

TWO CENTS ALL ROUND

A PAPER COMBINE. Forty Million Dollars Interested in Proposed Consolidation.

Mr. Mulock's Imperial Preference Idea Discarded After One Week's Trial.

All Foreign and Canadian Points Included in the Reduced Letter Rate.

To Make Up Deficit M. P. Promised Office.

The proclamation of Mr. Mulock's imperial preference idea is discarded after one week's trial.

The Conservative press generally have emphasized the inconsistency of the government's position.

The deficit will be met by increased taxation, a duty of 10 cents per pound on tea now being spoken of.

Consul-General Kleczkowski says the government of France is still prepared to give a subsidy of 400,000 francs for a direct line between Canada and France.

It is said that the Dominion C.P. has received a positive promise of the lieutenant-governorship of Manitoba when Mr. Patterson's time is up.

Washington Notes—That Exchange of Letters Will Now Be on Even Basis.

Washington, Dec. 30.—The Canadian government in a telegram from Postmaster General Mulock to Postmaster General Smith announces that it has reduced the domestic letter rate from three to two cents per ounce, commencing on January 1.

Under the convention between the United States and Canada, a rate of two cents for each country applying to each letter sent. The reduction now makes a common rate.

Postmaster General Smith at the request of Canadian government calls the attention of all postmasters of the country through the Associated Press to the reduction and to its taking effect on New Year's day with a view to preventing matter sent being charged up as "short paid."

DYNAMITE KILLS TWO. Besides Wounding Four Others Employed in Soulanges Canal Work.

Cote du Lac, Que., Dec. 30.—(Special)—While a gang of plasterers were at work on No. 1 section, Soulanges canal, this morning, a dynamite cartridge exploded accidentally, killing two drillers, J. Larocque, whose head was blown completely off, and a man named Kelly, while in addition four Finlanders were injured.

SHIVERS IN MANITOBA. From Twelve to Thirty-four Degrees Below Zero Throughout the Province.

Winnipeg, Dec. 30.—(Special)—The weather last night was the coldest that has been experienced this year, and this morning every point in the province and Territories reported temperatures ranging from 12 to 32 degrees below zero.

JEWS BARRED FROM PALESTINE. Turkish Authorities Object to Presence of Large Bodies of Same Religion.

Washington, Dec. 30.—The department of state recently received from the United States minister at Constantinople information that the minister of foreign affairs of Turkey had informed him that the Turkish government had no intention to prevent American citizens, whether Jews or Christians, coming as individuals and not en masse, from visiting Syria or Palestine as travellers or visitors.

Best reports as to distributive trade naturally come from the grain growing sections of the country, which were the first to feel an improvement resulting from free foreign demand for our cereals.

Colon, Colombia, Dec. 30.—The local press, referring to-day to the report that the Italian second-class cruiser Fierro-mocca, under command of Admiral Di Brocetti, had been ordered to Colombian waters to demand satisfaction for a recent insult offered to Italian naval officers, says that Colombia should act with dignity, prudence and forbearance.

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BRITISH AND FRENCH

Clashing Interests in China Making Trouble—Tsun-li Yamens Hostility to Britain.

Suggestion of Sale of Rights in Newfoundland, Distasteful to French Government.

Increased Strength of the Protection Fleet on the Fishing Banks—Naval Reserve.

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 31.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Times says: "It is officially asserted here that the protests of Sir Claude Macdonald, the British minister at Peking, China has acceded to the demands for an extension of the exclusive French settlement at Peking, and is likely to hamper the negotiations for the extension of the cosmopolitan settlement, in regard to which the viceroi of Nankin is disposed to meet the views of the British, American and German consuls."

The viceroi is greatly chagrined at the failure of Great Britain to support his determined policy in the matter of the Yangtze Kiang, at any important crisis. Satisfactory conclusions are not likely to result from British negotiations anywhere in China so long as the personnel of the Duanqi Yamens remains as now, actively hostile to British interests.

TRADE OF THE WEEK

Satisfactory Finish to a Record Year of United States Exports Double the Imports.

Profits Not Expanding With Volume of Business—Canadian Bank Clearings.

By Associated Press. New York, Dec. 30.—Dun's review of Canadian trade says: "Canadian reports this week indicate only a quiet trade, with fair holiday business. St. John reports very quiet business, and Halifax notes that prices in leading lines are maintained, with losses from had debts smaller than usual. Though the lumber business is not so favorable, gold mining is active and ahead of previous years. Failures are about 30 per cent. less in number and liabilities than last year. At Quebec wholesale trade is quiet, with collections fair, and retailers are busy. At Montreal retail business is good, and money is coming in well. Toronto reports quiet wholesale trade, but moderate sorting up orders and a good holiday trade. Hamilton business has slackened with the holiday season. At Winnipeg jobbers report similar conditions to last year's, with retail trade quiet, but money not much easier. At Victoria the Christmas business compares favorably with former years, but wholesale trade is rather quiet, though the outlook is good."

New York, Dec. 30.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: "The holiday quiet in general, sustained activity in industrial lines, particularly iron and steel, exceptionally large shipments of goods on orders, bankers' reports, and specially heavy dealings in speculative movements, are features calling for notable mention in the closing week of the year. Firmness in price is likewise an encouraging feature in most staples. Wheat, though showing reaction, is higher for each week owing to large export clearances and other cereals are in sympathy. The pig iron demand grows, and prices for this product and iron castings, steel billets, plates, and wire rods are all higher on the week, while the volume of foreign trade for finished metal products apparently increases as the year draws to its conclusion."

Cincinnati, Dec. 30.—Frank Wehr, a moulder, to-day struck his only son Frank, aged 12, on the head with a hammer and crushed the skull. The crime was committed at his north-east Pine street. Wehr had been drinking heavily and had robbed his child's bank to procure whiskey.

Alleged Insane Murderer Gets Another Production Into Print.

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BRUTE FORCE IN OHIO

Railroad Rivals Seek to Settle a Dispute by Its Application.

Wellston, O., Dec. 30.—A railroad war is on here between the Columbus, Hocking Valley & Toledo and Baltimore & Ohio and Southwestern roads. As a result the Hocking has a turn up switch and several ruined cars and the Southwestern has a probable damage suit on it. The Hocking Valley road built a switch on private property along the Southwestern tracks and have held it down with loaded cars. This morning a gang of Southwestern trackmen overpowered the Hocking Valley employees and tore up one rail of the switch, and then a switch engine with a chain completed the work. A lot of cars loaded with pipe iron were backed on the dis-putted track by the Hocking Valley employes, but were dished and smashed, blocking both roads. A large force of Hocking Valley men came in at noon and re-asserted possession of the disputed territory. The Southwestern officials wired for additional men and more trouble is expected to-night.

MRS. BOTKIN GUILTY

Life Imprisonment for Causing Death of Two Women by Sending Poisoned Candy.

Evidence so Conclusive that the Jury Were out Only Three Hours.

By Associated Press. San Francisco, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Cordelia Botkin, charged with the murder of Mrs. John P. Dunning, of Dover, Del., has been found guilty and sentenced to life imprisonment. When she was arraigned in the police court the day following, Mrs. Jacobs did not appear against him, and the police charged him with being a tramp, and not having any visible means of support. Norman, he said, at the time, had money in his pocket, has recommendations from high officials of the Great Northwestern Telegraph Company of Canada and a number of other valuables. He says the recommendation and the money have not yet been returned to him. Judge King committed him to the penitentiary for the term of sixty days on the testimony given by police officials. Mr. Cronin produced an affidavit signed by S. C. Rice, chief operator of the Western Union company at Albany, saying Norman was being sent to the penitentiary and that he was a man of good character and a splendid operator.

After reading the affidavits, Judge King would not grant an appeal in the case and would release Norman on \$100 bail. The papers were served on keeper Sloan this afternoon and he released the prisoner. Norman says he is going to Montreal to see his wife and children and will return to prosecute the people responsible for his arrest and incarceration.

RUSSIA VIEWS WITH ALARM

The Construction of Nicaragua Canal and United States' Appearance as Asiatic Power.

New York, Dec. 30.—The Herald's European edition prints the following: "Russia is evidently beginning a campaign against the Nicaragua canal. The Novoe Vremya publishes articles not only warmly advocating the Panama scheme, but filled with bitter dislike of the United States. The writer says that the predominance of the United States would have been desirable for Russia a few years ago, but all this has changed since the last war. The writer goes on to say that the United States has become a colonial power and Asiatic power. Regarding the Panama canal, he says that it is a great strategic position occupied by the Americans in Sandwich, Philippine and Samoan and Mariana islands."

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OPERATOR'S HARDLUCK

Sent to Penitentiary as a Tramp Because Found out of Work in Buffalo.

Had Come From Montreal with a Prospect of Employment in Albany.

Bore an Excellent Character But the Police Did Not Swear In Against Him.

By Associated Press. Buffalo, Dec. 31.—Judge Emery in the County court to-day granted an order releasing Norman from the penitentiary. He was sent on December 22 to serve sixty days on the charge of being a tramp. The petition for his release was made by attorney John L. Cronin, who asserted that the arrest was unjustifiable and the conviction a gross miscarriage of justice. Norman's home is at 129 Dufresne street. He is 37 years old and he has a wife and five children. His wife is lying at the point of death. According to the petition presented by attorney Cronin, Norman came here from Montreal intending to go to Albany to accept a position as telegraph operator with the Western Union company. He went to the house of Mrs. Jacobs at 44 South Division street for a few days. Mr. Cronin informed Judge Emery that while Mrs. Jacobs gave him \$45 to speculate for her in wheat; that he took the money, but the market went the wrong way and the money went into the pockets of the brokers. He said Mrs. Jacobs then had him arrested on the charge of petty larceny. When he was arraigned in the police court the day following, Mrs. Jacobs did not appear against him, and the police charged him with being a tramp, and not having any visible means of support. Norman, he said, at the time, had money in his pocket, has recommendations from high officials of the Great Northwestern Telegraph Company of Canada and a number of other valuables. He says the recommendation and the money have not yet been returned to him. Judge King committed him to the penitentiary for the term of sixty days on the testimony given by police officials. Mr. Cronin produced an affidavit signed by S. C. Rice, chief operator of the Western Union company at Albany, saying Norman was being sent to the penitentiary and that he was a man of good character and a splendid operator.

WAR WITH FILIPINOS

American Forces Likely to Give Battle to Take Iloilo From Aguinaldo.

Insurgents Form New Cabinet Pledged to Insist on Independence of Islands.

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 30.—The war department is expecting hourly definite word from General Otis as to what has occurred at Iloilo. Otis must soon hear from General Miller, in command of the American force sent on this expedition. It is recognized that the situation at Iloilo is one which may bring about a sharp and possibly a serious issue between the insurgents and the United States forces. What General Miller will do as to taking possession of the city, either with force or without, is not officially disclosed, and indeed, it is likely that considerable discretion is lodged with the commanding officer as to the steps should be taken. But in the event of a clash between the United States forces and the insurgents war department officials say there could be no doubt as to the outcome. The American force numbers about 2,500 as against an estimated force of some 10,000 insurgents, but no doubt is expressed as to the adequacy of the American forces.

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Certain social evils always have existed and always will exist. It is impossible to stamp them out. Suppressed in one direction, they make their appearance in another.

What the public will feel most concerned about is the reasons given by Messrs. Redfern and Heilmann why the law should not be enforced. They talked of this being a seaport with a floating population.

We pass the observations of Dr. Heilmann by with little comment as possible. It would be easy to employ very strong language, and none would be too strong to use concerning them.

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The institution of an action against Mr. Stoddart for upwards of \$200,000 penalty for violation of the act to secure the independence of parliament is a matter which will attract a great deal of attention.

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CANADA AND UNITED STATES.

We printed yesterday a special Post-Intelligencer despatch from Washington regarding the Anglo-American negotiations. It is not very pleasant reading, but when the comments of the correspondent are eliminated there is really not very much left.

The correspondent is quite wrong in saying that it was the hope of reciprocity that brought the commission together. The commission was for the settlement of several open questions between the two countries, which have at various times created more or less friction.

THE APPOINTMENT OF JUDGES.

The Toronto Mail and Empire thinks that the British Columbia statute specifying the qualifications of a judge of the Supreme court ought to be repealed, for it says the opinion of Hon. Mr. Mills, minister of justice, on this subject is of the highest value.

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The Colonist congratulates Mr. Robertson upon his reelection in Cowichan, and that constituency upon securing the services of so excellent a representative.

AN EXPLODED CRY.

There are any parts of the province especially concerned in the policy adopted by the E. & N. railway company in connection with its lands, they are the constituencies of Alberni and Cowichan.

A NEW MARTINISM.

There is a rumor that Mr. Joseph Martin, attorney-general of British Columbia, comes to Victoria occasionally, but he is so little in evidence in propria persona, that there has been some difficulty in obtaining confirmation of it.

A WARNING TO ATHLETES.

Percy M. Jaffray, who played centre in the Harvard football team, died suddenly a few days ago, and there does not seem to be the slightest doubt that his death was the result of over-training.

fluence upon football as played by the great college teams, and heretofore there will be less effort to train men down to the point hitherto aimed at. It seems clear that the cessation from training after a match leads to a derangement of the system, and if this is sufficiently serious in a few cases to lead to death, it is likely in most cases to undermine the constitution.

SOME RAILWAY MATTERS.

A report is in circulation to the effect that the Great Northern Railway Company contemplates constructing a line to a point on the St. Lawrence below Quebec and putting on a fast steamship line thence to Liverpool.

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THE WINNIPEG CORRESPONDENT.

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1899 A New Year 1899 May it be a happy and prosperous one for us all. Heartily thanking our friends and customers for the generous patronage of the past year we shall in 1899 make special effort to maintain a continuance of the pleasant relations now existing.

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PAINTS AND VARNISH. WHY is the name of THE CANADA PAINT CO., LTD., a guarantee of the contents of every package which bears it? BECAUSE they are primary makers and not merely color grinders, i.e. (a) They operate their own deposits of Canadian minerals, which are among the best in the world.

WEEK OF PR

Programme for Next Week Metropolitan Method The attention of the public programme for the week as arranged by the Metropolitan Method is as follows: Tuesday, January 3.—Church Universal. Speaker, W. Trotter, B.A., and J. C. Mann, Mr. Thornton Hill, B.A., and Dr. J. D. W. Win. Marchant. Speakers: Rev. P. C. and J. P. Hicks; chairman, Laundy. Friday.—Subject, "The Week of Prayer." Speakers: Rev. A. B. W. and W. H. Barraclough, Mr. Walter Morris. In addition to the above, arranged for the convening of Victoria West, to hold that part of the city, an evening in Victoria West, when Revs. Dr. Campbell will give addresses, and preside and on Thursday Paul's Presbyterian church members will be Revs. D. P. Knox; and the Gladding. The subjects appointed meetings are those suggested following Alliance. King Humbert of Italy was a hunter. He shot the coat expedition in the Victoria West. The next week these animals in one day fell to King Humbert's men. Humbert declares that he has been approached but one Victor Emmanuel killed the same region.

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Opposition Liners Reach Port Close Together After an Exciting Run.

Deep Sea Fleet Bunch at the Outer Wharf—Trans-Pacific Trade.

Four big ocean liners in considerably less than 24 hours—or to be more exact, a ship every three hours—was Victoria's record yesterday. One of these, the Warrimoo, arrived from Australia on Thursday, and has previously been mentioned. Following her came the Walla Walla, from San Francisco, with 50 orders of freight and a dozen or more passengers for Victoria; and then the Yamaguchi Maru, Victoria and Queen.

SIFTONISM IN YUKON.

Best Hydraulic Locations Available as Gifts for Friends.

From the Montreal Gazette. Regulations for hydraulic mining in the Yukon have been agreed on. The Yukon, and of which we published a number of times, appears in the next number of the Canada Gazette. We have waited for the official version before making our comments on Mr. Sifton's latest effort at the administration of the Yukon...

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

HYPNOTISM.

Sir—I am surprised that no one of your correspondents has noticed the astounding statement of Mr. McEwen's that the hand of a hypnotized person could be exposed to fire without injury. This is simply nonsense. Loss of sensibility by excess of religious fervor or "fanaticism." A person seized by a tiger or other wild animal is often and usually hypnotized to feel of insensibility to pain.

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TRADE WITH ASIA.

Shippers in the Oriental business say that there was never an era in which the trade looked better than it does now. It has just begun. There are five big steamship lines, or 15 vessels, now handling the trade and shipping to the Orient, and even now these ships are inadequate to the demands upon them.

ECONOMIES IN COWICHAN.

Sir—You and others will, I know, be interested to learn of the growing population in this section of the province. The population of Cowichan is now estimated to be 10,000. The growth of this population is due to the fact that the land is fertile and the climate is healthy.

AUSTRALIAN BUDGET.

A Ghastly Discovery Made in a Shaft in Western Australia. By the arrival of the Warrimoo last evening a party of men were engaged in the recovery of Mount Magnet, which point is the site of a coal mine.

LEPROSY IN OHIO.

Two Sisters Dying in a Cottage in New Lexington, O., Well-Guarded. Columbus, O., Dec. 25.—Hattie Gary, 27 years of age, and her sister, Hannah, 22 years old, are slowly dying of leprosy in their mother's cottage in New Lexington.

THE MODERN DAMASCUS.

Fascinating Streets and Picturesque Bazaars—How Damascene of To-Day Takes His Pleasure. From London Standard. Cross-legged, upon a red velvet couch, the citizen of Damascus, with his cigarette or narghile, sips his coffee or araki—a strong drink flavoured with aniseed—and looks dreamily out upon the world.

DEVIL WORSHIP.

In Spain, Germany, France, Italy, as well as in the northern countries which have embraced the Christian religion, the worship of devils is practiced. It is a form of idolatry which is practiced by many of the heathen nations of the world.

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WEEK OF PRAYER.

Programme for Next Week's Services in Metropolitan Methodist Church. The attention of the public is called to the programme for the week of prayer as arranged by the Ministerial Association. The meetings will be held in the Metropolitan Methodist church as follows: Tuesday, January 3.—Subject: "The Church Universal." Speakers: Revs. H. W. Trotter, B.A., and C. E. Foster, D.D., M.A., Mr. Thornton Felt.

PROGRESS OF THE WEST.

Statistics Show That Year Just Closing Has Been Remarkable One. Winnipeg, Dec. 30.—(Special)—In a lengthy report on the year, depicting the progress of the West, the Free Press presents the following figures: Main street property was sold during the year 1889 for \$350,000. Canadian department sales for the year were 351,779 acres, for which \$1,132,993.53 was realized. Canadian Northern Land Company sales were \$2,100,000 for 1890. The new directory will estimate that Winnipeg's population is nearing the 50,000 mark. This year's wheat harvest was imported from Manitoba from the United States during the year. In 1890 25,787 immigrants arrived at Winnipeg against 10,864 in 1889. Home immigrants for the year numbered 4,701 as compared with 2,383 in 1889.

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AN EXPENSIVE LUXURY. New York, Dec. 20.—Frank G. Gould has been elected to be the new mayor of New York. He is a wealthy man and is expected to be a very successful mayor. He is a member of the Exchange.

SPAIN APPREHENSIVE. Her Very Existence as a Nation Threatened by Present Course of Events. London, Dec. 31.—A despatch to the Standard from Madrid says that much concern has been caused in political and diplomatic circles by an interview printed in the Liberal with an unnamed minister. This minister declares that above all problems of interior policies there is a question of extraordinary gravity affecting the very existence of Spain which he proposes to discuss with the cabinet. He says that it should suffice to unite them in order to avert a catastrophe. He adds orally: "It is impossible to say more clearly. I will only say that the pre-occupation includes fears of apprehending events that might some day give a pretext for the intervention of England in pursuing with efficiency."

Private Banker's Sudden Death—Narrow Escape From Suffocation. Winnipeg, Dec. 31.—(Special)—R. S. Alexander, a private banker and postmaster, died suddenly after suffering from a severe attack of cholera. He was 47 years of age and had been in the city for some time.

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TRIANGULARS IN A CORD WOOD. Completion of American Triangulation Survey Likely to Produce Great Results.

The Work of Twenty-Five Years Brought to a Successful Termination.

The coast and geodetic survey has at last completed valuable measurements from which its corps of skilled mathematicians is shortly to determine for the first time, with any degree of accuracy, the figure and size of the earth.

The tremendous feat of surveying just finished is the most extensive and valuable contribution toward the solution of these problems thus far undertaken, and which will leave them for a year or two to come, as they have been accurately measured in feet and inches the longest arc of the earth's curvature ever covered by measurement.

For the first time, the curvature of the earth has been measured in feet and inches and fractions thereof, and its curvature has been determined in degrees by astronomical work, and the length of the arc has been measured in feet and inches and fractions thereof.

True, we have heard some little comments of a disparaging nature, and it is difficult to realize that nothing reasonably accurate can be done on the ground.

These measurements, considered in connection with the great arc newly surveyed, will be the first of the kind ever made, and will give the distance from either end to the center of the earth.

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Within the short space of a few hours after last midnight the fire loss of all the rest of the year was more than duplicated by a blaze in the very heart of the city, completely gutting the Heathorn block on Government street, and totally consuming the stocks carried by Thomas Bros. & Grant, the civil and military tailors, and Frank Campbell, the tobacconist, occupying the immediately adjoining premises on the ground floor.

The roughest approximation of the bill of damages is a difficult thing at present, with the fire but partially subdued as the Colonel goes to press; but it will not be less than \$300,000 for the night, and \$50 would probably have paid for all losses had immediate attention on the part of the brigade been possible.

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THAT CONTEMPT CASE. Attitude of Newspapers Urging Suppression of Free Speech the Most Discreditable Feature.

From the Nelson Miner.

Proceedings were instituted several weeks ago against the editor and manager of the Nelson Miner, for libel on the court, the contents consisting of an article in which he had recently been interested as a partisan.

The case was brought forward in a recent issue of the Colonist. His lordship made no order in the case, which is not surprising, as the case was one of the parties left to pay their own costs.

There are two points, however, in connection with it that will bear notice. The first is the attitude of the newspapers, which are urged to suppress free speech.

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WHITE PASS RAILWAY. Meeting of the Shareholders of the White Pass and Yukon Railroad in London.

From Colonial Goldfields Gazette, Dec. 10. The first general (statutory) meeting of the shareholders of the White Pass and Yukon Railroad, was held on Monday at the offices of the company, 17, St. Helen's street, London.

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no royalty payable on the Atlin gold and silver mines, and it is already apparent that this gold and silver support a much larger mining population than the Klondike.

It is also a good grass country, and will support during the summer months a few numbers of cattle, and, unlike the Klondike, the summer, not the winter, is the busy season at Atlin. It is practically certain that further prospecting of this district will result in greatly increasing the gold-bearing area.

Other districts in the Yukon have been prospected and proved this season, involving areas of thousands of miles in extent. It was not so tedious to refer in detail to them all, but mention should be made of the wonderful bench claims at Mackay, where placer gold has been found at heights up to 800 feet above the level of the river, thus proving that the Klondike is not a local phenomenon.

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TRANSVAAL IN APPROAR. British Residents Appeal to the Queen for Protection Against Boer Outrage.

Her Majesty's Consul Makes Firm Demand for Punishment of Official Murderer.

Boer Newspapers Incite to Violence Against British Though Kruger Makes Soft Talk.

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 29.—A disquieting situation is developing at Johannesburg. According to latest advices from there the place is seething with discontent, as on the eve of the Jameson raid, in consequence of government measures which the Uitlanders regard as being a fresh step in the direction of annexation.

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VALUABLE SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS WORTH OF GOODS TO BE SHIPPED FROM VICTORIA ON THE ALTAIR.

Collector Milne, Denver, Sound Smugglers in Northern California.

Collector A. R. Milne, Much of What Has Been on Governmental Affairs.

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CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT. Pupils of Calvary Baptist Church Sunday School Made Happy.

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HEAVY PENALTY DEMANDED. Action Commenced Against Mr. Stoddart, Late Member for East Lillooet.

An action has been commenced in the Supreme Court against D. A. Stoddart, formerly member for East Lillooet, by the legislative assembly, for \$200,000.

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