Steamer Keemun Will Garry Big Consignment of Returned

Action taken by the new first Lord of the Admiralty.

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which is made by sailing vessel around
Cape Horn will continue, though, at
present there are no vessels on the way.
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The Keemun has a large cargo on board, 12.000 tons. In her holds the Keemun carres sufficient of the necessities of life to maintain a populous city for many months, including material for food, solothing and shelter. She carries an immense quantity of cotton and a large shipment of lumber, much of which goes to Hamburg and Brewen. Electrical machinery goes in large quantities to Japanese ports, while leather, flour, various kinds of machinery, canned salmon, salt fish and almost every other article of export is included in the cargo. Kobe takes a good share of the merchandise, much of it being barley and cotton. Among the unusual shipments is a box of rose plants to Kobe. Colombo is importing an elk head as a curlosity. Manlin is becoming high toned, as the Filipinos are buying rubber-tired buggles in the United States. Even over in aristocratic Hankow there is a demand for folding goods and for hardware, notions and sporting goods. Wagons are also going to the East Indies.

SOUND SHIPPING. Movements of Lumber Carriers at Nearby

American schooner Salvator, Capt. Oberg, from Port Gamble, sailed yesterday for San Pedro with cargo of 550,000 feet of lumber. British ship Port Caledonia, Capt. E. E. Manning, leaves today for Melbourne, with a full cargo of lumber loaded from the mills at Port Blakeley and Port Gamble. American schooner Ludlow, Capt. Langkilde, arrived at Port Hadloek yesterday after a voyage of 10 days from San Pedro, to which port she will take cargo of 900,000 feet of lumber. British ship Ancona, Capt. Robbins, has entirely completed her repairs at Hall Bros.' plant at Winslow, and will tow to Port Townsend this afternoon to await orders to proceed to her loading port. It is believed that she will be fixed to carry lumber to Australia and will be loaded at Port Blakeley.

COAST PIRACY.

he Scottish Shipmasters' Association at Glasgow have been notified by Lord Lansdown have been continuous the scale of the British ship Rio-Xapury, at Para.

While the ship was at anchor there she was boarded by 30 uniformed men, who, with drawn cutlasses, attacked the captain, Mr. Baker, and his officers—First Officer H. A. Burrows, First Engineer Mixton, and Second Engineer S. S. Strauss.

The captain could assign no reason for the attack. The officers were hustled into boats, taken ashore, and locked up in prison cell without food.

Next day they were marched to the court house, presumably for trial, but at once liberated.

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Upon the officers returning to their ship they found their rooms had been broken into, their belongings ransacked, and between £30 and £40 stolen.

The Scottish Shipmasters' Association declare that this is not the first serious outrage perpetrated on British ships' officers in that quarter, and they contend that unless this case is firmly dealt with no officer of the mercantile marine will have any security for person or property while in Brazilian ports.

Three hundred employees of the Baltic works returned to their employment today. It is expected that work at the Neva shippoiniding yards will recommence tomorrow.

Moscow, Jan. 26.—The festival yesterday of Titania, patroness of Moscow,

ORION REPORTED.

Victoria Whaler Calls at Lisbon on Her Way To This Port,

The whaling steamer Orion, which is to be placed in the coast whaling industry by Captain Sprott Balcom and a company of Victorians, is making good progress on her voyage to Victoria. A letter received from Captain Rupert Balcom, who is in command of the Orion, dated at Lisbon on Dec. 27, tells of the arrival of the whaler at the Portuguese port. She had a tossing in the Bay of Biscay, Christmas day being a rough one, but the steamer weathered the storm excellently. She coaled at Lisbon and was to sail on the next step of her voyage the following day.

terfere with the employees of the gas works was frustrated.

A curtain of fog has been over the city this morning and the countless domes and minarets of Moscow are dulted by hoar frost and hardly distinguishable in the gloom. The enormous dome of the Kremlin is dimly silhouetted against the sun's dull red orb. The streets are again almost deserted. All those who visit the Kremlin are subject. The cleanary left Ladysmith yesterday morning for the Treadwell mines in Alaska with 2,500 tons of coal. A report in one of the local papers to the effect that this vessel was going to San Francisco Rent some of the crew away. Steamer Meteor, with 3,000 tons of coal aboard, left last night for San Francisco. Schooner Alexander loaded

IMPERIAL DEFENCE. Large Annual Contribution Made by Little Straits Settlements.

(From Friday's Daily.)
Steamer Keemun is loading naval stores at Esquimalt and when she sails

### **Russian Troops** Are Reluctant

Assume Prerogatives of Self-Government and Enquire "What's the Use?"

Japan Still Continues Elaborate Naval Preparations-Vladivo stock Blockade.

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The Tacoma Ledger says: "The Keemun is expected to arrive in Yokohama as soon as, if not before, the steamship Minnesota, which sailed from Puget Sound Menday afternoon. This will give the American liner a start of three and a half days, but those knowing the splendid sailing qualities of the Keemun are ready to wager that the British freighter arrives in Japan first."

London, Jan. 26.—The Daily Telegraph serts that General Kuropatkin has telegraphed to the Emperor that his offensive power is seriously hampered by the reluctance of his troops from the European provinces to advance against the enemy. Whilst the Cossacks and Siberians are full of dash, the Europeans argue that now that Port Arthur has surrendered, there is no object in continuing the war.

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The Daily Telegraph's Tokio correspondent says that Japan is making enormous war preparations. Besides immediately laying down a battleship of 19,000 tons at Yokosuka, and the contemplated building in Japan of a 12,000-ton cruiser, large additions to her torpedo and submarine flotillas and two cruisers already have been started building at Kure. All future ships will be heavily armed, but the guus below the 10-inch will be discarded.

"The fifth army is being organized, under command of Lieut. Geenral Kamura," the correspondent says, "who is calling out all reservists. Conscripts are excepted. All men under forty years of age are being enlisted.

"The blocking of Vladivostock is imminent. A fleet of cruisers is leaving for the south, and Admirals Togo and Kamimura will follow with the battleships. Three cruisers and several torpedo boat destroyers are near Borea. A division has been landed in Formosa. "It is now evident the cruiser Takasago was lost. The names of her crew, from the commander down, are now officially published as being kfiled.

"Negotiations for the purchase of a Chilean cruiser continue. Fifteen new submarine boats will be provided this year. Ten recently arrived under control of American inspectors."

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A proclamation of the prefect of Moscow has been posted at the strike corners as follows: "Under the influence of the threats of evil-disposed persons a strike has broken out. I therefore deem it my duty to notify the working people that energetic measures have been taken for their protection against agitators. Workmen wishing to resume their occupations can do so without danger." Work has been suspended at several of the small railroad shops. The waterworks electric light works and gas works are guarded by troops and police. An attempt of a large body of strikers to interfere with the employees of the gas works was frustrated.

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# From Esquimalt for Union with her cargo of slack coal. Steamer Alki came in port yesterday from Seattle to load 250 tons of coal, but as none was on habd she had to proceed to another port. CONDITIONS OF ARMIES BATTLING AT SHAHO RIVER

Consignment of Returned
Naval Effects.

The London Times, in its weekly edition for December 23, 1904, in the course of an article on "The Colonies and Imperial Defence," says:

The Straits Colony contributes annually 20 per cent, of its revenue. For next year the amount estimated is £190,000. The population is about 600,000. This compares very favorably with the £325,000 from all the self-governing colonies. If these colonies would contribute the same percentage, it will, on

Another great battle is pending at the Shaho; then the Japanese expect to deliver a decisive blow to the Russian forces in Manchuria. If Oyama does so, the Russians may abandon Tiehling and fall back to Harbin, though the bigwalled city of Tiehling is surrounded by most strong defence works made by Russian engineers, who have, too, spent months and thousands of roubles, to build defences at Mukden. The Japanese have been endeavoring to improve their position since winter began, and several sharp engagements have occurred. Now that Nogr's big guns are arriving—it was to delay them that the Russian raiders recently sought to cut the Japanese communications—Oyama will be in a better position to do this, and, following a heavy bombardment which will be commenced this week on the Russian position a battle may be expected ere February has passed, possibly early in that month.

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been no trouble up to this hour. The strike has embraced a majority of the printing establishments.

The day passed with complete quiet in which the strikers generally remained indoors. The Tverskain and other principal thoroughfares have resumed their normal aspect. Several mills are reported to have offered an increase of wages to their employees

tion on which the majority of the mas-ters are unwilling or unable to agree

The Danilowsky textile factory alone

continues working. The district across the Moskva river is heavily guarded; the authorities remain confident and the police patrols have been reduced. The situation, however, is none the less uncertain, as it is still a question whether the weathern will remain quiescent if

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were outwitted.

In the meantime workers and masters are negotiating for a settlement of their differences. Several firms already have offered an advance in wages, which will bring up the average earnings of each workman to \$10 per month and lodgings. One firm has offered to knock off one hour from the legal working day of eleven hours, but this is a burning question on which the majority of the mas-

A news agency despatch states that the fighting at Riga resulted in 22 being killed including Assistant Police Commissioner Bileff and that 50 were wounded. Seven soldiers, the despatch adds, were wounded.

The Attorney General observed that under the present system the original owner had a certain time within which to redeem. He remarked that the question of Tr. Alfred Thompson as a member of the Canadian parliament from the Yutkon district was protested today by representatives of ex-Governor Congdon, who was defeated by Thompson on December 16. Thompson had a majority of nearly 700. The indignation of his supporters, after such an emphatic public verdict, is therefore running high now that what are considered to be blockade tactics are being resorted to. The antigovernment party say that this is the last desperate attempt of the Congdon of Yukon territory against Congdonism. Two years ago the government side won by a great majority, but this was reversed at the late election. The protest today alleges general fraud. Thompson forces declare it is simply a political play. Libau, Russia, Jan. 26.—The workmen here are being compelled to leave their factories and mills by the more militant faction of the strikers. The telegraph lines have been damaged. Libau is a town and serport of Russia on the Baltic sea. It has a population of about 30,000 souls. Telegraph lines and telephone wires have been damaged. A strike has begun in the wire works. Men singing songs and blowing trumpets went from factory to factory calling out the workers. Some of the mills are still working.

SECOND CRUISER SQUADRON. Prince Louis of Battenburg Will Visi America With Fleet.

New York, Jan. 26.—A London de spatch to the Sun says: The second British cruiser squadron, under command of Prince Louis of Battenburg vill sail in February on an eigh months' cruise, visiting American port among others. All the vessels are o the most recent construction. It will b the fastest squadron that has ever left Great Britain on an extended cruise, the Drake, the flagship, has a speed of 24 knots, while the Boswick, Chamberland, Cornwall, Essex and another can each make 23 knots.

DUTY ON LUMBER.

Mr. John Hendry Left For Ottawa as Delegate Wednesday.

Mr. John Hendry has left for the east in connection with the appeal to be made to the federal government for a duty on lumber entering Canada from the United States. Mr. Hendry is president of the B. C. Lumber and Shingle Manufacturers' Association, and is besides vice-president for British Columbia of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association. The latter organization is strongthe Canadian Manufacturers' Association. The latter organization is strong ly in favor of the duty being imposed and Mr. Hendry will meet prominent of ficials of the association in Toronto be fore proceeding to Ottawa. He wil join the large deputation which has gone east, and will meet the government or Feb. 7.

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tax sales should be abolished and that they should follow the lines of a fore-closure action. These changes would not only ensure a more regular and larger collection of taxes but would also tresult more equitably for the original towner. He proposed that the assessor should have twelve months in which to get a sale confirmed either by a judge of the Supreme court or district registrar of titles. If the sale was not confirmed in twelve months all previous proceedings to be null and void. The object of these proceeding was to cause the officers having charge of these sales to be more careful and to take every possible precaution to prevent injustice taking place. taking place.

The Attorney General observed that

AUSTRIAN STEAMER SEIZED.

Tokio, Jan. 26.—The Japanese seized the Austrian steamer Burma off Hokkaido island at 9 o'clock last night. She had a cargo of, 4,000 tons of coal on board and was bound for Vladivostock. BACK FROM LIVING GRAVE.

Helsingfors, Jan. 26.—Thousands of persons gathered at the railway station here today to welcome seven persons who have returned from banishment under the decree permitting exiles to reenter Finland. Two others, the Counts Creutz, father and son, have not arrived, having been arrested while they were on the way hither. One of the workmen wounded in the collision between Cossacks and the crowds Wednesday evening died today.

SETTLING MINERS' STRIKE.

Essen, Prussia, Jan. 26.-The coal Essen, Prussia, Jan. 26.—The coal mine owners took steps today that probably will result in a settlement of the strike. They determined to inform the government that they would accept any judgment a parliamentary commission might render after an inquiry into the grievances of the miners and that the owners would immediately remove the grievances.

### Has Great Faith In This Province

Some Important Views Put For ward by the Head of a Winnipeg Firm.

Will Not Be Long Before B. C. Shares in General Canadian

Shabo, Cought: the October, wast by the Russman believers; but Ognorized and the medical field of the state o merely cut down a few outlying trees. Its illimitable timber resources have barely been touched. I was told the other day by a C. P. R. cfficial lately through, that there are forty-five sawmills within a narrow radius of Nelsou. With the increasing population in Alberta there will be created a tremen-

The Colonist some time ago stated that it was the intrution of Messrs. Hitt. of Victoria West, to establish a factory in Seattle for the manufacture of fireworks. In this connection the Seattle Post-Intelligencer of yesterday says: "A new enterprise which has located in this city is that of Hitt Thos., Cormerly of Victoria, B. C., manufactures of fireworks and pyrotechnics. A factory building has been established outside of the city limits near Columbia, and the principal manufacturing trade will be directed from this city in the future. "The firm is now in correspondence with the managers of the coming Lewis and Clark fair at Portland, and it is likely, the managers assert, that they will secure a contract for a portion of the pyrotechnical features planned during the fair. Their object in establishing the factory in this city is to be in a position to bid for a more extensive American trade.

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American trade.

"T. G. Hitt is placed in charge of the local plant and business, and says that they have engaged a special designer from the east to reproduce new deatures in the line of what are sometimes termed electrical set pieces.

EX-MAYOR SENTENCED.

Richmond, W. Va. Jan. 25.—The Supreme court of appeals has denied the supplementary appeal in the case of ex-Mayor McCue of Charlottesville, convicted of wife-murder. He was sentenced to be hanged Jan. 20. and was resulted by Governor Mexicage until respited by Governor Moutague Feb. 10.

## **Premier Balfour** On Fiscal Plan

Such Tariff Alterations Demanded as Will Give Freedom of Action.

Winston Churchill Speaks for Adherence to British Traditions.

(Caridian Press Cable.)

ONDON, Jan. 27.—The Dublin Chamber of Commerce has ap-proved the objection of the Burn-lee chamber to the clause in the Canadian customs regulations requiring that exporters declare to the Canadian customs their home price. They have resolved to write to the colonial secretary, with a view to getting the clause withdraws.

Lord Strathcona will be one of the vice-chairmen at the meeting of the tropical school of medicine, presided over by Joseph Chamberlain on May 10.

Speaking to his constituents at Man-chester, Premier Balfour denied the as-sertion made by his opponents that he had been vague regarding the fiscal ques-tion.

"I desire," he said, "such alterations in the fiscal system as will give us freedom of action, impossible while we hold ourselves bound by maxims that no taxation should be imposed except for revenue. I desire this freedom in the main for three reasons. It will strengthen our hands in negotiations by which we may hope to lower foreign hostile tariffs. It may enable us to protect the fiscal in-

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Canadian Fishing Vess Many Poachers at We

the North. And Her Master Querie Is Kestrel?-Whatcon Wharf.

(From Saturday's Da The steamer Kestrel, of protection service, is at the dock. If she was where couver fishing men would he vessel with the wondrous be chasing poachers who fishing in northern Britis waters. As the Vancouver "Where is the Kestrel?" This was the first que men of the Dauntless, the fishing steamer and the

bottom in the business, ashore Thursday after ashore Thursday after speece weary days in the weather on the ha but bank Captain Daw told the yery evident indignation among his men, in which he ly. They had been fishin, Straits, which he claimed waters, and had been fairly by American vessels. It is by American vessels greatest difficulty that enough fish to make up 30,000 pounds and the samply being fished out. American steamers were Sound. When all the do five boats, including those of less, were strung out along they occupied eighty miles o "Why doesn't the Kestrethis?" demanded Captain British fishermen to be deprown waters of the means of foreiguers?" Continuit Daw said that if the present Daw said that if the pres said that if the present striction on American steat ued, he and his company was en out of business for lack As already stated, the Dau pretty rough time. The west-liberty rough time. halibut banks was a conti ance of the worst kind ever experienced. The b easterly storm all the w Hecate Straits, taking 54 the Union Steamship Co. leaves for the north again The Dauntless is the co-operative company of which was formed at the land Fish Company some

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E.—Cauda Equi-F. - Sciatic Nerve, the derange-ment of which is wn as sciatica and sciatic theuma-