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VICTORIA, B. C., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1896.

How the People of the Metropolis, Rich and Poor, Spent the Holiday.

Hon. Mr. Gladstone Writes on the Subject of Book Collectors-Books He Purchased.

New Archbishop of Canterbury Bids Farewell to the Clergy of the Diocese of London.

London, Dec. 26.—Christmas weather has been of the mildest description, foggy and without snow, but the holiday trade was the best in years and especially in jewelry, fancy articles, books and mechanical toys, which formed the chief attractions for the shoppers. The receipts last Monday in one of the big co-operative stores alone was \$112,000. An average of two hundred thousand parcels were handled daily at the main parcel office, where 1400 clerks have been working night and day.

On the other hand the distress among. the poor of London was equally marked, over seven hundred persons being relieved out of the funds from the poor box at Bow street police court, in three days, some of the cases being most pitiful.

The Queen's Christmas was celebrated very quietly at Osborne, the death of Prince Henry of Battenberg having made all'the usual festivities unseemly. Only the old traditional customs of the table were uninterfered with and the usual presents were given to-day. The royal baron of beef, which is the principal dish on the Queen's sideboard, was cut this year from a Devon ox, which was fattened on Her Majesty's Flemish farm, Windsor Great Park. The joint was roasted at Windsor and sent to Osborne Christmas eve, along with a boar's head and a woodcock pie. duly appeared on the sideboard yesterday. Her Majesty received from her grandson, Emperor William of Germany as usual, a genuine Hare de Sanglier from the famous royal preserves at Springe, Hanover, and another from the

The Czar has sent King Menelik of instruments, including a grand plato, an organ, a complete set of wind instruments, as well as a band of musicians

who will accompany the imperial gifts. Dr. Frederick K. Temple, the new Archbishop of Canterbury and formerly Bishop of London, bid farewell to the clergy of that diocese on Wednesday in St. Paul's Cathedral. The Archbishop, in full robes, preached an eloquent sermon. Mrs. Temple was made the recipient, on behalf of the ladies of the diocese, of a set of Chippendale furni-

According to present arrangements, Dr. Nansen will arrive at Hull on his visit to England on Tuesday, February He will come direct to London, and deliver his promised address before the Royal Geographical Society. So great is the desire to hear him that the members of the society, who number over 14,000, will be allowed to invite their friends. The Prince of Wales will attend the meeting. Dr. Nansen's six weeks' tour will begin immediately thereafter.

Mr. Gladstone, in a letter just published on the subject of book collectors, says: "I have been the purchaser in my time of about 35,000 books. A book collector ought to possess six qualifications-an appetite, leisure, wealth, knowledge, discrimination and perseverance, Of these I have only the first two, and the last restricted, as my visual power seriously disables it. Speaking generally, I have retired from the list of purchasers and am gradually transferring the bulk of my library to the institution of St. Denvils at Harwarden. The book I have had longest in my possession was a book of sacred dramas presented to me by the authoress, Hannah Moore, inscribed 'as you have just come into the world and I am just going out of it, al-

The British Museum has obtained a papyrus manuscript of the first century B. C. It was found in Egypt and contains the lost odes of the lyric Bacchylides, a contemporary of Pindar. The manuscript is finely written, but much mutilated. From fifteen to twen-

ty poems are intact. The stories recently published about the precarious state of Miss Terry's health, which said she was obliged to undergo an operation, are denied. She is, unfortunately, far from well.

Sarah Bernhardt informed Paris critics that her next London season at the Adelphi theatre, would open on Monday, June 21. The opening play will be the latest Parisian success, "Lorenzaccio." latest Parisian success, Her London season will last four weeks. During that time she will appear in a drama written by herself, on affairs of

Official and diplomatic circles are in a flutter over the outspoken criticism on Mr. Thos. F. Bayard. United States and bassador, in the Chronicle on Thursday last. Hitherto it has been the custom of the English press to lavishly praise him. He has been everywhere hailed as the man who, single handed, had accomplished the Anglo-American entente. The Chronicle on the occasion referred to gave great prominence to a Washington letter, saying, instead of rendering either country a service Mr. Bayard, by ninimizing the gravity of President Cleveland's Venezuela message to Congress was a most dangerous representa-

crisis and the Washington letter adds: 'No thanks are due him that the hesitation did not lead to most serious consequences." The Chronicle's correspondent further claims to have the highest authority for making the statement that President Cleveland and Secetary Olney are anxiously yearning that Mr. Bayard should resign; that all ne gotiations have been taken out of his hands, and that he has known nothing

senting it. The Government is busily engaged making inquiries into the systematic divulgence of confidential information by persons employed in the department of state, and prosecutions will probably follow. It is stated that foreign governments are better informed regarding secrets of the British service than is the case with the secrets of any other pow-

W. S. Mills, of Rochdale, has signed an agreement for a match run with Bredin of 400 yards, at the Rochdale Athletic grounds, January 30. Mills states that he will accept the challenge given by T. Keane, the American, as soon as his match with Bredin is defin-

A Paris dispatch to the Times says that M. Nobel bequeathed a fortune estimated at \$10,000,000 to the Stockholm The Times' Constantinople correspond-

ent says: "Sir Edwin Vincent, director of the Ottoman Bank, informs me that the Sultan is devoting himself to the finances and is ordaining important reductions for the military expenditures and a ten per cent. reduction in the civil

According to a Berlin dispatch to the Times, the new cable from Emden to Vigo has been completed. It is regarded as the first installment of a great trans-Atlantic cable, intended to connect Germany with North America, by way of the Azores

The North German Lloyd steamer Spree, Captain Meier, from New York, Dec. 10, for Bremen, which arrived at Southampton on Thursday, had an experience similar to that of the American liner St. Louis, which arrived early the heavy weather. Several of the Spree's boats were stove in, and she was completely covered with snow and frost. Jamaica is making great efforts to get a footing in the London fruit market.

A thousand boxes of oranges arrived hear from the Island on Monday and if successful, the Jamaicans propose transferring their present New York trade to A Paris despatch says: The remains of

teriologist, who died Sept. 10, 1895, were no less than seventy-five lives were lost removed to-day from the Cathedral of in the storm and floods. Many houses President Faure and General Billot, min-

ister of war, were represented at the A Calcutta dispatch says: Heavy rain | The "Plunger" Takes His Case Against has fallen in the province of Oude, and

more is expected. RETURNING EAST. Hon Mr Blair and Col Domville Ban-

quetted at Calgary. Calgary, N.W.T., Dec. 26.-Hon. Mr. Blair was banquetted here last night by the city council and board of There was a large assemblage. The minister acknowledging the toast, stated that he was impressed with the mineral wealth of the west, with the youth, energy and vitality of the men. He paid a high tribute to the ability of

tralia and South Africa with the vast extent in British Columbia and the timber, water and ranching lands. Alberta must share in the development of Kootenay. It devolves on the government to proceed in a wise, careful and statesmanlike manner in the development of that country. A railway must be maintained in the way least burdensome to the people affected. The feeling borne in upon him since coming west was that railways must be built and controlled by the government itself, or the benefit would be mainly lost. The government should prevent the timber; and coal from falling into the control of corporations. "If we can impress upon our colleagues the needs of the west as we see them, the Crow's Nest

Pass railway will be built forthwith."

Mr. Oliver, M.P., made the speech of need of sending out immigration agents,

from reading L'Electeur, will be read in all the Catholic churches to-morrow. It is thought L'Electeur will change 'ts

Walkerton, Dec. 26.-The annual report of Walkerton shows the town to be entirely free of debt. The rate of tax-ation is but four and a half mills, probably the lowest of any town in Can-

Toronto, Dec. 26.—There will be no trial of the West Toronto protests. To day was the last day for filing the par-

Mr. McEachran, Superintendent of Dominion Quarantine, on His Way to the West.

which transpired between Washington and the foreign office here, but has been content to be pushed aside without respection of Cattle from the spection of Cattle from the United States.

> One of Montague's Superannuated Officials to go Back to Work-Notes from Ottawa.

Ottawa, Ontario, Dec. 26.-Thomas Patterson, customs appraiser, died here yesterday, aged 76. Mr. Bowell, son of Sir Mackenzie Bowell, is married to a daughter of Mr. Patterson. Mr. E. H. Fletcher, Post Office Inspec tor of British Columbia, arrived on Thursday accompanied by his wife, to spend Christmas with relatives here. The President-Elect Has Decided on his Mr. Fletcher is a nephew of the Secre-

Dr. McEachran, superintendent of Dominion quarantine, who has returned Times-Herald from Washington says: It from Washington, passed through Ot- is now possible to give some important tawa yesterday on his way to the northwest to visit his own ranch and inspect. other ranches out there on behalf of the vernment. McEachran says that when at Washington, Hon. Mr. Fisher himself completed negotiations with the United States government for abolishing the quarantine between the countries, but retaining it as against other being to Mr. Hanna, who is not likely Instead of quarantine be tween Canada and the United States there will be in future rigid inspection. The only objection to this change came from the small ranchers, who feared

competition from the States. It is reported that Henry Lamothe formerly in the state department, and who was superannuated by Dr. Monta-

FLOODS IN JAMAICA. Seventy-Five Lives Lost and Much Property Destroyed.

New York, Dec. 26.-A special cable to the Herald from Kingston, Jamaica, says: 'Disastrous floods have occurred Duke of Coburg, besides a quantity of German cakes and sweet meats.

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RILEY GRANNAN.

the Jockey Club Into Court.

Club was before the supreme court in to the rules of the jockey club.

the limited, auriferous areas of Aus- client was a plunger had had much to Dyea inlet to the head waters of the do with the expulsion, Justice Osborne Yukon river, is open. A common plan right on a track as anybody else." It was the contention of counsel for the defendant that the jockey club had the right to make any reasonable rules to preserve order and maintain the inping was for the latter purpose.

STREET RAILWAY STRIKE. More Trouble Expected on the Boston Westend Line.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 26.—The strike been officially declared off. This action came like a bomb shell. Following is the statement made by the supreme Col. Domville confirmed the minister's council to the public explaining their located there two seasons ago have native waters on the Pacific slope. This entiments and promised to educate his position: "The supreme council was claims that paid good wages last sumconstituents in the east to the same given power to negotiate for an agree- mer, and they expect to realize well. end road. The council performed its present supply of pay dirt will be exthe evening, stating that there was no duty and in doing so found the presi- hausted in two years, but they feel that dent lacking authority to make any set-The need was to make settlers here tlement without consulting the board of covered on comparatively unexplored prosperous. Immigrants would pour in directors. He asked for further time, tributaries to the inlet. after the building of the Crow's Nest | which was granted. The men repudiated

all hazards." mittee, who promised to delay the strike this morning, when a wave of excite- try it. ment, equal to that which precipitated the strike, swept over the employees. It is feared further trouble may result. was besiged by railroad men who vigor- tors could do him no good, but Dr. ously denounced the action of the many Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills completely ously denounced the action of the man agement, claiming the members of the cured him." conference committee acted only as servants of the members of the union and they should at once be reinstated as the trike resulted from no fault of theirs. special secret meeting to consider the cure the worst chronic cold. 25 cents.

matter will be held by the union this afternoon and a public indigation meeting will be held in Fanueil Hall to be called for to-night at which the men will try to have present prominent rail-road men and labor leaders to voice the protest against the dishissal of the men refered to. Indignation was so great among the employees during the afternoon that protests were received at the union headquarters from every division of the road, together with promises of united support in case a tie-up should be ordered to force the reinstate

FRANCES WILLARD ILL.

Was Reported Better Yesterday Afternoon.

Buffalo, Dec. 26.—A special to the ommercial from Warsaw quotes Dr. although her condition is still serious, died he is sanguine that she will be fully restored eventually. All of Miss Willard's ollector of customs at Vancouver, and engagements, including her California speaking trip, where she expected to be about February 1, have been cancelled.

M'KINLEY'S CABINET.

Chicago, Dec. 26 .- A special to the news concerning the progress which the President-elect has made in the task of making up his cabinet slate. It would be incorrect to say that Major McKinley has fully and finally determined whom to be in the cabinet at all, and the other to Mr. Dingley.

But the President-elect has practically determined the composition of his cabinet, except as to one, or perhaps two places. Unless he changes his mind, the following will be the McKinley cab-inet when it is finally announced: Secretary of State, John Sherman, of

Secretary of the treasury, Nelson Dingley, of Maine. Secretary of war, Ex-Gov. William Merriam, of Minnesota. Secretary of the navy, Cornelius N. Bliss, of New York. Attorney-General, Nathan Goff,

Vest Virginia. Postmaster-General, Henry C. Payne, Secretary of agriculture, Judge Waymire, of California.

NOT DISCOURAGED.

Tacoma, Dec. 24 Fascinating visions of the land of the midnight sun are al-New York, Dec. 26.-Riley Grannan's restless prospector spending the winter the fact many disappointed argonauts Brooklyn to-day on a motion for an returned last fall from long and weary injunction to restrain the club and pilgrimages in the promised Eldorados the Westchester Racing Association of Alaska, the rays of the northern from expelling the plunger from the lights have not lost their charms to all. track. Grannan's offense consisted in Many sanguine men of brawn can see making a present to a jockey, contrary the golden streak under the hyperborean sky, and are planning to go north with

While Justice Osborne reserved his the birds of passage next month, or shortly afterward. Those who leave so early generally observed: "A plunger has as much is to buy outfits on the Sound and take a station at Juneau ready to push forward at the earliest possible opening

of the trail. Alaska early this year that was often tegrity of races. The rule against tip- | characterized as an exodus to the gold fields, is not expected to happen again next year. A steady class of miners who fully realize the rigors of the northdured are expected to be the principal. districts. The heaviest inward travel to the Yuken will probably begin late in

on the Westend Street Railway has February, and continue through March. Miners bound for Cook Inlet will leave the Sound the latter part of legitimate and valuable purpose in main-March or early in April. Miners who ment with the management of the West- from them next year. Some think their les, and by the yearly increasing conother good placer diggings are undis

The commercial companies which did Pass railway. The ministers go east this act. We as honorable men had to business along the inlet last season do one of two things: Sanction the re- are making preparations to send sup-Quebec, Dec. 26.-A mandement signed pudiation of the men and thus violate plies up early this season. The United no better remedy to cure a cough or by five bishops forbidding the faithful our agreement with the president, or States Commercial Company, which has cold than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. refuse to be a silent party to the con- a store there this winter, will start a tinuance of the strike. We choose the vessel about the 20th of March. The it has always given entire satisfaction. latter and we will keep our agreement Stella Frland, owned by the company, with President Little as gentlemen at will be one of the craft and a new one will be purchased. After the first trip A canvass of the list of employees one of the schooners will go sealing Among the many thousands who have of Granville street and a man jumped ropped by the Westend company shows and the other continue voyaging be used it for colds and la grippe, we have that President Young and each of the tween the Sound and the inlet. This never yet learned of a single case which other members of the conference com- company took in over \$5000 in gold dust resulted in pneumonia. Persons who over its counters last season. The have weak lungs or have reason to fear and whose action in so doing prompted company did so well that it is enthusian attack of pneumonia, shoul keep the that and get away. When he got it indignation among the men, which re- astic over the outlook for the next sea- remedy at hand. sulted in the strike, are among those son. There are numbers here who will discharged. The fact became known go in again and many new people will

> "My boy was all crippled up and suft is feared further trouble may result. fered awfully with rheumatism," writes At an early hour this morning the Mrs. H. Wells, of Chesher Ont. He beadquarters of the motormens union also had a touch of diabetes. The doc-

Sold by all dealers and Edmanson Bates & Co., Toronto, 25c. When all other remedies fail Dr. Chase's Linseed and Turpentine will

RAGING FURNACE

Fire Takes Possession of the Underground Workings of Springhill Coal Mines.

All the Miners Reach the Sunface Safely but Much Damage is Done the Property.

Halifax, Dec. 26 .- About 5 o'clock on Thursday evening the coal mines at Springhill were discovered to be on fire. the east slope in the 800 foot level. It soon gained its way into the 1300 foot level, which it has converted into a rag-ing furnace. Mr. Cowans being in Montreal, Government Inspector Gilpin was wired for and was soon on deck. The fire was issuing from every opening of the mine. Two cupolas were burned down and the bank head had to be torn away. The miners worked hard to save their source of livelihood, but all efforts in that direction were fruitless. They tried to prevent the air from going into the mine by stopping up every air way. Mr. Gilpin had to call the men away from this work as it was incurring great risk to lives should an explosion occur, which is expected at any minute. flames shot about one hundred feet in the air, the reflection being visible at Amherst. The extent of the fire is not known, but the most disastrous conse-

Later-The loss of the east slope is believed to be complete. The muchin-ery will be ruined. At six p.m. the west slope was reported all right, but men will have to work hard to save it. The fire caught from an overheated steam pipe connected with the driving machinery. The men worked up to the time the fire caught and all got out safely. The mine has three slopes, the north, east and west. It was just five years ago that the mines were wrecked by a great explosion and 130 lives lost. took the best part of a year to get the colliery in working order again. It was splendidly equipped, gave employment to one thousand men in the pits, and had an output of 375,000 tons a year. Robert Cowans, of Montreal, is President, and Hon. G. A. Drummond is vice-president. From the meagre dispatches received it appears that the fire has complete possession of the under-ground working of two of the three

quences are feared.

Springhill, N. S. Dec. 26.—The prepor-

ance company mimimized the danger. FIRE IN MONTREAL.

Destroyed. Montreal, Dec. 26 .- A fire broke out early Christmas morning in the stables among the hundreds of inmates, but no

SALMON HATCHERIES.

accidents.

However, the rush of miners to Are Declared to be Valuable by the United States Fish Commission.

Washington, Dec. 26.-An interesting review of the salmon fishery conditions his foot out and ran and the man with of this country is made in the report of | the stick did not follow him. ern climate and the hardships to be en- the United States fish commission on the artificial propagation of salmon on travelers to the Yukon and Cook Inlet | the Pacific coast. The conclusion reached is that, although nature evidently detaining its supply of the species in its especially apparent by enormous drafts made upon these fish by cannersumption of fresh and salted salmon.

> At this time of the year a cold is very easily contracted, and if left to run its course without the aid of some reliable cough medicine is liable to result in that dread disease, pneumonia. We know of

> Olagah, Ind. Ter. Chief. This is the only remedy that is known to be a certain preventive of pneumonia,

For sale by all druggists. Langley & toria and Varcouver.

GOVERNMENT TO FORECLOSE. On the Union Pacific. Central and Kansas Pacific Railways.

Washington, Dec. 26.-It is authentically reported that the department of justice contemplates action at an early date looking to foreclosure by the gov ernment on the Union Pacific, with probability also of similar proceedings against the Central and Kansas Pacific.

Such a step is considered imperative to protect the government's interests, and has been deferred in view of the pending action by Congress. A very large portion of the first mortgage bonds, as well as the second mortgage, will mature with the beginning of 1897. The holders of the first mortgage bonds would naturally have priority over the govern-ment, but it is said the attorney-general has construed the amended Pacific railroad acts as conferring ample power on the government to proceed irrespective of any course the first mortgage holders may see fit to take.

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RESULT OF THE STRIKE.

Leadville, Col. Dec. 26.-About two o'clock this morning the Missouri miners empliyed at Bison mine, who were on their way home from down town, met Patrick Carney and his wife who had been attending a ball. The Missourans called Carney across the street, talked a few minutes then one of them shot him, killing him instantly. Carney was elderly and well-known in the camp. He was working on the Star mine. The Missourians were all arrested but it is not known which one fired the fatal shot. From the standing of Carney in the community, it is feared this murder will cause considerable trouble as the miners' union people are highly incensed over it.

BUFFALO'S UNEMPLOYED

Hundreds of Men are Living on Charity In That City.

Buffalo, N. Y. Dec. 26.—By hundreds and by every road and pike entering Buffalo, the unemployed are swarming into the city to search for work. The Captains of police precincts report that houses sometimes feed dozens of hungry men every night, not professional tramps, but honest laborers looking for work. It is estimated that two men are looking for every job and the idea of the enlargement of the canal to give employment to many men and thus become a blessing to the city, is dispelled when it is computed how many idle men must be maintained at alm-house or pentitentiary. The latter institution is over-crowded. The morning papers show that forty six cells were crowded with two and three tenants. Most of the prisoners are short term men, a great proportion being vagrants, or men who were convicted of vagrancy at their request to obtain

A REIGN OF TERROR.

Vancouver's Outlaws Have the Town in Subjection.

This burglary and hold-up business is becoming so common that the citizens will shortly find it necessary to form a

Many Miners Will Go To Alaska Again fire is confined to No. 1 mine. Nos. 2 ineut citizen spoke of the necessity of and 3 slopes are free from danger and so doing to a World reporter yesterday. all air passages leading to and from the The latest is a bold usylight burglary fire districts are closed. The situation at the point of a revolver. On Wedis hopeful but nothing definite can be nesday afternoon a man rapped on the ready absorbing the attention of the said for a day or two. The insurance door of R. C. Ferguson's residence, controversy with the New York Jockey in the coast cities. Notwithstanding agency of the Commercial Union and the door herself and the fellow asked on the buildings etc. is all in the Halifax | Jervis street. Mrs. Ferguson went to amounts to about \$40,000. The insur- if the master of the house was at home. Mrs. Ferguson said no, and that he would not be at home until after dinner time. The man then produced some papers and said he had better leave Stables of the Protestant Insane Asylum | them. Mrs. Ferguson went to take the papers and at the same time he drew a revolver and pointed it at her, saying that he was hard up and must have some money. He said that she had of the Protestant insane asylum at Ver- better go up stairs and keep quiet while contemplate remaining in Juneau until dun. Nine horses were burned to death he helped himself. Mrs. Ferguson said our member, Mr. Oliver. He contrasted sel for Brannan, that the fact that his the road over the Chilcoot pass, from and the stables entirely destroyed. that all the money in the house was in There was considerable excitement her purse, which she had in her hand. She handed him that and the fellow went away. The purse contained \$11. A gentleman was going home along Georgia street the other evening, and when near T. Dunn's residence a man who was crouching by the street corner reached out a hooked stick and caught him by the leg, with the evident intention of tripping him. He jerked

City Clerk McGuigan was walking along Alexander- street a couple of evenings ago. When nearly opposite the B. C. Iron Works two men rus..ed signed that Chinook salmon should not across the road and told him to stop. take up its abode on the American shore He stopped, but he had his hands in of the Atlantic, its breeding serves a his overcoat pocket, and he raised one of them in such a way as to make it appear that he had a revolver in the pocket and was ready to do the old trick of shooting through the pocket. men looked at him and he looked at them for a moment or so without speaking, and then the two turned and ran as if Old Nick himself was after

A lady called at the city hall to-day and said that she wanted to pay an instalment on her taxes. As the sum offered was nearly the whole amount she was told that by paying a little additional she would be entitled to the discount, which is not allowed on in-We have used it quite extensively and stalment payments. "Well," she said. "I suppose I might as well pay it as have it stolen from me. Do you know that at 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning, I was coming along the lower end out of the bushes and said, 'I want your money.' Fortunately at the time I had only 15 cents in my purse. I was so scared that I was glad to let him have the man went back among the bushes again. He had brown whiskers, A Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Vic little further on I met another man who asked me what the person who stop-ped me had said. I told him and he said 'Well, I have money on me and I guess I'll turn back.' So he walked along with me. Now what do you think of that?" But the courteous gentleman who sits at the receipt of taxes hardly dared to venture an opinion.-World.

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