

having penetrated hundreds of miles further into the heart of Africa than any white man before him. It is also said that he has established fifteen trading stations between Vivi and Roki, thus opening up a trade which must lead to the immediate advent of the traders religion, and, let us hope, to the rapid civilizing and christianizing of the country.

The Rev. Randall T. Davidson, the Archbishop of Canterbury's son-in-law and chaplain, had an interview with Cetywayo before he left England, on behalf of the Primate, in order to bespeak from him favourable consideration for the English and other missionaries in Zululand. The King it is said promised to allow them full liberty in their work.

The electric light is fast coming into practical use. The experiment of lighting sections of New York with Edison's incandescent electric lamp has been made successfully. Mr. Edison has laid eighteen miles of wire in pipes, and has placed sixteen thousand lamps in stores and offices. The work has been completed in about a third of this section, and five thousand lamps along six miles of wire were lighted for the first time a few weeks ago. "In all of these," says the correspondent of a contemporary, "the light was soft, perfectly steady, and seemed more evenly distributed than from gas burners, while it gave out only a fifteenth of the heat of gas. The expense will be a trifle less. The lamp circuits have a porcelain shade over an air-tight pear-shaped ground-glass globe four inches in diameter, in which is a carbon horse-shoe. All the subscribers express satisfaction with the experiment. Lights half a mile from the supply station burned as brightly as those in the station. When the work in the section is completed 22,000 lamps will be supplied from one station.

Details of the loss of the steamer "Asia," of the Great Northern Transit Co.'s Line, which left Collingwood on Wednesday evening last for French River and Sault Ste. Marie, convey the sad news that the loss of life is appalling. Almost one hundred persons, it is feared, have perished, and only two survivors. The Toronto Mail in speaking of the catastrophe says:—"The foundering of the 'Asia' and the destruction of her crew and passengers in the Georgian Bay is one of those calamities become so common of late as to be almost monotonous, but which, nevertheless, cause intense grief and indignation throughout the length and breadth of Canada. The excitement over the catastrophe in Toronto as elsewhere approaches the profound, and the demand for strict and prompt investigation is unanimous. People are beginning to enquire where all this is to end, or if those responsible will continue sacrificing precious lives to the greed of profit; for the impression prevails—rightly or wrongly—that if proper precaution were adopted these ever-recurring tragedies would be at all events less frequent.

The reception given the Governor General and the Princess Louise at Victoria, British Columbia, must have been gorgeous and most enthusiastic. The Vice-Regal party landed on the 20th, and were received by the Lieut-Governor and members of the Government. An address of welcome was

presented by the Lieut. Governor, and the party were afterwards escorted to the city by a numerous body of citizens, militia, marines, firemen, civic bodies and benevolent societies. St. Andrew's Society headed the procession. On arrival at the city Mayor Shakespear presented the freedom of the city. At the Chinese arch, an immense construction costing \$5,000 and profusely and richly decorated in form of a pagoda, 76 feet high, a celestial band played the welcoming march.

A Hampshire incumbent recently reported some of the blunders he had heard made in the marriage service by that class of persons who have to pick up the words as best they can by hearing them repeated by others. He said that in his own parish it was quite the fashion for the man, when giving the ring, to say to the woman: "With my body I thee wash up, and with all my hurdle goods I thee and thou." He said the women were generally better up in this part of the service than the men. One day, however, a bride startled him by promising, in what she supposed to be prayer-book language, to take her husband "to 'ave and to 'old from this day forth, for betterer horse, for richerer power, in siggerness health, to love cherries, and bay." What meaning this extraordinary vow could have conveyed to her own mind the Incumbent said it baffled him to conjecture.

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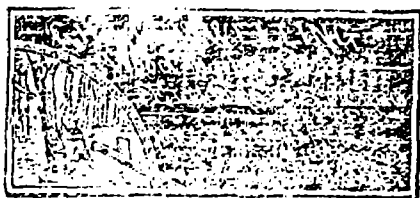
DORT—JAMISON.—At Pease Brook by Rev. W. J. Arnold, Sept. 6th, 1882, Ira Dort to Charity C. Jamison, both of Pease Brook.

BROWNING—McMULKIN.—At the residence of the father of the bride, on the 21st inst., by the Rev. James Neales, rector of the Parish, Mr. George Browning, of Fort Howe, St. John, to Miss Mary McMullin, of Gagetown, Queen's Co.

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