## THE TRADE OF THE ORIENT

A Young Englishman Who Recently Arrived From Kobe Talks of the Great Opportunities for Business.

More Markets Being Opened Up-Products of This Side of the Water in Great Demand.

A passenger on the Glenogle from Japan on her last trip was Seymour Haspun on her last trip was Seymour Has-kings O'Dell, a young Englishman who has seen about as much of the world as most men twice his age. Originally from London, he has travelled through South America, Europe, Canada and the Unit-America, Europe, Canada and the United States, and has made a trip to South
Africa. Alone, except for an extra
Lorse, he rode from the Yellowstone
park down the Colorado 1,200 miles horse, he rode from the Yellowstone park down the Colorado 1,200 miles through the wildest portion of the Am-

erican mountains. "Not an iota has the Oriental trade been over-estimated." ne declares, "bu. it will not be so much with Japan as with China, Manila and the Straits. Korea, Bangkok, Saigon, all these places have been neglected by foreign traders and are eager to embrace the advantages place them on the way to brighter things.

Japan is a good place to make money. but a poor place to live in. Edwin Arnold and others of his school have painted beautiful pictures of balmy airs tilled with floating cherry blossoms, of mountain peaks and dancing girls, but as a matter of fact, the country is unhealthy. the people immoral and dishonest. There is not a foreign resident on the island who does not stay because ne is making

some extent the same conditions prevail in China, but not to any such The Chinaman's word is as good

"As to the coming demand for Amerimade no secret of their pains for intro-ducing foreign foodstuffs. I was a fel-which will be held at the Hotel Victoria low passenger with these gentlemen on next Monday evening. the Empress and for a greater part of the voyage they discussed these matters.

not conducive to a strong constitution, one of the most popular members of the fire department, and Miss Priscilla and grain. He is one of the chief exponents of introducing the Anglo-Saxon into Japan, for he knows they will teach the natives to produce means to buy these things.

"There are hundreds of things in the cities of this side of the water which are | numerous costly presents. needed over there. Prominence has been been often given to lumber, iron and manufactures, but fully as well appreciated are agricultural products. native article is vile and Europeans are willing to pay almost any price for a thoroughly first-class quality. Not long ago I sent over for a ham by one of the Northern Pacific steamers, and it was so much better than any on sale over there that a friend offered me \$2 more than for it. With the advantages which British Columbia and Washington have for dairying and meat packing, they ought to build up a vast trade in these

'At the same time I sent for two Wat the same time I sent for the boxes of candy and they made a sensation. There is a great deal of native confectionery, but it is inferior and the foreigners have been depending on San Francisco chiefly for this article. Beer will never be imported to any great extent for the native because turn out tent, for the native breweries turn out a fair grade for 7½ cents a pint,

There is a great opportunity for manifacturers. More lawyers are needed but the peculiarity of the laws make it a Europeans unless some change is There is little reciprocity about it, and I prophesy that hereafter most of the American enterprises will be in

and flatter themselves that they are doing great work but as a matter of fact. natives merely go to learn English and take the religion as an unavoidable drawback to free education."

The Philharmonic Society's First Subscription Concert a Pronounced Success.

cert given this season by the Philhar- court of assize, is now sitting. The alcove was tastenot only in attack and general ensemble but in the admirable manner in which This is the twenty-eighth anniversary. they subordinated themselves to the solo-Greater attention took had nevidently been bestowed on the balance. In regard to interpretation it was delightful to hear such a large body of amateurs play so softly when the conductor required it, and Mr. F. Victor Austin must have noted with great satisfaction that time is amply repaying him for his labors in the past. Of their selections, perhaps Meyerbeer's "Etoile was received most enthusiastically, and it certainly went with a were all played excellently. Mrs. F. B. Pemberton's solos were rendered de-lightfully, especially that delicious little ove son of Greig's "Ich Liebe Dich," in the accompaniment of which the orchestra displayed unusual sympathy for amateurs, following the singer closely and never asserting themselves. For his recitation Mr. Finch-Smiles

announced that he had received a request to substitute for his advertised election Owen Meredith's poem "The Portrait." Evidently the audience were though he has been ill for some time, well satisfied with his choice, for this After leaving the Jubilee hospital, some poular elocutionist received a rousing weeks ago, Mr. Ridley apparently re-encore, in response to which he gave a gained health, but this morning Mrs. hypporous sketch in pantomime which Ridley found him dead in bed after she convulsed his hearers,

tation, but to live up to the excellent

column on Saturday.

LOCAL NEWS.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) -The returns for the week ending December 6th of the Victoria clearing house amounted to the sum of \$816,941; balances, \$413,501.

-Donald Perrier, who murdered Jen-nie Anderson in New Westminster last week, was one of the crew of the seaiing schooner Wanderer in 1892.

-The death occurred in the city today of Mrs. Edward Costello, whose husband died some time ago. She was a native of Truro Cornwall, Eng., and was 42 years of age. She leaves five

Friday, the 9th inst., at the old favorite resort, the Occidental. Included in the bill of fare is the old standby, bacon and beans, with reminiscences of early days.

-Messrs. Neill and Ward were nominated yesterday for the Alberni district, the polling taking place on the 15th. The contest will be a short one, and from advices received from gentlemen who returned from Alberni yesterday there appears little doubt about any-thing save the size of Mr. Neill's majority.

-Henry Clay, the well known Fort street confectioner, died this morning at his residence, Fort street, having been ill for some time. He was a native of Niagara, Ont., but has been in Victoria for a number of years. He leaves a widow, one son and two daughters. The funeral will take place from the family residence on Thursday at 2.30 p.m.

-A union committee from both lodges of the S. O. E. met at Jones's auction rooms last night to perfect arrangements can products, I can speak with some authority, for I have conversed myself the society. Sub-committees were draftwith Marquis Ito, premier of Japan, and with Chang Yen Hoon, the Chinese ambassador to the Queen's jubilee, and they was further decided to invite a number was further decided to invite a number of the chinese are the control of the chinese are the chinese and the chinese are the chinese are the chinese and the chinese are the chine

-A very quiet wedding was celebrat-"Marquis Ito has realized that the native mode of living on fish and rice is Rev. Percival Jenns, Mr. W. J. Smith, Pearson, of Wellington, being the conon him on the auspicious occasion, and the newly-wedded couple have received

There was a Klondike wedding in the city this afternoon, the contracting parties having become acquainted in the gold producing regions of the Yukon valley and decided to come out to British Columbia's metropolis to join their hands and fortunes. Mr. G. F. Toupain, a partner of Frank Cryderman's, and a partner of Frank Cryderman's, and Miss Carrie Asp, of Seattle, took the brincipal parts, Mr. J. Munro supporting the groom and Mrs. Munro accompanying the bride. Rev. Dr. Wilson performed the ceremony which took place in the parlors of the Dominion hotel at 2 o'clock. Mr. Stephen Jones, the proprietor of the house, will preside this evening at the wedding feast. Mr. and Mrs. Toupain are receiving congratulations on the happy ending of their Klondike wooing. their Klondike wooing.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) The funeral of the late John Smith took place this morning from Hanna's parfors, the Rev. J. B. Haslam officiat-

difficult proposition. The new treaty is going to make it almost intolerable there thirty tons of coal are now on the dump. Two new five-foot seams are reported to have been discovered.

-The military authorities at Halifax China, not Japan.

"Christianity is making little growth.

The mission schools are well patronized mouth on December 10 with 500 additional troops for Halifax and Esquimalt

-Referring to the dismissal of F. S. Roper as inspector under the contagious diseases act, announced in yesterday's Times, Premier Semlin said to-day that FULFILLED ALL EXPECTATIONS the appointment of his successor in that

office had not as yet even been discussed. -The trial of the members of the Soapy Smith gang, arrested last summer. Fay, the bartender, who shot a Skagwayan, and several other prison-Last evening the Institute hall presented a brilliant scene, a large and fashionable audience being present on the occasion of the first subscription control of assize. Is now sitting.

-The banquet of the Pioneer Society a large orchestra on the stage made a most imposing spectacle. From the commencement it was evident that this organization had improved greatly on the form displayed at their July concert, the form displayed at their July concert, the form of the first of specific of specific starts and the entertinment will excellent fare, and the entertinment will stories and stories and stories. excellent fare, and the entertinment will consist of speeches, songs and stories. Several parties who entrusted business to J. Knowles, the assager, who

left this city a week are anxious to find his whereabouts. Some of these gentlemen placed mining properties in his hands for sale, and in some instances he holds powers of attorney for the owners, who are now anxious to withdraw the authority.

Yesterday afternoon the first step in the process of closing the Y.M.C.A. building here took place, when part of swing and a dash that was irresistible the furniture and books were auctioned Burnett's Gavotte Victoria in charming off to meet the demands for rent and other composition) the spirited Stradella Overture, and the catchy Radetzky March, were all played excellently. Mrs. F. B. Pemberton's solos were rendered dependently of the charge from this source. ters to meet the charge from this source Part of the library also was disposed of and the rooms were formally closed. The remainder of the chattels of the Y. M.C.A. will probably be sold before the close of the year.

-R. E. Ridley, "Bob," the pioneer pioneers, died this morning at about 9 o'clock. His ending was unexpected, al-As a violin soloist Mr. Benedict Bant- fast. The cause of death is surmised to Be not this debut, playing the De Beriot Military Concerto for violin and orchestra in fine style, displaying marked talent. From his performance last evening his teacher, Mr. Austin, has with him in British Columbia during the last forty years. He was one of the every reason to feel proud of so promising a pupil. Altogether it was a debest known men in Victoria, having Society concert, and the Phillarmonic been one of the crowd who arrived here Society concress assured that in the future they will not have to make a reputation many years before that and his mining experience was of a most extensive naone established on this occasion.

"Moderato" will have something to say about the concert in the musical on the Fraser he remained until the outbreak of the Cariboo excitement in 1861. adapted to the talents of women

Omineca then attracted him, and in that | • • • • rest on a charge of muider on the high country he did the last of his mining Gleanings of City and Provincial News his final experience being on the Stikine river, where he narrowly escaped drowning, his cance being upset in the rapids. Since his last residence in Victoria, during the last ten or twelve years, Mr. Ridley has been prominently identified with the Pioneer Society, and his death removes a very active member of that society. The funeral takes place on Friday morning.

(From Thursday's Daily.) The Atlin survey party is completed, and will leave for the north on January 15th.

-Mr. Baynes Reed is the authority for the information that the present remarkably fine weather is an abnormal condition. The barometer gives a higher reading that in the finest midsummer

The case brought by one of the seamen of the Walter H. Wilson against Mate Chas, Hunter was yesterday after-noon dismissed by Police Magistrate Hall, the evidence being insufficient in the court's opinion to warrant the information.

R. G. McConnell, assistant to Dr. G. M. Dawson, director of the Canada Geological Survey, who was offered the post of provincial mineralogist of British Columbia, was married in St. George's Church, Ottawa, on November 31st, to Miss Jean Botterell. The bride is well known in Montreal and throughout the Dominion as an active worker in all kinds of philanthropic work.

-The funeral of the late Henry Ballantyne Clay took place this afternoon from his late residence on Fort street. W. Leslie Clay conducted funeral services at the residence and accompanied the cortege to the cemetery, where he officiated when the remains were consigned to the earth. The easket was almost hidden beneath the covering of floral offerings sent by the sym-pathizing friends of the bereaved family, The pall-bearers were: R. H. Jameson, Lombard C. A. Lombard. Geo. Winn, W. New-bigging and Otto Weiler. ley. who have been up the coast to pay off the Indian crews who served on their

city, but there is some doubt regarding A. Coote, a survey party who have been the direction in which he is to be search at work on some of T. Earle's mining his clothes and other belongings are in his room at 13 Perry street, and there is no indication of anything that should and J. Nanderson, prospectors, from prompt him to "skip." The provincial other points. The Willapa will not go out again until she has been overhauled, the waters of the inner harbor below the organised attempt will be made to her run being taken by the Queen City, fathom the mystery surounding his dis-

-A pretty wedding took place night at 170 Yates street, when Margaret Grace Singleton, youngest daughter of the late Peter Stoney Calvert, was united in the bonds of matrimony to F. Newberry Coslin, of the E. & o F. Newberry Coslin, of the B. & V. railway. The ceremony was per-ormed by Rev. Dr. Campbell, in the of a company of immediate resence friends of the contracting parties.
bride was given away by her brother,
Joseph Henry Calvert, and was attended by Misses Florence E. Conway
and Florence Marian Cameron. Marshall attended the groom. After the newly-wedded pair had received the congratulations of their friends the comoany sat down to a sumptuous dinner, after which Mr. and Mrs., Cos lin left by the City of Seattle to spen-their honeymoon in Tacoma. They wil take up their residence in this city.

-Particulars have been received in the city of the shooting affray which took place last week at Cascade City, and which was briefly chronicled at the time in these columns. The constable there had arrested a man named Miller for picking pockets and had left him in charge of a man named Kennedy, swho was a night watchman. Two men, Tom News comes from Quatsino that the Sullivan and Jack Rick, attempted to release the prisoner. Kennedy warned them, when one of them drew a revelver and shot him in the breast. The watchman returned the fire, wound ng Rick in the leg. Sullivan then attacked Kennedy, who shot him, the ball passing in at his back and coming out at his breast. nedy. Rick secured a clothes line and bound andages about his leg, and after anounsuccessful attempt to secure a liferse started walking toward the international undary line. Miller, who was released he next day, was afterwards seen with Rick making towards Rossburg, Un S. Kennedy and Sullivan are both lying at hospital, and it is believed both will

> A MONSTER LOG RAFT. One and a Quarter Million Feet to Be-Rafted to San Francisco.

Operations are well under wayin at West Seattle for the construction of pile rafts by the Robertson Raft Company, and within a month the launching of the ig cradle will be celebrated. Hundreds of enormous timbers have been towed over in rafts from it the Blakeley and Gamble mills, and are now on the ways being transformed into the gigantic cradle. The cradle is to be 625 feet long, and the rail of the sides will be twenty seven feet above the base timbers: When done it will have the hase the passenger when done it will have the appearance of the super structure of a long marrow building, without the good thes. It seems to be a linest promising the passengers of the passengers of the Queen City were Messrs. Short ind Sulfagenally, from the bottom thougive the bod the curved shape of a ship's hull. The cost of the cradle will be from \$5,000 to \$6,000.

The cradle will be complete by March, when the first piles for the first raft will be laid. The raft will be the largest ever constructed on the Pacific coast, containing 120,000 piles, of sixty feet length each. This means approximately 7,000,000 feet of lumber, if the piles were cut up, that will be taken to San Francisco in one load, not mentioning a deckload of 5,000,000 to 6,000,000 feet of saved lumber, which will be sawed lumber, which will also be ken. When affoat the raft will have the appearance of the hull of a vessel, and will weather most any sea. The piles vill be lifted into the cradle by a derrick, operated from a scow.

LAW INTELLIGENCE

This morning an order was made for the inspection of the ballots cast in the Kamloops election for use in the Martin vs. Deane election case. Most of yesterday's county court sitting was taken up by the trial of O'Leary vs. McDonald. The plaintiff sued for \$300, balance on sale of the Mirror saloon. There was a counterclaim set up in reference to certain losses alleged to have been made by plaintiff. Mr. Justice Martin held that there was a partnership and the loss should fall on both alike. The registrar

was directed to take an account. Miss Ethel Mary Charles is to be England's first woman architect. She has just completed her time in an architect's office in London, and will be admitted as an associate of the Royal Institute of British Architects next month. Miss Charles has gained several prizes for designs and Intends to open an office in a leading west end street. The profession of architect is held by London papers to be peculiarly adapted to the talents of women.

Along the Waterfront.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

The Alaska rate war continues with unvarying monotony. None of the steamship companies have made any move to-ward compromising or attempting to 1eestablish the business on its former basis. They seem content to continue the war on passenger and freight rates, and traffic men state there is no immediate prispect of a change. The present rates are \$10 and \$5 for all ports save Sitka; and a \$4 per ton freight rate. It has generally been believed that there would be a readjustment of rates before the spring rush to the Atlin and other Alaska districts occurs, but if this is to come, there is no indication of such a movement at present. Steamboat cals state that the only increased business resultant from the cut rates is in freight shipments. All the boats on the portunity for the more substantial arms to lay in heavy stocks and save the large that the Thompson will take her place. Passenger accommodations will have to heavy item in business in the north, and heavy item in business in the north, and the marchant who is able to avoid it the first time on her new run petitors. They say there is no increase in the passenger business which could have grown out of the cut rates. say the people who are going to Alaska would have gone at higher rates, and the difference between the two repre-sents the loss. Each of the Alaska liners every prospect of the business maintaining its present proportions.

Steamer Willapa arrived from Cape Scott this morning with about thirty passengers and an average cargo of general freight. Among her passengers were Captains Heuter, Searle and Far--Nothing has been heard of the whereabouts of Richard T. Walke, the employe of the Victoria Furniture Company, who disappeared some three weeks Other passengers were H. Bennett, H. There is no suspicion that he has Love, C. Michelet, N. Campbell, A. voluntarily absented himself from the Matheson, A. Vollon, A. English and J.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Notice is given by the Department of ed in port rather than continue fishing, Marine and Fisheries that the beacon for with the poor results obtainable their shown on admiralty chart No. 922, east of the east mouth of Capilano creek, has been carried away and should be removed from the chart. A new beacon has been erected by the government of Canada on the outer edge of the flats imprediately west of the east mouth of for many trips past. mediately west of the east mouth of Capilano creek. From the beacon Prospect point lighthouse bears S. 47 deg. 40 min. (S. 71 deg. 5 min. W. true) distant 1,065 feet and Brockton point lighthouse bears S. 66 deg, 40 min. E. leg. 15 min. E. true) distant 7.050 feet. The beacon consists of five piles braced together at the top, painted black, and surmounted by an open triangle, base upwards, painted white. The beacon upwards, painted white. The beacon shows 15 feet at high water, and dries neither of these varieties run in large at extreme low water. 160 feet south of numbers. Herring are just beginning at extreme low water: 160 feet south of the beacon is a depth of 23/4 fathoms; outside of that point the water deepens rapidly. The east mouth of Capilano creek in running through the flat now curves more to the west than shown on the chart and empties into deep water close to the new beacon.

Steamer Glenogle, the second steamer of the N. P. line that has sailed within a week for the Orient, sailed for Yokohama and other Chinese and Japanese ports this morning, loaded chock-a-block with freight. So great was the demand for space in her that a number of shipments were of necessity refused. earried a very heavy shipment of fo-bacco and cigarettes for Japan, which her officers hope to land in time to escape the prospective higher duties. There were few saloon passengers, but a crowded steerage, for at the present time there is a great exodus of Chinese crowded steerage, for at the bound home to spend the new year's holidays with their "cousins" in China. Fifty embarked here.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Steamer Queen City returned from the West Coast this morning with a small complement of passengers, mostly minng men from Clayoquot Sound and berni, and a light cargo of freight. She brings news that Hayes's camp on Alberni canal is getting busier on each trip. There is now 300 tons of ore on trip. There is now 300 tons of ore on the dump, and the owners are figuring on putting out between 150 and 200 tons daily as soon as the improvements now under way are completed. The men are nder way are completed. The iner are now at work cross-cutting a ledge into a big vein which crosses the property. The Queen City on this trip went up Trapina inter, an arm of Clayoquet. Sound to some mining properties situated about 25 miles above Clayog There are four different claims there Granite creek for all American spans cate. They talk very favorably of the properties seen by them. While at Alberni Messrs. Short and Sullivan looked berni Messrs. Short and Sullivan looked by an Excursion. which in their opinion, if properly worked, could be made a good paying concern At Hayes's landing there was some talk of the opening up of a new main by the Hayes people on Quatsino Sound. The Queen City will leave again for Ahousett and way ports on Saturday even-

According to private information which has just reached Port Townsend, in a letter from Buenos Ayres, the master and steward of the British ship Mary A. Troop had a narrow escape from conviction on the clarge of murder and are not yet free from suspicion. Among the crew shipped from Port Townsend on the last trip of the bark was a Chinese cook, and when the wessel arrived at Buenos Ayres Capt. Baker and Steward Bassingham were arrested, accused of jettisoning the cook. They are said to have pitched the Celestial overboard into the sea while on worder to the Aren. the sea while en voying to the Argentine Republic. They were tried before a British consular court, composed of British consul, the commander of the British gunboat Swallow, and two mers chant marine masters. The court absolved the master and steward from the charge of murder, but ofdered both home for examination before the charge of murder, but ordered both home for examination before the board of trade for excessively cruel treatment of the unfortunate Chinamum. The letter reached Port Townsend as a decided surprise, where Capt. Baker is well known, it not even being known that the vessel had reached Buenos Ayres. The first tidings of her arrival were controlled to the control of t The first tidings of her arrival were contained in the startling information that the master and steward were under ar-

A dispatch from San Francisco says the steamer Australia has arrived there from Honolulu with 520 officers and men of the New York Volunteers. The Australia brings news that shortly before she left Honolulu the steamer Mauna Loa arrived from Hawaii, bringing news of the burning, on November 5, of the ship W. H. Starbuck, lumber laden, from Port Blakeley for South Africa. Capt. McDonald's boat, with his wife, first mate and nine of the crew and three babies, landed at Hooken, November 26. When the vessel was abandoned crew left her in three boats. The boats emained together four days, when the first mate's boat capsized, the cook be ing lost. A storm came up several days later, and during the rough weather the second rate's boat was lost sight of and had not been heard of since.

Another steamer is to be placed on the Alaskan route. The Elihu Thompson, reight shipments. All the boats on the run are going north loaded to their tall capacity, and it is stated that the merchants of Alaska are availing themselves of the opportunity to ship in supplies, taking advantage of the low freight rates. The low rates have offered an opportunity for the more substantial firms to lay in heavy stocks and save the large from in steamboat charges. This is a would effect a large saving over his com- sail for the first time on her new run next Monday.

The little steamer Mist, which was engaged in the Stikine river business last summer, and which recently changed owners, is being fitted up for a gensents the loss. Each of the Alaska liners eral trading, freighting and towing is going north well leaded, both with business on the West Goast. She will freight and passengers, and there is ply on the different sounds and inlets from Cape Beale to Cape Scott; in fact running everywhere where she can pick up cash for her owners.

The mate of the British bark Hecla, now loading lumber at Moodyville, has been missing since last Sunday. It is believed that he fell from the wharf and was drowned

HALIBUT SCARCE. The Boisterous Weather Experienced of Late Responsible for Very Low

Catches. The stormy weather experienced during the past few weeks has had the effect of advancing the price of halibut His position is open for him properties on Clayoquot Sound. Carl somewhat, and now none of the big e Victoria Furniture Company, and C. Fredencksen came down from the cape Scott colony; W. J. Stone from an at 13 Perry street, and there dication of anything that should and J. Nanderson, prospectors, from esque Shantyville on Turret rock, and rock, have been making very poor catches—lower than they have had for many months past. In consequence of this, nearly half of the sloops remained in port rather than continue fishing for many trips past.

If the catch of halibut has been low,

however, the salmon take has been con-siderably less. The salmon are scarce, too, on the Sound, and owing to the scarcity the fishermen engaged by the fishing companies have had the price advanced from 10 to 15 cents a Steelhead salmon are just begin-to run on the Sound, and the fish. Tyees are expected in a few weeks, but to arrive—a month late. They are worth from two to three times what they were last year, in fact there is a general demand for fish all round, and much higher prices are being paid in the cities of British Columbia and the Sound than have been paid for many days.

For some time past a small party of
Victorians have been engaged in fitting up the tug Alarm to go halibut fishing off Cape Flattery, where there are, according to all reports, large schools of sloops of the local fishing fleet are unable to go on account of the boisterous weather. Operations have, however,

venture. KOOTENAY PIONEERS' SOCIETY. Vice-President Elected and the Organiza-

promoters of the scheme, it is said, to chart the tug Troubadour for their

been for the time suspended on the Alarm, it being the intention of the

tion Completed.

A meeting of the Pioneers of Kootenay was held in Dr. LaBau's office for the purpose of completing the organization of the society, says the Nelson Miner. There were about 20 persons present, who signed the roll. John Houston's resignation as vice-president was accepted, and Robert Green, M.P.P., was elected in his stead.

The following additional committeemen were elected: John Houston R. E. Lemon and G. A. Biglow. The officers of the society as elected are: Dr. LaBau, president; R. Green, vice-president; F. W. Teetzel, secretary and T. Ward, treasurer. The committee is T. Ward, J. Dover, J. Kirkpatrick, G. Tunstall, J. Houston, R. E. Lemon and G. A. Bigelow.

The by-laws of the British Columbia Pioneers' Association were adopted and the committee was instructed to select quarters for the meetings of the society, which will be held on the first Thursday of every month. The yearly subscription is \$10, and all are eligible for membership who came to East or West Kootenay before December 31, 1890. Those who came to the confirmative in the society are G. A. Bigelow and Tom Ward, the former The oldest timers in the society are G. A. Bigelow and Tom Ward, file former having thouse to Kootenay in 1883 and the

latter in 1884.

Excursion.

Nelson, Dec. 7.—The formal opening of the Crow's Nest Pass railway took place to-day, and the event was appropriately celebrated by an excursion over the line, to which the C. P. R. invited the representatives of the councils and boards of trade in West Kootenay. The occasion was made additionally important by the fact that the party left Nelson on the handsome steamer Moyle, which was put on the regular service. The Moyle arrived at Kcotenay landing at noon, and after the party had been lunched by the C. P. R. on board the steamer, they took a special train of sleeping cars and left for the east over the new line.

Cranbrook was reached about 6 p.m., and this evening the citizens of that town will entertain the party at a banquet. Wednesday night will be spent in the cars, and on Thursday morning after breakfast the train will leave for Fernie, and at 11 a.m. will arrive there. The coal mine and coke ovens will be visited, and after everything of interest there is shown to the vistors the Crow's Nest, Pass Coal Company will entertain the party at lunch. The return journey will be commenced immediately after lunch. Among the visitors are:

Rossland—C. H. Mackintosh, Hon. T. Giately after innen. Among the sareit areit.

Ressland—C., H. Mackintosh, Hon. T. Mayne, Daly, Mayor Wallace, J. S. C. Fraser, J. B. Hastings, J. Kirkup, Ald. Goodeye and Ross Thompson.

Trail—Col. E. S. Topping and Dr. Corsan.

Lichens have been found growing on the Himalayas at an elevation of 17,000

Number of New Appointments Gazetted and Notices of Applications for Railroad Char. ters Given in the Current Issue.

The Sandon Miners Seek Incorporation as a Union for Mutual Protection and Support -- Other Announcements.

The Canadian Yukon Railway Com pany will apply at the next setting of the Francis B. Gregory, to amend their of incorporation by inserting the we eighteen" instead of six in the first section 40, and by substituting n lieu of 1899.

The list of barristers and so icitors of the supreme court who have paid their annual fee and are entitled practice until the first Monday in vember, 1899, is published by P ampman, secretary of the law Power of incorporation will be appli by Bradburn, Dumbleton & for a company to build and operate railroad from Revelstoke, thence north erly along the valleys of the Colu and Canoe rivers to the 53rd parallel of

The Lieut.-Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of Jacob Edwin Brouse, M. D., of New Denver, as a coroner for the Slocan mining division McPhillips & Williams

McPhillips & Williams for an amendment to the "Kootenay and Companies Act. by consolidating in the Kootenay the Northwest Railway Company all the franchises, etc., granted by the "East Kootenay Railway Act, 1897," and the "Southeast Kootenay Railway 1898," and purchased or acquired by Northwest Railway Company, and to extend the time limit in the said acts. Joseph Stockham, Hugh McEachern, Geo. Smith, Grant Cox, Wm. J. Gar-butt, Robt. J. M. McLean, James Fenbutt, Robt. J. M. McLean, James Fenning, Michael Kirlin and Geo. McDonald, give notice of their desire to incorporate the Sandon Miners' for mutual protection and assistance, under the Benevolent Societies Act. "The Mount Sicker & British Co-

lumbia Development Company, Limit ed," are incorporated as an extra procompany is at 196 St. Vincent street, Glasgow, Scotland, and the capitalization £125,000. The head office for the province is in Victoria, with Henry Croft finencial agent as a taylor. Croft, financial agent, as attorney.
"The Victoria Mutual Aid & Improvement Company, Limited," has been incorporated with a capital of \$10,000, with registered office in Victoria. "The London & British Columbia Goldfields, Limited," is authorized as an extra previncial company, with head offices at 3 Lawrence, Pouteney Hill, England, and a capitalization of £200,

000. The provincial office is at Nelson, with J. Roderick Robertson as attorney. Application will be made by hillips & Williams, on behalf of British Columbia Telephones, Limited," (a company incorporated land, under the Companies Acts, 1862 o 1893, Imperial), for an act authorzing the said company to acquire the Westminster & Burrard Inlet Telephone Company, Limited," and the "Vernon & Nelson Telephone Company."

The following appointments are made

Peter Secord Lampman, barrister-atof Victoria, to be a stipendiary magistrate within and for the county Victoria, and to have jurisdiction under the "Small Debts Act" within the city of Victoria, and within a radius of 40 agent at Kam Tunstall. government loops, to be registrar of the county court of Yale, holden at Kamboops, vice C. T. W. Pearce, resigned; Martin Beattle, as-sessor and collector at Kamboops, to be clerk of the peace for Yale county, and mining recorder for the Kamiloops min-ing division of Yale electoral district, vice E. T. W. Pearce, resigned; William Mitchell, government agent at Cumber-land, to be a registrar of the county court of Nanaimo, holden at Cumber-land; and James Anthony Turner, of Nalors, to be cold comprisioner for the Nelson, to be gold commissioner fo Nelson, Ainsworth, Arrow Lake Goat River mining division of the West district, and agent, assistant commissioner of lands and works, judge of the court of re-vision and appeal, and to receive appli-cations for registration and record, vice Kootenav

CANADIAN BRIEFS.

O. G. Dennis, resigned.

Montreal, Dec. 5 .- A shocking murder and suicide occurred on St. James street on Saturday. Mrs. Ritchot, a bride of eighteen, was walking along the with a girl companion to meet her husband at the station. When opposite the Queen's hotel she met a former lover, Pierre Lauzon. Lauzon had said he would kill her if he ever met her, and she tried to run away, but the disappointed lover was too quick and whipped out a revolver and shot the woman in the head. He then tried to escape, but was overtaken, and seeing escape was impossible, he sent a bullet through his own brain.
Montreal, Dec. 5.—The Canadian Pa-

Montreal, Dec. 5.—The Canadian Facilia Railway Company's traffic receipts for the week ending November 20 were \$750,000, for the same week last year they were \$725,000.

Halifax, Dec. 5.—Examination of the damaged steamer Turret Chief, brought here from Quebec, shows her to be in a bad condition. Eighty-four of her plates are more or less damaged and repairs will cost in the vicinity of \$60,000.

Toronto, Dec. 5.—The London and

Toronto, Dec. 5.—The London and Brockville election petitions were formally dismissed this morning. Guelph, Dec. 5.—Jas. Kidney, a farm er near Arthur, accidentally shot himself on Thursday afternoon. Chatham, Dec. 5.—Fire started in Jas.

Scott's tailoring establishment on Saturday night and did about \$2,000 dam-Belleville, Dec. 5.—Ponton arrived here, accompanied by Solicitor Porter, his riends and a large party of Napanee riends. At the station h fully 500 friends and his hand shaken half of them. The sentence imposed on Mackie and the disagreement in re gard to Ponton are the only two subjects of discussion in the city. The excitement here yesterday was something never before equalled.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at the next session thereof, by "The Canadian Yukon Railway Company," for an act amending chapter 50 of the Statutes of the said Province of British, Columbia of the year 1898, entitled "An Act Respecting the Canadian and Yukon Railway Company," by striking out of said chapter 50, section 40 thereof, or by amending the said section 40 by inserting the word "eighteen" in few of the word "six" in the first line of the said section 40, and by inserting the figures 1900 in lieu of by inserting the figures 1900 in lieu of the figures 1899 in the sixth line of said section 40. section 40.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 7th day of December, A.D. 1898.

FRANCIS B. GREGORY.

Sol'citor for the Canadian Yukon Railway Company, the applicants.

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