mier Semlin and Hon. Mr. Cotton, and took his seat amid the loud applause of the supporters of the government.

RAILWAY REPORT.

The railway committee reported, submitting the following bills with amendments:

An act to incorporate the Vancouver, Northern & Yukon Railway Co.

An act to amend the North Star & Arrow Lake Railway Act, 1898.

An act to incorporate the Kamloops & Atlin Lake Railway Co.

The report was received.

The house adjourned at 4 o'clock.

Wednesday, Jan. 25, 1899.

The Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock. Prayers by Rev. Mr. Clay.

REPORTS.

The private bills committee reported the British Columbia Telephones Bill. The report was received.

The railway committee reported the South Kootenay Railway Bill and the Atlin Short Line Railway Bill. The report was received.

MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. Cotton introduced "An Act respecting appointments to boards and other public bodies." The bill was read a first time.

Hon. Mr. Cotton moved that the public accounts for 1897-8 be referred to the committee on public accounts. Carried.

Hon. Mr. Martin introduced a bill "To amend the Power of Attorney Act," and the bill was read a first time.

Hon. Mr. Martin introduced a bill "To Amend the Partnership Act," and the bill was read a first time.

Mr. Helgesen's bill to amend the Dentistry Act was read a first time.

Mr. Kidd's bill for the eradication of noxious weeds was read a first time.

Hon. Mr. Semlin's bill relating to the inspection of steam boilers was read a first time.

Mr. J. M. Martin moved for an order of the house for a return showing what companies required by their charters to give security for bona fide expenditure in surveys and construction within a specified time had given such security. The motion passed.

Mr. Macpherson moved for an order of the house for a return showing the number of Chinese and Japanese naturalized in the province of British Columbia for each year since 1890 inclusive. The motion was adopted.

PRIVATE BILLS.

Upon the motion of Mr. Prentice the Ashcroft Water Works Bill was read a second time.

THE REAL PROPERTY BILL.

The house went into committee of the whole on Hon. Mr. Martin's bill respecting the registration of real property in British Columbia, Mr. Henderson (New Westminster) in the chair.

Mr. Eberts asked if the expenditure on the salaries of officials in British Columbia under the new act would be very much in excess of that under the old act. He asked this because he found from the Manitoba public accounts that the salaries there amounted to between $50,000 and $60,000, while in British Columbia they only amounted to $23,000.

Hon. Mr. Martin replied that he anticipated that the whole expense under the new system would be met by some $20,000.

The committee passed as far as section 46, when in deference to the wish of some of the legal members of the house who had not studied the bill further, the Attorney-General moved that the committee should rise and report progress.

The further consideration of the bill will be taken up at the next sitting of the house.

Mr. Helmcken introduced a bill to amend the Kootenay and Northwestern Railway Act. It was read a first time.

The report on the Master and Servant Bill was allowed to stand on the request of Mr. Macpherson.

The House rose at half-past three.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

By Hon. Mr. Cotton—Of an act for the relief of the Municipal Corporation of New Westminster.

By Hon. Mr. Cotton—Of an act to amend "An Act to confirm an agreement between Her Majesty in right of Her Province of British Columbia and Frank Owen and William John Stokes, and to incorporate the Cariboo and Omenica Chartered Company."

NOTES.

Hon. Mr. Cotton's bill respecting appointments to boards and other public bodies reads as follows:

"Wherever by any statute, the Lieut.-Governor has power to appoint a member of any board of directors or of any other board or public body, and any such appointment has been made, the term of office of such person appointed shall terminate on the thirtieth day of June next, and the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council may appoint a successor for a term of one year from said thirtieth day of June, anything in any such statute to the contrary notwithstanding. This section shall apply to any appointment which the statute authorizing the same provides shall be made for a term of one year only."

Hon. Mr. Martin's bill to amend the Power of Attorney Act reads:

"Section 3 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes of British Columbia is hereby repealed: Provided, however, that the repeal of said section shall not affect any litigation pending at the time of the coming into force of this act, or any confirmatory instrument executed under the provisions thereof before the coming into force of this act."

Mr. Helgesen's bill to amend the Dentistry Act makes it unlawful for any person not holding a certificate of the board of examiners to practice dentistry or dental surgery in British Columbia. It provides for certificates to be issued to members of colleges of dentistry in Canada or Great Britain, to members of other colleges approved by the board and to students who pass the prescribed examination. The act does not apply to surgeons and others extracting teeth, but prohibits other than dentists or surgeons from collecting payments for extracting teeth.

Hon. Mr. Martin's bill to amend the Partnership Act provides that when there is more than one registrar of a county court for any county the declaration of partnership shall be registered in the office nearest the place of business of the partnership.

Hon. Mr. Martin's bill to amend the Bills of Sale Act enacts that every bill of sale shall within 21 days after making be filed in the county courts instead of in the land registry offices.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News In a Condensed Form.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

—Elverd Tetu, committed for trial to next assizes, was admitted to bail of $1,000 himself and one security of $500.

—The epidemic of influenza among the sailors of the navy continues and there are now over one hundred cases in the naval hospital. Some of the patients are from the other vessels in port, but the large majority are from the flagship.

—Mrs. Joseph Prothero, of Herald street, died last evening at the Jubilee hospital. Deceased was 71 years of age and a native of Cornwall, England. Her remains were removed to Hanna's parlors and notice of the funeral will be given later.

—The Chinese colony in Vancouver have contributed $750 and that in New Westminster $242 to the fund being raised in this city for the establishment of a Chinese school. The fund has now swelled to $4,338. The promoters will send at once to Canton for an instructor to be selected by the Benevolent Society there.

—The Metropolitan Methodist Church board at a recent meeting adopted a resolution in favor of severing the executive departments of that church and the James Bay Methodist Church. On Sunday, after the regular service at James Bay, a meeting was held and a similar resolution passed. It is thought both congregations could work to better advantage if independent jurisdiction were given to the branch church.

—Owing to the political meetings last evening and several other attractions it was decided to postpone the organization of the reading circle in connection with the University Association until Wednesday evening, January 25th, inst. By courtesy of the Rev. W. Leslie Clay the meeting will be held in the school room of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, but the places of meeting thereafter will be a matter for the members to decide. Addresses will be given and the public generally is invited.

—The marriage took place last night at the residence of the bride's mother, Quadra street, of Miss Esther Vibert Le Lievre to Mr. Henry W. Eickhoff, of New Westminster. The bride was supported by Miss Trace, of Victoria, and the groom by Mr. A. A. Marshall, of Stratford, Ont. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. C. Spear in the presence of the immediate friends of the contracting parties. After the ceremony a sumptuous wedding dinner was partaken of, after which the newly wedded couple drove to their future home on Cook street. Mr. and Mrs. Eickhoff were remembered by their many friends with a large number of handsome and valuable presents.

—The ninth annual meeting of the congregation of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Victoria West, was held last evening, with a good attendance of members and adherents. The pastor, Rev. D. MacRae, presided, reviewing briefly the history of the congregation since its beginning as a small mission, nine years ago. The reports presented by the Session, Board of Managers, Sabbath school, Ladies' Aid and Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, all showed the congregation to be in a prosperous condition and the past year's work the most successful in its history. Steps were taken to secure a vigorous effort being made during this year to still further reduce the debt on the church building, and also to effect necessary repairs. Messrs. Alex. Semple (re-elected) and Johnson were appointed managers to fill vacancies in the board of managers. Coffee and cake were served, and a half hour's social chat brought a very successful and harmonious meeting to a close.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

—Intelligence was received this morning of the death of Mr. William Dunbar, ex-mayor of Halifax, Nova Scotia. Some relatives of the deceased gentleman reside in Victoria.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. J. Prothero, who died at the Jubilee Hospital on Monday evening last, will take place from her late residence, 89 Chatham street, to-morrow afternoon.

—The joint committees, composed of the railway committee of the Board of Trade and Citizens' committee, met this afternoon at 4 o'clock to discuss a proposition which has been made by the Port Angeles railway people in regard to the proposed ferry between Victoria and Port Angeles.

—The remains of the late Mrs. Hepworth were interred in the Ross Bay cemetery yesterday afternoon. The Rev. Canon Beanlands conducted the service at Christ Church cathedral, which was largely attended. The pallbearers were J. J. Switzer, D. McLaughlin, C. Taylor, W. Snider, W. Lenfesty and W. Burt.

—The funeral of the late David Watson, who died at Edmonton, N.W.T., on the 12th inst., took place to-day from the residence of Mr. Frank Armstrong, Michigan street, where Rev. W. Leslie Clay conducted services. The pallbearers were W. Blair, W. A. Lorimer, J. Stewart and Sidney Wilson. The funeral arrangements were in charge of W. J. Hanna.

—The funeral of the late James Henry Waters, who died at Nelson, B.C., took place to-day from his sister's residence, Niagara street, and later from the Methodist church, James Bay, where the Revs. J. P. Knox and W. F. Swinerton conducted services. The following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: Messrs. H. Cameron, W. Pearse, F. Weare, H. Ware, W. Williams and G. Harper. The funeral arrangements were conducted by W. J. Hanna.

—Although within the last year or two the Farmer's Institute system of this province has been extended until it now numbers fifteen branches, yet no effort has until now been made to incorporate them in a central association. For the purpose of taking such a step Deputy Minister of Agriculture J. R. Anderson has summoned a meeting for the 3rd and 4th of February next to organize a Central Institute. There will be representatives present from the fifteen institutes and a permanent organization will be formed.

—The four men who were arrested for breaking into the schooner Casco and stealing therefrom $60 worth of ship's supplies were up for trial this morning. The result of the examination seemed to prove that Frank Brown was in no way implicated in the robbery and the charge against him was accordingly dismissed. In the case of the other three the circumstantial evidence was too strong to permit of anything but a commitment. Craigie offered the usual explanation of the fact of the goods being found in his cabin, saying that a boy, who had lodged there had told him and the other two men that he had some goods across the harbor which he wanted them to assist him to bring across, and that they had no idea that the goods were stolen. The explanation was received by the court with an incredulous smile, and the three men, David Craigie, Howard Nash and Wm. Thomas, were committed for trial.

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(From Thursday's Daily.)

—The funeral of the late Catherine Prothero took place to-day from the family residence, Chatham street. Rev. C. Bryant officiated. Messrs. J. G. Hagerty, W. Ewings, Whitfield and G. Collier acted as pall bearers.

—When the steamer Rosalie reached the outer wharf this morning an Irish-American stepped ashore and with feverish haste enquired if the Alien Exclusion Act had passed yet. He was informed that it had, and with true American haste, he said to a bystander: "Say, where can I swear allegiance to Queen Victoria? I've got a block of claims at Atlin, and some of 'em ain't recorded yet, and I don't want to lose them."

—The funeral of the late Captain M. L. Keefe, late of the sealing schooner City of San Diego, took place this morning from the family residence, Fort street, and later from the Roman Catholic Cathedral, where a solemn requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Nicolaye, assisted by Rev. Father Van Goetham. There was a large attendance of sympathizing friends. The following gentlemen officiated as pallbearers: Capts. L. McLean, J. Daley, G. Heater, F. Cole, Jos. Gosse and N. P. Seiward.

THE ROSALIE ARRIVES

Brings a Crew of Shipwrecked Fishermen From Juneau—How the Fishing Schooner St. Lawrence Was Lost.

Reported That From Fifteen to Twenty River Steamers Will Probably Be Destroyed on the Yukon.

Steamer Rosalie reached port this morning with about fifty passengers, including about a dozen who came out from interior points over the ice. She brought a thrilling story of the wreck of one of the schooners of the Sound halibut fishing fleet—the 40 ton schooner St. Lawrence, which, with a crew of seven, under Captain Calder, sailed out of Seattle on October 4th last for a protracted cruise of the waters of Hecate straits and Dixon entrance. She had between fifteen and twenty thousand pounds of halibut on board, and all went well until a squall arose early on the morning of December 28th last, and drove the unfortunate schooner on to the rocky shores of a small island lying off Piper Bay. As soon as the squall struck the vessel her anchors were dropped, but they failed to hold, and she dragged, running at a great speed on to the rocks. She broke up in a few moments, and the seven fishermen, well cold and with few provisions, managed to struggle ashore on the little island. Here, with a scant supply of wet flour, together with a few other sea-stained provisions, they spent ten days, before the sloop Nord hove within signalling distance and took the emaciated and nearly starved crew of fishermen to Juneau, whence they were brought by the Rosalie. Captain Calder remained at Wrangel. The others, including D. C. McDonald, C. Foss, J. Abbott, — Ericsen and Jones, went to Seattle by the Rosalie. They report that the fishing schooner Two Brothers was lost in October on her way up, with all on board.

Among those who made the trip out over the ice were the pursers of two of the frozen in river steamers, Mr. Bush of the Tacoma and — Patterson of the Seattle, two of the steamers of the Empire line, fast at Circle City. Mr. Bush gives the startling information that should the ice break up rapidly next spring from fifteen to twenty vessels will be totally destroyed. The only vessels safe are those of the A. C. Co., which are anchored in safety in the Andrieofski river and those in the blind slough.

Mr. Pryor, a rich claim owner from the Circle district, came out to buy machinery to work his properties, as did Col. Smith, who has valuable properties in the Klondike district.

MUST HAVE CANADIAN LOGS.

New York, Jan. 25.—According to a Washington dispatch to the Sun the rate of duty to be charged on Canadian lumber coming into the United States is said to be the principal thing now remaining to be settled by the Anglo-American commission. A delegation of Michigan lumbermen reached Washington to-day and will go before the American commissioners to-morrow to urge them to agree to a compromise at the rate of $1 per thousand. One of them said: "There are 27 mills on the eastern shore of Michigan with an average annual capacity of 20,000,000 feet of lumber. If some arrangement is not made by which they can secure logs from Canada they will have to close. If the present condition continues nine months there will be a lumber panic in the United States, and prices will go up $4 per thousand. There are indications of it now."

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E. KOOTENAY WRIT ISSUED

The Writ for the Vacancy Caused by Mr. Neilson's Death Returnable on the 28th of February.

Walter Clayton, of Victoria, Appointed Notary Public and Several Mainland Appointments Chronicled.

The Provincial Gazette, which will be published to-night, will contain the following announcements:

The Lieutenant-Governor makes proclamation of the issue of a writ for an election in the North Riding of East Kootenay to fill the vacancy caused by the death of William G. Neilson, the late member. The writ is returnable on February 28th.

Court of Revision for the district of North Vancouver will be held at the municipal office, Vancouver, on February 27th, at 11 o'clock; and for South Vancouver at the municipal hall, South Arm road, South Vancouver, on February 25th, at 10 a.m.

Isabella Johnson, merchant, of Arrowhead, has made an assignment to Robert L. Johnson, of the same place. A meeting of the creditors is announced for February 1st, at 2 p.m., in the offices of Harvey & McCarter, at Revelstoke.

Thos. Wilson, merchant, of Trail, has also assigned to Edward Baillie, of Rossland, a meeting of creditors being called for February 8th, at 3 p.m., at McLeod, Pringle & Whiteside's office, Rossland.

Richard Armstrong, C. E. Gillan, Vancouver, and Alec. D. MacIntyre, of Kamloops, apply to the Benchers of the Law Society for call to the bar and for admission as solicitors of the Supreme Court.

The "Summit Gold and Copper Mining Company, Limited," is incorporated, with head office at Grand Forks, Yale, and a capital of $1,000,000.

An order is made, dated November 5th, on the petition of F. G. E. Warren, by Mr. Justice Irving for the winding up of the "British Columbia Iron Works Company, Limited Liability."

An extraordinary general meeting of the Ashcroft Water Works Company, Limited, will be held at Ashcroft on March 6th, at 10 a.m., for the purpose of authorizing the sale of the company's assets. A meeting of the Ashcroft Water, Light and Power Company, Limited, is called for the same purpose at the same place and date.

The Quesnelle Dredging and Hydraulicing Syndicate, Limited, is authorized as an extra-provincial company, with head offices at 139 Cannon street, London Eng., and a capitalization of £50,000. The head provincial office is in Victoria, with C. A. Holland, manager of the B. C. Land and Investment Agency, as attorney.

The Rossland Air Supply Company, Limited, a specially incorporated company, has submitted its undertakings to the Lieut.-Governor-in-Council. They propose to erect hydraulic air compressors at the junction of Beaver creek and the Columbia river at Trail, or to erect an electric plant and operate the same by water power for the purpose of supplying compressed air or electricity, and conveying the same through conduit pipes to the mines in the Trail Creek division. The undertaking has been approved, the subscribed capital being $200,000. The amount of the capital must be subscribed and the work commenced within six months, and the latter must be in operation by April 1st, 1901.

His Honor the Lieut.-Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments: Walter Clayton, of Victoria, to be notary public for the counties of Nanaimo and Kootenay; John E. Griffith, of Donald, to be returning officer for the North Riding of East Kootenay; Wm. H. Evans, of Kamloops, to be a member of the board of directors of the Royal Inland Hospital, vice R. Marpole, resigned; R. Eden Walker, M. D., of New Westminster, to be acting medical superintendent of the Hospital for the Insane in the said city during the illness of Dr. G. F. Bodington; Wm. Wain, of North Saanich, to be collector of votes for North Victoria electoral district, vice Percy Purvis, resigned; Hen. Noble Coursier, of Revelstoke, S.M., to be a registrar of the County Court of Kootenay, holden at Revelstoke, vice John D. Sibbald.

Along the Waterfront.

R. M. S. Aorangi brings news that the wreck of the steamer Columbia was offered for sale by auction at Honolulu on the 16th, but no bidders came forth and the white elephant is still on hand. The owners of the vessel are watching with interest the outcome of the Chinese habeas corpus cases now before the Hawaiian supreme court. If the decision of the court in the last case is adhered to, they count that they will have a case for damages against the government of Hawaii. Their process of reasoning is that if the Hawaiian courts do not have federal jurisdiction in the Chinese cases they do not have it in admiralty cases, which by the constitution of the United States are specifically given to federal courts. If they have no jurisdiction in admiralty cases, then the process by which the City of Columbia was attached and tied up here in the suits of Colegrove and Berliner against the vessel is void and the vessel was wrongfully detained here. On this hypothesis the late owners claim that they were damaged by this void action to the extent of the value of the vessel, $85,000, inasmuch as it was her detention at that time which caused them to lose her. In addition they lay claim to damages for the loss of profit that would otherwise have accrued to them. They claim they could have chartered the vessel for $10,000 a month at any time during her enforced stay here if they could have got her away and to the coast. They also claim damages for the loss of the business that would have accrued to them as the result of establishing a line of steamers between here and Seattle. In all they estimate their damages at about $300,000.

According to the Vancouver World it is rumored there that Capt. T. T. Edwards has found it necessary to go to the States. Upon a reporter calling at the offices of the Manauense, Frank Richards stated that Capt. Edwards had so mismanaged matters in connection with the steamer Manauense that it had become necessary to institute proceedings in the Admiralty Court of British Columbia. The result of those proceedings was that they had been able to recover $17,500. During the course of the proceedings it had been necessary to examine Capt. Edwards on oath, but his evidence was so utterly absurd and contradictory that he found it imperative, in his own personal interests, to leave the country. When the ship left for Victoria, Mr. Richards had written and wired Capt. Edwards to obtain specifications, ask for tenders, and have a signed contract, which he does not appear to have done. The result was that a large claim of nearly $50,000 was afterwards made against the steamer, resulting in her seizure. Capt. Saml. Hendy, of Liverpool, representing their English friends, came out, paid the money and released the steamer. It is gratifying to know that he has succeeded so well as to recover $17,500. Capt. Edwards's disappearance does not in any way affect Mr. Richards's position in regard to the steamer. She will now be run under the agency of Robert Ward & Co., Ltd., and probably will make the northern trips every 10 days.

A Reputation consisting of Mayor Garden and Ald. McGuigan, of Vancouver; Mr. Whetham, of Wharnock; Reeve Dyson, of Dewdney; Reeve Catherwood, of Mission; Reeve Blackstock, of Maple Ridge; Reeve Atkins, of Coquitlam, and Reeve McGuirr, of Nicomen; Messrs. A. J. Carter, Vancouver; — Jowett, of Lulu Island; J. C. Brown, of New Westminster; B. W. Garrett, of Richmond, and others arrrived on the Charmer last night and interviewed the government today. The mission of the two first-named is in regard to various municipal matters which they wished to discuss with the cabinet. Mr. Whetham requests the government to survey a trunk road to be built from Maple Ridge to Vancouver for the convenience of farmers and others who have business there. This road, if built, it is contended, will be a great benefit to the opening up of the country. B. W. Garrett, of Richmond, pressed the necessity of the improvement of the Steveston road through South Vancouver. They asked for the widening of the highway by eight feet and the gravelling and putting into good condition generally of the road. The members of the government promised their most careful consideration to the proposition of the deputation.

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THE POLITICAL SITUATION.

To the Editor: It has appeared to me that during the stirring periods of political excitement which British Columbia, and particularly Victoria, is passing through, a few words on general questions may not be out of place. Governments have risen and fallen in the past and will continue to do so in the future. The hon. gentlemen comprising the ministerial and rank and file positions of the present administration will, I have no doubt, one day outlive their usefulness, and be relegated again to the walks of private life; but realizing the fact that they have replaced a weak and imbecile regime, which was the easy prey of every land-grabbing railway-chartermonger concern that came along, replacing it with a strong, vigorous policy of progression and reform, I venture to predict that the day of their dismissal is afar off.

Victoria, as a city, has got to look mainly to the island for her sustenance, and the island possesses mineral resources sufficient to make Victoria and keep her the first city on the Pacific coast, but as long as these resources are locked and hermetically sealed up of what use are they to Victoria or any other place? The privy council when appealed to on the question reserved the precious metals for the people of British Columbia. The E. & N. Railway Company consider prospectors for minerals within their belt as trespassers, unless the recorder of a claim immediately purchases surface rights or makes other arrangements with the company. Now the late government made no attempt to define the position of the prospector on the one hand and the E. & N. on the other. It must be apparent to every one that when a reservation is made a road to such reservation goes with it; and it is satisfactory to note that the present government have undertaken to secure to the prospector the right-of-way to precious metals within the railway company's land belts. This will mean a great deal to Victoria, judging from the progress and development of mineral claims on Texada and Alberni, both outside the sphere of the influence of the E. & N., where at the present time the foot of the prospector seldom strays.

While the late government has been advertising the beauties of Vancouver Island all over the world, and has been bringing out alien colonists at great expense to the province, it has also permitted, nay, if the published statements of Messrs. Hogan and Waddington are true, it sanctioned the eviction of settlers by the E. & N., who threw their their (the settlers) effects out into the road and burned their homesteads. We hear of Irish evictions, and our indignation is often aroused at the sufferings of evicted tenants there; but, Mr. Editor, if you can point out a more heartless proceeding than the part played by the E. & N. Company in this iniquitous affair, or a more villainous attitude of a government to allow such inhumanity to be practised, I will for ever lay down my pen. The people of Victoria are not cowards, assert the ancient spirit of their race and resent a return to such barbaric conditions. I believe with a celebrated gentleman, when speaking at a public meeting in Glasgow on the Armenian atrocities, I think it was, who maintained that the cracking of a man's skull in the Trongate was of more concern to the people of Glasgow than the massacre of a hundred Armenians in Armenia, so I contend that the case of one unrighteously evicted island settler of our own kith and kin, whose burned homestead has gone up to the sky in smoke, is of more vital importance to us than the case of 1,000 Norwegians in Norway.

However, to come back to the main question, it is a matter of absolute indifference so far as the existence or otherwise of the government is concerned whether the people of Victoria return Mr. Turner and his colleagues or not. But, in view of the fact that the star of Turnerism has arisen, shone and marked its course in all its erratic glory, and has now declined and for ever sunk beneath the dark horizon of the political west that the departed regime has been finally pronounced dead, after long political sickness, and now being decently buried people of Victoria, let it rest in peace. Write R. I. P. over its dread abode, rather than again resurrect its musty bones to cast their baneful shadow over the land and infect the political atmosphere with grumpy odors.

It is idle for the people of Victoria to waste their energies over issues which the press of the province of British Columbia have, so happily for us, declared are dead. It will be an entirely new issue and an entirely new set of questions, that at the present time or at future elections will determine the length of life of the present administration. People can have too much even of a good thing, and one of the millstones round the neck of the Turner administration was the relations that existed between the government and the silent member for Comox, Mr. Dunsmuir. These relations were long known, but things put on a decidedly fishy appearance when the party brought him out as a candidate. There is such a thing, then, as a party cutting its own throat. In the present contest in Victoria nobody anticipates that the electorate will do anything so unfortunate.

MAORI.

Nanaimo, Jan. 24, 1899.

KILLED IN A DUEL.

Montevallo, Ala., Jan. 24.—Bonnie Boothe and Newton Howard, two young farmers living near here, shot each other to death yesterday. Howard married a cousin of Boothe's and during a period of inebriety is said to have abused and cruelly treated his wife. She removed to Boothe's residence for protection. Howard loaded his gun and set out in search of her. Arriving at Boothe's house he was met at the gate by Bonnie Boothe, who informed him that Mrs. Howard, his relative, was in the house, and he proposed to protect her. Howard raised his gun and fired. Boothe almost simultaneously emptied a load of slugs into Howard. Howard is dead, Boothe is dying.

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CHARGES AGAINST EGAN.

Washington, Jan. 23.—The charges and specifications upon which Commissary-General Egan is to be tried are as follows:

Charge 1—Conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman in that Brigadier-General Charles P. Egan did, while testifying as a witness before the commission appointed by the president to investigate the conduct of the war department in the war with Spain, submit and read as a part of his testimony a certain written statement in which he did make use of and thereby publish disgraceful, grossly insulting and ungentlemanly language with reference to Major-General Nelson A. Miles, commanding the army.

Charge 2—Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline in that Brigadier-General Charles Egan did, while testifying as a witness before the commission appointed by the president to investigate the conduct of the war department in the war with Spain, submit and read as part of his testimony a certain written statement in which he did make use of and thereby publish grossly abusive and unmilitary language with reference to the major-general commanding the army.

AMERICAN DESERTERS.

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 24.—A somewhat serious state of affairs prevails aboard the Philadelphia, now in the harbor here. Since the arrival of the vessel nearly or quite thirty members of the crew have deserted. Of these eighteen have been recaptured. The men are in a very bitter frame of mind. They say they were denied short leave while at Central American and Mexican ports, but were promised it when they should reach an American port. Since arriving here very few have been permitted to come ashore.

COMPLETE ENJOYMENT.

"Poor Swickles thoroughly enjoyed life."

"Yes, he enjoyed it so much that people are getting up a fund for his widow and children."

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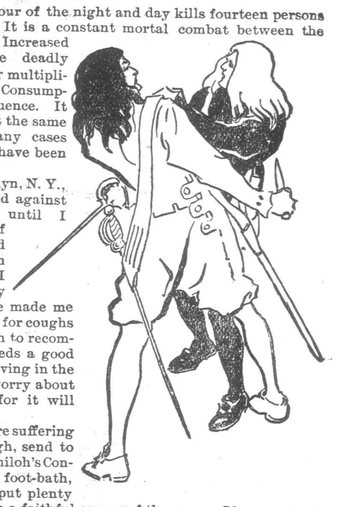

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