, Edward F. Wandle, restaurant keeper, York street, were proved at the trial.

The cause of the shooting was the woman who had been living with Boyd but had left him. In the forenoon of June 11th, Boyd went to Wandel's restaurant in search of the woman, insisting that she was there. A quarrel ensued between the two men and Boyd was put out. He bought a revolver, returned to the restaurant at 2 o'clock, rushed up stairs after his victim pursued him from room to room, firing two shots into Wandle's body. The murder committed, Boyd, without any hurry, walked down stairs and into the street. When he was taken on York street he made no resistance.

At the November assizes he was found guilty of murder and though a strong plea for mercy was put forward by the jury, Judge McMahon sentenced him to be hanged.

CONE SHRINKAGE ON VESUVIUS

Portion of Peak Sinks Into Crater Amidst Great Internal Ebullitions.

Naples, Jan. 8.—Following a number of heavy detonations yesterday, a portion of the cone of Mount Vesuvius sank within the crater, causing great internal ebullitions.

An enormous column of smoke arose from the crater and spread out for miles.

President F. Matteuci, director of the observatory, said that there was no danger of a new eruption, the shrinking of the cone being merely a geological phenomenon.

TO RE-ESTABLISH ESQUIMALT BASE

REPORTED DECISION OF BRITISH ADMIRALTY

Fourth Cruiser Squadron With Vessels From Home Fleet for Pacific.

London, Jan. 4.—It is asserted here in well informed naval circles that the Admiralty will shortly request the Dominion government to turn back the harbor and naval station of Esquimalt to the Imperial authorities.

The naval stations of Halifax and Esquimalt were turned over to the Canadian government by the Admiralty at the time when the much discussed "concentration policy" was put in force, when the North Atlantic and Pacific squadrons were withdrawn, and there was a wholesale scrap-heaping of obsolete cruisers of first, second and third classes. This affected a considerable economy in maintenance, and it was claimed by the naval school, which supports Sir John Fisher, that the navy as a whole thereby secured more efficiency.

The great "scrap-heaping" of 1904 was followed by the discovery that not enough cruisers were available to supply a sufficient quota to act with the battle fleets, and this led to the breaking up of the cruiser squadrons in American waters.

Now the change of complexion of affairs in the Pacific, mainly due to the Japanese troubles in San Francisco and Vancouver, has aroused the British government to the need for a squadron in those waters, and a fourth cruiser squadron is to be detached in May from the Mediterranean fleet and will be strengthened by three more cruisers of the county class to be drawn from the home fleet.

The arrival of this squadron in the northern Pacific necessitates dockyard accommodation, and it is said the Admiralty is preparing to take advantage of the stipulation made at the time Esquimalt was handed over to the Canadian government that the naval port should be returned to its control should Imperial conditions necessitate such a step.

OPPOSITION LEADER IS IN THE CITY

J. A. Macdonald Has Arrived for Court Work—Will Remain Until After Session.

J. A. Macdonald, K. C., leader of the opposition in the legislature, arrived in the city last evening. He is here on court business, having several cases to argue before the Full court.

Mr. Macdonald will remain in the city, however, until after the legislature closes. Mrs. Macdonald will arrive in the course of a few days and spend the time of the session in this city.

Mr. Macdonald, speaking of matters political, says that the prevailing impression seems to be that the reserve placed by the government on all timber lands which have not been taken up is a move made too late. The timber that can be used within a reasonable time has all been taken up, so that the reserve will have little or no practical effect.

When the leader of the opposition left Rossland mining and smelting operations were again being, and the promise was that all would soon be in full swing again in the mining industry. Rossland, he says, has experienced little of the financial depression. The mines have never ceased operating, and conditions are little different to what they have been.

CROWS FAVORED BIRDS.

Their Feathers May Adorn the Youth and Beauty of New York City.

New York, Jan. 8.—Pledges not to wear the plummage of any birds other than crows were signed yesterday by women representing thirteen organizations in the federation of women's clubs, the occasion being a meeting of the seventh district of the official body.

The pledges exclude domestic fowls.

LONDON'S RAGGED POOR.

Victoria Subscriptions Will Enable 3,000 to Be Entertained at Dinner.

London, Jan. 8.—In consequence of the customary kindness of the citizens of Victoria, B. C., 3,000 poor London children get entertainments of dinners this month, the funds subscribed being administered by the Ragged Schools Union of the Shaftsbury Society.

TO DISARM VANCOUVER.

Police to Investigate to What Extent City Is Armed.

Vancouver, Jan. 8.—The city council has passed without discussion a resolution "That the police commissioners be requested to institute a thorough search looking towards the ascertaining the extent to which any part of the population of Vancouver is armed, and that the commissioners take all possible steps to secure disarmament."

WHEAT IN INDIA.

London, Jan. 8.—A telegram to John Morley, secretary of state for India, from Lord Minto, Viceroy of the Indian Empire, reports that because of lack of rain the area sown in wheat this year is 24 per cent. smaller than last year, and that the area sown in oilseed has decreased 37 per cent. for the same reason.

ARISTOCRATIC SCION.

Dublin, Jan. 8.—A daughter was born to the Duchess of Manchester on Sunday at Kylemore Castle.

TEN YEARS FOR STABBING.

Practice of Italians Carrying Knives Is Too Prevalent.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—Justice Riddel is delivering some sentences at the High court sittings here. Antoni Lombardo, an Italian who was found guilty of stabbing Frank Carelli, of Poplar street, was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. The judge said that the practice of Italians in carrying knives was altogether too prevalent.

F. Burghill was given one year and 25 lashes. In this case the judge said that the lash was the proper thing for such a crime.

FREIGHT DEPOT DESTROYED.

Fire at Fort Worth Structure Prey to Flames—Damage $250,000.

Forth Worth, exas, Jan. 8.—The Texas & Pacific Freight Depot was totally destroyed by fire last night. The building was isolated and switch engines suceeded in dragging hundreds of cars out of danger.

The depot was of brick and steel construction and cost $150,000. It is estimated that it contained $100,000 worth of freight, which was entirely destroyed.

TRAINS SNOWBOUND.

Interlaken, N. Y., Jan. 8.—All trains in this section are being delayed by a heavy snowstorm which began yesterday and continued until early to-day, leaving over a foot of snow on the ground. The country roads are also in bad condition.

HISTORIC POLE DEAD.

Paris, Jan. 8.—Prince Stanislaus Poniatowski, the head of the historic Polish house of that name, is dead.

"MISTAKEN IN NAVAL POLICY"

ITALIAN COMMENT ON PACIFIC-BOUND FLEET

Baron Takahira Says It Cannot Do More Than Merely Interest Japan.

Rome, Jan. 8.—The Tribuna, in an article on the cruise of the American battleship fleet to the Pacific, expresses the opinion that President Roosevelt perhaps was mistaken in ordering it, "in view of the excitement it has aroused in the United States, both on the part of the people and the press."

The paper quotes Baron Takahira, the Japanese minister to Italy, as saying: "The Japanese government loyally maintains the promise to do everything possible to diminish emigration to America as we have no need to send off our superfluous population even after the war. Japanese emigration, much the same as any alien emigration, has been the result of special conditions in certain regions, and it has been augmented by the desire to seek better opportunities, and the desire for adventure, and in addition, intending emigrants have been ably seasoned by the agents of the navigation companies.

"Although I am lacking official news, I know that the relations between Japan and the United States are excellent. The dispatch of the American fleet cannot do more than merely interest us, San Francisco being thousands of miles from Japan."

The Trusemo also publishes an interview with Lloyd C. Griscomb, the United States ambassador to Italy, who attributes the augmentation of the Japanese in California to Japan's enormous development. He points out that the population of Japan is increasing at the rate of half a million annually, but believes that the Japanese government is sincerely striving to prevent its growing population from annoying other governments, by opposing emigration as far as it can, but not always successfully. The American government is thoroughly pleased with its relations with the Japanese government.

SEEKING TO AVOID ELECTION CONTEST

Oak Bay Endeavoring to Have a Council Returned by Acclamation.

A move has been made in Oak Bay municipality to avoid an election for municipal honors. With that object in view some of the ratepayers are making an effort to have a reeve and council acceptable to all without an election being necessary.

Reeve W. C. Oliver, who has served so well in that capacity during the present year, is proposed for that position again next year.

Councillar Sutherland, it is said, does not wish to serve again. Councillor Rattenbury is not believed to be seeking the office. It is proposed to fill their places by urging the election of J. Herick McGregor and F. B. Pemberton.

If this arrangement is carried out the councillors for the different wards will be as follows:

North Ward—W. Henderson, J. Herick McGregor.

Centre Ward—W. Fernie, W. Noble.

South Ward—S. R. Newton, F. B. Pemberton.

'FRISCO FAILURE.

San Francisco, Jan. 8.—The big department store on Market street, known as Kragen's, yesterday was placed in the hands of C. R. Havens.

The concern is said to be heavily in debt. The principal creditors are in the East.

NAME STRUCK OFF THE LIST

A RULING GIVEN ON VOTERS' QUALIFICATION

Magistrate Decides in Favor of Appeal Against Allowing Women the Franchise.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Magistrate Jay yesterday afternoon granted the application of Thomas C. Sorby, of the Property Owners' League, to strike off the name of Bernice Scowcroft from the municipal voters' list. This was made a test case, there being also some 470 other names to which objection is taken on similar grounds, which will be considered on Thursday next, after the list has been advertised in the local press. Frank Higgins appeared for the applicant, and W. J. Taylor, K. C., for the defence.

In stating the case, Mr. Higgins said that it had been found that the lady in question did not pay any taxes, but took the declaration, registering as a householder. He claimed that householder meant any person of the full age of twenty-one who had paid at least $2 tax, whereas the other parties claimed that they were exempt by statute. His argument was that there could not be an exemption without a corresponding liability. Persons under the age of twenty-one and over the age of fifty were not made liable to the tax, neither were females, but militiamen were specially exempt, that being the only specific exemption mentioned in the act. The fact that the city had no right to claim the tax was not an exemption.

Mr. Higgins quoted numerous cases to support his contention, and referred to the definition in the dictionary.

Mr. Taylor contended that there was a distinction between exempted and exempt. All subjects he said were objects of taxation, but women were exempt. Militiamen, on the other hand, were not exempt, but relieved from the duty. If the female was not allowed to vote because not taxable, he contended that a man over fifty years of age was also ineligible to vote. The lady in question had paid everything demanded of her.

Magistrate Jay, in giving his decision, said it was unfortunate the application had not been made before the supreme court or county court. The whole gist of the case turned on the meaning of the word householder in the statute. The exemption claimed was clearly not by statute or by-law, and therefore he thought did not come within the meaning of the act. An order was then drawn up ordering the name of Bernice Scowcroft to be stricken from the list.

Application was then made by Mr. Higgins for the other names to be taken off. Mr. Taylor thought it would not be right to do this unless they were notified that such would be done in order that they might appear in their own defence.

Magistrate Jay thought it would be too drastic a measure to make an omnibus order, but it was finally decided to give notice in the daily press, and the court would meet again on Thursday at 10 a. m.

SUICIDE WAS MISSING CLERK.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Jan. 8.—The body of H. Grey Duberley, the young man who committed suicide in New York, leaving a letter addressed to Earl Grey, Governor-General, and to Miss Hampshire of this city, has been identified as that of a Grand Trunk freight clerk, for three years employed in the local offices here, and who has been missing for the past week, with an alleged shortage in the accounts of about six hundred dollars.

He was a refined young fellow with one failing, a tendency to drink, and had a great many friends in this city. The unhappy home life mentioned in the letter to his father was known only to is closest friends, of which Miss Hampshire was one.

ELECTRIC RAILROAD PANIC.

Three Hundred New York Employees Desert Train—One Electrocuted.

New York, Jan. 8.—A short circuit of an electric current of 11,000 volts and a fire so terrifying in its effects as to cause three hundred motormen and trainmen to desert a train of 8 cars in a panic, under the middle of the East river, and to flee through pitch darkness to the stations on either side of the river, occurred in the battery last night. The accident cost one life, that of George Keyburn, an electrician, manipulating the system of switchboards at the Brooklyn end of the tunnel. In a moment of carelessness he grasped an exposed wire near a lever and was electrocuted. This human connection worked as the agency of the short circuit and caused the accident to the eight-car train that was being run back and forth through the tunnel as a school for the trainmen.

ABANDONED BARQUE.

British Sailing Vessel Deserted by Crew, Which Was Picked Up by Trawler.

London, Jan. 8.—The British barque Fanny Beeslaur, Captain Sauerer, bound from Santos for Halifax, has been abandoned 250 miles west of St. Ann's Head. Her crew were landed at Milford Haven by a steam trawler.

BUILDING COLLAPSED.

One Killed and Two Missing in New York Disaster.

New York, Jan. 8.—Thomas Fleming, a steel worker, was killed, two men are missing and five others were seriously injured yesterday in the collapse of two floors of a three story building, known as the Brew house, on Tenth avenue.

It is believed that the collapse was caused by either improper storing or the explosion of ammonia pipes.

MONTREAL MARKET FIRM.

Montreal, Jan. 8.—The tone of the stock market continued firm to-day, and there were some further advances in prices.

SECOND DAY OF THAW T

EVELYN NOT PRESEN AT PROCEE

Nine Jurymen in Box, but May Be Deposed by emptory Challenge

New York, Jan. 7.—The Th was resumed at 10:20 a. m.

With nine jurymen provisio lected, 100 new veniremen re Justice Dowling in the crimina of the Supreme court this mo duty in the case of the state v K. Thaw, who is charged w wilful murder of Stanford Whi there were nine jurymen in this morning there is no certa there will be even that many court adjourns to-night. The have been passed for the case sides and accepted by the de the prosecution and the defen case each have thirty perempt lenges, all of which may be ex

Time after time while the being selected for Thaw's tr jury box was full when one sl other exercised a peremptory thereby vacating a seat.

The occupants of the jury when the session began, were E. Gremmells, ship broker; Hatchett, cigar dealer; Ge Morewood, importer; Floyd S ford, bank manager; James E. hotel keeper; Milliamen were specially exempt, that being the only specific exemption mentioned in the act. The fact that the city had no right to claim the tax was not an exemption.

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Mr. Taylor contended that there was a distinction between exempted and exempt. All subjects he said were objects of taxation, but women were exempt. Militiamen, on the other hand, were not exempt, but relieved from the duty. If the female was not allowed to vote because not taxable, he contended that a man over fifty years of age was also ineligible to vote. The lady in question had paid everything demanded of her.

Magistrate Jay, in giving his decision, said it was unfortunate the application had not been made before the supreme court or county court. The whole gist of the case turned on the meaning of the word householder in the statute. The exemption claimed was clearly not by statute or by-law, and therefore he thought did not come within the meaning of the act. An order was then drawn up ordering the name of Bernice Scowcroft to be stricken from the list. Application was then made by Mr. Higgins for the other names to be taken off. Mr. Taylor thought it would not be right to do this unless they were notified that such would be done in order that they might appear in their own defence.

Magistrate Jay thought it would be too drastic a measure to make an omnibus order, but it was finally decided to give notice in the daily press, and the court would meet again on Thursday at 10 a. m.

SUICIDE WAS MISSING CLERK.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Jan. 8.—The body of H. Grey Duberley, the young man who committed suicide in New York, leaving a letter addressed to Earl Grey, Governor-General, and to Miss Hampshire of this city, has been identified as that of a Grand Trunk freight clerk, for three years employed in the local offices here, and who has been missing for the past week, with an alleged shortage in the accounts of about six hundred dollars.

He was a refined young fellow with one failing, a tendency to drink, and had a great many friends in this city. The unhappy home life mentioned in the letter to his father was known only to is closest friends, of which Miss Hampshire was one.

ELECTRIC RAILROAD PANIC.

Three Hundred New York Employees Desert Train—One Electrocuted.

New York, Jan. 8.—A short circuit of an electric current of 11,000 volts and a fire so terrifying in its effects as to cause three hundred motormen and trainmen to desert a train of 8 cars in a panic, under the middle of the East river, and to flee through pitch darkness to the stations on either side of the river, occurred in the battery last night. The accident cost one life, that of George Keyburn, an electrician, manipulating the system of switchboards at the Brooklyn end of the tunnel. In a moment of carelessness he grasped an exposed wire near a lever and was electrocuted. This human connection worked as the agency of the short circuit and caused the accident to the eight-car train that was being run back and forth through the tunnel as a school for the trainmen.

ABANDONED BARQUE.

British Sailing Vessel Deserted by Crew, Which Was Picked Up by Trawler.

London, Jan. 8.—The British barque Fanny Beeslaur, Captain Sauerer, bound from Santos for Halifax, has been abandoned 250 miles west of St. Ann's Head. Her crew were landed at Milford Haven by a steam trawler.

BUILDING COLLAPSED.

One Killed and Two Missing in New York Disaster.

New York, Jan. 8.—Thomas Fleming, a steel worker, was killed, two men are missing and five others were seriously injured yesterday in the collapse of two floors of a three story building, known as the Brew house, on Tenth avenue.

It is believed that the collapse was caused by either improper storing or the explosion of ammonia pipes.

MONTREAL MARKET FIRM.

Montreal, Jan. 8.—The tone of the stock market continued firm to-day, and there were some further advances in prices.

UNDER MARTIAL LA

Muncie, Ind., Jan. 6.—Cars o cal street railway lines began to-day on a regular schedule, by local men and without guard was no disturbance during th ing hours.

The twelve companies of infa one battery of Indiana National are resting in their quarter streets are patrolled by 500 busi professional men who have bee as deputies. There was no bance of consequence at Elwoo on, or Anderson, during the n

HEIRESS TO $27,300.

St. John, N. B., Jan. 6.—Ada ard, niece of the late Dr. Wm is heiress to his entire estat is valued at $27,300.

J. MARTIN IN WINNI

Winnipeg, Jan. 6.—Joseph M C., is in the city.

SUICIDE BY MEANS OF NA

Leaving Letter for Ea Englishman Ended L New York.

New York, Jan. 7.—A young lieved to be H. Grey Duber Capt. James Grey Duberly, nons, Westcastle, Yarmout was found dead in bed, evide the effects of a narcotic poi Hermitage hotel yesterday. were found in the dead ma One of the letters was addres father, and another to the Grey, Governor-General of C

Another letter was address Hermitage hotel, and said: communicate with my fathe Grey Duberly, the Cannon, W England. He will defray all Also communicate with Earl tawa, Canada. I regret dee expense will be paid. (Sign Duberly.

Duberly arrived here o evening.

BLOWN OUT OF LI

Two Brothers Instantly Kill namite Explosion Ne Kenora.

Kenora, Jan. 6.—Two broth John and Joseph Dwyer, aged respectively, were instantly an explosion of dynamite at camp, north of Hawk, on the tinental work.