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An eventful voyage. The Japanese bark Romijo, 120 tons into port this afternoon from Los Angeles. Last Thursday night she was mired and badly injured on the beach. The Japanese crew were rescued and taken to shore. The bark was overtaken by storm and found necessary to cast anchor. It was blown down to sea level and thrown overboard to save her crew.

Great Damage to Shipping Feared. AN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—Ship in arrival from Puget Sound to-day reports a severe storm off Cape Horn on the 11th and 12th inst. It is of great damage to shipping has resulted in the loss of several vessels laboriously in the heavy sea. Season for wrecks is at hand.

Railroad Officials Suspended. PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 20.—A. D. German, president of the Pennsylvania passenger and freight railroad, and all employees and officials in the auditing, engineering, ticket departments to the chief clerk of the Pittsburgh and Erie Railway, including Auditor and Assistant Passenger Agent, are under suspension. The Pennsylvania Railroad and General Superintendent Holbrook, pending the auditing of the accounts and the settlement of the ticket system. The officials of the railroad have obtained abundant proof that they were being systematically robbed.

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Special to The Colonist. LONDON, December 19.—The result of the Smith-Kilrain fight has caused the greatest excitement in clubs and sports circles in this city. News reached the city shortly after 9 o'clock to-night and was instantly passed on to newspaper publishers throughout the city. The news spread with lightning rapidity and in a short while the streets in front of newspaper offices were jammed with the excited and noisy throng. Crowds yelled for particulars and pushed and jostled each other in the effort to get nearer the building in order to see the fight. The result was reported as a draw, but the news was not generally believed. Many of the spectators were disappointed, as they had expected a decisive result. The fight was a long and hard one, and both men showed signs of exhaustion. The result was a surprise to many of the spectators, as they had expected a decisive result in favor of one of the men.

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CAPITAL NOTES.

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From Our Own Correspondent. OTTAWA, Dec. 19.—Sir John informs me that there is not a word of truth in the report from London that the government is going to assume control of the Canadian Pacific. The rumor was started on a slip by a newspaper, which the company refuses to buy. Great satisfaction is expressed on all sides at the early meeting of parliament. Election petitions are being dismissed daily under the six months rule. Two judges only returning to dismiss them.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES. Three more cases of smallpox have been discovered in San Francisco. Russia's endeavors to raise a loan at London, which was refused, are said to be abandoned. The universities at Cherkoff and Odessa have been closed owing to disorders among the students.

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AMERICAN NEWS.

Annual Meeting of the Labor Federation at Baltimore—Welcomed to the City by the Mayor. The New York Board of Trade—Commercial Union—The Question to be Considered.

Remain Stood for Label—Bell Telephone Stock Falls—The Carnival—Chinese Concessions. LONDON, Dec. 14.—The price of copper and steel advanced in the market opened to-day, was 30 points higher than at the close. Yesterday's market was feverish and it is expected the Metal Exchange that afternoon session will be exciting. LATER.—Another advance of 1 1/2 to 20 in the London market was noted. The New York exchange to-day. It is expected that before the holidays the London market will reach \$20 per ton.

Telephone Stock Falls. The Bell Telephone stock dropped to 106 in Boston to-day, the lowest figure in years. Drawings telephone syndicate stock was considerably inquired of in the London market. The movements were supposed to be on speculation as to the supreme court for the coming Bell patent decision.

Remains Stood for Label. The Tortilla gold and silver mining company brought suit to the supreme court to-day against James Gordon Bennett for \$50,000 damages for libel. Jon H. Reed, president of the Tortilla company, also brought a personal suit for \$250,000 damages against Bennett for libel.

Commercial Union. The board of trade and transportation committee of the American syndicate thought the workingman has a right to demand legislation in the interest of the wage worker, who form such an important part of the population. The committee is of the opinion that the government should take steps to improve the condition of the wage worker. The committee is of the opinion that the government should take steps to improve the condition of the wage worker. The committee is of the opinion that the government should take steps to improve the condition of the wage worker.

Western Labor Division. The directors of the Western Union telegraph company declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2% payable on January 15th. The dividend is a record for the company, and is a sign of its financial success. The company is expected to continue to prosper in the future.

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