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parts of Canada. Mr. Johnson estimates that there are from 1,000 to 3,000 people starting on the trail from Dawson to Skagway, but says that in nearly all cases they constitute those that went into the country unprepared to battle with the climate and unexperienced and totally unfit to perform the malt. After Varied Experienced and totally unfit to perform the malt. Atlin's New Gold Com.

An Interesting Budget of News From the Yukon Mining Fields.

Skagway, Dec. 27.-The advent of J.

missioner.

D. Graham, the new gold commissioner for the Atlin district, and his views as to the enforcement of the law in that its 3,000 country, have thrown consternation into centre of attraction and is a thriving, the camp of the prospectors and those awaiting the cold weather, to move into the new diggings, and many can scarcely realize the ultimate result to mining and real estate holders, if the utterances of Mr. Graham are any criterion of the laws he intends to establish and enforce. The gentleman arrived on the Danube Thursday last, and had hardly secured efore he was besieged by miners and prospective merchants as to his interpretation of the British Columbia mining and real estate laws as applied to Atlin. Though Mr. Graham is affable and courteous in the extreme, it was to he seen at once that the policy of red tape and "officialism," as carried on in Dawson, was to be the rule in Atlin. Under the guise of upholding and administering the law to the letter, many

divent were not dreamed of.
Regarding real estate holdings, the commissioner stated that such is a mis-nomer, as no one is at present entitled to than a miner, and that in the future such holdings would be very limited. WILL HAVE ATLIN REPLATTED W. F. Rant and partner, of Victoria, B. C., had at great expense cleared, surveyed and platted the present site of Atlin City, their work went for naught, and the commissioner said he would disurvey the town himself, and that many igs, some of which cost as much will as \$3,000, now being built, would have to be torn down or moved if he, the commissioner, so desired. After the new survey, the lots will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, and any one having improvements on the same are to be recompensed out of the program of th are to be recompensed out of the pro-

ship on present owners of buildings, as the most desirable lots will not bring more than \$200 to \$500 and the state of the more than \$200 to \$500, and the owners of buildings will be compelled either to buy in the lot or lose their property. No. priority rights as to holding of lots will be recognized, as the squatter has no rights in British Columbia law. It is needless to say that these regulations seriously disturb those who believe they are property owners in the new country commissioner proposes to erect fine government buildings wherever he desires to make the seat of administration, and should this be Atlin, which he is not at all sure about, he will set aside 300 feet square on the lake front for the will be regardless of any improvements he may find on the chosen

During the rush to Atlin last summer, the prospectors, thinking the district to be in the Northwest Territory, located and Atlin will be assured. the entire length of Pine creek in 250-Later it was found to be in British Columbia, and other locators restaked the claims in 100-foot lengths, in British Columbia, and other locators restaked the claims in 100-foot lengths, as only this much is allowed by the laws in that province Commissioner fraham says that the surplus 150 feet of each 250-foot claim so staked will be offered for sale at public auction, and as this makes invalid the claims of from 55 to 100 minors who have staked in the control of the summit. Mr. Henderson sustainable in falling into a crevice at a place where they have they be a very successful or crevice at a place where they have they be a very successful or crevice at a place where they have they be a very successful or crevice at a place where they have they be a very successful or crevice at a place where they have they be a very successful or crevice at a place where they have they be a very successful or crevice at a place where they have they be a very successful or crevice at a place where they have they be a very successful or crevice at a place where they have they have they have they be a very successful or crevice at a place where they have they h 75 to 100 miners who have staked in good faith along this creek, the indignation of many who are spending the winton of many who are spending the win-ter in Skagway is expressed in no mild manner. It is also the intention of the new commissioner to levy a royalty of 1 per cent. on every dollar's worth of gold

future, but in the past as well. No timber holdings will stand, and only timber used in the work necessary on the claims and for fuel will be allowed. It is understood that large tracts of timber land have been taken up by syndicates, one of which is shipping into the country a large sawmill. These acts, says Mr. Graham, are illegal, as the government will control the sale of the town the lake is entirely free from No timber holdings will stand, and er comes. acts, says Mr. Graham, are illegal, as the government will control the sale of all timber, and the owners of the saw-mills will be made to desist or pay the government price for stumpage.

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The law governing the holding of claims will be strictly adhered to, and it is evident that the new commissioner is evident to the new dealt with. The conclusion arrived at after a talk the ice is safe.

with Mr. Graham is that many radical

LOSS OF CANADIAN MAIL. J. T. Johnson, of Seattle, who left Dawson on November 10, arrived in Skagway last Wednesday after a hard displayment the stage of the and perilous trip. Mr. Johnson is largely interested in the mines in the Yukon, and is the owner of No. 95 on Bonanza. and is the owner of No. 95 on Bonanza. In coming out he was the first to reach Tagish post and report to Major Wood the loss of the Canadian mail by the carrier, Corporal Richardson, breaking through the ice. Among the many losses was that of \$600 belonging to Major Steele, of Dawson, besides souvenirs in the shape of nuggets and gold dust valued at several hundred dollars on its way to the many friends and relatives of mounted police, in the different Try them.

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to battle with the climate and unexperi-enced and totally unfit to perform the necessary work to accumulate money, and who, discouraged and disheartened, are availing themselves of the first op-

are availing themselves of the first op-portunity to escape.

In speaking of the mines, Mr. Johnson said that the general impression in Daw-son was that the output from the Yukon this season would double that of last, and that with the new discoveries and nusual activity in mining the outlook

creeks near Eagle City and quite a number of mining towns have sprung up nearby, from which the city draws its trade, and it is predicted that within a year Eagle City will rival Dawson in population, and the surrounding country in sighters.

SULPHUR CREEK A "FIZZLE." to ten returning Klondikers. Among those who arrived yesterday are: B. L. the Southern coast between Callao and

being very quiet and that living is much cheaper there than formerly. Eldorado and Hunker creeks are turning out best of all, and Dominion creek is good, but Sulphur is a "fizzle." When these gentlemen left wages were from \$5 to \$15 per day. The greatest trouble inside in connection with the mines was the expense of all, and Dominion creek is good, but tween Great Britain and France. The Phaeton at that time was at Coquimbo. She received orders to prepare for war, and taking on coal and stores at once made ready for fight. Orders came next connection with the mines was the expense of the proceed to Callao, which she connected the strength of things looked decidedly serious. This was when war appeared inevitable between Great Britain and France. The Phaeton at that time was at Coquimbo. She received orders to prepare for war, and taking on coal and stores at once made ready for fight. Orders came next for her to proceed to Callao, which she cessive royalty imposed, resulting in for her to proceed to Callao, which she keeping many of the claims from being did; but by the time of her arrival there worked to their fullest capacity. There are plenty of provisions in and around It was however a remainder the war cloud had passed. Dawson, and no repetition of last year's famine is feared. In speaking of the noted Klendikers, the gentlemen said:

and the commissioner said he would dis-regard the survey entirely, would re-tion that building and improvements are being pushed as rapidly as the weather buildings, some of which cost as much as \$3,000, now being built, would have and the plans laid and lumber secured

model of the noted Robert E. Lee, of the Argentine republic. The latter have mossissispip river fame.

For one the timber is on the ground and the surveys and soundings have been made The two sawmills are unablet to cope with the demand for lumber. Rough lumber is \$150 per 1,000.

For the past month the thermometer has not been lower than 18 degrees above, and for the past two weeks 28 degrees above has been the average. Horse creek, Canyon creek, Bush creek, O'Donnell river and tributaries, and two quartz ledges within the city limits are among the latest excitements. WORK ON THE RAILROAD.

The White Pass railroad still main-tains its winter headquarters at White NO SALOONS IN DISTRICT.

Regarding the liquor question, Mr. Graham confirmed the report already received, that no saloons will be tolerated in the district, and that the few hotel licenses, with bar privileges, would be issued only to those applicants who had been residents in the district one year, of which there are none, and who can furnish bonds in the sum of \$10,000 by two reliable men who have also resided there that length of time. As no one but Miller, the discoverer of Pine creek, has lived in the country the length of time specified, the commissioner's ruling makes the college of the specified, the commissioner's ruling makes the college of the specified, the commissioner's ruling makes the college of the selection of the signal and the greater number of the different forms the foliation, as no traces of them have ever been found.

Going afterwards to Acapulco, the Phaeton was ordered back to Esquimalt. Her log now shows 20,000 miles as having been travelled since leaving Esquimalt and 4,300 tons of coal consumed in good the celebrated "loop." Camp 9 is on to the country of the big hill, after rounding the loop, and can be seen from Camp 77, 1,000 feet below. Camp 10 is at the foot of White pass summit, about a mile from the Canadian line. Camp 12 is in Canadian Cayles says, was experienced on the return of length of time. As no one but Miller, the discoverer of Pine creek, and in all over 1,200 are pushing the line.

At Camp 8 over 400 men are at work, and in all over 1,200 are pushing the line. time specified, the commissioner's ruling and in all over 1,200 are pushing the line makes the sale of intoxicants prohibitive. The four licenses issued last September by Commissioner Rant will undoubtedly be revoked.

During the rule to Atlin last suppose the suppose the side of a live engine. If this is accomplished, Log Cabin, twenty miles far.

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TRAIL IN BAD CONDITION. Messrs. Henderson and Earson, of Se-

aken out of the country, not only in the a week ago. The count is unable to get uture, but in the past as well.

CONTROL OF TIMBER SALES.

farther and is compelled to remain there, as are many others, until the cold weath-

proceed on their journey toward the in-terior, until the thermometer fails and BIG STAMPEDE.

lost his life.

A blast, one shot of which failed to

explode, was set off in the vicinity of Camp 9, and Pifero, not knowing this, rammed a steel rod into the help this, lischarged the charge, throwing the body of the unfortunate man over a precipice 300 feet below, killing him instantly.

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Witnessing Bull Fights and Hunting Alligators Some of the Crew's Pastimes.

Each day brings to Skagway from two then she has been much of the time on the latter from Seattle.

These gentlemen report Dawson as decks were cleared for action and once guest of the president. Several times her Noel being very quiet and that living is much cheaper there than formerly. Eldorado things looked decidedly serious. This ODD FELLOWS' INSTALLATION.

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Notwithstanding the fact that Mr. N.

V. F. Rant and partner, of Victoria, S. C., had at great expense cleared, surely and platted the present site of the finding level, and 'Swiftwater Bill' is now called 'Slowwater William.'"

BUILDING IN ATLIN.

A letter just received from Atlin City, and the commissioner said he would disdiscipled and the commissioner said he would disdiscipled and around Dawson, and no repetition of last year's plant year of provisions in and around Dawson, and no repetition of last year's all through, for the genial company aboard and events crowded upon each other in rapid succession. Going from Callao to Panama, the English speaking from the genial company aboard and events crowded upon each other in rapid succession. Going from Callao to Panama, the English speaking from the genial company aboard and events crowded upon each other in rapid succession. Going from Callao to Panama, the English speaking from R. S. N. G., R. M. Higham; R. S. V. G., G. D. Christie; R. S. N. G., A. Sheret; L. S. S., J. J. Hughes; L. S. S., J. J. Hughes; L. S. S., J. J. Hughes; L. S. S., D. Burns; Chaplain, W. Walker; Organist, F. A. Billingsley.

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Another war scare was on at Coquim when theship was there and the Chilian fleet was seen to make preparations for action. The cause of the trouble was boundary line contention common with the South American republics but, at the particular time of the Phaeton's visit, at fever pitch between Chili and be waged between the two. Had it been the regular meetings. the question of sea power it would have been soon disposed of by the Chilian fleet—a fleet that now includes some good ships—but it is possible the fighting on land would be long continued.

The Phaeton, leaving this scene, went to Acapulco and from there was ordered to Central America—where a petty revolution was in progress—to protect the in terests of British subjects. The disturbance, however, did not last long. While at Terumfo, a port in Central America, the Phaeton made search for ten natives who had been carried to sea in a lighter. The men had nothing them but a cask of whiskey, and that

THE BANKS OF HALIFAX.

\$4,700,000, a Reserve of \$3,550,0000 and Branches Numbering 116.

The Halifax banks are the pride of that city. There are five banks having their head offices in Halifax, and there are two branches of outside banks. Altogether the banks of Halifax have a combined capital of \$4,700,000, with reserve fund amounting to \$3,550,000. The capital of the different banks is as fol-

 Bank
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 Nova Scotia
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 Merchants
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 People's
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 Halifax
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 Union
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Totals\$1,700,000 \$3,550,000

The conclusion arrived at after a falk with Mr. Graham is that many radical and in nowise popular changes are to be made in the management of affairs in his district, and that many acts of his predecessor, Mr. Rant, are to be revoked, working more or less of a hardship on the miner and business man who intends locating in the new country in the spring and coming winter.

Prior to receiving his present appointment, Mr. Graham was the manager of a large mining syndicate in Victoria, B. C., and before that gold commissioner in Revelstoke.

He leaves here to-morrow for Atlin, where he will be joined later by his party of surveyors and assistants.

LOSS OF CANADIAN MAIL.

EVENTRUL CRUISE. GAZETTE NOTICES.

Coroner for Cariboo and Medical Health GAZETTE NOTICES. Officer at Revelstoke Have

> The official Gazette this week contains notices of general meetings of two mining companies for the object of disposing of their property. One is that of the Le Roi Mining & Smelting Co., which meets at the office of Messrs. Daly & Hamilton, Rossland, on February 7, for the purpose of disposing of the whole or any portion of the assets of the

Resigned.

was never better.

He reports a great amount of work on the American side of the line further down the river, and that Eagle City with its 3,000 or more inhabitants is the centre of attraction and is a thriving bustling camp. There are many good considering the conditions were the climatic conditions were street as a special general meeting of the Golden Gate Mining Company, of Granite Creek, Limited, which is to be the ship has just returned from the tropics, where the climatic conditions were

It was on June 5 that the ship left court of revision and appeal for the here on her Southern cruise and since Revelstoke division of West Kootenay. The Fort Steele Development Syndi cate has registered as an extra-provinthose who arrived yesterday are: B. L. Lanktree, R. B. Hansen and Ed. Dozier, the Salvador, where Captain Kirby was the latter from Seattle.

These who arrived yesterday are: B. L. Salvador, where Captain Kirby was the guest of the president. Several times her long the president of the presiden named as attorney.

installed the following officers for the ensuing term: N. G., James Newbigging; V. G., James Bell; Sec., Thomas banquet was held in the hall where members and visitors to the number of about 75 sat down to a sumptuous spread. A list of toasts embracing all the officers and branches of the order were proposed and drunk. The enter

VICTORIA SLEIGHING.

tainment closed at midnight with singing of "God Save the Queen."

interest displayed by the members of

Dominion lodge since the mergement of Acme lodge some few months ago, has

proved beyond a doubt the wisdom of

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How the People Are Getting Fun Out of the Cold Spell Just Now.

Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the Oh, what fun it is to ride in a one-hoss open sleigh. Victorians are being treated to a taste weather that makes the Eastern Canuck

think of his boyhood days away back in the older provinces, where snow is the re-cognized material for street paving at this time of the year. Out here in British Columbia, howevertown when the snow came, but they sold off in a day, and the livery men have fairmoney out of the sleighs they happened to secure. There are a few really nice sleighs in

town, bright and glistening in polish and varnish, and there are other kinds, too, with no polish. For example, two soap boxes on a Klondike handsleigh, with a bewilderan infrequent vehicle.

Then one can see a splendid pair of horses attached to a nondescript kind of sleigh, a carriage box with the wheels removed and replaced by a pair of ready made rough runners, sawn out of two inch planks; and seated inside enjoying the \$1,600,000 as 50,000 lave all got their vehicles on runners of some kind most of them decided makes.

Land Tax Bill to Meet Recurring Deficit Agitating the Mikado's Subjects.

The Japanese mail steamer Yamaguchi

a large amount of very interesting and important news matter which failed to arrive by the regular telegraphic channels. Much of it is of great concern to the people of the West, in view of the increasing prominence of trans-Pacific affairs It appears that a few months ago a K. M. T. & T. Co., which was assessed in trade and political circles. Among the items which will be of especial interest In trade and political circles. Among the items which will be of especial interest to the people of this community is one to

ernment of a complete line of road from one end of the island to the other. Ru-mor attaches to the efforts of a Chinese official, as appears from the newspapers to create a corner on rice by shipping the local product out of the market in which he desired to operate. A statement just published in the Japanese press gives the official census of the island for 1897 as 43.228.863, with the male population slightly in the ascendancy. A surprising incident is told of the gallantry of Prince

ed for the purpose of overcoming the annual deficit. Special loans have been re-quired to meet the deficit this year. Marquis Ito is one of the advocates of the proposed measure, while Count Okuma strenuously opposes it. The various politinercial organizations are lining cal and comp hemselves on different sides.

The bill proposes a re-assessment of and values (except in the prefectures of In press circles. Niigata, Miyagi and Yamaguchi), and the TSAI TAG assessment will thereby be increased by assessment will thereby be increased by 150,000,000 yen. It is proposed to increase the tax from 2½ to 4 per cent. from January 1.

The dismissal some weeks ago of 1sat peared for the crotic tionaries, because of alleged irregularities. The court sits agoing at 8 o'clock.

referred to the experiences of previous now some vessels of war and things such action by the continued increase in looked for a time as though battle would membership and large attendance at questions were giving the present govern-

ment great anxiety.

At a conference of the committe of th
Liberal-Constitutional party it was decided

thority of a telegram from its Pekin correspondent that the dismissal from office of Tsai Taotai was decided on because of Liberal-Constitutional party it was used to ask the government to make the tax on land 3.3 per cent., instead of 4. This would leave a deficiency of 6,000,000 yen, which, it was suggested, could be raised by increasing the taxes on tobacco and resi-

apropos of the land tax "I think I should turn your atention to the situation of the indemnity funds, ac inves. Actions similar to that of Tsa quainted as many of you undoubtedly are tai are frequent in the Celestial Kingdom. with it, for some of you till lately held important posts in the treasury. The gross mount received from China on account of the war indemnity, as compensation for the retrocession of the Liaotung peninsula, and as interest on the indemnity instalments, aggregates 364,480,000 yen in round figures. Of that amount 177,00,000 yen approximately is set apart for certain fixed purposes, leaving a valance of 186 000,000 yen approximately. But so many have been the calls made upon it that only a little remains behind on this account The Marquis enumerated the various appropriations made from the foregoing sum,

concluding that only a little over 25,000,000 concluding that only a little over 25,000,000 yen remains in cash on this account, against 62,000,000 yen approximately which Japan is to pay abroad during the next fiscal year, thereby producing a deficit of over 26,700,000 yen.

"That was why I stated," his excellency with the statement of the stokers was required to get it up again.

important point that demands the attention | zine for January. of the legislature." GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP. Government purchase of the railroads in some kind, most of them decided makeshifts; but it is wonderful to see how quickly people have adapted themselves to the change, and each day sees guite an eddi.

up to the Colonel, informed him that he was the accountant of the hotel, and that the bill in question amounted to just 96 yen. With the indifference characteristic of the haute noblesse, says a late number the haute noblesse, says a late numbe the Tokyo Mainichi, the Colonel select

Japanese Contractors to Supply
Ties for the Trans-Siberian
Railway.

Of the Tokyo Mainichi, the Colonel selected from him ample wad a \$100 note and airly handed it to the urbane "accountant," bidding him bring the change and feeelpt in the morning. And the man bowed and departed. Now here he was returned. The departed. Nor has he yet returned. The scene that took place in the morning when the Colonel was politely asked for his account can be imagined. But the trate soldier has departed and the affair is in the hands of the Russian legation.

PUBLIC OPINION VS. MURDER. A rather interesting prosecution is en-gaging the attention of the Tokyo local Maru, lately2 from the Orient, brought court, according to the Hiogo News of December 12. The editor of the Jiji

improved status—the public prosecutor declared that the intention of the article for the company. In regard to their was to aid and abet the woman. Five barristers were engaged for the defence, The absurdity of a paper of the Jiji's standing being gullty of the offense charger was commented upon, and it was commented upon, and it was return to this place. Mr. Rattenbury return to this place. standing being guilty of the offense charger was commented upon, and it was urged that the obvious intention of the article was to cover far wider grounds, with a view to the amendment of the criminal law, which, it was urged, to too graves.

were in the N. W. T., and would never return to this place. Mr. Rattenbury appeared in person for the company. Mr. Mills gave a decision similar to that in the Nahleen case, and the assessment was fixed at \$21,000. The company's stores in Cassiar had their assessment

Moreover, counsel argued that the par-ficular article of the press law under Japan appears to be somewhat agitated over a new land tax bill recently introduced for the purpose of overcomments. which the presecution had been taken did not cover such a case as the present, but that the idea of "helping and sympathizing" implied normal where the present is sessed at \$25,000. They admitted personal property to the relationship of the present in the prese that the idea of "helping and sympathiz-ing" implied pecuniary help. The further point was made that since in Japanese law there were no provisions relating to law there were no provisions relating to law there were no provisions relating to "contempt of court," as in English law, surance was payable in London, and counsel could not see that any wrong in the eyes of the law had been done by the limits. Mr. Mills held that the money limits.

TSAI TAOTAI'S "CORNER."

to an action more distinctly Oriental than QUARTERMASTER OVERBOAR! a mere embezzlement, as will be evident ministers in their attempts to deal with from the following clipping from the Shang-"The Universal Gazette says on the ar

in the lower province. This, it says, and not his action with regard to the Marquis Ito, in an extended interview in joss house affair, is the true reason of his disgrace." -e Japan Times, speaks seriously of the apanese financial situation, and adds

The rice famine here alluded to is the time threatened in one of the Chinese pro

> held It is the Oriental method of creating STARTLING DISCLOSURES AS TO THE

BATTLE OF SANTIAGO. Admirals and captains are brave enough, and keen tacticians, no doubt, but the best storms. She landed 18 passengers and part of the Spanish fleet would have slipped through somebody's fingers that Sun day morning at Santiago if America's fighting engineers had not, by the hardest of work, overcome the obstacles imposed upon them by orders from the bridge. If the fighting had been against men more nearly kin—say English or German—under continuous and the sound last evening carried the following among her passengers:

Morgan and wife, Miss Madigan, Mrs. F. Murray, Miss Eames, F. A. Spencer, Murray, Miss Eames, F. A. Spencer, Marray, Miss Eames, F. A. Spencer, Miss Eames, F. A. Spe

ortinued, "that if the opportunities of rescuing the finances from the present critical situation fail to be grasped this year, no statesman would be able to elaborate an effective remedial measure next year. Alive as I am to the emergency, I am impelled to sincerely advise you to avail your selves of the opportunity supplied by the present session, and to adopt a sound financial programme. I should also remind you at this juncture of the paralyzed state in which Japanese industry finds itself at present, and that this is also an important point that demands the attention

WICKED BANDER-LOG.

Important Decision on Proposed. Application of Assessment Act to Steamers.

Quartermaster Bichman of Steamship Queen Washed Overboard and Lost.

Decisions have been given by Mr. S. Perry Mills, judge of the court of revihas been prosecuted for violating the press sion and appeal, on the points raised as law by extending help to and sympathizing with a criminal defendant undergoing trial.

sessment act or not. In the case of the sessment act or not. In the case of the to the people of this community is one to the effect that the Japanese lumber dealers appear to have secured a contract to furnish the sleepers to the tran-Siberian railway for a period of five years.

'Word is also received of the condition of the Japanese treasury, and of the efforts which are being made to retrieve the deficit by a new land tax. Government ownership of railways appears by these advices to be taking some definite shape, propositions being reported as pending looking to the early purchase by the government of a complete line of road from the deficit of the transfer of the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the wherein was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article lauded the whord was then the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the wherein wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article lauded the wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article lauded the wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article lauded the wherein the within the meaning of the assessment act. The Amur, by a fiction of law, must be considered as property in London, Eng., where she is registered, and therefore is exempt. The Louise, being registered in the United as the Jiji referred to it in an article lauded the woman was fall human and the woman was fall human. The article lauded the same property in London, Eng., where she is a personal chattel within the Ji had been wrecked and the \$35,000 in-surance was payable in London, and paper's comments on the case. The judg-was not in the province, and, therefore, was not subject to the tax. The assess ment was fixed at \$5,000. Mr. G. H. Barnard appeared for the company. Mr. The dismissal some weeks ago of Tsal McLean, deputy attorney-general, appeared for the crown in all three caser. The court sits again on Tuesday even

A San Francisco despatch of Tuesday to-day from Seattle and way ports, after a very rough trip. High winds pre-vailed during the voyage, and on leaving the Sound the weather was unusually . When 100 miles southeast of Flattery, Charles Bichman, a severe. quartermaster, whose home is in San Francisco, was washed overboard. Every effort was made to save the young man, but it was not possible to locate him. After remaining near the scene of the accident for some time, the vessel proceeded south.

MARINE NOTES. Steamer Horsa, it is reported, has been sold by Messrs. Martin & Langley to a company on the Atlantic coast for \$20,000.

THE 'FRISCO LINERS. After a rough voyage from the Bay City the steamer Umatilla arirved at 6 61 tons of freight ber the Sound. The Wal The Walla Walla in leav-

R. Telfor, E. J. T. Woodward and P. T. Iarrington.

PECULIAR AND PERTINENT. The mustache first became common in the British army at the beginning of the present century.

The Japanese dentists perform all their operations in tooth drawing with the thumb and forefinger of one hand.

A scientist, looking for microbes, saysthere are absolutely none on the Swiss mountains at an altitude of 2,000 feet.

The largest price ever asked and paid for a single pearl was \$500,000, which was the value of the great Tavernier pearl.

The labor commissioner of Missouri reports that 70 per cent. of the women applying for work at the public employment bureau in St. Louis have deserted their husbands or been deserted by them.

Probably no actor now on the stage it richer than William H. Crane. He is said to be worth \$250,00 and it is all safely invested.

FELLING THE GREAT TREES OF CAL-