SHORT LOCALS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

—Justice Walkem has forwarded his notes in the Stroebel case to Ottawa.

—Mrs. Buck, mother of Mrs. S. D. Pope, of Victoria, is dead at Oregon City.

—Stoker Sheppard of H. M. S. Pheasant has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment for deserting.

—At a match at Association football on Saturday the Wanderers defeated the navy by ten goals to none.

—Special New Year's services for the children were held Sunday at Christ Church cathedral, St. Saviour's and St. Barnabas.

—During the year there were registered 364 births, 227 marriages and 274 deaths. During 1892 there were 346 births, 144 marriages and 300 deaths.

—Several hundred gentlemen called at Government House yesterday. They were received by the Lieutenant-Governor, Mrs. Dewdney and private secretary Jacobs.

—The law society preliminary examinations have been adjourned until next Monday. Three students, Messrs. Heisterman, Anderson and Macrae, will write.

—Mr. Macnab estimates the salmon pack for 1893 at 576,585 cases, or 27,676,000 tins. Of this 22,600,000 tins came from the Fraser river, being an increase of 60 per cent. over last year.

—Collector Milne has received a dispatch that the Anglo-Russian agreement for a protective zone, operative last season, will probably be continued this year. Of course this applies only to the Commander island and the Siberian coast.

—The funeral of the late Jonathan Simpson, aged 77, who died last Friday, took place from St. Andrew's church on New Year's day. Many friends followed the remains to the grave. Deceased was an old employee of the Hudson's Bay Company.

—New Year's John Mariner while intoxicated demanded admission to a house of questionable character on Herald street, kept by Minnie Schmidt. He was refused entrance and kicked in the door. He paid $10 damage in the police court this morning.

—The passenger rates in effect prior to the World's Fair have been restored by all the transcontinental lines. A joint circular has been issued by the several roads making a reduction in freight rates on several commodities. Merchants will be notified by circular.

—Several days ago the charcoal kilns and stables on the Belmont farm, which are operated by a Chinaman, were burned to the ground, the loss being nearly $500. The owner says he is certain a Chinaman with whom he had a dispute over wages started the fire, but he has not enough evidence to convict him.

—A concert was held last evening at Fernwood Hall, Spring Ridge. A good programme was rendered, the following taking part: A. Baird, piano solo; A. Carter, song; J. Holden, piano solo; A. E. Collis, violin solo; P. Manson, Highland fling. After the programme refreshments were served and the hall was cleared for a dance.

—George T. Stevens, A. McIntosh and William Griffith, the pirates arrested on the British side, were given a preliminary hearing at Anacortes on Saturday and bound over with bonds at $750 each. The prisoners are charged with robbing the schooner Lizzie Colby, and some of the stolen property was in their possession when arrested.

—The dates for the installation for the different I. O. O. F. lodges will be as follows: Columbia lodge No. 2, on Wednesday night; Dominion lodge No. 4, on Thursday night; Victoria lodge No. 1, on Monday next; Duncan's lodge, at Duncan's Station, on Saturday, Dec. 13th; Acme lodge No. 14, on Monday, Jan. 15th, and Vancouver encampment, Saturday, Jan. 6th.

—In the election of school trustees the qualifications necessary which apply to both candidates for the officers and voters is that their names appear on the mayor's list of voters, and that they have paid the provincial revenue tax of $3 for 1894. Evidence of payment of this tax by receipt produced even if deferred to the time of coming to vote will be sufficient. The proposer and seconder of a candidate must comply with the law.

—The names of the successful candidates who passed the entrance civil service examination are: E. Denton, R. Gidley, W. S. Keay, Katharine Maud O'Connor, Eva Sill, Archibald Trew, H. T. Ward, F. B. Babbage, R. W. Shaw, W. Bain, F. C. Harman, E. Parkinson, E. Crosby, E. G. Wickens, A. E. Cave and E. Kay. The following passed the qualifying examinations: W. R. Dunn, J. Moscrop, G. Parkinson, Rachael Wintermute and Harold Schlotefield.

—An attempt at burglary was made Saturday morning at the house of Mrs. Finlaison, corner of Government and Bay streets. While trying to force a window in the rear of the house the burglars were frightened away. The same night two men, who answer to the description of the burglars, entered several saloons, got drinks and left without paying. The police say they will "rope in" the burglars, around whom they are winding a chain of circumstantial evidence.

—The mass meeting in Institute Hall last evening under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. and Perseverance lodge No. 1, I. O. G. T., was well attended. Temperance addresses were given by Revs. H. Webb, Robson and Reid. A pleasing instrumental trio was given by the Hall brothers. J. G. Brown sang "The Wonders of the Deep," and as an encore, "The Willow Copse." Miss Anderson sang "Venice Waters," and in response to a hearty encore "Maggie, the Cows are in the Clover." Rev. H. Webb gave with much feeling "Save the Boy," and Clement Rowlands the "Bedouin Love Song" and "Mona." Mr. Chisolm and Mr. Allan pleased the audience with their amusing recitations in Scotch dialect. Rev. S. Cleaver presided over the meeting, which was brought to a close by singing the national anthem. Mrs. Lewis Hall played the accompaniments. Over a thousand callers were entertained during the day at the reception in Temperance hall. Refreshments were provided and all were made welcome.

—The convention of True Believers closed yesterday. Every session was well attended and the convention was a success.

—The case of Sang Chung, cook on the sealing schooner W. P. Hall, who claimed $108 for wages, was settled out of court. Captain Brown paid the sum claimed.

—The Y. M. I. card tournament was brought to a close last Saturday evening. The winners of the different games were: M. Steele and M. Dowdall in whist; Captain W. O'Leary in cribbage and H. J. O'Leary in euchre.

—Watch night services were held in St. James', St. Barnabas', St. Saviour's Episcopal churches, Metropolitan and Centennial Methodist churches, and at the Central Presbyterian church. The Salvation Army also had watch night services.

—In the police court Wm. Toner and Arthur Craig, three months each at hard labor for having stolen goods in their possession. The charges against Thos. Farrell and John Brown were dismissed—insufficient evidence. Eliza Williams, stealing from Jubilee hospital, a month in jail.

—The remains of Lucy Walkus, an Indian girl who died here four weeks ago, will be exhumed from their resting place in Ross Bay cemetery in a few days and sent to River's Inlet, where the father of the girl is chief of one of the tribes. The case is in the hands of Hanna & Taylor.

—A bran pie social will be given by Fernwood lodge, C. O. O. F., at Spring Ridge Hall, Thursday, 11th instant. This is a new idea in the line of a children's Christmas entertainment; but instead of the Christmas tree there will be a large barrel filled with bran and containing many pretty presents for the little ones. A supper will be served by the ladies.

—The inland revenue returns for Victoria division for December follow:

Spirits	$ 8,149 68
Malt	988 22
Tobacco	1,681 52
Cigars	974 55
Inspection Petroleum	137 85
	$11,931 82

This makes the total collections for 1893, $156,605.91.

—The steamer City of Puebla has added another fast trip to her already long list. She arrived this afternoon from San Francisco, having made the trip in 53 hours. She brought about 20 passengers and 68 tons of freight for Victoria. Marcelle and Broadmead, R. P. Rithet's race horses, were brought up, as well as a carriage horse for the same gentleman.

—While the Salvation Army officers were engaged Sunday night in conducting a meeting in the barracks, diligent burglars had broken into their headquarters on Douglas street, ransacked all the drawers and trunks, and taken away about $30 in money and a quantity of clothing. The burglars gained entrance by prying the latch of the rear window. In their haste they did not catch sight of a dingy-looking cash book which contained close upon $100.

—A party of Northern Pacific railway officials, including agents, conductors and brakemen, spent Sunday and Monday in the city. They came to the coast from Montana to give evidence in a case between a passenger and the company. The case being adjourned over the holidays, they came to Victoria to pass the time. The case in which they are witnesses is a rather peculiar one. A lady while crossing the continent caught a cold. On that account she is suing the company for damages. The company may stop prosecution. The stolen property was found in her trunk.

—Louise Williams, housemaid at the Jubilee hospital, was arrested New Year's eve charged with stealing a quantity of small articles, the estimated value of which is $25. The Williams woman is 54 years old and tells a pitiable story. She says she keeps her elder sister and cripple child, who live on a farm near Seattle. She sends all the money she earns to them, and it was in order to provide comforts for her invalid nephew that she stole the articles. The articles stolen were of no use to the woman, and, it is questionable if she could have realized upon them. She is a hard-working woman and her story is straightforward. The hospital directors stop over at Victoria and visit the Golden Eagle claim at Alberni, which was recently acquired by the duke and other English capitalists.

—R. J. Frost, formerly of the Victoria lacrosse club, and Miss Marion G. Carter, were married at Orillia, Ont., on December 27. They received many handsome presents. They are spending the honeymoon in Quebec province.

—J. C. Holden has purchased the entire interest of E. F. Ames. The firm of Ames, Holden & Co., will be dissolved, and Mr. Holden promises to turn the business into a joint stock company, with a capital of $600,000, and letters patent to that effect have been asked from the Dominion government.—Winnipeg Free Press.

—Spring Ridge Presbyterian mission held its annual Sunday school entertainment last night. Rev. Mr. Chisholm was in the chair and Rev. Dr. Campbell presented the prizes. A very interesting programme showed the proficiency of the Sunday school scholars, and reflected great credit upon the teachers under whose tutelage they have been trained.

—The British Columbia Annual for 1894—issued by the Vancouver World, and received some days ago—is the most pretentious holiday number yet attempted by a British Columbia publisher. The Annual contains about one hundred pages of general literary and local reading, liberally interspersed with illustrations. The enterprise of the World is deserving of a generous reward.

—The Alpine club has asked the department at Ottawa to observe the movement of glaciers in the Rockies and Selkirks. The request has been forwarded to Surveyor-General Kains and he has distributed printed pamphlets sent therewith to surveyors and others interested in the matter. The movements of glaciers in Europe and Asia are being observed for scientific purposes, and the society is desirous of comparing them with those in the North American mountain ranges.

—Francis Robert Tottenham, better known as "Professor," died at St. Joseph's hospital this morning of Bright's disease. The deceased was a great traveller and had been in most parts of the civilized world. He had served as lieutenant in the East Indian company's service, under a commission dated 1849, and during the Punjaub war gained two medals. He was also a justice of the peace for the county of Grey, Ont. He was a native of Ireland, aged about 75.

—The dramatic entertainment and concert at St. John's schoolroom last night was well attended and the audience fully appreciated the good programme. The dramatic production "Sunset," a story of sisterly love, was put on the boards in a very creditable style. The young ladies and gentlemen who took part sustained their roles in an admirable manner. The musical selections and recitations were of the best, and the laughable farce "A Model of a Wife," which concluded the entertainment, put everyone in a happy mood. A goodly sum was realized.

—May Antonio, a trapeze performer in the Delmonico music hall, fell during her performance last night and by almost a miracle escaped serious injury. The trapeze swings from the ceiling in the centre of the hall and has no netting or other guard under it. Miss Antonio came out for her "turn" at 11.30. Shortly after appearing and while doing a slip from the top of the trapeze in which she catches the bar with her knees, the bar broke. The woman shot downward, striking on her shoulder. The people in the house thought she was surely killed and there was sound alarm and applause when she got up and immediately resumed her performance.

—The nominations for mayor, aldermen and school trustees take place on Monday and the election on the following Thursday. There are so far two candidates for mayor, Hon. Robert Beaven and John Teague. The names of numerous citizens have been mentioned in connection with aldermanic honors but no one has as yet announced himself as a candidate. Most of the present aldermen will seek re-election, in fact only one of them, Ald. Henderson, has decided not to enter the contest. Two meetings have already been called to discuss civic affairs, one at the city hall this evening and the other at the Odd Fellows Hall, Spring Ridge, to-morrow evening.

—A committee of 20 members of the Y. M. C. A. has been formed with R. Marwick, chairman; H. Roper, vice-chairman; F. Davey, secretary, and G. A. Pidduck, 79 Government street, treasurer. The committee proposes to obtain 200 members who will contribute one dollar per month which, with the regular donations and fees will carry on the work during the coming year. They have commenced canvassing and as soon as enough money can be obtained to conduct the affairs of the association for a month the rooms will be re-opened. An advisory committee was appointed consisting of H. G. Waterson (chairman), T. M. Henderson, Dr. Lewis Hall and J. P. Burgess. It is hoped the debt will soon be wiped out.

To the Editor: Please grant me a small space in your paper to correct an item in this morning's Colonist concerning the discharge of a gun on New Year's night. With the exception that Mr. and Mrs. Croft were passing at the time the article is devoid of truth. The facts are these: About 11.00 on Monday night my brother came upstairs informing me that somebody was stealing his chickens. I got out of bed and went to the window and opened it, having a small loaded rifle in my hands. Not being able to see anything I asked my brother to go downstairs and show a light from the window, which he did. Not being able to see far enough out I raised the window higher. In doing so the gun exploded; at the time the gun was elevated and pointing in a southerly direction. Mr. and Mrs. Croft at this time were coming up the road being northeast of the house. Mr. Croft at once asked me what was the matter. I informed him that the gun was accidentally discharged. He became very abusive. My brother then went out, and in reply to Mr. Croft's enquiry informed him that he suspected some one of stealing his chickens, and while he showed a light to the window the gun went off. These are the facts of the case.

JOHN C. WALKER.

Esquimalt Road, Jan. 3.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

—Rev. G. A. B. Hall and bride, nee Pool, of Nanaimo, are in the city on their wedding tour.

—The business of the Stanley House has passed into the hands of a joint stock company, known as the Stanley House Co., Ltd. The authorized capital is $200,000. The provisional directors are W. J. Macaulay, C. T. Child, S. Aspland, R. Cassidy and W. H. Bainbridge. Mr. Hampson, the former proprietor, who has succeeded in building up a very large trade, will continue in charge as manager.

—There will be at least one single tax candidate for alderman at the coming election.

—The case of Dunsmuir vs. the Bark Harold, was closed to-day. Judgment has been reserved.

—The Okell-Morris Fruit Preserving Company have been offered inducements to remove their cannery to Vancouver.

—John Farrell, sealer, was arrested this morning charged with stealing $47 from the vest pocket of William Lennox at the Globe Hotel, Esquimalt, last night. Farrell was to be tried in Esquimalt by Magistrate Reid.

—John L. Brown, alias Campbell, was was brought down from Nanaimo to Victoria to-day. Brown was formally arraigned charged with writing threatening letters to Dr. Hanington. The case was continued for evidence.

—Arthur Brakes and Miss Annie White were married at the Victoria West Methodist Church on Tuesday evening by Rev. Geo. H. Morden. The couple are both from England, the husband being from Birmingham and the wife from Wisbeach.

—Rev. J. E. Coombes last evening delivered another of his interesting lectures on the World's Fair at the First Presbyterian Church school room. The lecture was illustrated with large lime Moss were married last evening at the same subject in the same place on Saturday afternoon.

—Frank Partridge and Miss Gertrude Moss were maried last evening at the home of the parents of the bride on Quadra street, by Rev. Dr. Campbell. Those present were relatives and intimate friends. After the ceremony supper was enjoyed, and with many congratulations and wishes for success the couple left for Vancouver and Westminster on a short wedding tour.

—Mr. Alexander Begg (not crofter Begg) is about publishing a volume of "Tales of the North West," and the Times has arranged with Mr. Begg for advance copies of a few of these tales to appear in these columns. The first of the series will appear on Saturday.

—Louis Olsen was convicted in the police court of supplying liquor to Peter, an Indian, and fined $50. William Meener, drunk, was convicted and discharged. First offence. Abroise Reid, aged 17, was fined $2 costs for assaulting Jas. H. Gripps, aged 16. The assault was more of a fight than anything else.

—The steamer Umatilla will sail for San Francisco this evening after the arrival of the Premier from Vancouver. The following passengers have been booked from Victoria: Miss N. Meridith, Mrs. Sweett, Mrs. Johnson, H. M. Walby, W. J. McClure, W. H. Hampton, Miss N. Goodall, Miss M. Overman, Mrs. West and chidlren, W. H. Lucas, E. H. Kowalsky, H. G. Chambers, Mrs. J. Hannan, T. Doherty, A. Lottus, J. L. Muton, G. Arndt, N. McColl, D. A. Shiles, Miss C. Gill, Mrs. Doherty and the Misses Doherty.

—Joshua Moody, a pioneer of the province, died last evening at his home, Pandora street, after a protracted illness. He was a native of Newburyport, Mass., and was in his 86th year. For many years he was engaged in the sawmill business with his eldest son, who was drowned at the time of the wreck of the Pacific. The deceased spent most of the time since coming to province in Victoria. He leaves a daughter, Mrs. Beaven, and a son, T. G. Moody. The funeral will take place on Saturday at 2.30 from the house, 90 Pandora street, and shortly afterwards from the Metropolitan Methodist Ch.

—The new officers of Columbia Lodge No. 2, I.O.O.F., were installed last evening. The installation was conducted by H. Waller, Acting Grand Master, assisted by the following staff of grand officers: J. H. Meldram, acting D.D.G.M.; W. E. Holmes, G.W.; F. Davie, G.S.; T. E. Phillips, G.T.; L. C. Cousins, G.M.; W. H. Huxtable, G. I.G. The officers installed were: A. E. McNeill, N.G.; D. H. Anderson, V.G.; R. C. Fawcett, Rec. Sec.; W. Jackson, Per Sec.; A. Henderson, Treas.; W. Dempster, warden; G. T. Fox, conductor; C. W. Hansen, I.G.; W. H. Huxtable, O.G.; H. O. Litchfield, R.S.N.G.; H. A. Porter, L.S.N.G.; M. McKinnon, R.S.V.G.; Jas. Pope, L.S.V.G.; W. G. Baird, R.S.S. Dominion Lodge No. 4 will install this evening.

—John Endicott Gardner, the well known Chinese interpreter and president of the Chinese rescue home of Victoria, B. C., arrived in this city yesterday afternoon with Ah Inai, a Chinese girl who will figure as an important witness in the Lee Fook Bow perjury case. Ah Inai, Ah Jim and Chumee Yung were a trio of Chinese girls, who were landed at Victoria through the aid of Sun Jig, a celebrated procuress. The famous Chinaman, Lee Fook Bow, then undertook the task of smuggling the trio into San Francisco. He got Ah Inai in all right but the San Francisco officials refused him landing when he arrived at that port with Chumee Yung. Ah Inai was in the meantime rescued by members of the Chinese rescue mission and since that time has been in their custody. When she tells the court and jury about Lee Fook Bow and his wicked doings the almond-eyed perjurer will have little hope of escaping a term in jail.—Seattle Telegraph.

The British Pacific.

There are all sorts of rumors flying around the streets about the British Pacific railway. It is known definitely that while he may have complied with certain conditions of his agreement, Frank Bakeman has technically defaulted. It is quite likely that something will be heard from him further, but the refusal of Mr. Rithet to grant any extension of time would lead to the conclusion that he will be treated as any new proposer. A director in the construction company told a Times man this morning that there had been certain correspondence in the last three months between New York and London parties and Col. Kane as secretary of the company, and that gentleman had served Frank Bakeman and the Chicago parties would get no further time. Col. Kane was called out, but would not talk. There are rumors of telegrams passing between Mr. Bakeman and Premier Davie and Mr. Rithet, but nothing has been made public. It is generally believed that the enterprise will be put through to preliminary construction this year, despite the failure of past attempts to float it.

The steamship Umatilla will not leave until after the steamer Premier arrives to-night. There are 65 passengers for her on to-day's Pacific Express and Capt. Hunter was requested to hold his vessel.

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Victoria Choral Society Elects Officers and Lays Plans.

A well attended business meeting of the Victoria Choral Society was held last evening. It was called to receive the report of the committee appointed at the meeting in November to select members, order music and make general arrangements. The report was received and adopted. The by-laws presented by the committee were considered seriatim and adopted. J. J. Austin was elected president, George Shedden treasurer, John Boyd librarian, W. E. Buck conductor, R. S. Day secretary, W. Greig and George Jay, with Mr. Buck ex-officio members of music and voice committee, and all the above with Percy Wollaston, Mrs. D. R. Harris and Miss Heathfield, form the executive committee. "The Erl King's Daughter," by Gade, will be the first cantata rendered. The first practice will be on Wednesday next, probably in Pioneer hall. The subscription, is limited to $6 a session, levied in sums not to exceed $1 a month. The members provide their own music. Already fifty have joined, and there are twenty applications in. Any new application should be filed with the secretary for consideration by the voice and music committee.

The society has already upon its roll of membership some of the leading amateur vocalists of the city. Perfect organization has been reached, the officers and conductor are particularly good choices, and the society has undoubtedly entered upon a very successful career.

Hanging From a Rafter.

The body of a middle-aged man was found hanging from a rafter in the closet of McDonald's cabins, Store street, at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The body was found by one of the tenants of the cabins. It was recognized to be the body of a man who has for the past few weeks occupied No. 10 cabin. When found it was quite cold, and the supposition is that the suicide was committed some hours before being found. Coroner Hasell took charge of the case, the locality was examined pending an inquest, and a constable was placed in charge. The name of the suicide is not known.

Accidentally Shot.

While playing with a juvenile companion yesterday C. McTavish, one of the younger sons of Mrs. A. McTavish, was accidentally shot with a small revolver which the children had. The ball entered the boy's leg inflicting a painful but not dangerous wound. The boy was removed to his mother's home, where Dr. J. S. Helmcken rendered the necessary surgical assistance. The boy was reported to be doing very well to-day, but it will be some time before he recovers. This is the third accident resulting from firearms in the hands of boys within the last few months.

Of Prendergast Ilk.

George L. Brown, aged 35, of Nanaimo, is in custody, according to a dispatch from that town to-day. Brown is held by the Nanaimo police waiting instructions from Chief Hussey, of the provincial police. Brown is a "crank" of the Prendergast class, who has written several threatening letters to Dr. Hanington of Victoria. Dr. Hanington does not know him, but has an indistinct recollection that ten years ago he treated in Yale hospital a man of that name. Brown had sustained injuries while walking on the Canadian Pacific, then in course of construction. He had gone down to Westminster to be treated by Dr. Trew, but returned to Yale and was received in the hospital, of which Dr. Hanington was physician. Brown entered an action against the contractors of the road; it fell through, and for some unaccountable reason he believes Dr. Hanington was instrumental in preventing him getting compensation for his injuries. A few weeks ago this man's letters began to reach Dr. Hanington. In them he addressed the doctor by the familiar sobriquet of doc., said it was a long time since they had met, promised a friendly visit unless Dr. Hanington gave him $250 to get out of the country, and added that his (Brown's) life was not worth much to him, as he had been dying for ten years back, and fears nothing.

The letter was placed in the hands of the police and Brown, who goes by the name of Campbell in Nanaimo, was arrested. He will be brought down to Victoria and be tried in the provincial police court Thursday afternoon.

The Brazilian War.

Montevideo, Jan. 4.—News from Rio de Janeiro is that Peixoto has sent a dispatch to Toulon, France, ordering that his war vessels, the Richelieu and the Benjamin Constant, which are being built at that place, go to Pernambuco with all speed and join the fleet the president is gathering there.

New York, Jan. 4.—The steamer Endeavor arrived this morning from Brazilian ports. She left Rio on Nov. 26th. The captain reports there were daily conflicts between Mello's ships and the forts on shore. A great deal of firing took place at night, consequently it was impossible to see the effects of the shot or the amount of damage sustained. Vittoria, the next port the Endeavor made, all was quiet when she left on Dec. 6th. At Pernambuco, which port the Endeavor left on December 16th, the feeling was in favor of Mello. The Nitherohi was cruising outside the harbor. She refused to come close to the government vessel in the harbor when invited to do so. The English torpedo boat Aurora was coaling when the Endeavor left. Nothing had been heard of the shooting of the insurgents, said the captain.

Rio de Janeiro, Jan. 3.—Admiral da Gama, commander of the insurgent fleet in the harbor, published yesterday a manifesto which was intended to counteract the effect of his celebrated declaration of a month ago, in favor of the monarchy. This declaration has weakened the cause of the insurgents greatly in the last three or four weeks, and has alienated from Mello, and da Gama, several officers, who, before its appearance, had been their trusted friends and allies. Among the people at large its effects have been still more unfavorable to the insurgent cause. Consequently, in his manifesto yesterday, Admiral da Gama asserted that his former declaration was not a monarchist document. This declaration, as well as other papers attributed to him, he said in the manifesto of yesterday, had been altered and printed in falsified copies. He had not declared for the monarchy, but had intended merely to ask the people of Brazil what form of republican government they wanted. Other interpretations of his declarations had not been made in good faith. This manifesto has fallen flat. Friends of the republic regard it as a passing manoeuvre to win support to the insurgents' cause. While not gaining for the insurgents any new republican friends, the manifesto has disgusted many of its former supporters, as the monarchists are throughly disgusted with da Gama's retraction. All is quiet and orderly here at present.

London, Jan. 3.—A dispatch from Pernambuco says: The government cruiser Nitherohi has not yet sailed owing to trouble connected with paying her crew. It is reported that Admiral Mello, learning of the arrival of the government cruiser America, turned back southward. The American and German naval commanders notified Admiral da Gama on Tuesday last that they would not permit the further bombarding of Rio until sure anchorage for merchant vessels loading and unloading should be guaranteed.

A WOMAN'S SUFFERINGS.

Attacked by Sciatica and Suffered Excruciating—Forced to Use Crutches for Four Months.

Mrs. Jacob Fry is the wife of a well-known farmer living in Raynham township, Haldimand county. To a reporter of the Selkirk Item Mrs. Fry told the following interesting story:

"I was ill for nearly a year, and for four months could not move my limbs because of sciatica, and was compelled to use crutches to get around. My limb swelled up, and I would suffer excruciating pains, which ran down from the hip to the knee. I suffered so much that my health was generally bad. I tried doctors and patent medicines, but got no help until I began the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I used six boxes in all, and since that time have been a well woman, having been entirely free from pain and have no further use for medicine. I am prepared to tell anybody and everybody what this wonderful medicine has done for me, and I feel very grateful for the great good the Pink Pills wrought in my case."

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A VIRGINIA GIRL.

Senator Faulkener to Marry Miss Whiting This Evening.

Hampton, Va., Jan. 4.—This venerable town will witness the greatest society event in its history to-night, when Miss Virginia Whiting becomes the bride of United States Senator Charles J. Faulkner. The nuptials will take place in St. John's church, in which the leading families of the city have worshipped, generation after generation, for over two hundred years. A special train bringing guests from different parts of the country arrived last evening, and four special cars, well filled were attached to the night express, which reached here this morning. The wedding will be solemnized at five o'clock, and the town is keeping holiday to-day.

Senator Faulkner will be attended by United States Senator Dubois, Hons. B. D. Gibson, John D. Pendleton, Joseph Chilton and Fenton G. Harrison of West Virginia, and Livingston Whiting, a brother of the bride. Senator B. D. Flord, of Appomattox, a nephew of the groom, will officiate as best man.

The bridesmaids will be Amelia Pearson of Kentucky, May Faulkner of West Virginia, Elsie and May Love of Winchester, Lucy Critcher of Alexandria, and Nanny Watkins, Lucy Tabb and Annie Christian of Virginia. Miss May Phillips will be maid of honor.

Twenty-five hundred guests will witness the ceremony, and it will be followed by a reception at the house of Captain W. C. Whiting, father of the bride. At the close of the reception Senator and Mrs. Faulkner will leave on a government steamer for Norfolk, from which point they will go to Florida on a special car.

The bride to be is a beautiful woman, and is noted for her pronounced ideas concerning dress and personal adornment and her objections to following the iron-clad rules of fashion. Particularly is this the case in regard to hair dressing, in which she may be said to set the fashion in her own set. She curls her hair a great deal, but in very large waves, which are carelessly combed back from her face, falling away loosely at each side. A double twist rests on the crown of her head, so large that it looks considerably to her height. At the top of this she always be seen a pin of the finest filigree. Her fashion in this respect has been copied by many noted society people, and is said to have found its way into English royal circles.

The N. P. steamship Tacoma is due here on Sunday next from Yokohama. She has a full cargo of general freight and 125 passengers. The Tacoma officials, immigration inspectors and pilot will be here the last of the week to meet the vessel.