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From THE DAILY COLONIST, Jan. 16,

THE CITY

FIVE candidates presented themselves yes

terday for the Law Society examination, preliminary to entering upon the study of the law. The results will not be made known for a couple of days.

THE prohibition of smoking in the Court House has been extended to include another form of the tobacco habit. Notices newly posted read, "No smoking or tobacco chewing allowed in the law courts.

In Chambers yesterday in the case of Foot v. Nicholles and Mason, on an application that the suit be dismissed for want of prosecution, it was ordered that it be dismissed unless security be given within a week. Joseph Phœnix, who left Victoria under

very suspicious circumstances some months ago, is now a resident of Dublin, Ireland. He came to Victoria without a dollar to his name; he left with upwards of \$30,000 in good red gold.

AT THE manse, 74 Cook street, last evening Rev. Dr. Campbell united in marriage Mr. John Alfred Maltravers of Millstream, and Miss Mary Annie Woods. The bride arrived on Sunday from England. The home of the happy couple will be at Mill-stream, where Mr. Maltravers has resided

EARLY on Sunday morning David Mc. Donald, a carpenter living on Mary street, Victoria West, was found dead in his bed, and a post-mortem made by Dr. Holden and Dr. Crompton showed the rupture of main artery to be the cause. The deceased was 43 years old and had been for several years in the employ of the E. &. N.

A NUMBER of those who formed the congregation at St. Luke's, Cedar Hill, last Sunday, were fated to disappointment, the new rector, Rev. Mr. Flinton, not yet hav-ing arrived. The pulpit was occupied both morning and evening by [Rev. Mr. Wilson, and next Lord's Day Rev. Mr. Flinton will preach to his new congregation. Elaborate preparations are being made for Friday's reception to the new pastor and his wife.

A cow, the property of Wm. Johnson, of A cow, the property of Wm. Johnson, or the Saanich road, was missed some time ago, and Ah Loo and Chung Lee, who live near by, being seen coming into town with a hide claimed to be that of the lost animal, were arrested on the charge of having the property in their possession, knowing it to be stolen. A carcase supposed to be that of Mr. Johnson's cow has been found on the Chinamen's ranch. The case will be heard

THE first annual meeting of the congregation of the Central church was held last evening, when the reports from those in charge of the various organizations in connection with the church were read, showing that while each was strengthening numerically, they were all in a healthy financial condition. The principal business done at the meeting however, was the framing of the constitution of the church. After this work had been transacted the following board of managers were elected: Dr. Crompton, J. H. Falconer, J. Lewis, H. Chapman, A. and F. Hedges, and Messrs. McKay, Walkley, Campbell and Parks. All except the last named two gentlemen were re-elected.

A RUMOR has been current for some days to the effect that negotiations are pending between the Canadian Pacific Railway Company and the promoters of the Victoria and Sidney road, the result of which will be a combination of interests, whereby C.P.R. business will be handled over the Victoria road in connection with the result of the road in connection with the new steamers from the Mainland. Parties interested in the local road decline to speak for the pres-ent, but should there be any foundation in ent, but should there be any foundation in fact in the rumor, it must soen materialize, for construction work of the V. & S. line is all but completed, the rails yesterday having been laid to the brickyard. This makes the line continuous between that point and Sidney, and the remainder of the work will be finished along without delay.

A VANCOUVER minister had a most trying experience recently. He wished to reach Victoria to preach on Sunday, and in the first place went to the ss. Premier, but being told she would not start for some time, went away for a little while, and on his resideration to call at the other wharf for his baggage, found when he got there that it had already left by the Premier. On arrival in Nanaimo, he left for Victoria per the to be dealt with. train, but even here his luck was against him in the mischief wrought by the storm to the local railway service.—Nanaimo Tel-

Notwithstanding the wind and weather there was a good turnout at the meeting of the Y. P. L. A. of the First Presbyterian church last evening to hear the lecture given by Rev. Mr. Chisholm on "The Scotish Covenanters and Sir Walter Scott." The lecturer commenced at the preaching of John Knox and followed down through history to the end of the bloody persecutions under Graham of Claverhouse, whom he described as the arch fiend in human guise. In speaking of "Old Mortality," he stated the intention of Sir Walter Scott was not to reflect discording not to reflect discredit on the covenanters but to make a hero of Claverhouse, and that in order to paint him white he needed to paint too many black, so that in spite of his efforts the characters of the covenanters stood brightest in the end. The lecturer was loudly applauded and a vote of thanks

A Colonist compositor on his way home at 3:25 Sunday morning noticed smoke sissuing from the upper windows of the two story frame building at 72 Fort street, occupied by J. Whitelaw & Co., purveyors. The printer at once communicated his discovery to Night Watchman Hoosen, who ran to the nearest fire hall and sounded an alarm. Mr. Whitelaw left on a sealing cruise some days ago and in his absence the business was being looked after by Mrs. Whitelaw. She states that she closed and looked up the establishment at 9:30 Saturday evening, everything at that time being safe and secure. When the firemen arrived they found considerable fire behind a long show case containing mounted specimens of they found considerable fire behind a long show case containing mounted specimens of native birds. The heat was intense and the fire a hard one to fight. It was however quickly conquered by the instrumentality of the chemical and one stream from the engine, none of the stock being moved or molested. The circumstances have led Chief Dessy to pronounce the fire of incendiary origin and he has asked for an official inquiry in order to fix, if possible, the crisme of arson upon the parties responsible. The same premises were on fire a little more than a year ago—on October 10, 1892.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

THE Collegiate school reopened for the spring term yesterday, with a considerably increased attendance.

Long List of Communications.

> Suggestions for Expediting Business -The Mayor's Draft of Standing Committees.

The City Council of 1894 had their first meeting last evening, Mayor Teague in the chair, and the other members as they sat facing him, from his right to left, being as follows: Ald. Humphrey, Vigelius, Styles, Baker, Ledingham, Wilson, Munn and Harris. The only absentee was Ald. Dwyer, whose seat is the central desk of the nine, and who wrote that owing to a previous en-

and who wrote that owing to a previous engagement he could not attend.

THE MAYOR asked the pleasure of the Council respecting the minutes of the last meeting held on the 8th inst.

ALD. HARRIS suggested that they be taken as read, as usual, but Ald. Vigelius asked that they be read for the information of the new members. This was accordingly done by the Clerk, and on motion for their adoption Ald. Munn called attention to Sec. 97 of the Municipal Act, which he thought

by the Mayor who presided.

The Mayor did not see how this could possibly be carried out, as the minutes could not be signed until confirmed by the board, and he would therefore take the responsi-bility of signing them.

The Clerk read the communications as follows: W. Ridgway Wilson reported J. G. Brown's contract at the isolation hospital completed. Referred to building inspector

for report.

Watson Clark notified the Council that the water from Oakland avenue has been doing serious damage to his property and that if this is not stopped he will claim damages, Referred to Sewerage and Drainage committee.

A similar notification respecting Amethyst

street was also sent to committee. Alen S. Dumbleton wrote in reference to previous applications for a sidewalk on Jubilee avenue. Referred to Street com-

A. Olsen notified the Council to disinfect orab apple and hawthorn trees on the streets of the city, they being infected with the woolly aphis, and the disinfection being called for by the Horticulture act.

The clerk was instructed to obtain and forward the information.

W. H. Snider, Government superintendent of roads, reported that the culvert at the junction of Fort street and Foul Bay road is in a very dangerous condition. Referred to Street committee with power to act, Ald. Baker suggesting that the Government inspector should be consulted, with a view to dividing the expense, as the road is only half in the city.

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Returning officer W. K. Bull reported the accounts of the poll for Mayor and Aldermen, which were referred to the Finance

City Engineer E. A. Wilmot reported a reply from the Lands and Works Department to a request that the Government would bear half the cost of draining Tolmie

An invitation from Speaker Higgins to the Mayor and Council to attend at the opening of the Legislature on Thursday was ordered acknowledged with thanks, it being vs. Garvin, Jackson and Magnus, heard body.

ALD. WILSON here rose to express his went away for a little while, and on his return found she had gone. He then went to the Cutch, but missed it, owing to a train being in the way whilst walking the track. He then tackled the City of Nanaimo, and after having persuaded the captain for a consideration to call at the other wharf for his that the aldermen could see that the could see

THE MAYOR said this was a matter worthy of consideration, and there was the possible objection that some people might think their communications had been slighted. Of course, this evening, the Council

ALD. Munn moved, seconded by Ald Ledingham:

"That as a preliminary step to improving the quality of water, enlarging the storage capacity and increasing generally the efficiency of the water works system, the City Engineer belrequested to furnish the Council with an approximate estimate of the cost of making the survey referred to in his report to the Council dated December 29, 1893, and also an estimate of the time necessary to complete the said survey."

The mover said the report referred to was made at the instigation of Ald. Robertson and himself. It dealt with the question in a very extensive manner, but this resolution dealt with only a small portion of the report. Frequently during the recent campaign surprise had been expressed that the land about the lake had not been acquired, and this motion was a move in that irrec-

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ALD. HUMPHREY said the object of the notion would have his hearty support.
ALD. LEDINGHAM said it would probably

ALD. HARRIS said the accounts should simply be referred to the Finance committee to be paid if found correct. He thought that in this new Council the former round about methods should be dispensed with.

ALD. MUNN replied that he was not a hair-splitter, but he did intend to do his best to see that business was conducted in a proper manner, and the motion he had made was in accordance with the law. The accounts had already been dealt with by the old finance committee, of which he was a member, which, it must not be forgotten, continued in office until the new council continued in office until the new council was sworn in. It would therefore be a useless repetition to refer them back.

The motion by Ald. Munn was then

The Mayor presented the following list of committees for the year, and asked if the aldermen had any suggestions to make after reading, it that they should communicate with him to day, when he would be glad to make any changes agreed upon by them: Cemetery — Ald. Harris, Styles and

Dwyer. Electric Light—Ald. Munn, Vigelius and Baker. Finance—Ald. Wilson, Humphrey and Dwyer.
Fire Wardens—Ald. Munn, Styles and Ledingham.
Library—Ald. Humphrey, Ledingham and

Market-Ald. Vigelius, Dwyer and Har-

Home for the Aged and Infirm—Ald.
Munn, Styles and Vigelius.
Parks—Ald. Wilson, Styles and Baker.
Pound—Ald. Vigelius, Baker and Munn.
Sewerage—Ald. Harris, Baker and Humphrey. Streets and Bridges—Ald. Baker, Styles

and Harris.
The Council adjourned at 9:20.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

Ald. W. J. Dywer, District Deputy Grand Master of the C.O.O.F., accompanied by District Secretary, W. F. Fullerton and a number of delegates, left by yesterday morning's train to attend the special meeting of District No. 7, at Nanaimo. The meeting opened last evening with a large representation of lodges in all parts of the Province; it is expected that the business will for the most part have been disposed of by for the most part have been disposed of by this evening, when the visitors are to be banquetted at the Wilson.

The installation of officers of Court Vancouver, A O F., took place last evening as follows: P.C.R., A. Johnson; C. R., Geo. Partridge; S.C.R., J. R. Collister; Sec., S. Wilson (eleventh term); Treas, H. Waller (re-elected); S. W., H. Maynard; J. W., P. Watson; S.B., E. Harper; J.B., R. Godding. After the installation the members ast down to a supper provided by the officers, and several pleasant hours were spent. There were also a number of visiting brethren present. The Juvenile court meet this ren present. The Juvenile court meet this evening at 7:30 o'clock in Foresters' hall, when considerable important business will be brought forward.

Pride of the Ridge lodge, No. 37, I.O.G. T., held its regular meeting last evening when it was decided to hold a concert on Monday evening next.

THE CARD PLAYING SUIT.

Judgment was given by Mr. Justice Crease yesterday in the case of McConnell before him recently. The plaintiff sued for upwards of \$1,700, lost in a game of cards in which he had engaged with the defendants and others, alleging that he had been enticed into the game when drunk. F. B. Gregory and W. J. Taylor appeared as consel for the defendants and J. P. Weller. Gregory and W. J. Taylor appeared as counsel for the defendants, and J. P. Walls for the plaintiff. The city police were represented by Sergt. John Walker. Besides the counsel and the principals there were only a few persons in court when His Lordship took his seat upon the bench at 11 o'clook, and read the following judgment:

"There is not sufficient ground in face of the evidence for a nonsuit. I give judgment for the plaintiff for \$400, out of which, as a jury. 1 am satisfied the defendants

as a jury, I am satisfied the defendants fleeced the plaintiff, for whose drunken ed. Of course, this evening, the Council must proceed in the ordinary way.

ALD. Munn endorsed Ald. Wilson's suggestion, especially with respect to the book of record from which the aldermen could see at a glance what had been sent in.

ALD. HARMS spoke in a similar strain and said that if some such new departure were made the business would be very much exceedited. expedited.

THE MAYOR quite agreed with the suggestions, which he thought might be put into effect without a motion, and he asked the Clerk to make a note of the matter.

ALD. Munn moved, seconded by Ald Ledingham:

"That as a preliminary step to improving the quality of water, enlarging the storage capacity and increasing generally the effiduced and put out by back doors and back alleys—places where not only the older men, but the youths and clerks of the city, may be ruined and corrupted—should have a close and unremitting attention paid to them by the Police authorities and License Commissioners. These, it is not unreasonable to expect, from the known watchfulness of the Police, must have had their atable to expect, from the known watchfulness of the Police, must have had their attention already drawn to these and any similar resorts which may be in existence in Victoria. I give judgment for plaintiff against the defendants for \$400 and costs, on odd.

the Supreme court scale."

Mr. Gregory moved for a stay of execution, which His Lordship refused.

Mr. Taylor attempted to make an explanation of some remarks of his when the case was being argued, but His Lordship would not hear them and the proceedings thus

SIXTEEN names were added to the mem-bership roll of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Victoria West, at last Sunday's quarterly communion.

Henniker Heaton, British Conservative M. P., will move for the appointment of a select committee to inquire into the management of the expenditures of the British section at the World's fair. It is charged that there has been gross mismanagement, inade-quate representation and wasteful expendi-

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woolly aphis, and the disinfection being called for by the Horticulture act.

The Mayor said this was a very impertant matter, infecting the orchards in the whole city. If the trees were so badly affected as said they would have to be removed.

Referred to Street committee with power to act.

The secretary of the James Bay Athletic Association wrote asking the nature of the report made by committee in connection with a former letter from the managing committee of the association.

Ald Saker suggesting that the drain complained of, that had been referred to an other committee, with what result he did not know.

The clerk was instructed to obtain and forward the information.

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The fire alarm brought out the brigade

with the greatest difficulty that they could hold their ground. It was, however, a necessity that they should not cease for an instant, because the moment the stream ceased to play upon the exposed sides of these buildings they would dry up and steam or smoke in the most alarming manner. The roofs fortunately were of tin, otherwise they never would have withstood the literal shower of sparks borne from the burning building by the gale—almost hurricane of wind—setting straight towards them, and so strong that the sparks and cinders were carried clear across the harbor and into the heart of the across the harbor and into the heart of the city, falling by thousands along the wharves and by hundreds in Government and Douglas streets, as well as extending to Quadra

street and beyond. For more than an hour the firemen stood the roast before it became at all apparent that their efforts were to be crowned with that their efforts were to be crowned with success, and then the walls one after another crumbled and fell; so did the cupols, which stood almost until the last, and by about 10 o'clock all danger was over, and the crowd of thousands who had been attracted by the brilliant illumination that had lighted the whole city as the electric leaves.

Soon after they escaped from the burning building, the ladies of the household, who had taken temporary shelter in the factory, were conducted from their perilous refuge and sent in a cab to the Driard hotel. Notwithstanding his delicate health, Mr. Sehl would not leave the place, but remained direct-ing the efforts of his employes, who assembled as soon as they heard of the fire and worked like men to save their employer's property.
It is largely due to their exertions and vigilance that the buildings and lumber piles were saved, and had these gone the whole community would have severely felt the loss community would have severely felt the loss of an important manufacturing industry. It happened that there is a particularly valuable lot of finished work on hand in the factory at present, including the splendid new fixtures just completed for and about to be set up in the Bank of British Columbia building. It was after 11 o'clock, when nearly the last ember had been extiuguished, that Mr. Sehl was induced to join his family at the Driard, the owner in personal effects that Mr. Sehl was induced to join his family at the Driard, the owner in personal effects of just what he happened to be wearing, and for boots indebted to the thoughtfulness of one of his workmen, who had made him sub-stitute these for the slippers which he had on when he commenced the battle with the

flames.

The greatest credit is given by everyone to Chief Deasy and the fire brigade for the good judgment and bravery displayed in fighting the fire against very heavy odds. Not only had they to watch the wharves, stables, factory and drying house,—all in imminent danger from sheer heat—but they had also to pay continuous attention to the tall sheds of Watson's shipyard on the other side. which had the advantage of the other side, which had the advantage of being out of the current of fire carried by the wind, but were sufficiently close to receive a severe scorching notwithstanding the volumes of water with which they were

deluged.

The house destroyed was one of the finest in the city, both in the beauty of its outside appearance and in the elegance and complete appearance and in the elegance and complete of the furnishings, and it was also one of the furnishings, and it was also one of the largest private residences of which Victoria can boast. It was built about seven years ago from designs made by the architect of the theatre, who persuaded Mr. Sehl into allowing him while here to make the plans for a palatial residence. It was built the protection of bondholders.

covering election expenses and other accounts, was read.

ALD. MUNN moved that the report be received, warrants issued and the accounts should simply be referred to the Finance committee to be paid if found correct. He thought that in this new Council the former roundabout methods should be dispensed with.

ALD. MUNN realied that he was not a mandone Effort Saves the content of the point. The cost was \$25,000. The furnishings are valued at about \$7,000 or \$8,000, and it is not at all improbable that when everything is counted up this will be found within the mark. The insurance is \$10,000 on the house and \$3,000 on the furnishings. The companies interested are the Liverpool, London & Globe, and the Western.

The fire is supposed to have originated The palatial residence of Jacob Sehl, for about seven years an ornament of Laurel Point, admired alike by ottizens and by travellers entering the harbor, last evening became a thing of the past, a two hours' fire reducing it to a smouldering heap of ashes and involving a loss of upwards of \$30,000,

INSURANCE MATTERS.

countries at the beginning of last year \$239,311,894 of insurance, the New York Life, \$211,334,680; the Mutual, \$61,349,565; and the Germania, \$28,883,024.

The New York was to discontinue the

writing of term insurance after January 1— a department which has been in operation for the past three or four years.

NAKUSP-SLOCAN RAILWAY.

(Nakusp Ledger.) The Nelson Tribune of Nov. 23 contained an article which was in many respects mis-leading. The motive of, as well as the animus displayed by the paper in question says the Vancouver World, can easily be divined, but it is difficult to understand how it publishes as a statement of truth what is the very reverse. If the writer drew upon his imagination then it must be extremely disappointed contractors or other soreheads, then the stuffing process was freely indulged

The Government, in the first place, is not building the road. All that it is doing is to carry out the views of the Legislature, which were to the effect that the Province which were to the effect that the Province would, on conditions specified in the act, guarantee the interest on the debentures or bonds of the line, at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum up to, but not to exceed, the sum of \$25,000 per mile, which was to construct, equip and maintain the road for the term of 25 years. The Dominion Government, of 25 years. The Dominion Government, prior to the passage of the act in Victoria, had agreed to extend the subsidy of \$3,200 per mile to the Nakusp & Slocan railway, and before a solitary cent is paid over the road, as regards curves, alignments and general construction, must comply with the terms and conditions of the Dominion Railway Act.

The Provincial Government having guaranteed the bonds as already stated, and in order to protect the public interests in the matter, has for a time, so we understand. matter, has for a time, so we understand, been assigned all and every interest which the Nakusp & Slocan Railway Company may have in the Federal subsidy, which will be surrendered when the line is completed. This is the only financing the Gov. erment is doing for the undertaking, which is to be of such immense importance not only to Kootenay, but to the whole Province. The Nakusp & Slocan road is being built upon generally the same lines as was the Shuswap & Okanagan, and leased to the Canadian Pacific railway for a term of years upon conditions identically the same.

The Tribune's greatest mistake, however, is in the paragraph relating to the cost of construction. It will be observed that the limit of the Government's guarantee was not to exceed \$25,000 per mile. The preliminaries having been arranged for making a start, tenders were advertised for, and many responses made thereto. If we mistake not the lowest tender was accepted. It was that of the Inland Develop-The Tribune's greatest mistake, however, Gillivray is manager, and under whose superintendence the work is now being to grant a reprieve to Vaillant. The major-prosecuted. The price will not approach ity of the ministers will oppose the granting that named by our contemporary, \$23,000 of a reprieve. are informed by parties who are in a posi-tion to know whereof they speak.

The length of the line is placed at 38 miles, and the total cost is estimated at \$650,000, not \$900,000 as stated by the Tribune. It likewise makes a great ado over the prices paid the sub-contractors for the work they are doing. These are matters with which the public have nothing to do. The lowest tendagar in the first in do. The lowest tenderer in the first instance was awarded the job, and deposited securities that the work would be completed in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by the company's engineers and by the time specified. Whatever arrangements he made with the subcontractors is a matter remaining with themselves.

One thing is certain, that upon the work One thing is certain, that upon the work the manager for the construction company expects to earn a fair dividend. This, we think, the Tribune will agree, is in no way wrong nor in any degree selfish. It is exactly the principle upon which the proprietors of that paper manage their own business. The base insinuation that at least 20 per cent. was to be earned on the job and divided amongst a certain ring is cowardly. Had the Tribune taken the trouble to ascertnin the facts in connection with the mat-ter, it would have written in an entirely dif-

Everything in connection with the under

THE WIND DID BLOW.

And Signs and Shutters, Shingles and Sheds Came Down in a Rain.

The E. & N. Round House Collapsed -Tidings of Wreck-Lighter Shipping Imprisoned.

All yesterday and until the evening was growing old a "living gale" made the signs and shutters rattle and creak in Victoria, the storm being one of the most violent in months. In the words of the old French-Canadian song :

"The win' she blow and blow and blow, Bime by she blow some more"...

complete disappearance of the household goods collected in a lifetime.

The fire broke out about 8:30. At that time the family were gathered in Mr. Sehl's bedroom in the upper part of the house, at the corner beneath the cupola. He had been laid up with a cold for a couple of weeks, and though out yesterday for the first time was still far from well. With him were Mrs. Sehl, and their nephew Leonard Mass, with his wife and child, who lived in the house. Mr. Mass had a short time before been down to the cellar, where the hot-air furnace is situated, and had fed it and fixed it up for the night. The strange sight of smoke —only a little—issuing from the register in the side of the wall caused Mr. Mass to go down to investigate. He was away only a few moments when he called out that some thing was wrong.

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Just how much of a storm last night developed could not be known exactly in the city; the gale, which had played sad riot with telegraph and electric light wires, having also demoralized the telephone service and cut off all communication with the meteorological station at Esquimalt. The party telegraph wire working was that to only telegraph wire working was that to Otter Point and it was very "buggy," in the classic vernacular of the service.

From the Spring Ridge district last even-ing came sad tales of falling fences and chimnies, two woodsheds and one stable in ruins. The Dallas road residents had also their full share of hurricane, the scene all the way from Beacon Hill to the outer all the way from Beacon Hill to the outer wharf being one of savage grandeur, the waves rising to an unusual height and dashing their spray high up the precipitous banks.

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Shortly before 6 o'clock the round house on the E. & N. railway line came down with a crash. Mr. Fowler who was in charge at the time noticed the building—a frame structure—swaying with the force of the storm and ordered the passenger locomotive which was standing inside to be run out. This was done just in time as the building fell as the engine passed through the doors. There was another locomotive in the round house at the time undergoing repairs, but neither it nor those working on it received any injury. Several trees in the vicinity were blown across the track, and there was plenty of employment for the gang of men who were immediately put to work clearing away the debris, so that in a few hours the line was clear again. It was impossible last night to estimate the amount of the damage

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From "up the line" came the report "all clear," and there was no interruption to traffic vesterday, thanks, to the violence.

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pared for all consequences, and their rolling atock is moving freely both ways. The hurricane reached its height at about 9 o'clock last night, and half an hour later the cyclone had been succeeded by a dead

OLYMPIA, Jan. 14.—It is probable that by the latter part of the week all of the five architects whose presence here is required by the Capitol commission will have reached Olympia. The commission will have reached Olympia. The commission does not deem it expedient to divulge the general features of the five selected, but it is safe to presume that, notwithstanding Prof. Ware's alleged Washington's State

M. Clemenceau will ask President Carnot



M. Hammerly, a well-known business man of Hillsboro. Va., sends this testimony to the merits of Ayer's Sarsaparilla: "Several years ago, I hurt my leg, the injury leaving a sore which led to erysipelas. My sufferings were extreme, my leg, from the knee to the ankle, being a solid sore, which began to extend to other parts of the body. After trying various remedies, I began taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and, before I had finished the first bottle, I experienced great relief; the second bottle effected a complete cure."

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