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anan's new nautical ers of England," will provinces by Herbert to its introduction The great scene of ath of Nelson.

AT CALGARY.

26.—(Special)—At the y last night, Hon. Mr. he limit of the auri-Australia and South et extent in British e timber, water and Alberta must, he said, ment of Kootenay. It vernment to proceed and statesmanlike development of that ay must be maintainburdensome to the The feeling borne in oming West was the built and ernment itself, or the aly be lost. The govevent timber and coal e control of corporcan impress upon our eds of the West as row's Nest Pass rail-

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MINISTERS.

-A special to the Washington says: It ive some important progress which the made in the task of net slate. It would that Major McKinley ly determined whom is ministers. So far fers of places in the made, one of these a, who is not likely to all, and the other to the President-elect rmined the composiexcept as to one, or Unless he changes wing will be the Mcen it is finally an-

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HE CHINESE.

-At a meeting of the rincipal laundries of ight, it was resolved authorities to enact in annual tax of \$70 ies, and also compeln to certain condimed at is the checkpresent being made usiness by the Chi-

opped the West Tots. The trial of the ion takes place on

to-day as the reng caused through s toe.

story of the credulisants comes from ern Russia, where a en-year-old girl had witch doctor and gunpowder to the ch it off with a blinding the child

real Chinese paper, blished by Wong ding to the Fourth noted Chinaman in omes to fame as a nerally progressive

have an elevated g the shore from at Charlottenlund. be electricity or

More "Hold-ups" in Vancouver-Christmas Business Good-Sad and Sudden Death.

Snowfall at Vernon-Mining in the Okanagan-Seasonable Entertainment.

(Special to the Colonist.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 26 .- The talk of forming a vigilance committee still continues, and if, after the daring case of Wednesday afternoon, anything of a fell. similar nature occurs without the miscreants being captured, the talk will undoubtedly take a more definite shape and result in action.

the volume of Christmas business trans- cash that formerly was sent out of the acted was fully equal to that of last year. The streets on Christmas eve thronged until a late hour by crowds of purchasers, and the amount of business done is taken as a healthy sign of returning prosperity.

A case of honesty of a nature not too often met with is reported. A physician of the city on Wednesday lost his pocket book, containing a large sum of money and some valuable papers, and had given it up as gone for good, when it was returned to him by the finder, Mr. Flynn, of Westminster avenue. Another pocket book was lost on the street yesterday by a lady who was shopping on Cordova street. The wallet contained a large sum of money in notes and has not

yet been returned to its owner. The city street cars only ran from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. yesterday, for the purpose of affording the employes an opportunity of participating in the Christmas

A free dinner and entertainment in the assault-at-arms by the Gordon High- proving every foot. evening of Christmas.

The public notices announcing the high grade ore. election of Mayor and Aldermen, usually posted in the city, have this year, owing to some mismanagement, been given into the hands of some person to post who, because the sold to W. H. Hellyar, of Brandon, Manitoba, for \$6,250, of which \$1,250 found in the river Seine is confirmed. Was paid in cash, the balance to be paid. up on telegraph and telephone posts on July 5.
with the result that hardly one is to be The tunnel on the Phoenix, on the for about six weeks. There were no some doubt exists as to the date of nom-ination day. There is still some talk of streak has increased from 6 to 13 inches October and foul play was suspected. Alderman Brown's name being before of almost clean ore. The indications

Campbell, the secondhand storekeeper,

him according to law. rate is recommended by the water and several properties which it is the intermarket committee. The present rate is tion of the directors to develop early in \$9 per year for households, with 20 per cent. reduction for advance payments. pany is to be in Slocan City. Most of The committee will recommend a reduct the treasury stock has been disposed of tion to \$7.50, with a similar reduction at ten cents. for prepayment. This will be just half

up his hands. Mr. McGuigan pointed ing her. Other cases are reported. Several suspicious characters have been arto the force. The citizens are arming themselves with revolvers.

Burglars entered Edwards Bros., and stole a quantity of valuable goods. Entrance was effected by smashing the windows of the front door. At midnight Christmas a masked man

pointed a pistol at the head of James Sheriff, ordering him to hold up his hands. Sheriff did not obey and the man fired but missed, when Sheriff knocked him down. The man, however, jumped up and escaped.

WESTMINSTER.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Dec. 26.- The very sad death of Arthur Jones, the eighteen year old son of Mr. J. J. Jones of this ceived news from Havana confirming city, occurred on Thursday afternoon the report recently received of Spanish the bereaved tamily, the deceased being capture the cargo of a filibustering ves-

Company, cleared yesterday for Port-Special services were held yesterday in

all the places of worship.

Rev. John Reid officiated at the marriage of Mr. John Jackson, an employe the tramway company, to Miss Walmsley of Sapperten.

MIDWAY.

(From the Midway Advance.) The Joe Dandy deal has at last come to a head, and the syndicate represented by Lord Sudely while the negotiations were in progress have put men to work. The Joe Dandy and its sister claims are among some of the richest and best in Camp Fairview. The ore milled in the camp was taken from the Joe Dandy and although put through a three-stamp mill it was of such a rich character i easily paid all the expenses incidental to the working of about a dozen men. It is proposed to thoroughly develop claims with shafts, tunnels and drifts, and to do this a large amount of money will be expended. Mr. Thomas Davis

and locators. Development is rapidly progressing on the coal claim at Rock creek, as during the past week the tunnel has been ex-tended some fifty feet, all in solid coal. The vein so far shows a width of six feet, and the walls are now beautifully smooth and clear. Samples of this coal were brought to Midway a few days ago and the product is already being gener ally used by blacksmiths and others in the district

Mr. D. A. Carmichael came over from Fairview a few days ag), and reported

ties are changing hands and more men are being put to work every day.

VERNON.

(From the News.) Charles Taylor, of Montreal, who has been in the city for several weeks, has been giving careful attention to the mining interests of this section, and it is probable that he will make some investments in this section before his return to the East. Mr. Taylor is interested in the manufacture of an improved quartz crusher and also a machine for saving gold in placer diggings, both of which he is anxious to introduce here if he can find a suitable location.

One of the heaviest falls of snow ever

day of last week, when fourteen inches Mr. W. A. Armstrong is a candidate

also allow his name to be put in nomina-All the storekeepers in the centre of the city assured a Colonist reporter that ported for the holiday trade, and the country for turkeys, geese, etc., was kept

at home.

district now than for years. The Armstrong mill is offering \$25 per ton for it. NEW DENVER.

The price of wheat is higher in this

(From the Ledge.) W. K. Richmond has given a 30-day option on his interest in the bond on the Ocean group to M. G. McLeod. The lead is just coming in sight on the

Westmont. The bond on the Exchange and Vicore this week. Ten tons a day are being takes. He summed up the great Frenchbrought to the lake, and 33 men are man as being imprudent and rash, but working in the mine.

The Two Friends makes another shipment this week. The new superintendent is very pleased with the outlook. library, were given by the librarian, an creek, is down twenty feet and is im-

landers' Boys' Brigade, in the Market
Hall, and a Christmas tree entertain
of Eight Mile creek six men are workford, December 18, on application of the

pathy with the Cuban insurgents. Every

instructions. China obtains nominal
control by appointing the president, but ment by the Japanese Christian Endeavor Society, constituted the public attractions afforded in the city on the
tractions afforded in the city on the
tractions of Christmes.

The party with the Cuban insurgents.

U. S. embassy, was examined at the
Bow Street, London, court to-day and
drifted in on the ledge for over 10 feet.

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have been encounters in the City of
Mexico between Mexicans and Spaniards,
or take possession without payment at The paystreak is from 5 to 16 inches, all

having no boardings, has tacked them was paid in cash, the balance to be paid The body was almost unrecognizable,

last month is one of the leading promot- and she was completely covered with a substantial reduction in the water ers. While here Mr. Shaw secured snow and frost.

fifteen cents, a man with a brown beard bulk of the work done has been in the of ore have been sent to the smelter which netted the company \$130,000. rested. Five detectives have been added The first shipment which was sent out by way of Kaslo cost \$95 per ton for transportation and treatment. During the past summer, with a force of only six photographers, establishment last night men, \$97,000 worth of ore was taken out credited. in six weeks' time.

LANDING OF FILIBUSTERERS.

KEY WEST, Fla., Dec. 24.—Passengers from Cuba report that the Three Friends expedition has landed at Guanhave burned a monastery near Moro cas- of affairs: tle, on Havana bay, within range of the

says: One of the Cuban leaders has rea general favorite in the city.

Sel. The Spaniards were routed and tained against our enemies, but which wired to Deschalaine, 30 miles away, for were all almost signal victories for us." discharging cargo for the Automatic Car aid. A train was made up with great secrecy, but the Cubans sent word out was dynamited as the train came along, the bomb causing great destruction, four cars being almost blown to splinters. The Spanish soldiers poured out of the for a few moments but fled in all direc- Rivera, being destroyed. tions, the Cubans pursuing them for

instead of going to Matanzas into Santa Clara province as had been arranged. The solution is that bad news was received from the Spanish front near the trocha, and that the Spanish commanders, not wishing to stand the responsibil

ity, wired for Weyler.

The last reliable reports from Manzanand associates were the original owners ilio says Maximo Gomez has finally taken up his march with an escort in the direction of Santa Clara.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.



lively times at the camp. He says never in the history of Fairview has the outlook heen so bright as at present, as proper-

-An Incendiary Sentenced to Death.

ers-Author's Body Found in the Seine.

London, Dec. 24.—A dispatch from Rome to the Daily News says: All inyards in Genoa.

companies, and thereby causing the moved. The color of the stamp and

death of a man by burning.

Three convicts who were returning today at Dartmoor prison, from outdoor cent stamp. As soon as the present suplabor, made a desperate attempt to escape. One of them was shot dead, and one will be issued. the other two escaped. Of the two convicts who escaped, one was wounded by a shot from the guards, and was afterwards recaptured.

M. Anatole, poet and literateur, was received to-day as a member of the Academy and pronounced an eloquent toria will be transferred from Bremner's tribute to the memory of the late Count syndicate to R. C. Campbell-Johnstone. Ferdinand de Lesseps, who died Decem-The Enterprise ships four carloads of ber 7, 1894 and whose seat M. Franceo as having devoted his life to noble and

peaceful tasks. Arthur Pratt, alias Edward R. Taylor, who, while serving a sentence of six The shaft on the Erin, on Robertson months for burglary, confessed that he had murdered an insane patient in the Eastern Kentucky asylum, for which he

General Meredith Reid, formerly minhigh grade ore.

A one-quarter interest in the Crusader, is seriously ill in Paris.
He is suffering from bronchitis. Owing to this want of publicity north fork of Carpenter creek, is now in signs of violence about the remains.

The North German Lloyd steamer the electors as a candidate for Mayor, are that it will grow wider as the ore which would leave a vacancy in Ward 4. chute is approached.

The Rottin German Lloyd steamer tated a riot. A crowd gathered early in the evening, constantly growing in num-The Carnduff Mining and Development ampton to-day, had an experience simiwho has figured repeatedly in the police Co. is the name of a new company or court on the charge of receiving stolen ganized by residents of Carnduff, N.W. Louis, which arrived this morning after goods, was yesterday fined \$50 for failing T., to develop properties on Lemon encountering very heavy winds. Sevtomake entries of property bought by creek. Mr. A. N. Shaw who was here eral of the Spree's boats were stove in

DR. ZERTUCHA SCORED.

New York, Dec. 24.—Thomas Estrada Mr. McPherson, of Rossland, who has issued the following statement to-day: and plans were hurriedly made to diswhat was charged when the waterworks was owned by a private corporation.

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Gen. Antonio Maceo, personally as well view: as from a person in our mutual confidence, through whom we frequently the desperate straits depicted by Zertucha. The following extract from is abo. They also say that the insurgents ceo was well satisfied with the condition

"Pinar del Rio, Nov. 30. My distinguished friend:-The active operaguns of Moro castle.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 24.—A special to the Commercial Tribune from Tampa, Fla.,

tinguished friend:—The active operations of the campaign have prevented me, much against my wishes, from answering immediately your welcome communications of the 19th and 25th ult. General Ruis Rivera happily disfrom brain fever following an attack of losses sustained near Santiago and embarked with all the war material la grippe. Much sympathy is felt with other towns while attempting to sent, which was well employed in a series of hard combats which we sus-

"The plan of General Weyler was to imprison our army between two fortified to a near by insurgent camp. The track lines and then make us suffer a tremendous defeat by means of simultaneous attacks by forces previously placed roadbed. The Spaniards fought bravely exploring expedition of General Ruis

Over 40 Spanish soldiers were reported that Maceo was killed, a person arms, ammunition and medical sup- Maceo then stated that the Cuban forces His assertion of Maceo's disappointment is absolutely groundless. Zertucha's gratitude toward his former companions in arms are not such as to win for him the credence of any honest man."

> more costly and by no means as satisfac- to work hard to save it. tory, especially to the little ones, who in having "'lasses on their bread." temperance workers, the demand is con-

Succeeds de Lesseps in the Academy New Issue to Be Made Shortly-Christmas Day at the Capital.

Rough Experiences of Atlantic Lin- Tariff Investigation-Two Immigration Agents Appointed for the Old Country.

OTTAWA, Dec. 26.—The attention of dications here seem to prove that Spain the government has been called to the amounts to about \$40,000. The insurhas been preparing for the event of war- fact that a two-cent post card used in ance company minimized the danger. known in this district took place on Fri- like complications with the United communicating with foreign countries States. The hurried manufacture of a contravenes the regulations of the lar quantity of cartridges has been Postal Union. One of the infractions for the mayoralty. Mayor Meyer will ordered at Brescia, and four cruisers complained of was the border on the have been ordered from the Ansaldo address side of the card and the addition of the words "British A man named Simon was sentenced to American Bank Note Company." A death in Paris after having been con- new plate was therefore prepared to victed on a charge of setting fire to lcdg- replace the present one. It is of a neat ings with a view to defrauding insurance design, with the objectionable frills reprinting have been changed from green

to madder red, similar to the threeply of post-cards is exhausted the new Captain Sinclair, secretary to the Governor-General, left for Scotland to-day via New York.

Christmas Day passed off quietly here. The weather was comparatively mild, but seasonable. The tariff investigation committee will hold a meeting in Ottawa on Monday,

Mr. Sifton has appointed two immigration agents to work in the old coun-Ireland.

SYMPATHY WITH CUBANS.

SAN DIEGO, Cal. Dec. 24.—The patriotism of Mexicans and their fervent love trative and technical appointments and of liberty is shown in their strong syminstructions. China obtains nominal Mexico between Mexicans and Spaniards, and the general government is taking severe measures to quell any public will be free of all Chinese taxes, and will be free of all Chinese taxes, and demonstration of hostility to Spain. In the city of San Luis Potosi the feeling runs so high that serious trouble is threatened. Last Wednesday night a mob gathered in that city, inflamed by a been stationed at Vladivostock to watch circular said to have been written by a Japan, which is suspected of meditating Spaniard, and defaming Mexicans and another blow in China. Mexican institutions, especially with reference to the part taken in sympathy with the Cubans. This circular precipi

hers and violence, until at 10 o'clock it violent talk and insults bandied. Spanish consul was in great peril and appealed to the authorities to protect Palma, Cuban delegate to this country. measures had been taken by the police, him. The mob finally left, after severe and day.

KOOTENAY TRADE

SEATTLE, Dec. 26.—Spokane is making pitiful. Holding its own as second to none charge which can only aid him with the a hard fight to control the immense his pipe case at him and he disappeared. among the great silver mines of the SloThe same night a woman was robbed of can, is the Noble Five. Although the same night a woman was robbed of can, is the Noble Five. Although the indication of the may's sharester that impling out of the bushes and confront- course of development, some 2,000 tons he surrendered to the enemy under the try as a result of the heavy mining oper- made all the usual festivities unseemly. conditions in his case, and that he is ations going on there. Canadians are Only the old traditional customs of the treated in such a kindly manner by the Spaniards. What more natural than the spaniards. What more natural than ground that it is in their own territory, that he, in combination with Spanish but as the bulk of it is now going up by way of Spokane, the merchants in the it. The following is the way the situa-"I know from letters received from tion is outlined by the Spokesman-Re-

"The importance of the Kootenay country from a commercial point of view communicated, that Maceo was not in is shown by the enormous amount of supplies which are constantly going in, not only from the United States but letter lately received will show that Ma- from points in Canada. A railroad man who was in the city yesterday said there were 200 cars of freight at Revelstoke awaiting shipment to the Southern Koo-

"It is only recently that the Caname, much against my wishes, from an- dians became aware that there was a growing country in the Kootenay which must be supplied from some point, and it was only when they ascertained that spokane merchants were quietly doing the business and making no fuss about it that they awoke to the fact that a portion at least belonged to them. Now they are straining every nerve to wrest the trade from the Spokane merchants.'

FIRE AT SPRINGHILL.

in those positions, but the most brilliant success crowned our efforts; six of Thursday evening the coal mines at etc., in many parts of the metropolis. In year, and 44 in Canada against 40 last wreck only to receive a withering fire from the Cubans concealed behind the impede our progress after our saving the road bed. The Spaniards fought bravely exploring expedition of General Ruis the east slope in the 800-foot level. It and 4,667 hospital patients were made as "As late as December 6, the day it is soon gained its way into the 1,300-foot comfortable as possible under the cirlevel, which it has converted into a rag- cumstances. killed or wounded and 40 taken prison-ers. The Cubans secured a quantity of ence with Maceo. I am informed that Montreal, Government Inspector Gilpin was wired for and was soon on deck. were taken to Gomez' camp.

In Havana much speculation is induged in as to why Weyler changed his mind and went to Pinar del Rio section, instead of going to Matanasa in the cargoes of Ruis Rivera, and that he was well satisfied with his position. Zertucha's last published interview differs in detail from all the others previously published.

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The fire caught from an overheated delight, as we did when we were young, steam pipe connected with the driving machinery. The men worked up to the Most of the molasses goes into the distilleries, where it is made into rum, for safely. The mine has three slopes, the which, notwithstanding the efforts of our north, east and west. It was just five years ago that the mines were wrecked colliery in working order again. It was salaries.

splendidly equipped, gave employment to one thousand men in the pits, and Robert Cowans, of Montreal, is president, and Hon. G. A. Drummond is vice-president. From the meagre dispatches received it appears that the fire has complete possession of the underground working of two of the three slopes. Springhill, N.S., Dec. 25.—The proportions of fire in the mine are not as great or as alarming as at first reported. The fire is confined to No. 1 mine. Nos. 2 and 3 slopes are free from danger, and all air passages leading to and from the fire districts are closed. The situation is hopeful, but nothing definite can be said for a day or two. The insurance on the buildings, etc., is all in the Halifax agency of the Commercial Union and

RAILROAD TO MANCHURIA.

London, Dec. 26.—A Times dispatch from St. Petersburg says: It is alleged that the Russo-Chinese treaty, which recently caused so much comment, is not between the two governments but between the Chinese government and the Russo - Chinese bank, which was founded a year ago by the directors of the Russian International bank. The

treaty is dated September 8.

The Russo-Chinese bank formed the railway company which an imperial organization recently sanctioned under the name of the Eastern Railway Company with a capital of 5,000,000 roubles to construct and work a railway from the western frontier of Hei-Tung-Chiang to the eastern frontier of Kirin, in Manchuria, to connect with the branches of the Siberian railway, it being also provided that the holders of the shares must be either Russians or Chinese. The Russian government will fully guarantee the capital and interest of further obligations to be issued as required, reserv- 26.-At a banquet tendered to Cecil try. One goes to Wales and the other to ing to themselves the right of taking, upon payment to the company, of a price

to be mutually agreed upon. The Russian minister of finance will be complete master of the enterprise, his approval being required for all adminis-Russian goods will be otherwise favored.

CHRISTMAS IN LONDON.

has been of the mildest description, had reached the proportions of a mob foggy and without snow, but the holiday that swept everything before it.

The mob gathered in front of the all in jewelly force articles books. foggy and without snow, but the holiday amined by my fellow-countrymen. I know their unctious rectitude, but I Spanish consulate and threatened to de- ally in jewellry, fancy articles, books know that I also have your sympathies molish the structure, but was finally and mechanical toys, which formed the in the trouble I am about to meet. controlled by one or two cool heads. Chief attractions for the shoppers. The Banners, inscribed with huge red letters, were flaunted before the consulate, and co-operative stores alone was \$112,000. receipts last Monday in one of the big co-operative stores alone was \$112,000. An average of 200,000 parcels were handled daily at the main parcel office, where 1,400 clerks have been working night

On the other hand the distress among and who are prepared to accord him a the poor of London was equally marked, over seven hundred persons being relieved out of the funds from the Bow street po three days, some of the cases being most

The Queen's Christmas was celebrated very quietly at Osborne, the death of An altercation took place between Mar-Prince Henry of Battenberg having ion Garner and Harry Kline, alias Bronroyal baron of beef, which is the principal dish on the Queen's sideboard, was latter city do not like the idea of losing was fattened on Her Majesty's Flemish farm, Windsor Great Park. The joint was roasted at Windsor and sent to Osborne Christmas eve, along with a boar's head and a woodcock pie. All duly appeared on the sideboard vesterday. Her Majesty received from Her grandson, Emperor William of Germany, as usual, a genuine Hare de Sanglier from the famous royal preserves at Springe, Hanover, and another from the Duke of Coburg, besides a quantity of German cakes and sweetmeats.

were followed out in the true spirit

At Rochester six poor travellers enjoyed the Watt's charity, in the shape of an old-fashioned dinner and a present amounting to 8,455,631 bushels in three fourpence. In Liverpool hot pots were given to the last year. The volume of business, all poor, and the impoverished people of branches considered, is not large. HALIFAX, Dec. 26.—About 5 o'clock on thousands of free breakfasts, dinners, 297 in the United States against 322 last

DECADENCE OF COBDENISM.

London says: Comment has been pro- of public charities and the protection tenders for new fire engines be had ation and about 65 delegates were in atfrom America, the proposal was received tendance. The congress was in session with a howl of disapproval showing that for six days, during which many inter"made in America" is apparently reesting and valuable papers were pregarded by members of council with equal aversion to "made in Germany."

The Conservative newspapers claim to see in this incident an evidence of the decadence of Cobdenism, and express the opinion that Great Britain must certainly have travelled a long way the position taken by the old free traders, when a popularly elected body like the London county council approves of the idea that no work must be given to foreign countries while Britains need employment.

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—Justices Tait, Jette

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CECIL RHODES' DECLARATION.

PORT ELIZABETH, Cape Colony, Dec. Rhodes here, he made a speech in the course of which he declored that his public life was not ended, and that he would not give up his seat in parliament until he was turned out. He asserted that no savage country can remain a part of Africa. Cape Colony, he said, must be the dominent power south of Central Africa. His idea was to assimilate the tariffs and the peoples. This, he sald, could be done in the North. It was not a question of race, but of unity. He urged his hearers to cultivate a closer union with other South African communities. He stated that when he was negotiating with the late Charles Stewart Parnell, Parnell had promised him that a clause should be inserted in the home rule bill which would permit representatives from the colonies to sit at Westminster.

London, Dec. 26. — Cecil Rhodes' speeches at Port Elizabeth, Cape Colony, are exciting much comment both here London, Dec. 26.—Christmas weather and in Cape Town. In the course of his speech on landing in Port Elizabeth he said: "I am going to meet and be exhis speech at the banquet tendered him at Port Elizabeth he referred to the

mother country as a power out of sympathy with him to whom he had presented a new colony. The Times protests against Rhodes bullying the British public, who have stood by him during a year of trouble

fair hearing. BRONCO PETE KILLED.

Boise City, Idaho, Dec. 24.—News has rerched here of a tragedy at Hagerman. c) Pete, during which Pete shot, and it is supposed, fatally wounded Garner. Pete at once mounted his horse and struck for the cattle camp of the Shoesale outfit. A posse at once started in pursuit, and as he had stopped to see a woman to whom he was engaged to be married, the posse overtook him. He was ordered to throw up his hands, and replied by opening fire on the posse, who in turn shot him dead. Bronco Pete was a cowboy and all-round bad man from the locality where Dia-mond Field Jack and others recently killed several sheepherders.

WHEAT STRONGER. New York, Dec. 24.—In their report Christmas day here was sunshiny and Dun & Co. says: "Wheat has grown a was quietly spent. Many of the old cus-little stronger in spite of the disturbance of the English Christmas. At Queen's of the Chicago market. The exports College, Oxford, the ancient ceremony of have been 1,471,443 bushels, flour inbringing the boar's head was solemnly cluded, for five days, and 8,392,587 for gone through in the presence of the Unifour weeks, against 8,527,969 for versity Dons. from Pacific ports, the increase has been 20,000 weeks of the month, against 14,344,850

PUBLIC CHARITIES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.-Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood, of Washington, who was one of the delegates from the United States to the International congress, which was held at Genoa, Switzerland, in September last, to consider the administration sented and ably discussed. Among the important topics considered were the education of abandoned women.

JAPAN AND PERU.

Washington, Dec. 24.—An interesting eremony occurred at the Japanese legation at 11 o'clock this morning, when the final ratifications of the new treaty between Japan and Peru were exchanged by Minister Hoshi, of Japan, and Consul-General Bergmann, acting pleni-potentiary of Peru. The new treaty is one of a series which Japan is effecting with all the nations, and is almost stantly on the increase, especially in the New England States and for the ex
It took the best part of a year to get the Quebec, are here trying to secure higher identical with the one concluded with the United States a year ago.