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Another Horror

Negro Taken From Jail By a Mob and Burned at the Stake

He Protested His Innocence to the Last—Governor Condemns the Sheriff

WAS KRUGER'S NEIGHBOR.

Schell Cohen's Daughter Indulges in Renaissance of the ex-President.

Living in Ottawa just now, says a... City dispatch, is a young lady... was born and reared on the property...

Leavenworth, Kas., Jan. 15.—This afternoon... Saturday last at night to assault... Miss Roth, and who was supposed to...

When the corner of Fourth and Olive... streets was reached, the police who... in the back following the one in which...

FOUND IN A TRUNK.

National Discovery of the Body of a Murdered Man.

New York, Jan. 16.—The body of a... man with the throat cut from ear to... and showing other marks of violence...

It was identified two hours later by a... woman as the body of Michael Weisner... who was employed by a jewelry firm...

REWARD WITHDRAWN.

Governor of Kansas Thinks It Would Be Useless to Prosecute Leavenworth Mob.

Topeka, Kas., Jan. 16.—Governor Stanley... decided to-night that he would not... issue an offer of a reward for the...

THE SEAL IS GUARDED.

And Cannot Be Affixed to Agreement Between China and Powers.

Pekin, Jan. 14.—The protocol was signed... this morning, the idea of protesting against...

SEIZURE OF STEAMERS.

Washington, Jan. 15.—The state department... was informed this afternoon by a cable...

FILIPINO SURRENDERS.

Washington, Jan. 11.—Gen. MacArthur... views to the war department as follows:

Washington, Jan. 15.—The remains of... of London, who died January 14th, were... in St. Paul's cathedral this morning...

TO PLAY VICTORIA.

The Nanaimo Basketball Team Which Will Meet J. B. A. on Saturday.

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Washington, Jan. 16.—A final vote... on the pending army reorganization bill...

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Havana, Jan. 15.—The Ward line steamer... Vigilanza is aground off the banks of...

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After Alexander's arrest he was taken... before Miss Roth, who identified him...

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A piece of fannel dampened with Cham... berlain's Pain Expeller and bound to the...

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THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

What with Dominion and provincial elections and voting on by-laws the people of Victoria have had a surfeit of turmoil and discussion, and they are not to be blamed, all things considered, for viewing the municipal situation with calmness.

TREATING OUR ORE.

It is gratifying to know that we have such immense quantities of ore of all kinds in British Columbia and that it is in great demand in the United States at the present time, and that such demand is likely to constantly increase.

C. P. R. MISGIVINGS.

Sir William Van Horne groans in spirit and his organs from the Atlantic to the Pacific are shuddering because of certain developments which are held to seriously threaten the future of Canada.

THE SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

It seems a pity the public do not take more interest in educational matters. Candidates for election to a public body to which is entrusted the expenditure of large sums of money and the direction of the affairs of institutions which are preparing for the battle of life the future citizens of the country are allowed a few minutes at the end of a meeting called to consider the affairs of the city generally to address the citizens and expound their ideas of how our schools should be conducted.

THE LATE ELECTION.

The following carefully prepared tables of the vote for the three candidates in the late Dominion election in Yale-Cariboo are of great interest in view of the claim sometimes made that British Columbia is "Conservative by tradition."

A FEROCIOUS BANDIT.

General Dewet has promulgated and partly carried out a very interesting programme. One peace commissioner has been murdered and two flogged, and the sentence of death has been pronounced upon Kitchener and Botha.

of the nations which do not love the Boers so much as they hate the British should not prevent the unsheathing of the sword of justice.

THE LATE ELECTION.

Table showing election results for the late Dominion election in Yale-Cariboo, listing candidates and their respective votes.

RETURNS BY DISTRICTS.

Table showing returns by district for the late Dominion election, listing districts and their respective votes.

AN OLD VICTORIAN.

Writes From Dawson as to the State of Business There. Dawson, Dec. 24.—It is nearly two years since I left Victoria and I have not struck it rich either in Atlin or this country.

RESERVES HIS REPLY.

Natchez, Miss., Jan. 16.—Referring to the London cable regarding his plea of "infancy" against a claim of \$250 for jewellery, the Duke of Manchester yesterday said he would reserve his reply until he returned to England.

MILLIONS FACE STARVATION.

Shanghai, Jan. 14.—There is a famine in the province of Shen Si, and it is said that 5,000,000 people are facing starvation.

Table showing election results for the Nelson Riding, listing candidates and their respective votes.

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NOTICE RESPECTING THE REBATE ON EXPORTED TIMBER. Notice is hereby given that the Intimation dated 3rd December, 1900, under this heading is rescinded, and that under the authority of an Order in Council of the 8th instant, the payment of a rebate on the 8th timber exported beyond the limit on 21st Province was allowed and was discontinued from and after the 31st of December, 1900.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. HIGHWAY BRIDGE, NORTH FORK KETTLE RIVER, AT HARDY'S CROSSING. Sealed tenders, superscribed "Tender for Bridge, North Fork Kettle River," will be received by the undersigned up to and including Saturday, the 9th February next, for the construction and completion of a wooden highway bridge across the North Fork of the Kettle River at Hardy's Crossing.

Sealed tenders, superscribed "Tender for a chartered bank of Canada," will be received by the undersigned for the sum of eight hundred (\$800) dollars, as security for the due fulfillment of the contract, which cheque shall be forfeited if the party tendering declines to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the work contracted for.

Sealed alternative tenders for Concrete and Wooden Sluice Gates, superscribed "Tender for Concrete Sluice Gate" and "Tender for Wooden Sluice Gate," will be received by the undersigned up to Saturday, the 2nd February next, for the erection and completion of sluice gates in the dykes of the above-mentioned Districts.

Sealed tenders, superscribed "Tender for Bridge, Kettle River, Columbia, B. C.," will be received by the undersigned up to and including Saturday, the 9th February next, for the construction and completion of a wooden highway bridge across the Kettle River at Columbia, B. C.

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It is understood that the Grand Trunk and McKenna Mann are the two who will have watched the ineffectual efforts of that corporation to obtain an entrance into both British Columbia. Negotiations for the transcontinental line are being carried on for more than a month. The proposed extension of the Grand Trunk line into Duluth from its northern terminus, over the Pacific. If the new transcontinental line is carried out, it will be built to connect Ashland with Northern Pacific, the Great Northern, the Canadian Pacific, and the transcontinental line on the part of the Grand Trunk and Dunsmuir.

The Health Promised By PAINE'S CELERY COMPOUND Comes as Surely as Light Follows Darkness. Amongst the First Good Effects of The Great Medicine Are Firmer Nerves and Completer Digestion. People who decide to use Paine's Celery Compound, should not entertain a doubt regarding the health-giving power of earth's most successful medicine.

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The announcement which now comes from Chicago is to the effect that Victoria is to be made the terminus of a great transcontinental railway line.

While several short United States lines, and one at least of the big American roads, form links in the proposed connection, the two great lines proposed connect with the Grand Trunk line here to Ashland, Wis., (Chicago).

From here to Ashland, Wis., the tracks of the Wisconsin Central, which passes under the control of the Grand Trunk, the father of the movement, the Northern Pacific will be followed to Duluth, thus practically completing that portion of the system operating in United States territory.

At Duluth a connection will be formed with the line to Winnipeg, projected by the energetic McKenzie & Mann syndicate. Thence westward, the road will cross the route of the Canada Northern, the great second transcontinental system which is being pushed forward year by year by McKenzie & Mann. This line is followed to the Coast, where the final link will be formed of the extended E. & V. system, over which line the Grand Trunk trains will run into Victoria.

It is understood that the Grand Trunk is at the back of the movement, a fact which will occasion no surprise among those who have watched the hitherto ineffectual efforts of that corporation to obtain an entrance into both Manitoba and British Columbia.

Negotiations for the control of the Wisconsin Central, it is asserted, have been going on for more than three months. The Wisconsin Central now has entrance into Duluth from Ashland, its northern terminus, over the Northern Pacific. If the new transcontinental Pacific is carried through, a new line eight miles in length will have to be built to connect Ashland with Duluth.

There are strong indications that the Northern Pacific, the Great Northern and the Canadian Pacific lines have anticipated a transcontinental movement on the part of the Grand Trunk, McKenzie and Mann. It is said that the latter two, the Superior & Manitoba Company, which filed articles of incorporation a short time ago, was designed to keep the McKenzie-Dunnsmuir project from being carried out.

The feasibility of the proposal is not questioned, and there are a number of prominent incidents which lend it a strong air of probability. It is well known to this city, Wm. McKenzie privately expressed the view that the extension of the E. & N. to the coast, would form a link with this city than any line imagined. He added that this was the one project which the citizens should bend their energies to, if the future of the city was to be assured. The completion of such a system as has been outlined would explain very largely the significance of this statement.

The knowledge of the C. P. R. that such a proposal was under consideration would also clear up a number of other matters. At the time the C. P. N. was incorporated by the C. P. R. railway, it was stated in these columns that the more might have been prompted by a desire on the part of the C. P. R. to forestall action on the part of rival roads, especially in view of the developments in a railway sense likely to take place this summer. The C. P. N., in the event of the Grand Trunk being p. clonged to the coast, would form a link with the trade of the North, which would scarcely be overlooked. By its prompt action, the C. P. R. has anticipated any such contingency, and has converted the C. P. N. into an instrument for its own, and not a competitive company's use.

Given that such was the motive of the C. P. R., the rumored negotiations for the acquisition of the present Mann and the Diard hotel would bear the same construction and interpretation.

The proposed extension of the Great Northern railway to Victoria via Point Roberts, the revival of the V. V. & E. charter, and the visit of Mr. Dunnsmuir to Ottawa, all form important sub-issues with added significance.

Measured significance.

The purchase of the control of the C. P. N. forms a fruitful subject of speculation. Mr. Marpole, interviewed at Vancouver, declined to say anything of the company would engage in the San Francisco trade, abrogate the arrangement with the E. & N. purchase the other wharf. He added that it did not even know what would be done at Montreal.

Rumor says that the C. P. R. will also enter the business of towing, and will construct a fleet of ocean-going tugs to compete with the Puget Sound Tugboat Company, which at present has a practical monopoly of the trade. If such a move were built its headquarters would necessarily be at Victoria, as Vancouver is too far from the Cape to form a base for tugs competing for shipping off the entrance to the Straits.

Associated Press dispatch to the Times from Montreal this afternoon says that General Manager Reeve, of the G. T. R., denies that the plan mentioned above is under consideration, and says there is no reason to discontinue the pleasant relations now existing between the company and their connections with this province.

JAMES BAY RECLAMATION.

Seattle Dredging Company Investing Themselves in It—Also Inspect Point Ellice Bridge.

The reclaiming of James Bay has already attracted the attention of dredging contractors. On Saturday C. E. Fowler, president of the Puget Sound Dredging Company, of Seattle, and C. Cummins, one of the practical workers in the concern, were in Victoria. In company with the city engineer, C. H. Topp, they made an inspection of the scene of the proposed improvement.

The company is one that takes large contracts for hydraulic dredging, being at present engaged upon a work in Seattle similar to the one proposed here. They look upon the scheme as a feasible one, and will doubtless prepare estimates with a view to tendering for the work should it be thrown open. The company employ in their work a dredging plant valued at about \$80,000, it is said.

While here they also drove out with Mr. Topp to the Point Ellice bridge with a view of tendering upon the contemplated steel bridge. They will be handicapped in this however, by the high duties upon iron and steel coming into Canada from the United States.

MEMBERS OF ALDERMANIC BOARD TAKE FORMAL LEAVE OF ONE ANOTHER.

The retiring board of aldermen transacted little business last evening. The Mayor and Centre ward aldermen, flushed with the triumph of a return by acclamation, were indolent and ill-disposed to "turn to," to employ a mariner's expression. All the members were present.

The retiring officer reported the result of the nominations in the afternoon. The result was ordered amid applause, and was received filed.

The city engineer reported in favor of a box drain and piece of sidewalk on Huton street. The drain would cost \$30, and the sidewalk \$33. In regard to the communication from C. C. Pemberton regarding water overflowing from the water tower, the water engineer reported that the water tower superintendent at an early moment.

Walter J. Wriglesworth tendered his resignation as lamp trimmer, owing to his having to leave the city, Commissioner accepted.

Geo. A. Burns applied for the vacancy caused by the resignation of Walter Wriglesworth.

On the suggestion of the Mayor, an advertisement was ordered to be inserted in the local papers calling for applications, said applications to be received up to Monday noon. A temporary assistant will in the meantime be engaged.

The water commissioner reported that a cesspool was about to be established on Carey Road, and wished city water service. He recommended, in view of the circumstances, that the institution be supplied at city rates. The report was adopted.

S. P. Netherby and residents on Chatham, between Cook and Vancouver streets, asked that the name be altered to Caledonia avenue, between the streets mentioned, owing to the objectionable character of the residents on part of the street.

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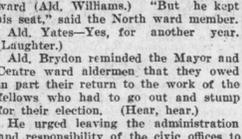
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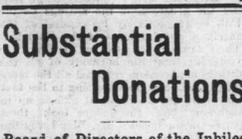
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Dr. Hall, speaking for the school board, said that he believed more attention should be paid to the teachers of the lower grades so that a good foundation might be laid in the pupils' education. He would like to see the standard raised at least two years in the public school so as to fit pupils for the work of it upon entering the high school they should pay fees. The per capita tax for education in Victoria is less than in Winnipeg or any other city west of it, being only \$23, compared with \$25 in Vancouver. He favored the government issuing the school books. Pupils could return the books upon being promoted and be allowed for them if in good order, which would go to reducing the price of the new ones.

Messrs. Boggs and Huggert also spoke briefly. The latter referred to his connection with educational work in the past, and believed that there was a superior work undertaken in our public schools which was not required for the activities of life.

The mayor announced that on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock a public meeting would be held in the city hall for the purpose of discussing affairs.

HIS PART OF THE PICTURE.

"I wouldn't miss the horse show for any thing."

"Are you a good judge of horses?"

"No; but I'm a good judge of pretty frocks."

Through Line To Victoria

Grand Trunk and McKenzie & Mann Will Build Transcontinental Road.

E. and N. to Be the Final Link in Ocean to Ocean System.

Victoria is being treated to so many surprises of late in the matter of transportation changes, that the latest announcement in regard to pending rail schemes will not be received with the same skepticism which it would have been received six months ago.

The announcement which now comes from Chicago is to the effect that Victoria is to be made the terminus of a great transcontinental railway line.

While several short United States lines, and one at least of the big American roads, form links in the proposed connection, the two great lines proposed connect with the Grand Trunk line here to Ashland, Wis., (Chicago).

From here to Ashland, Wis., the tracks of the Wisconsin Central, which passes under the control of the Grand Trunk, the father of the movement, the Northern Pacific will be followed to Duluth, thus practically completing that portion of the system operating in United States territory.

At Duluth a connection will be formed with the line to Winnipeg, projected by the energetic McKenzie & Mann syndicate. Thence westward, the road will cross the route of the Canada Northern, the great second transcontinental system which is being pushed forward year by year by McKenzie & Mann. This line is followed to the Coast, where the final link will be formed of the extended E. & V. system, over which line the Grand Trunk trains will run into Victoria.

It is understood that the Grand Trunk is at the back of the movement, a fact which will occasion no surprise among those who have watched the hitherto ineffectual efforts of that corporation to obtain an entrance into both Manitoba and British Columbia.

Negotiations for the control of the Wisconsin Central, it is asserted, have been going on for more than three months. The Wisconsin Central now has entrance into Duluth from Ashland, its northern terminus, over the Northern Pacific. If the new transcontinental Pacific is carried through, a new line eight miles in length will have to be built to connect Ashland with Duluth.

There are strong indications that the Northern Pacific, the Great Northern and the Canadian Pacific lines have anticipated

The Final Meeting

Candidates Explain Their Positions and Policies to Electors of Victoria.

Aspirants For Seats at the Aldermanic and Trustees Boards Speak.

The meeting called by the mayor last night in order to give the candidates an opportunity to make their appeal to the electors was well attended.

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MARRIED.

MALINS-OAKES—At New Westminster, on Jan. 10th, by Rev. Mr. Sheldrick, E. Owen Malins and Miss Anna Oakes.

FOWLER-THOMPSON—At Vancouver, on Jan. 14th, by Rev. J. Norman Tucker, Peter Fowler and Miss Janet Thompson.

DIED.

LANG—At his residence at Los Angeles, on Dec. 9th, 1900, John Lang, aged 76 years, a native of Devonshire, Eng.

GUTMANN—At the family residence, No. 171 Pandora avenue, on the 14th inst., Adelaide Rosetta, the beloved wife of Morris Gutmann, a native of Cambridge, Massachusetts, aged 28 years.

PORT SIMPSON NEWS.

The Marriage of Capt. Whitely and Miss O. A. Stryker—Christmas and New Year Festivities.

Port Simpson, B. C., Jan. 2.—The illuminations and decorations were especially beautiful on Christmas and New Year's eve, and at the former time the steamer Amur, Captain Gosse, etc. returned to Skagway, arrived just in time to see the sights and hear the carol singing.

The Band of Workers opened their new hall on Christmas day. They had invited the Salvation Army to be present at the service, and, indeed, during the time their was great rejoicing.

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More Coast Wreckage

Remains of a Lumber Carrier Are Washed Ashore Near Carmanah Point.

A Nameboard, Ship's Boats and Lumber Included in That Cast Up By Sea.

Wreckage has been found on the West Coast of the Island, but this time there is some evidence of its identity. The steamer Queen City, which arrived from Alouette with party last night reports that included in the wreckage found were three boats badly broken, a large quantity of broken lumber and a nameboard, of which the name partially appears, the letters as usual being pretty well obliterated.

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Woke Up at His Wake

Relatives Might Have Seen That He Was Drunk!

An elderly Jew, of drunken habits, residing in Taganrog, fell ill (says a St. Petersburg correspondent), and, to all appearances, died. After he had been placed on specially prepared boards to be washed, in accordance with the customs of the Jewish religion, he suddenly moved and sat up.

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The Annual Rugby Dance

Victoria Athletes Entertain Their Friends at Assembly Hall Last Night.

Another Distinct Success Added to Their Already Long List.

Assembly hall was last evening thronged with a merry crowd on the occasion of the fifth annual ball given by the Rugby Football Club of the city. The club seems to be successful in its efforts to entertain its friends as it is in its attempts to vanquish opponents. The erstwhile pursuers of the pigskin threw themselves into the spirit of the ball with the same energy which characterized their work on the field, and the result was equally happy.

Dancing commenced at nine o'clock, the supper room was fitted up with small tables seating four or five persons, the shades of the lights being in red, which shed a warm glow over the silver. In the centre of the supper room an immense Japanese umbrella was suspended and around its edges Chinese lanterns of various hues modified the incandescent lights.

The success of the dance is largely due to an energetic committee consisting of Messrs. Martin, Walker, Keefer, and Verne, besides Henry Croft, Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, who decorated the main building and supper room; to Messrs. Prior, Walker, Keefer, and Verne, who decorated the main building and supper room; to Messrs. Prior, Walker, Keefer, and Verne, who decorated the main building and supper room.

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FIRE AT GRAND PACIFIC.

Chief Denay Meets With an Accident En Route to the Blase.

A small fire occurred in the Grand Pacific hotel, at the corner of Store and Johnson streets, this morning. Chief Denay received a telephone message from the Grand Pacific calling him down. With his buggy after getting out of the fire hall the snap at the bottom of the collar broke letting the harness slip back on the horse, frightening it into kicking. To avoid being kicked, the chief attempted to get out, and was thrown against a pole opposite the fire hall. Some of the fire brigade came to his help, and the horse was taken back to the stable.

Immediately after this an alarm was received at the station and the brigade turned out. Chief Denay, although somewhat stunned, took his place and drove with the brigade to the fire. The fire originated from a fireplace in a bedroom above the bar. It had apparently been smoldering in the joists for some time, having burnt through an eight inch one. It was put out by using the chemical engine alone. The loss is about \$50.

SHOES THAT HURT.

Shoes that pinch can be made comfortable by using FOOT ELM. 25 cts., at drug stores.

TWENTIETH CENTURY METHODS OF TREATING CANCER.

The Surgeon's Knife, the Paste and the Plaster Supplanted by the New Method of Constitutional Treatment.

In this day of scientific research, old, ineffectual ways of doing things are being supplanted by new, up-to-date scientific methods. In medicine, progress has been more marked than in any other department of knowledge. But a short time ago, cancer was considered by the profession and the public to be an incurable disease. The only treatment in vogue was painful operations, the dreadful drawing of the plaster or the awful eating of the caustic paste. Now, all this has been done away with, and persons afflicted with this terrible disease can be cured in the privacy of their own homes, without the use of any suffering. The new constitutional remedy is a pleasant vegetable compound, which, when taken into the system, kills the germs of cancer, neutralizes the cancer poison and drives the disease so perfectly that the cancer returns again. MESSRS. STOTT & JUBY, Bowmanville, Ont., will send full particulars of this new treatment to those interested on receipt of 2 stamps. All correspondence regarded as strictly confidential.

One of her roughest voyages of the season was completed by the steamer Willapa last evening. The weather up North was found very cold, and ice to a considerable thickness had formed on the Skeena, and at the mouth of the river was floating in great quantities. Among the passengers on the Willapa were seven miners from Gribble island, where a prominent camp has been established, and three prospectors from Nimpkish river. The complete list is as follows: Messrs. Lockwood, Hughes, Cashmore and Morse, Dickinson, Wallace, McNaughton, Mrs. J. Miss Collinson, wife and daughter of Arthurdeon Collinson, who came down from the Naas; Miss Bird, from Port Essington; John Cunningham, from Eslington; J. McCoy and R. Wilby, from Rivers Inlet; M. Woolcott, from Alert Bay; and Douglas Lloyd, from Port Simpson. The consignees of the steamer were: H. B. Co., 1 bale furs; S. Leiser, 1 shipment vegetables; Yuen Wilson, furs; R. P. Ribbet, carboys; Lenx & Leizer, 1 box furs; Findlay, Durham & Brodie, 1 bale furs; Bissinger & Co., shipment deerskins; M. Gutmann, parcel.

PNEUMONIA PREVENTED.

Among the tens of thousands who have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for colds and a gripe during the past few years, to our knowledge, not a single case has resulted in pneumonia. Chamberlain & Co., 240 Wabash street, Chicago, one of the most prominent retail druggists in that city, in speaking of this, says: "We recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for its gripe in many cases, as it not only gives prompt and complete recovery, but also counteracts any tendency of a gripe to result in pneumonia." For sale by Henderson Bros., Wholesale Agents.

In many parts of Great Britain the superstition still survives that it is folly or madness to save a drowning man, as he will sooner or later do an injury to the rescuer. The superstition comes down from our ancestors, yet traces of it exist among the Sioux and other Indians, who seem to have inherited it from aboriginal sources. The belief is most prevalent in Cornwall and various parts of Scotland.

COULDN'T ESTIMATE ITS VALUE.—Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart never fails. It relieves in 30 minutes, it cures. It is a beacon-light to lead you back to health. W. H. Mueselmann, of G. A. B., Watertown, Pa., says: "Two bottles of Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart entirely cured me of palpitation and another spells. Its value cannot be estimated." Sold by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co.—180.

The sale of tobacco in France is constantly increasing, notwithstanding the existence of numerous anti-smoking legislation. The treasury from the tobacco duty a material addition to revenue, as will be seen when it is stated that for the last ten months the receipts from this source amount to 348 million francs, an increase of two millions on last year's figures; and if the increase is proportionately maintained during November and December, the receipts will reach to between 410 millions and 412 millions, the highest figure yet recorded. It is considered that the exhibition, with its influx of wealthy foreigners, has helped to swell the total.—The Sticla.

APIOL & STEEL FOR LADIES PILLS

REMEDY FOR IRREGULARITIES. SUPERBLY PREPARED BITTER APIOL PILLS. COCHIA, PENNYROYAL, ETC. Order of all chemists, or post free for \$1.00 from EVANS & SONS, LTD., Victoria, B.C. Sole Importers of the most famous French Chemicals, Southampton, England.

BELLA COOLA NOTES.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.) Early in December several inches of snow fell, but rain soon followed, and the snow disappeared. Since then the ground has not been frozen till two days before New Year's day, a heavy frost closed everything up. On New Year's eve snow followed, and a genuine Bella Coola wind continued for several days.

The Norwegians have been spending the winter making wagon roads. Several settlers have already, or are preparing, to erect more commodious buildings. Christmas brought Santa Claus with presents for several private and two public Christmas trees. The programmes at the public trees were good.

Messrs. Campbell and Shantleworth, miners, wintering here, lately went to Kimsquit Hot Springs. Some families along the coast, as well as many people in the valley, seem anxious to have the government town-site opened up. It would necessitate a wall, a short piece of new road and a bridge over the Bella Coola river, most, if not all, of which expenditure could be met by sale of town lots in the site reserved for that purpose. It would certainly be a great convenience, considering present difficulty of having no road to the wharf.

As soon as the wagon road reaches the wharf this place is likely to become an important shipping point for the Chilcoot cattle ranges, both to Skagway and south to the cities. A canoe lately came in from Kimsquit. Those arriving report general good health among the Indians and few white men. Gunner Sangstad is away on a prospecting tour through the Chilcoot. The Indian festivities and games began on November 1st, and have been kept up more or less ever since till New Year.

40 GEMS, 10 CENTS.—Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills cure all troubles arising from torpor of the liver. Easy and quick, banish Sick Headache, purify the blood and eradicate all impurities from the system. The demand is big. The Pills are little, easy to take, pleasant results, no pain. 40 in a vial, 10 cents. Sold by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co.—141.

NOTES FROM THE NORTH.

Ask Appropriation for Road—White Horse Copper Mine—Weather Report. (Special Correspondence of the Times.) Skagway, Jan. 8.—Skagway Chamber of Commerce is going to seek the co-operation of Seattle, San Francisco and other cities, chambers of commerce, and Western delegations in congress will be asked to assist in securing an appropriation of \$10,000 for a road from Haines Mission to Porcupine City.

Messrs. Granger and McIntyre, owners of the Copper King mine, White Horse, who shipped a carload of copper ore to Tacoma, have just received the result, which shows it goes \$96.88 per ton. Its different values were copper, 46 per cent; silver, 11 oz.; gold, 10 oz. The loss of the season was \$100,000. At Dawson, there are 100 miners in sight at this time.

Chief Isaacs, of the Chilcoots, who returned a few days ago from a hunting trip back to Tagish, brought with him two very fine specimens of moose heads. He says there is plenty of game back in that country. One of his braves killed six moose in one day.

Jan. 4.—The automobiles which M. Clear was taking into Dawson on the Eldorado, which were stranded near Selkirk, will be left there, as M. Clear thinks he can do nothing with them until next year.

Jan. 5.—The Arctic Telephone company of Skagway, have three men working putting in the automatic telephone system. Sixty-five instruments are already in town, and they have orders for 125 more. The company expect to install 200 instruments in town. The rate is \$3 a month.

Some more extremely cold weather will be welcome in Dawson and on the creeks. From the creeks come reports of work interfered with on account of too much water, and the gravel not yet frozen.

Yesterday J. H. Rogers, W. P. & Y. agent; J. W. Dudley, travelling auditor of the same road; Manager Parsons, of Ames, Mercantile company, and Harry Hamburger, of Simon Leiser & Co., left Dawson for the outside. Frank Mortimer will look after W. P. & Y. railway interests in Mr. Rogers's absence.

Jan. 6.—Steamer Cutch is said to have been laid on by the Washington Alaska Steamship company. If they buy her they say they will call her the City of Skagway. The weather report for January 5th, is as follows: Bennett—Part cloudy, calm, 10 below. Caribou—Cloudy, S. wind, 9 below. White Horse—Cloudy, calm, 14 below. Lower La Barge—Cloudy, calm, snowing, 12 below. Hootanqua—Cloudy, calm, 10 below. Big Salmon—Cloudy, snowing, mild. Five Fingers—Cloudy, 13 below. Stewart River—Cloudy, calm. Selkirk—Clear, S. wind, 20 below. Selkirk—Snowing lightly, calm, 10 below. Selwyn—Cloudy, calm, 20 below. Dawson—Cloudy, calm, 18 below. Fifty Mile—Cloudy, calm, 20 below. Five persons were injured last night by a collision between a fire truck and street cars in Buffalo. The injured and nearly five immigrants arrived from Canada from January 1st to June 30th, 1900. One of the injured will die.

WE PROVE IT

Catarah and Colds Can Be Relieved in 10 Minutes, Permanently Cured. Eighty years old—catarrh fifty years. Dr. Agnew's Catarah Powder cures him. Want any stronger evidence of the power of this wonderful remedy over this universal disease? Want the truth of the case confirmed? Write George Lewis, Shamokin, Pa. He says: "I took your cure as a catarrh of the bladder, which was cured by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co.—22. Twenty-three thousand eight hundred and ninety-five immigrants arrived from Canada from January 1st to June 30th, 1900. One of the injured will die.

Synopsis of a Play In Three Acts.

BY MOSSBACK.

ACT I.

A China passenger liner, which for convenience we will call the Empress of Japan, sails from Vancouver for the Orient with a good freight and large passenger list, among whom were several tourist sightseers. These enquire as to the ports of call and points of interest by the way. In answer to a question concerning these places an officer replies: "No! we don't call at Victoria."

Quess. by Passgrs.—"We understood Victoria to be quite an important place and thought there would be considerable trade from there."

Ans. by Officer—"Oh, no, there's little trade there. It's a small place and quite dead."

Quess.—"Why, we see by the customs returns and other trade and shipping statistics that it is the fourth port in the Dominion."

Ans.—"Oh! is that so. Well, I've never been there, but I always understood that it was little more than an Indian village, a suburb of the Esquimalt naval station, backed by a few retired Hudson's Bay servants, who own large tracts of land in the vicinity, and having enough themselves to employ, are not anxious to have their quiet disturbed by the influx of modern methods of commercial life."

Quess.—"But we have read somewhere of the solidity and enterprise of commercial firms already there—firms that are able to buy to advantage, because buying for cash, and who are credited with doing a large proportion of the wholesome trade of the province and the Yukon district."

Ans.—"Oh, yes! there are a few merchants there who are struggling under the lead of the board of trade, a coterie of which organization seem to have assumed the right to mould public opinion. Of this board a recent premier declared that it was seriously handicapped by reason of the luxurious growth of a certain cryptogamic plant which flourished on the backs of its members, and I've not seen the statements of the board at present, and drawing 24 feet 8 inches out of the question, and it doesn't pay to fight goods, it's cheaper to carry them on to Vancouver and transship, although it is true we are sometimes delayed by fogs in reaching there."

Passgr.—"Oh! now I understand. We would have been glad to see Victoria, as we desire to see all points en route, but one travelling soon becomes inured to disappointment. We have read of Victoria and Vancouver Island as being altogether delightful and possessing charms quite their own."

Ans.—"Oh, yes, they have native charms undoubtedly, but I question if you would admire them all. The people who write these eulogies may in some way be interested in the Royal House, as was that young English chap who, in the early colonial days, wrote home the announcement that he had married an Indian princess, whereupon his mother-in-law, though deluded soul—commenced to ship out the family heirlooms, for they were a people of gentle birth—but new-found princess halo cumulated okoke liktas, and so was accustomed to deprecate the large solid silver soup tureen, handed down through an honored ancestry from George the Third, by preparing in it, and serving from it, the native relish of Soap-o-hally."

Passgr.—"Ha! ha! that's good, though I'm not quite familiar with your Yaj-pok, and when I get ready to publish a work of fiction I shall be glad to have your services as story-teller. But I understand the capital of British Columbia is there, indeed, in a double sense."

Ans.—"Oh, yes, the legislature meets there occasionally. That's about all the diversion the people have down there. We hear a good deal about the parliament buildings, but I'm told they're not half so imposing (?) as Hotel Vancouver, and there's no other sense in which I know of the capital being here, apart from capital nonsense."

And the Empress with her interviewers and others passes out of the Strait of Juan de Fuca, and rides like a thing of life on the bosom of the great Pacific, all air and with prow turned toward the setting sun.

ACT II.

It is night, and the previously busy, sight-seeing, bustling, human freightage has sought repose in slumber. The crew alone is amove and watchful. Naught is visible on the hazy horizon, save the broad expanse of dark waters to the westward, now and again streaked with light near the prow, by the phosphorescent wake of a frigate seen in the distance, when suddenly through the mist there appears to the startled lookout in the crow's nest the outline of a massive vessel bearing down on the Empress, and before anyone could intelligently pronounce Jack Robinson there is a crash, a collision, and the fair Empress is struck on the port quarter and damaged beyond safety. Orders are to "bout ship and head for port. Under close watch the disabled liner doubles back 150 miles or more, and with eager haste presses forward toward Victoria, the port it has been claimed she cannot enter. The astonished passengers regard the situation as most critical. She must be heaved to be saved, is the interpretation of this act of desperation, as they nervously clutch hold of one another in readiness for the final crash, while with breathless suspense they watch the Leviathan steam up along side and make fast to the ocean dock. Releasing their hold and setting their

ACT III.

All are again on board the Empress, and a fresh start is made for the land of the Mikado, revelling in the recollection of the delights of the past few days, in which by strange mischance they had been privileged to see the beauties of British Columbia's capital and enjoy the charms of its surroundings, to drive over its good roads and through its fascinating environment, to inspect its stately buildings, comfortable homes, lovely parks and to revel in its marvellous scenic enchantment, under summer skies. The first-class passenger had not been long aloft again before the officer who volunteered so much valuable (?) information concerning the way-places in a previous interview was again met, and the following dialogue took place:

Passgr.—"We regret your mishap exceedingly, but it has given us a delightful in-over, with royal weather, in an idealistic spot. By-the-way, you said you couldn't go in there; how did you manage to do so?"

Officer—"Well, you see we can go in in an emergency. Its better than sinking at sea, but its not good business to risk it unless there is actual necessity."

Passgr.—"Of course, I am not able to judge of circumstances you would consider as providing a necessity, but apart from the large carrying trade to that port, as shown by statistics previously mentioned, and in which you abound largely, and which could be further developed by more direct transportation, we are sure that a knowledge of the beauty and attractiveness of the city and its surroundings would assist materially in popularizing the route, and inducing tourist trade, especially if regular calls were made at Victoria, with lay-over privileges."

Officer—"Well, that may be so, but you see it wouldn't suit this company's purpose. They are not specially interested in that city, beyond keeping it where it is, besides we have an arrangement with a local transportation company whereby they handle whatever goods or passengers are destined for that point."

Passgr.—"Oh! I'm beginning to get light. Your company is interested in booming a rival locality. That explains the statement I heard in Victoria to the effect that your president had prophesied that he would make the grass grow in the streets there. I was unable to see any, and from the rapidity with which the permanent sidewalk and block pavement are being put down, I would judge the prophecy as yet far from fulfillment, and with the additional impulse of probable transcontinental transportation, which she is now seeking, Victoria is likely to make a vigorous effort to maintain her supremacy in commerce and population, as in situation she is ever without a rival."

Officer—"You seem to have been very favorably impressed, and must have enjoyed your stay there. How does it compare generally with other cities you have visited?"

Passgr.—"Without a doubt it is one of the finest we have had the pleasure of visiting. All the conditions are ideal, and we would advise you to return to spend a week in the capital, in admiration with us, of its many charms to sense and sight."

And as the Pacific liner passes out of the Strait at Cape Flattery for the second time on her westward voyage, with a strong southeast breeze on her quarter, the attention of the interviewers is withdrawn from a consideration of the beauties of the land and directed with imperious suddenness to some of the discomforts of the sea.

FRUIT TRANSPORTATION.

Deputation Waited on Supt. Marpole and Dominion Express Officials—Petition to Unseat G. R. Maxwell.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Jan. 16.—Sult was entered in the Supreme court yesterday by J. M. Duval to unseat G. R. Maxwell, M. P., elect for Burrard. Bribery and general corruption acts are charged with no detailed allegations in the writ. A. O. Alexander appears for Mr. Duval, who was a member of Mayor Garden's committee.

The snow and rock slide near Hope was nearly cleared away at noon, and the first through train since Monday will arrive late this evening.

A deputation of fruit-growers this morning interviewed Supt. Marpole and the Dominion express officials to secure low rates for fruit transportation to the Northwest.

Chief of Provincial Police Hussey passed through the city to Westminster today for the purpose of investigating certain charges made against the management of the provincial jail.

Two private meetings of the city council were held today for the purpose of discussing matters with a view to the settlement of the Deadman's Island ques-

tion out of court. That was all that could be learned regarding the sessions.

REMARKABLE MIRAGE.

Photograph of Strange Phenomenon Exhibited at Meeting of Natural History Society.

At a largely attended meeting of the Natural History Society, held last night, W. F. Best gave a very interesting paper entitled "The Blood, its Properties and Relation to Disease Germs." By means of diagram and microscopic slides the lecturer graphically explained the composition of blood corpuscles of different animals and their action upon various disease germs.

Capt. Walburn also gave some notes upon the wonderful mirage called "The Silent City," which is to be seen during a certain period of each year upon Mount Fynweather, on the coast of Alaska. The captain exhibited a photograph of the phenomenon.

In order to solve the mystery as to the origin of the mirage, certain scientific men from California intend fully investigating the matter. Those who have seen this phenomenon claim it strongly resembles a portion of the city of Bristol.

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Messrs. Pool and Young are in the city in connection with an important mining deal, and will incidentally interview the various departments of the city, on the subject of the two per cent. royalty on ore. They claim that the royalty, coming out of top of all the ore taxes, license, stamping, and burdens which the mining industry has to bear, is an unjust discrimination. The almost unanimous feeling in the interior, they state, is to the same effect, and a considerable number of indignation committees that the government should discourage investors that they are scared away from British Columbia to the mining states of the boundary, which instead of making that territory offer him every inducement to go and develop their mines.

"No other industry in the province," said Mr. Pool, "is taxed to the extent that the mining industry is, and yet it is that industry to which we look to employ labor, build up thriving towns in the interior, and furnish business for the coast cities and Victoria. Instead of taxing the industry of the interior, which with its millions of acres of undeveloped mineral lands, should offer him liberal bonuses to come here."

Messrs. Pool and Young are enthusiastic over the conditions of Ladreau district. Many rich mines have been developed, including the Silver Cup, Nettie L., Triune, Beatrice, and others, and are now in a position to ship large quantities of ore running from \$100 to \$300 to the ton, but they do not feel like doing it under present conditions. The Great Western Mines alone have spent \$40,000 in developing their properties, and are anxious to invest in other mines under favorable conditions as regards legislation.

Editor Young, who is from the chief town in the great cattle range country west of the Rockies, gives very favorable accounts of the progress and prosperity of that section.

THE FULL COURT.

Unparalleled Readiness of Counsel to Proceed With Cases—Order Tip for Consideration This Morning.

The January sitting of the Full court resumed this morning with Judges Walken, Drake, Irving and Martin in attendance.

The chief justice telegraphed yesterday that he was suffering from a sprain of the ankle and would not be able to attend. There was a large array of counsel, and new Queen's counsel in their new robes were in evidence. The well-known counsel who were attending were: Charles Wilson, E. V. Bodwell, E. P. Davis, Sir C. H. Tupper, F. Peters, L. G. McPhillips, Gordon Hunter, Mr. Cassin, for the plaintiff, and F. B. Gregor, L. Crease, Harold Robertson, T. Mayne Daly, Alex. McNeill and others.

The appeal list is a very long one, and includes several cases from the general territorial court. It was gone through yesterday first to see in what cases counsel were ready, and with such remarks as regulations did each gentleman concerned, say he was ready in such and such a case, that at the end Judge Walken said it was the only time in his experience that all counsel were ready.

The first case taken up this morning was Stevenson v. Parkes, an appeal from the gold commissioner of the Yukon. Mr. Cassin, for the plaintiff, applicant, applied for an adjournment on the ground that they had not yet been able to procure a copy of the notes of evidence from the stenographer, who left Dawson some time ago for Dubuque, Iowa, to visit his family. Mr. Bodwell, for the respondent, opposed the motion on the ground that there had been an unparalleled delay, on the part of the appellant, in getting the notes of the evidence. He contended that no appeal lay, as the case came originally before Judge Craig, who referred it to the gold commissioner, who gave judgment. There was no power to take this, he said, but as the parties had taken the order without appeal they had agreed to the gold commissioner, who gave judgment. There was no appeal. The motion was adjourned.

Bird, v. Vieth & Borland was the next case taken up. The plaintiffs, who are residents of California, sued the defendants, the well-known Cariboo firm, for damages for failure to deliver in Telegraph Creek a pack train according to the contract. The general verdict in favor of the plaintiff, and assessed the damages at \$3,700. The defendant appeals on the ground that the verdict was excessive, and gives reasons against the judge's charge. E. V. Bodwell, Q.C., and L. P. Duff, Q.C., for appellants. E. P. Davis, Q.C., and L. Crease for respondents.

COMPETITIVE PLANS.

Judges Report on the Merits of the Recent Designs By Architects.

May Be Seen Till Saturday at the Executive Council Chamber.

The competitive plans in connection with the new Government House have been examined and a decision reached regarding their merits. Yesterday evening the following statement was handed out to the press by the lands and works department:

"In response to the notice published by the lands and works department on October 31st last, inviting British Columbia architects to compete, nine sets of designs for the proposed new Government House were submitted, under the following nom de plume: 'Spero,' 'Volte No. 1,' 'Volte No. 2,' 'Domus Consulii,' 'Norma,' 'Olympian,' 'Kola,' 'Paardeberg' and 'Three Hundred and Thirty-three.'

"Pursuant to the conditions of the competition, those designs were critically examined and compared by Messrs. W. Ridgway Wilson and J. C. Keith, non-competing architects, in conjunction with the chief commissioner of lands and works, who have reported that the various plans represent a large amount of very careful work, and in most cases the general conditions as to style of draughtsmanship and number of drawings had been adhered to.

"The order of merit assigned to the five selected designs is as follows: "1—'Volte No. 2.' (Byreus & Sait, Victoria) and Vancouver." "2—'Paardeberg.' (R. M. Fripp, Vancouver.) "3—'Olympian.' (C. J. Socle, Victoria.) "4—'Domus Consulii.' (Carr & Fee, Vancouver.) "5—'Spero.' (Thomas Hooper, Victoria.)

"The various designs can be seen by interested persons at the executive council chamber, neilman buildings, up to Saturday next.

"Further decision in the matter will be deferred until the return of the premier from Ottawa."

The agitation in regard to substituting a stone for a frame structure, as contemplated in the plans, will, it is said, probably cause the government to suspend action until the legislature is summoned.

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Premier Dunsmuir and Eberts Wait on Government To-Day.

id to Railways and Starting Shipbuilding Industry Requested.

Telegraph Line From Hazelton to Fort Simpson to Be Built in Spring.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Jan. 18.—Hon. James Blair and his party will wait on the government this afternoon to formally present their claims for a subsidy for starting a shipbuilding industry in the province. Premier Dunsmuir is also supporting Mr. Blair's aim for increasing the duty on iron from the United States.

G. R. Maxwell, M.P., elect, is engaged for the construction of a telegraph line from Hazelton to Fort Simpson to be commenced in the month of May.

Mr. Maxwell dines with Hon. James Dunsmuir and Messrs. Dunsmuir and Eberts tonight. Hon. James Dunsmuir has been invited to dine with Sir Louis Davies on Monday.

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St. Petersburg, Jan. 18.—Officially fifty students recently arrested for engaging in political activities have been released. The same fate awaits students arrested at the capital charge. The ferment among students throughout the disturbances are unquenched.

ARBITRATOR CHOO

London, Jan. 18.—Officially made of the formal agreement between the United States ambassador and the British government in the case of the ship Kow Ching, ordered to carry Chinese troops before hostilities had been declared. The government suggested by the arbitrator.

BOTTLED THE OIL

(Associated Press.)

the Lucas oil geyser, which is 50 feet high since it was placed on the well to-day and Capt. Choe is now master of it. He has already fished from the well and speculators are.

INTOXICANTS PROHIBITED

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, Jan. 18.—The market for whisky has been prohibited by the use of employees before reporting while on duty. This is the first time that the use of intoxicants is not to be tolerated.

RAILWAY CONCESSIONS

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, Jan. 18.—A special committee from El Paso, Texas, to Mexico, who is attending the carnival here, has his attention directed to a railway concession for a railway across the state of the Kansas City.