GOVERNOR M'INNES ON VISIT TO CITY

He Reports Good Year in North, But Looks Forward to a Bumper Season Next Summer.

(From Monday's Daily.)

Governor McInnes, of the Yukon, arrived in Victoria on Saturday evening and is spending a few days in the city before leaving for Ottawa. He will take up with the government at the capital some departmental matters, which will likely occupy his time until February.

The governor has the greatest faith in the Yukon, and seems to enjoy life in the North. He says he has found things very congenial, and parises the residents of Dawson and the district, describing them as the finest of people to live among.

The coming season promises to be an exceptionally good one in the North he says. There has been a new interest aroused among those in the territory, and the last four months of the year saw tremendous activity in prospecting. There were three times as many claims prospected in the past four months as compared with previous seasons.

This, the governor says, is due in a large measure to the fact that the new mining code came into effect four months ago. This code, which was submitted to and approved of at Ottawa last year, has met the popular demand in the North. It gives an absolute assurance as to title and removes other restrictions which were formerly complained of. The completing of this code by the governor and council of the Yukon and the sanctioning of it by the Dominion government has been very acceptable to the prospectors, as evidence by their activity since it came into effect.

The output of the gold during the past season is placed generally at $5,500,000, says Governor McInnes. This is a remarkably good showing in view of the fact that three of the best producing creeks were locked up during the season by passing over to the possession of the Guggenheims. The latter corporation, by entering the field of operations in the North, will have a decidedly beneficial effect. The company have three large dredges ready to begin operations next year, and have spent, it is estimated, about $3,000,000 in preparatory work. They will make a still larger expenditure during the next few months, and next season will employ 1,700 men probably. This will ensure employment to all in the district who are seeking work, and, according to the rates paid during the time they have been operating, there should be satisfaction in this respect.

Governor McInnes will not visit Seattle before his return from Ottawa. He has been requested by the managers of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition to pay that city a visit and discuss questions with them affecting that event in 1909. The governor has shown his hearty sympathy with the object aimed at in giving publicity to all pertaining to the Yukon. He will not have the time, however, to go to Seattle until his return from the East, and then he expects to spend a few days conferring with them.

Altogether the past season in the Yukon, Governor McInnes says, has been a good one, but next year promises to be a "bumper" one.

Mrs. McInnes will accompany her husband East.

PROGRESS OF WORK AT PRINCE RUPERT

GENERAL ACTIVITY AT THE YOUNG CITY

Piles Purchased For New Wharf—Hotel Building Will at Once Be Proceeded With.

(From Monday's Daily.)

According to reports brought from the North work is proceeding satisfactorily at the new townsite of Prince Rupert. The contract has been let for sufficient piles to ensure the construction of about half a mile of new wharves, which will be built nearer the entrance to the harbor than the present one.

In the meantime the wharf first constructed is being used for the preliminary townsite, and work on it is progressing quite satisfactorily. About 1,000 yards of planked roadway has been constructed from the landing wharf. On either side of this the necessary buildings are being constructed. Lumber for the purpose is landed at the wharf and carried along the way by hand cars. Light rails are being ordered and by means of a stationary engine the lumber cars will be hauled along the way to any point required. There are about six or ten men being sent in by each steamer, so that quite a little colony already live at the new town. New buildings to accommodate the men have been built, and a post office opened.

Adjoining the post office building there will be a custom house built, and when that is completed and an officer installed, all the steamers running from Seattle to the North will make Prince Rupert a port of call. The United States companies, always alive to their own interests, realize that within a short time Prince Rupert will be an important port with great commercial opportunities. They therefore seek early to get access to the port, and have expressed their desire to make it a place of call.

Canadian companies, which have an advantage, should realize also that there is a trade to be established and give the best service possible. Since the Princess May was taken off the run there have been complaints by those bound for Prince Rupert by the C. P. R. at the delays along the route.

The work of locating the exact line of railway from Prince Rupert eastward is progressing satisfactorily under Engineer Moore, who has transferred his headquarters to the Mainland again.

G. B. Dodge, who has been in charge of the hyprographic survey of the harbor at Pirnce Rupert, accompanied by his assistant engineer, Mr. Panizeau, arrived in Victoria on Saturday evening on the way East to Ottawa. It had been expected that these engineers would have remained all winter at the northern harbor, completing the work of survey. The plans, however, have been changed, and the government work on the harbor waters will not be continued this winter. It will be resumed, however, early in the spring.

Mr. Dodge has spar buoyed the entrance to the harbor so that it is easy for the largest steamers to enter it.

Speaking of Prince Rupert harbor this morning Mr. Dodge expressed the opinion that there was no better harbor on the coast. The entrance to it was also a magnificent one, effording no trouble in shipping. The Kestral rock located near the entrance was, in his opinion, an advantage. It affords a place for a light and a bell buoy if desired, which even in foggy weather would afford an exact guide to mariners. There was no shoal water near the rock, but on the contrary the water becomes deep right off the rock, so that vessels can sail close up to it.

In connection with the harbor entrance a recommendation has been sent to the marine and fisheries department asking for the placing immediately of three gas buoys so that vessels may have a guide at night as well as during the day.

The plans for the new hotel, to be known as the Prince Rupert inn, have been approved of and work will begin at once on it. It is expected that this will be ready by May. The hotel was previously described in the Times, and will be a model in point of comfort and convenience.

The question of water supply for the city is likely to be very easily solved. Investigation has located lakes higher than the Shawatlans lake, which will provide excellent water at a height which will require no pumping to supply the city.

Early in January the mill of the British Columbia Tie & Lumber Company will be in operation, and it is then hoped to be able to supply all the lumbers requirements of the new city. The mill will be electrically lighted, so that it may run night and day.

LONDON TO NEW YORK.

A Twenty-Four Hour Trip Is Predicted by a Member of Aerio Club.

From London to New York in 24 hours is the latest prediction arising from the air travel fever, says a London dispatch. Walter Reid, the expert adviser of the Aerio Club of the United Kingdom, who makes the prophecy, says that its fulfilment only awaits the production of a well-designed aerial motor. All the elements for the construction of the motor exist. A motor weighing less than five pounds per horse power can be easily constructed. Its structural material would be infinitely stronger than any in the organic world. A bird's wing is a marvellous structure, but it is heavy compared with the membranes available to the modern aeronaut. Mr. Reed emphasizes the necessity for devising an automatic steering gear, which he explains is a question of making the air machine automatically revert to a horizontal keel. This, as is evidenced by the torpedo, ought not to be difficult. Steering would then be effected by diverting the machine from its normal balance. The offering of prizes for aerial contests is proving contagious. The owners of the British rights of the Antoinette engine, with which Santos Dumont's eroplane is fitted, offer £2,000 to the winner of the London Daily Mail's competition, and £10,000 if his eroplane is made entirely in British territory. The Auto Car, an automobiling journal, offers £5,000 to the winner of the same contest if his engine is made in Great Britain.

The London Graphic offers £1,000 to the inventor of the first heavier than air machine flying not less than a mile, and carrying one or more persons.

BOGUS CAPTAIN SENTENCED.

Wilhelm Voight Sent to Prison for Four Years.

Berlin, Dec. 1.—Wilhelm Voight, rendered famous in Germany as "Capt. Von Coepenick," owing to his robbery of the treasury of Coepenick and the arrest of the burgomaster of that town October 16th, with the assistance of a number of soldiers who had been imposed upon, was to-day sentenced to four years' imprisonment and costs.

There was great pressure to obtain admission to the court room, applications for tickets having been received from all over Germany, and even from foreign countries.

CHIEF OF POLICE MURDERED.

Kazan, Rusisa, Dec. 1.—Chief of Police Chepoto, of this city, was shot and killed while leaving a theatre last night. The assassin was arrested.

GIRL TAKES CARBOLIC ACID.

Ended Her Life After Receiving Letter From Her Sweetheart.

Spokane, Nov. 30.—Grasping an empty vial in one hand and a crumpled letter from her fiance in the other Edna Maprice rushed into the room occupied by her parents at 9 o'clock to-night and dramatically declared that she had committed suicide.

While still muttering that she hoped they would forgive her, as her life was no longer worth living, she sank to the floor and expired before a physician could be obtained.

She had swallowed two ounces of carbolic acid and Coroner Witter, after viewing the remains, pronounced an inquest unnecessary.

Miss Maurice was an exceptionally pretty girl of 20 years and well to do.

WINNIPEG CUSTOMS RECEIPTS.

Winnipeg, Dec. 3.—The receipts at the Winnipeg custom port last month were $360,412.75. In the same month last year the figures were $282,455.76. The increase is $77,956.99.

STEAMER BEATRICE ARRIVES FROM NORTH

WILL BE TAKEN OFF THE SKAGWAY RUN

Butte and Spokane Capitalists Secure Option on Copper Claims at White Horse.

(From Monday's Daily.)

The steamer Princess Beatrice arrived from Skagway and northern British Columbian ports on Saturday night. She brought 125 passengers, most of whom landed at Vancouver, and a small freight. On the return trip calls were made at Juneau, where the steamer Burnside is laying a cable to Ketchican, and at the latter port. Among the first-class passengers were the governor of the Yukon, Hon. W. W. B. McInnes, who is on his way to Ottawa; J. M. Creelman, a Vancouver business man who has been north on a pelasure trip; E. G. Russell, who has been to Prince Rupert, and R. S. Sargent, a Hazelton merchant who will return north in the spring. Mr. Hazleton, referring to the congestion of freight at Essington, when conversing with reporters in Vancouver, said that he had been forced to sell in Essington nearly 35 tons of freight which the boats had been unable to take up the river. When navigation closed there was sufficient freight left to make up two full cargoes. The mines having closed at Conrad City many of the miners came south on the Beatrice.

The Princess Beatrice will not go North again for some time. She is to go on the Victoria-Seattle run, and her place on the Skagway route will be taken by the Amur. The Tees will take the Amur's place on the northern British Columbia service. Capt. Hughes, of the Beatrice, will probably take charge of the Amur, and Capt. Hickey will very likely handle the Beatrice on the run to the Sound.

Among the first-class passengers on the Beatrice were: D. B. Skinner, Jos. H. Fisher, S. M. Gilmore, O. Beard, M. A. Green, Rev. C. S. Milliken, A. Berger, Miss Mahner, H. J. Hutchinson and wife, J. D. Flemming, T. D. Laird, J. Scott, T. Cain, A. B. McDonald, F. J. McDonald, Wm. Banfield, F. G. Allison, H. R. Simpson, A. W. Harvey, E. G. Russell, J. Barnet, O. Evanson, W. Harrison, R. Hannah, A. W. Smith, E. H. Hegg, J. T. Burns and Capt. Bassingthwaite.

Advices from the North, brought by the Princess Beatrice, state that an option was recetnly taken on the Rabbits' Foot and Anaconda copper claims by James Moffet, at White Horse. Mr. Moffet is an experienced mining man, and represents a syndicate of Butte and Spokane capitalists. The bond taken by Mr. Moffet will run next June, when the snow will have cleared and a thorough inspection of the property can be made by representatives of the concern.

Sergeant Acland has been appointed to take charge of the R. N. W. M. P. at Dawson City. This appointment comes as a result of a memorial to Col. Whyte asking him to reinstate the police. Sergt. Acland will take with him to Dawson Corporal Withrow and Troopers Gillies, Squires, Mather, Ashworth and Hewitt. In referring to this matter the Yukon Yorld says: "Everyone will feel a relief to have the police once more stationed in town."

The World also records the acquisitions of large tracts of land by the Guggenheims, and predicts that the interest which is being shown in the Bonanza and other districts by eastern concerns will push up the price of claims.

In a rear-end collision between a passenger and freight train on the Lehigh Valley railroad, two miles west of East Rush, N. Y., John Yeager, engineer, of Buffalo, was killed and John Saunders, of Buffalo, was badly scalded. Saunders also sustained a compound fracture of both legs.

COMMISSIONER COOMBS.

Chief of Salvation Army in Canada Will Visit Victoria This Week.

Commissioner Coombs, chief of the Salvation Army in Canada, Newfoundland, Alaska and Bermuda, who is to speak in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church on Wednesday evening, will be accompanied by several of the leading officers of the Dominion. The party is to arrive on Tuesday's boat from Vancouver, and in the Army hall on Tuesday night Colonel Pugmire, who is the prison gate secretary for Canada, will attend a special meeting. He will be assisted by Brigadiers Howell, Burdett, Smeeton and others. A most interesting time is promised. The public is heartily invited to hear the Colonel, who is one of the most successful officers associated with prison gate work. His talk on his work will be most interesting, as well as that of those who will assist him.

SHIPMENT OF DOG WOOD TO ENGLAND

WILL BE FORWARDED ON THE ANTILOCHUS

The Ship Is To-Day Discharging Christmas Goods at the Outer Wharf.

(From Monday's Daily.)

An interesting consignment of freight which the Blue Funnel liner Antilochus will receive at the outer wharf is a shipment of 12 tons of dog wood gathered primarily in Vancouver Island woods and cut into small pieces two and four inches in diameter and 18 inches long by the Lemon & Gonnason mill, of this city. This consignment is not the first to be sent from Victoria by N. Mitchell, of this city, but its size evidences an increased demand which may some day in the near future become a very important export. The fibre of the wood is such as renders it very suitable for rollers of great variety, such for instance as are used in weaving machines, and it is to this purpose that the entire shipment, consisting of several thousand pieces is to be put.

There are several other shipments to be taken on at the outer wharf by the Blue Funnel liner, which total between four and five hundred tons. The freight is made up principally of whale products and canned salmon.

The Antilochus, which arrived from Liverpool and way ports on her round-the-world voyage last week, and went on to the Sound from here, returned to Victoria yesterday and this morning commenced the landing of 700 tons of miscellaneous freight at one of the ocean piers. This includes shipments of Christmas goods, and the first lot of the new season's crop of currants from Port Said, canned pine apples from Singapore, pig and bar iron, paper and cardboard, a 6-ton retort for the Victoria Chemical Works, groceries of various kinds, liquors, etc. In all 46,000 packages of freight will be discharged at this port.

On her inbound trip the Antilochus brought a heavy freight for San Francisco, including 40,000 cases of liquor, which she landed at Tacoma.

FAIR CONCLUDED IN BRILLIANT STYLE

LARGE SUM TAKEN FOR SANATORIUM

A Great Number Attended the Wind-Up and the Booths Were Entirely Sold Out.

(From Monday's Daily.)

Victorians gathered in hundreds to support the wind-up of the fancy fair at the drill hall on Saturday night. By 11 o'clock every article in the different booths was disposed of, and the total receipts fall little short of $2,500.

The event concluded in the same spirit of enthusiasm which had prevailed throughout. Among the helpers the willingness and anxiety never flagged. Up to the time when the last purchaser departed the zeal of all those engaged in the auxiliary undertaking was susceptible of no diminution.

Those in charge of the side shows had a busy time. From hour to hour the audiences increased, and at Mrs. Jarley's waxworks it was impossible to get standing room from 8 o'clock onwards. It needed no "Little Nell" to attract the crowds. The cause for which the fair was given was sufficient to evoke the sympathy and attendance of all.

During the evening the Watson family contributed a vaudeville performance which was received enthusiastically.

At the conclusion of the fair Stewart Williams disposed of whatever was left by auction. Some energetic bidding ensued, and within half an hour the entire stock was sold out. The sale gave rise to much laughter caused by the wittiicisms of the auctioneer.

The following is a list of the raffle winners: Bag, won by Mrs. Hirsch; bag, won by Mrs. R. P. Rithet; bag, by Mrs. John Irving; under bodice, Mrs. Dixi Ross; kimona, Mrs. Harris; fancy collar, Mrs. C. Denham; cushion, Mr. Wallis; doll, Mrs. Peter Ross; fancy blanket, Mrs. Landsberg; sofa cushion, Mrs. Shallcross; tea cosy, Mrs. Barnard; tea cosy, Mrs. Graham; tea cosy, Miss Cameron; Spitzbergen dog, Mr. Stratfield; hand-painted bag, Mrs. H. R. Pooley; cushion, Mrs. J. R. Anderson; Christmas cake, Mrs. James Anderson; cushion, Miss Anna Larson; cushion, Mrs. Siebenbaum; cushion, Mrs. Anderson; baby basket, Mrs. Bass; plum pudding, Mr. Rosenberger; case of champagne, case of whiskey and a cushion, all won by Mr. Warren, of the King Edward hotel; picture, painted by Mrs. (Canon) Beanlands, Miss McKeon; picture, painted by Mr. Bamford, Mrs. Stuart Robertson.

UNITED STATES NAVY.

Ships Which Will Carry American Flag on Pacific and Asiatic Waters.

A dispatch from Washington, D. C., says: The completed plans for the organization of the fighting vessels of the navy in two fleets for service on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts of the United States in such manner that the whole force may readily be mobilized in cases of emergency, is announced by Rear-Admiral Converse, chief of the bureau of navigation of the navy department, in his annual report just made public. The assignment of the ships of the battle line is to Atlantic waters, and of cruisers and gunboats to Pacific waters, in accordance with present strategic requirements.

The tentative assignment of vessels to Asiatic and Pacific waters is as follows:

Asiatic fleet—First squadron, First division—West Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Colorado. Second division—Baltimore, Chattanooga, Galveston, Cincinnati. Second squadron—Third division—Raleigh, Concord, Helena, Wilmington. Fourth division—Callao, El Cano, Quiry, Villabos. Coast defence—Monterey, Monadnock. First torpedo flotialla—Bainbridge, Barry, Dale, Chauncey, Decateur.

Pacific squadron—First division—Charleston, Milwaukee, Albany, New Orleans. Second division—Chicago, Yorktown, Boston, Princeton. Fourth torpedo flotilla—Preble, Paul Jones, Perry, Farragut, Goldsborough, Dowan.

At an early date it is expected that the Asiatic fleet and the Pacific squadron will be merged into one Pacific fleet, under the supreme command of a flag officer of the highest rank, in the same manner as the Atlantic fleet is now organized.

The bureau of navigation is making every endeavor to secure a battleship strength of sixteen in the Atlantic fleet, divided into two squadrons, which will furnish every opportunity for the practice of battle tactics and will enable the higher officers to acquire facility in their exercise of a large fleet, and in manoeuvering one homogeneous squadron against another.

LEAVING MIQUELON FOR THE NORTHWEST

POPULATION OF ST. PIERRE STEADILY DECREASING

French Government Reduces Tariff in Order to Stimulate Business of Island.

Sydney, Dec. 3.—Alarmed by the rapid decrease in the population of St. Pierre, Miquelon, the French government has revised the customs tariff for the island in order to stimulate business interests. For schooners entering the port for shelter or supplies the tax has been placed at nine cents per ton instead of 25 cents as heretofore; for vessels entering for the purpose of securing bait, 25 cents instead of 55 cents as previously. For trading crafts the old rate of 56 cents per ton remains.

This reduction in the tariff will have the tendency, the government hopes, to induce vessels seeking shelter and baiters supplies, to run into St. Pierre, instead of St. Johns, Newfoundland, as under the old schedule.

For the past two months the population of Miquelon, the last remaining possession of France in America, has been steadily decreasing by emigration to the Canadian Northwest. Every two weeks a steamer [illegible] port hundreds of Icelanders [illegible] son of abandoning the island [illegible] conditions.

"SPRINGBOKS" DEFEAT WALES.

Won by Score of Eleven Points to Nil.

Swansea, Wales, Dec. 1.—The South Africans, or "Springboks," as the Africander Rugby football players are known, defeated the full strength of Wales here this afternoon by 11 to 0. The victory of to-day is regarded as placing the "Springboks" ahead of all Rugby football teams. About 5,000 persons witnessed the game. The interest was so intense that the courts adjourned to enable the judges, lawyers, and others to attend.

COURT MARTIAL.

Naval Lieutenant Will Be Tried at Portsmouth on Monday.

Portsmouth, Eng., Dec. 1.—An Admiralty order was received to-day directing the trial by corut-martial of Lieut. Bernard St. George Collard, to whose order "On your knees" the recent mutinous outbreak here is attributed.

It transpired at the trials of mutinous stokers that Lieut. Collard on one occasion in 1905 lost his temper and gave the more offensive order to a stoker, "On your knees, you dog." The lieutenant subsequently was obliged to apologise.

After the late outbreak the admiralty ordered a court of inquiry into Collard's conduct in both cases, and in consequence of the finding he has been ordered to appear before a court-martial on December 3rd.

ANXIETY FOR EUROPEANS.

Rome, Dec. 1.—Anxiety is felt here for the safety of the European subjects of Adis Abeba, in case of a possible outbreak there following the death of Menelik, King of Abyssinia.

Deputy Martini, governor of Erythrea, who is now in Rome and who recently visited Adji-Abebe, in an interview to-day on the succession to the Abyssinian throne, said:

"There is a boy 12 years old called Jisu, a son of Menelik's daughter, who married Ras Michael. He will be supported by his father, but will be opposed by the other candidates, including Degiac Scsium, who is 20 years old, and a son of the recently deceased Ras Mangascia."

The Messaggero prints a rumor that King Menelik is dead, but in other quarters this is denied. It is asserted that Rasolie, a brother of Queen Taftou, is ready to fight desperately for successsion to the throne.

Maj. Ciccodi Cola, the Italian minister at Adis Abeba, has been ordered to return home. Capt. Colli will succeed him.

WALLS DEMOLISHED.

Ruins in 'Frisco Blown Down—Boy Killed.

San Francisco, Nov. 30.—Blowing almost with the velocity of 65 miles an hour, the highest winds ever recorded from the north prevailed over the city to-night, bringing down wall after wall through the ruined district. The high ruins of a building on Second street, near Market, toppled over with a roar, and for minutes afterwards only a drifting cloud of dust marked the place where the walls had stood. The shell was over 100 feet high, and the materi-

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Eddie Cuneo, aged 11, was killed, and his companion, Joseph Castro, aged 10, was badly injured this afternoon by falling bricks, which were blown from the top of one of the ruined walls of the Palace hotel.

POLISH SITUATION.

Bishop of Bresla Interviews the Pope—Will Confer With the Kaiser.

Rome, Dec. 3.—The Pope to-day received Cardinal Kopp, Bishop of Bresla, in a private farewell audience. The cardinal leaves to-morrow for Berlin, where he will see Chancellor Von Buelow and Emperor William and communicate to them the result of his conference with the Vatican authorities on the Polish situation.

The Vatican thoroughly sympathizes with the Poles but cannot espouse their cause against Germany, as the latter's policy is not directed against the Catholic religion.

The Pope charged Cardinal Kopp to convey his warmest greetings to Emperor William.

PREFERRED DEATH TO CAPTURE.

Farmer Who Failed to Rob Bank Ended His Life Rather Than Be Arrested.

Troy, Kansas, Dec. 1.—Realizing that he was about to be captured in an unsuccessful attempt to rob the state bank at Bendena, Kansas, yesterday, J. W. Harris, a farmer, shot himself to death.

Harris entered the bank and commanded W. Gillen, the cashier, and Theodore Sells, a clerk, to throw up their hands. He then ordered them to pull down the window blinds and lock the doors. Sells went behind the counter, ostensibly to pull down a window curtain and escaped through a back door. As he ran out of the door Harris fired one shot at him, but without effect. Fearing capture Harris calmly stared at Gillen a moment, and then killed himself.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Man Shot Another and Then Took Carbolic Acid.

Zanesville, O., Dec. 1.—At Middlebourne last night Benjamin Scott, aged 48 years, was shot and killed by James C. Nicols, aged 50, who then committed suicide by taking carbolic acid. Two months ago Mrs. Scott was granted a divorce from Nicols on a charge of cruelty and within three weeks she married Scott.

JAPANESE PUPILS IN SAN FRANCISCO

THE SCHOOL DIRECTORS PROBAE

Secretary Metcalf Likely to Favor Local Authorities in Report to President.

San Francisco, Dec. 3.—The Call to-day says: "School Director D. H. Oliver stated yesterday that Secretary Metcalf, before his departure for Washington, told the school directors that he believed they were clearly within their rights in establishing a separate school for Japanese pupils. This would tend to correct the impression that Secretary Metcalf had decided to favor the Japanese in his report to the president. The secretary's report, it may be assumed, will conform to his assurances to the school board."

HINDU CREMATED.

Man Died From Cold and Exposure and His Remains Were Burned.

Grand Forks, Dec. 2.—In the presence of a couple of hundred Hindus and a number of the residents of the west end of the city, the first Hindu cremation in the Boundary took place this afternoon about 4 o'clock.

The victim died several days ago and his death was kept a secret until today, when his body was placed on a pile of dry wood and reduced to ashes which were preserved by the Hindus.

The cold and exposure were the causes of the man's death.

Great consternaion prevailed among the citizens in the west end when they learned the cremation was to take place at their very doors.

SHOPLIFTERS ARRESTED.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 1.—Four Spanish-American shop lifters were arrested yesterday by detectives and $6,000 worth of silk and jewelry stolen from local department stores recovered. Within two hours of the arrest nearly $1,000 worth of this plunder had been identified by the owners. Pedero Sanchez, his wife and their two daughters comprise the prisoners. When arrested they were about to leave for Mexico.

QUESTION OF HALL MARKS.

London, Nov. 30.—On the appeal of the Goldsmiths Company the appeal court to-day decided that gold or silver cases of all foreign made watches, whether with or without works, must be assayed and hall marked before they can be sold in Great Britain. The jewellers intend to appeal to the House of Lords.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

A Madrid dispatch says: Senor Moret Y. Pendergast has formed a new cabinet with himself as premier and his appointments have been accepted by King Alfonso.

With her skull crushed and the finger prints of a stranger plainly marked on her throat, the body of Mrs. Caterina Privalo Bellamo, a comely Italian of 24 years, was found in her home, New York, on Thursday.

BRITAIN BUILDING SECOND DREADNAUGHT

KEEL PLATES HAVE BEEN LAID AT PORTSMOUTH

New Vessel Will Be Larger and More Powerful Than First Battleship of Name.

Portsmouth, Eng., Dec. 3.—The keel plates of another Dreadnought were laid here by Admiral Sir Archibald Douglas, the commander in charge at Portsmouth, this morning.

The new batleship will be larger and more powerful than the first Dreadnought and as much of the preliminary work has already been done it is expected that her construction will progress rapidly.

MURDER TRIAL NEARING CLOSE

CHESTER GILLETTE WILL KNOW FATE TO-DAY

Judge Announces That Night Session Will Be Held if Necessary to Complete Case.

Herkmyer, N. Y., Dec. 3.—Chester Gillette will probably know his fate before another day. The final scenes in the remarkable trial of the young factory foreman of Cortland, who is charged with having slain Grace Brown, his sweetheart, will be enacted to-day. District Attorney Ward will review the evidence which has been placed before the jury and demand that the prisoner be forced to answer with his life for the happenings of that day on Big Moose lake when Grace Brown went to her death. Gillette's counsel will argue that Miss Brown went to her death as a suicide, the result of her own action.

The opening of the court was delayed for some time before the Gillette case was resumed. The judge had said that the lateness of assembling will not be permitted to interfere with the completion of the case to-day. He has announced that a night session will be necessary to give the attorneys conclude their argument.

D. Feeter, a civil engineer, was by the defence when the trial was resumed to-day. He said he had been to South Bay and Big Moose lake within a few days after and made measurements at the point where the overturned boat was found. "At that place the water is seven and a half feet deep," he said.

Mr. Ward objected because conditions are not the same now as they were on July 11th, when Grace Brown's death occurred.

It has been testified by a witness for the people that the water was four and a half feet deep where the boat was found, and on cross-examination Mr. Feeter admitted that there was a difference in the water line when he made the soundings and last July when the alleged tragedy took place. "The summer shrubbery that was growing last July is now covered with water," he said.

District Attorney Ward called Julian Vanwine, manager of a cycle company in Cortland. The only question asked the witness was objected to and the objection was sustained.

"The people rest," answered Mr. Ward. "Anything for the defence?" asked Justice Devendorf. "Nothing more," was the answer, and all was ready for the summing up.

Justice Devendorf asked if the counsel wanted to be limited in time for their addresses. "I do not propose to limit you unless you desire it," he said. There was no request for time limitation.

PRISONERS ESCAPE.

Ten Men Who Were Imprisoned at Long Island City Gain Their Liberty.

New York, Nov. 30.—Ten of the most desperate prisoners in the county jail at Long Island City escaped from that institution to-day and are still at large.

The police of Long Island City began a search for them soon after they got away, and the entire police force of the city was notified to be on the watch for them.

The first four to get out sawed the bars of their cells and of the window opening into the corridor of the jail at 2.30 a. m. Once in the yard they had only to climb a fence and they were free. They were August Schram, charged with highway robbery; John Lothhold and Thomas Simetie, charged with burglary, and Alexander Templeton, charged with larceny. The absence of the men and the sawing of the bars of the window were unnoticed until the keepers opened the cell doors and allowed the other prisoners in the corridors at six o'clock this morning. Six other prisoners immediately crawled through the hole in the window. They were: Mose Nebel, Martin Toffey, Fred. Keller, James Singleton, Thomas Messel and Charles Smith. The escape was not discovered until seven o'clock, when an alarm was spread and a reward was offered for the capture of the prisoners.

THE LETHBRIDGE STRIKE.

C. P. R. Co-Operates With Authorities In Efforts to Prevent Suffering.

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 30.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier has received a telegram from Sir Thomas Shaughnessy saying that he need not fear any serious difficulties over the coal strike at Lethbridge, as Mr. Whyte, of the C. P. R., was co-operating with the provincial authorities to avoid any suffering.

An early settlement of the strike is expected.