Off to Europe For More Goods

Chris. Spencer to Leave on Mon day to Make Purchases For 1901.

Business of Great Departments Store Growing to Enormous Proportions.

Chris Spencer leaves for Europe Monday. For the twenty-first time, he oes across the Atlantic to ransack the kets of the Old World in a search for all that is new and beautiful in the nerable lines carried by the great cal departmental store known far and, near as "Spencer's Arcade." Paris, Belfast, Bradford,

London, Paris, Dentary, Huddersfield, Nottingham and Glasgow will be visited by Mr. Spencer. In Lonthe large manufacturing industries in Europe, inspect samples, get prices and receive general information about the conditions of the world's markets and the trend of business generally. In the great metropolis, purchases covering all lines of goods handled by his concern will be made for the spring and summer trade of 1901; in Paris, he will look over the newest things in millinery, chiffon and fine laces, and the delicate manufactures for which France is famous, and make selections; in Belfast, purchases of the far-famed Irish linen manufactures will be made; in Glasgow, the newest and best that is offered by the canny Scotch will be inspected; and in Bradford and Huddersfield, selections will be made of woolen cloth, dress goods, etc., for which those large English centres are famed.

Mr. Spencer will sail from New York and go direct to London, afterwards visiting the other points mentioned. He will be absent a period of three months. Heretofore two trips to European markets have sufficed to keep the Arcade uptodate in its stock, but this year no less than four trips will have been made. This will serve to indicate to what enormous proportions the business is growing.

Asked by a Colonist reporter as to how he large manufacturing industries in DESIRABLE FURNITURE AND EFFECTS

to their wants, the patent parcel carriers kept up a perfect hum in their journeys to and fro to the cashier's department, and the whole institution throbbed with the bustle of business.

A momentary inspection of the various departments visited was a perfect revelation to the reporter, who remarked that hundreds of the male sex in Victoria must be unaware of the magnitude of the great establishment. To this, Mr. Spencer replied that the ladies, at all events, were not ignorant of the institution's attractions; and one could not doubt the truth of his statement, as the big store literally teemed with the presence of members of the fair sex.

Another and most important branch has lately been added to the firm's business—furniture and general house furnishing; and from the stock in the Arcade, one may now equip his house from too to bottom. In all, in the great establishment, 150 hands are employed; and the stock carried aggregates in value upwards of \$200,000.

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At once an idea flashes across his mind. He will fix his mother a smiliar rig and it will be so handy that she can't.

This will furnish capital to purchase supplies for another job and mother will help to advertise his new business.

On going to the electrical supply store to get more bell wire and some double pointed wire tacks, he is informed by the clerk that special pushes are made for dining room floors which are operated by the foot.

He concludes to use the push he has

SALES BY

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Preliminary IMPORTANT Unreserved Auction Sale

In front of our salerooms, Fort St. ON TUESDAY, DEC, 18, AT 11 A.M.

6 Teams of Heavy Draught Horses, Waggons, Carts, Harness

work. These horses have been working steadily up to date, and are all grain fed and in splendid condition,

Preliminary Auction Sale

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17th

AT 2 P. M.

After experimenting with push, bell, and battery, all close together until familiar with the details, the next step is to put the bell in a separate room from the push and the battery in some out of the way place. A new feature is at once introduced, that of wiring. It seems very simple, but requires careful thought and action, in order to do it well.

changed and the button nushed the bell rings sharp and loud.

Two things have been well impressed upon the young electrician. One is that when wire is added to a bell circuit extra battery power must also be added to make the outfit work well, and another that two batteries can be so connected in a circuit that one will not allow the other to work.

When improperly connected they act like two boys of equal strength trying to push or pull each other along a path in opposite directions. Neither one can make any progress.

Great Britain.

Charles Holmes then entertained the assemblage with a vocal solo, "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean," which efficited loud applause.

Vice-President W. Harrison then proposed the toast of the "Governor-General of Canada," alluding to His Excellency's recent visit to British Columbia, The toast was drunk with great enthusiasm.

Col. Prior, in the absence of Mr. J. B. Lovell, who was down far the toast, not proposed the health of the Lieutenant-Governor. All present, he felt sure, would be sorry to hear of Sir Henri Joly's illness and glad to learn that it

Re-Union of The Pioneers

Thirtieth Annual Dinner Held at Hotel Victoria Last Evening.

ard condition and capable of any Mayor Hayward Makes an Important Announcement Regarding Civic Policy.

> The thirtieth annual dinner under the auspices of the B. C. Pioneer Sowas in every sense a decided 'success. Mayor Hayward, who was present, seized the occasion to make an important announcement in civic policy which will be received with very great interest by the public, viz., that a scheme

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In company with Mr. Chris Spencer search well as the push button is so simple that the average boy can take two pieces of their service and the push butt

Royal Consom FISH.

Layonnaise Potatoes. ENTREES. cloin of Beef and Mushrooms. French Peas, Bacon and Beans.

SALAD. Prime Ribs of Beef, au jus.

VEGETABLES. d Potetoes Stewed Turnips in Crear Plum Pudding, Hard and Brandy

Vanilla Ice Cream. Chocolate Layers.

Sweet-Catawba.

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In the absence of Mr. H. D. Helmcken, Mr. C. H. Lugrin accepted the task of proposing the toast "British Columbia Pioneers." He regretted that he had not had time to give the theme a little thought before attempting to speak. He dwelt briefly on the importance of the work done by the pioneers, and, alluding for a moment to provincial politics, expressed the hope that the government would adopt such a policy as would enable all present to reap some of the many advantages which ought to follow from residence in a country so richly endowed with natural resources.

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ster.

of the globe, who, by turns, were doing, every hour of the twenty-four—those awake doing it while others slept, exactly as he had done—those impressive bars floating up and out of the various climes, never silent and never without reverent listeners.

Eichard Hall, M. P. P., also responded to the toast. Although not exactly a pioneer, he had lived over 41 years in the country, and felt he was almost one of them. Alluding to the provincial government, he thought he was associated in the house with gentlemen well qualified to represent the interests of British Columbia. (Applause.) He related some reminiscences of the olden days, and spoke optimistically of the future of Victoria.

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Take notice that I, A. S. Going, agent for the Mount Sicker and British Columbia Development Company. Limited Free Min

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IN THE MATTER OF the application of George Collins for a Certificate of Indefeasible title to lot five hundred and nine, (509), Victoria City.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Certificate of Indefeasible Title to the above hereditaments will be issued to George Collins on the 10th day of March, 1901, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein or in some part thereof.

S. Y. WOOTTON Registrar-Gene Land Registry Office. Victoria, B.C., 4th December, 1900.

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WANTED—By youth, 16, position in whole sale or mercantile house. Small salary at ceptable, rather than be out of employment; references. Address B. C., Colonis office.

WANTED-A girl for light housework. SALESMEN wanted to sell our goods by sample to wholesale and retail trade. We are the largest and only marriacturer, in our line in the world. Liberal sulary paid. Address Can-Dex Mfg. Co., Savan ret. G.

WOMAN wants any kind of work, by the day; washing, ironing or cleaning. Apply WANTED—A good girl, to do plain coo, and assist with general housework; used to children preferred: good wa Apply 125 Quadra street.

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Our agents make from \$100 to \$200 a
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place to buy men's buys' youths' and
misses boots and shoes, where the sale
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pair in window and open for your inspection in seven large glass cases inside.
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Address J., this office.

VERANCE LODGE. I.O.G.T.—Sa'e of work, supper and concert. Temperance Hall. Tuesday afternoon and evening. Admission afternoon free. Supper and concert 25 cents. Supper from 6 to 8 p.m.d9 DRESSMAKING PARLORS FOR RENT—
As Mrs. Fraser is retiring from business on Jan. 1, the rooms now occupied by her at 35 Fort street, will on that date be for rent, furnished. Apply Miss McDonald, 45 Menzies street.

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ly or in class. Children's class Sa
afternoon. Class nights. Monday.

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THE YORK LAUNDRY MACHINERY & Supply Co., Limited, 82 Church street; works, North Toronto. FOUND—An Irish setter dog. with collar and chain. Owner can have same on ap-plication to J. Owens, Tennyson road. 9

LOST—On Saturday, between Campbell's cigar store and Mellor's, Fort street, \$13 in bills, Finder please return to R. F. Ely. care of J. W. Mellor. LOST-Small white dog, answers to name of Toodles. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at 190 Pandora avenue.

EDUCATIONAL. EDUCATIONAL—Miss C. G. For has re-opened her school, at 36 Mason street, 27 SHORTHAND SCHOOL-15 Broad street Individual instruction in shorthand, type-writing, book-keeping.

P. BANCROFT. of the BALTIMORE OYSTER HOUSE & Johnson street, is agent for the specially fine oysters from the beds of the Waldrib Oyster Co. Puget Sound, and is prepared to supply them wholesale or retail; try, them once and you will buy no other. Chinase do not open our oysters.



FORTY-THIRD YEAR

Preparing To Spring

Returned Missionary Says Reformers in China Are Ready For War.

The Immensity of the Movement Has Not Been Properly Understood.

Intend at All Costs to Overthrow

the Reigning Mancha

Vancouver, Dec. 14.-(Special)-The Rev. Robert Jaffray, head of the Chinese Mission Association in the prov ince of Kwang Si, South "China, and son of Robert Jaffray, one of the proprietors of the Toronto Globe, reproprietors of the Toronto Globe, returned from China by the steamship
Empress of India. Mr. Jaffray made
the startling announcement this morning, that he expected to hear any day
that the Reformers were sweeping over
China from the south. Mr. Jaffray says
that for months before he left, millions
of Reformers in South China were openly organizing and holding secret meetings. In fact, the reform wave had
reached such a pitch that the mandarins had been frequently set at defiance,
and when one of them had attempted to
collect what was thought an unjust tax
from Canton merchants, the merchants collect what was mought an unjust tax from Canton merchants, the merchants had locked the gates of every street in Canton and refused to pay any taxes at all, until the mandarin promised to make no further attempt to collect the obnoxious levy. In the provinces of Wang Ting and Kwang Si, the Reform

wang Ting and Kwang Si, the Reformers were securing immence quantities of arms and ammunition, and were straining like hounds at the leash, in fact, so impatient were they to overrun and overthrow the reigning dynasty that several minor engagements had taken place between scattered troops of the Reform and Imperial armies.

These petty engagements are discouraged by the Reform leaders, however, the object of the leaders being, if possible, to restrain the vast reform force until the powers have spoken regarding their pleasure as to the present dynasty. If the powers do not decide to overturn the present dynasty, he believed that the Reformers in the south of China will commence their terrible march to Pekin, and the Reformers would rice 22 over China as well.

Mr. Jafray said he did not believe that the Reformers would wait, however, ready to

announce to the word their pleasure regarding the reigning dynasty of China. He believed from what he saw with his own eyes, that the uprising was imminent. The recklessness occasioned by all this preparation was evidenced on every side in South China. There were no Boxers there, but rebels continually made raids on the missions, thirty-seven mission houses being burned by rebels in the province next to his, previous to his coming away. Mr. Jaffray further stated that the Reformers had unlimited wealth at their command, and reached enormous proportions, abling the leaders of the Reformer hire trained soldiers. He believed the immensity and the 'horror of Reform movement, should it take pl the immensity and the horror of the Reform movement, should it take place would overshadow in importance the brief reign of the Boxers.

Mr. Jaffray is returning to Toront after several years' service in Chin. H.: is accompanied by Mrs. Jaffray, and both are guests at the residence of M. J. P. Serveren.

A STRANGE STORY. Vancouver Police Are Said to Be Some-what Verdant.

Vanceuver, Dec. 14.—(Special—A gentleman who is in the government employ and does not desire his name mentioned saw a short, thick-set man, answering to the description of the man who has been terrorizing Vancouver, in the act of holding up an elderly gentleman at the gate of Mrs. Cope's boarding house of Robson street. He described the mat to the pedice. It is stated that a man answering to the description given by the government employee was subsequently arrrested, gave the police smooth talk, and was released. This man was shadowed immediately after his release antil he was seen hiding a paper parcel. The parcel was picked up and found to contain, among other things, a pair of loud check pants, iden tified as those worn by the man wheld up Frank Springer, manager of the district despatch, on a previous oceasion The man has disappeared. The police deny the story. Vancouver, Dec. 14.—(Special -A gen

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT. Lord Rosebery Objects to Stock Broers and Premier Rebnkes Him.

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London, Dec. 14.—In the House a Lords to-day, Lord Harwick answers Lord Rosebery's criticism in the house on the re-assembling of parliamen when the latter referred to the Unde Secretary of State for India as being member of a firm of stockbrokers. Besid that when he had been effered th appeintment he had explained to Lor Salisbury and to Lord George Hamiltot the secretary of state for India, that hwas relinquishing active business con nection with his firm. After Lor Bosebery had re-asserted the correctnes of his principle, Lord Salisbury too exception to the soundness of Lor Rosebery's views. He said that ther was a clap-trap cry against stocl brokers, who were not guilty o commercial sins than others of the mercantile community. To say the no one connected with commercial mercantile community. To say to no one connected with commerce business was capable of filling government position was not only stigma upon an honorable profes sion, but the circle of men available for the service of the country could be diminished. The field for the selection of ministers was small in this country. The doctrine invented by Lord Roseber