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## NEWS OF THE CAPITAL

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Canadian Greatly Addicted to This Beverage—Yukon Case Before the Council.

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### OUR BROTHERS IN TROUBLE.

Cargo Shifted and Boiler Sprung a Leak in Mid Atlantic.

Queenstown, Nov. 29.—The Cunard liner Catalonia, from Boston November 17 for Liverpool, reports having encountered extremely bad weather on the passage.

On Sunday the cargo shifted and one of the boilers took to leaking so badly that it became useless for the remainder of the voyage. After the vessel got her head down, the cargo was trimmed so that she partly righted up.

### THE OAR'S DREAM.

He Talks Earnestly of the Disarmament Proposition and Universal Peace.

London, Nov. 29.—The Paris correspondent of the Times says: "The Matin will publish to-morrow (Tuesday) an interview of an English politician with Emperor Nicholas. The interviewer, who especially remarked the kindness and modesty of the Czar's demeanor, says he spoke sadly and regretfully of the attempts to embitter the relations of England and Russia. The conversation finally turned, however, as was to be expected, to the subject of disarmament. The Czar spoke with the utmost ardor, declaring that he wanted a tangible practical result."

### Berlin, Nov. 29.—The details of the new army bill just published show that the Prussian peace contingent will be increased by 11,224 men and 2,800 horses. The Saxony contingent will be increased by 2,077 men. Herr Engers Richter, the radical leader, called this Germany's answer to the Czar's disarmament proposal.

### Prince Alexander Tzarevitch of Russia recently had an auction sale in London. Among the things sold was the famous Indian pink diamond known as "Noon-dee." The "Light of Faith," this jewel is of great historical value, and it is alleged that good fortune follows its possessor.

## MR. FOSTER ON POLITICS.

### He Deplores the Demand for Money to Win Elections—The Globe's "Growing Time."

Toronto, Nov. 29.—(Special)—Hon. George E. Foster, who addressed the young Conservatives last night, in the first part of his speech gave advice to young men concerning organization, and speaking of the dignity of politics, he deplored the patronage system and wished that both political parties in this country would agree to put the public service on the basis of merit.

### THE SEA'S FATAL FURY

#### Steamer Portland Lost with Eighty Souls in Awful Storm on Atlantic Coast.

Most Calamitous in the Terrible List of Thirty Total Wrecks So Far Reported.

Cape Cod Peninsula a Scene of Desolation With Extent of Disaster Yet Unknown.

By Associated Press.

Boston, Nov. 29.—The worst fears as to the steamer Portland, reported missing in these despatches of yesterday, were realized this morning, when news was received that on Sunday morning she was lost, with the whole ship's company. Word came from North Truro that the straggler Highland Light at 10 o'clock, and that passengers and crew went down with her, but a short distance from land. A large quantity of wreckage, including trunks and other material, has come ashore, and at dark last night 34 bodies had been recovered from the surf by the life-saving crew at the Highland station. One of the bodies was that of a woman.

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### AN AWFUL STORY.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 29.—All day places which were nearest the storm centre on Sunday got word to the outside world by the only method of communication possible at present—one of the Gloucester Fish company's steamers.

Twenty-seven vessels were driven ashore and totally wrecked. From the majority of these the crews were saved, although several lives were lost. Four or five of these wrecks were coasters, and the rest were fishermen. During the storm the beach was strewn with wreckage, streets were flooded, and wharves drifted out to sea. Four ice houses and a lobster factory situated on the beach point were destroyed.

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## WESTMINSTER MURDER

### Young Woman from Australia Literally Hacked to Pieces by Her Lover.

She Had Come to Vancouver to Wed Another but Something Went Wrong.

Deserted She Entered Upon Life of Sin—The Crime Deliberately Planned.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Nov. 30.—A horrible murder took place at New Westminster to-night. A young woman recently arrived from Australia named Jennie Anderson. She was to have married on arriving here but for some reason not yet disclosed the young man declined to wed her after paying her passage out.

### KITCHENER'S SUDAN SCHEME.

The Sirdar Asks One Hundred Thousand Pounds for Education of the Natives.

London, Nov. 30.—General Lord Herbert Kitchener, the Egyptian Sirdar, in an open letter to the morning papers to-day appeals to the British public to subscribe £100,000 to a fund to establish at Khartoum a high school for educating the Sudanese and continuing the work which Gordon commenced.

### SEALING BARGAIN HANGS FIRE.

Settlement by Commissioners Not Yet Arrived at—Still Time for Re-consideration.

Washington, Nov. 29.—In view of a report current in London that the Behring Sea sealing commission had finally agreed to a settlement has not been taken and the matter is still in the hands of the commissioners.

### POP IN GOOD HEALTH.

His Holiness Transacts Important Business at a Secret Consistory.

Rome, Nov. 29.—The Pope held a secret consistory yesterday, which confirmed the election of the new Syrian patriarch, M. R. Hannan, and approved forty new bishops. None of the appointees are English or American. The consistory also confirmed the names of several bishops previously appointed in the United States. The Pope's health is excellent.

### NAPANESE BANK ROBBERY.

Ponton May Take the Stand in Effort to Secure His Freedom.

Naples, Nov. 29.—(Special)—It is learned that Ponton will take the stand in his own behalf and tell his story. Col. Ponton states that the prisoner has nothing to conceal or fear.

### GOSSIP OF THE RING.

"Young Hill" of This City Matched to "Spark Kid" Welch—A Expert on Sharky-Corbett Plans.

"Denver" Ed. Smith returned last evening from Vancouver where he acted as referee at the ten-round sparring contest between the old Canadian champion, Hawkins, and Cy White, otherwise known as the Butcher Boy, from Sandton.

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## CAPITAL FOR WEST INDIES

### Sir Thomas Lipton Willing to Invest a Million Pounds to Revive Sugar Industry.

London, Nov. 29.—The Daily Mail this morning makes the following announcement: "We are able to state that on the invitation of the secretary of state for the colonies, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, some English capitalists have indicated their readiness to endeavor to revive the sugar industry in the West Indies if the bounties are abolished. Sir Thomas Lipton is prepared to spend one million pounds, and it is probable that some arrangement will be arrived at."

### A PATHETIC TRAGEDY.

New Yorker Deliberately Suicides Beside the Corps of His Young Wife.

Watertown, N.Y., Nov. 29.—Fred G. Ganter, champion bicyclist of Northern New York, killed himself at his home at Pamela, four miles from this city, to-day.

### SETTLING WITH SPAIN

The Twenty Millions Will Close the War Accounts—Now for Aginaldo.

Spanish Premier Says Debts Will Be Assumed—American's Moral Evolution.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Nov. 29.—The government has been officially advised of the successful termination of the peace negotiations with Spain. A cablegram to Chairman Day was read at to-day's cabinet meeting by the secretary of state.

### DISORDERLY REPUBLICS.

Encourager in State of Siege—Salvador Stands off Central American Organizers.

Lima, Peru, Nov. 29.—The republic of Ecuador has proclaimed a state of siege.

### EGYPTIAN BUDGET.

Cairo, Nov. 29.—The new Egyptian budget was approved by the ministers on Saturday. It abolishes the last taxes levied on the natives alone. The principal estimates for increased expenditure are for the army, the civil administration of the Sudan, and the working of the Sudan railways.

### QUARTER MILLION GONE.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 29.—Fire in the big furniture establishment of Robt. Sciff & Co., at Eleventh street and Grand avenue to-day, caused loss on stock estimated at \$200,000 and on the building of \$40,000, both are said to be covered by insurance.

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### WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS.

Out and She Lost Pounds in Weight—Her Sufferings Were Frequent, and Her Health Deteriorated.

The house in this town in which she lived, her husband and she were a happy family for many years ago a sudden illness was hard to find. Their health was not occasioned by the loss of a fortune, but by a more precious—the health of a wife and a mother. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People cured her. Her doctor had said she was cured, and for many years she had been a well-known and successful business woman. She learned in 1892 that she was suffering from a peculiar ailment. Her health failed rapidly, and her weight became so light that she could hardly hold up her head. She was in bed for many weeks, and there was no hope of recovery. She was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. She began to take them, and in a few days she felt a great improvement. She was able to get up, and in a short time she was able to walk. She was cured, and she has since been a well-known and successful business woman.

### THE HILLS.

Missing on Sooke Mountain—Two Days.

Victoria, Nov. 29.—A man named Merton, who was missing in the mountains, was found to-day on Sooke Mountain. He had been missing for two days.

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Safeguards the food against alum.

Alum baking powders are the greatest menace to health of the present day.

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### FLIPINS CUTTING UP.

Manila, Nov. 29.—It is reported that a section of the insurgents, called the "Guards of Honor," who are opposed to Aguinaldo, have captured San Ignacio, in the province of Pangasinan, island of Luzon, at the instance of the Spanish general.

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It is a pleasant surprise to find a medicine for infants and children that is so well adapted to their needs. Castoria is a gentle laxative that helps to keep the bowels regular and healthy. It is made from natural ingredients and is safe for all ages. It is a favorite remedy among mothers and doctors alike.