DE IN CANADA

on the market, all being busy oliday trade. pring trade will be given a rest. k or ten days. oliday trade has been very large

greater generally, it is believed rade movement so far this me n very satisfactory and the outnto this week there was a good for goods early in the week, later:

travelers off their became quieter on and will likely be a atil the return of the year. sales this year were very heavy rs report a splendid busine which have been slow th k, are likely to show a marked ent during the next ten days sult of the large holiday sales are generally spot cash transac-

entlook for business after the first year is very promising. Money ood demand and firm.

ec during the past week busias been fairly brisk, particularly at the retailers. Wholesalers are ting stock taking and those who ished report favorable results. shoe factories are very busy and neral outlook is good.

YORK, Dec. 26.-The following me of the weekly clearings as ed by Bradstreet's for the week December 25th, with per centages se as compared with the coring week last year: real \$20,556,185, increase 49.3. tto, \$12,528,518, increase 26.7.

eg, \$5,102,593. ax. \$1,364,792, increase 16.6. iver, \$1,165,421, increase 62.0. n, 786,929, increase 7.5. hn. N. B., \$711,412, increase 4.0 \$925,568, increase 87.6. c, \$1,205,777, increase 2.9. a, \$1,603,273, increase 7.2.

ME LIKE A THUNDERBOLT

AHOMA, Dec. 27.-The report United States government will a duty of 10 cents a pound on anuary 1st, when the duty is re-on new arrivals, has caused some ossible, however, that tea merjobbers, grocers and others en-may be able to induce the gov t to withhold such action, which ica which was one of the Span. taxes, is to be lifted on January and in anticipation of that, large quantity of Japan tea

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United States, and sold at a price than the best American Manufactured only by SHURLY & DIETRICH, Gelt, Ontario,

CHRISTMAS IN GREENWOOD= THE WEATHER

GREENWOOD, B. C., Dec. 26 .-Christmas passed quietly in Green ood. The weather was clear and mild, with a Chinook breeze blowing the melted the snow so quickly that had it continued it would have made the sleighing bad. The services in the the sleighing bad. The set vice in the sleighing bad. The set vice in the streets were well attended, whilst the streets were enlivened by the presence of a number of men in from the mines. ots of young people passed a merry ime skating on the rink, whilst the urlers played on their rink with mucl zest, the match between married and numarried members resulting in a win for the latter by one point. The Christas tree entertainment and dance at the Mother Lode mine on Christmas ve was a decided success. Numbers of the townspeople went up, sleight naking frequent trips, and it was well the tired dancers got back to town.

The Greenwood city council showed that the Christmas spirit was not lack-

amount was accompanied by a kindly and complimentary letter appreciative of the services of the members of the department. "The boys" expended the money in giving an "At Home," at which they entertained their friends. P. Burns & Co.'s butcher shop was broken into and some poultry stolen on Christmas morning. It was found that the sausage room, under the shop, had first been entered, but there was no means of interior communication between it and the shop, so the thief went to the front of the shop and broke in the window sash and three panes of glass. He took several geseand turkeys and left these at the Norman Maxwell getting \$30,000 and his partner the helping the hostendar that he the halance. The property has a model of the halance. and turkeys and left these at the left the balance. The property has a den Hotel, telling the bartender that he would call later for them, but one of ern 10-stamp mill, connected with the mine by an aerial tramway. The work-Burns & Co.'s employes came in for mine by an aerial tramway. The work breakfast shortly afterwards and heard ings consists of three levels, the ore be of the incident, so he saved the thief ing stoped out of two, the remaining the trouble of carrying them away by one on the surface not being touched taking them back to the shop. It is The pay ore vein has 14 inches average, thought that the theft was but a which would run about \$17 in gold. At drunken freak of some one who had been celebrating on Christmas Eve. tered, which, of course, ran away up

typhoid and other internal troubles, and it had been evident for several days previous to his death that he would not recover. He was an English-man and many years ago came, with man and many years ago came, with his relations, to Canada. About eleven years since he left Ontario for this province. For some time he was in the employ of Messrs. Bell and Naden in brownee. For some time he was in the employ of Messrs. Bell and Naden in the sawmill business in the Nelson district. For the past four years he had been ranching in the Boundary, first at Boundary Falls and latterly at Rock Creek. He was about 48 years of age and had only one relative in British Columbia—a brother, believed to be in a serious condition.

Age and Adverted He was a serious condition. fast declining years.

(Special to The Miner.)

GREENWOOD, B. C., Dec. 24.-The contract for sinking a shaft one hundred feet on the Gold Finch minera claim, situate close to Greenwood and recently bonded by C. M. Fassett of Spokane, has been awarded to J. H. Griffin and P. Steffen, who have already commenced to work with four

place and the building of the brickwork is now in progress. Superintendent Goodell hopes to have the secon furnace in operation early in January, but pending the arrival a few weeks later of another blower and additional loilers he will not have sufficient blast or steam power to run both furnaces to full capacity.

(Special to The Miner.)

GREENWOOD, B. C., Dec. 24. -About four inches of snow fell last night, making the sleighing unusually good for so early in the season. The tempera ture is mild and the weather most fav orable for Christmas pastimes, earlier frosts having provided good ice for both skating and curling. The Greenwood skating rink is being freely patronized and the curling club's rink is also in use, curling having been started this week. The curling club yesterday received a second set of stones, and it is intended to play a match between rinks made up of married members against

Special Christmas services are announced for tomorrow in St. Jude's Church of England and the Roman Catholic Sacred Heart church. In the former church there will be holy commun ion at 8 o'clock a. m. and 12 o'clock noon; matins at 11 o'clock a. m., and children's service at 2:30 p. m. The services in the Roman Catholic church will be first mass at midnight, second mass at 9:30 a. m and vespers at 7:30 p. m. C. AE. Shaw, P. L. S., has returned rom Keremeos. From him it has been scertained that there is quite a lot of snow on the ground in the Similkameen, which is unusual in that part of the ountry, but little snow falling on the lower levels in ordinary seasons. Asked as to what work is in progress in contion with the mines of that district he stated that although he did not visit Hedley City he heard nothing but good

the Olalla company's claims, but as yet nothing like sufficient development has been done to warrant the "boosting" this company is getting in the effort to sell

A. Archambeault, an employe at the Mother Lode mine, was struck on the head by a falling rock this morning, rehead by a failing rock this horning, re-ceiving a nasty gash, which necessitated his quitting work for the time. He mis-took the warning signal for the "all right" whistle, so did not seek shelter when the blasts were fired in the quarry. He was fortunate in not receiving more

F. W. Groves, P. L. S., returned re-cently from the Similkameen, where ne has been engaged in surveying work during the summer and fall. He intends returning to Princeton after the holi-days, and will take his family back with

AT YMIR MINE

(Special to The Miner.) YMIR, Dec. 26.-The Canadian Exploration Company, which corporation n towards daylight before many of owns the Porto Rico mine, situated at the head of Barrett creek, and about seven miles from the Nelson & Fort ing in the members, who voluntarily Sheppard railway, is being wound up voted \$25 to the fire department, which in London.

This company was organized in England in 1897 with a capital of £500,000, of which £300,000 was issued, options were taken on numerous properties in British Columbia, Rainy River and Arizona, and the Porto Rico is the only property that ever turned out well. This property was located by a man named Maxwell in the spring of 1896, and from the surface showing large assays were and but for the damage done to the into the thousands. During the time the shop window would be regarded as mill was run some 6000 tons of ore were treated. After paying expenses the prodied in the Sisters' hospital on Wednes-day. He had been suffering from typhoid and other typhoid and typho back into the property in development, consequently when the levels referred to were stoped out, the property had to

Granby Company.

(Special to The Miner.) GRAND FORKS, B. C., Dec. 24.—At a recent meeting of the directors of the Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelting & Power Company, held in Montreal H N. Galer of Grand Forks, ass to the manager, was appointed assist men.

At the Montreal & Boston Copper company's smelter at Boundary Falls the iron work of the new furnace is in place and the building of the company's over his premotion. lations over his promotion. He will sume his new duties on January 1.

REMAINS OF U.S. MINISTER BUCK

TOKIO, Dec. 8. via Victoria, Dec. 27 .-Cold and rainy weather prevailed this orning, the time appointed for the funeral ceremonies over the remains of Col. A. E. Buck, United States envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Japan, but the inclemency of the weather could not affect the impressive ness of the last tribute paid to the mem ory of the departed minister. A worthy representation of Americans and offi-cials of the Japanese and other nation-alities attended the sad rites in Tokio, and the remains were afterwards escorted by mourners to the bluff, wh they were deposited pending their conveyance to the United States.

SENSATIONAL BANK ROBBERY. The Bank at Union, Missouri, Robbe

of \$15,000. ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 27.-The ba at Union, Mo., was robbed of \$15,000 in a sensational manner early today. Residents near the bank were aroused by the sound of an explosion and rushed into the street. The burglars opened fire and finally made their escape in safety. Their number is variously esti-mated from two to seven. A hasty examination of the vault showed that it had been looted. The building had been almost wrecked. Probably shots were fired by the burglars. While the noise aroused citizens generally Hedley City he heard nothing but good accounts of the work the owners of the Nickel Plate mine are doing in putting in a stamp mill, concentrator and other lated Christmas celebration.

1,500TONS ORE WILL BE SHIPPED DAILY FROM PHOENIX MASSACRE OF

(Special to The Miner.)

PHOENIX, B C., Dec. 26.—Christmas day of 1902 will go on record as being a day on which the largest ore shipment ever made from a camp in the province was sent out to the smelters, and being all its power troubles, the regular rate of at least 1500 tons daily is to be maintained indefinitely.

The C. P. R. finding that there was not sufficient motive power on hand to he and the formation of eight cars from the Snowshoe. Several times before 1500, 1600 to the shoel to the sheet time valley line has not sufficient traffic to the keep the three engines busy, so No.

The C. P. R. finding that there was not sufficient traffic to the leavy ore shipments keep up from the leavy ore shipments as is fully anticipated, this new acquisition may be placed on the exclusive run between the Snow-shoel shoeld the ship to the valley lin

MINISTERIAL PRESIDENT CRISIS WILL FOLLOW

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Dec. 27.-Count Lamsdorf, the Russian foreign minito Belgrade and Vienna, was given a luncheon today by Dr. Danef, the Bull-luncheon today by Dr. Danef, the Bull-garian premier and foreign minister, at which Prince Ferdinand and the engarian premier and foreign minister, at which Prince Ferdinand and the en-

A torchlight procession of several thousand Macedonians visited the palace this evening, and their spokes-man thanked Count Lamsdorf for the ald given by the czar to Macedonian refugees, and expressed the hope that the lot of their brethren in Turkey might be improved.

The Russian foreign minister re

This utterance was received with

frantic cheering, the band accompanying the Macedonian procession playing the Russian anthem.

Indicate what Germany will do regarding the Macedonian procession playing that the powers raise the blockade before Venezuela will accent The Hagne

LONDON, Dec. 27. — An agency dispatch from Belgrade, Servia, predicts that the first result of Count Lamsdorf's visit to the Servian capital will be a ministerial crisis, and says the minister of foreign affairs has al-ready resigned, and the remainder of the cabinet will probably follow his example. The dispatch adds that the Russian foreign minister's visit will lead to a reapproachment between Rus sia and Servia, and that a visit of th king and queen of Servia to the czar will certainly follow.

HUMBERT FAMILY UNDER GUARD

the Humbert family, who were arrested here in connection with the great Paris is Columbia—a brother, believed to be in the neighborhood of Ashcroft. He was a Forester until about a year ago, when he dropped out of that order, so his old mother, still living in Ontario and but ill provided for, will not reap the benelt of his \$1000 insurance money which, had he kept up his membership, would have been hers to keep her in her fast declining years.

is in a serious condition.

A Mr. Atwater of London, England, has been appointed manager of the manager of the Ymir Gold Mines, Limited, property has been appointed manager of the Ymir Gold Mines, Limited, property has been appointed manager of the Ymir Gold Mines, Limited, property has been appointed manager of the Ymir Gold Mines, Limited, property has been appointed manager of the Ymir Gold Mines, Limited, property has been appointed manager of the Ymir Gold Mines, Limited, property has been appointed manager of the Ymir Gold Mines, Limited, property has been appointed manager of the Ymir Gold Mines, Limited, property has been appointed manager of the Ymir Gold Mines, Limited, property has been appointed manager of the Ymir Gold Mines, Limited, property has evening and conveyed to the rail-way station for their journey to Paris. They were under a strong guard of French and Spanish detectives. The male and female prisoners were confined in separate cars, and no communication was allowed between them. H. N. GALER PROMOTED.

The special train will be attached to the Paris express on reaching Henday, the French frontier station at noon to-

11 VILLAGES IN RUINS. a Result of the Earthquak Around Andijan.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 27.-Ad Andian it result of the recent earthquakes, and that fully 6000 houses have been destroyed in these scattered settlements. The weather is warmer and the work of rescue is proceeding with better results. No one is permitted to enter Andijan without a police pass.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 27.-A dis-ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 27.—A dispatch from Andijan, dated December 25th, says that during that day there had been a continual undulation movement and upheaving of the earth, the disturbance increasing in strength towards evening. Later a number of isolated shocks were felt.

RESULTS OF THE STRIKE.

County Buildings and Offices Closed For Lack of Fuel.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 27.-As result of the failure to secure fuel and the bitterly cold weather the county buildings here were abandoned today and the various public offices and courts closed. Dealers who hold contracts to furnish fuel for the county buildings declared that they were unable to se-

AGED WOMAN MURDERED.

TOMS RIVER, N.H., Dec. 27.-Ge Bennett of Tuckerton was arrested to night charged with the murder of Mrs Mary Darby, aged 60 years. Mrs. Dar by was choked to death in her hon on Christmas day. The police say the found in Bennett's possession the key to Mrs. Darby's home and several other articles belonging to the woman.
George Rider and Albert Stiles, who were arrested on suspicion, have

CASTRO LIKES YANKEES

BERLIN, Dec. 27.-The Lokal Anster, who has arrived here on his way President Castro is one of the few change of notes between the allied pow-to Belgrade and Vienna, was given a Venezuelans who do not distrust the ers, Venezuela and the United States

tire cabinet were present.

Political subjects were carefully avoided in conversation during this American financial control instead of clared emphatically that if American ter to transfer their business relations forthwith from Hamburg to New York. President Castro's resistance to meet

and Italian subjects whenever the sponded simply with the words: "I blockade exhausts its resources. thank you." The foreign office officials decline cate what Germany will do regard-

fore Venezuela will accept The Hague

arbitration.

fiscate the property of British, German

WAS IT ONE OF ANDRE'S PIGEONS?

MONTREAL, Dec. 27.—Charles A. Bramble, of the Canadian Pacific railway, has received word from an old Hudson Bay officer living near the height of land that two or three years ago an Indian woman living in the distinct in the control of the part of the control of the part of the care of the ca trict immediately south of James Bay, though at a considerable distance from it, killed a strange bird with a piece of tin tied to its leg. The correspondent thinks it may have been one of Analysis in the correspondent thinks it may have been one of Analysis in the correspondent thinks it may have been one of Analysis in the correspondent the correspondent to the

ent thinks it may have been one of Andre's pigeons. He writes:
"I shall make inquiries about it and shall ascertain if the piece of tin has been preserved. Moreover, I shall do this without delay. You will agree with me that it is worth looking into."

TOKIO, Dec. 27. Yesterday an extensive landslide took place in the Ho-shu colliery in Fukuoka prefecture, and about 200 miners who were in the mine at the time were entombed. The work of rescue was at once started and five hours after the landslide a connection was re-established. Particulars as to the personal ensueling as a supplier. the personal casualties are not yet

Correspondence of the Associated Press received from Yokahema by the steamer Tartar tonight includes details of a horrible baby farming conspiracy in Osaka. An elderly woman, her married daughter, husband and two others have been arrested for infanticide, and it is learned that since they started operations they have killed 3000 children—80 this year.

erations they have killed 3000 children— 30 this year.

The Kobe Chronicle publishes a lengthy account telling of the "prison" editor employed by the Japanese papers, whose duties are to be imprisoned in case a verdict is given against the paper he is supposed to edit for libel or other offences.

FROST IN FLORIDA.

It Is Feared That the Orange Crop Has

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 27.— Last night was the coldest of the sea-son so far. The thermometer reached son so far. The thermometer reached 24 here and 30 at Tampa, with a killing frost. It is feared that the young or-ange trees are killed or badly hurt, as the previous warm weather had kept the sap in the upper limbs. There is considerable fruit yet in groves, and in some sections this may be hurt consid-

A NEW SUPERINTENDENT.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 27.-It was announced today by A H. Smith, gen-eral superintendent of the New York they eral superintendent of the New 1974.

key Central railway, that Joseph P. Bradbut also saves The Hague tribunal from the field, superintendent of the Buffalo division, has been appointed assistant genwho eral superintendent of the entire road.

who been Mr. Bradfield will assume his new Northern.

Northern duties in New York on January 1.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. 6. 7. Grove box. 25c.

METHOD OF **ARBITRATION**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 27. zeiger's Caracas correspondent says: There is now in progress an active ex-

this afternoon was that several days at least must elapse before anything in the international. Some of them have de- nature of a preliminary protocol can be made ready for signature. Germany' control is established it would be bet-cent of her full claims before submit It is President Castro's plans to con- ing what the allies regard as the gations of honor, are believed to be now the sticking points. But it is hoped that these can be passed within the next few days, and it is further hoped that some arrangements will be made in the preliminary protocol for the raising of the blockade, though it is intimated that allied ships will be kept ready to renew it in case of any deficiency on part of Venezuela in her obligations.

MICHIGAN SUED FOR \$6,000,000

DETROIT, Dec. 27.—The Michigan of Central railway this afternoon began suit by summons in the Wayne circuit court against the state of Michigan for \$6,000,000 for damages from the revocation of the railroad's special charter by a special session of the state legislature just before the close of Governor Pingree's administration. The state in revoking the charter gave its consent to be issued. Under the charter the road could charge 3 cents per mile passage fare and paid a specific tax on gross earnings in lieu of other taxes. Under the general law it can charge only two cents a mile fare, and is subject to an advalorum tax on its property, which is doubling its annual taxes. With Henry Russell, counsel for the road, are associated in this case Attorneys John G. Milburne of Buffald and John G. Johnson of Philadelphia.

The demages of \$5,000,000 ere alleged to DETROIT, Dec. 27.-The Michigan "PRISON" EDITOR and John G. Milburne of Buffalo and John G. Johnson of Philadelphia. The damages of \$6,000,000 are alleged to be for only one year.

A 285 POUND BUCK.

A Big Hemlock Deer Attacked an Nearly Killed A Hunter. gest deer killed this season in the hem-lock belt district of Pennsylvania was a buck bagged on the headwaters of the

Clarion river. It weighed 285 pound and had seven pointed antiers.

Some veteran bentled made a vexed and foiled the hunters in that district for years; but as there are a dozen hunters in Potter county alone who pretend to have lain Old Golden low almost every year for the past ten years or more, the identity of this deer with that alleged tough and smart old fellow is open to question. But whether this buck was Old Golden or not it came near killing James Merwin, guide, before he was killed himself.

CONGRATULATES PRES. ROOSEVEL

PARIS, Dec. 27.-Baron D'Estourn es De Constant, the French deputy, wh was one of the delegates from France to the international peace conferen and who is a member of The Hague arbitration tribunal, has written a strong congratulatory letter to President Room velt on the submission of the Venezu the letter expresses the view generally The B. C. Assay and Chemical prevailing in official and diplomatic circles here, that the American cours not only adjusts the immediate issue but also saves The Hague tribunal from

SALMON RIV= **ER INDIANS**

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 24.-The steamer Amur, which arrived from Skagway today, brought news of the nassacre of Salmon River Indians and the murder of a storekeeper, whose store was looted and burned, by the Pelly River Indians. Dispatches from Dawson, published by the Skagway papers, say that the Little Salmon Indians were on their way out to sell furs when attacked by the Pelly Indians. The Little Salmon Indians were encamped, and they awaited the appearance of the Pellys without exrecting danger. When they were within a short distance of the unsuspecting Little Salmon Indians they yelled lustily and simultaneously fired their guns. A number of the Little Salmon Indians were murdered on the spot, others were followed and killed while they were fleeing for safety, and a smaller number effected their escape. The survivers returned to the home village. and the women and children were hurried to the police post at Tantalus for

safety.

Little definite news was received regarding the attack on the store, which occurred on December last, and vague reports have been received by the police, but the statement is made that the storekeeper was shot and killed and his assistant, who was wounded, fled to the

woods, but being unprepared for the cold would probably die. The store was

SNOWSLIDE AT THE MOLLY GIBSON

(Special to The Miner.)

NELSON, B. C., Dec. 26.—Word eached this city this afternoon that a snowslide Christmas night carried away the bunkhouse of the Molly Gibson mine. There were nineteen men sleeping in the house at the time, of which one, J. Campbell, is known to be

to reach the city yesterday, says that there is little hope of saving the miss-ing men. Nine of the men are out of the slide and supposed to be safe in the

Am just leaving to go up. Will sen particulars on return.

ON THE COAST

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 26.—Heavy rains, which occurred last night, resulted in the Esquimalt & Nanaimorailway bridge at Koksilah being washed away by the freshets in the river, which rises suddenly after the rains. Dan-age is reported from other points along the line, and all trains between Victoria and Nanaimo have been cancelled until Wednesday as a result of the havoc A private cablegram received here tonight announces the death on Christmas eve, at Waterford, England, of Mrs. G. B. Dodwell, wife of the chief partner of the shipping firm of Dod-

FIRE AND LOSS OF LIFE.

SAN PEDRO, Cal., Dec. 27.—A fire in the centre of the business district destroyed about \$75,000 worth of property today. Half the prominent business blocks in the city were burned. B. Swift, a laborer, and N. C. Andfinsen, a retired capitalist, perished.

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