# LOCAL NEWS

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

—Yesterday a building permit was granted to F. Watson for the erection of a barn on Belleville street, to cost $180.

—Last evening the last meeting of the year of the Victoria Nest, No. 10, Brotherhood of Owls, was held in the A. O. U. W. hall.

—Last evening at 8 o'clock the fire brigade had a short run to Wood Bros.' garage, Fort street, where a small fire in some kindling beneath the floor had started. A few pails of water put out the blaze.

—Last evening at 8 o'clock the Spring Ridge Methodist Sunday school held their annual entertainment. A cantata entitled, "The Coming of the King," was given by the members of the school. After this Santa Claus appeared and distributed the presents to members of the school. There was a large attendance of friends present.

—On Christmas day at 5.30 at Christ Church cathedral Mr. Leonard A. Walton and Miss Runie B. Post, of this city, were united in wedlock. The bride was attired in embroidered net over cream silk, and was attended by Mrs. T. E. Sullivan. The groom was supported by Mr. Sullivan. Many presents were received by the bride and groom.

—Those who have subscribed for the Kubelik - Paderewski - Homer-Witherspoon series of concerts, can obtain their season tickets by applying to the honorary secretary of the Victoria Musical Society, Stewart Williams, either by letter or personally, at his office on Fort street. The box office at the theatre will be opened for the Kubelik concert at 10 a.m. on January 4th. No season tickets will be issued after the box office is opened.

—Antonio Loachiavio, the man who is wanted in Sydney, Australia, and who a week ago was remanded, came up again this morning in the police court and on the request of W. C. Moresby was again remanded for another week. J. A. Aikman asked that the bail of $2,000 should be considerably reduced in order that the man might live in a hotel instead of in the police lock-up. The magistrate, however, refused to reduce the amount of bail and he was remanded for another week under the same terms as before.

—The regular Saturday 10-cent. children matinee will be given at the New Grand to-morrow afternoon, when the little ones will see a performance that will please them better than any they have witnessed in a long time, as the big holiday bill show being presented this week is one of the best that has been given in the Grand. It is headed by Ameen Abou Hamed and his troupe of eight acrobatic and tumbling Arabs, and the other features include the Rosaires in a splendid tight and slack wire act; Gray and Graham, novelty, comedy, musical act; Evans and Lloyd in the comedy sketch, "Turning the Tables"; Evangeline Metcalf, singing and acrobatic dancing; Thos. J. Price singing the illustrated song, "Keep on Smiling"; two very funny moving pictures, and the overture, "A Tourist's Experience in Victoria."

(From Thursday's Daily).

—Next Sunday evening carol service will be held at Christ church cathedral in accordance with the usual custom.

—A. B. McNeill has announced his intention to be a candidate for school trustee at the forthcoming election.

—This evening the farewell to Rev. E. Le Roy Dakin and his family will take place in the Emmanuel Baptist church. A programme has been prepared for the occasion.

—Harold Payne Le Sueur, third son of Walter Payne Le Sueur, of this city, and Beatrice, daughter of Edward Mainwaring Johnson, also of this city, were united in wedlock recently. Rev. Wilson, M. A., officiated.

—Last Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock the funeral of the late Alex Campbell, of Craigend, Mount Tolmie, took place from the residence of Mr. McCallum, Oak street. Rev. Joseph McCoy officiated. The following acted as pallbearers: John Meston, C. McRae, T. Mayne and Mr. McCallum.

—The officers and teachers of the Victoria West Methodist Sunday school were tendered a banquet on Tuesday last at the parsonage, Victoria West. After the repast, some necessary business in connection with the school was transacted and the rest of the evening spent in social intercourse.

—Last Tuesday evening a meeting of the British Columbia Timber and Forestry Association was held in the Pioneer hall. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: H. S. Pringle, G. H. Barnard, A. Bell, William Blakemore, E. J. Palmer, Mr. McClure, Mr. Hardwick, Mr. Allen, J. D. Billing and J. H. McGregor.

—The motormen and conductors of the British Columbia Electric Railway Company acknowledge with thanks the receipt of Christmas gifts from the following: C. A. Holland, cheque; Angus St. Charles, cash; Mr. Hindurn, cash; A. T. Goward, local manager, cigars; R. Hall, cigars; Mr. Bullen, cigars; Mr. Wilkerson, cigars; Mr. McCurdy, cigars; H. Dallas Helmcken, K.C., cigars; S. Thomson, cigars. The motormen and conductors join in wishing all a happy and prosperous New Year.

—The death occurred yesterday at St. Joseph's hospital, of Althalia D. Chungranes, second daughter of D. K. Chungranes, provision merchant of this city. She was 10 years of age and was born in Victoria. The funeral will be announced later. Rev. Mr. C. Andreadi, high priest of the Greek Orthodox church, will come from the Sound to officiate at the funeral.

—On New Year's eve about 8 o'clock the wedding took place at the residence of Mr. J. J. Russell, of Cedar Hill, of Mr. James Dodd, eldest son of Mr. J. Dodd, of Cedar Hill, to Mrs. Grace Wallis, widow of the late William Wallis, of Victoria. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Joseph McCoy, of this city. Miss N. K. Russell made a charming bridesmaid, while Mr. Henry Todd acted as best man. The happy couple left that evening by the Princess Victoria for the mainland on a short wedding tour.

—Last Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock the funeral of the late Mrs. Mary Jane Smallwood took place from the residence of her father, W. Y. McCarter, Henry street. Services were conducted by C. H. Evans. There was a large number of friends in attendance and many flowers were sent. The following acted as pallbearers: William McCarter, W. Y. McCarter, Alex McCarter, Lawrence McCarter, Peter McCarter and Clarence McCarter.

—No season tickets for the Kubelik-Paderewski-Homer-Witherspoon concerts will be issued after 5 p. m. on Friday. Season tickets have been mailed to all subscribers who have paid for the same. Should any subscribers not have received them they are requested to communicate with the honorary secretary of the Victoria Musical Society, Stewart Williams, at once. The box-office for Kubelik will be opened at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning at the Victoria theatre. As stated in another column, the prices will be $3 and $2, and $1 for the gallery.

—Far West lodge K. of P. will hold its annual roll call meeting to-morrow night, when the officers for the ensuing term will be installed by D. D. G. Chi Merkley. On January 27th the lodge will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary with a social and dance at the A. O. U. W. hall. Tickets will be given out at to-morrow night's meeting.

—A quiet and very pretty home wedding was solemnized last night by Rev. Christopher Barnett at "Glenkinde," Dallas road, the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. E. Strachan, when her daughter, Olive Agnes was joined in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. Godfrey W. Smith. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Lizzie Strachan, while Mr. J. Craig Nelson acted as best man. The popularity of the young couple was shown by the large number of beautiful gifts received. The young couple left on the Princess Victoria for Vancouver and the Sound cities.

—A Kuyper Island Indian named J. Sylvester, was this morning, charged in the police court with having assaulted a Rocky Point Indian named Sam. Two witnesses, Baptist and George, from Kuyper Island, were witnesses of the affair and are being held in safe keeping. The case was remanded until Saturday. H. Helmcken is defending the case. Sam was pretty badly injured. When found he was lying across the railway track, his face badly swollen and a severe cut under the eye. He was taken to St. Joseph's hospital and will likely soon recover.

—A platform missionary meeting will be held in the Victoria West Methodist church next Monday at 8 p. m. The speakers will be the Rev. Dr. White, superintendent of missions, and Miss Martin, who will describe some experiences of a missionary among the northern Indians. The ladies of the church will serve refreshments and a hearty invitation is extended to all interested in missions to be present.

—Julius Brethour and Hugh Moore are likely to be candidates for the position of councillors for the South ward of the Saanich municipal council. George Sangster will again run for reeve and it is not likely there will be any opposition to him. Mr. Sangster has been reeve of the council since its formation, three years ago.

—A. W. Harvey, surveyor, with several of the Rugby executive, are out at the Oak Bay grounds this afternoon marking out the grounds in such a way as to miss the worst of the mud holes. It is understood that the team to meet Stanford has been definitely picked up to a certain point as follows: Full back, Johnson; three quarters, Meredith, Harvey and Schwengers; five eights, Ken. Gillespie; halves, Newcombe and Brae; forwards, Sparks, Belleau, Leo Sweeney, Miller, Milligan and Couch. The other two forwards will be chosen from Collinson, Cartwright, Spencer and Sedger.

## CORRIG COLLEGE.

The Annual Christmas Report Shows Gratifying Results.

The Christmas report of Corrig College at Beacon Hill has just been made public, and shows the most gratifying results. It refers at length to the records made by old boys from this school, and also shows the progress of the school in athletic games. This is the nineteenth year of the school's life. The following are the promotions:

To the senior division of the senior form—A. Russell.

To the intermediate division of the senior form—Irwin, Hawksley, I., Church, I.

To the junior division of the senior form—Stanley, Hawksley, II.; Elliott, Totty, Hawksley, III.

To the senior division of the intermediate form—Drury, Finlayson, Paterson.

To the intermediate division of the intermediate form—Donovan, I.; Edwards, Sutton.

To the junior division of the intermediate form—McRae, I.; Jackson, I.; Summers, Donovan, II.

To the senior division of the junior form—Scott, Lamar, Byrn, Totty, III.

To the intermediate division of the junior form—Jackson, II.; Church, II.; McRae, II.

Corrig College will commence class work again on Monday next. Owing to the waiting list, there are but four vacancies in the boarding department.

## TEA AND CONCERT.

Enjoyable Time Spent at the Soldiers and Sailors' Home.

One of the most enjoyable and generally successful functions held at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Esquimault road, was carried out under the auspices of the I. O. G. T. lodge there last evening. There was a most gratifying attendance, and an air of happy good nature and appreciation. The chair was occupied by the grand chief ranger of British Columbia, and among other prominent Good Templars present was the grand councillor, Rev. T. W. Gladstone, who gave a stirring temperance address, and later an amusing recitation which provoked an encore. In addition the programme included a duet by Mrs. (Rev.) Tapscott and Miss Crocker, and a solo by the latter, both numbers bringing persistent encores; a recitation by Miss Gladstone, which was accorded similar recognition. Songs much applauded were sung by Mrs. Giffin, Mrs. R. McGregor, Mrs. McAdam, Rev. J. P. Hicks and Miss Ethel Ricketts.

Besides these musical numbers there was an amusing farce, "While Bro. Phil Was Walking," acted by Mrs. McGregor, Miss Coatts, and Messrs. Dudley and Hicks. A part recitation by thirteen girls, who dressed alike in white with red sashes, produced in succession a letter on cardboard until they had spelled out as each recited the motto, "Sign the Pledge." There was also an interesting drill by five boys, who dressed as young cadets, carrying each a Union Jack, won much applause. Credit for the success of the affair was first of all due to Mrs. McGregor, ably seconded by Mrs. Hicks, who not only with much willing labor provided the excellent tea, but found time as well to organize the dramatic features.

Many others gave willing service in other matters, including the decoration, which was superintended by B. Cooper, and the stage arrangements attended to J. Bowden, G. King and T. Bailey.

## STREET COLLISION.

Auto Broken to Pieces by Tram Car To-day.

With a crash that could be heard some distance away, a powerful automobile collided with an outer wharf car at the corner of Yates and Douglas streets shortly before 3 o'clock this afternoon. W. Gibson, who was driving the auto, was hurled bodily from his seat, almost beneath the wheels of the street car. His escape was considered miraculous by those who witnessed the accident.

The automobile was smashed to atoms. The street car suffered very little damage. Gibson was attempting to round the corner of Yates and Douglas when the wheels of the auto skidded, causing the auto to collide with the car, which was just coming to a standstill.

Gibson attempted to steer the car clear and had no time to jump. The steering wheel was shivered in his hands and he was thrown out. Beyond a few scratches he was unhurt. The promptitude of the motorman in pulling up probably saved Gibson from severe injury.

J. Johnson was seated in the tonneau and was badly shaken.

The automobile, No. 83, was smashed to pieces. The two front wheels were torn off and the mechanism shattered.


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## DIRIGIBLE BALLOON IN TIME OF WAR

### Will Know U. S. Aeronaut States It Is Destined to Play an Important Part.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Lieutenant F. P. Laha, U. S. A., who in Sept. 1906 won for the United States the International balloon contest in France and who has returned to this country after four years spent in Europe, will report to General Allen, chief of the signal corps for duty at Washington.

Lieut. Laha, in an interview said that in his opinion the dirigible balloon as an instrument of war is destined to play an important part in future operations on land and sea.

"The chief war advantage of the dirigible or wind opposing balloon over the old spherical, or wind driven balloon," he said, "is that the former, after spying out an enemy's defences and movements can face about and return to its owners with the information gained while the old spherical vehicle has to depend on carrier pigeons or make a more or less perilous and uncertain descent and resort to ordinary means to send back the message.

## KILLED HIS WIFE.

Dedham, Mass., Jan. 2.—Raleigh Amsbury, M. D., the physician who shot and killed his wife, Anna Rees Amsbury, at her home in Hyde Park on Christmas day, waived an examination to-day and was committed to jail without bail to await the action of the April grand jury.


## THOUSANDS OF WOMEN TORTURED

BY BLINDING HEADACHES.

WHO COULD BE WELL, AND HAPPY, AND FREE OF PAIN.

Headaches simply mean poisoned blood. The human body is constantly decaying and being renewed. Dead matter is absorbed by the blood, and should be taken from the blood by the kidneys, bowels and skin and passed out of the system. If one of these organs does not act properly, the blood becomes impure—if two fail, death is certain.

When there are constant headaches, it is always found that the bowels are irregular, the kidneys weak, or the skin sluggish, pale or sallow. The tissue waste is left in the blood—carried to the brain—and irritates the nerves. To treat headaches with cocaine, morphine, phenacetine and the host of "headache powders" is useless. They relieve for the moment, but they clog the system and do harm. They never reach the seat of the trouble, they cannot purify the blood.

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## TWO ACQUITTED IN NOTED TRIAL

### SENTENCE PRONOUNCED ON EX-DOUMA MEMBERS

Out of Those That Signed Viborg Manifesto 197 Must Serve Three Months.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 1.—The trial of the 169 members of the first Douma who signed the Viborg manifesto was concluded yesterday. One hundred and sixty-seven of them were convicted and sentenced to three months' imprisonment, while two were acquitted on the ground that they had signed under misapprehension.

The sentence carries with it the loss of all political rights.

M. Ramischwili, who already has served more than three months' preliminary imprisonment, will be set free. Unless appeal from the decision of the court is taken, the sentence will take effect, beginning January 20th, until which time the former deputies will remain at large without bail.

The trial began on December 25th, and was notable for the powerful speeches made by the most prominent lawyers for the defendants, which seemed to reawaken public sentiment and to infuse the old-time spirit into the ranks of the opposition. The prominence of the accused, it is generally believed, induced the government to exercise leniency.

The sentence withdraws from Russian politics the foremost Liberal leaders in the constitutional movement for several decades. Among them are Ivan Petrunkevitch, who drafted the first deman on the Emperor for constitution; Prince Dolgorukof, Prince Dmitri Shakaffskoy, ex-secretary of the lower house; Prince Obolinsky and Prince Owerosoff, the well-known jurist; MM. Petrajitski, Vladimir Naboukoff, leader of the Constitutional Democrats; Max Vinaver and Lenitsky, and the peasants Cehilkin and Nazarenko, together with a score of other noted men.

## ATTEMPTED MURDER.

Vancouver, Jan. 2.—Dan Woodward, a pioneer and the best known rancher on Lulu island, was shot and narrowly escaped murder at the hands of his son-in-law, W. O. Street, last night.

Mr. Woodward's daughter, Lottie, is married to Street, who is alleged to have warned Woodward that the entire family would be obliterated if Woodward caused his daughter to start divorce proceedings. The latter move was taken, and last night Street appeared at Woodward's house with a new loaded revolver in his hand. Street fired point blank, the bullet passing through Woodward's upraised arm, but spent itself against the suspender buckle. Woodward's sons rushed to aid of their father and bound Street hand and foot with ropes.

## FATHER SAW BOY DROWN.

Ice Tragedy at Emo, Ont.; Parent Could Render No Aid.

Emo, Ont., Jan. 2.—The 12-year-old and youngest son of Mr. G. Faltrie, residing on Rainy River, was drowned while skating on the river, through the ice breaking. The father was looking at him at the time but could render no aid, the current snatching the boy under. The body will hardly be recovered before spring.

## TENEMENT EXPLOSION.

Bomb Outrage in New York Ascribed to Members of Black Hand.

New York, Jan. 2.—A dynamite bomb believed to have been set off by members of the Black Hand Society, wrecked the entire lower floor of a five-story tenement house on East 110th street, last night and caused a panic among the occupants of the building. One man was injured by the explosion.

## MAIL BLOCKED BY HEAVY GALE

### BUILDINGS WERE DAMAGED IN ALBERNI

Necessity of Clearing Nanaimo Road of Heavy Trees Demonstrated in Recent Storm.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.)

Alberni, Dec. 31.—A heavy gale blew here on the afternoon and evening of the 23rd ult. Coming from the southwest it did considerable more damage than usual. Generally one or two storms may be expected about this season, but the prevailing wind is usually from the southeast. A large number of trees were blown down across the roads, delaying the mail stage for three days, and causing much interference to the telegraphic communication. Gangs of men were dispatched to clear out the Nananmo road, but it was late on the 28th before the mail was enabled to get through. In some places the windfalls were so numerous that only a few hundred yards could be cut out in a day.

While this storm was exceptionable, yet both the mail and the Pacific cable wire is liable to be blocked at almost any time by even a single tree falling across the road. If the Dominion government, the provincial government, and the C. P. R., which operate this section of the Pacific cable business, would join in having the road cleared of standing trees throughout its entire length, the advantages to the public would be obvious and a saving would be effected in the upkeep of both the road and the telegraph wire, as sending a special gang out several miles to cut out a tree or two at a time is a far more expensive way than by cutting them all down at once. A few of the buildings in Alberni were damaged by the storm, more particularly the building occupied by the Royal Bank, the Presbyterian church and the office of the newspaper, while the front window of Thomson's general store was blown completely in.

### Christmas Tree.

The annual Christmas tree of the Presbyterian church Sunday school was held on the evening of the 24th ult. Supper was served to the children and parents at 6 p.m., and thereafter the children enjoyed various games, concluding with the usual Christmas tree. The Sunday school Xmas tree of the Anglican church was held on the 27th inst., when a somewhat similar programme was carried out.

### Ucluelet Potlatch.

A large number of the Tseshaht Indians made a special excursion by the last trip of the S. S. Amur to Ucluelet, where they had been invited to a potlatch by the natives of that place. Over fifty adults accepted the invitation.

### Timber Reserves.

The announcement that the government had reserved all timber lands, created much interest in timber circles here, but it is generally conceded that the greater part of the timber likely to be accessible for many years to come has already been staked and owing to the wet season there are but few staking parties in the field who would be affected by the suddenness with which the timber has been withdrawn from the market.

T. Grasley and family arrived from Vancouver by motor car on Sunday. They will reside in the house owned by T. Maher.

George Fraser, the well known horticulturist of Ucluelet, arrived from there by the S. S. Amur on Sunday, and is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Grieve, of Cherry Creek

## EDITOR SHOT.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 31.—Al. H. Spink, editor and proprietor of the company publishing the Daily World, author of the Derby Winner, and several other plays, and formerly a sporting writer of national reputation, was shot and perhaps fatally injured to-night by Victor Groves, an employee, following an altercation with Wm. Spink, the editor's son. Mr. Spink was rushing to the scene of the quarrel when Grove drew a revolver and fired two shots, one of them entering the editor's left shoulder and penetrating his lung.

## TERCENTENARY.

Presidents of Canadian Clubs to Assemble at Ottawa.

Ottawa, Jan. 1.—The Canadian Club of Ottawa has issued invitations to the presidents of all the Canadian Clubs in Canada to hold a meeting in Ottawa on January 17th to consider the proposal of Earl Grey for a monument upon the heights of Quebec to celebrate the tercentenary and to make a national park of the Plains of Abraham and other battlefields. The meeting will be to consider the ways and means in connection with the Governor-General's scheme.

## ROOMING HOUSE TRAGEDY.

New York, Dec. 31.—Guiseppi Capuzzo, alias Charles Davis, who had been on trial for killing Sophie Kehrer last July, was convicted to-day of murder in the second degree and immediately sentenced to not less than 20 years in prison.

## WESTERN UNION OFFICIAL DEAD.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 2.—Thos. Kates, formerly superintendent of the southern district of the Western Union Company at Richmond and later general superintendent of the Postal Telegraph & Cable Company, with headquarters here, died last night at Mannbester, Va. Mr. Kates was in charge of the office at Manassas, Va., during the battle of Blackburns.


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## SIDNEY CREAMERY HAS BEEN SOLD

### It Will Likely be Used for Other Purposes Than That of Butter Making.

The Victoria Creamery Association is to have no opposition at present. The Sidney creamery building has been purchased from Henry and Sam. Brethour by William Munro, of James Island, who will convert it into a bakery and restaurant.

Some months ago a creamery association was formed at Sidney to start a new creamery to handle the product of the district and also from the surrounding islands. A number of local men subscribed for stock, among the largest of them being Henry and Sam Brethour. These two insisted on the new building being of cement instead of wood. The result was that the other members withdrew and allowed them to erect the building.

H. Nixon was prepared to lease the building, put in his own machinery and run the business for five years, with the option of buying the same at the conclusion of that time. With the understanding that these terms would be given him, he ordered the machinery and even installed the greater part of it. He also built himself a small cabin on the premises. When the time came to sign the agreement the Brethours wanted a clause inserted allowing them to buy out Nixon at any time they wished at cost price. This was refused and Nixon took his machinery out and it is now lying outside the building, which has now been sold for other purposes.

It is understood that the building has changed hands at a few dollars above the construction price, the consideration being nearly $2,000. The small house built by Nixon has been removed intact from the property.

## WEDDED NEW YEAR'S EVE.

Marriage of Mr. S. Joyce and Miss Dearden Took Place Last Evening.

The residence of Mr. A. Dearden, 1161 Pembroke street, was prettily decorated Wednesday evening on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Margaret, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Dearden, to Mr. S. Joyce. The nuptial knot was tied by Rev. G. K. B. Adams.

The bride was attended by Miss Rose Dennis, while Mr. N. Joyce, brother of the groom, acted as best man.

The happy couple received numerous handsome presents. The groom's present to the bride was a handsome gold watch and chain, to the bridesmaid a pearl crescent brooch.

Mr. and Mrs. Joyce have gone to Vancouver and will make a tour of the coast cities. On their return they will reside at their pretty new home, 1028 Caledonia avenue.

Wm. McNeill, parliamentary representative of the V., W. & Y. railway, spent Christmas in the city, and returned last night to Vancouver. Mrs. McNeill and children are remaining for a few days with Mrs. Munsie.

## BORN.

ROSMAN—At Salt Spring Island, on Dec. 4th, the wife of E. Rosman, of a daughter.

M'KENZIE—On the 5th inst., at 1023 Yates street, the wife of Mr. Duncan McKenzie, of a daughter.

## DIED.

GARNHAM—At the family residence, corner Government and Toronto streets, on the 25th inst., Minnie Meller Garnham, aged 15 years and 9 months, a native of Moose Jaw.

SMALLWOOD—In this city on the 29th inst., at St. Joseph's Hospital, Mary Jane Smallwood, beloved wife of David Smallwood, aged 33 years, a native of Walkerton, Bruce County.

## FARMHOUSE TRAGEDY.

Homesteader Found Lying Dead Under Suspicious Circumstances.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 31.—John A. Burton, a farmer living four miles north of Churchville, was found dead to-day under peculiar circumstances.

Shortly before noon a hired man employed by Mr. Burton, and who has always gone under the name of "Shorty," appeared at the house of a neighbor and said that he believed his employer was dead. The neighbors immediately started for the Burton home and when they reached it found the house in a state of confusion. With his head resting on the floor, lay the body of the dead farmer.

Burton was 40 years of age and lived on the farm with only the hired man.

## MARRIAGE AT OWEN SOUND.

Owen Sound, Ont., Jan. 2.—Dr. Wilbert McIntyre, of Strathcona, Alb., was married to Miss W. J. Harkley, daughter of the late Captain Robert Harkley. The ceremony was performed at the residence of Henry Stephens, uncle of the bride, by Rev. J. Ardill, Ritual Dean.

## NECHE TRAGEDY.

Coroner's Jury Returns Verdict of Murder Against James O'Brien.

Gretna, Man., Jan. 1.—James O'Brien, the sixteen-year-old self-confessed slayer of Arthur Leclaire at Neche a week ago last Sunday, was brought from the Pembina county jail at Pembina to Neche to-day to attend the inquest, and he retold his confession, made to Detective Crawford at Pembina. The confession was almost word for word that related to the detective.

On the conclusion of his story of the murder, the coroner's jury returned a verdict that the crime was committed by James O'Brien with a hatchet.


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To the Electors of the Municipality of the District of Saanich.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—

At the request of a number of electors I have the pleasure of announcing myself as a candidate for Reeve at the forthcoming municipal election, and solicit your votes and influence.

Yours respectfully,

A. G. SNELLING.