# HOWARD D. CAMP WAS COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

## On the Charge of Manslaughter---He Was Lef Out on \$8,000 Bail---Dr. Macrae's Able Plea in His Defense.

Dr. G. A. B. Addy described the post-

bottle in court smelled like ergot.

Mr. Macrae then informed the court

that there were three prescriptions fill-

ed at the Brown store on the 13th of

November and delivered at Miss

Clark's house, and there were a num-

ber of bottles about the girl's room and

Dr. Macrae objected to the evidence

of conversation on the ground that the

girl did not believe that she was going

Dr. Roberts was the next witness

tions to the evidence would be the

same as on the previous witness's testi-

mony. The witness's evidence was

practically the same as given in the

Wm. McKay, a drug clerk, in Burpee

Brown's store, said he thought he had

seen Camp in the store but could not

AFTERNOON SESSION.

first witness called being Miss Maxwell.

MISS MAXWELL.

veen the doctors and the patient ?"

had been brought to her by her friend,

MISS MUIR.

Dr. Macrae objected to this ques-

. The witness-"The deceased said she

she hoped the operation would save

"After the operation the deceased

"That is all." the solicitor general

Muir," was Dr. Macrae's comment, as

honor," said the solicitor general,

"That is the case for the crown your

I would ask that the prisoner be sent

Dr. A. W. Macrae then began his ar-

gument for the defense summing up

and commenting on the evidence in a

most eloquent and forcible manner, re

marking at the outset that he would

call no witnesses. He asked that all

the deceased to the doctors and nurses

before the Monday after the operation

be struck out, on the ground that the

deceased had contradicted herself sev-

"The information is for manslaugh

micide. It proves that the defend-

dence, is used for checking hemorr-

hage. There is no evidence that the

Howard Camp. There is no evidence

that he requested her to use any medi-

"There is no evidence to connect

"With reference to the statement

made by one of the nurses that on one

"Taking the evidence as it stands."

d used medicine brought her by

ter, for the homicide of Edith Clarke.

the witness stood down.

eral times.

smiled and said she was over it, but

did not know how she would get on."

She also said that the pati-

Miss Edith Maxwell, sworn:

would have told them all.

Miss Muir was then sworn:

The examination was resumed at

The evidence was allowed.

hemorrhages.

Howard D. Camp, accused of man- tion witness told Camp that the doctors slaughter in connection with the death told her Edith was a very sick girl. of Edith F. Clarke, was on Saturday afternoon committed for trial at the the operation. close of the preliminary hearing of his Dr. G. A. B. case, conducted in the police court before Magistrate Ritchie.

The witnesses examined in the morning were Mrs. Robers J. Clarke, stepother of the deceased: Dr. G. A. B. Addy, who performed the post-mortem examination; Dr. Roberts, Dr. Scammell. Burpee Brown and Wm. Mc-

The only witnesses called in the afternoon were Miss Muir and Miss Maxwell, the Victorian nurses.

The most striking feature of the hearing was the extremely clever and ingenious address made by Dr. A. W. Macrae on behalf of the prisoner, and to which very many complimentary references were made by both the magistrate and the solicitor general.

While admitting that the address of that probably this one bottle was Dr. Macrae had impressed him very brought forth to drum up a charge of forcibly, the magistrate decided nevermanslaughter. theless that there was enough evidence to put the accused on his trial. scription he had filled could be pro-

Camp was released on bail, the magistrate accepting his own recognizance for \$4,000, and George Fleming and Frank F. Peters in sureties of \$2,000

His case will come up for trial at the next term of the ch'cuit court, which tions he had with Miss Clark and which opens on the second of January before were the same as given on other occa-

Chief Justice Tuck. Camp was arraigned on the following indictment :

"The information and complaint of Wm. Walker Clark, of the city of St. to die at the time. John, in the city and county of St. John, chief of the police force of the city of St. John, taken on oath before me, the called and Dr. Macrae said his objecundersigned, Robt. J. Ritchie, police magistrate for the police district in the city of St. John at the police office in the city of St. John, this sixteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord who saith that he suspects and be-lieves that Howard Camp, at the city of St. John, in the city and county of St. John between the tenth day of November last past and the present date nmit manslaughter contrary to the statute and deponent's reasons for his suspicions and belief are that Edith Floyd Clark died in the city of St. John between the dates above ious circumstances: that an enquiry as to the cause of death was held before Daniel Berryman, Esq., a coroner for the city and county of St. John, and that the jury upon such inquest found that death was due to blood poisoning occasioned by an unlawful act, to wit, abortion, upon said Edith Floyd Clark, and that the said Howard Camp was a

W. WALKER CLARK. Taken before me, etc., ROBERT J. RITCHIE.

party to such unlawful act.

Mrs. Robert Clark, the step-mother of the deceased Edith Floyd Clark, was the first witness called. She said Edith was 24 years of age. She died on the 29th of November having been confined to her bed from Sunday night, Nov. 12th, until her death. The doctor was called on the 15th of November. The witness identified the part bottle of ergot that has previously been shown ight to the house by Howard Camp on Monday evening, Nov. 13th. Witrears, he called frequently at the house. it she did not know of any engage-When Camp brought the bottle he said. ld witness to give it to Edith, and she told him that Edith was not so well. Mr. Macrae said it has not been provby Mr. Camp on Monday night.

Continuing, witness said that she first read the writing on the bottle on Wednesday. Mr. Camp called nearly every Clarke ther told of calling Dr. Roberts in, and later on Dr. Scammel! and the nurses. Miss Reynolds gave the pati-ent her medicine. Edith all through her lness spoke of going to die. On Thursday, the 16th of November, she said, "You might not think it, but I am not Mr. Macrae objected to hearsay evi-

On that Thursday before the doctor came in Edith said: "Don't you worry know I am not going to get better this time. When witness was putting on her rings she said. "What will you I am unable to see any evidence, your honor, which to a reasonable mind would connect the defendant with the with my rings when I die?" Witness said they would be left on her fin-She then said, "Will you give one ant kept company with the deceased, y rings to Mrs. Harry Reynolds to and that he delivered a bettle of mediof my rings to Mrs. Harry Reynolds to

On the next day she told witness that she wanted to give a set of furs. watch and a china cup to Muriel Goodwin, and hat and jacket to another little girl. On the following day, Saturday, she was calm and composed, and requested witness to give a tollet set and some other articles to Miss Nellie Reynolds. After the operation Edith call-ed for witness, who told her to keep "With reference to t

occasion the deceased had said, 'The On the Wednesday following the operation Miss Clark said she was sure dectors might have spared me, as Howshe was not going to get better, and did ard would have told them all, it is a not want to see any of her friends, fair inference that what she meant Miss Clark's uncle arrived from the was that they might have refrained country on the Sunday before she died, from torturing her by questions as to and saw the patient. Witness then told her condition, as Howard could have of the deceased asking her not to allow given them that information. her body to be buried in the country. Cross-examined by Dr. Macrae, wit- do not think any of the statements of that her mother had not been buried in evidence against Camp.

ation at the time of her illness.

ness said Miss Clark said she wished the deceased should be considered as the country. On the night that Camp brought the medicine witness, at the request of deceased, told Camp Edith the condition described by Mrs. Clarke, would not be out that night. Witness her statements must be considered as

never told Doctor Roberts about the if she were on oath. "Her innate modesty would not out- ed former Premier Theolokis to form a

atural conclusion is that she was not in the fear of death. People often say when in a morbid state of mind, "Well, I am not long for this world," and similar remarks, and they are only laughed

stepmother the girl was persistently saying she was not going to get bet-ter, but under what inducement did the physicians get the girl to submit to operation? She would not have had the operation performed if she was in a hopeless expectancy of death.

"The doctors told the girl that they wanted a statement to protect them-selves, yet they waited until after they had consulted the council of the Medi-cal Society, before they decided what evidence they would give.

"The deceased told one nurse that she hoped the operation would save her life. After the operation she told the other nurse that she hoped she would get better, but did not think she All the doctors said to her on Monday was that she was not likely to

"A young man brings to the woman to whom he is engaged the medicine which will help her, and is he to be sent up for trial on a charge of manslaughter because of that? She told Camp on Tuesday night about "Why did the doctors torture that

poor girl? It was because of per mortem examination on Miss Clark's sician. They admitted that their obsonal animus against a certain phyremains. He considered death due to blood poisoning. Ergot was used for other practitioner. I cannot see other practitioner. I cannot see a tittle of evidence upon which to base Burpee Brown was next sworn. He a charge of manslaughter. There is no of Alberta, but not touching on new identified a prescription from Dr. Presevidence that the use of either mediton for half an ounce of ergot, and recine or instrument was procured by cognized the bottle in court as the one Howard Camp, or that he suggested which he filled. The contents of the such a thing, or induced anyone else to do anything illegal. To Dr. Macrae-Witness said that no

"If a messenger brought a prescriprecord was kept of prescriptions being tion from a druggist, with a doctor's ence to the manufacturer between the name on it, and the patient said it was tariff and the actual protection accordher friend Howard who had brought ed him. it, is that messenger to be placed on his trial for manslaughter?

"I think that the crown has utterly failed to connect Camp in any way with the death of Miss Clarke, and ask that my client be discharged."

THE SOLICITOR GENERAL

The witness then said that any pre-The solicitor general said at the outset that his learned friend had certain-Dr. Scammell was the next witness ly gotten all out of his side of the case He told of having been present at the that was possible, and had presented the facts very ably and very ingencuretting operation on the deceased on Sunday, 19th. The operation was suc-He then told of the conversa

"I have, however, tried to bring all the evidence out, whether favorable or unfavorable to the crown's case. My learned friend says there is no evidence, but there is evidence of a miscarriage. There is evidence that Dr. Preston used an instrument and got \$25 for it. There is evidence that the deceased died from blood poisoning. There is evidence that the accused took a bottle of medicine to the deceased which is used in such cases as hers. There is also evidence that the deceased said she would get other people

He did not think Dr. Roberts and Dr. Scammell would endanger their own personal reputations for the sake of rsecuting another physician. The solicitor general went in the case at some length and concluded by stating that he thought there was enough evidence to send the prisoner up for trial.

MAGISTRATE RITCHIE.

evidence after the solicitor general had against individual members of the concluded, remarked that if his experi-"Did you hear any conversation beence had been less, he might have been Association of having conspired to ob-Dr. Macrae objected that this was hearsay evidence, but the magistrate peal. Part of his argument was most with the addition of bonuses to their moved by Dr. Macrae's eloquent ap-The witness said that the deceased evidence in this case very different from had stated that an instrument was that given against Dr. Preston. used on her, and that some medicine magistrate confessed that he had cer ainly been staggered by the force of Dr. Macrae's argument, as he had been ent had said to her that the doctors on another such case when the lawye might have spared her, as Howard had asked what would have been thought of the evidence were the person of another sex? The argument cer tainly could not have been more effectively presented for Camp than had Did you have any conversation been done by Dr. Macrae. He thought with Miss Clarke before the operahowever, that he would be obliged to take the view of the solicitor general and send the prisoner up for trial.

Camp was then requested to stand up and asked if he wished to say anything hoped she would get better, but she did not think she would, and also said same as Dr. Pragton's "Not sailly same as Dr. Preston's, "Not guilty,

Dr. Macrae then made an application for bail, which was granted.

## "Very satisfactory, indeed, Miss BANK OF N. B. WILL INGREASE ITS STOCK

Shareholders Almost Unanimously Favor Increase to \$1,000,000— No Radical Departure in Bank's Policy.

The adjourned meeting of the share olders of the Bank of New Brunswick was held Saturday, and by a big majority it was decided to increase the capital of the bank to \$1,000,000.

A large number of shareholders were present and the feeling expressed was almost unanimous in favor of the increase. Some 3,800 votes were cast and of those 3.400 were for the increase The time and the manner in which this increase will be made is left in the hands of the directors but the director stated at the meeting that it was their probable intention to issue \$250,000 stock at 265 at once.

Mr. Kessen, the general ma when seen after the meeting said that the increase in stock did not mean any radical departure from present business methods and in fact there is no present intention of increasing the number of branches. The bank's business has so rapidly increased that, said Mr., Kessen, the additional capital is a neces-

### GOVT. OF GREECE RESIGNS.

ATHENS, Dec. 17-The cabinet of M. Ralli resigned today as the result of the defeat of the government over the election of a president of the chamber

## CANADIAN NEWS

Bad Fire on Saturday in Montreal.

Atty. Curry Still After the Plumbers -Collision on the Victoria Bridge

-Tariff Commission.

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask., Dec. 16 .-Practically nothing new was brought before the tariff commission at yesterday's sitting here. The load Board of Trade, Grain Growers' Association and Agricultural Society agreed in a request for a general reduction in the duty on agricultural implements, the request being practically that the existing duties be cut in half. They agreed with the stand taken by grain growers of Manitoba and by stockmen lines. An average of twelve and onehalf per cent, on implements they fel would meet their wants.

Members of the commission evaluin ed in detail the system on which tariffs are made up, pointing out the differ-

On the lumber question there was little or no agitation, as local mills supplied the greatest portion of the surrounding district. Reduction in freight rates brought about by the new railway competition was mentioned. The British American Paint Co., Vic

toria, writing Senator Templeman, asked for relief from the duty of thirty cents on white lead, as Canadian man ufacturers are at present unable to fill orders till some time in the new year. They claimed that the present duty is prohibitive, Canadian manufacturers cannot supply the trade, and that without relief they will be forced to close. All correspondence in this connection was submitted to the com-

MONTREAL, Dec. 16 .- A Regina despatch says the result of the Saskatchewan elections is still in doubt. though there is a possibility that the government will be sustained by a slight majority. The latest returns give 9 seats to Haultain and 9 to Scott. with seven in doubt. Of those in doubt Haultain claims 3 and Scott 3. The final result may give Scott 13 seats and Haultain 12. Haultain claims Grenfell, Maple Creek, Moosejaw city, Souris, Whitewood and Wolseley. Scott claims Battleford, Batoche, Humboldt Lumsden, Redberry, Regina south, Rosthern, Saltcoats, Yorkton. Those in doubt are Cannington, Moosejaw dis-trict, Qu'Appelle north, Prince Albert district, Saskatoon, Kininistino.

TORONTO, Dec. 16 .- County Attor-TCHIE. ney Curry, it is understood, will resume the plumbers' cases in the police court on Tuesday next. The charges tain money by fraud in connection ingenious, and calculated to make the tenders will be taken up. The charge against one hundred and fifty master plumbers of conspiracy also will be proceeded with.

The hardware branch probably will be first dealt with. It is said that documents obtained at Mr. Hardy's office show that combines have exis ed in such lines of trade as nails, tacks, etc., for some fifteen years. The building is owned by John Torrance, and is valued at \$40,000. James D. Gillmour, of Cillmour, Nephew & Co., could not estimate his loss. The fire occurred at a particularly unfortunate moment for him, he said, on account of the fact that he had just managed to dispose of his entire stock at 100 cents on the dollar. It was to have been taken over n xt week. Both stock and building are covered by insurance. The latter is valued at \$15,-000 and insured at \$12,000. Geo. Mann, Montreal manager of the Salada Tea Company, thinks that his company's stock is badly damaged. The building was saturated with water, and only six small coverings were provided. The smoke damaged the tea some. The stock was fully covered by insurance. A. Robitaille & Co. estimate their damage from water at about \$3,000.

MONTREAL, Dec. 16—A rear-end collision took place on Victoria Bridge this morning between a freight and a local passenger train from Chambly The freight train was standing on the bridge waiting to get into the yard when the Central Vermont local came along and owing to the heavy fog which prevailed the engineer claimed he could not see the freight until too late to avoid the accident. With the execption of a severe shaking up the passengers and crew sustained no ser-

#### MONCTON SHAREHOLDERS WILL HAVE INVESTIGATION

MONCTON, N. B., Dec. 17 .- J. G. Mc Donald, the well known contractor, is reported seriously ill at his home in Upper Coverdale. Mr. McDonald, who has been engaged for the last two or in Nova Scotia, was obliged to return ne some weeks ago, on account of illness, but he has not improved, and it is feared he may not recover. McDonald was in the west some years ago and erected some of the largest ildings and other structures in Win-

nipeg during the first big boom. Moncton shareholders in the York Loan are moving to have an investigation of the company's business here.
Arthur E. Boyd, a printer formerly of Moncton, but for some years living in the United States, has just been elected vice regent of Boston Council. No. 42, the Royal Arcanum. the largest council in Boston, having a

membership of over 500. Moncton's open air skating rink was opened on Saturday night. The covred rink opens Monday night, and the

#### CONGRESS WILL SOON ADJOURN FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- The four days before the holiday adjournment will be dedicated in the house to further discussion of federal control of insurance and to completing the enact-ment of the Panama emeragency ap-propriation. There are many members who desire to talk about insurance. Speaker Cannon has concurred in the general view in the house that the president's message furnishes as good a basis as anything else for this

Committee work will progress during the debate. The ways and means committee will continue its hearings of the Philippine tariff and the Statehood Bill is to be perfected, but will not, WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.-The senate

will meet the wishes of the house for

an adjournment for the Christmas holidays on Thursday next. Meantime the senate will probably content itself with comparatively little work unless there should be difficulty in agreeing with the house on the terms of the Panama Canal energency appropriation bill. That measure will go to a conference committee early in the week and there will be a united effort to reach a con-The action of the senate in attempting to eliminate the bond provision and make a separate law of it, will probably be the principal bone of contention in the conference committee. The reorganization of the senate committee will be announced Monday or Tuesday. Senator Gallinger will make an effor during the week to have the Merchant Marine Bill made the unfinished business, with the end in view of having it in position to be pressed when congress

#### PANIC IN HOTEL FIRE

IN SKOWHEGAN, MAINE.

SKOWHEGAN, Me., Dec. 17-Fire of unknown origin destroyed the Hotel Hessalon late tonight, driving fifty or more persons from their lodgings to the street. Many of the inmates were terrified from the alarm of fire, and there was a small panic. Mrs. H. T. Conant, one of the lodgers, suffered a broken leg in jumping from a second story window. The other occupants es caped from the building without in

The Hessalon house was a four story wooden structure on Water street and was formerly one of the best hotels of the village although it had recently been used principally as a boarding house for mill operatives. It was the oldest hotel in the town. The lodgers in most cases fled partly dressed into the snow and severe cold weather, leaving their personal effects behind.

It was soon seen that the hotel was doomed and the firemen turned their attention to saving of the livery stable and stores close by which were threat-ened. The hotel with practically all of its contents was destroyed, but the nearby buildings were not seriously

## EMMERSON WILL PENSION 300 I. C. R. EMPLOYES.

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—Hon, H. R. Emmerson says that he intends introduc ing and putting through his railway pension bill at the next session of par-liament. This will effect a large say ing and will ald in keeping the expenditure for working expenses within the revenue. There are some 300 old em ployes that can be placed on a pen sion. It will not be necessary to fill these positions, and when new appoint ments are made more effective work

### FATAL THEATRE FIRE

LORAINE, Ohlo, Dec. 17-Four lives were lost in a fire which destroyed the Verbeck Theatre here early today. The dead are James Dwyer, an employee of the theatre, who slept in the basemen and Mrs. William Marsh, wife of the stage manager of the theatre and her two young children. Mr. and Mrs. Marsh occupied apartments on the third floor. Mr. Marsh was absent when the fire broke out but his wife and the children were suffocated. Mrs. John Vesper was rescued, unconscious by firemen. The loss is \$50,000

#### FIRE IN MONCTON CHURCH: CONGREGATION DIDN'T KNOW IT.

MONCTON, N. B., Dec. 17-While the congregation of Central Methodist church was gathering for worship at 11 o'clock this morning, a fight was being made by Chief Ackman and a few members of the fire department in the basement of the church to save the edifice from destruction by fire. A blaze in the floor over the furnace was seen by the janitor a little before the ser vice was to begin, Chief Ackman, who was in the vestry, telephoned for the hose cart and then without giving a general alarm proceeded to fight the fire. It was eventually put out and worship was not disturbed, Many in the congregation were unaware of what had transpired Practically no damage was done.

BERLIN, Dec. 16.-Herman Israel, the well known millionaire and senior partner in the firm of Messrs. Israel & Co., universal providers, according to reports from Lake Schwerin, has just mitted suicide by drowning. Israel, who is a young man, was recently accused of a series of grave offences. He sued his accusers in the courts, bringing libel proceedings, and denied the assertions made under oath. His sworn statements were questioned, however, and the public prosecutor decharge of perjury. He evaded this charge by committing suicide. Israel had many close business connections in England and on the continent. The other members of the firm of Israel & Co., the universal providers, still curiers have a good sheet of ice. The stick by the dead man and maintain first regular play will take place on that he told the truth in his statements

## RECENT DEATHS.

From Monday's Daily Sun. Saturday, announced the sudden death of Miss Mary Short, formerly of Digby, after an illness of four days meningitis. Miss Short left St. John only a few weeks ago to spend the win-

WHITE'S COVE, N. Bl. Dec. 15. -Samuel H. Northrup, one of the most highly respected residents of Belleisle Creek, Kings Co., died at his home on the 25th ult., after a week's illness of pneumonia. Mr. Northrup, who was in the 71st year of his age, was a consistent member of the Methodist Church, having united with that body when a young man. He led an exemunder the present plan, be brought into the house until January 4. ous worker in both Sunday school and church. He leaves a sorrowing widow, one son and five daughters to mourn the loss of a kind husband and loving father. His remains were interred in the Methodist cemetery at Belleisle Creek on Monday, the 27th ult.

The death took place at a late hour on Friday night of Fred Fair, of Spruce Lake. Mr. Fair had been ill for a considerable period with a complication of consumption and heart clusion before the holiday adjournment. trouble. Mr. Fair was unmarried, and was occupied in lumbering and railroading.

> SACKVILLE, N. B., Dec. 16.— The death of Miss Maude Anderson, daughter of Mrs. Edward Anderson, occurred last evening at 7 o'clock. Her death was not unexpected, as she has beer in failing health the past two years. Deceased was 44 years old. She is survived by a mother, two sisters, Mrs. Ernest Ford and Mrs. F. A. Harrison, and three brothers. Albert and Bliss of Coles' Island, and Lee of British Columbia. Funeral takes place tomorrow afternoon, Rev. B. N. Nobles will buildings. Crowell entered the base-

> Valentine Wilkinson, one of Sackville's oldest residents, passed away tanks and see that everything was in last evening at the advanced age of 81, order. It is supposed that Crowell's after an illness of ten days. He is survived by a widow. Funeral takes place tomorrow afternoon. Rev. B. N. tant and demolished windows and doors Nobles will conduct the service.

On Wednesday afternoon next there will be a sale in St. John's (Stone) church school house of some very beautiful Chinese articles, consisting of carved wood frames, silver work, drawn work, silk handkerchiefs and a variety of ornamental and unique Chinese curios. They arrived here yesterday, having come direct from China. The sale is in aid of Dr. Mabel Hannington's mission work in Wing-daik, China, and is being held by the Gleaners' Union and the Woman's Auxiliary of the Stone Church, There will be afternoon tea and a candy and ice cream table. As the articles are specially suitable for Xmas presents, intending purchasers will do well to go H. A. Powell was painfully injured by falling on a slippery sidewalk in

Sackville on Saturday, Thos. Foote, formerly chief accountant of the I. C. R. at Moncton, died re-cently of paralysis in Baltimore. He the fire to save a good one. This Cully and retired from the railway on grievance.

account of ill health in the spring of

A telegram was received in the city
last night announcing the death of that they are responsible for the deeds that they are responsible for the deeds years ago was one of the best known men in this city. He was born here and in his younger days followed the posting. No particulars as to the cause of death were given, but as he had been ill with an asthmatical affection before he left it is supposed that that disease was the cause.

Deceased is survived by three sisters and two brothers. All his sisters are in Boston-Mrs. William Whittaker, with whom he lived at the time of death, and the Misses Catherine and Alice. One brother is a printer in the office of the Boston Transcript, the other brother Joseph, resides at Germain street, this city. He was about seventy years of age. The body will be brought here arriving Tuesday on the noon train. Many in this city will be grieved to hear of Mr. Rogers' death. He was a great favorite with everybody and had a cheery word for

Thomas Eyles Greene died Saturday after an illness of about ten days. He was a native of St. George and came to St. John (west) over sixty years ago. He married Catherine Mc-Bride, of Weymouth, N. S., who died thirteen years ago. He leaves five sons, Herbert, Corey and George, of St. John (west); John, of Boston, and to keep them happy and to be happy Murray, of Winnipeg; and five daughters, Mrs. John Robson, Mrs. James McLaughlin, of this city, and Mrs. Anderson, Bertha and Grace living at There are also twenty-six grandchildren and seven great grandchildren in the family circle. He was of an active and energetic dis and lived to the ripe old age of eightyfour years.

News was received Saturday of the death of George Pile, formerly of this city, at Lethbridge, Alberta, of typhoid fever. Deceased was one of the African veterans, having first served with Prince Alfred's Guards, M. I., and secondly with the 2nd Canadian M ed Rifles, being wounded while serving with the latter body, for which he was awarded a pension. He belonged to Marlborough Lodge, Sons of England, and the Oddfellows. Both bodies will attend his funeral.

Word has been received by James Mc-Dade of this city on Friday last announcing the sad news of his daughter Sister M. F. Regis, of Waco, Texas, No details as to the cause of her death has been received. Deceased had been in good health, as the family had heard from her very recently. during the fifteen years in the order however, and the public prosecutor decided to proceed against him on a charge of perjury. He evaded this the renowned hospitals of the Sisters of Charity. Several St. John people bespeak of the kindness shown them by removed to Waco, Texas, four months ago from Los Angeles. Much sympathy goes out to the family in their sad bereavement.

Self." the lucky man said.

## JAPS AND BRITISH UNITE FOR NAVAL MANOEUVRES. A telegram from Vancouver, B. C., Great Plans for Mimic Sea War Next

Year-Whole World Will Be the Battleground.

LONDON, Dec. 16.-The naval manbeuvres for 1906 will be based on a principal quite new in naval annals, and will be on a fuller scale than the postponed programme of this year. The Japanese fleet will theoretically form part of the scheme which will test the strategic and tactical value of the new distribution of warships. It will be supposed that strained relations exist, and the British and Japanese navies will be on the watch all over the world. The sea frontiers of all of our possessions consequently will come into the scheme. As soon as war has broken out the reserve divisions will be mobilized, and the conditions that might occur with a naval combination operating against Great Britain will then be rehearsed simultaneously by the various divisions, the operations being part of one great war plan. A "skeleton" army of cruisers with admirals in command will be kept on the alert for weeks against the force, Tact, ability and intuitive judgment will be demanded of the various commanders-in-chief and the scheme will be the most searching test of efficiency ever devised.

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HYANNIS, Mass., Dec. 15.-The Nickerson Acetylene Gas Campany's plant, which furnishes light for this town, was destroyed by an explosion which killed Osborne Crowell, who was in charge of the plant, and damaged a dozen or more ment of the gas company's building, a wooden structure, to examine the gas lantern ignited escaping gas. The exwithin 300 yards of the gas plant, Crawell's body was blown to pieces and little could be found except his clothing by which he could be identified. The accident extinguished practically all the lights in the town. The financial loss is estimated at \$10,000.

TRAINING PARENTS.

What shall we do with our fathers and mothers? How shall we bring them up to be the greatest possible credit to their sons and aughters? These are questions which sons and

daughters are trying to solve. I know the story of a father who delights in wearing a fancy, beflowered waist coat. It is his daughter's only real sorrow, says the Pittsburg Dis

habit of being economical. She burns was a son-in-law of the late Judge Mc- trifling economy is her son's great

I know a fastidious young miss whose only unhappiness is that her mother insists upon seting her hat on

and misdeeds of their parents has grown and grown until the average parent over 50 years of age is pestered to death by the discipline of their chil-

dren. quite unnecessary, and father, poor fellow, can't help thinking that he is in the way.

Mother has been a faithful wife for fifty years. She has brought up a houseful of sons and daughters, who are honest, successful and healthy men in the fact that she likes to use the same match twice. Father has dug a fortune out of the

old store. He has used this fortune freely for the good of these very sons and daughters, who now do nothing but pick on him because of his fancy waistcoat. "If ma could be induced to wear fash-

ionable shoes!" "If pa only wouldn't sneeze so loud-

You have all heard it. Sons and daughters are constantly finding fault and picking flaws in pa and ma. It is a great thing to have a father

and mother. It is a greater thing to have them near one. It is still greater in their happiness Now, really, what is the use of forgetting all the good things that they have done and that they shall still do,

just because of a few shoes or sneezes? What is the use of torturing "ma" with high-heeled slippers? What is the use of switching "pa's" egs because he sneezes? Let mother wear her stub-toed shoes! Let father sneeze, sneeze, sneeze the oof off the house!

What's the use of kicking? KNEW THE GAME.

The street merchant had a crowd about him as he took a \$2 bill from his pocket, waved it before his auditors

"It's yours, gentlemen, if you guess right, and the guess will cost you only a dime. See, I put this bill in this little box and mix it with 19 other boxes in my tray. One box holds a \$2 note; the others contain the best soap in the world to remove stains from clothing. "Who'll be the first to try

his luck?" The game went along merrily. The fakir was reaping dimes and nobody had captured the money prize. A ragged and disreputable chap crawled up win it?" yelled the fakir as he shuffled

The ragged man handed over a dime and thrust his fingers into the coat sleeve of the fakir. He opened the "I used to be in this business my self," the lucky man said.