

MUNICIPAL CONTESTS
IN PROVINCIAL CITIESL. D. Taylor Elected Mayor of
Vancouver—Results at
Nanaimo.

Vancouver, Jan. 14.—L. D. Taylor, editor of the World newspaper, was yesterday elected mayor of Vancouver over C. S. Douglas, who has been chief magistrate during the past year. Last year, when five candidates were in the field, Mr. Taylor was defeated by 600. Mr. Taylor stood for reform in interior financial methods at the city hall and shorter hours and longer pay for the workmen. The total vote was not so large as last year. The final figures for the majority were: Douglas, 2,912; Taylor, 3,187; Taylor's majority, 275.

The aldermen elected were: Ward 1, James Ramsay; ward 2, Alderman Crowe and W. F. Roberts; ward 3, Alderman McTaggart and C. W. Enright; ward 4, Alderman McBride and Robert McPherson; ward 5, W. E. McKechnie and W. White.

Mayor May is re-elected in North Vancouver.

Plants Elected.

Nanaimo, Jan. 14.—In the municipal elections here yesterday polling was brisk and a large vote was cast. In the majority contest a vigorous campaign was waged on both sides, and the result was left to the voters. The result for mayor was: Alderman A. E. Planta, 440; Thomas Hodgson, 262; majority for Planta, 178.

Aldermen were elected as follows: North Ward, C. H. Leicester, Alex. Forester, John Shaw; Middle Ward, William Bennett, F. A. Busby, E. Shakespeare; South Ward, Jas. Watson, Jas. Young, Henry McKe.

Other Results.

Revelstoke—Mayor, Dr. J. Hamilton, 115 majority. Aldermen, ward 1, E. Trimble and H. F. McKinnon; ward 2, W. Bews and F. McCarty; ward 3, W. Cowan and W. O. Abrahamson; School trustees, Robert Tapping and F. Young.

Kamloops—J. T. Robinson, mayor by acclamation. Aldermen, R. Bayliss, Owen Norris, Frank Rushon, W. Harwood, Thomas Bulman, H. M. Vasey.

Nelson—Mayor, Harold Selous re-elected by 11 majority over J. A. Irving and 128 over G. W. Hale. Aldermen, West Ward, William Rutherford, Geo. C. Wells and D. C. McMorris; East Ward, T. Desbriay; tie; East Ward, A. Carie, Hector McKenzie, J. A. Macdonald.

Revelstoke—John Martin, mayor by 29 over J. W. Gregory. Aldermen, West Ward, J. T. Armstrong, Wm. Meacham, A. Horne; East Ward, W. McKinnon, J. H. Langham, J. H. Lee.

Kaslo—Mayor, J. W. Power, Aldermen, W. W. Popworth, P. H. Walsh, H. Gregerle, J. Spiers, E. H. Latham, D. Kane.

Trail—Mayor, G. F. Weir.

Saanichton—Mayor, Dr. W. E. Gomm, Aldermen, J. Woods, S. J. Twogood, G. H. Wright.

Phoenix—Mayor, D. J. Matheson.

Greenwood—Mayor, Duncan McIntosh.

Grand Forks—Mayor, Fred Clarke.

Aldermen, East Ward, W. K. C. Manley, J. A. Smith and Carl Fran; West Ward, George Hetherford, Dr. Pollock and C. C. Henniger. School trustees, D. McCallum, Geo. Hull, N. L. McInnes and W. Rutherford. For mayor, Clark lead Harvey by 149.

A PRESENTATION.

Mrs. Kay Honored By Imates of the Orphanage.

The many friends of Mrs. Kay, the late matron of the B. C. Protestant Orphan's Home, will learn with much pleasure of the presentation made to her at the home on the eve of her departure by the senior girls and boys, one of whom read the following letter:

"Dear Mrs. Kay—We wish to present this gift for you as a token of our gratitude for your kindness to us during the years you have been our matron. We are very sorry you are going to leave us, and we extend our best wishes for your future welfare. From the older boys and girls of the Protestant Orphan's Home, January 15th, 1910. Ada Parris, Aggie McKelrick, Hazel McKelrick, Margaret Robinson, Hector McKelrick, Harold McKelrick, McKelrick, Allan Robillard, Robert Oppenheimer, Leonard McKelrick."

The gift accompanying the address consisted of a beautiful silk umbrella with gold top, on which were engraved the initials "E. L. K." Mrs. Kay was too deeply moved by this unexpected expression of affection to be able at the time to express her thanks, but she will consider the gift as one of her most precious treasures and another link binding her yet more closely in the ties of affection and memory to the children of the B. C. Orphan's Home.

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY.

England Defeats Wales by Eleven Points to Six.

London, Jan. 15.—In the international rugby match to-day between England and Wales, played in London, the former were represented winners by eleven points to six. The match was a very close one, but in the end England won by a margin of one try to two tries. It is the first time since 1891 that England has won a victory in six years.

PERSONAL.

The announcement of the marriage of Miss Ada Williams, the daughter of Mr. Williams, of Duncan, to Mr. Harvey Jameson, of this city, has been set for January 30th, and will take place at 14 St. James street. After the ceremony the young couple will leave for this city, and will be at the home of Mrs. Jameson, 65 St. James street, where the congratulations of their many friends.

WINNIPEG WINTER CARNIVAL.

Winnipeg, Jan. 14.—A proposition is on foot to hold a big winter carnival next spring in connection with the annual spring festival.

TO PRESS CLAIMS
OF MISSIONARY BOATRev. C. W. Webber of "Homespun" Will Be Here
Next Week.

The people of Victoria will have their attention called to the work of the Methodist Missionary boat "Homespun" during the coming week by the visit to the city of Rev. C. W. Webber, the missionary in charge of the boat. It will be remembered that last July the missionary boat "Uda" was wrecked in northern waters and Mr. Webber and Capt. Oliver barely escaped with their lives. A committee of friends of the mission secured the "Homespun" a neat, strong boat, properly fitted out and ready for work and sent the missionaries north again. They have just returned after a very successful tour of the northern waters and Mr. Webber's story of "The Cruise of the 'Homespun'" is a thrilling tale of the gospel afloat.

The men in the mining and railway camps of the northern coast welcome with open arms the missionary when he pays his periodic visit and in some cases Mr. Webber has been the only missionary to visit these isolated settlements. Wherever there is to be seen the smoke of a settler's cabin, or the prospect of a mine, the boat is headed for shore and the missionary makes a call, offering God's word to whom he may meet. In every case Mr. Webber has found a welcome and his story of the work accomplished is a most interesting one. To-morrow he will preach in the Centennial church in the morning and the Metropolitan church in the evening; and will also give an address to the Sunday school in the morning. During the week he will remain in the city, the guest of W. N. Mitchell and will be pleased to meet any who are interested in his work.

FAVORS LIMITATION
OF ARMAMENTSKing Victor Proposes An International Conference on
Subject.

Rome, Jan. 15.—In an effort to secure support in his campaign for international limitation of armaments, it was reported here to-day upon good authority that King Victor is conducting negotiations with the rulers of all important European countries for a conference late next spring, or early next summer.

The king apparently is determined that his efforts to secure international armament limitations shall succeed. At his recent meeting with a deputation from the parliamentary peace committee, he declared that he has not abandoned his programme, but is prosecuting it with vigor. It is considered certain that he will confer with King Edward during the summer.

The Italian king desires to secure the consummation of his plans is said to have been founded in the hardships enforced upon his country in keeping pace with the recent international naval activity. Italy, it is stated, cannot hold up her end in naval construction with her more wealthy neighbors because of the resultant drain on her resources in the form of increased taxation.

LIFE TERM FOR MURDERER.

Judge Thinks That Punishment Greater Than The Gallows.

Belleville, Ill., Jan. 14.—Judge Crow, of the circuit court of St. Clair county, sentenced James Pullman, murderer of his one-month-old child, to live rather than die, so that he might suffer a lifetime haunted by the walls of the dying infant.

will not sentence Pullman to the gallows, said the judge, "but the penitentiary for life. It will be punishment more terrible than death for him to hear daily the cries of his murdered child. His crime was the most atrocious I have ever heard of."

Pullman had pleaded guilty. He killed the child because he and his mother had failed to find a home for it.

INTERNATIONAL COURT
OF ARBITRATION

Proposal By U. S. Secretary of
State Now Before Euro-
pean Powers

Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—State department officials have received with much satisfaction during the last few days tidings leading them to believe that several of the principal powers of Europe are considering favorably Secretary Knox's proposals to the nations looking to the establishment of a permanent international court of arbitration.

While no formal or definite answers have been received to the joint note addressed to the powers, diplomats here and abroad recognize the great importance of the proposition from an international peace standpoint.

A state department official explained to-day that it was not the intention directly to supplant the international court of arbitration, but that the second Hague conference, nevertheless, he made it clear that had the court been thoroughly satisfactory in its operation a new court would not have to be suggested.

The Fifth Regiment basketballers Thursday night beat Dixie Ross' team by 9 to 7. The game was speedy all the way through, and was never won till the finish. For the regiment Croker and Williams scored, and for the Rogers, Blake and Mansell were the scorers. The team will arrange another match for next week.

CLOVERDALE CLUB HOLD
ENJOYABLE DANCEAthletic Club Social Pronounced
Best Hit of the Season.

One of the most enjoyable dances of the season was held on Friday at the Cloverdale Athletic Association hall, and the way everything was managed was certainly a credit to the managing committee in charge.

The dance was staged by the thriving athletic organization of the northern end of the city, and it is safe to say that everyone that was fortunate enough to be on the invitation list enjoyed themselves. Hon. and Mrs. D. M. Eberts were present. The music was supplied by Dresser's orchestra, which provided excellent music.

The fair ones of the Cloverdale district had prepared a most excellent table and all sat down to a tasty bill of fare. The hall was beautiful in the club colors, pennants and athletic regalia, and presented a pretty appearance.

Needless to say the large crowd present made merry all the while, and it was not until the wee small hours of the morning that the strains of "Home Sweet Home" broke up the social.

The committee announces another dance of a similar kind in about a month, and if it is such a success as the initial one, then the dances will be continued.

Those who had charge were: Charles Grimm, R. Graham, C. Speed, J. Smith, Wm. Grimm, Chas. Graham, Robert Owens, F. Peters, A. Chislett. Decoration and refreshment committee, Misses Owens, Wilson, Graham, Grimm and Lipkey.

BUDGET DEBATE.

Mr. Congdon, of the Yukon, Replies to Mr. Foster.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—In the House of Commons yesterday Michael Clarke, of Red Deer, who assumed the debate on the budget, congratulated Mr. Fielding, that there had been no increased duties in his financial proposals. He praised Mr. Fielding for never going to extremes with his tariff, but he blamed the finance minister for the bounties on iron and steel. Mr. Clarke declared he could not sympathize at all with the argument that these bounties were beneficial to the whole of the country. Steel rails could be imported, and Canada was not bound to meet them herself. Mr. Clarke came out strongly against the German tariff, which he declared in an economic way was a blunt weapon with a sharp handle. The government should lose no opportunity to develop the foreign trade of Canada.

Mr. Congdon, of the Yukon, resented Mr. Foster's strictures on the cost of governing this territory, and declared that his former programme, but was prosecuting it with vigor. It is considered certain that he will confer with King Edward during the summer.

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DR. ROY DIER IS
MAYOR OF LADYSMITH

Former Victorian Has Confidence of Residents of the
Island City.

In the recent municipal elections Dr. Roy Dier, formerly of Victoria, was returned by acclamation mayor of Ladysmith. Dr. Dier is very popular in the neighboring city, a fact shown by his election by acclamation as alderman last year, and followed by a further evidence of confidence by making him mayor this year.

The chronicler of the fact, says "The Chronicle is of the opinion that the ratepayers of Ladysmith are to be congratulated on the selection by acclamation of Dr. R. Dier as mayor. Dr. Dier has spent one year at the council board, and during that time he has studied carefully the requirements of the city, and the experience thus gained will be of great benefit to the city in the present year. He has a complete grasp of municipal affairs, and his experience as chairman of the electric light committee will place him in a position to deal intelligently with that municipal enterprise. Mr. D. Nicholson made an excellent mayor, and Dr. Dier is well qualified to succeed him in that office."

EDMONTON ABATTOIR.

Edmonton, Jan. 14.—It is possible that next summer the retail meat dealers of the city will build an abattoir in the city for their own use, operating the business as a joint stock company. The question was discussed at a meeting of the Provisioners' Association held on Tuesday night, and a committee was appointed to look further into the question and report at a later date. If the company is formed as suggested it will be capitalized at about \$100,000, and will be sold to the local dealers, farmers and others who are interested.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC CONTRACT.

Port Arthur, Ont., Jan. 14.—Arguments for and against were heard yesterday in the case of the application of the Ontario and Michigan Power Co., for an injunction to prevent the city making a contract with the Hydro-Electric Commission. At the conclusion of the argument Judge McKay refused the injunction. The company has given notice of appeal.

UNIONISTS FACE
BIG HANDICAPTO-DAY'S RESULTS WILL
INDICATE FEELINGFate of the Canadian Candidates Will Be Known on
Monday.

London, Jan. 15.—Just before the polls closed to-day the Conservatives advanced the claim that they have gained twenty seats. This was disputed by the Liberals.

Disinterested estimates made late to-day give the Conservatives a slight gain, but not enough to defeat the Liberals.

Toronto, Jan. 15.—A special cable to the Globe from London, under to-day's date, says:

"This is the day of decision. There are 74 contested elections to-day in London and English boroughs, the results of which will give almost a certain indication of feeling throughout the country. None of the Canadian candidates are directly concerned in voting to-day. Most of them will know their fate on Monday."

"The Unionists admit that they must to-day gain over twenty seats yet if they hope to win.

"Speaking in the campaign is slackening off probably because all the bright things have been said in public debate. All newspapers must tell me that the Liberals have had much the best of it. This is also my own view, based on observations here and in Liverpool, Manchester, Leeds, Bradford and York, as well as in several Scottish cities. I have learned not to put too much trust in enthusiasm. Toronto, for instance, always cheers for the Liberals, but they come close to the Conservatives in the end."

"The Conservative forces in this contest seem to have money without limit. Landlords, brewers, distillers, publicans and probably some manufacturers who believe that protection would help their business, have been the chief contributors to the fund which enabled the Unionists to flood the country with protectionist arguments."

Election Forecasts.

London, Jan. 15.—Lord James, of Hereford, a distinguished Conservative free trader, gives the government a majority of 15.

Wm. Stead, in the Review of Reviews, forecasts a Liberal majority of 200.

In response to a request for a few words regarding their views on the issues of the campaign, the following have been received:

Austen Chamberlain: "The outstanding features of the election are the growth of the movement for tariff reform and imperial preference. Where Canada has led the way we follow."

The Earl of Crewe telegraphed as follows: "The Liberals come closer to me in a strong desire to tighten imperial bonds and a steadfast determination to maintain the Empire's security."

Chamberlain, addressing a meeting in Worcestershire, said that the colonies no longer cared to be called colonies; they preferred to be called what they were, great self-governing dominions. They are at present in the hands of a few men. These great dominions had found new interest in their welfare springing up among their countrymen in Great Britain, and their part ought now to be to help them to come closer together. Can we make the strength of each available for defence of all? How can we make the prosperity of each preserve the prosperity of all?"

The Liberals announced this afternoon that they have obtained evidence showing that the large majority in the House of Commons are in favor of the election to-day, and that they are preparing to contest the results in the constituencies where these victories are alleged to have been won.

London, Jan. 15.—In his speech this afternoon Chancellor David Lloyd George declared that the British navy is without an equal in the world, saying:

"The German fleet in a moment of madness ever attacked Great Britain it would be at the bottom of the ocean in a very few hours."

The chancellor's declaration was received with the wildest cheers on the part of his hearers.

The land clearing committee of the Vancouver Island Development League met this morning in the Board of Trade rooms and will hold another meeting on Tuesday.

The first number of a new trade journal entitled the Canadian Clay Worker has just been issued, published from Toronto. It deals with all the brick, tile and pottery business, and should prove extremely interesting to those in the business, or traders in the industry. The journal is well patronized by the advertisers of clay working machinery.

The Board of Trade theatre committee met on Friday to consider the situation created by the defeat of the opera house grant by-law and a report is being framed for submission to the city council meeting this afternoon. It is likely that the meeting will appoint a small deputation to go to Ottawa in connection with the G. T. P. hearing, planned by Simon Leiser, president of the board, and Joshua Kingham are mentioned as likely to be selected.

FOUR CONSERVATIVES
RETURNED UNOPPOSEDJoseph Chamberlain Among the
Members Elected in
England.

London, Jan. 14.—Nominations in 74 parliamentary districts were made to-day preparatory to the elections to-morrow. Joseph Chamberlain in Birmingham, and three other Conservatives in their districts were unopposed. To-day's nominations were purely formal, candidates already having been selected.

Of the seventy-four seats to be filled to-morrow, the Liberals have hitherto held 48, the Conservatives 17 and the Labor party 9.

The Liberals and Laborites are allied in fighting this year's campaign battle, and the Conservatives must gain 21 seats to win the initial battle. It will be necessary also for the Conservatives to maintain this ratio to control the next House of Commons.

MRS. SCOTT ACQUITTED.

Says She Shot Father-in-Law to Save Her Own Life.

London, Ont., Jan. 15.—Mrs. Martha Scott, who shot and killed Harvey Scott, her husband's father, on September 18th last, and whose trial for murder in October ended in a disagreement, was found not guilty of any crime by a jury, ten of whom were farmers, last evening.

Edmund Meredith, K. C., her counsel, addressed the jury for more than an hour, appealing to their sympathies in passionate argument.

W. M. Reade, crown prosecutor, ably summed up the case, and asked for a conviction.

Sir Wm. Meredith, charging the jury, said he did not think they could return a verdict of murder on the evidence. He said it must be manslaughter or acquittal.

The charge of Mr. Justice Latchford at the October trial was strongly in favor of a verdict of murder.

In all there were four bail taken. On the first ten stood for acquittal on the fourth, the jury stood still.

"Martha Scott," said his lordship, "the jury has taken a merciful view of your case. I hope that it will be a lesson to you. I hope that the verdict will not encourage people to keep firearms in their houses and use them to take life, as you have done."

"I was confident from the start that I would be let go," said Mrs. Scott. "I have never felt that I committed a crime. I fired the shot that killed Harvey Scott to save my own life. I can only say I am glad people thought so too."

John Macfarland, reeve of West Norwood, made this was the great crowd and without more ceremony than a handshake, pressed a purse containing money collected at the gate of Thorndale fair into the hands of the woman. During the five minutes Mrs. Scott stood outside the dock in which she had trembled just before, she was kissed by the women of the jury, and her hand was shaken by scores. Her husband stood by her side sobbing and shaking hands with everybody.

TRAMWAY COMPANY
APPEAL BEING HEARD

Damage Suit is Before Highest
Court for Legal Argument.

(From Friday's Daily.)

The Court of Appeal is to-day hearing the argument in Winter vs. B. C. Electric Railway Company, an appeal brought by the company from a judgment of the court below for \$400 given by Chief Justice Hunter.

The action arose out of a collision between an automobile belonging to Mrs. Winter and an Esquimalt car. The automobile was on the track and could not get off owing to the rails being above the level of the roadway, while the motorcar was unable to stop his car on account of its not being equipped with air brakes. Damage was done to the motor car and the passengers were shaken up. The Chief Justice found negligence on the part of the company in allowing a car of the weight of the one in question to be operated without air brakes, which would have prevented the accident.

The company is appealing on the ground that there was no evidence to support his lordship's finding. A. E. McPhillips, K. C., M. P. P., is arguing the case for the company, and for the plaintiff and respondent Fred Peters, K. C., and H. D. Helmcken, K. C., are appearing.

Judgment has been reserved in the appeal of Parsons vs. Wootton, in which plaintiff appealed from a judgment declaring that Wootton and Goward had acted properly and without negligence in releasing a sum of money held in third hands.

HON. L. P. BRODEUR IMPROVING.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—Hon. L. P. Brodeur's physician reports to-day that he is well pleased with the progress of his patient, who hopes to return to parliamentary duties in a couple of weeks. It will be a considerable time, however, before the minister fully regains his strength and he may have to take a holiday.

BOGUS COLLECTORS.

Winnipeg, Jan. 15.—Bankers and merchants have been victimized to an amount to the extent of \$300 by an unknown man and woman who roamed the city for several days, collecting for the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

In the matter of Roskamp vs. Roskamp, an application of E. E. Wootton, Chief Justice Hunter made an order for trial of the action by a judge without jury.

ANNUAL POULTRY AND
PET STOCK SHOWArrangements Are Made For
Exhibition in This City
This Week.

The eighth annual show of the Victoria Poultry and Pet Stock Association will be held this week, commencing on Tuesday and continuing until the end of the week. On Tuesday morning the judging of the poultry will commence and in the afternoon at 3 o'clock the show will be formally opened by his honor the lieutenant-governor.

The Broad street hall has been the place selected for the holding of this affair and no better place could be found in this city as it is commodious and also well lighted.

That this year's show will surpass all previous ones is the opinion of all members of the association, as the number of entries is far in advance of any past show. The addition of the cat exhibit to the show is attracting much interest amongst the breeders of this class of pets. The entries in the class are large, and keen competition is expected to be the result. L. Large has been engaged to judge them and on former occasions his decisions have always met with the approval of those interested.

In the poultry display some of the highest classes of birds on this island and also on the mainland will be shown. The entries are large and assure the success of the show. The judge for the show is Mr. Elmer Dixon, of Oregon City, who has judged here before.

Pigeon fanciers will be able to see in this show one of the best exhibits ever collected in this city. The local breeders have got their birds in good condition. They will have as competitors many owners from Vancouver. W. Coats, of Vancouver, will judge the cats.

The executive committee, which has charge of the show is as follows: M. Blackstock, S. Y. Wootton, H. D. Reid, W. E. Nachtrieb, J. Woods, T. Edworthy, F. Gairdner, J. Hughes, E. Greenwood and George Middleton.

AUSTRALIAN STRIKE
NEARING SETTLEMENTMoana Brought Word of Efforts
Made to Bring It to an
End.

At the time the steamer Moana of the Union Steamship Company of Australia left Sydney there was a good prospect that the big coal strike would be settled. Some of the men had already gone into the mines to prepare for the miners and it was expected that a settlement would be arrived at. There was an open conference three days before the steamer left between the strikers and the employers, when the terms of agreement were settled in accordance with the judgment of Judge Scholes. The government had appointed a board of arbitration in each district and had taken stringent measures to suppress lawlessness.

On the part of the men, the waterfront unions had refused to handle foreign cargoes. There was no agreement in the federal parliament in its bill providing for the imprisonment of those instigating, aiding, or abetting the strikers. This measure applies only where the commodity is one of public necessity, such as coal.

Shipping at Sydney was all tied up, and it was only with the greatest difficulty that the few mail carriers could get enough to carry them to the nearest port.

Some of the strike leaders had been already arrested when the steamer left, and although the outlook for settlement was good it was quite impossible to say what might happen.

CANADIAN TRADE.

Travellers Report Success in Booking
Spring Orders.

New York, Jan. 15.—Bradstreet's state of trade to-day says: Canadian trade continues on a sound basis. Travellers are meeting with success in booking spring orders, and at the same time are receiving a fair number of re-orders.

Business failures for the week terminating Thursday last were 44, which compares with 37 for last week and 36 for the same week of 1909.

Bank Clearings.

Bradstreet's weekly bank clearings:

Montreal	\$4,708,000 inc. 31.9
Toronto	\$4,320,000 inc. 23.6
Winnipeg	\$1,083,000 inc. 67.2
Vancouver	\$1,320,000 inc. 66.5
Ottawa	\$1,320,000 inc. 66.5
Quebec	\$1,320,000 inc. 66.5
Halifax	\$1,320,000 inc. 66.5
St. John	\$1,320,000 inc. 66.5
Calgary	\$1,320,000 inc. 66.5
London	\$1,320,000 inc. 66.5
Edmonton	\$1,320,000 inc. 66.5

TEN MEN ARRESTED IN COBALT AND NORTH
COBALT.

Cobalt, Ont., Jan. 15.—In Cobalt and North Cobalt in the early hours of morning, fourteen "blind pig" keepers were arrested yesterday. Under the force of a blacksmith shop, owned by Napoleon Tombeau at North Bay, provincial officers found ten cases of whiskey and gin. In Cobalt all four provincial officers worked until 3 o'clock in the morning.

James Charron was sent to jail for four months, James Murray was fined \$200, Napoleon Tabouan \$200, J. Coughlin \$100. Ten others will be dealt with later.

THREE CHILDREN
BURNED TO DEATHTheir Home is Destroyed By
Fire During Absence of
Parents.

Winlock, Wash., Jan. 15.—News reached here to-day that the three infant children of Oscar Backman were burned to death in a fire that destroyed the Backman home, south of this city, last night.

Mrs. Backman had sent the two older boys, four and two years of age, on an errand to a neighbors while she went to her mother's home, a few hundred feet distant. She was gone but a few minutes when the house burst into flames. The fire apparently started in the kitchen.

With Warner Backman, an uncle of the children, Mrs. Backman rushed in to the burning house and attempted to rescue the children, but they were unable to get into the kitchen. Warner Backman then broke into the front of the house. No one knew that the two boys had returned to the house until their charred remains were found in the ruins. Backman effected entrance into the room where the boys met their death, but owing to the smoke could not see them. The bodies of all three children were incinerated.

It is not known how the fire started, but it is supposed the boys had been playing with matches. From the position of the bodies it appears as if their clothes had caught fire and they had climbed onto the bed. The four-year-old child had his arms around his two-year-old brother, apparently trying to protect him.

MRS. GORDON DEAD.

Kingston, Ont., Jan. 15.—Mrs. Gordon, wife of Principal Gordon, Queen's University, died at a late hour last night.

NEWFOUNDLAND'S TRADE.

St. John, Nfld., Jan. 14.—Finance Minister Cashin said last night for the West Indies, where he will represent this colony before the committee, headed by Lord Balfour of Burleigh which is investigating the feasibility of a Canadian and West Indian reciprocity convention. It is stated that the committee will consider the importance of the fisheries trade between Newfoundland and the West Indies.

WIRELESS EXTENSION.

Conference to Discuss Matter Being Held at Melbourne.

A big conference is being held at Melbourne to discuss the matter of establishing a system of wireless stations in the South Pacific. The members of the conference are delegates of Australian and New Zealand governments, the naval department, the cable companies, and others interested. A formal motion was introduced to the effect that it was desirable that wireless stations should be established.

CANADA'S RESOURCES.

London, Jan. 15.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, interviewed here, said he did not favor any railway extensions towards Hudson's Bay because of the weather risks. He added that it was absolutely impossible to set a limit on Canada's possibilities of grain production. She would produce enough to sell to England and the United States if desired for a longer period than any one now could see ahead.

ARTILLERY SCHOOL

Will Be Held at Victoria on Date to Be Fixed by Col. Peters.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—Military orders announce the establishment of a provincial school of instruction in artillery at Victoria for a period of four weeks, the date to be fixed by the local D. O. C.

COL. PETERS, SPOKE TO-DAY BY THE
TIMES RELATIVE TO THE ABOVE DISPATCH
SAID THAT IT HAD NO SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE.
HE ASSUMED IT REFERRED TO THE REGULAR
INSTRUCTION WHICH IS IMPARTED HERE EVERY
YEAR.ECZEMA CURED
THROUGH THE BLOOD

By the Aid of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills—That Wonderful Tonic Medicine.

Eczeema or skin rheum is a disease of the skin which shows itself in small, red, watery blisters—these blisters break and leave a scale which may be rubbed off by the hand. The affected parts are intensely itchy and the victim cannot bear the touch of any article of clothing over the parts. The disease is caused by bad blood and must be cured through the blood. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have cured many cases of eczeema simply because they are the one medicine that acts wholly on the blood—the seat of the trouble. Among those cured by these Pills is Mrs. Chas. Davidson, of Amherst, N. S., who says: "I suffered greatly from skin rheum or eczeema and my hands were badly cracked. I tried several ointments but they did me no good whatever. I was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and had only used them for a few weeks when the trouble disappeared and my hands were completely healed. I am very grateful for what the Pills have done for me and would advise other sufferers from this trouble to try them."

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