## ANOTHER STRANGE SUICIDE.

Andrew Kirk, Following His Brother's Example, Takes His Own Life.

The Surrounding Circumstances Mysterious and Strange-Was it Insanity or What?

Mysterious and inexplicable as were the circumstances surrounding the suicide of James G. Kirk eight days ago at his brother's home on the Esquimalt road, there has been added still more mystery and still more obscurity, its cause being a second suicide, that of the rounces has been as

at to do, without any previous indica-

being that something terrible had bened. Mr. Fred. Jones, the proprietor the Half-Way house, ran over the cottage. In the front room saw what it was that had the Mrs. Kirk turn away in horror. The ty of Andrew Kirk, her husband, was the blood pouring

he head of the bed, and half turned to-wards the bureau. The mirror was tilted pwards. Kirk evidently sat on the rock-ing chair with the revolver in his hand, box aim by the mirror, and with the

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used a pocket knife, severing the jugular vein. His brother used a revolver, and only in the mode is there any difference in the two occurrences. To account for either is but to set up a theory. The place of business troubles or financial embarrass ment may be well dismissed, for both Jame and Andrew had good positions, were earning good wages, and could have lived along without worry, so far as money was concerned.

James Kirk was an employe of the

### AN EXPERT IN FORESTRY

# A QUESTION OF LAW.

In the Supreme Court yesterday, 1

# TWENTIETH ANNUAL MERTING

The Protestant Orphans' Shown by Report to Be in a Flourishing Condition.

lection of Officers and of Commiti tees of Management — The President's Report.

Taylor."

A proposition to have the annual reports printed in pamphlet form and circulated, showing the result of the work of the past year, was deferred until the end of the year, it being suggested that in the meantime opened with prayer by Rt. Rev. Bishop Cridge, after which the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Charles Hayward. read the minutes of the last annual meeting, which were adopted.

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In submitting to the subscribers the

nished us with drawings which formed the basis upon which all plans sent in were to be prepared, thus giving a great amount of valuable time and experience gratitiously to our sid. Thirteen sets of plans were sent in and each one duly considered. One set of plans, which proved to be that of Mr.
Thomas Hooper, architect, of this city, was selected. Tenders were at once called for, and, after due deliberation, the contrast was alloted to Mesars. McGregor & Geeves, at \$20,310. The building is rapidly and for the laying of the corner stone by the Grand Lodge of A.F. and A.M., on the Cath inst.

Your committee have to thank Mr. R. McKay Fripp, architect, of Vanconver, for his assistance in examining every detail of the plans, and so aiding them in making their selection. Mr. Fripp very generously dunated his fee of \$50 to the funds of the material of the cath is fee or appended, containing full details free of the care. The prince was alloted to or daily expenditure; but we feel, in the future as in the past, we shall have to ask our friends for additional add, in order to meet our daily expenditure; but we feel, in the future as in the past, we shall not ask in the containing of the corner was cut in two and went to the future as in the past, we shall not ask in the containing of the corner was cut in two and went to the future as in the past, we shall not ask in the containing of the corner was cut in two and went to the past, we shall not ask in the future paging to the corner was cut in two and went to the past, we shall not ask in the corner was cut in two and went to the containing the properly and the past, we shall not ask in the past, we shall not ask in

gins, Mrs. G. L. Milne, Mrs. Sargi

naving received a check from Mr. Robert Selleck for \$19.75, on behalf of the contracting plasterers of Victoria, to whom the Board desire to return thanks.

The matter of the laying of the corner stone of the new home was brought up and discussed, and it was decided unanimously to have the inscription thereon as follows:

"B. C. Protestant Orphans Home, erected 1893. This site was purchased and building erected with the legacy of the late John G. Taylor."

# AMERICAN NEWS,

New York, June 1.—J. B. & M. Cor-ell's works were burned to the ground to-ight. The loss is estimated at \$200,000. The cause of the fire is unknown.

## SEALING MATTERS.

lence Between Great Britain and Russia Respecting an Agree-ment to Prohibit-

The Convention and M. Schischkines Exceptions to Some of Its Provisions.

London, June 2.—The Foreign Office has admini Among the contents of the book are :

A minute of the Canadian Privy Council. made last December, and forwarded in January by the Governor-General. Communications of Lord Rosebery, British Secretary of State for Foreign

Affairs, to Sir Robert Morier, British ambassador to Russia.

Morier's communication to Privy Councillor Schischkine, acting for M. De Giers, as Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs, Schischkine's reply to Morier.

Rosebery's and Morier's long replies to Schischkine.

The cause of the firs is unknown.

Drayers, June 1.—A fatal accident occurred at the Beak-I-vanhe tunnet this morning. It was caused by a heavy fall of cit, which virtued a gang of men while they were at a work and completely buried them. A force of miners at once went of the resource, and after hard work recovered at the State Department this after resourced at the State Department this after resourced at the State Department this after resourced at the State Department this after responsing to the world's pair, says that the expectation and the continuous part of the continuous

ton to negotiate terms of a single American out the expenditure of a single American life or a dollar of American gold. They offer a rich prize, this splendid possession of the Pacific, to the American government in trust for the American people. Never was such a prize before offered as a gift to a great nation. For stragetical and commercial purposes they are more valuable to the United States than are Cyprus, Malta and Bermuda to Great Britain. They stretch out a pleading hand to this mighty nation of free men not to abandon them in their days of imperative need." In conclusion Mr. Stevens said: "I do not believe that the administration of President Cleveland will neglect this great American opportunity, issued a blue book which contains the correspondence concerning the agreement between Great Britain and Russia as to the protection of Russia's sealing interests in the Northern Pacific Ocean or Behring Sea.

Among the contents of the book are:

### CANADIAN NEWS.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

TORONTO,, June 1.—John Harris, builder, has assigned. The statement shows asset of \$38,000, and liabilities of less than half

CORNWALL, June 2.—The Montreal Conference of the Methodist Church, meeting here, adopted the resolution moved by Rev. Dr. Douglas, of Montreal, censuring the contract of the managers of the railway companies and the managers of the World's Fair for descrating the Sabbath, and suggesting that true Christians should boyout the World's Fair and that the Methodist Publishing House's book exhibit be withdrawn as a protest against the violation of the fourth commandment.

deaths occurred on Sunday and three on Monday from diphtheris, there being ten cases of diphtheria and five of measles in the hospital, all steerage children and young adults. All the cases are fairly hopeful.

## TACOMA'S TROUBLE.

TACCMA, June 1.-The Merchants' Naonal bank of this city suspended payment o-day on account, of the dullness and a leady drain for the last thirty days, which has brought to a crisis this morning by the hase National bank of New York demand-

much excitement on the street, and a great throng assembled in front of the bank. About 11 o'clock a run started on the Tacoma Trust and Savings company, whose office is near, but all the demands were promptly met until closing time.

Interviews with the cashiers and presidents of other banks resulted in the assurance that no further financial difficulties may be looked for, as all the banks are amply supplied with money to meet all demands. In fact the ugly rumous have warned them, and they have called in many loans and shipped money in from various correspondents. To-day's bank clearances were \$108,152. A year ago, on the same day, they were \$12,823. This shows that business is not disturbed. It is confidently asserted that depositors will not lose a cent by the suspension, and the bank will resume shortly.

### CABLE NEWS.

Foreigners Warned to Leave Corea-Heavy Losses of Life From Floods in India.

Alsace and Lorraine Must Not Oppose the Army Bill — French Chamber's Reform.

Berlin, June 1.—The Cologne Gazette ublished this morning a leader supposed to be inspired, warning the people of Alsace and Lorraine that if they elected deputies people to the Army bill they will be regarded as doing their utmost to menace the integrity of the empire.

LONDON, June 1.—Advices from Corea state that placards posted throughout the capital warn foreigners that unless they leave the country before a certain date the Coreans will rise and kill them.

London, June 1.—The Dundee while Balaena has returned from the Antario ocean with the skins of 6,000 seals. CALCUTTA, May 1.—Reports from Maniura say that all the rivers in the country pura say that all the rivers in the country have overflowed their banks and have swept away the bridges and aubmerged villages and fields. Dozens of dead bodies are floating down stream in every river. At one point on a small stream twenty bodies were recovered in three days.

Paris, June 1.—The deputies passed today the electoral bill, amended so as to exclude from the Chamber all salaried public officials and all clergymen.

Paris, June 2.—Monk Dore Screet

burg, secretary in the Department of the Interior, occurred yesterday morning in the yellow room of the American legation. Only twenty-four guests were present, including Chancellor Von Caprivi and other notables in official and private life. The wedding breakfast followed, and later the young people started on their wedding tour. Many beautiful presents were sent the bride by political and social friends in America, including Whitelaw Reid, Joseph Pulitzer, ex-Speaker Reed, Mrs. Blaine and Mark Twain.

Mark Twain.

VIENNA, June 2.—Great damage has been done by extensive floods in Eastern Galiciand eighteen persons have been drowned.

am on the part of the young Germans still continues. s a state of authorities. A Czechs' newspaper has been suppressed on account of its seditious tone.

conveniences must be entirely separate.

(b). The building must be substantially built of bricks or stone, and must be provided with heating apparatus throughout.

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William A. Lehr of Kendallville, Ind., says Hood's Hood's Sarsaparilla is King of Medicines And His Cure Was

Almost a Miracle

"G. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

"Gentlemen: When I was 14 years of age
I was confined to my bed for several months
by an attack of rheumatism, and when I had
partially recovered I did not have the use of
my legs, so that I had to go on crutches
About a year later, Screfula, in the form a

White Swellings,

appeared on various parts of my body, and for eleven years I was an invalid, being continued to my bed six years. In that time ten or eleven of these sores appeared and broke, causing me great pain and suffering. Several times pieces of bone worked out of the sores. Physicians did not help me and

I Became Discouraged "I went to Chicago to visit a sister, as it was thought a change of air and scene might do me good. But I was confined to my bed most of the time. I was so impressed with the success of Hood's Sarsaparila in cases similar to mine that I decided to try it. So a bottle was bought, and to my great gratification the scress soon decreased, and I began to feel better. This strengthened my faith in the medicine, and in a short time I was

Up and Out of Doors

To make a long story short, I continued to take Hood's Sarsaparills for a year, when I had become so fully released from the chriss of disease that I took a position with Filit & Walling Mrg. Co., and since that have not lost a single day on account of sickness. I always feel well, am in good apirits, and have a good appetite. I endorse

Hood's Sarsaparilla for it has been a great blessing to me, and to my friends my recovery seems almost mirabulous. I think Hood's Sarsaparilla is the king of all medicines." WILLIAM A. LEHR, NO. 9 North Railroad st., Kendallville, Ind.

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