Captain Wolley's Regard for Newspaper Etiquette—Defendant's Evidence.

From Friday's Daily.

When the case of alleged libel against Mr. Ian Coltart, of the Province newspaper, was resumed yesterday morning the defendant went into the box and was examined by Mr. Archer Martin, Mr. Cassidy again appearing for the prosecution.

Following is a detailed report of the proceedings: Witness was asked what was his con-

nection with the Province, Limited Liability. A .- I am secretary of the cempany. Q .- Any other position? A .- I am a

Q.-When were you appointed secretary? A .-- Since February 22nd, 1895. Q .- And you have been a director since when? A .- Since 5th December, 1895. Q.—Who are the other directors? A.— Hewitt Bostock and A. H. Scaife. Q.-Who is the manager? A.-A. H.

Scaife. To the Court-By manager I mean managing director. Q.-Who is the editor? A.-W. C.

Nichol. Q .- And has been since when? A .-4th of October, 1897. Q .- As regards this company, what

duties do you assume? A .- Purely secretarial duties. Q .- And you receive what? A .- A salary of \$30 per month.

-You are charged with having published a certain libel on December 11th. What do you say to it? A .- I say the charge is false. Q .- I will ask you, did you know any-

thing of this alleged libel before it was rublished? A.-Certainly not. Q.-Did you see this article before it was published? A .- Certainly not. Q.-Did you give any instructions for

its publication? A.-Certainly not. -Had you any reason to suppose it would appear? A .- Nothing whatever. Q.-Tell us what you have to do with publication of the paper or its editorial work. A .- I have nothing whatever; my duties, as I have said, are pure-

ly secretarial. Q .- You have nothing to do with the editorial work? A.—Nothing whatever. Q .- Or any control over it? A .- No; control of any kind.

Q .- You say Mr. Nichol was appointed ed tor. How was this selection made? A .- By the board, after the most careful consideration of the applicants.

Q.-What were his qualifications or recommendations for being suitable? A .-He was most unanimously recommended as being one of the brightest journalists

in Canada. Q.—Have his conduct and writings for the paper been watched by the board, of your own knowledge? A .- They have. Q .- Has anything occurred to make you

think the paper was being improperly or libellously conducted? A.-Oh. no. Q.-When complaint was made to you as to this alleged libel, what course was adopted? A.-I consulted the company's solicitors, with the result that the sale

of the paper was promptly stopped. O .- You heard Mr. Wolley's evidence vesterday? A .- Yes.

Q .- Mr. Wolley acted as editor for some weeks. When was the last date? ness said: "Oh, no." A.-19th June.

paper. Q.-Mr. Wolley in his evidence said

that you acted as manager for both ters of the publishing company in Viccompanies and ran them as one concern. I ask you, what did you do outside of your own duties owing to Mr. Scaife's absence? A .- I had more to do than my own duties during that time. as Mr. Wolley was a raw hand at editing and I tried to "show him the rones" as much as possible, at Mr. Scaife's re-

Q.-Was this included in your proper duties? A .- No. not at all. Q.-What ground had Mr. Wolley for saying you practically managed both ecompanies and they were run as one concern? A.-I cannot imagine his reason for making such a false statement, for that is what it is, unless is was maliciousness.

The Court-That is what we call Q.-Why from maliciousness? A.-I

don't think Mr. Wolley bears me any love. We had a row. Q.-Are you on speaking terms? A.-

The court asked the witness whether h: and Mr. Wolley had a fight, to which the witness replied no, and his honor said he was interested about that, as it would indeed have been a war of giants had they done so. Q.—The row was about the paper, was

it not? A.-Yes. O .- Are separate books kept for these two companies? A .- Yes.

Q .- And separate banking accounts? A.-Yes. Province Publishing Company bank at the Bank of Montreal and the Bank of British Columbia; the Province, Limited Liability, at the Bank of Montreal. Q.-Have the Province, Limited Liability, a clerk in the office who sells the

paper? A.-Yes. Q.-Have you ever seen Mr. Wheeler selling copies of the paper? A.-No. -When Mr. Scaife returned and resumed the editorship did you return to

your own duties? A .- Yes. Cross-examined by Mr. Cassidy. Q.-When did you become managing director of the publishing company? A. -On the formation of the company, as

far as I can remember. Q .- By this "board" you speak of, you mean the board of directors? A .- Yes. Q.-There is no doubt from what you have said, and I don't suppose you wish to deny, that the newspaper is carried on under the direction of the board? A .-

Do you mind saying that again? Q.—The newspaper is carried on under the direction of the board? A .- Exact-

Q.-And the editor in his writings is subject to the control of the board? A .-Well, he is in a way very much as a clock is subject to the person who winds

Q .- Well, suppose the clock did not according to the board keep the time of that? A .- Certainly I deny that. day, would they have the right to set it properly? A.—At their regular meet-ing they might pass a resolution, but have seen that before? A.—Yes; I preunless the clock went seriously wrong sume so. they would not interfere.

Q .- Now, the attacks on Messrs. Turner and Pooley for their connection with companies had been going on in the Prov-

Q .- You read the Province? A .- Oh! Q.-And you don't know that these attacks had been going on? A .- You use

the word "attack." Q.-Well, I will withdraw the word attack, and will say the line of observations which culminated in this article had been going on? A .- I suppose any live paper would take such a matter

Mr. Martin here objected to Mr. Cassidy asking witness a question and then trying to get the answer put down in a different shape on the depositions. "It is," said Mr. Martin, "impossible to know whether he is asking a question or giving

evidence himself." Mr. Cassidy then asked the witness whether the line of observation which culminated in the article of December 11th had not been going on for some stand the expression "line of observa-

O.-I mean blaming these gentlemen along the same lines as this article? A .-

word. Q.-Well suggest a word. A.-I should O.-Well, all right, criticism? A.-I don't know that there was any criticism of Messrs. Turner and Pooley be-

O .- The truth of the matter is. don't want to give me an answer? A .-

Q .- Well, will you put it this way: was the editor authorized by the board to criticize Messrs. Turner and Pooley? A. -The board never expressed any opinion about Messrs. Turner and Pooley that ever heard.

Q .- Had Mr. Scaife anything to do

with the management of the publishing company? A .- Oh, dear, no. Witness here objected to the use by counsel of the name "publishing company," claiming that mistakes were lible to be made unless the two companies were referred to by their full titles, but the court pointed out that by consent it had been arranged to refer to the Province, Limited Liability as the "news-raper company" and the Province Printng & Publishing Company as the "publishing company."

O.-Who managed the newspaper company? A .- Mr. Scaife. Q.—Besides editing the paper?

Q .- Did anyone else manage it? A .-No, not that I know of. Q.-Had anyone else anything to do with the management of it? A .- No. Q .- Was anybody appointed manager t it when Mr. Scaife went away? A .-

Q .- At any time? A .- No, not at any

His honor here commenced to make a suggestion to Mr. Cassidy as to some point sought to be obtained in cross-examination, and Mr. Cassidy said: "Your me about cross-examination." His Honor-Thank you.

this article was published? A .- Yes. Q.-And you were the only director either company on the spot? Witness answered in the affirmative, but on Mr. Martin calling attention to the fact of left and Mr. Scaife's return did you as-

Q .- You were the only one of the directhe article complained of? A .- Yes. Q.-Well, were there any of the direct

toria?

Mr. Martin said he thought is was the paper? A .- I don't remember parabout time to object. It appeared that ticularly any editorial that week, but it Mr. Cassidy was endeavoring to prove that there was a desire on the part of the defence to take shelter under something, although nothing fairer or more straightforward than the statement given by Mr. Coltart could be imagined, and tal. examined his own witness, Mr. Wootton, not before me. he then proved that the two companies were two distinct legal entries, and this article was published by the Province, that week? A .- Yes. Limited Liability. Why, then, is he alowed to go fishing into the affairs of another company? There would be no limit to his line of inquiry if this was wanted to go in? A .- He had some copy there were two separate legal entries, then the line of demarcation must surely have been reached. Quoting from 12 Did you write any copy under his direc-Times Law Report, at page 521, Mr. tion? A.—I don't Martin emphasized his objection, but by making copy.

beyond the right lines and the examinaion was continued. Q.-Was there any other director of the publishing company in Victoria at the time? A.—Yes; Mr. Willsie. Q.-Was Mr. Willsie taking any share the management of the Province Pub-

ishing Company at that time? Mr. Martin again filed an objection to this line of examination, and a protracted Q .- In the same bank? A .- Yes; the legal argument ensued, Mr. Cassidy maintaining that if he could prove that the newspaper was published by both companies, the criminal liability of the defendant depended not alone upon his connection with the newspaper company, but upon his connection with the pub ishing company, and his honor sustained Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Martin saying that the prosecution were beginning to find they had hit the wrong man and now wanted to bring in someone else.

Examination continued. Q.—Was Mr. Willsie at that time personally associated with the management

Q.-Was he in anyway? A.-No, not outsider. at that time; not in anyway. Q.-I think he is named as a printer. Was he employed in the publishing company's office at that time? A.—Yes. Q.-Now, you say that you cannot think of anything that would warrant Mr. Wolley's statement that you practically managed both concerns and they were run as one thing. You say you cannot think of anything. Did you not have a conversation with Mr. Wolley as to what course he was to take in editing

the paper? A.-Certainly not.

certain individuals. You would deny Q.-I produce to you a copy of the

Q .- And you have read it? A .- I presume so.

Mr. Martin here interrupted, saying that unless it could be proved that there ince for some time? A .- I really cannot had been previous libels the publication of the previous issues of the paper was irrelevant. Mr. Cassidy-I am trying to do the

best I can to conduct this inquiry in a courteous manner, and I think my friend should do the same.

Mr. Martin replied that if his friend was doing the best he could, he was not succeeding very well, and his honor added: "Yes, I will say, Mr. Cassidy,

Mr. Cassidy asked if the court referred to his (Mr. Cassidy's) remark to the court when he was interrupted in cross-examination, but his honor said he was not alluding to that, although he would have mentioned that matter privetely to Mr. Cassidy, as he thought that gentleman had been inadvertently, although not perhaps intentionally, dis-

you have not succeeded very well."

courteous. Mr. Cassidy said a good deal of "bickering" had been done which was unnecessary, and drew from Mr. Martin the advice to speak for himself.

Mr. Cassidy then explained to the court that he was trying to prove that articles criticizing Messrs. Turner and Pooley I don't think 'bleme' is the proper in regard to the matter referred to in the article complained of had been appearing in the Province for some time and that the course which had been pursued by the editor had the endorsation of the board.

Mr. Martin, relying upon 297, s.s., 2 of the code, pointing out that it was necessary for the prosecution to prove that the previous articles were libellous and to ask the court to pass upon that point was to decide the whole case His honor thought, however, that Mr. Cassidy's line of argument was admissible, and the paper was produced and shown to the

witness. Witness looked at the paper and was proceeding to examine it, when Mr. Cassidy said: "You don't think we have 'faked' this up specially to show to you, Witness said: "I don't think do you?" s," and said he thought he had read the article on page 853 shown him, before Mr. Cassidy proceeded to read the article to the court, but Mr. Martin objected, and another long argument took place on section 279 of the code. Some heat was displayed by counsel, owing to Mr. Cassidy's attempting to "railroad" the filing with the clerk of the paper he wished to put in, and on a suggestion from the court, it being now one o'clock, an adjournment was taken until 4 p.m. Q .- I don't care what you call it. A,-The quarrel was occasioned by the ap-

pearance or non-appearance of certain articles in the Province. Q.-Was that while his connection with the paper still continued? A .- No. t was not.

Q .- Do you say this Dewdney matter was not one of them? A .- I don't say so at all. Q.-You say the Dewdney matter was

not one of them? A .- No; I don't say Q .- Was there any time between Mr. Wolley's leaving and Mr. Scaife's re-

worship need not make any suggestion turn? A .- No, there was not. If you mean between Mr. Wolley's leaving and Mr. Scaife's actual apearance in the of-Q.—Mr. Scaife was away at the time fice, there may have been a day or two. Q.-Was there not a period after Mr. Wolley left before Mr. Scaife resumed his duties? A.—No. Q.-Between the time that Mr. Wolley

'either company" -...ving been mention- sist in the editorial work? A .- No more ed, the answered was amended and wit than I have said. No more than your clerk writes an article that you dictate. Q.-You took articles from Mr. Scaife Q.—That was the last time? A.—Yes, tors of the newspaper company on the and he did not do all the work on that spot at the time of the publication of editorial work before Mr. Scaife's return to the office by taking instructions from him, my superior officer, as to anything whatever in his department. Q.-Including editorial matter to go in

> s possible that there was some. Q.-Did you not discuss with what articles should be put in? A .- I don't quite understand Q.-Where was he? A.-In the hospi-

Mr. Cassidy had no right to use a legal expression, to "go fishing." When he and the question before you was what put in the articles of incorporation and should go in the paper? A.—Oh, no; Q.-Well, he was in the hospital and wanted the paper to come out as usual

Q.-What did he tell you? A.-I can't remember. Q .- Did he talk to you about what he

allowed, and if the court is satisfied that written out, and not feeling well at the Q .- He had most of his copy written.

tion? A .- I don't know what you mean the court said Mr. Cassidy had not gone Q.-Did your write anything by his direction? A .- Very likely I did. Q .- As far as the manual part of the writing was concerned he was in a con-

> convalscent. Q .- Did he dictate anything to you? A. He did not dictate anything to me, as he would to a shorthand writer. Q.-He just told you what he wanted

tell me in a general way what he want-Q.-Is it not a fact that the Dewdney article was not written by Mr. Scaife? A .- Do you mean the article commenting upon Mr. Dewdney?

Q .- Yes; did Mr. Scaife write that? A.—Certainly. Q.-When Mr. Wolley had this disagreement with you about the articles which were appearing in the paper, what did you say? A .- I had nothing to say

Q.—You did not justify the course? A.—No. He had another the course? of the company? A.—I don't know what with the paper and I was not going to argue the matter with him or any other This closed Mr. Martin's cross-examination, and his honor proceeded to ask

the witness some questions. Q.-When did Mr. Scaife's present ab-6th October.

AFTERNOON SESSION. Mr. Coltart's examination was con- Mr. Coltart, you are not answering. Did tinued by Mr. Cassidy. Counsel pro- you know that one or more of the duced a copy of the Province of December 4th, 1897, whereupon Mr. Mar. Co. sold the Province newspaper? A .-Q.-You did not yourself suggest to tin asked what was sought to be proven Not as such. Wolley making personal attacks on by this line of examination. "It has al-

"that Mr. Coltart is not a proprietor; company." The court ruled that the might have been rendered by clerks in line of cross-examination was admist the two offices without his official with the cavern of the night hand hush! there floats across my dream that the distribution of cross-examination was admist the two offices without his official without his official across my dream that the cavern of the night hand hush! there floats across my dream that the distribution of cross-examination was admist the two offices without his official across my dream that the distribution of cross-examination was admist the two offices without his official across my dream that the distribution of cross-examination was admist the two offices without his official across my dream that the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the cavern of the night have been rendered by clerks in the cavern of the night have been rendered by clerks in the cavern of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the night have been rendered by clerks in the distribution of the line of cross-examination was admis-

sable. Witness was then asked if he had seen the issue of December 4th, previously, in which some reference was made to Messrs. Turner and Pooley. Mr. Martin said it appeared quite clear that some attempt was being made to entrap the witness as it was absurd to suppose that His Honor had suggested that counsel for the prosecution was only endeavoring to prove that the names of prosecutors had been mentioned in the Province previous to December 11th The court again ruled that Mr. Cas-

sidy was proceeding in regular manner. and the witness identified the two articles of November 27th and December 4th, the papers being marked exhibits B. and C. respectively. Q.-Do you write articles for the Pro-

vince?. A.-I don't. Q.-Have you written anything of the reading matter?. A .- No. Q.-Nothing has originated with you? -No.

Q .- In other words, you have never contributed to the province? A.-No. Q.-Have you revised editorial matter for the Province? A.-What do you mean by revised? Q.-Have you had any submited to

you for correction? A .- No. Mr. Cassidy-I am instructed by Mr. Wolfey that this is not so. Mr. Martin said that if counsel wished to contradict witness he must refer

to the time and place, and not be so vaguely general. Q.-Do you constantly revise these articles?

Mr. Martin again interposed with a request that counsel particularize, and Mr. Cassidy held a whispered consultation with Mr. Wolley and continued. Q .- And in particular an article which had been written by Mr. Wolley for the the Coast, Rupert, Sayward and Quot-Province upon the question of the per- sino Land Districts:-At 51 Langley son to be appointed Lieutenant-Governor street on Tuesday, the 28th of December in place of Mr. Dewdney, that the article was printed and that you prevented its publication on the ground that you

did not approve of it? Witness-What is the question? Mr. Cassidy-I have just put it. Witness-What is it?

Mr. Cassidy.-I ask you if Mr. Wolley did not write an article for the paper and you stopped its publication? Witness-I answer certainly not. Another "confab" was held between

Mr. Cassidy and Mr. Wolley and the examination continued. Q.-Do you deny that in the articles Mr. Wolley was in the habit of referring to "England" and the "English" in regard to Imperial matters, and you interfered and said he must say "Britain" and "British"? A .- No, that is not

correct. Q.-Do you deny that you gave general instructions to the people geting up the paper that the expressions referred to were to be altered with your view if

they appeared in any editorial?. A .- I Q .- Am I right in saying that you quarreled with Mr. Wooley on account of the article in connection with Hon. Province the Saturday after the last the passengers will come from New article writen by Mr. Wooley in the paper? A .- In the first place you are in error in saying that I quarrelled with Mr. Wolley. He quarrelled with me, which is a very different thing.

have been held since he left? A .- I cannot say definitely without looking at the minutes, but I should say two. Q.—Who has been acting as rianager

the Province, Limited Liability since Mr. Scaife left? A .- No one. Q.—Has the editor an absolutely free hand? A .- Within the limits I gave before. Mr. Nichol's reputation and recommendations were so very high that the directors often seeing his work expressed satisfaction with his mode of conducting the paper.

Q.—As he as a fact had a free hand? -I don't think that he has ever been called in question, but "giving a man a free hand" is rather too broad Q.-As a matter of fact has he had a free hand? A.-I think he has.

so far as I know-Q-.Have you, either as a member of missing. the board sitting in a meeting, or as a private director in the management? A. No. I haven't, your honor. Re-examined by Mr. Martin:

Q .- As a director of the newspaper company, as a director of the publishing company, or as a private individual, had you any knowledge of the alleged libel? A.—Certainly not. Q .- What is the contract between the newspaper company and the publishing

Mr. Cassidy-We have had all this be-Mr. Martin-Now wait a moment. Having shown that the publishing company print the newspaper for the newspaper company, what else do they do?

a general way? A .- No, he did not | any of the copies itself? A .- No.

sold the paper? A .- No, your honor. Q.-You didn't know, for instance, that Wheeler sold it? A .- I suppose that one clerk may have had to go away and asked another to fill his place for sence begin? A.—I should say about the a time, much the same as in a bank; | cocaine and any of its compounds from a teller may ask another clerk to look

after his box. The Court .- But you are arguing now employees of the Province Publishing

The Court pressed for an answer in day.

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ready been proved," said Mr. Martin, different terms and the witness said he did not know before he came into court, the only publication is publication by the adding that many mutual assistances

knowledge.

This closed the examination and a discussion ensued as to whether an adjournment should be taken. Mr. Marknowledge. tin said he had at least one more witness to examine and could not finish at that sitting. Mr. Cassidy said Mr. Wolley wanted to go into the box and said he had been in the court all day and would not take the trouble to come again eniess a policeman was sent for Finally it was agreed to adjourn the case until 10 o'clock, Thursday 30th Considerable amusement was caused at Bow County court becently by a dispute about some furniture between two elderly Irish laborers named Dennis McCarthy and Dan Morlarty. Den Morlarty be a man, will yea? Where is my furniture? The defendant: Yours, begob. And ye knows you sold it to me. Don't listen to the omadhaun, your honor.

The registrar: Tell me your tale, plaintiff, and don't you interrupt him.

The plaintiff: It was ill I was and in the sick-asylum but, the saints preserve me. And my old woman died. And Morlarty took every shick I had. He left nothing at all .: Dennis, and devel of penny rent was there.

The defendant: You're a wicked old man, Dennis, and divil of penn rent was inst., and the summonses against Mr. Nichol was enlarged until the same date and time.

COURTS OF REVISION.

Sessions to Be Held by Mr. Mills fo the Adjacent Districts.

Mr. S. Perry Mills, judge of the Court of Revision nad Appeals for the adjacent district, will hear appeals as follows:

For the Electoral District of Victoria

City:-At 51 Langley street, on Monday the 10th and Tuesday the 11th of January, at 11 a.m. For the Electoral District of South Victoria :- At the Royal Oak, on Friday, the 7th of January, at 11:30 a.m., and at John Camp's, South Saanich, on Wed-

nesday, the 12th day of January, at 12

The registrar: I have nothing to do with the rent. What about the furniture? The defendant: He sould it me for 7s. The registrar: Have you paid him? The defendant: Is it have I paid him, you ask? He sould it me. Have you paid him?—Your honor is a fewel of a boy. (Laughter.) I can't answer all these hard puestions. Did you pay for it?—Bedad thin, I have given him two silver shillings. Then you owe him five shillings. What is the furniture?

The plaintiff: There's the rint and the lodg——(Laugher.)

The defendant: Be alsy can't yer? Can't yer answer when a gentleman like his honor shpeaks? (Laughter.)

The plaintiff: A bedstead and a flock mattrass. For the portion of North Victoria Electoral district known as North Saanich:-on Saturday, the 8th of January, at the Siney Hotel, Sidney, at 12 noon, For the Electoral District of Esquimalt:-On Friday, the 31st day of De cember, at Henry Price's, Parson's

Bridge, at 11 p.m. (Laughter.)
The plaintiff: Was it a sheet I said,
Dan Morlarty? (Laughter.) A table— For that portion of the Electoral Dis tricts of Comox and Cassiar known as

at 11 o'clock a.m. one. (Laughter.)
The plaintiff: And the rint and the lodging money. (Laughter.)
The defendant: Rint is it ye say? Ye paid as much rint as Tim Healy. (Laughter.) For that portion of the Cowichan- Alberni Electoral District known as Barclay and Clayoquot Land Districts:-At 51 Langley street, on Wednesday, the The plaintiff: And who are ye to be after dispraising your betters, Moriarity? Tim Healy—
The registrar: I shall make an order for the return of the furniture to the plaintiff, he paying back the two shillings. In default the defendant is to keep it, and pay the defendant the balance of five shillings. 29th day of December, at 11 o'clock a.m.

NEWS FROM KODIAK. San Francisco, Dec. 23.-E. J. Willis, of this city, a member of the party that sailed on the schooner La Ninfa, for Copper River in October last, writes from Kodiak on December 4th, that there were about 150 prospectors, with their outfits, scattered along the trail between Evak lake, over a level stretch of country known as the Grass Flats and the little Indian village of Anganak, anxious to push on into the interior as soon as the ice on the river is strong

enough to permit travel.

TRAVEL TO KLONDIKE. San Francisco, Dec. 23.-Travel from other wild animals which find shelter in areas which villagers formerly kept free from forest growth, but which have become reclothed under protection, forest officers can arrange for the extermination of the animals by organizing periodical beats "which all villagers holding gun licenses shall be invited to attend." It was feared by a speculative contemporary that the beat was calculated to result in the speedy extermination of forest officers. But that, of course, is only a detail. The northwest shikar scheme does not affect pigs, but wolves. No less than 417 persons were killed by wolves alone, and of this number 306 were in Rohilkhand. A higher scale of rewards for the destruction of the animals was granted, but in the district where they proved the most destructive only two twees. Australasia to the Klondike will be very heavy next year, and the Oceanic Steamship Company is preparing for it. All the available space on the Mariposa, due here in February, and the Moana, due here in Februar,y has been engaged. Edgar Dewdney which appeared in the In the case of the Moana the bulk of

CABLE NEWS.

London, Dec. 23.-A boat containing ine stevedores, while proceeding on the Q .- How many meetings of the board Thames to-day, capsized and all the men were drowned. Doertmund, Prussia, Dec. 23.-Sixeen persons were killed as a result of fire damp explosion yesterday in the faith, and if it should prove unsuccess a wolf hunt on a large scale is to be ganized. The simplest plan for the mediate destruction of the wolves is, doubt, that adopted by the Madras wregard to the pig. Everybody with a glicense may bring out his weapon—a what an assortment of firearms there is be. How many wolves will be killed that memorable battle it is difficult to timate, for simpler would the best to be supported.

Kaiserstuhy pit here. NEW BANK FOR HONOLULU. Honolulu, Dec. 15 (via San Francisco, Dec, 22).-Announcement has been made that another bank will be established in the city shortly after the first of the year. The new concern is a branch of

that memorable battle it is difficult for estimate; far simpler would it be to give the probable number of beate-73 and forest subordinates. It happens, however, that the number of human beings killed by wolves has increased to an inordinate extent, and they have been proportionately more destructive in India in the past year than any other wild animal. By snakes and wild animals together in the past year 44,335 persons lost their lives. Rewards for the destruction of dangerous creatures have been offered in abundance, but the number does not appreciably decrease. In 1895-96 the total was 25,190 and in 1894-95 24,449. the big Pekin Banking Company. EXPLOSION OF FIREDAMP. Dortmund, Prussia, Dec. 23.-An explosion of firedamp took place to-day at the Kaisertuhl II. Pit with terrible re-Q.-Has he? As a matter of fact? sults. Eight corpses have been brought -I am under oath, your honor, but to the surface, and seven men are living, but severely injured. There are five still

ASIA MINOR EARTHQUAKES. Constantinople, Dec. 23.-A number of earthquakes in increasing intensity have occurred around Smyrna, Asia Minor, Already considerable damage has been done and some persons have been killed and injured.

AMERICAN NEWS. Watertown, N. Y., Dec. 23.-One of the worst blizzards which has visited this section in a number of years began last evening and continued unabated all Two feet of snow covers the night. ground and it is still coming down.

CURIOUS EXPERIMENT ON A HORSE. paper company, what else do they do?
A.—They contract to print and supply the whole issue, and that is what they do.
Q.—Does the publishing company sell any of the copies itself? A.—No.
Q.—And now tell us what it was, if anything, that occurred in relation to that matter of English and British? A.—The whole thing was this: Mr. Scaife had his attention called by a correspondent to the use of the words English and England, and, following the example of Tit-Bits, an English paper of very large circulation, he had agreed not to allow the obnoxious words to appear and had given general instructions that if they appeared in copy they should be deleted.

By the Court—Did you know that any of the clerks of the Province, Ld. Lty., sold the paper? A.—No, your honor:

CURIOUS EXPERIMENT ON A HORSE.

Physiological experiments are of various kinds. and while some are of such a character as to suggest cruelty unless performed enter as to suggest cruelty unless performed acter as to suggest cruelty unless perfo

Beware of Cocaine.

Thos. Heys, analytical chemist, Toronto, says: "I have made an examinasamples purchased in the open market, and find none present." Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure is a cure not a drug. Price 25 cents, blower included.

The sealing schooner Mary Ellen, Captain Searle, has cleared for her coast cruise. She will not sail until Mon-

GLORY OF THE NIGHT. SCALCHI COMPA he silver tendril of the stream

Hall the clear starlight of each jem
Bound in the frost of time's disdain.
A hand grasp at the diadem,
When sudden all is black again.
—From the Bookman.

TRISHMEN AT LAW

there. You knows it.

The registrar: I have nothing to do with

The defendant: Wid divil a sheet to it.

n Moriarty? (Laughter.) A table— The defendant: Wid one leg broken. The plaintiff: The broken leg was mend-before it was broke. (Loud laughter.)

The defendant: And niver a bottom to the

RAVAGED BY WILD ANIMALS.

Efforts to Exterminate the Beasts in Northwest India Fail.

Northwest India Fail.

The grand shikar idea was supposed to be the exclusive property of the Madras government, but it seems that the lieutenant governor of the northwest provinces has also dreamed of the utility of a popular shooting expedition in the jungle, says the Bombay Gazette. In Madras, it will be remembered, in its official enunciation of forest policy the government observed that when it is found crops are suffering from the depredations of pig and other wild animals which find shelter in areas which villagers formerly kept free

n the district where they proved the destructive only two brutes were . Special attention is now being di-l to the destruction of wolves, and a

proposal to employ a colony of Harburahs to exterminate them has been approved. Even in this scheme, however, the local administration has but little faith, and if it should prove unsuccessful

The steamer City of Seattle will sail

She-It takes more skill to ride a

He-The idea! Any woman can ride

wheel than it does to drive a horse.

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The Famous Italian Singe the Victoria Theatre Last And while it trails adown the Evening. And while it traits adown the tide
My senses, smothering 'neath the gloom
And silence that gulf all beside,
Hail the white glory of its plume—

ome Things That Pleased That did Reverse.

From Friday's Daily. "Ugh! Piano! Piano!" Signor hi's jet black eyebrows came dow ner flashing eyes, which wer threateningly across the footlights unfortunate accompanist in the or well, who was literally hammer the prelude to the accompaniment song Scalchi was about to sing. had been compelled to grant an and Scalchi did not like it. Si nd with the faintest suggestion ocw to the rather (it must be con small audience prepared to warble The fortiss mo staccato of the pi ritated her aiready irritated hence her exciamatory address, p udible in all parts of the house, was the same with Mdlle. Toulin soprano robusto who appeared to der the impression that she was a comic opera part before an a f hoosiers. She conversed in ones with the pianist, shrugge oulders with much hauteur at ause of the audience and swagge nd off the stage with much more ougilistic swing of a dragoon th villowy grace of a great prima Idlle. Toulinguet took no pains al her small opinion of the num mall audience. In singing in the tette in the first part her condu distinctly comique, to put it mild was amusing in her side-long glan he hard-working Signor Albert was straining to do his best with t'ful but difficult part. Mdlle. ruet threw quizzical looks at M ueen, the tenore robusto, who was ing up among the constellations ound the topmost notes for When she sang herself she carr the same pretty pantomine wi ianist, an industrious gentleman w wrestle all night with a piano ad a game string somewhere ab middle register, and emitted exert discords at irregular intervals, pro the same effect on high-strung erves that the melodious music file among the teeth of a saw is of. To Mdlle. Toulinguet is was ery funny, and all through the fire she made no secret of her ami in the second part she had he too full for fun, and was kep

nandling her share of Verdi's fir crusted barre!-organ opera, "Il Now, all this sort of thing arises n unfortunate misconception on t f the artist as to who is who and what in Victoria. Last night inguished tenants of the boards opera house no doubt thought the singing to an audience that had neard anything better than the of a once-glorious contralto voice oprano that once entitled its ov be called the prima donna c rial Grand Opera Company. where they made a great mista majority of that audience have Scalchi's superiors, not in Victor haps, but elsewhere; and the heard Mdlle. Toulinguet's superio even in Victoria. The theatre-going ulation in Victoria is largely com Eastern Canadians and British pe the upper middle class who have joyed opportunities of hearing th going in Toronto, Hamilton, Mo Halifax, St. John, etc., and "aer water" in the old land. Therefore artist has a right to depart in etiquette of the stage so flagran Signora Scalchi and Mdlle, Toul did last evning. The same behavio would be de rigueur at St. James r on the stage of Her Majesty's tre, is quite as much to be expected Mdlle, du Bedat was a most pi ontrast; her manner is very sweet

The singing of Scalchi used to be nificent; it is no longer so. The of advancing age are too plain. I thing beyond the softest passage becomes strident, and in strong pa wkish. Yet here and there cam the evidences of those splendid note was once went to thrill Europe wit they do not last. Scalchi must be oned now as one of the rear guard Patti and a few more of the elderly ers. Signor Alberti did the fa Toreador song with bull-fighting viv and very creditably. He has a musical voice which is much bet the lower than in the higher rewhere it is ap: to become screechy. haps, however, the Signor's high-st collar had some effect in proc this rasping effect. Mr. McQueen's as some fine qualities, but better have been heard here with much les alding. It is a tenor capable of work, and Mr. McQueen's method cellent; still, like most of the other of the company, it was not altog

ike and dignified; and she has a c

ng voice exquisitely trained.

unexceptionable. The best voice of the company i dorbtedly possessed by la comique ! Toulinguet. It is not only a rich bust voice, somewhat like its owner shows at every note evidences of s cultivation. When she exerted it full capacity it was admirable, and menagement of the delicate modula was very fine. It is a great pity Scalchi and Toulinguet could not given a duet that could have bre their voices into closer touch than afforded in the "Trovatore" lines. On the whole the company was appointment, but there were comp tions. The theatre was so col through the performance as to r one very strongly of that remai passage in one of Dean Swift's to Stella: 'My dear Stella. it is and I've no waistcoat!" The actual ness, combined with the musical made up rather a refrigerated for those who had come a long creat trouble and expense to get and her company to entrance them.

the audience should perhaps be rem