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"No alliance with those revolutionists who would destroy our system of Government and haul down our flag, but on the contrary co-operation with that great body of labor which would reform abuses in a constitutional way." J. A. MACDONALD.

A COMPOSITE LABOR TICKET ONE BRANCH MADE CHOICE LAST NIGHT

Room Left For Socialists--C. E. Pooley Nominated For Esquimalt Over H. D. Helmecken

The first step towards nominating local candidates for the legislature was taken last evening when the local branch of the new Canadian Labor party held its convention in Labor hall and nominated two standard bearers. These selected were Dr. Ernest Hall and A. Johnson.

The Canadian Labor party, it will be remembered, was one of the results of the Trades and Labor Congress, which held its convention here some months ago. The decision then reached was that a labor ticket should be offered, but while the congress took the initiative steps looking to the organization of a party independent of the Trades and Labor union.

Those interested locally in the movement have sought to take advantage of the experience of the Labor party as organized in Great Britain, and which was explained fully to labor men here by J. R. Macdonald, M. P., in the Imperial house. According to the arrangements in the old Land the Socialists other than the most extreme allied with the trades unionist members to form a distinctly Labor party working together in the interests of the workmen.

This is now being attempted here. Two men have been nominated by the Canadian Labor party. This will leave the way clear to allow Socialists who also claim to work in the interests of labor to bring out candidates.

The Socialists are divided here. One wing known as the moderate Socialists advocate proceeding along an educational line. The most likely candidate to be named by this section is W. H. Marcon. The extreme Socialists may name J. C. Watters again. The Socialists have yet to meet for nominating purposes, but they will decide upon their course probably on Sunday.

The course followed by the Canadian Labor party appears to be one of conflict towards the Socialists. They have taken a course which leaves it possible to have what is claimed to be a purely labor ticket composed of trades unionists, moderate socialists and extreme socialists. Those who choose so to vote may cast their ballots for the whole ticket. If this course is followed elsewhere it is contended that a composite labor party may be formed in the House.

Following the action of the Nanaimo Independent Labor party in nominating a candidate to oppose J. H. Hawthornthwaite in that city is condemned and also the action of the Ladysmith labor party in proposing to follow the same course. The resolution passed at last night's meeting was as follows:

That this branch of the Canadian Labor party ask the provincial executive to draw the attention of the electorate to the fact that the Independent Labor party of Nanaimo and Ladysmith are not in any way connected with this organization.

Phil R. Smith, a prominent member of the Canadian Labor party, in explanation of this resolution, says that while the party to which he belongs does not wish to endorse the actions of J. H. Hawthornthwaite or Parker Williams, and while they are not in the confidence of Mr. Hawthornthwaite, yet it is felt that it is unwise to oppose a man who is essentially working in the interests of labor by another labor man who may look at the political situation somewhat differently.

Mr. Smith says that the Vancouver and New Westminster branches of the Canadian Labor party will likely put men in the field.

Mr. Pooley chosen.

Pooley would have received the endorsement of the meeting. As it was the delegates from Happy Valley neighborhood came pledged to support H. Dallas Helmecken, K. C., and this they did. They were in the minority, however, and when the vote went in favor of Mr. Pooley, Mr. Helmecken, who was present, moved to make it unanimous. He also urged all to unite in support of Mr. Pooley, and to put down all opposition to him, and ensure his election.

Mr. Pooley having been duly nominated, accepted, and promised to do his best to ensure his election.

The Liberal convention for the nomination of a candidate for Esquimalt has not yet been held, but will probably be called very shortly. Mr. Pooley, who has represented this district for 24 years, will it is generally conceded, go down to defeat this time.

In the outlying districts of the riding are many Conservatives who, while they do not feel like voting against the party, will not support Mr. Pooley, and will, therefore, remain at home on polling day.

In the Skeena constituency the nominations have not yet taken place. The Liberal candidate will probably be Dr. Keegan, of Port Simpson. The doctor is deservedly very popular in the north. He has been ever ready to aid in everything pertaining to the northern portions of the province, and has made an enviable reputation for himself. His success is assured, it is admitted, if he accepts the nomination. His opponent, it is likely, will be a merchant at Hazelton, who will receive the Conservative nomination. Dr. M. McKinnon, of Vancouver, who is at the head of the Swanton Day Pulp Works, was also mentioned, but Mr. McKinnon, who is in the city to-day, says he will not be a candidate.

NORMAL OUTPUT NOW RESTORED

CROWS NEST MINES GENERAL MANAGER HERE

Larger Force Now at Work and Daily Production Reaches Thousands of Tons.

G. G. S. Lindsey, general manager of the Crow's Nest Pass mines, is in the city, not on business as he explained to a Times representative, who had a short interview with him this morning, but for the purpose of seeing his son who has been stricken with typhoid fever. The latter has been attending school here.

While Mr. Lindsey is pleased to report that normal conditions have again been restored, he does not feel disposed to discuss the recent strike in the mines in which he is interested, in which the owners won out. "It is over now," he said, "and I can see no good in referring to it."

The normal output of the mines at the time the strike was declared was 4,000 tons a day. That quantity of coal is again being produced, and a force of two or three thousand miners is employed. The company has started the development of a new four-foot seam of coal, which never had been touched till lately.

Asked with respect to the coal famine conditions throughout the Territories, Mr. Lindsey explained that this was due in the first instance to the enormous increase in the population of the country, and in the second to the strike at Lethbridge. This strike, like the one at Fernie, is now over, and Mr. Lindsey thinks that the supply and demand of the black diamonds will soon right itself. The Fernie mine cannot at present do much in alleviating the situation, because just now the mine is behind in meeting the demands of its old customers. The shortage in Idaho and Washington arises from the same causes.

Mr. Lindsey was asked if his company contemplated the shipment of coal to the coast to compete with that here mined, but his reply was that the freight rates were prohibitive. It would cost more than \$4 a ton to ship it over the three mountain ranges which it would have to cross before it reached the coast. Allowing a dollar commission for the selling of it locally, it will be seen that while it can be turned out at the mines for \$2 a ton, yet the enormous additional charges would place it at a value above that of the Vancouver Island product.

MACDONALD'S MESSAGE TO THE PEOPLE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Ringing Arraignment of the Government on Its Record, and Clear-Cut Enunciation of Policy by the Liberal Leader.

ROSSLAND, B. C., Dec. 27, 1906.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA:—

Let me say in a few words now what, later, I shall enlarge upon.

THE GOVERNMENT'S RECORD.

The Government's policy is its record. That record spells:

1. High taxes.
2. Neglect of roads and trails.
3. A monstrous School Act.
4. Neglect to protect our forests.
5. Neglect to compile and furnish information regarding public lands, in aid of settlement.
6. Broken promises to deal with railway situation after proclaiming necessity for action.
7. Backdoor methods of dealing with public lands.
8. Barefaced attempt on the part of the Premier to make Better Terms a party issue and an election cry, in face of what took place in the House, where the resolution brought in by the leader of the Opposition on the subject was adopted by the Government and passed unanimously.
9. Subserviency to a railway corporation evidenced by unsuccessful attempt to give one and one-half million dollars in cash and an actual grant of 800,000 acres of public lands.
10. Refusal to make railway corporation pay its taxes.
11. An unnatural alliance with the declared enemies of the Constitution.



J. A. MACDONALD, K.C.

THE LIBERAL POLICY

Our policy is defined by our stand on the measures brought before the House, plus our aims regarding other measures which cannot be introduced by an Opposition but only by the Government. These are:

1. The creation of a department of labor and information; subjects too important to be left, as at present, without shape or Provincial guidance to guard us against undesirable immigrants.
2. Full inquiry into water records and irrigation, and while protecting prior rights, providing for a wider distribution of water available for irrigation purposes.
3. An adequate system of forest protection.
4. Surveys of Crown lands available for settlement, and where practicable parcelling them into small holdings as part of an immigration policy.
5. Repeal of School Act and a return to a system of State education.
6. Revision of the laws of placer and dredging leases, and a lessening of the danger of inadvertent forfeiture.
7. No alliance with those revolutionists who would destroy our system of government and haul down our flag; but on the contrary, co-operation with that great body of labor which would reform abuses in a constitutional way.

J. A. MACDONALD.

NINE PERSONS FOUND FROZEN TO DEATH

(Associated Press.)
London, Dec. 28.—Nine persons have been found frozen to death on roads in England alone during the past 24 hours. The list doubtless will be much larger when communication with isolated parts of the provinces, now snow-bound, is restored.

RAISULI DISMISSED.

Bandit Deprived of Governorship—His Friends Also Leave Positions.

Tangier, Dec. 28.—It is reported here that a letter from the Sultan dismissing Raisuli from the governorship of the city will be read in the mosque to-day. Troops under the Moroccan minister of war yesterday marched to the residence of Raisuli's representative here and took over positions hitherto held by Raisuli's partisans, who departed without protest. The European residents are becoming more confident regarding the situation.

FOURTEEN NATIVES CRUSHED TO DEATH

Manila, Dec. 28.—The governor of the province of Oriental, Negros, has reported that 14 natives were killed and 15 injured in a panic at Midnight Christmas mass at Tanjay. A woman was seized with an epileptic fit and cried out for help. This caused a stampede with the fatal result mentioned.

D. J. BERESFORD'S WILL. Bulk of His Property Is Left to Brothers.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 28.—The will of Delaval J. Beresford, who was killed in a wreck at Enderlin, N. D., last Sunday, was found at the First National Bank yesterday. The will was made in 1896, and after bequeathing \$10,000 to a Colorado woman who nursed him through an attack of yellow fever in New Orleans several years ago, the rest of his estate was left to his three brothers, Lord Charles Beresford, Marcus Beresford and another brother, now dead. The value of the estate is a million dollars.

RIOTS AT BELGRADE.

Gendarmes Employed to Suppress Student Demonstration Against Government and the Dynasty.

Belgrade, Dec. 28.—When the deputies left the chamber after the passage of the loan bill last night, there was a serious student demonstration against the government and the dynasty which had to be suppressed by gendarmes.

There was much resentment among the students because of a rumor that King Peter intended to give \$500,000 out of the loan as dowry to his daughter, Princess Helene.

It is reported that the King contemplates the promulgation of an edict on January 3rd giving himself absolute authority over all his relatives, including the notorious Crown Prince, his son George.

STEAMER STRUCK ROCKS IN GALE

CRW OF JAP LINR RESCUED BY LIFEBOAT

Unknown Vessel Reported to Have Foundered Off the Coast of Wales.

London, Dec. 27.—A terrific gale is raging to-night off Holyhead, and a number of vessels are in distress. The life-saving services are busy.

The Japanese liner Ama Maru, from Antwerp for Middlesborough, ran on the rocks off Redcar last night, and was safely taken off by the lifeboats.

A telegram from Holyhead says that it is learned there that an unknown vessel had foundered off Rhoscolyn Point, Wales. Distress rockets were sent up late last night, and a lifeboat put out and searched for hours, but found no sign of the vessel in distress.

THREE CHILDREN PERISHED.

Were Burned to Death in a Fire Which Destroyed Their Home.

Waston, Dec. 28.—Three young children of Stanley Singleton were burned to death in a fire at Hester station, a village near here.

After the family had retired natural gas escaped from a defective valve, accumulated, and an explosion followed. The children were instantly enveloped in flames, and escape was impossible. The flames spread to adjoining dwellings, four of which, with their contents, were destroyed.

RAID BY REVOLUTIONISTS.

Dynamited Safe at Railroad Depot and Escaped With the Contents.

Melitzrzec, Poland, Dec. 28.—A small band of terrorists stormed the railroad depot here to-day, drove off the gendarmes on duty, dynamited the safe and escaped with its contents. A detachment of Cossacks pursued the robbers, but did not capture any of them.

SPANISH STEAMER FOUNDERED.

Went Down During a Storm—Only One Member of the Crew Saved.

Coruna, Spain, Dec. 28.—The Spanish steamer Primoer has foundered in a storm. All of her crew were lost with the exception of one.

SEEKS AID FOR STARVING SLAVS

ABOUT THIRTY MILLION WILL NEED ASSISTANCE

The Relief Committee Has Now Only Half a Million Dollars on Hand.

London, Dec. 28.—Nicholas Shihkoff, of the Samara Zemstov relief committee, who was one of the trustees of the American famine fund of February, 1891, has sent to London, accompanied by an appeal for funds, a terrible account of the present famine conditions in Russia. He says that two or three months must elapse before this year's famine entails its full intensity. "Fifteen years ago," said M. Shihkoff, "when the famine was less serious, we had \$6,000,000, now we have only \$500,000."

M. Shihkoff estimates that about thirty million souls will need assistance.

ROYAL BETROTHAL.

Kaiser's Fourth Son Will Wed Princess Alexandra of Schleswig-Holstein.

New York, Dec. 28.—A cable despatch from Berlin to the American says: "It is reported that the Kaiser's fourth son, Prince Augustus Wilhelm, whose engagement to Princess Alexandra of Schleswig-Holstein was announced yesterday, will visit the United States after his honeymoon next year, and that the Kaiser has already planned an itinerary for him. The Kaiser's desire is to have the Prince make a systematic tour for the purpose of studying American commercial and industrial methods. The Prince is to travel incognito, accepting no official hospitalities or entertainments."

"The Prince is in delicate health and unable to occupy in the future any important naval or military position. He pleads with the Kaiser to permit him to devote his life to civil affairs, and the Kaiser is said to have acceded. Therefore Augustus will be the first Prussian Prince to remain a civilian. The Prince's military career will terminate after another six months' service in the Guards regiment."

ARTILLERY RETURNS.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Battery returns were made public to-day. Winnipeg field battery stands at the head of the list for general efficiency. Ottawa field battery comes next, Montreal third, Toronto fourth, and Hamilton fifth. The 6th field battery, of London, Ontario, has the largest number of marks, but did not affiliate.

Ottawa was first for gun practice, and Winnipeg was first for manoeuvres. For efficiency and personal equipment Winnipeg was first, Toronto second, Ottawa third, Quebec fourth, Hamilton fifth and Deseronto sixth.

Garrison Artillery.

In general efficiency Prince Edward Island was first and second; Fifth Regiment, Victoria, B. C., third; New Brunswick, fourth; and Montreal, fifth. In gun practice the 1st Halifax regiment was first, and Nova Scotia second. Heavy artillery, Prince Edward Island first, Montreal second.

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LOTHARIO WEDS.

Andre Giron, Who Eloped With Former Crown Princess, Married in Brussels.

Brussels, Dec. 28.—Andre Giron, who achieved considerable notoriety three years ago by eloping with the then Crown Princess of Saxony, was married here yesterday to Miss Jeanne Braun, who is 12 years his senior. Giron agreed to a pecuniary compromise with the family of the Crown Princess and then abandoned her.

This elopement cost the Crown Princess the crown of Queen of Saxony, the loss of her children, and expulsion from the Imperial house of Hapsburg.

TURKISH TROOPS WITHDRAW.

Constantinople, Dec. 28.—The energetic representations of the Persian ambassador against the Turkish occupancy of the Mesrover and Ebnad, two points on Persian territory, have resulted in orders being issued for the withdrawal of the Ottoman troops. A threatened conflict between the local forces has thus been averted.

POLITICAL LESSONS OF 1906.

Tonight the world will tear the last leaf from the calendar of 1906, mark the year as something that has passed into history, and bid farewell to the old year, despite the fact that in its train followed many calamities that have made "countless thousands mourn" as we look back we are forced to confess that on the whole it has been a period of abundance, of hopefulness, and of the security of life in this land of promise. In Canada we have fortunately escaped many of the visitations that have brought sorrow and desolation to a considerable proportion of the population of other countries. Here there have been no lamentable catastrophes either by sea or by land to make the year 1906 a bitter memory to any considerable number of persons. The earth under our feet in this northern zone is as solid and substantial and as enduring as our system of government. It is true there are political rumblings and grumblings, but they are all on the surface. There is no depth to them—they do not go far enough down into the life of the people to have a disintegrating effect upon our tried and proved institutions.

CANADA LOOKING FORWARD.

The year 1906 was a great one for Canada—but wait until you see us in 1907 and after! We are only beginning to realize, and that as yet in a dim and uncertain manner, the value of this northern "wilderness" we have undertaken to bring into subjection. Occasionally some prophet arises and proclaims his belief that Canada is bound to become one of the great national powers of the earth. But is he listened to with patience? Is he not rather treated with derision? How many of us are there still who snore at the optimistic fellow and characterize his sentiments as "hot air." And yet it is just as certain as it is that the continent of America exists that Canada will one day become the most important and the wealthiest portion of it outside of the United States. There are sanguine souls who hold that we shall eventually excel the dominions of Uncle Sam. But we desire even in the exuberance of the New Year's spirit to be reasonable and sane in our predictions. The United States has had a long start in the race for national pre-eminence. She is endowed as no other country that ever set up in business in the old world or the new with a tremendous store of natural resources. Her territory extends from temperate to sub-tropical zones. She can produce in greater variety than we can ever hope to do. But there are many and various advantages on our side also. Nature brings forth the choicest and the strongest of her treasures for our benefit. Even now our neighbors are compelled to buy our wheat and mix it with theirs in order to keep their flour up to the standard. In many other lines we hold the position of vantage. Consider our coal, our water powers, our timber and our fisheries. Americans perceive that if they hope to keep up the pace of progression that has been set they will have to come to us for much of the raw material that has been so prodigally wasted in the rush of individuals to make themselves rich. The United States is becoming so thickly populated that the struggle of life has recently become greatly intensified. The strongest and the strongest of her resources for the struggling poor is so great that fears are entertained for the stability of our neighbors' institutions. Our political condition, notwithstanding the Socialistic foam now floating upon the political waters of British Columbia, is as solid as the physical foundations of our country. Those who desire to see us progress as the rest of Canada is going to progress from this time forward should see to it that the confidence of those looking for employment, homes and investments are not undermined by any political action of ours.

THE MAYORALTY.

T. W. Paterson, candidate for the Mayoralty, expresses his views upon the subject of the duties of the chief magistrate in another column of the Times. Mr. Paterson, probably owing to training and natural disposition, is a man of few words. When he has anything to say he compresses his opinions into the fewest possible number of sentences. Consequently on matters which may be at issue during the coming campaign he makes no attempt to cloud his views in a mass of verbiage. Anyone interested may find out just where he stands in a very few minutes. Mr. Paterson recognizes and admits the urgent necessity for an improvement in the water supply of the city. He would recommend a thorough investigation into the capacity of Elk Lake to fulfil the conditions required of it in view of the rapid expansion of the city. If by extending the water shed to Elk Lake can be met to meet requirements for any considerable number of years, he believes we should not hastily abandon a property of such undoubted value. That, we think it will be admitted, is a reasonable position to take. We do not believe that after the fullest investigation, an investigation that will cover not only the capacity of the lake, but the vastly more important matter of the prospective quality of the water that can be obtained there, an expenditure of any considerable amount of the ratepayers' money will be adjudged to be justifiable in enlarging that source of supply. On this matter, as on all other matters of civic policy, Mr. Paterson does not assume a dogmatic position. He is not going to see himself as a dictator. There will be twelve aldermen upon the board to assist him in his counsel, and it will be his aim to listen courteously to their advice and work with them harmoniously in the important business of advancing all the interests of the city. The laws upon the statute book he will exercise all the powers vested in his hands and all the authority he possesses to have carried out. Mr. Paterson has been long enough before the people of Victoria in various roles for them to thoroughly understand that when he says he will do certain things he means what he says and that he will carry out his pledges to the utmost of his ability. The coming year will be an important one in the history of Victoria, and it is of manifest importance that at the head of our affairs there shall be a man of sound business views, of clear judgment and of solid common sense in the chair of the chief magistracy.

PHRASE-MAKERS.

Supporters of the McBride government are comforting themselves with the reflection that the more parties there are in the field with candidates at the coming elections the better the chances of the administration. Does this assumption account for the fact that Comrade Hawthornthwaite shares liberally in the campaign fund as well as in the crumbs that fall so conveniently from the table over which the late Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works presides? Whatever the truth may be in regard to this matter, there is no doubt whatever that if all the elements which are opposed to the government were to unite the first Conservative government British Columbia has ever had would be buried beneath an avalanche of votes on the 2nd day of February. But it is apparent from the temper of the public that the alliance cannot save the administration from defeat. We are convinced that the forces in this community which stand for sanity in the conduct of public affairs, for security of tenure, for stability in business, for the maintenance of the institutions which have made this rule a success wherever the flag has been raised, and which are opposed to the dissipation of the natural resources of the province in gifts to corporate and private grafters to overturn the Socialist-Conservative cabinet and to turn out the Socialist-Conservative party. We cannot believe that the people of British Columbia will take upon themselves the responsibility of voting for the continuation of the regime which has made the name of the province a by-word and a reproach among the provinces of the Dominion. The message from the leader of the Liberal party, with its apt phrases and clear enunciation of the policy of the party, has had a marked effect already. The very fact that such phrases as "the hand of adversity, male and female," that have fastened themselves upon the Lands and Works Department, and "no alliance with those revolutionists who would destroy our system of government and haul down the flag, but on the contrary, co-operation with the great body of labor which would reform abuses in a constitutional way," give offence to the interested friends of the McBride government, but they appeal to the people far more effectively than the plagiaristic vulgarism of the Premier whose intellectual limits have been characteristically expressed in the words, "if you can't boast, don't knock."

DOUBTFUL ABOUT CANADA'S FUTURE.

It must be very flattering to Canadians to perceive that the British press and public men are taking such a deep interest in their affairs. It is not so complimentary to us to note, however, that there seems to be a deep distrust in the Mother Country with regard to the attitude of Canadians towards the Empire. Why it should be presumed that there is any movement in this country whose tendency is towards separation is something that cannot be comprehended by any person on this side of the water who keeps his finger constantly on the pulse of public opinion. On the surface there is no indication whatever that we are gradually falling under the influence of the alleged attractive force of the great nation of eighty millions of people who are so frenziedly producing and storing up vast accumulations of wealth south of the international boundary line. And if there are any undercurrents that are destined in time to sweep us within the maelstrom of annexation, they are operating too far below the surface to give any outward indication of their trend. The latest development in Canada to excite alarm in the loyal Imperialists of the London Times is the presence in the Canadian tariff of the intermediate schedules. Our contemporary expresses the opinion that if the United States chooses to take advantage of that provision the immediate result will be the promotion of more friendly relations between the public and Canada and the ultimate outcome of the loss of the Dominion to the Empire. The Times thinks such a misfortune can be averted by the adoption in Great Britain of a policy of preferential trade, thus strengthening by increased commercial intercourse and greater self-interest the Imperial bond which it believes is slowly undergoing a process of disintegration. We fear if the retention of Canada by the Mother Country depends upon the electorate of Great Britain sanctioning a protectionist policy even of the very mildest description there is little hope for the incorporation of the Empire in a federal union. The democratic elements in Great Britain are increasing in strength and political influence, and they do not appear to be particularly impressed by the picture of organic union with the colonies. They seem to think they have more important matters to deal with, in which may be included the amelioration of the condition of the masses and the curtailment of the powers of the reactionary elements. But is there any fear that the United States is likely to take advantage of the Canadian intermediate tariff? Not while the protectionists and the trusts retain control of the government, and there is no present indication that they are losing strength. They have beguiled the people into the belief that Dingy is the fountain from which all the prosperity they are experiencing springs, and they are not going to expose their artifice and disillusion the electorate by consenting to the removal of one single stone from the Dingy tariff wall. The Times' arguments and conclusions, nevertheless, are interesting as demonstrating that the future political condition of Canada is exciting speculation in Great Britain. It says: "It is in the intermediate tariff that the importance of Mr. Fielding's departure lies. Its announcement is practically equivalent to an invitation from the Canadian government to the world at large, and the United States in particular, to enter into commercial negotiations on a basis of reciprocal concessions. What would the acceptance of that invitation involve? For us it would undoubtedly, even as the Canadian offer stands at present, mean a very considerable reduction in the preference enjoyed by this country, but it requires very little acquaintance with the process of bargaining which accompanies the framing of commercial treaties not to realize that in practice the Canadian intermediate tariff would be substantially reduced in the course of arriving at an agreement. The British preference would consequently be still further narrowed, if it did not disappear entirely. "It is impossible to contemplate the effect of this upon our trade with any satisfaction, but the misfortune is one which cannot be averted as long as we cling to our present economic policy. Those who have nothing to bargain with are not consulted. Have we no duty, no Imperial obligation, to use every effort to avert the possibility of the absorption of Canada into the United States? Can we afford to let economic theories, whether true or false, stand in the way of measures which safeguard the Empire against that danger? It is not an abstract question of free trade or protection that the government of this country has to decide, but an urgent concrete issue of Imperial unity or disruption. "What its attitude is to that issue will be shown at the forthcoming Imperial conference, if it is an attitude of sympathy and goodwill; of readiness to further any measure conducive to unity, then the danger may be averted, even if it may not be possible to secure immediately that economic bond of union against which the government is now hopelessly committed. But if the government's attitude is one of polite reserve and profuse hospitality, yielding its real indifference, then Canada and her sister states will inevitably come to the conclusion that England is incapable of Empire, political or economic, and will turn their attention elsewhere."

MAKING MONEY FAST.

Number of British Columbians reported to be doing exceedingly well in Nevada. According to J. A. Alkman, who has just returned from Nevada, a number of British Columbians are making fortunes rapidly in the mining business at Tonopah and Goldfield, Col. G. H. Hayes, who was formerly engaged in mining in Alberta, is now said to be a millionaire. Mr. Alkman says he made it all on the lease which he and four others had taken on the Mohawk mine, one of the richest properties in Goldfield. C. D. Taylor, who left Victoria a few years ago, is said to have cleaned up \$2,000,000 out of Goldfield property, he having been one of the first to engage in mining in that city. Other well-known British Columbians who are mentioned in the list of the prosperous by Mr. Alkman are John McKane and Dr. Bowes.

TO OBSERVE ECLIPSE.

Tashkend, Asiatic Russia, Dec. 28.—The French, German and Russian expeditions have arrived here to observe the eclipse January 2nd. In addition to making the usual observations the expeditions will study the condition of the upper air by means of balloons and automatic instruments.

NEW BRITISH BATTLESHIP.

The contract for the British battleship Superb, the third of the Dreadnoughts to be laid down this year, has been awarded to the Armstrongs of Newcastle-on-Tyne. The tender for the hull and machinery, exclusive of the guns and armor, amounted, it is understood, to \$3,300,000.

Japanese Matting. New Designs Just Received. J. PIERCY & CO. WHOLESALE DRY GOODS. VICTORIA, B. C.

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Notice is hereby given that, sixty days after date, I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase an Island located midway or thereabouts on the east side of Section Thirty-One, Victoria District, indicated by a post planted thereon five chains more or less east of the shore and marked "A."

Notice is hereby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase an Island located midway or thereabouts on the east side of Section Thirty-One, Victoria District, indicated by a post planted thereon two and a half chains more or less east of the shore and marked "G."

Notice is hereby given that, sixty days after date, I intend to make application to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land situated on the east bank of Naas River, opposite Aylsham Indian Village: Starting from a post which stands about 15 chains east of the N. W. corner of the H. C. N. E. corner, thence 40 chains north, thence 40 chains west, thence 40 chains south, thence 40 chains east, thence 40 chains north, thence 40 chains west, thence 40 chains south, thence 40 chains east, containing 160 acres more or less.

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Notice is hereby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described land situated on the north line of T. L. claim No. 624, thence east 30 chains more or less to the north line of T. L. claim No. 584, thence north 100 chains more or less to shore on Honey Bay, thence west to the northeast corner of Lot 62, thence north 100 chains, thence east 100 chains, thence north 100 chains, thence west 30 chains more or less to point of commencement. Dated December 27th, 1906. THE LADY D'ARCY MINING CO., LTD. Dated Nov. 26th, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, we intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described land situated on the north line of T. L. claim No. 624, thence east 30 chains more or less to the north line of T. L. claim No. 584, thence north 100 chains more or less to shore on Honey Bay, thence west to the northeast corner of Lot 62, thence north 100 chains, thence east 100 chains, thence north 100 chains, thence west 30 chains more or less to point of commencement. Dated December 27th, 1906. THE LADY D'ARCY MINING CO., LTD. Dated Nov. 26th, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, we intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following land in Barley District: Commencing at a post at the corner of the north line of T. L. claim No. 1, thence west 80 chains, thence north to shore, thence along shore northwesterly to the point of commencement. Dated this 28th day of November, A. D., 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, we intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following land in Barley District: Commencing at a post at the S. E. angle of Halford Bay, Copper Islands, thence east 80 chains, thence north to shore, thence along shore northwesterly to the point of commencement. Dated this 28th day of November, A. D., 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, sixty days after date, I intend to make application to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase one hundred and sixty acres of land situated at the head of Dease Lake, and known as the "H. C. N. E. corner," thence 40 chains to Post No. 2, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 3, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 4, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 5, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 6, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 7, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 8, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 9, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 10, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 11, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 12, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 13, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 14, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 15, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 16, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 17, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 18, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 19, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 20, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 21, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 22, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 23, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 24, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 25, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 26, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 27, thence S. 40 chains to Post No. 28, thence S. 40 chains to Post 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THE GREATEST STORE'S JANUARY SALE

(COMMENCING WEDNESDAY 2nd)

Is to Be Unprecedented and Unparalleled in Values and Prices!

To the Residents and Non-Residents of Victoria: We do not make any vain boast of what we intend to do for you in our January Sale. We would simply remind you that our store, being the greatest in Western Canada, our customers must indisputably be the greatest in number, our stock must of necessity be the largest, and consequently through the enormity of our business, influence and capital, we absolutely stand alone in our ability to give you the Winter Clearance at the lowest possible prices extant in Western Canada. Spring is fast approaching, and so are car loads of spring goods. What does this mean to you?—and us? Just this—that in order to prepare for this great influx of new goods, the bulk of our winter stock must imperatively be cleared before these goods arrive and are placed into stock. Consequently our paramount position enables us to give you unapproachable values and sale prices not to be found elsewhere in this province. Finally, the past year, ending with January, has proved the most prosperous in the history of this store. New departments have been opened; never such volumes of business transacted, which are beyond all normal calculations. Explanations of such gratifying results would be superfluous! We would just say that our prosperity has resulted from our determination to serve your interests in the minutest detail, and it matters not in what part of the globe we have to obtain the goods that are worthy of our reputation. On the threshold of the New Year we wish all our patrons and friends our sincerest good wishes.

DAVID SPENCER, LTD.

Ladies' Coats

In the Very Nick of Time You Are Privileged to Secure Just Perfect Values, Styles and Finish at Extraordinary Prices!

BLACK CLOTH COATS

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| 4 only, values \$25.00 | Sale price, each coat | \$12.50 |
| 3 only, values \$25.00 | Sale price, each coat | \$10.00 |
| 2 only, values \$22.50 | Sale price, each coat | \$12.50 |
| 1 only, values \$20.00 | Sale price, each coat | \$12.50 |
| 1 only, value \$19.50 | Sale price, each coat | \$12.50 |
| 2 only, values \$17.50 | Sale price, each coat | \$10.00 |
| 3 only, values \$9.75 | Sale price, each coat | \$5.00 |

DARK TWEEDS

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| 2 only, values \$21.00 | Sale price, each coat | \$10.00 |
| 1 only, value \$20.00 | Sale price, each coat | \$10.00 |
| 1 only, value \$18.50 | Sale price, each coat | \$10.00 |
| 2 only, values \$16.50 | Sale price, each coat | \$10.00 |
| 2 only, values \$15.00 | Sale price, each coat | \$10.00 |
| 1 only, value \$13.75 | Sale price, each coat | \$10.00 |
| 1 only, value \$13.50 | Sale price, each coat | \$10.00 |
| 5 only, values \$12.50 | Sale price, per coat | \$7.50 |
| 1 only, value \$12.00 | Sale price, per coat | \$7.50 |
| 1 only, value \$10.75 | Sale price, per coat | \$7.50 |
| 4 only, values \$10.00 | Sale price, per coat | \$7.50 |
| 17 only, values \$9.75 | Sale price, per coat | \$7.50 |
| 2 only, values \$8.75 | Sale price, each coat | \$4.50 |
| 1 only, value \$8.50 | Sale price, each coat | \$4.50 |
| 1 only, value \$7.50 | Sale price, each coat | \$4.50 |
| 1 only, value \$6.75 | Sale price, each coat | \$4.50 |

LIGHT TWEEDS

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| 1 only, value \$30.00 | Sale price, each coat | \$20.00 |
| 4 only, values \$25.00 | Sale price, each coat | \$17.50 |
| 1 only, value \$22.50 | Sale price, each coat | \$17.50 |
| 9 only, values \$21.00 | Sale price, each coat | \$13.50 |
| 3 only, values \$20.00 | Sale price, each coat | \$15.00 |
| 2 only, values \$18.50 | Sale price, each coat | \$15.00 |
| 3 only, values \$17.50 | Sale price, each coat | \$12.50 |
| 1 only, value \$13.50 | Sale price, each coat | \$13.00 |

The general description of the above Charming goods follows:

DARK BROWN TWEED—bias back, with 3 stitched straps, double breasted with pockets, velvet collar and cuffs.
TWEED COAT—very light box back, 7-8 length, with one stitched strap, double breasted, black velvet collar and velvet button trimming.
LIGHT PLAID COAT—full box back, with double box pleat, belt to underarm seam, double breasted pockets, velvet collar and cuffs, trimmings of stitched straps and black velvet buttons.
TWEED COAT—all wool, 7-8 length, tight fitting back, with stitched seams, single breasted, velvet collar.
BLACK BROADCLOTH COAT—lined throughout, 3-4 length, box back, trimmed with fancy silk braid and stitched straps, velvet collar, also trimmed with braid.
LADIES' GREY ALL WOOL COAT—7-8 length, tight fitting pleated back, finished at waist with black velvet straps and two pearl buttons, double breasted, collar, pockets and cuffs of black velvet, finished with silk braid.

Hose for Ladies and Children

SUCH VALUES THAT ARE OFFERED, WILL BE QUICKLY CLEARED BY EAGER PURCHASERS.

INFANTS' RIBBED CASHMERE HOSE, silk heel and toe, in black, tan, cardinal, and cream; sizes, 4 to 7 (slightly imperfect). Regular values 25c. Sale price, per pair 15c

HOSE, PLAIN, BLACK CASHMERE (30 dozen only), full-fashioned, spliced ankles (seamless feet); sizes 9 and 9 1-2. Regular value 25c. Sale price, 2 pairs for 35c

PLAIN BLACK ALL WOOL CASHMERE HOSE, full fashioned and spliced ankles; sizes 8 1-2 and 9 only. Regular value 50c. Sale price, per pair 35c

PLAIN AND RIBBED CASHMERE FINISH HOSE, Regular values 35c. Sale price, per pair 25c

CHILDREN'S RIBBED CASHMERE FINISH HOSE, sizes 6 1-2 to 8 1-2. Regular value 35c. Sale price, per pair 25c

Men's and Boys' Clothing Dept.

The 1st of the Year Offers You the Newest Suits in Perfect Styles, Qualities and Finish at Sale Prices Unmatched Anywhere! Men and Boys Can All Participate

In an Unprecedented Sale in This Dept!

MEN'S TWEED SUITS (only 98 to dispose of). All Canadian tweeds; sizes 36 to 42; values \$5.00 to \$7.50. Sale price, each suit \$3.75

MEN'S IMPORTED TWEED AND FANCY WORSTED SUITS (only 60 on sale).—Sizes 35 to 44. Values \$10.00 and \$12.50. Sale price, each suit \$7.75

MEN'S IMPORTED TWEED AND WORSTED SUITS, including "FIT-RITES" (80 suits in all). Values \$15.00 and \$18.00. Sale price, each suit \$11.75

"FIT-RITES" suits made from imported tweeds and worsteds (75 suits only). Values \$20.00 to \$27.50. Sale price, each suit \$15.75

NORFOLK TWEED SUITS (120 suits in all) for boys, ages ranging from 6 to 15 years. Regular values \$3.50 to \$5.50. Sale price, per suit \$2.90

3-PIECE SUITS. Ages from 7 to 15 years. Regular value \$4.50 and \$5.50. Sale price, each suit \$2.90

NORFOLK TWEED SUITS (100 suits in all), made of imported tweeds, knickers made plain and bloomer style. Regular values \$4.50 to \$6.75. Sale price, per suit \$3.90

3-PIECE SUITS FOR BOYS, ages ranging from 10 to 15 years (120 suits in all). Values \$5.00 and \$6.00. Sale price, each suit \$3.90

BOYS' REEFERS.—Boys' heavy blue English Reefers, plain and chinchille cloth, brass buttons (25 suits only). Regular values \$1.50 to \$2.00. Sale price, each suit \$1.90

30 SAMPLE REEFERS FOR BOYS. Values up to \$5.00. Sale price, each suit \$1.90

FANCY OVERCOATS FOR SMALL BOYS (20 only). Russian and Buster styles. Regular values \$4.50 and \$5.00. Sale price, per overcoat \$3.75

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CHAPTER XVII.

State Secrets.

The meal ended, Mirza Ali and the Persian girl both returned to the room. The latter, the sick man could only see the eyes, but these, large and lustrous, were all the more bewitching on that account. Her father had just seated himself to commence speaking, when he heard a knocking downstairs at the door of the house. Rising impatiently, he descended, when, seizing her opportunity, Fatima said in a low voice—

"Rabeh Abdullah, for so I must call you, I implore you to do what I have ever my father may propose to you. Even if the part he calls upon you to play may seem hypocritical, you must not shrink from it, unless you desire to be torn literally limb from limb. You are now in a country of hypocrites, and must fight them with their own weapons, even as my father and I do, who, being Shi'ahs, pretend to have been converted into Sunnis. Do not forget that the Derwishes, who are clamouring for your blood, will probably before long cross-examine you as to your religion. Whatever you reply, be orthodox, and, if questioned upon the subject, say Shi'ah, and that you are Shi'ahs if needful; my father and I will not mind, but when you say Shi'ah, know that the word Derwishes is really what is intended, and we shall be your chief enemies. The fact is, the Shi'ahs have retained several Egyptian prisoners who understand such work at Khartoum, and I have had to do the best I can with Dongolese craftsmen, who are next door to useless."

"As it happens, Lord Rothley may know of these rare men who possessed a mechanical mind. From his childhood up he had delighted in model steamboats, steam engines and such like toys; while in his boyhood he had never been so happy as when engaged in the village blacksmith's shop, shoeing horses or repairing rustic machinery. He would be glad to have a militia officer, been able to attend a course of instruction at the army school of musketry at Hythe. There he had learned all about small arms, ancient and modern, and on leaving had distinguished himself by gaining a first-class certificate—extra."

"I know something about such matters," he replied. "I have been in the arsenal in Cairo and studied their methods. Some engineering works established by a Scotchman at Mansourah, in Egypt. But I should not like to make cartridges to shoot at my own friends. It is a good news you give me," replied the Persian. "The very best of news. Nor is it a case of like, but must. When you get well, you will Khartoum, where, even if the Khalifa was left, you would be detained in chains until his return." Then she followed her father.

"Or cartridges wasted, say rather, my daughter; for these Derwishes are the worst shots in creation, and only really deadly when they are firing with sword and spear. But now for our guest," and he turned toward the wounded Viscount.

"Rabeh Abdullah, for such I learn is your name—you are, I understand, a Muslim and a Sunni of course. Will you oblige me by repeating a declaration of your faith?"

"Of course! I need hardly have required it of you, since during your feverish ramblings you have repeated aloud about half of the Koran. You must have an extraordinary memory. Have you been brought up, as a Sikh, Rabeh Abdullah?"

"I have received considerable religious instruction, and yes—Allah be praised—my memory is good."

Allah forbidd!" exclaimed Mirza Ali Khan, greatly nonplused by Fatima's ingenious suggestion, the cunning intention of which he failed to appreciate.

He thought seriously for a minute, and then remarked—

"Endoubtedly it is haram—unlawful—but then it has happened already, and the evil cannot be undone, and of course he must be attended to."

"Why, that he should see your face, of course; but since the evil has already taken place, it will not be any the worse for being repeated. You had better remove your habara. Fatima, and bathe him as usual; it is essential that he should be fresh for this evening's interview."

With an alacrity and pleasure that she could ill conceal, Fatima tore off her black cloak, emerging like a fairy from the shell of an old woman.

As Lord Rothley saw this sudden change of the chrysalis into the butterfly, his blue eyes also showed the pleasure that he should see the beautiful young girl, who was watching them.

Fatima tripped off and speedily returned with a polished metal light and a small bottle of perfume. The beautiful Persian performed her duties as a nurse, Mirza Ali Khan committed what would have been a deadly offence in any person less distinguished than a holy Hadji like himself—he smoked his narghaleh or hubble bubble.

CHAPTER XVIII.

A Fateful Ordeal.

The blind Muezzin on the lofty minaret of the mosque, was, for the fourth time that day, chanting his call to prayer—

"There is no God but God and Mahomed is the messenger of God. Pray, he better than sleep! Come to prayer! There goes the Aza!" remarked Lord Rothley, as he with his own hands finished off the adjusting of a small white turban to Rothley's head, after first, had with Fatima's assistance, cutting his hair so close as to give almost the appearance of being shaved. No signs of the barboosh, kofeyah, or any articles of Egyptian uniform were left in sight, for fear that their appearance might irritate the expected visitors.

"They will be here probably before the March," continued the Hadji, "and it must be confessed, that, now his beard has grown, they can see nothing saving too much of the Western or European in the young man—he has quite the appearance of a model stevedore."

"I like him better as he was before his beard grew, and before his hair was cut," responded Fatima naively. "But he certainly has almost the appearance of a learned Mowlvie or Mullah; he is so pale and ascetic-looking. How do you feel now, Rabeh Abdullah?"

"Tired," replied Rothley, and he looked fit for the pillows and try to sleep for an hour," said the Hadji. "I will retire now, and Fatima also; I shall return in time to warn you." And he turned to go.

"The Persian girl, however, hesitated a moment and said seriously—

"I see a large and well-built village in which the huts are commodious and clean. There is great store of food of all kinds, those cattle and fruit. I see also a strong fermented liquor, called tedge, in that village the Khalifa and his warriors are feasting and making merry with the maidens, whom they compel to sing and dance to them. It is now the holy month of Ramadan, and there are no old women left in that village; for they have all died. Not are there any men left, save those that hang on the trees. I see no more."

"The voice from upon the green well stopped. After a time the Cadj stepped up and removed it. He spoke to the seer, who did not reply, for that had fallen upon this man's mind long continued mental strain, he had become insensible from fatigue."

"The Cadj, however, and the others distributed the immobility of the seer to a state of hysterical trance, and by the supernatural agency which presumably had been speaking through him, from beneath the holy turban which came from the city of the Prophet—upon whom he peered!"

Even Suleiman el Kebir was awed, and the voice of the Cadj spoke to the others, in an authoritative but hushed voice. It was as follows—

"We will wait for some days until we learn if it be a true or a lying spirit that has spoken by this man's voice. Until then, let us not dare to judge in our hearts those who live in wantonness during the sacred month of Ramadan. Indeed, although the words of the dreamer seem to me as the words of truth, and himself a holy man, it would not be wise to do so, until they be proved."

After this speech, saluting to the Hadji, the Cadj passed quietly out of the door when he left behind him a salubrious, departed air, likewise a party of camel men, arriving from Shendi by way of Khartoum. Indeed, although the Khalifa Abdullah had recently departed to raid the Gallah villages upon the Abyssinian borders, thus the name of the Khalifa, who had been revered in New Dongola as that of a prophet.

CHAPTER XIX.

Lay Hold of Her Sleeve.

Lord Rothley's recovery was slower than it would otherwise have been, owing to the fact that his wound had been roughly attended to in the first instance, and he had taken prison. Yet every care and attention which Fatima could show was willingly given, while her father also showed him every kindness in his power. Nevertheless, the thoughts of this poor sick prisoner in a land of barbarians constantly reverted to those whom he had left behind, and his mind was filled with the most intense longings for freedom. As he lay upon his couch, wild plans of escape crossed his brain, and he communicated some of these to Mirza Ali; one especially, which seemed feasible, whereby they should all descend the river by night and make their way to Mokrakkeh, so soon as the Nile had risen. They worked out the details for this plan with considerable ingenuity, until it seemed as if it could be easily put into successful operation.

"Then came a crushing blow, in the shape of the tidings that the Turkish and English had been driven from Mokrakkeh and Ginnes, that the place was abandoned. The Derwishes even said that no halt had been made by the relieving force of Wadly Hafsa, which they would doubtless soon occupy without any resistance, as it was full of the partitioned."

This was indeed a bitter and crushing blow, one which the Persians felt was a deadly wound and grief. It was made all the more so by the fact that the Cadj and other religious leaders now came constantly to see the holy man and insist upon his welfare, when Mirza Ali was compelled to go through, in his presence, the face of pretending to join in the jubilation on the retreat of the latter. As for Reginald, he chose the part of rarely speaking to the visitors, otherwise than to return their salutations. Following out the part of a holy man and a fiki, he was never to be found except Koran in hand. Even after he was able to rise, he would sit upon the floor reading the holy book with an air of abstraction which his holiness did not require him to abandon for the sake of talking. During the period of his study, he would study the holy book ardently and committing to memory many new portions. While so doing, he could not help pondering the various facts and doctrines which really have been a man of great ability, one, moreover, well acquainted with both the Jewish and Christian customs of his own text. With their doctrines he was well versed, but he charged them with having corrupted their Scriptures. The more he studied the contents of the book, the more convinced he was that the sources of the book had been greatly purified in the hands of the Jews, the Christian New Testament and the Apocrypha. As he continued to commit to memory the thirty adzabs or parts, divided into sixty azabs or sections, he saw that there was much that was good in the book that is known as the "Kalam Shereef" or sacred sayings. Indeed, for any evidence to the contrary, it seemed to Lord Rothley that Mahomed was quite as much entitled to the name of prophet as any of those whose names are recorded as such by the ancient Hebrews, and universally accepted.

Although, however, with little repugnance in being compelled to accept as worthy of credence the collection of the writings and sayings of Mahomed, which, being full of the praises of God, really consists of the code regulating all ethical, moral, civil, political, criminal and military duties of the Moslems, he was nothing in it against Christ; "Isa" or Jesus being on the contrary treated with the greatest reverence, as a prophet who possessed almost divine powers of healing. The reading of the Koran is regarded by Mahomedans as a most pious work in itself. It must be read with great devotion, and those parts and passages at which the reader

the comeliest young maidens are taken and bound with their hands behind them. I see that from each village three or four maidens are reserved by first surah of the Koran. With exception are also allotted one or two maidens here."

"The speaker made a long pause, and said himself first forced to acknowledge that his own Nubian pronunciation of the ancient classical language could not compare with the Arabic of the Hadjis of Holy Land, as enunciated by Rabeh Abdallah, the seer. Thus while progressing on the road to recovery, the Viscount was not troubled by any further suggestions as to his being sent to Omdurman. Moreover, the month of Ramadan came and passed without any tidings of the return of Abdullah from the far distant country of the Gallahs. He commenced, however, to be troubled by another matter, and this was the attitude towards himself of the beautiful Persian.

She had early commenced to instruct him in the Persian language, with the intention of keeping out of the Rose Garden of Saad in her father's possession. It might have been imagined that, with so many serious matters to attend to, her heart for the Persian and his daughter would scarcely have thought about instructing their guest in their native tongue. The matter was, however, somewhat different. Mirza Ali was particularly fond of reciting verses from the old Persian poets to his daughter, and one day, while so occupied, he turned to his guest, saying politely—

"I fear, Rabeh Abdallah, that all this must sound sad nonsense to you; in future I will not inflict any more of it upon your ears, who do not understand it."

"But I know a little scrap of Persian poetry myself," replied Reginald, smiling. And he repeated the first two lines of the love song sung by the Indian nautch girls—

"Muttirli khush nawa begu
Taza ba taza nu ba nu."
"Bravo!" cried the Hadji, while Fatima clapped her pretty hands, saying—
"Go on! Go on! Do, Rabeh Abdallah, say some more! I am sure you can."
"I am not sure of myself," replied Lord Rothley, "but I think the verses go on something like this—
"Ba sannicheh ku labihave
Khush ba nishcheh ba khilvate
Boosa sita ba kam az oo
Taza ba taza nu ba nu."
"Splendid!" exclaimed Mirza Ali. "And do you also perchance know any of those pretty verses commencing 'Randjidi! Randjidi!'—in which two words, meaning 'thou hast grieved me,' all the fit were pronounced by him soft, as in French or Italian."
"I am afraid not," replied Reginald. "I picked up 'Taza ba Taza' on a ship, from some Indian girls, but it was all the Persian they knew."
"Well, he must learn 'Randjidi' and 'Mapura' also, must he not, Fatima? I made a translation of the latter into Arabic. Its sense is something like this—
"These I have left a lover's woes,
These I have not related,
Though absent, perchance my repose,
This ask me not to state.
Far, far, I searched the world
To find for her I love so well,
But now my darling has been found;
I ask me not to tell.
Why, bite the lip, and hint suggest,
As if I could betray!
A ruby lip 'tis true I've pressed, but
Whose I will not say."
"I will repeat them to you in Persian," he did so. "Now," he continued, "here is a rough translation I made of 'Taza ba Taza'—
"Minstrel, tune some novel lay,
Ever jounced, ever gay,
'Tis removed from prying eyes,
Love the game, the fair thy prize,
These eyes, these eyes, these eyes,
Kiss her once and oftentimes kiss,
Daily thus love's games renew,
Ever fresh and ever new."
He laughed as he finished his translation, and then, with a very pretty smile, he said—
"I like the soft sound of the Persian best," said Lord Rothley, smiling, "especially as those last verses sound so positively improper. I should think they must have been written by the Khalifa in the Gallah country. What do you think, Lady Fatima?"

"I am sure, but very, but very pretty," responded Fatima merrily. "But one thing I know, and that is, that now my father has heard you repeat a verse in Persian, he will never rest until you can read his tongue as well as you can that horrid Arabic, which I should like never to hear with an air of abstraction which his holiness did not require him to abandon for the sake of talking. During the period of his study, he would study the holy book ardently and committing to memory many new portions. While so doing, he could not help pondering the various facts and doctrines which really have been a man of great ability, one, moreover, well acquainted with both the Jewish and Christian customs of his own text. With their doctrines he was well versed, but he charged them with having corrupted their Scriptures. The more he studied the contents of the book, the more convinced he was that the sources of the book had been greatly purified in the hands of the Jews, the Christian New Testament and the Apocrypha. As he continued to commit to memory the thirty adzabs or parts, divided into sixty azabs or sections, he saw that there was much that was good in the book that is known as the "Kalam Shereef" or sacred sayings. Indeed, for any evidence to the contrary, it seemed to Lord Rothley that Mahomed was quite as much entitled to the name of prophet as any of those whose names are recorded as such by the ancient Hebrews, and universally accepted.

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der treatment of him, a prisoner, was unbounded. But how was it possible for him, a young man of twenty-seven, in the constant society of a radiantly beautiful creature, to stop short at gratitude?

Especially when he recognized the fact that the charms so unrestrainedly displayed to his eyes had never been beheld by any other man, and yet might perchance some day be delivered over to some black beast, he found himself overcome by that feeling of jealousy's frenzy. Surely they belonged to him—should belong to him! But how could they become his? how could he dare to take them? To think of such a thing was folly—madness.

He determined to put all such ideas out of his head, and, for a time, succeeded, and then came the reading lesson, and with them Fatima's evident trouble. While she was leaning over his couch, holding the book upon which were both his hands, he could not avoid seeing that the maidens' bosom was palpitating, her heart fluttering, even at such times as she contrived to keep her eyes from meeting his eyes from revealing the hidden pangs of the love which now told her heart so plainly that which he endeavored to conceal.

"Though I have felt a lover's woes, these bid me not relate.
Though absent poisons my repose, this ask me not to state."
Without putting her ideas into words, Fatima continually found these two lines of the poet Hafiz running through her brain; while it is probable that Lord Rothley, who now could repeat both "Randjidi" and "Mapura" in the tongue of Iran, was whispering to himself those that followed—

"Far, far search the world around for her I love so well, I am afraid not to tell."
Such was the state of affairs when, one evening, shortly before sundown, the pair were together alone.

It was settled that upon the following day Lord Rothley was to be allowed to rise, but for this one evening he still kept his couch. The sky was cloudy since the Nile had risen, and a cooling breeze came through the open "musharabiyeh" work of the lattice, and the turtle doves were softly cooing in the palm trees.

While Fatima leaned over, Reginald read to her the Sixth Tale, that of the poet's rising impatiently to welcome a friend, and upspringing the lamp, whereby both were left in the dark. The tale was nearly concluded when, owing to the fading light, the reader could scarcely decipher the remainder of the story.

"Give me 'The Rose Garden,'" said the Persian maiden; "I will finish the tale for you." And she read as follows—
"The sun, if of a ugly person, should stand before the candle, arise and smite him in the middle of the assembly; but should it prove to be one whose smiles and whose lips—
Here Fatima hesitated, and sighed.
"Please go on," said Reginald.
"Whose smiles and whose lips are sweet, lay hold of her sleeve—and put out the light."
The melodious tones of the fresh young voice ceased, and another suppressed sigh was heard, as the rapidly growing dusk, Fatima rose slowly. As she did so she felt herself gently taken hold of by the arm—lightly but firmly.

"Whose smiles and whose lips are sweet, lay hold of her sleeve—and put out the light," repeated Rothley, in a whisper.

For a moment, with burning eyes which had lost all control of themselves, Fatima gazed back at him, and then, with a gasp of pleasure that might almost have been pain, she had thrown one lovely arm around the head that she adored, and the rosy lips were pressed upon those awaiting them.

A long—a long caress, in which two souls were exchanged, while no word was spoken!

The sun went suddenly down, and daylight faded into night at once, as it does in the East, but still those two agitated hearts throbbled in unison, until the first light of dawn, when the tall minaret outside.

At length, with mutual sighs, the two parted, and the reader, in the range of the door could be heard downstairs.

"Why is there no light?" inquired Mirza Ali Khan, as he entered the room. "I have not missed it," replied Viscount Rothley.

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ENTERTAINMENT AT JAIL.

Inmates Enjoy the Usual Extra Fare and Treat on Christmas Day.

On Christmas Day the inmates of the provincial jail enjoyed the usual special meals provided for them by generous outsiders, and in the afternoon were entertained at a concert at which Miss Tranter, who regularly assists her father at the Sunday services, with a number of other young ladies, contributed songs and recitations. Mr. Gibson occupied the chair, and in addition to the entertainment addresses were delivered by Mr. Gibson, Mr. Tranter and the Rev. Mr. Thompson, president of the Methodist conference of British Columbia, who, although such a busy man, found time to give a stirring speech to those present, expressing his warmest sympathies for the inmates, and his hope that they would be able to do some good in the world.

The warden of the jail, Major Murrer, in his program, expressed his appreciation of the gratitude of the inmates and officers of the institution for the kindness shown to them by the ladies, and stated that he had arranged to have the inmates of the jail, in order to entertain at the jail. He also thanked the officers of the jail for their assistance during the past year, and to the men for their good conduct during the year. He also stated that he had arranged to have the inmates of the jail, in order to entertain at the jail. He also thanked the officers of the jail for their assistance during the past year, and to the men for their good conduct during the year.

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MANNING LEAVES TO-NIGHT FOR WEST

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Dec. 31.—W. B. McManis concluded his Yukon business with the government to-day and immediately tendered his resignation as commissioner of the Yukon territory.

He will leave to-night direct for Victoria to enter the political fight as lieutenant of Mr. Macdonald, opposition leader.

WM. MANSON JOINS CABINET SWORN IN TO-DAY AS PROVINCIAL SECRETARY

Appointment Designed to Strengthen the Candidate in Contest in Alberta. (From Monday's Daily.) William Manson, candidate in the Conservative interests in Alberta, who also sat in the last Legislature, has been sworn in as provincial secretary.

Mr. Manson arrived from Nanaimo on the noon train, and at once proceeded to the parliament buildings, where he was formally installed in office.

By the admission of Mr. Manson into the cabinet only one vacancy is left, that of the chief commissioner of lands and works.

NEW MOTOR BOAT GARAGE. Big Factory to Turn Out the Popular Craft is Well Under Way. The new motor-boat garage which is being constructed by Messrs. Hutchison Bros. near the bridge at Rock Bay is now well under way.

There will be an arrangement whereby launches can be ordered and the boat-house will be specially constructed to meet local requirements.

PHILANTHROPIST DEAD. Baroness Burdett-Coutts Passed Away at Age of Ninety-Two Years. London, Dec. 30.—Baroness Burdett-Coutts, who has been ill at her residence since Christmas, is dead.

OFFICIAL UNDER DEATH SENTENCE TWENTY-SEVEN SELECTED BY THE TERRORISTS

Police Find List of Those to Be Assassinated—Many Arrests Made. St. Petersburg, Dec. 31.—Acting on information furnished by a traitor, the police during the last few days captured over a hundred leaders and members of the St. Petersburg Military Organization of the Social Democrats.

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LOST LIVES ON ERRAND OF MERCY TWO MEN DROWNED IN BAY OF QUINTE

C. R. Devlin Elected in Nicolet—Narrow Escape in Montreal House Fire. Kingston, Ont., Dec. 29.—Ernest Lambert and Charles Gibson, two young men of Amherst Island, were drowned last night at 9 o'clock, while driving on the ice of Bay of Quinte to Bath.

LOCAL NEWS

More Arrests. St. Petersburg, Dec. 31.—The local committee of the Social Democrats, which numbered forty men, were arrested here to-day.

Rescued by Firemen. Montreal, Que., Dec. 29.—Police men had to arouse two women and children out of bed to-night when fire broke out at the back of an old tenement house on St. Urbain street.

Two Deaths. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 29.—At the same time, Robert Sharp and his aunt, Mary Sharp, died at the general hospital of pneumonia.

Liberal Nominations. Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 29.—At the Liberal convention for Queen's, held to-day, L. E. Prose, merchant, Charlottetown, was nominated for the Federal parliament as colleague of Hon. B. Warburton.

Travellers' Notes. Toronto, Dec. 29.—The Canadian Commercial Travellers' Association, Toronto, proposes that members be given the privilege of voting in parliamentary elections by a registered letter.

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By Grand Jury Which Has Been Investigating Affairs of New York Life. (New York, Dec. 28.—The grand jury for a month has been investigating the affairs of the New York Life Insurance Company.

MANY PASS THEIR ENTRANCE EXAMS VICTORIA GIRL IS SECOND IN THE LIST

Twenty-five Candidates from Vancouver Island Qualify For the High School. One hundred and forty-two, out of two hundred and eighty-two candidates were successful at the midwinter high school entrance examinations this year.

Armstrong Centre. Total number of candidates, 9; passed, 0. Kamloops Centre. Total number of candidates, 12; passed, 0.

Chase River—Number of candidates, 1; passed, 0. Nanaimo Centre. Total number of candidates, 18; passed, 10.

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ARE CHARGED WITH FORGERY FORMER INSURANCE OFFICIALS INDICTED

By Grand Jury Which Has Been Investigating Affairs of New York Life.

New York, Dec. 28.—The grand jury which has been investigating the affairs of the New York Life Insurance Company returned indictments to-day charging forgery in the third degree against George W. Perkins, former vice-president of the New York Life and a member of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., and Charles S. Fitch, a former director of the insurance company.

PLEA OF NOT GUILTY

and gave bond in the sum of \$10,000, his sureties being J. P. Morgan, Jr., who pledged a city residence valued at \$50,000, and Cleveland H. Dodge, who pledged unimproved city property valued at \$50,000. Mr. Fairchild, who is a resident of New York, was not present.

The grand jury accompanied the indictments with a presentation to the effect that the jurors were convinced that in doing the acts charged against them.

THE NEW AMBASSADOR

Mr. Bryce's Appointment Will Be Officially Gazetted on Monday.

London, Dec. 28.—The formal acceptance of the United States of James Bryce as British ambassador at Washington was received in a cable dispatch which reached the foreign office on Tuesday. Thereupon it was determined this morning that Mr. Bryce's appointment shall be officially gazetted on Monday.

STICKS TO ITS GUNS

French Minister Declares Government Will Not Consider Proposed Reforms.

Paris, Dec. 28.—The senate has concluded the general debate on the new church matter, and the principle of the bill was voted yesterday by 187 ayes.

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N.—At Langley, on Dec. 24, A. E. Vert, James Allen Simpson.

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QUESTIONS FOR CANDIDATES.

Number Formulated by Citizens' League Which Will Be Out During Campaign.

At the meeting of the Citizens' League held on Friday at the W. C. T. U. mission, it was resolved to ask the following questions of all candidates at the municipal election:

WARMING UP AT VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, Dec. 28.—Stuart Livingston, barrister, will run in Richmond against F. Carter Cotton and J. W. Weart.

RAILWAY APPOINTMENTS.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—The Canadian Pacific Railway Company announced two important changes from headquarters to-day.

LABOR STATISTICS.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—The annual report of the department of labor states that during the year ending June 30th last there were 29 trade disputes in Canada, involving approximately 538 firms and 18,033 work people.

CARDINAL'S SUDDEN DEATH.

Rome, Dec. 28.—Cardinal Cavanti was found dead in bed this morning, having succumbed to paralysis of the heart.

STEAMER LOST.

The Heidelberg Wrecked During Storm—Several of the Crew Drowned.

GENEROUS DONATION.

H. L. Blachoffschelm Gives \$200,000 to Cancer Research Fund.

BARON BUDETTE-COUTTS ILL.

New York, Dec. 28.—A dispatch from London says Baroness Burdette-Coutts is suffering from acute bronchitis.

TROUBLE FOR GRANT.

Vancouver, Dec. 28.—The loggers have decided to bring out C. A. Mackinnon as an independent candidate for Comox.

GOVERNOR SLAIN.

Gen. Litvinoff Assassinated Near His Office in Omsk, Russia.

SNOW ON CONTINENT.

Paris, Dec. 28.—The continent is covered with the heaviest snow. Railroad traffic in France, Spain, Switzerland and Belgium is seriously hampered.

SUICIDE AT NIAGARA.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Dec. 28.—A woman believed to be Mary Hogan, of Buffalo, committed suicide this morning by going over the American falls.

OUTLOOK IN VANCOUVER.

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ROUTE EXCELS ALL THE OTHERS

EXCELLENT ROAD FOR GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC

C. C. Van Arsdol Speaks of the Plans of the Company for Building.

C. C. Van Arsdol, divisional engineer of the Grand Trunk Pacific, with headquarters at Edmonton, arrived in the city last evening.

Mr. Van Arsdol, in an interview to-day, said that the Grand Trunk Pacific had an opportunity to have the best line across the continent, and would see to it that it was so built.

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Mr. Henry Jennings, brother of Mrs. Henry Gribble, of Pandora avenue, is here visiting his sister, whom he has not seen for many years.

Mr. Thomas Davis, who spent a couple of weeks in the south, returned here to-day.

STRUCK OFF THE ROLL OF VOTERS

OVER ONE HUNDRED NAMES ARE REMOVED

Court of Revision Completes Its Work and Delinquent Electors Are Dealt With.

The labors of the court of revision, consisting of the Mayor and Ald. Fullerton and Yates, came to an end yesterday after several hours had been spent in striking names from the voters' list.

Mr. L. H. Brown, of Revelstoke, is spending a holiday here, a guest at the Balmoral.

Mr. Salt, of the Vancouver High school teaching staff, is spending his holidays in Victoria.

Mr. C. E. Leonard Dudley, a C. P. R. official from Spence Bridge, has been in the city the greater part of this week.

Miss Peggy Somerville, of Victoria West, was the hostess at a most enjoyable dance on Thursday night, when she entertained a number of her high school friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. McNaughton, of Vancouver, spent the greater part of this week here among their many friends. Their headquarters was the Driard hotel.

The Misses Campbell and Gertrude Grant, of Seattle, are visiting their sister, Mrs. John Douglas, "Arbutus", Fairfield road.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hobson are back from Cariboo and are at their house on Belcher street.

Miss Madge Holden and Miss Erminie Bass, who have been attending All Hallows' school at Yale, are home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Langley came down from Vancouver on Sunday and remained over Monday and Tuesday



(From Saturday's Daily.)

A house party to the number of thirty-five assembled around the Christmas tree at the Rocabella on Christmas evening.

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Miss L. M. Mills, of Vancouver, is spending her holiday at the Balmoral.

The Christmas guest day at the Alexandra Club, which was held on Thursday, was very well attended and fully as enjoyable as any heretofore given there.

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A novel ball, which is to be given by Lord and Lady Aberdeen in Dublin, is thus described in a society journal:

A big function planned by Lady Aberdeen is an Irish lace ball, at which every lady guest will wear a dress trimmed with Irish lace or crochet.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Smith and children are down from Vancouver; they are staying with the Stelmarmans.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Briggs, of Nelson, arrived in town yesterday afternoon and will remain here over New Year's.

Mr. Hugh Cobbe left on Tuesday for Quebec, where he will take a course of military instruction.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Dunsinville entertained a large number of friends at a dinner party on Christmas night.

Mr. and Mrs. William Nelson, of New Westminster, spent this week at the capital visiting Captain and Mrs. Gould at their residence, corner of Simcoe and Clarence streets.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carter, wife of Mr. Carter, electrician, at the quarantine station, spent the holiday week in town with her friends and relatives.

Mr. Beauchamp Tye has been in Vancouver and New Westminster spending the holiday season with her relatives there.

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OVER THE TREE

AT "MAPLEHURST" WITH MRS. LANGLEY'S FATHER, MR. JUSTICE WALKER.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Barnard spent Christmas in Seattle.

Mrs. Norton has issued invitations for a subscription dance in A. O. U. W. hall on Monday. This is to be a ball poude and snow dance.

Mr. Merryvees, of the Bank of Commerce staff in Victoria some years ago, but recently in Portland, is staying with Mr. W. E. Oliver at Oak Bay.

The many friends of Mrs. Tatlow will be pleased to learn that she is so far recovered from her recent illness as to leave the hospital for her home.

Chief Justice and Mrs. Hunter spent Christmas at Shawinigan lake.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Waghorne are down from Vancouver and enjoying a week's golf. They are staying at the Oak Bay hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley McB. Smith are spending the week in Seattle.

Mr. Kenneth Schofield is back from Vancouver, where he had Christmas dinner with his sister, Mrs. Innes, and was a spectator at the Stanford-Vancouver football match.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Baird are staying with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Oliver, Oak Bay.

Miss Lottie Bowron is back from Seattle.

Amongst the old time Victorians who came home for Christmas was Mr. Willie Charles, of the land registry office staff at Kamloops. He is staying with his mother here on Fort street.

Mr. and Miss J. E. McMullen, who for a week have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Bodwell, have returned to Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Scott, of Ganges Harbor, are staying at "Mount Adelaide," the home of Mrs. Henry Croft.

Dr. Boyd, who has been in Cariboo for the summer, is back in Victoria.

Miss Winnie Davis is in Kamloops, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Nash.

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AT AN ENJOYABLE DINNER PARTY AT GONZALES ON CHRISTMAS DAY.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Watson, with their family, returned home last Saturday from a most enjoyable and profitable concert tour.

Mr. W. R. Dickrell, of Chemalunus, spent part of the week in the city among his friends. He made the Driard his headquarters while here.

Mr. A. L. Wilson, of Ganges Harbor, spent the holidays in Victoria. He stayed at the Balmoral while here.

A wedding of interest to a large number in Victoria, where the bride some three years ago was a favorite in society, was solemnized at Coburg, Ontario, on the 18th inst.

Mr. H. F. Myton is in town.

Mr. Jacob Cambie has gone to Greenwood and his place here has been taken by Mr. Macdougall, of Vancouver.

Mr. Kenneth Macrae, of Duncan, is visiting his parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Harvey, with their little son, Master J. Harvey, were the guests of Mrs. Harvey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gaudin, at Ida Villa, Esquimalt road, for the holiday season.

Mr. and Miss Skinner, of Duncan, were in the city for the Christmas holidays, with their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Stevens, Burdette avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Earle, of Ladysmith, arrived here on Saturday last and were the guests of Mrs. Earle's sister, Mrs. W. H. Wood, of Henry street, for the holiday season.

Mr. Paul Smith, son of Mr. McCully Smith, shipbuilding superintendent for Bussell, Bussell, and Co., is at the head of a C. P. R. survey party in the Nicola canyon, and left again on Wednesday's boat for the scene of his labors.

Miss McMicking and Miss Elaine McMicking returned home on Saturday of last week from a visit to their father, Mr. Nelson, where they spent the greater part of the summer and autumn. While there they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Fenwick, former farmer who is gold commissioner for that district. Mrs. Fenwick is a sister of the Misses McMicking.

Mr. Fullinger, of Duncan, spent the Christmas holidays here among his numerous friends.

Mr. George Yale Simpson, of Vancouver, spent the Christmas holidays here with his parents at St. John's street. He left for the Terminal City again on Thursday's outgoing boat.

Mr. J. S. Gordon, school inspector for the upper country, is in the city on professional business. He is making his headquarters at the King Edward while here.

Mrs. Thomas Watson went to Vancouver on Wednesday's outgoing Charmer to visit her sister, Mrs. Frank Bowser, for a few days.

On Christmas evening Mrs. (Dr.) Burgess, of Yates street, entertained a number of friends at a most charming children's party.

The latter was supplied in a very entertaining manner by the Watson family, Miss Lawrence and Miss Thelma Gault. After the entertainment a delicious supper was served to all present. The table was very effectively decorated with holly, ribbons, flowers and ferns. Some of the guests were Master James Watson, Master Frank Medina, Master Willie Watson, Miss Marjorie Watson, Miss Laura Rude, Miss Gladys Watson, Miss Lillian Burns, Master Tommy Watson, Master Ernest Spence, Master Jack Lawrence, Master Jesse Klippen, Miss Edith Lawrence, Miss Edna Lawrence, Miss Thelma Gault, Master Albert Lawrence, Master Harold Lawrence, Mrs. Sinclair, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Watson, Mrs. Klippen and some others.

Mrs. C. F. Cross, of Foul Bay road, entertained her relatives and a number of friends at a charming evening on Tuesday. The table was decorated with carnations and ferns, and all present thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Mrs. Clarence Carter, wife of Mr. Carter, electrician, at the quarantine station, spent the holiday week in town with her friends and relatives.

Mrs. Beauchamp Tye has been in Vancouver and New Westminster spending the holiday season with her relatives there.

Mr. and Mrs. William Nelson, of New Westminster, spent this week at the capital visiting Captain and Mrs. Gould at their residence, corner of Simcoe and Clarence streets.

REJECTED LOVER ENDS HIS LIFE SHOT HIMSELF AFTER QUARREL WITH FIANCEE

Farmer Frozen to Death in Ontario—Aged Settler Accidentally Shot by Grandson.

Brantford, Ont., Dec. 27.—Arthur Butterworth, son of a well known manufacturer, succumbed to bullet wounds inflicted by himself at the home of his fiancée on Wednesday.

Butterworth paid a visit on Christmas Eve to his prospective bride, at which a quarrel took place between the couple. He called again the following night, but was refused permission to make his calls, the engagement having been broken.

He returned to the house later, walked in and, seized with a mad impulse, shot himself with a 22-calibre revolver in the presence of the mother of his fiancée. The young lady is very well known and highly respected and was a leading singer in the choir of a local church.

Frozen to Death.

Belleville, Ont., Dec. 27.—Stanley Camrite of Prince Edward county, a farmer, was found frozen stiff. He had been cutting cordwood.

Died of Heart Disease.

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 27.—Alexander Nicholson died here on Saturday of heart disease, and his brother Henry of Marlinton succumbed to-day to the same disease.

Carload of Silver.

Port Arthur, Ont., Dec. 27.—A carload of silver, valued at \$15,000, was shipped from the Hanson Consolidated mine to Omaha to-day.

Ontario Legislature.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 27.—The Ontario legislature has been called for January 24th.

Sudbury Line.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 27.—Track-laying gangs of the C. P. R. Sudbury line gained their point when they laid steel into Balala by Christmas morning.

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 27.—James Camb, aged 73 years, one of the early settlers, was accidentally shot and killed by his grandson, who was shooting at a target on the homestead near Mountain Grove.

Hon. C. S. Hyman's Health.

London, Ont., Dec. 27.—The latest reports from Hon. C. S. Hyman, who is still in the south, say that he is improving in health. He has been assured that there is no organic complaint. He has been suffering from insomnia and nervous troubles of an acute character, and it is hoped that rest and change of scene will prove effective in restoring him to his full strength.

Gas For Brandon.

Brandon, Man., Dec. 27.—Messrs. Eaton and Spring, of the International Lighting & Heating Company, Beatrice, Neb., have secured a 30-year contract to supply gas to the city. They will erect a \$100,000 plant.

Citizens Pined.

Montreal, Dec. 27.—Citizens by the hundreds are being summoned by the civic authorities for the sin of omission in connection with the by-laws which call for clean sidewalks and iceless eaves. One hundred were fined yesterday, and another lot of one hundred summons were issued to-day in the same connection.

A Chicago dispatch says: In his annual report Brigadier Doolittle, who was in command of the department of the lakes, speaks of a noticeable feeling of unrest among the officers of the regular army stationed within his department.

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WANTED-MALE HELP

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion. WANTED-A good, smart boy to learn the drug business...

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HOME FOR SALE. FIVE ROOM COTTAGE, NEAR OAK BAY AVENUE, ALL MODERN CONVENIENCES...

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HAVE FOR SALE: SPLENDID ACREAGE-Immediately adjoining the city limits. TWO FINE BUILDING LOTS-On St. Charles street...

PARSONS, LOVE & CO.

REAL ESTATE AGENTS, 74 DOUGLAS STREET. \$2,000-3 of an acre, Belmont avenue, fenced and cultivated, about 1/2 fruit trees, a fine building site...

LEE & FRASER,

REAL ESTATE AGENTS, 11 TROUBLE AVE., VICTORIA, B. C. BUSINESS PROPERTY. PANDORA AND BROAD STREETS-Known as the Art. site 30 feet on Pandora and 100 feet 10 1/2 inches on Broad street...

VICTORIA AND DISTRICT REALTY CO.

8 METROPOLITAN BLOCK, OPP. POST OFFICE. 1-1/2 acres of land, \$700. Very good, all fenced and cleared, corner lot, small barn and stable, in the city and close to water...

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REAL ESTATE AGENT, 4 FORT STREET. Established 1858. Phone 38. JAMES BAY-Cottage, large lot fronting Erie and Ontario streets, price \$1,200...

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12 FORT STREET. 1 LOT-On View street, \$3,500, with two good houses, close in. 10 ACRES-Cleared, all fine land, close to city, \$250 per acre.

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NEAR BURNSIDE ROAD-4 acres, in fruit, good house, well, price \$3,500. 4-6 ACRES-3 minutes from car, under drained, well fenced, all clear, good for sub-division purposes, \$80 per acre.

PEMBERTON & SON 4 FORT STREET. COLLINSON STREET-Very large lot and good house, on corner, \$2,100. POUL BAY ROAD-Acreage, at reasonable prices.

SWINERTON & ODDY 112 GOVERNMENT STREET. NIAGARA STREET-Lot, \$5,100. KINGSTON STREET-Water front lot, 60x30, \$4,200.

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WOODMEN OF THE WORLD-Victoria Camp No. 65, Canadian Order of the Woodmen of the World, meets in A. O. U. W. Hall, corner Douglas and Pandora streets, 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, W. Noble, secretary, 144 Oswego street.

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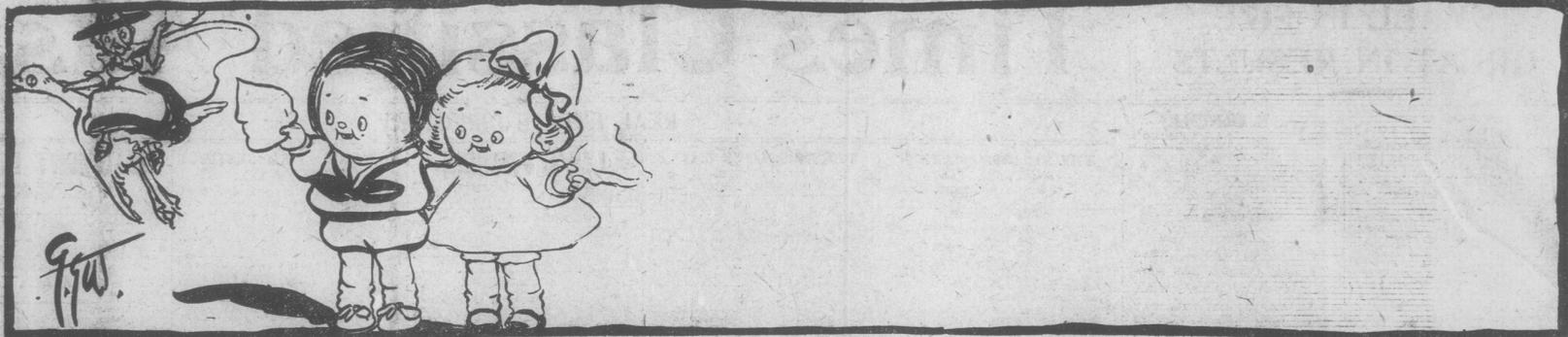
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The Adventures of Dolly Drake and Bobby Blake in Storyland

Drawn by GRACE G. WIEDERSEIM. Story by MARGARET G. HAYS.



I AM MOTHER GOOSE"



WE HAVE HAD MOST BOOFUL TIME"



DOWN CAME A BIG WHITE GOOSE

DOLLY DRAKE and Bobby Blake had been traveling so long in Storyland that they began to feel a little weary, and to long for "Home and Mother." They were very glad to meet a tall old lady with a long pointed nose, dressed in a long red cloak and high peaked cap, who said:

"Well, Dolly Drake and Bobby Blake, how have you enjoyed your visit to me in Storyland? I am Mother Goose."

"We have had a most 'booful' time," answered Dolly, and Bobby just grinned and stood with one foot over the other. Mother Goose took them both on her lap, and they were feeling so lovely and comfy—till suddenly—Flip, Flap, Flop.

Down beside them came flying a great big white goose.

"Quack, Quack, Quack,
Get on to my back,"
he said.

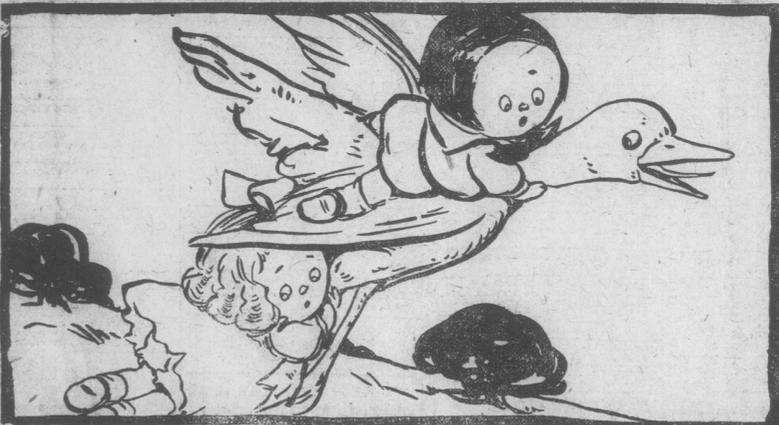
Dolly and Bobby clambered up on the big Goosey Gander's back, and Mother Goose kissed them both "goodby," not without difficulty, however, because her long pointed nose would get in the way.

So off flew the big white goose, Dolly and Bobby barely managing to cling to its slippery back. It seemed to grow slippier and slippier, till, at last, "Help! Help!" cried Bobby. "I'm falling." Dolly was clinging to one of the goose's long yellow legs. When bang! bang! down they both fell.

Bobby and Dolly sat up and rubbed their eyes and looked foolish—and where do you think they were? Sitting at the little tea table under the very apple tree where Mother Goose's invitation had been delivered to them. My goodness, but they were glad to be home again. And, strange to say, no one had even noticed that they had been away, visiting Mother Goose in Storyland.



MOTHER GOOSE BID THEM GOODBYE



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MANY PA

Another Terrible
--Bodies of

Topeka, Kas., Jan. 2.—
and 30 passengers, most
were killed and as many
ly injured in a head-on col-
o'clock this morning. The
of Alta Vista, between pas-
No. 29, southbound, and
on the Chicago & Rock I.
Most of the killed and
on the south-bound train
into a ditch and several
caught fire.
Many of the bodies of
were consumed by the fla-
The injured are being
peka on a relief train.
The early reports state
collision was caused by the
ness of the agent at Vola-

Another Report
Kansas City, Mo., Jan.
phone message from Mr. F.
says: "Twenty-nine Mex-
coach on the south-bound
burned to death. No one
rescued of the fate of the
on the north-bound train."
Thirty Persons K
Topeka, Kansas, Jan. 2.
the Rock Island railway,
trains collided five miles
Vista, estimated the num-
at 30 and injured at 40.

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BARONESS GAVE
DURING HER

Anglican Church in Brit
Owes Gratitude to
English Philanthro

New York, Jan. 2.—A
London says the Daily
intimate friend of the
Burdette-Coutts as say-
likely that her will con-
quests to charity and the
her fortune will go to
William Lehman Ashm
Burdette-Coutts, who is
late Ellis Bartley, of Pl-

Baroness Burdette-Coutts
away in London on Sun-
garded as the world's gr-
philanthropist.
Baroness Angela Geor-
Coutts was born April
was the daughter of the
ch Burdett, Bart., M.P.,
Thomas Coutts, son of
Coutts' Bank, the richest
in the world. She was
of the bank having in-
interest in it when she
age. Since then her char-
was judicious giving. In
Charles Dickens she visit-
slums, and soon began
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them with model dwell-
spent about \$2,000,000
schemes for London's pe-

Local Benefac-
The Anglican church
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Columbia, by endowing
magnificent sum of \$15,000
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New Westminster. The
endowed two archdeaco-
Vancouver Island and the
Mainland. When the di-
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