-R. M. S. Empress of Japan left Hongkong en route to this port on Wed-

-Mrs. H. Marr, proprietress of the Boomerang, has presented the children of the Protestant Orphans' Home with

-The regular monthly meeting of the siness, on account of the poor attend-

-The remains of the late Thomas Sinot Cogley were laid at rest Friday. The funeral took place in the afternoon from the parlers of W. J. Hanna, Religious services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Gibson at the parlors and grave.

-Friday evening at Labor hall the regular meeting of the L. P. U. was held, there being a large attendance. The initiation of officers was postponed until the next meeting on except of the until the next meeting on account of the large amount of business to be trans-

There is on exhibition in the Times, andow a bunch of raspberries. window a bunch of raspberries grown by Mrs. Gilchrist at her residence, 65 King's road. The berries are ripe, fully matured and are a remarkable commentary on the temperate Christmas weather of this city.

-The Sir William Wallace Society held their usual meeting Friday. Pipe music and "Auld Scots Sangs" were in-cided in the programme. W. A. Rob-ertson gave a description of Graham Island, its resources and geological for-mation. Nominations for officers for the ensuing term were received.

Baynes Sound, and the current in First Narrow, Burrard Inlet, have been issued by the tidal survey branch of the detection of by the tidal survey branch of the department of marine and fisheries. Copies points to their credit, having defeated vancouver once and Navy twice. Vicmay be had on application to the agency, marine and fisheries department, Vic- toria has two points, having beaten the

—Mail advices from the North tell of an eight thousand dollar fire which occurred at Dawson on the 4th inst. The fige broke out in the Rystogy building and damaged a number of public houses before extinguished. In fighting the conflagration the firemen worked under great difficulties. Dreuched with water, a Dawson paper describes them as roasting on one side while them as roasting on the other, the thermoneter freezing on the other, the decrease of the treasury stated that his duties as perpresentative of the secretary of the treasury of the constituency in the House of Commons were such as to render it impossible for him to satisfactorily stated that his duties as perpresentative of the constituency in the House of Commons were such as to render it impossible for him to satisfactorily fill the office of secretary. His absence in Other freezing of the increasing of the work connected with the position while at home interfered with his holding the series are always of the original stated that his duties as perpresentative of the constituency in the House of Commons were such as to render it impossible for him to satisfactorily for the modus virendia authorized by this bill have a satisfactorily fill the office of secretary. His absence in Other and the work connected with the position while at home interfered with his holding the secretary and a to me interfered with his holding the secretary and a to me interfered with his holding the secretary and a to me office of secretary. Hi

police court Saturday with obtaining rendered by the children. Santa Claus under false pretences from G. I. Dunu. will then make his appearance and give lay in Esquimalt for several weeks beof the Occidental, \$30 and board and re- an interesting talk, after which prizes fore securing a charter to load lumber freshments amounting to \$123. The ac- will be distributed. A first-class musical at Ballard, said: cused stayed at the hotel and is alleged programme is also being arranged. have secured the above on the strength of representations to the effect oney coming to him from was arrested by Detective Sergeant drunkenness. A first offender was find \$2.50 for a similar offence.

-The funeral of the late F. J. Bellinger, who died in Vancouver, took place that city on Friday. The deceased was well known in this city, having resided here for about 20 years. He came to Victoria from Chicago, Entering into business he followed the occupation of a contractor until a few years ago, when he retired. He was 71 family survive him. His three sons, Albert, John and Frank, and a daughter, Mrs. J. Hartney, live in this city. The remaining member of the family, Mrs. Stevens, resides in Moodyville.

-Those who failed to attend the concert under the auspices of the Victoria Intermediate Rugby Club in the Institute hall Thursday missied a veritable treat. The programme in general excelequalled in this place of many entertainments, the list of performers including the best local talent. The chair was oc-cupied by H. D. Helmcken, M. P. P., who opened the proceedings with a few appropriate remarks. The names of those taking part were a guarantee of the enjoyment, the vocalists being Miss E. Sehl Mrs. Moresby, W. T. Williams, Lt.-Col. Monro, A. T. Goward, L. S. which was kept up until quite late. Altofield, F. Urguhart Jackson and Edgar for some time. tors, while Messrs, W. Allan and J. H.

of the Sunday school of the Metropolifan Methodist church will be held Tuesday, December 30th. The programme will be of a character appropriate to the oc

-A trophy has been promised for the winner of a competition in decorations of the bars of the Bank Exchange and Imperial hotel. As a result men are busy at both places, which have already assumed a gala appearance. A navy officer will be selected to judge when the work is completed.

Christmas presents, consisting of 100 toys of different kinds.

Fifth Regiment ball had a large consisting of the weather was exceedingly stormy.

Skagway show any deep of the skagway show any deep of the stormer brought of passengers. the function on Friday evening sent to Veterans' Association, which was to the Protestant Orphanage extend their and proceeded to the sound a few nours name, is returning with few fish on have been held on Thursday, was adjourned without the transaction of any much appreciated by the children.

-R. P. Rithet & Co., agents for the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, have tween White Horse and Dawson. been advised that the steamer Umatilla will not sail until Friday evening. Her regular sailing date falls on Christmas evening, and the detention, it is presumed, is due to the desire of the company to give the crew a day ashore.

-The wedding of Capt. A. L. Hall of San Francisco, and Miss Bertha E. Bernard, of Coldwater, Mich., is now aunounced. The event took place in this city on the 16th of July, 1901, the ceremony being performed by Right Rev Bishop Cridge. Capt, Hall was master of the ill-fated Walla Walla at the time she went down, and is now in command of the Queen.

in Labor hall on Sunday, an address 29 sailing vessels listed as on the way holy bends of matrimony Mr. A. J. by T. C. Watters on "The Evolution of and to sail from Antwerp for this port Dallain, second son of the late Cant F. with the aid of a lady instrumentalist. Fairmont hotel, the Bouvier and Tivoli Next Sunday evening Dr. F. W. Morris theatres, and the great structure that is will address the meeting on "Natural to be erected by the Merchants' Ex-Principles of Taxation."

Navy in the only match so far played. This match will be played at Oak Bay,

ing the Sabbath school children will be Africa are choosing the route by way of given their annual Christmas treat. A Cape Horn. Speaking of the matter in -Joshua Carrol was charged in the cantata, "The Coming King," will be Scattle a few days ago Capt. Williams,

--that he had money coming to find from England. The case was remanded until the rector preaching an eloquent sermon on "Faith." At the conclusion of the cable to the Old Country for the money. Palmer and Detective Macdenald. A organist was assisted by some of the South Africa direct it would encounter batch of Indians were fined \$5 and costs best vocalists in the city. Mrs. Currie strong westerly winds all the way and Worth," from the "Creation," Gideon Hicks gave the bass solos, "Thus Saith the Lord," "But Who May Abide" and "For He Is Like a Refiner's Fire." Jesse Longfield played a viola solo, and played the concluding organ solo, an

PERFUMES.

Just the thing for a Christmas present, a bottle of our choice Perfumes. We have them in bulk and in fancy bottles, from 10c. up. Special offer, Colgate's La France Rose, 50c. oz.

W. FAWCETT,

Cor. Douglas St. and King's Road.

TELEPHONE 630.

----The closing exercises for the Christmas holidays of the Metchosin public during the past half year. A Christmas tree at the hall in the evening for the benefit of the children was enjoyed by gether it was one of the most enjoyable evenings that have been had in the hall

THE COTTAGE CITY ARRIVES FROM NORTH

A Rough Passage From Skagway-Nearly One Hundred Passengers-The Sealing Industry.

The steamer Cottage City arrived from Alaska Friday after a rough and cold passage. When the vessel left The committee of management of the Skagway snow lay deep on the ground The steamer brought 95 passengers the Protestant Orphanage. The manage- south. She arrived here shortly after S Pacific Fish & Cold Storage Co., of Naplaces no credence in the reports tele- after having sought in vain for halibut graphed from Diwson about the Inlians being on the warpath on the trail between White Horse and Dawson.

in various places have forced the captain of the vessel to head for home. The name of Capt. Johnston is connected with

> ADDITION TO KOSMOS FLEET. The Kosmos Steamship Company has purchased the Hamburg American steamer Athesia to take the place of he Kambyses, which was wrecked two nenths ago on the Costa Rican coast, The Athesia is a new vessel of 8,800 tons gross burden, and is now in Germany, whence she is soon to sail for Chili, in the service of the Kosmos line Her name has been changed to the

> > STEEL AND CEMENT.

San Francisco, too, has a fleet of Ant--At the Socialist party's meeting held steel. The Chronicle says: "Many of the Rev. W. Baugh Allen, united in the the Class Struggle," was delivered, causing much discussion. A good-sized audisteel to be used in the various big buildence was present. The Socialist song ings soon to be erected in this city. The books having arrived, songs were sung, cargoes will consist of material for the Fairmont hotel, the Bouvier and Tivoli change on the site of its present building on California street, near Montgom--The Home Nursing Society desire to ery. Others of the big fleet or ships

The Home Nursing whose names were fractived, present in at once to Cogy, Langler, some will be held in the definition with a partial method of the following partial will be said in the definition of the following partial will be made for it this season, the following partial will be made for it this season, and the following partial will be made for it this season, and the following partial will be made for it this season, and the following partial will be made for it this season, and the following partial will be made for it this season, and the following partial will be made for it this season, and the following partial will be made for it this season, and the following partial will be made for it this season, and the following partial will be made for it this season, and the following partial will be made for it this season, and the will be m

"It is easily possible for steamers to make their way via Australia or Hawaii -At St. John's church on Sunday to South Africa and to deliver cargoes evening there was a large congregation, to that part of the globe without any organ recitals was given, at which the vessel were to attempt the voyage to sang the solo "Just As I Am," and Miss the trip would be exceedingly stormy Lugrin gave "Waiting for the King." A. from the time it left the straits of San I'. Goward's solo was "In Nature Juan until it arrived in South Africa.

"I have been in command of vessels running out of the Sound for a good

time before I took a lumber charter, and and was very largely attended. other vessels which came here to get wheat or other profitable charters are still tied up waiting a good offer. I do not believe the weak charter market will morrow. The Wyfield passed up from

going to the Japan coast will be getting away as soon as possible. These vessels, as heretofore stated, will be the Triumph, Carlotta G. Cox and Geneva. The first named will be in charge Capt. Burns, the second in command of Capt, Nelson and the third will be taken cut by Capt. Jones, who during the last years has been doing stevedoring work along the waterfront. These masters all signed articles for the voyages on Queen City a number of men went up to Saturday, and will secure white crews. Hunters, however, are holding out this year for increased pay, and are asking 50 cents a pelt more wages.

NELLIE THURSTON RETURNING. A report published in the Seattle Times. conveys the news that the Nellie G. Thurston, the schooner operated by the it, he being given as the master of the

This is a mistake, as Capt. Johnston did not leave in charge of the schooner on her last trip. The vessel left Nanaimo about July 25th with Capt. Mad; den in command.

MARBIED THIS APTERNOON.

Mr. A. J. Dallain and Miss Downey United in Wedlock Principals

b Widely Known

Dallain, second son of the late Capt. F. present council will again come out. while the local Trades and Labor Coun-G. Dallain, 1st Regimene, R. I. M., of cil has already selected a number of can-Green Hills, St. Peters, Jersey, and Miss
Helen Marion Downey, niece and adopted daughter of Mrs. Charles Todd. ed daughter of Mrs. Charles Todd.

The ceremony was quietly performed owing to recent bereavement in the the members are also out for school trus-

might be mentioned a handsome cak and silverware service from the S. P. C. A. It silverware service from the S.

The honorary treasurer of the Royal pairs which are being made of that company. Jubilee hospital acknewledges with thanks the receipt of the usual Christmas donation of \$25 from F. W. P.; also of \$5 from Geo. T. Fox.

-Semple's hall, Victoria West, remany years, but this is the first season when I have found it necessary to round the Cape of Good Hope in order to teach a port in South Africa on the Pacific ocean side of that continent. But by taking a course down the coast of the trouble of the Cape of Good Hope in order to teach the Methodist church Sunday school were given their annual Christmas entertainment. The event was full of extaking a course down the coast of the trouble of the youngsters. There were trouble of the coast of the trouble of the policy o two Americas and rounding Cape Horn, two Christmas trees, and the appearthen steering a little to the north and ance of these loaded down almost to the children.

western smelter, is staying at the Dominion. He is accompanied by his wife and children. favorable winds all the way.

"The weather on the outside is extremely disagreeable at present and will continue so for some time. It is not going about Good Hope we will have breaking point, with everything that the continue so for some time. It is not over the entertainment, and a pronecessarily dangerous, but it retards the gramme of a varied character was propassage of vessels and quick time is being a cantata by children, under the passage of vessels and quick time is what we are all after.

"Charters are going begging now and vessels are lying in the Royal Roads or Okell, the "Brownies" and the "Winter particularly those who were thrown out of the first one project of the content of the school were held on Friday. Great credit is due the teacher, Miss M. Godson, for the progress the children have made of the progress the children have made of the progress the children have made of the winter of the Christmas series, in the content of the winter of the Christmas series, in the children have made of the winter of the Christmas series, in the children have made of the winter of the Christmas series, in the children have made of the winter of the Christmas series, in the children have made of the winter of the Christmas series, in the children have made of the winter of the children have made of the winter of the Christmas series, in the children have made of the winter of the Christmas series, in the children have made of the winter of the winter of the children have made of the winter of

QUATSINO NEWS.

Settlers Unable to Locate-Boring For Coal Continues With Favorable Showing.

That Quatsino is attracting the attention of speculators is now evidenced by the scarcity of land for settling purposes On the last coast trip of the steamer the district to take up land. They looked over the country and a corresp adds that the moneys forwarded with

shaft has been sunk to a depth of 80 feet, and the indications are reported very favorable. Ned Tregone, a resident of Quatsine is applying for a liquor license, and expects to open a saloon shortly.

COMING CONTEST

Earnest-Big Field of Candidates,

At Chirst Church cathedral on Monsisted by Rev. Canon Beanlands and is altogether likely that it will be considerably increased by nomination day. It is almost certain that the entir

Ald. McCandless has posted notice of his

prevail here for a long time, but at present conditions are decidedly unfavorable. In fact lumber is practically the only cargo moving."

SEALERS SIGN ARTICLES.

After New Year's there will be a general exodus of sealers from the city. Although the start will not be early a one as twelve months are the excesses.

Sea yesterday.

ONE TABLET AFTER EATING and what a world of distress would be saved. Dr. Star's Pineapple Tablets cure sowr stomach, distress after eating, weight in the stomach, wind on the stomach, loss of appetie, dizziness, namesa, and a dozen of the store traceable to bad digestion. One Tablet gives listant relief. A positive and pleasant cure that nature has provided. 35 cents. Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.—128.

The same steamer which carried these

mines. The tramway line which has now about ready for operation, and the shipping wharf will probably be finished

Boring for coal still continues. The

Municipal Campaign Will Soon Be On in

inated doubtless in the city hall as usual. day His Lordship Bishop Perrin, as- candidates is exceptionally large, and it

in the sea by the subjects of the respective high contracting parties shall be suspended and entirely prohibited, except a few hundred young male seals annually on the seal islands for the food of the natives; this modus vivendi to continuing in force until abrogated by mutual agreement of the parties thereto.

If, however, the President fails to secure the medus vivendi authorized by this bill prior to the opening of the sealing season of 1903, the secretary of the treesury is authorized in his discretion, with the approval of the President, to take all of the seal life on said islands, except 10,000 adult female seals and 1,000 young male seals, This action on 1,000 young male young male seals and 1,000 young male young male young male young male young for few days since for Europe, on

W. F. Fraser and A. A. McRae returned on Saturday from Portland, where they have been studying dentistry. They are home on their Christmas vacation, and will resume their course in a fortnight's time, realistic. The story has much bright diagree.

Whereas a large amount of the money borrowed for the reclamation of the James Bay flats is still unexpended, with no immediate prospect of the work being continued;

And whereas there is in the city at the

Are Not a Cure-all Pill to Kidneys

They go straight to work at the right spot and set the kidneys working properly, stimulate their action, and enable them to carry off the impurities which would otherwise circulate through the system, brooding disease

Miss B. M. CROOKS, Seal Harbor, N.S. tells how she was cured:—

I had all the symptoms of kidney disease—my back was so lame some days I could hardly walk, my urine was scanty and highly colored. After taking only two boxes of Doan's Kidney Fills I can recommend them to anyone suffering from kidney trouble. They are the best pills I ever took. Price 50c. per box or 3 for \$1.25. All Dealers or The Doan Kidney Pill Co., Toronto, On

4 Lbs. Large Raisins - 25c Three weeks from to-day the candites for municipal honors will be nomittee for municipal honors will be not municipal Three days later polling will take place, commencing at 9 a. m. and continuing until 7.30 p. m. That the election will

Compare my 20c Candy with any at 40c lb.

Table Raisins, Figs, Dates, Nuts, Stockings, Bon-Bons, Hampers of Candy, Tea Pots of Candy,

family of the bride, and consequently only the relatives and intimate friends of the principals were present. The service was fully choral. The bride, who will be that there are two strong aspirants for Mayor. The present chief

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pector, has received the

Among the Briggs publications are som beautiful books, "Fuel of Fire," by Eller Thorneycroft Fowler, is a most gorgeou production. The name colored nasturulus and the wriggling leaves on the cover are realistic. The story has much bright dialogue. It describes the working out of a curse in one of England's noble families, and is in parts portentous and trying on the new res

and is in parts portentous and trying on the nerves.

"The Love Story of Abner Stone" is a sweet old-time story fragrant as an old-fashioned garden with the flowers of purity and fidelity and grace. It would awaken tenderness in the heart of the hardest, and bring smiles to the lips of the gloomiest. Its humor is quaint, its style unimpeachable and its romance dainty and wholesome.

"Beautiful Joe's Paradisa" would be the unimpeachable and its romance dainty and wholesome.

"Beautiful Joe's Paradise" would be the best of gifts for any boy. It is a sequel to "Beautiful Joe," by Marshall Saunders, and describes the heaven of the animals, or rather their probationary abode, as the title indicates. An earth boy is taken there and learns many things. It is a bright, clever and witty narrative, and brings forcibly home many lessons incuicated by the S. P. C. A. Yet it is entertaining to grown folk as well.

A timely little book and one which might grace any library is a collection of poems by our own poets, "Canadian Singers and Their Songs." The album contains portraits and autograph poems. It is a very attractive souvenit.

traits and autograph poems. It is a very attractive souvenir.

A year's subscription to the American Kitchen Magazine (Home Science Publishing Co., Boston.) would be acceptable to many housekeepers. It is a thoroughly scientific and modern magazine, a great help to the intelligent woman, but no use at all to the lazy woman or the woman without ambitions. It is true that nothing can help either of these. The Christmas number is a nice gift in itself.

The French booklets and calendars issued by the Wm. Jenkins Company, New York, are always pretty and useful things to send.

By Book Post an important truth. They are cast in the interesting and simple style of dialogue and narration mingled. The book is issued by the American Book Company, New York, for the Christman trade.

MADGE ROBERTSON.

MAIL BAGS FOUND.

Capt. E. H. Fletcher, post office infrom Supt. Pulham, of the northern mail service, that the mail bags which were lost in Taku Arm have been recovered. The mail which left Atlin on Novemher 28th was carried by dog train under the charge of couriers Abbey and Mc-

The body of the unfortunate couriers had not been recovered when Supt. Pulham wrote to Inspector Fletcher. Only the sleigh and the mail bags had

The following is one of the many appreciative communications received by the Tourist Association from different parts of the country in regard to the pamphlet, "Picturesque Victoria":

"Picturesque Victoria":

Vancouver, Dec. 20th, 1902.

Herbert Ontabert, Tourist Association, Victoria;
Dear Sir:—I am much obliged by the receipt of the beautiful pamphlets to hand, which I have malled to friends in various parts of the world, by whom they will be interestedly perused, and I trust have some good results.

May I compliment you upon the excellent character (in every respect) of the work?

I am, yours faithfully,
W. D. BURDIS,
Secretary of the Fraser River Canners' Association, 1902.

To the Editor:—As a Victorian a express the sincere hope that we are not to witness in West Yale a repetition of the grossily improper course followed by the grossily in the grossily improper course followed by the grossily in t narrow majority, and if legislation ed by such a majority in a Ho has not its full complement of has not its full complement of members there will be grave danger of its being repeated by the next House. Moreover, the people of Victoria cannot afford to antagonize the rest of the province by tamely submitting to the disfranchisement of a Mainland constituency. There ought to be a strong popular expression of opinion on this point, if later there appears to be a likelihood that the North Victoria iniquity is to be repeated.

VICTORIAN.

PIERRE-LEE On the 13th Inst., at Portland, Oregon, by the Rev. C. B. F. Moore, T. W. Pierre, of Victoria, B. C., to Mrs. Jane G. Lee, of Washington,

WARREN-DOWNEY-At Holy Trinity church, North Saanich, by the Rev. Wimberly William, A. A. Warren, youngest on of Col. Warren, Yancouver, to Victoria Louise, youngest daughter of J. J. and Mrs. Downey, Sidmonton Farm, North Saanich.

BARTON-JOHNSTONE—At Vancouver, on Dec. 17th, by Rev. J. M. McLeod, John C. Barton and Miss Helen Fordie John-FRASER-MURRAY—At Vancouver, on Dec. 16th, by Rev. J. K. Wright, Francis V. Fraser and Miss Eliza J. Murray.

BROWN-HENDERSON-At Vancouver Dec. 16th, by Rev. J. K. Wright, Andrew T. Brown and Miss Isabel A. Henderson. DIED.

RDONI—On October 18th, at sea, Annie, wife of Lawrence Whitman Sardoni, of Vancouver, and third daughter of William Arden, of Metchosin, aged 28 PARTICULARS ARE WANTED, and where possible, accompanied by photographs, of improved mixed farms for sale of from 70 to 160 acres, with house, outbuildings, etc., on Pender or adjacent Islands or in Saanich Dietrict. Address Secretary, Bureau of Provincial Information, Victoria.

WANTED-Agents in every town and village in Canada to sell made to measure Ladies' suits, jackets and skirts; good commissions. Crown Tailoring Co., Can-ada's Largest Tailors, Toronto.

WANTED—Agents in every town and vil-lage in Canada to sell Men's ordered clothing; good commissions; Union label. Crown Tailoring Co., Canada's Largest Tailors, Toronto.

LOST-Great Dane bitch, answers to the name of Glory; wears leather collar with brass studs. Finder kindly return to H. Mortimer Lamb, Pemberton road.

Author of "God's Outcast Fate," "To Pay the Such is Life," "The F "For Life and Libert Reuben," etc.

SYNOPSIS OF PRECEITIONS.—Basil Pendarvis, a citist, who finds it easier to grained than bought, receiving the price of paint the portrait Cleveland, at her father's hurst, Kent. He accepts the as cash is very scarce with time. Basil finds himself homed, as, indeed, his friend, who is a neighbor of Clevelhim he would be. Basil is his sitter, who is a girl netbeauty, but of a sweet and tion. Her sister Elizabeth st favorably. She is a professed nerves supposed to be all at the household with an implousness. After seven weel picture is finished, and Basto his studde in London. In himself hopelessly in love wand the thought of fer inspired "My Lady Bountiful," friends tell him he reach the picture is exhibited in ance is acclaimed as the worlden's supposed to be supposed to be all at the household with and between Basil and Dorothinds that has fove is return time the pair are dwellers. Then Basil receives a strang Dorothy, blurred with tears, the engagement in the na SYNOPSIS OF PRECE

CHAPTER X A Eruitless Que "Will you come this w

It was a servant who spoke heart sank like lead. Dorothy was not expecting all. She did not even coknowing that he was in the meant the separation to With bowed head he follo want out of the room and a to the library. Most likely on a bootless errand. If

if she had resolved that sh see him he knew that not shake her purpose. Hope, however, is a hard will live through winters

get an interview with Don

ust as well have stayed at

ther blooms.

Mr. Cleveland received but in a distinctly friendly "I understand why you he said, shaking hands with I must say I am sorry for y "Then Dorothy has told said, trying hard to keep

"She has told me everything faced the matter calmly and and she has made up her mi "She seems to have grown quickly," Basil said, bitterly. "No. no. You do Dodo a She is one of the most consta of the most unselfish creat

"Then why has she flung n "I thought she had expla thing to you in a letter.' "She may have tried, but

grasp her explanations; for

I have come to see her." "I am afraid your journey Mr. Pendarvis. I am, indeed You think she will not see "Well, in the first place, I she feels equal to seeing an has not left her room for the

days." denly ill." Basil said, shortly "Well, yes. The truth is w a very trying time. Elizabet be the worse of the two."

"Indeed!"

"We never knew how much loved Dodo until the other day she has feared something for But a few days ago she taxe truthful to equ -well, then-" and Mr. spread out his hands and rela "Well, what then?" Basil after a pause.
"Oh, well, Elizabeth had a

struggle with herself. She congratulate Dodo-wanted to that she hoped she would be and all that; but the effort was "What effort?" Basil asked, "The effort to hide her gr see, she loved Dodo as her very the thought of losing her, of

very heart. But she made a "Did she?" "You see, she did not want see that she was suffering, that her heart was broken. And effort to appear calm exhauste strength she had, and she fell

alone, as it were, seemed to

"In fact, I thought it was a for several hours I thought sh "I wish to Heavens she had

said with sudden energy.
"Sir!" exclaimed Mr. aghast. "Pardon me," Basil said aft ment's pause; "but you hard! what all this means to me." "I forgive you," Mr. Clevela "I was a young ma

"And am I to sit down quietly Elizabeth deliberately wreck my wreck Dorothy's also?" "My dear sir, you mistake. will put no obstacle in the way. amazed at the way she talked. she was quite ready to die that Dorothy might be free t

"Elizabeth is the most cons etor alive," Basil said, bitterly. "No, no. You do not know s absolutely sincere; and for art I have not the least doub has Dorothy, that if she married ed, anyone else, it would be the of Elizabeth."

"Humbug!" snapped Basil, un ntrol his temper. "People tamp don't die so easily." "You must allow us to be the this case," Mr. Cleveland said